

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB



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**Presented to Members at the Club Rooms, Burwood,
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THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB

34a George Street, Burwood

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THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF GENERAL COMMITTEE AND HON. TREASURER'S STATEMENT

To the Members of The Briars Sporting Club:

Gentlemen,

Your General Committee has much pleasure in presenting for your perusal and adoption the Thirty-second Annual Report of the Club for the year ended 30th September, 1950.

The year has been a very significant one in the Club's history.

Overshadowing all other matters were the negotiations leading up to the purchase of the building in which the Club Rooms are situated and the consequent formation of the Club into a limited company.

In last year's Report, reference was made to the uncertainty of the Club's position in relation to the tenancy of the Club Rooms. Your Committee gave the matter its prompt attention and as a result of inquiries set in train it soon became apparent that the only appropriate solution was for the Club to acquire the building outright. There were indications that such a step would be successful.

A Special General Meeting convened for the purpose of discussing the matter on 19th December, 1949, decided that action should proceed towards purchase of the building and that for the purpose of enabling this to be done, the Club should be formed into a company limited by guarantee, without share capital. It was decided that the necessary finance should be obtained as much as possible from the sale of debentures to members and Club supporters, any remainder to be raised by way of bank overdraft.

Negotiations proceeded for some time with varying success but finally agreement was reached with the representatives of the owners whereby the Club will acquire the building at a cost of £4,750. Formal action towards completion of the transfer is at present awaiting settlement of the administration of the estate of one of the joint owners who died last year.

At the close of the year, the sale of debentures had reached £3,100 more than two-thirds of which were taken up interest-free. Although ample overdraft accommodation had been made available by the bank to cover the remainder of the purchase price and to meet the cost of urgent renovations of a capital nature, there was much greater scope for the sale of debentures as only 122 members had taken them up at the date of writing this Report.

In the meantime, the machinery towards formation of the company had been set into motion and on 2nd August, 1950, the Club was duly incorporated under the name of The Briars Sporting Club Limited. The Memorandum and Articles of Association were adopted and the control of the Club passed into the hands of a Board of Directors and a Management Committee.

This development necessarily brought in its train a re-arrangement of the Club's executive body, formerly the General Committee. The Board of Directors assumed supreme control of all matters relating to the Club's fixed assets, membership and finance. The President of the Club will be an ex-officio member of the Board and Chairman. Seven other Directors will be elected at the Thirty-second Annual Meeting and thereafter two shall retire at the end of each year although they will be eligible for re-election. The interim Board consists of Messrs. E. F. Watt (President), R. B. Clark, H. C. Ford, L. B. Meulman, D. Prowse, R. Thomson, Don Walker and H. G. Whiddon.

The powers of the Management Committee are both executive and advisory. The Committee has executive authority with regard to all Club functions other than those vested in the Board. It may also submit recommendations to the Board on any matter. The composition of the Committee is the President, Hon. Treasurer and Asst. Hon. Secretary as ex-officio members together with six other members elected at an Annual General Meeting. The elected Committeemen will be expected to share between them the Senior Stewardship and the Chairmanships of the principal sub-committees, which will be constituted along the same lines as hitherto. The interim Management Committee consists of Messrs. E. F. Watt (President), N. Walker (Hon. Treasurer), R. Thomson (Asst. Hon. Secretary), I. R. Vanderfield (Senior Steward), J. Hollands (Cricket), R. Fay (Football), B. Trevenar (Hockey), J. Walker (Social) and W. Elder (Table Tennis and Billiards).

Prior to the formation of the company, it was necessary in accordance with the Rules that the Club's Vice-Presidents have a representation of four upon the General Committee. Legal advice tendered during the course of the preparation of the Articles of Association was to the effect that no provision could be made in the Articles to preserve representation for the Vice-Presidents. This was unfortunate but one consolation is that those Vice-Presidents who have become members of the Company will be eligible, in the latter capacity, to accept nomination for any elective office.

All this work leading up to the purchase of the building and the formation of a company involved many problems in the solution of which the Committee had to seek the advice of ordinary members and Club supporters. Not only was this advice readily forthcoming but practical assistance in carrying out the necessary work was liberally given.

The Club owes an immense debt of gratitude to these gentlemen and in this connection we formally record our thanks to Mr. Charles Morgan who acted as our legal representative in the negotiations for the purchase and for the incorporation of the Company, to Mr. Harvey Ford for his legal advice as a member of the interim Board of Directors, to Mr. Doug Prowse for his advice and assistance on accountancy and taxation matters, and to Mr. Vanderfield, Snr., for his advice as to the business aspects.

This great change in the Club's constitution and the additional responsibilities involved will obviously entail a greater strain upon the Club's administrative capacity and the need is now greater than ever before for members to come forward and lighten the burden borne up to now by a comparative few of their fellow-members.

There are many ways, both great and small, in which members can take a place in the Club's administrative machinery. Apart from membership of the Board and the Management Committee, there are positions as Stewards or members of Sub-committees to be filled by those members who are willing and able to contribute towards the Club's general welfare.

It is pointed out that there are many Club functions other than those coming directly under the collective or individual control of members of the Management Committee. Instances of such functions are golf, tennis, library, Accident Fund and "Half Time." In addition, there are activities in which the Club used to participate but were allowed to lapse owing to the absence of anyone to look after the necessary administration. Among these were swimming, athletics, basketball, debating and amateur theatricals. Not only sport but also the pursuit of all forms of cultural and social activities are avowed objectives of the Club and the way is quite open therefore for enthusiastic and energetic members to lend a hand with current activities, to resurrect former ones or even to start something new.

If the time ever arrived when the members confined their interest in the Club to their Saturday afternoon game of sport then the Club would

truly be on the down grade. However, we have too much confidence in the members to really believe that this would ever happen.

