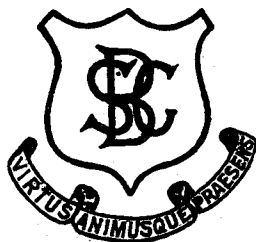


THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB



TWENTIETH

ANNUAL REPORT



1937 - 1938.

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB.

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R. Thomson.

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I. Cozens.
E. Crozier.
L. Davis.

L. Dunbar.
O. Osterman.
N. Mitchell.
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E. J. Siddeley	1924/1925
E. Love	1925/1926
H. W. Whiddon	1926/1927
H. W. Whiddon	1927/1928
E. J. Siddeley	1928/1929
R. W. May	1929/1930
R. W. May	1930/1931
E. J. Siddeley	1931/1932
H. W. Whiddon	1932/1933
R. G. Herford	1933/1934
R. G. Herford	1934/1935
J. E. Holmes	1935/1936
R. W. May	1936/1937

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE AND HON. TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

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To the Members of The Briars Sporting Club,
Gentlemen,—

The Twentieth Annual Report of your Club's activities for the year ended 30th June, 1938, submitted herewith, covers a period in which the progress of previous years has not been maintained.

While your representatives have performed with credit in both cricket and football, there has been throughout the various club activities a slackening of interest and a reduction in enthusiasm among members, which must be stimulated to ensure a return to the standard set in past years.

The Committee must rely on the practical efforts of individual members to attain this end, and looks forward to seeing better attendances at the Club Rooms and full participation in the sporting and social features provided.

Membership has been maintained at the excellent figures of last year—152—as follows:—

Active	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	105
Associate	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	36
Country	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11

CRICKET.

Sub-Committee: Messrs. R. Binsted, D. Fraser, A. Herron, A. Land, B. McKittrick and R. Thomson.

The same number of teams were fielded as last year, viz., three—one each in the "A" and "B" Grade Municipal and Shire Competition, controlled by the N.S.W. Cricket Association, and one in 3rd Grade of the Western Suburbs Association.

The material offering looked very promising indeed and the high hopes held out for a successful season were fully realised.

It is true that the 1st XI, dropped a place in the competition table, but both the Seconds and Thirds advanced considerably, and, all round, the standard was more even, making the fight for positions in the various teams so much keener.

The batting this year in the 1st and 2nd XI's proved the weakness, strange to say, and most of the losses recorded were through inconsistency in this department. The Thirds, however, needed one or two bowlers who could keep a reasonable length.

1st XI.—The results achieved were not in keeping with the personnel of the team. The failure of N. Neville and C. Nee to find their form, together with a falling off in C. Mitchell's capacity for runs was disappointing, and was only partly offset by the pleasing batting of J. Buzacott who, in his first season with the Club had the honour of heading both the aggregate and average. Close up were A. Land and H. Windon.

Only one century was recorded, but that was a very good one by R. Buzacott against Lindfield. What a pity Dick has not the application of brother John!

The bowling honours went to two members promoted from the 2nd. XI.—J. Walker and E. Annetts. John bowled particularly well; he has plenty of natural ability, but needs a lot of work to get him into condition, which might also be said of I. Cozens, who did not reveal his best form until late in the season.

A. Lynch proved a useful slow bowler and might have been used more frequently with advantage.

The fielding, apart from one or two matches, was quite good and the catching safe.

2nd. XI.—This team early showed premiership form but successive defeats against Gordon and Mosman late in the season spoilt its record. This was followed by a defeat by Glebe and the team finished in third position, close up to Glebe and North Sydney.

C. Nee headed the batting average with 27.4, while R. McLaughlin had the best aggregate of 367. Others prominent were George Lee, who recorded the lone century, D. Prowse, W. Smith and Gordon Lee.

P. Murray bore the brunt of the bowling, and his 62 wickets at 12.6 runs apiece was a good effort.

The team's fielding was very patchy.

3rd. XI.—The Thirds were again very strong in batting. L. Davis was outstanding and was unlucky to miss his 500 runs by only two. He scored one century.

N. Sharpe, N. Mitchell, A. Rose, J. Gibson and A. Arnold (one century) also had a splendid season, the last named showing vast improvement. L. Meulman distinguished himself, too, by scoring a century during his short stay with this team.