One result of the formation of the Club into a Company was that all members had to renew their membership. As all the applications for renewal had not been received at the close of the period under review the membership figures, for the purpose of this Report, are taken as those existing immediately prior to incorporation. The figures, together with those as at 30th September, 1949, are as follows:—

	1949	1950
Full	160	175
Junior Class I	20	26
Junior Class II	1	1
Associate	71	66
Country	26	37
TOTAL	278	305

It will be seen that there was an overall increase of 27 during the year and that the number of active members increased from 181 to 202. Actually, there were 39 new members accepted into the Club during this period, an intake which gives ample evidence of the Club's ranking among amateur sporting bodies.

In the 1948/49 Report, the sporting limelight fell upon the Club's Kentwell Cup football team for its Premiership success. This year, the rival sports, cricket and hockey, were successful in attaining Premiership honours.

Once again, the "A" Shire cricket team won its competition and the players are to be congratulated upon their fine record.

After five years of being on the threshold, the First Hockey Eleven finally became Major Premiers of the "A" Grade Minor Division. To Bruce Trevenar and his stalwarts our congratulations are also offered.

The football teams did not have quite the same success as in the previous year but, nevertheless, succeeded in again winning the season's most coveted prize, namely, the Metropolitan Sub-district Rugby Union Club Championship.

Generally speaking, our sporting record for the year was one of which we may justly be proud.

In last year's Report, we described the dedication of the Club's Honour Roll. Subsequently, the Memorial was installed in the Club Rooms and unveiled at a fitting ceremony at which relatives, friends and members were present. A beautiful flag used at the unveiling was donated by our Patron, the Hon. H. W. Whiddon, M.L.C., and we thank him for this magnificent gesture, also Mrs. Whiddon for her kind assistance in arranging the draping.

We are grateful to the Burwood and Concord Councils for their attention to our needs in connection with the playing areas at Burwood and Rothwell Parks respectively.

At the close of the year, negotiations were in train with the Strathfield Council with a view to the provision of an area to cater for the Club's City and Suburban cricket team.

The number of Club supporters who assisted us in various ways during the year are too numerous to name but we desire to convey to them all our very sincere thanks for their interest.

We must make particular mention, however, of our friends in the Western Suburbs District Cricket Club who have more than repaid us for

whatever help we may have given them in the way of providing accommodation for their weekly social gatherings.

To the other Associations, Clubs and bodies with which we have contact, we extend our best wishes with the assurance that for our part past cordial relationships will be continued in the future.

CRICKET

(Sub-Committee: J. G. Hollands (Chairman), B. Adcock, A. Scholes, D. A. Walker and N. Walker.)

The Club was again represented by four teams, one in each grade of the Municipal and Shire competition, one in the "C" Grade Main Suburban Division of the Western Suburbs Cricket Association's competition and the fourth with the City and Suburban Cricket Association.

It is becoming almost a regular feature of our Reports to record the success of the First Eleven in obtaining Premiership honours. This year proved to be no exception when our men wrested from Bankstown Cricket Club the laurels they had briefly lost.

The Seconds and Thirds finished third in their respective competitions and as the City and Suburban team also had a successful year, the Club can look back with pride upon its achievements during the season.

Perusal of the following team reports will again disclose that the main weakness in the playing side of the game was fielding. Stricter attention to this department of the sport is obviously required, particularly on the part of the youngsters many of whom were often put to shame by their older, and therefore less agile, team-mates.

The Shire teams retained the use of Rothwell Park and our thanks are due to the groundsman, Mr. W. Hollis, for his attention to our needs.

The Thirds again enjoyed the pleasures of Burwood Park as their home ground whilst the homeless City and Suburban team continued to avail itself of accommodation offered by more fortunate rivals.

Our congratulations are conveyed to Bankstown Cricket Club upon their success in the "B" Grade of the Municipal and Shire competition and to North Strathfield Cricket Club who, although failing to defeat our representatives, gained Premiership honours in the "C" Grade competition run by the Western Suburbs Cricket Association.

A number of pleasant picnic matches were played at Birchgrove Oval and some keen cricket resulted.

Administratively, the organisation worked fairly smoothly but there is still a need for greater co-operation on the part of the players generally, in the care and maintenance of the equipment. Cricket gear is highly expensive nowadays and it is to the members' own interest to see that it is properly looked after.

FIRST ELEVEN

The Firsts commenced the 1949-50 season determined to displace Bankstown as leaders of the Municipal and Shire "A" Division. As a result, it was not always possible for all the batsmen to have a strike or all the bowlers to have a bowl. However, the will to win is an essential part of the competitive spirit and it did not prevent all games being played in the true traditions of the sport and in the friendliest spirit. The standard of cricket was certainly not adversely affected. On the contrary, this policy served to bring out the best in a player whether in batting, bowling or fielding.

The fielding of the team showed a marked improvement on previous years and proved a match winning factor on numerous occasions. The slips

fielding rarely reached the required standard but slips fieldsmen, like wicket-keepers, are born, not made.

The batting was at all times sound without being brilliant. Each batsman pulled his weight and many individual innings were worth more than twice the number of runs recorded in the score book. It was very encouraging to see the younger members of the team on the top of the list of batting averages.

To the bowlers must go most of the credit for the team's success. All runs scored against them were thoroughly earned as throughout the season all bowlers made a concentrated attack on the stumps. They kept the ball well up to the batsmen, putting them on the defensive.

Doug Prowse maintained the high standard of captaincy set last year by **Les Davis** and in this direction his job was made easier by the whole-hearted support given him by each and every member of the team. Doug fielded at silly or idiotic point until a Lane Cove batsman, with a powerful off-drive, relegated him to extra cover. With the bat, Doug did not reach the standard of previous years but nevertheless scored well.

Les Davis was one of the team's most consistent run-getters and on more than one occasion was the rock on which the batting structure was built.

David Walker showed the greatest improvement during the season. He played many fighting innings and was at his best when the team seemed to be in a hopeless position. He thoroughly deserved his position at the head of the batting averages and will gain higher honours in the cricket world before long. His forceful batting and excellent wicket-keeping won him a place in the combined Shire Eleven.

Aud Land filled his usual place as opening bat and despite the handicap of having to face a fresh attack and a new ball managed to score the highest number of runs for the team during the season. A solid start is worth much more than the runs that go on the board but Aud went even further, much of the team's fast scoring being attributable to the rough treatment he gave the opposing trundlers.

Fred Randle was the team's only left-hand bat. His cover-drive and keenness are above reproach and more opportunities for the former and greater rewards for the latter could be his if he dropped the "pull to leg" from his repertoire of strokes.

Don Way classes himself as a right-arm bowler—all over the place. However, his figures as shown below and the respect with which he was treated by opposing batsmen indicate that his attack was directed at the most important place—at the stumps. He has an easy action, swings the ball either way, and has the ability to produce something out of the box when needed. Owing to early closures he did not have many opportunities with the bat.

Neil Walker possesses the family attribute of being at his best when the going is toughest. He has a delightful array of strokes all round the wicket but prefers a lusty drag over mid-on. He is an excellent fieldsmen and a useful leg-break bowler.

Brian Adcock is a right-arm slow off-spin bowler who did well in his first year in "A" Shire. He disrupted a number of troublesome partnerships by concentrating on a good length and allowing the batsmen to take the risks. His bowling earned him selection in the combined Shire team.

Ted Watt is a true allrounder who could keep his position in the team as a batsman or a bowler. He was not allowed to make use of his batting ability to the full extent as the innings was usually closed just as he was set for the century. A dangerous bowler capable of bowling unchanged for long periods. We congratulate him also on gaining a place in the combined Shire team.

Aub Taafe did not display the previous year's form. He has an excellent defence and although not a prolific rungetter was always a hard man to shift.

Tom Mobbs established himself among the business community during the season and as a result missed several matches. Advancing years have reduced his speed to medium pace compensated, however, by greater accuracy. His secret sorrow was the consistency with which the innings was closed just as he was padded up ready to go in.

Bruce Trevenar is a right-arm medium-pace bowler with an easy action and a big heart. He directed his attack at the stumps all the time and proved a very economical bowler who invariably captured two of the first five wickets to fall—all that can be expected of an opening bowler.

Alan Rose is a right-arm slow-medium bowler of the O'Reilly type—tames the attackers and then eats them. As usual he was the team's most reliable stock bowler, capable of pegging down the batsmen at one end all the afternoon. His impeccable length and straight break prevented the batsmen getting on top of the bowling and apart from the wickets he himself captured was of a great assistance to the bowler operating at the other end.

The report on this team would not be complete without honourable mention of Mr. Siddeley who acted as scorer for part of the time and later coached the younger generation in the persons of Messrs. Walker and Watt, Snrs., in these arduous duties. We thank these gentlemen for their efforts.

We must express our appreciation also to the ladies who assisted with the afternoon tea.

Matches Played	W.	W.1	L.	L.1	D	T	Pts.	%	Comp. Position
15	4	8	—	—	3	—	108	72	1st
	Runs For	Wkts. For			Runs Against		Wkts. Against		
	2860	113			2513		191		
			Avg.					Avg.	
			25.3					13.2	

AVERAGES (Batting)

Name	Innings	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Avg.
D. A. Walker	13	5	67	315	39.3
A. Land	14	2	72	438	36.5
D. Prowse	14	2	76	373	31.0
E. Watt	13	4	45	270	30.0
N. Walker	13	1	45	308	25.6
L. Davis	16	2	87	351	25.0
F. Randle	14	1	63†	279	21.4
D. Way	7	3	20†	83	20.7
A. Taafe	10	—	37	173	17.3
T. Mobbs	5	—	32	75	15.0
B. Adcock	4	1	15†	38	12.6
B. Trevenar	4	1	30	31	10.3
A. Rose	6	3	7	12	4.0

† Not out

Also batted: S. Hipwell, 1 innings for 12 runs; H. Lennartz, 2 for 2; M. Patrick, 1 for 1; A. Leadbeater, 1 for 0.

(Bowling)

Name	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Avg.
D. Way	111	21	381	39	9.3
T. Mobbs	100	10	323	31	10.4
E. Adcock	88	13	331	27	12.2
A. Rose	110	14	395	29	13.6
B. Trevenar	70	9	229	15	15.2
E. Watt	115	7	445	26	17.1
N. Walker	43	—	233	9	25.8

Also bowled: J. Mason, 3 wickets for 22 runs; F. Randle, 0 for 8; H. Lennartz, 0 for 49.



FIRST XI—1949/1950.

N.S.W.C.A. Municipal & Shire "A" Grade Premiers.

BACK ROW: A. W. Taffe, T. Mobbs, D. A. Walker, D. E. Way, F. Bandle, N. E. Walker, B. Trevenar.
 CENTRE ROW: E. Watt, D. V. Prowse (Capt.), E. F. Watt (Pres.), L. Davis (V. Capt.), A. J. Land.
 IN FRONT: A. W. P. Rose, B. W. Adeock.

SECOND ELEVEN

The effort of this team in filling third place in the competition was very commendable especially considering that the toss was lost in eleven of the fifteen games played and that in two all-day games the team batted three men short losing on the first innings by only small margins. In addition, matches against the two leading teams were washed out by rain and drawn.