Of the bowlers, only A. Rose was consistently good and obtained 42 wickets.

The fielding generally left much room for improvement, but some of the grounds played on did not lend themselves to safe ground work.

A mixed team visited Goulburn over New Year week-end to play the Kenmore Hospital staff and had a thoroughly enjoyable time. The team had a win there, and we were pleased to accept an invitation to play the Hospital again this coming season.

Two matches were also played against St. Josephs College during the year and both were lost by narrow margins.

Mr. A. J. Robinson once more consented to score for the 1st. XI., and this team is indeed fortunate to have such an enthusiastic, if, at times, somewhat caustic, supporter. Thanks, Robbo!

We are also grateful for Mal Blair's kindness in providing a very good scoring table for use at St. Lukes Park.

The wicket there was again very good, thanks to Mr. K. Rowlings careful preparation.

While the fielding area is still very hard and bumpy, this condition was improved somewhat during the season by top dressing. We are grateful to the Concord Council for this consideration.

Practices were again held at Concord Oval, for which concession we are grateful to Mr. Reg. Herford and the District Club.

	Matches				L.	L.I.	D.	T.	Pts.	% Pos.	Comp.
	Played	W.	W.1.								
M. & S.—"A" Grade	13	—	6		1	5	1	—	49	37.69	8th
M. & S.—"B" Grade	13	6	3		2	1	1	—	84	64.61	3rd
	Runs for	Wickets for			Avge.	Runs against	Wickets against		Avge.		
M. & S.—"A" Grade	3191	169			18.8	2963	176		16.8		
M. & S.—"B" Grade	3384	186			18.19	2747	202		12.60		

AVERAGES.

"A" Grade.

BATTING:

Name.	Innings.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs.	Avge.
J. Buzacott	15	1	77	355	25.3
A. Land	16	2	83x	354	25.3
C. Mitchell	14	—	58	310	22.1
H. Windon	17	—	88	350	20.6
R. Buzacott	10	—	126	206	20.6
E. Annetts	10	—	56	184	20.4
A. Lynch	17	—	53	320	18.8
R. Clark	17	6	42	202	18.4
B. McKittrick	16	5	23	110	10.0
J. Walker	10	3	41	70	10.0
I. Cozens	16	—	55	158	9.9

x Not Out.

Also batted: N. Neville, 7 innings for 83 runs; C. Nee, 7 for 78; R. Marshall, 6 for 80; G. A. Lee, 6 for 60; L. Meulman, 2 for 69.

BOWLING:

Name.	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wickets	Avge.
J. Walker	128	18	439	32	13.7
E. Annetts	47	4	256	18	14.2
A. Lynch	84	5	378	26	14.5
R. Clark	126	17	531	32	16.6
I. Cozens	156	12	572	29	19.7
H. Windon	49	—	256	13	19.7

Also bowled: R. Marshall, 8 wickets for 142 runs; J. Buzacott, 2 for 89; C. Mitchell, 1 for 49; R. Buzacott, 1 for 16; C. Nee, 0 for 1.

AVERAGES.

"B" Grade.

BATTING:

Name.	Innings.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs.	Avge.
C. Nee	9	—	81	247	27.4
G. A. Lee	12	1	103	275	25.0
D. Prowse	11	1	68	243	24.3
R. E. McLaughlin	17	1	93	367	22.9
E. Annetts	9	1	37	170	21.2
W. Smith	14	1	80	262	20.2
G. J. Lee	16	2	47	264	18.9
N. Neville	9	1	33x	141	17.6
R. Thompson	12	4	33x	134	16.8
R. Glasgow	14	6	40x	119	14.9
J. Hollands	15	1	43	174	12.4
R. Binsted	11	—	39	136	12.3
R. Marshall	10	—	25	98	9.8
P. Murray	18	4	14	84	6.0

x Not Out.

Also batted: D. Rossell, 5 innings (2 not out) for 74 runs; L. Meulman, 4 for 121; N. Sharpe, 2 for 93; J. Walker 5 (1 not out) for 41; R. Buzacott, 4 for 120; J. Murray, 2 (1 not out) for 4; D. Vowles, 6 (1 not out) for 8; F. Mitchell, 2 for 14; J. Buzacott, 1 for 0.