The matches against Roseville and Bankstown are worthy of mention. Against Roseville our team was set 211 runs to get in 150 minutes. After a slow but sure start by Bill Elder and Ron Thomas the batsmen hit out and Elder (114), Annetts (36) and Thomas (22) enabled the later batsmen to pass their opponents' score in the second last over.

In the match against Bankstown we had to get 238 runs and with steady batting right through the score reached 227 with the last men in. Jim and Dick Atwill gave plenty of thrills until they scored the necessary runs.

Jack Hollands captained the team in a capable manner and his aggressive batsmanship proved valuable on many occasions.

Bill Elder was the most consistent run-getter. He scored the only century for the team and could usually be relied upon to give the team a good start.

Les Robinson strengthened the batting when he came into the team and played some useful knocks.

Eric Annetts was again the team's outstanding all-rounder. He batted aggressively and was the most prolific wicket-taker. His 6 for 10 against Lindfield was a particularly good effort.

Nev Milne justified his promotion from the Thirds and showed promise when he settled down.

Ron Thomas was sound in defence but has yet to develop his attacking shots. His running between wickets will improve if he looks for runs.

Spencer Hipwell also proved solid in defence and reached his peak in the middle of the season.

Jim Atwill performed well with the ball at times, often beating the bat with his swing.

John Walker although he did not play the full season bowled well and thoroughly deserved his wickets.

Ken Astridge had a disappointing season. He bowled fast but lacked control.

Jack Rudd could not regain his form of the previous season although his 51 against Bankstown was a very valuable effort.

Bill Magrath continued to be the team's mystery man with the bat. Although his performances were fair they were not commensurate with his undoubted ability.

Dick Atwill had a poor season.

The fielding of the team was an improvement on that of the previous season but was still the main weakness.

Many runs and a few wickets were lost by bad running between wickets and it is hoped that next season the captain and players will give more attention to this important part of the game.

The team missed the services of Mr. Robinson as scorer and adviser. Robbie was not in the best of health and the team wish him a complete recovery and look forward to his return.

Matches

Played	W.	W.1	L.	L.1	D	T	Pts.	%	Comp. Position
15	4	3	—	4	4		81	54	3rd
Runs For	Runs Against	Wkts. For	Wkts. Against	Avg.					
2913	2205	139	159	20.9				13.8	

AVERAGES

(Batting)

Name	Innings	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Avge.
W. Elder	14	1	114	494	38.0
L. Robinson	10	2	54	242	30.2
J. Hollands	16	2	62	402	28.7
E. Annetts	15	3	51	312	26.0
S. Hipwell	14	2	51	285	23.7
N. Milne	8	—	63	152	19.0
R. Thomas	14	3	47†	201	18.2
W. Magrath	11	2	42	158	17.5
J. Rudd	12	—	51	137	11.4
J. Walker	8	2	25	66	11.0
J. Atwill	6	3	13†	28	9.3
K. Astridge	12	3	27	71	7.9
R. Atwill	6	1	9	34	6.8

† Not out.

Also batted: H. Lennartz, 3 innings (2 n.o.) for 39 runs; A. Taaffe, 2 for 25; B. Trevenar, 3 for 31; A. Scholes, 1 for 9; M. Patrick, 3 for 16; A. Leadbeater, 2 for 6; C. Jones, 1 for 0.

(Bowling)

Name	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Avge.
B. Trevenar	47	5	146	14	10.4
E. Annetts	82	14	390	35	11.1
J. Atwill	65	8	221	19	11.6
J. Hollands	61	2	286	22	13.0
J. Walker	94	18	310	23	13.4
K. Astridge	113	8	397	21	18.9
W. Magrath	23	—	156	7	22.2

Also bowled: M. Patrick, 2 wickets for 44 runs; H. Lennartz, 3 for 86; N. Milne, 0 for 10.

THIRD ELEVEN

This team had another successful year and to some extent could claim that extremely bad weather in the second half of the season was instrumental in depriving it of what appeared to be an excellent chance of Premiership honours. Disregarding the last match which was played in a picnic spirit after the result of the competition had become a foregone conclusion, the team suffered only one real defeat and avenged that in the second round. In its two encounters with the eventual Premiers, North Strathfield, the team scored a win and a favorable draw.

One very big disappointment was the extraordinarily weak standard of the team's fielding. This weakness on the part of the veteran members can be excused but it is unpardonable when it applies also to the younger and more agile members. The defect can be cured by practice and concentration.

For the first part of the season, until he was elevated to the Seconds, Nev Milne captained the team. He was in exceptionally good form with the bat and his fielding was a very valuable asset.

Upon Nev's departure for higher honours, the captaincy fell to Ron Thomson whose reign was marked by a series of exciting matches and close finishes. His form with the bat was consistent without being prolific.

On one further occasion in his long career, Peter Meulman headed the batting averages. As a matter of fact, he won the bowling averages also and thus completed a very fine double.

Bob Clark, the third of the veteran trio, did not repeat his batting performances of the previous season but nevertheless obtained respectable figures. His bowling, although accurate, seemed to lack the hostility necessary to obtain results.

Alan Scholes had an exceptionally good season but as in the previous year fell off in the latter stages. He scored 327 of his 421 runs in the first six matches. His 107 against Burwood United was a most praiseworthy effort. He lacks anticipation which is evident both in his fielding and his running between wickets. More concentration should overcome this.

The brunt of the opening attack was born by Gordon Donnan and in the first part of the season, despite infrequent appearances, his accurate medium-pace deliveries brought him good figures including a hat-trick against St. Oswalds.

John Bosward acted as the team's 'keeper. His performance of 16 catches and 13 stumpings was the best by any 'keeper in the grade and earned him a trophy awarded by the Western Suburbs Cricket Association.

Russ Peisley was the baby of the team and his performances with bat and ball showed outstanding promise. His solid left-hand batting made him eminently suitable as an opening bat but he needs to impart more power to his shots. His slow off-spinners brought him 22 wickets at a fairly low cost and his effectiveness will be greatly improved with experience. He was one of the few men who were keen in the field.

Jack Clingan had a disappointing year but his figures would have been much better if indiscreet running between wickets had not brought about his downfall on four of the ten occasions he was dismissed. However, Jack is far too good a cricketer for this to be anything but a temporary lapse. He was again an inspiration in the field.

Alan Searle would have been easily the team's most hostile bowler if he could have exercised greater control of length and direction. Too many of his deliveries were completely wasted outside the off-stump. Rated only as a tail-ender, he came to the side's rescue on at least two occasions and it would not surprise if he eventually made his mark as a batsman.

Another young bowler who was unable to control length and direction was Ron Aiken. Ron is a "natural" but needs tons of systematic practice before his latent ability can come to the fore. His fielding was above the average.

Teddy Stockdale made only a few appearances with the team but during that time sustained his previous year's record as an opening bat. Teddy's absence in England will deprive the team of a key man for next year's competition.

Warwick Dunn had a poor year with the bat but picked up a few valuable wickets at a low cost. If Warwick could develop more agility in the field his value to the team would be greatly enhanced.

Ken Brady played only in the latter part of the season but despite lack of practice performed very creditably with the bat. He seemed to be impregnated with the somnolence of some of his team-mates on the field and he needs to sharpen up his running between wickets.

Laurie Routley had a very poor season and his consistent failures were very difficult to explain. He would be well advised to concentrate on defensive play until he has established his confidence.

Matches							Comp.
Played	W	W.1	L	L.1	D	Points	Position
14	4	6	1	1	2	39	3rd
Runs		Wkts.	Runs		Wkts.	Avge.	
For	For		Against	Against			
2676	129		2233	181		12.34	

AVERAGES (Batting)

Name	Innings	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Avg.
L. Meulman	9	3	52	215	35.8
N. Milne	7	1	87	198	33.0
A. Scholes	16	2	107	421	30.1
E. Stockdale	6	—	79	173	28.8
R. Thomson	14	2	55	332	27.7
K. Brady	5	—	54	123	24.6
R. Clark	10	3	40†	170	24.3
R. Peisley	12	1	41	215	19.5
J. Clingan	12	2	45†	145	14.5
J. Bosward	17	2	31	162	10.8
I. Foss	5	1	34	38	9.5
W. Dunn	10	—	28	71	7.1
R. Aiken	8	3	31	34	6.8
A. Searle	9	1	22	52	6.5
G. Donnan	6	3	7†	16	5.3
L. Routley	5	1	8	14	3.5

† Not out.

Also batted: I. Templeman, 1 innings (n.o.) for 66 runs; A. Reid, 2 for 20; K. Hughes, 1 for 0.

(Bowling)

Name	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Avg.
L. Meulman	23.2	2	86	12	7.2
G. Donnan	90	12	299	34	8.8
R. Peisley	52.1	6	235	22	10.7
R. Thomson	86.5	4	448	37	12.1
A. Searle	91	13	343	23	14.9
R. Clark	69	8	255	16	15.9
R. Aiken	44	1	202	9	22.4

Also bowled: W. Dunn, 9 wickets for 66 runs; J. Clingan, 1 for 4; I. Templeman, 1 for 7; L. Routley, 1 for 10; McMullen, 1 for 22; N. Milne, 2 for 46; I. Foss, 1 for 30; A. Scholes, 0 for 6; K. Hughes, 0 for 12.

CITY AND SUBURBAN

Another interesting and happy season was enjoyed by this team, and there can be no doubt that the Club is fortunate in being able to enter a team in the City and Suburban Association. It enables many members to continue to take an active part in the Club's cricket activities which would otherwise be denied them and thus their interest in the general activities of the Club is maintained.

Despite the fact that the team had no ground of its own, no difficulty was experienced in arranging a full programme of interesting games and our thanks once again must go to those other Clubs who have entertained our players so well and happily during this past season.

Each match was keenly contested but the sporting spirit in which the game was played was always more important than the actual result.

The team's batting was rather weak and inconsistent although some good individual performances were recorded at various times.

Gordon Lee again skippered the team in a fitting manner and on a few occasions showed a brief glimpse of his former prowess with the bat.

Bill Rudd had a particularly good season both with bat and ball. He was called upon to do quite a lot of bowling and always maintained an accurate length.

Ray Ackermann, Ian Templeman, Alec Leadbeater and Brian Williams were others to do well with the bat at times.

Hammy Lennartz and Dick Atwill joined the team late in the season and they also had some good batting performances.

Vic Nee did the bulk of the bowling as usual. He always bowled intelligently and usually finished with the best figures.

Brian Williams took over the Aunt Sally position and improved considerably during the season.

Everybody enjoyed the season thoroughly and one elderly member of the team has stated his determination to continue playing until his boots wear out, which alas, by the look of them, won't be very long.