BOWLING:

Name.	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wickets	Ave.
E. Annetts	39	1	164	20	8.2
P. Murray	192	28	786	62	12.6
W. Smith	96	9	338	24	14.1
R. Glasgow	81	10	309	21	14.5
R. Marshall	56	5	231	14	16.5
D. Vowles	30	2	170	10	17.0
J. Hollands	42	2	274	14	19.6

Also bowled: R. Thompson, 5 wickets for 128 runs; J. Walker, 6 for 96; L. Meulman, 3 for 22; C. Nee, 1 for 10; G. J. Lee, 0 for 8.

3rd. XI.

Matches Played.	W.	W.1.	L.	L.1.	D.	T.	Pts.	Comp. Pos.
14	3	5	1	3	2	—	34	3rd.
Runs for	Wickets for		Runs against		Wickets against		Ave.	
3116	149		20.8		3282		206	
							15.9	

AVERAGES.

BATTING:

Name.	Innings.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs.	Ave.
L. Davis	17	1	118	498	31.1
A. Arnold	15	4	100	288	26.2
N. Sharpe	16	3	61	337	25.9
D. Vowles	6	4	27x	51	25.5
A. Rose	12	1	93	267	24.3
N. Mitchell	17	1	51	321	20.0
D. Fraser	13	3	48	174	17.4
J. Gibson	17	—	49	257	15.1
E. Johnson	7	1	25x	62	10.3
A. Herron	12	2	25	77	7.7
R. Watson	12	2	17	67	6.7
N. Dunbar	7	—	13	37	5.3

x Not Out.

Also batted: L. Meulman, 4 innings (1 not out) for 200 runs; L. Dunbar, 5 (3 not out) for 72; D. Prowse, 2 for 34; G. J. Lee, 1 for 60; R. Thomson, 1 (1 not out) for 56; K. Maxwell, 2 for 39; B. Turner, 3 (2 not out) for 6; A. McNaught, 2 for 8; R. Binsted, 1 for 2; W. Smith, 1 for 0; F. Bissaker, 2 for 0.

BOWLING:

Name.	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wickets	Ave.
A. Rose	98	9	477	42	11.3
D. Vowles	55	—	318	24	13.2
N. Sharpe	41	—	200	14	14.2
A. Arnold	90	8	400	25	16.0
N. Mitchell	101	6	535	26	20.6
D. Fraser	88	10	501	18	27.8

Also bowled: N. Dunbar, 4 wickets for 41 runs; A. McNaught, 4 for 75; E. Johnson, 11 for 153; L. Davis, 5 for 106; R. Thompson, 1 for 49; L. Meulman, 1 for 21; L. Dunbar, 1 for 2; D. Prowse, 0 for 24; G. Turner, 1 for 11; D. Rossell, 0 for 12; A. Herron, 0 for 31.

FOOTBALL.

Sub-Committee: Messrs. R. Binsted, R. Buzacott, E. Johnson, N. Sharpe and R. Watson.

The 1937 season closed with both teams occupying a lowly position in their competition.

Their records are set out hereunder:—

						Pts.	Pts.	Pts.	Comp. Pos.
1st XV.	15	3	11	1	1	132	208	7	6
2nd XV.	14	5	9	—	—	120	112	10	5

This year, we barely had sufficient players for two teams and as it appeared that the likely 2nd. XV. would be weaker than that fielded in 1937 it was recommended that our entries in the Metropolitan Sub-District Rugby Union's competitions be in 1st and 3rd Grade. However, this recommendation was not accepted and the Seconds were placed in Second Grade again.

The personnel of the 1st XV. looked quite impressive at the beginning of the season, but injuries have dogged the team since the first practice match and it has not been possible to develop a satisfactory back division.

However, despite these set backs, the team has performed wonderfully well and must be conceded a good chance of reaching the divisional final.

The forwards have all played well, with perhaps N. Dunbar, H. Searl and R. Watson the most consistent, and the team can owe its present position in the competition to the work of the pack.

The play of the backs has been disappointing, but the continual chopping and changing, due to injuries, has been upsetting and combination is lacking as a result.

Individually Gordon Lee has played very well, with R. Buzacott at times brilliant and Peter Friend and R. Binsted excelling in defence. D. Hilder's goal kicking is, if anything, better than ever this year.