		Matches Played 21	Won 9	Lost 11	Drawn 1		
Runs For	Wkts. For	Avge.		Runs Against	Wkts. Against	Avge.	
2539	188	13.8		2836	191	14.8	

AVERAGES (Batting)

Name	Innings	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Avge.
R. Ackermann	10	2	56	170	21.3
W. Rudd	15	5	40	207	20.7
V. Nee	11	6	22	82	16.4
B. Williams	18	1	51	249	14.6
A. Leadbeater	14	—	35	198	14.0
G. J. Lee	14	1	38	148	11.4
C. Mitchell	13	—	24	151	11.1
I. Templeman	11	3	43	89	11.1
L. Robinson	8	—	20	73	9.2
P. Cooper	7	1	27	53	8.9
C. Jones	10	—	37	76	7.6
K. Murphie	15	2	18	69	5.3

Also batted: A. Arnold, 4 innings for 29 runs; V. Buzacott, 3 for 25; R. Clark, 4 (2 n.o.) for 57; K. Hughes, 1 for 13; W. Magrath, 1 for 6; B. North, 2 (1 n.o.) for 7; B. Trevenar, 1 for 17; J. Walker, 1 for 7; I. Foss, 1 for 6; H. Lennartz, 4 for 127; E. Gay, 4 for 15; B. Adcock, 2 for 69; D. Guest, 1 (n.o.) for 4; H. Gillies, 1 (n.o.) for 16; B. Ritchie, 3 for 23; D. Walker, 3 for 49; N. Walker, 2 for 61; K. Brady, 3 for 2; W. Mobbs, 1 for 4; R. Atwill, 5 for 93; R. E. McLaughlin, 1 for 18; J. Rudd, 4 for 37; W. Dunn, 4 (1 n.o.) for 21; R. Aiken, 1 (n.o.) for 2; R. Piesley, 1 (n.o.) for 11; R. Thomas, 1 for 4; R. Thomson, 1 for 9; L. Meulman, 1 for 14; M. Patrick, 1 (n.o.) for 11.

(Bowling)

Name	Overs	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Avge.
H. Lennartz	37	5	134	14	9.5
W. Rudd	85	2	418	30	13.9
V. Nee	96	4	425	27	15.7
K. Murphie	85	2	391	23	17.0

Also bowled: J. Walker, 4 wickets for 20 runs; R. Clark, 8 for 75; R. Ackermann, 8 for 132; I. Templeman, 8 for 117; V. Buzacott, 1 for 9; B. Trevenar, 4 for 13; W. Magrath, 0 for 32; B. North, 1 for 0; G. Lee, 0 for 8; C. Mitchell, 6 for 95; L. Robinson, 0 for 27; C. Jones, 0 for 23; B. Adcock, 5 for 109; D. Guest, 1 for 30; E. Gay, 8 for 121; P. Cooper, 7 for 211; N. Walker, 3 for 46; W. Mobbs, 3 for 22; W. Dunn, 3 for 74; R. Atwill, 4 for 24; R. Aiken, 0 for 21; J. Rudd, 0 for 24; M. Patrick, 0 for 22; R. Thomson, 1 for 13.

CRICKET MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Cricket Memorial Trophy was donated to the Club as a token in remembrance of those members who gave their lives for their Country whilst serving with the armed forces. The Trophy is awarded annually to the cricketer obtaining the most points in an allocation made in accordance with the following scale:—

Value to team	25 points
Conduct on field	15 "
General keenness as a cricketer	20 "
Value to the Club as a member	30 "
Neatness of dress	10 "
Total	100 points

For the 1949-50 season, the Trophy was awarded to Peter Meulman. Peter played with the Club in its first competition season in 1923 and has steadily built up a record which may never be surpassed. Despite advancing years, he retained sufficient of his skill during the 1949-50 season to head both the batting and bowling averages of his team. Apart from his sporting achievements, Peter has a record as a Club administrator second only to that of that paragon of administrators, the one and only Bob Clark. The most recent example of Peter's worth was his management of the arrangements in connection with the dedication of the Memorial Tablet.

There has never been a worthier winner of the Trophy.

FOOTBALL

(Sub-committee: R. Fay (Chairman), R. Aiken, E. B. Gibb, G. Hebblewhite, P. Hotten, G. Tweeddale.)

For the third successive season the Club was represented by four teams in the competitions arranged by the Metropolitan Sub-District Rugby Union—one in Kentwell Cup, one in Burke Cup and two in Whiddon Cup. Both the Kentwell and Burke Cup teams acquitted themselves very well, as will be seen by the reports for the respective grades, and the two Whiddon Cup teams achieved a fair measure of success.

The winning of the M.S.D.R.U. Club Championship completed the hat-trick, a performance of which any Club has every right to be proud.

When the season commenced, at least twelve of last year's Kentwell Cup team had indicated that they would be either retiring or seeking higher honours with the District team. Such a loss of seasoned players raised grave doubts as to our ability to field a team which would be able to give a good account of itself in this grade, but owing to the untiring efforts of Bill McLaughlin a very youthful new team was moulded into a fine combination which went very close to winning the competition and inflicted defeats on all teams it met.

Another very pleasing feature of this season was the performance of the Burke Cup team which, after early lapses, soon showed that it would be amongst the leading teams at the end of the season—and it was. Anyone who witnessed the match against Petersham will agree that it was one of the best games played by a Club team for some time.

Unfortunately the Whiddon Cup teams were considerably handicapped by having to provide so many replacements for senior teams. This hampered the development of each of the teams as an independent unit and might easily have dampened the enthusiasm of some of the players, many of who were called upon at times to play out of position. However, the players displayed good Club spirit and thoroughly enjoyed the season.

This season was perhaps one of the wettest on record and it was the exception rather than the rule to play on a dry ground. Unfortunately the rain interfered with training to such an extent that it was noticeable that many players were rarely in their best condition—the rain could not wholly be blamed for this as some players do not seem to realise that their attendance at training is not only necessary from the point of view of physical fitness but that it gives the coach the opportunity of developing team cohesion, etc. It is felt that some players could make a more determined effort to attend.

A disturbing aspect of this season was the apparent lack of willingness on the part of active footballers to take any part in the management or control of the various teams—most of this work, if not all, being carried out by non-playing members. Surely there are some players who are able and willing to devote that little bit of time required.

On behalf of the various teams we tender our sincere thanks to our enthusiastic coaches—Bill McLaughlin (Kentwell) Doug. Vanderfield (Burke), George Wright (Whiddon A.) and John Walker (Whiddon B.). It is difficult to express in words a true appreciation of their keenness and interest in the different teams.

In addition to the above-named, Stan Jones and Peter Meulman comprised the selection committee and played a considerable part in the functioning of football.

We tender our congratulations to Brian Williams who was successful in gaining a place in the Western Suburbs First Grade team, and who, from all accounts, acquitted himself with distinction. We also congratulate Spencer Hipwell and Johnny Powell, who played with the District teams in Second Grade, but were somewhat handicapped by injuries.

Unfortunately, this year we were again unable to pay our annual visit to the Royal Military College at Duntroon, but are looking forward to a renewal of these games next season. We did, however, take two teams to Wollongong, both being successful after very close games. We also played Hawkesbury College at Rothwell Park but could not cope with their all-round brilliance.

We offer our congratulations to the competition winners, Colleagues (Kentwell), Strathfield (Burke) and Burwood (Whiddon).

KENTWELL CUP

Record:	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	P. for	P. Agst.	Pos.
	15	9	3	3	112	73	3

The Kentwell Cup almost lost its identity last season, when only four teams made up the competition; and the difficulty was only overcome by the Sub District Committee combining the Burke Cup and Kentwell Cup into the one competition for one complete round, after which the respective grades conducted their own competition, carrying forward the points received in the combined competition.

We do hope that next season the Kentwell Cup will be back to its pre-war position with eight or ten teams contesting the competition with keen rivalry.

Our team last season started off with almost a new lot of players, but gradually nearly all of the 1949 forwards turned out again and we were able to put quite a strong team on to the field.

The forwards were the mainstay of the team, their tireless efforts in general play almost winning out for us again.

The youthful backs acquitted themselves very well and they will be a force to be reckoned with next year. They are all keen, speedy and intelligent footballers, lacking a little of experience in co-ordination with each other, and it was this fault that caused a few of our defeats and possibly led to our ultimate elimination from the final.

Unfortunately, training was interrupted throughout the main part of the season by rain, which came at a time when training was most needed.

With better team work, more conscientious training and fewer social engagements during the week, the 1st XV can look forward to the 1951 season with every confidence.

A. Searl (Fullback). Played early part of season until forced out by injury. A safe handler, but a little unreliable with the direction of his kicks.

R. Murray (Fullback). A young player with big possibilities. Handles the ball well, is a sure kick and is very cool. He improved with every game.

W. Marshall (Wing). A most devastating player, both in attack and defence. Always chasing the ball for an opportunity to score. There are really big things in front of him once he is able to take his training seriously.

B. Oram (Wing and Centre). At centre seems to be out of position and is inclined to hang on to the ball too long. Is more at home on the wing, where splendid form was shown. Defence uncertain.

R. Aiken (Centre). A natural footballer who showed good form early but later in the season developed the habit of watching the man rather than the ball and too often attempted to take his passes with one hand. Bad faults for one otherwise so competent.

R. E. McLaughlin (Centre). Feeling he could be of more benefit to the team as a player coach rather than one of the side-line variety, Billy donned his battle dress again and immediately his presence acted not only as an inspiration to the team but produced football from its members of a kind that previously one had not thought them capable of. His tricky runs and the way in which he straightened the attack still bore traces of his former brilliance.

A. Yule (Wing, Centre, Five-eight). A robust footballer, who can play anywhere in the backs. Performed solidly throughout the season. Defence seemed to be his main weakness.

N. Humphreys (Five-eight). A young player who has everything in his favour for developing into a really good five-eight. His defence is sound, he is quick to sense an opening and is a perfect link with his outside backs.

D. Bailey (Half-back and Vice-Captain). A solid all round half-back who inspired the team with his constructive football. He is a natural player with a bright future.

P. Friend (Breakaway). Without Paddy the team would not have appeared so experienced. He was always there to stop the opposing forwards in their rushes, and was quick to take the loose ball away at the toe. At all times he gave his half-back full protection.

R. Keyte (Lock). Only played a few matches before he was transferred by his firm to Fiji. A good footballer lacking only in experience.

G. Tweeddale (Breakaway). Never off the ball and a constant menace to the opposing side. A good positional player who is always there at the right time.

E. Hebblewhite (Lock). Started off the season in dashing style until injured, and failed to regain quite the same form on his return. Nevertheless, was always a tremendous tackler, and big things are expected from him next year.

W. Farnsworth (2nd Row). The most consistent forward in the team. His endless energy in scrums, rucks and lineouts was amazing. If study permitted, could be playing First Grade District Football.

R. Clifford (2nd Row). Enticed out of retirement and ably led the team. Unfortunately, business ties prevented him devoting sufficient time to training to enable him to reproduce his 1949 form, but nevertheless, his experience was invaluable to the team.

N. Barrell (Front Row). Another player to be talked into terminating his retirement for another season. His experience was a great asset in front row, particularly when things were rough and tough.

P. Hotten (Front Row). Always on the ball and tigerish in his efforts. Next season we hope to see his best football.

D. Leggett (Hooker). Did not hook quite so well this season and missed a lot of training which affected his general play. Good in the loose at times, but, unfortunately, his efforts were spasmodic.