Neil Sharpe's injury in the first practice match of the season and his inability to play since has been a severe loss.

The 2nd XV. has so far had a very lean season. A number of its original members have been called upon to fill vacancies in the Firsts and the substitutes are finding the opposition teams too much to combat. Still, we have a lone victory to record so far, and this may be added to before the season ends.

The following are the teams' records up to and including 9th July, 1938:—

	Played	W.	L.	D.	B.	Pts. for	Pts. against	Comp. pts.	Pos.
1st XV.	10	7	2	—	1	150	75	16	
2nd XV.	9	1	8	—	—	54	170	2	

Attendances at training have again been poor, and the absence of keenness among the players—with some exceptions—is most disappointing.

It was thought last year that the method of election of the Football Committee might have had something to do with this slackness, and the method employed successfully by our cricket teams for some years, viz., selection of the sub-committee by the General Committee, was adopted. This functioned well early in the season, but failed to sustain its efforts.

Mal. Blair was invited to coach the 1st. XV., but the benefit expected from his appointment has been modified by the poor attendances at training, together with his inability to attend the matches owing to his subsequent appointment as a N.S.W. Selector.

The Gordon Bevan Shield



The inscription reads:—

The Briars Sporting Club.
Highest Honours Football
Proficiency, Team Work,
Club Spirit.

A team visited Bathurst during the King's Birthday week-end and had a very enjoyable time. Two matches were played there, the honours being even.

Geoff Whiddon proved a capable manager, and we take this opportunity to record our thanks to him, as also to those members who supplied cars for the trip.

The two grounds at St. Lukes Park on lease were again sub-let to the N.S.W. Rugby Union.

We congratulate Billy McLaughlin on his selection to play for the State against the All Blacks and, likewise, Mal. Blair on his appointment as a member of the N.S.W. Selection Committee.

THE GORDON BEVAN SHIELD.

The Gordon Bevan Shield, presented by the family of our late member as a perpetual football trophy and carrying with it a yearly memento, will record the winner of a competition conducted with the following conditions:

1. Attendance at Training	20 points.
2. Value to his Team	20 "
3. Most improved player	20 "
4. General Keeness as a Footballer	15 "
5. Value to his Club as a Member	15 "
6. Neatness of Uniform	10 "

100 points.

A sub-committee of five members closely associated with the football will act as judges and the award will be made at the end of each season to the player considered to have fulfilled the prescribed conditions most successfully.

GOLF.

Sub-Committee: Messrs. G. A. Lee, C. Mitchell and M. Mitchell.

Due mainly to the congestion on local courses, our tournaments this year were held at Leura and Wentworth Falls.

This departure from the usual practice proved most popular with members and resulted in increased entries.

The adoption of golf as one of its minor activities some years ago has proved most beneficial to the Club, as the gatherings enable the older members to renew and retain their old associations, and such trips provide still greater opportunities in this respect.

The standard of play, especially among the longer markers, has advanced considerably, and this has tended to make the allocation of handicaps a far simpler task.

The Club Champonsihip this year was played at Leura and was won by L. Keeler, who successfully defended his title by a stroke from A. W. Hulls. C. Bayley and C. Mitchell tied for third position one stroke further back.

The Four Ball Championship played at Wentworth Falls was won by C. Mitchell and L. Keeler, with K. Burnett and N. Fisher a close second.

The following are the results of the handicap events held in conjunction with the Championships:—

5/9/37.—18 Holes Stroke Handicap:

“A” Grade.—L. Vincent, 1st; R. Wicks, 2nd.

“B” Grade.—M. Blair, 1st; I. Cozens, 2nd.

18 Holes Par Handicap:

“A” Grade.—C. Mitchell, 1st; W. Wyllie, 2nd.

“B” Grade.—I. Cozens, 1st; R. McLaughlin, 2nd.

15/5/38.—Four Ball Handicap:

A. W. Hulls and A. Hulls, 1st; J. Munro and N. Wales, 2nd.

4-Ball Best Ball v. Par:

C. Mitchell and L. Keeler, 1st; R. Jackett and D. Beale, 2nd.

We are indebted to Mr. A. Travers and the Spurway Ridge Club who entertained your representatives at a 12-aside match early in the year.

TENNIS.

Sub-Committee: Messrs. B. McKittrick and R. Storey.

On no less than four occasions during the year our tennis handicap events were unable to be played because of rain, and, in consequence, only one tournament was held and this attracted 34 entries.

The result of the "A" Division was a runaway victory for C. Mitchell and R. Thomson, who played very well indeed and actually won without their handicap. This pair defeated Club Champions, C. Nee and A. Land, in a very interesting match.

The "B" Division resulted in a meritorious win for A. Herron and I. Cozens.

The handicapping in this tournament was particularly good for, apart from the winners of the "A" Division, all the results were close.

The Club Doubles Championship is being held too late this year for inclusion in this Report, but we can take the opportunity now of thanking Messrs. G. Lee, E. Siddeley and R. Storey for providing the use of their courts for this event.

Early in June a team of six players visited the Hawkesbury Agricultural College at Richmond and although beaten had an excellent match.

It is to be regretted that we are unable to arrange a return match in Sydney, and our thanks are due to the College Authorities for their hospitality.

CLUB ROOMS.

In our reports for 1935/1936 and 1936/1937, reference was made to the disappointing attendances at the Club Rooms, but during the period under review the position has steadily grown worse, and Committee is most perturbed over the question.

When one regards the matter from the point of view of the attractions available, viz., Billiards, Table Tennis, Cards, Library, etc., and of the social advantages accruing to members through contact with young men of their own age and inclinations, it is most difficult to account for the apparent disinclination of members to avail themselves of the Club Room facilities.

The Committee is prepared, of course, to admit that nowadays the average young man spends a good deal of his leisure moments in studying, especially during the evenings, but nevertheless this cannot by any means account wholly for the present lack of interest, and Committee feels itself

bound to make an earnest appeal to all members to support their Club by making more frequent visits to the Rooms. If every member were to make a regular practice of attending on one night in each week, the position would be satisfactorily restored, and there is no doubt the members themselves would have no cause to regret their action.

Before leaving this subject, the Committee would once again like to inform members that any suggestions as to improvements in the Club Rooms will be gratefully accepted and most carefully considered.

Billiards.—Sub-Committees: Messrs. A. Herron, R. Storey & E. Siddeley.

Billiards is still played very little by members and receipts from this source during the past year are the lowest yet to be recorded.

Three tournaments were held during the period and each attracted 32 entries.

The Spring Handicap was won by E. Siddeley, while I. Cozens filled second place.

The Christmas ham was won by I. Cozens from S. Osborn who unfortunately was unable to play in the final owing to a family bereavement.

O. Osterman succeeded in winning the Easter event with S. Osborn the runner-up.

As in the past, the tables have been kept in good condition by a periodical service arranged with Helron & Smith Ltd.

Cards.—Card games have shown signs of regaining favour during the past year, and although not so many card nights were held, some members have instituted an informal weekly function, which is fairly popular and incidentally a welcome boost to our finances.

Library.—Sub-Committee: Messrs. E. Crozier, M. Mitchell & R. Thomson.

During the year, sixty-six new books were added to the Library. This was a larger number than usual, and the Library officials feel that they have adequately catered for the members' varied tastes.

Table Tennis.—Sub-Committee: Messrs. R. Clark and R. Thomson.

In last year's report, sanguine hopes were expressed of the growing popularity of this game as a Club Room entertainment. Unfortunately, these hopes were not realised, but the cause is not thought to be the game itself but rather a repercussion of the extremely poor attendances.

With an improvement in the latter direction, it is anticipated that table tennis will recover its attraction sufficiently to warrant the running of further tournaments.

Entertainments.—The Christmas Smoko was attended by 78 members, who thoroughly enjoyed the entertainment provided by artists arranged by Mr. R. Porter.

Cigarettes.—The sales of cigarettes and tobacco have shown a slight improvement over those for the previous year. Committee feels obliged, however, to point out that the revenue obtained from this source is extremely small when compared to its potentialities, and members will appreciate that, with more co-operation from them, a great increase in income can be effected.

In this connection, members might note that although the Club's stock of cigarettes and tobacco is confined to certain brands, this is only for convenience, and any brands not usually kept in stock can be readily obtained.

Stewards.—In all the circumstances, the Stewards have carried out their duties during the year in a creditable manner.

Mention might be made at this juncture of the apparent disinclination of members to offer themselves for service as Stewards. This is no doubt due to their lack of appreciation that membership of such a Club as ours demands a certain amount of self-sacrifice, and it is hoped that this gentle reminder will serve to induce members to recognise their obligations in this regard.

Our lease of the Rooms has been renewed for a period of three years, commencing from 1st January, 1938.

DANCES.

Sub-Committee: Messrs. J. H. Dinning, L. R. Dunbar and D. Rossell.

Two Annual Dances were held in the period under review, this year's taking place earlier than usual in an endeavour to avoid clashing with some of the bigger functions.

Both the annual events took place at Hordern Bros., and although last year's crowd was normal, this year's attendance of 186 was far below that expected from a club with a membership as large as ours. Our dances are such happy affairs that it is hard to understand why more members will not go to the trouble of organising parties.

As an experiment, a small dance was held at the Lawn Tennis Association's Club House at the White City during October, and was so successful that a similar function will take place there this year in the same month.

FINANCES.

The result of the year's activities shows a deficit of £5/17/10, compared with an actual surplus of £11/5/5 last year.

The cost of Cricket remained stationery, but income from this source was less, due to the absence of a grant from the N.S.W. Cricket Association—last year it was £20.

Considerable improvement is shown in proceeds from Dances, the profit being £28, as against £3 last year. This is due mainly to the fact that two annual dances come within the period under review.

An increased amount of £8 was spent in providing new books for the Library. Such expenditure is written off each year and not capitalised. This year's cost was £18/5/1.

The amount of outstanding fees, viz., £80, shows an increase of £27, and we consider this to be the worst phase of the accounts. We cannot stress too strongly the obligation of members to meet their commitments and trust that there will be considerable improvement in this respect.

Fixed assets have been depreciated by £22/17/9, and the surplus of Assets over Liabilities now totals £343/9/6.

Mr. David Rossell has carried out the audit of our accounts this year, and we are grateful to this member for his interest.

COMMITTEE.

Your Committee has met on 12 occasions during the period under review, and the following attendances were recorded:—

R. Binsted	9	A. Herron	11
R. Clark	12	G. J. Lee	5
J. Dinning	8	M. Mitchell	12
D. Fraser	11	B. McKittrick	11
R. Thomson	8		

CONGRATULATIONS.

Our congratulations are offered to David Rossell on his engagement to Miss Gladys Best, and to Harry Haigh on announcing his to Miss Nancy King.

The following marriages are recorded with pleasure:—

- Alan Rose to Miss Doris Hocking.
- George Arthur to Miss Dorothy Davey.
- Roy Glasgow to Miss Phyllis Arthur.
- Bruce McKittrick to Miss Lucy Bawden.
- Frank Mitchell to Miss Nancy Grant.
- Charlie Morgan to Miss Gwen Vickery.

Since our last report, the following family additions have been noted and congratulations are extended to the proud fathers:—

- Max Connery—a daughter.
- Stan McGregor—a son.
- Harry Meeks—a daughter.
- Perc Murray—a daughter.
- Stan Jones—a son.
- Harry Beardsmore—a daughter.
- Norman Pardoe—a daughter.

OBITUARY.

We are sad to record the death of Gordon Bevan, who was a member of the Club for some years, and extend our sympathy to his family.

We also offer our condolence to Perc Murray on the death of his mother, and to Denny Love who also lost his mother.

APPRECIATION.

Your Committee records its thanks to the following:—

Western Suburbs Rugby Union F.C. for donation received.

Messrs. R. W. May and E. J. Siddeley for welcome gifts of periodicals.

Dr. R. W. Walsh for his kind attention to members.

Mr. R. R. Turner and Bjelke-Petersen Bros. Pty. Ltd. for the treatment accorded members.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolls and Mrs. Ealam for the many courtesies received.

Those members who kindly place their cars at the disposal of the Club for the conveyance of members to the various sports.

For and on behalf of the Committee.

R. W. MAY, President.

R. B. CLARK, Hon. Secretary.

ADDENDUM.

I wish to place on record my appreciation of the work performed throughout the year by R. B. Clark (Hon. Sec.), D. Fraser (Hon. Treas.), G. J. Lee (Hon. Asst. Treas.), R. Thomson (Senior Steward), and Members of the General Committee and various Sub-Committees.

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