BURKE CUP

Record:	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Pts. For	Pts. Agst.
	16	9	3	4	149	92

Last season the 2nd XV was well balanced throughout the season and did not suffer as in former years through injuries to the backs. The team played some really good football at times but were unfortunate in having a run of drawn games which meant the loss of vital points and missing the semi finals by one point. The backs, particularly during the latter half of the season, developed good combination and were a pleasure to watch. The forwards, rugged as ever, were always a solid pack and possessed that vital fighting spirit, but the breakaways were prone to forget that they had a half-back to protect.

Altogether the team spirit was excellent and the members had a thoroughly enjoyable season

R. Eadie (Full-back). This versatile back played in most positions during the season, but appears to be best suited at fullback, where he gave some very good displays. Sometimes slow to cover a mistake and appeared to tire towards the end of a hard game but, nevertheless, was usually very safe.

J. Holcombe (Wing). Also a versatile back who, on his day turned on some slashing exhibitions of determined running. A most improved player, though still uncertain with his handling. A sound defender.

I. Templeman (Wing). After a promising start, he appeared to lose his confidence midway through the season, but came again with some typical runs in later games.

W. Ireland (Wing and Centre). Played well in both positions. Always reliable when the going was tough. Tackled well, followed up hard and used his head. Unfortunately, injury deprived us of his services towards the end of the season.

S. Wright (Centre). Robust, hard running, crash tackling and experienced player, who was largely responsible for the backlines' improved showing. Made many delightful openings for his wingers.

P. Hunter (Centre). Did not develop the condition and zip expected of him, but, nevertheless, played many good games. When in form he is a dangerous attacking player.

M. Cannon (Wing). Was unfortunate to break an ankle early. Has pace and a good side-stepping run.

A. Light (Five-eight). When he gained condition in the latter half of the season, he was the ideal link. Played sound and heady football, and overcame early faults in defence and slowness to recover after a mistake.

D. Guest (Captain and Half-back). Was the inspiration of the team. Always had the courage to go for the ball in front of a wall of opposing forwards and got the ball away well to his backs. One of the best defenders in the team.

B. Pyle (Breakaway). Before his shoulder injury was playing ideal football. Made up for his lack of weight by fiery and heady play. Anticipated and covered many dangerous moves by the opposition.

J. Parkinson (Breakaway). Keen and tough. Tackles with devil and what he lacks in the finer points he makes up with his enthusiasm.

J. Randall (Breakaway). Also played at fullback. Keen and capable, he is a most promising player. Tackles hard and keeps on the ball.

G. Hebblewhite (Lock). An enthusiastic and hard working forward who uses his weight to advantage. At times, however, his thoughts are a little behind the game.

J. Sharpe (2nd Row). An honest, hard working forward who always does his share of the tight work. Also fast in the open. An even tempered and fine sportsman.

D. Hosking (2nd Row). A young player with a bright future. Plays hard, tight football and is not afraid of the tough going.

G. Samuels (2nd Row). Was in fair condition at the start of the season and looked like doing well, but illness and an injury kept him out of the game for most of the season. His experience, tight play and ability with the ball at toe were assets that the team missed.

J. Dunbar (Front Row and Vice-Captain). Played his best football ever. Was always in the thick of the tight work and often burst clear with good runs. No doubt, better condition attributed to his good football.

J. Fisher (Front Row). A virile and tigerish forward who really made his presence felt. Unfortunately, he suffered a recurrence of an old leg injury early in the season and he missed many matches.

G. Stephenson (Front Row). Tough and active. He knows his football and should do well next year. Also missed quite a few matches through illness but, when available, was one of the mainstays of the side.

R. Chessher (Hooker). A young player who gave the team plenty of the ball. Very keen, but inclined to opportunism and looseness.

A. Welch (Front Row). A good forward, who also has the great asset of being a really good goal kicker. Was a valuable member of the team.

H. Sefton (Lock). Yet another of the promising players lost to the team through injury. Played during the first half of the season and was a tiger for the hard work as well as being fast in the open.

WHIDDON CUP "B"

Record:	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Pts. For	Pts. Agst.
	14	6	8	—	96	117

After a most successful start, the team fell into the doldrums and really performed disappointingly. Interference with training through bad weather and the necessary call on players as replacements in the higher grades, no doubt, had its effect, but there were also lacking that determination and drive so essential if a team is to perform well.

R. Richardson (Fullback). A most useful player with good defence, but does not take full advantage of his kicking.

G. Tasker (Centre). Form in last few games showed this young player to have great potentialities as a centre. Was played out of position for too long.

J. Ruhfus (Centre). On occasions played quite good football, but lacked necessary determination to succeed.

S. Johnson (Five-eight and Vice-captain). Was always a most enthusiastic and inspiring player. He should go a long way in club football.

W. Turner (Half-back). A sound player who, with a little more experience and knowledge of the game, should develop into a most useful player.

L. Routley (Wing and Breakaway). Seemed to lack confidence on the wing. Was more at home at breakaway, where he played some good games.

E. Tytherleigh (Lock). Always an honest, hard working forward who should be an asset to us next season.

D. Killeen (Breakaway). Has played in more positions than any other player in the Club, which undoubtedly affected his play. Nevertheless was a very good utility man.

H. Gilmore (Breakaway). A most useful player. He showed more tiger than most of the forwards and, with experience, could develop into a really good forward.

B. Cormack (Breakaway). Another player with good potentialities. Was always willing to play where selected and as a result his form suffered to some extent.

M. Friend (Second Row and Captain). A good, solid forward who is now displaying more devil. Was always in the thick of things and led his team quite well.

H. McDade (Second Row). Hard worker and vigorous tackler. Should do very well next year.

R. Chegwyn (Front Row). One of the few forwards to play every game. Is always in the thick of it and plays the game with zest. He is also a very good goal kicker.

W. Gibson (Hooker). Gave his team a fair share of the ball and was a tireless worker in the loose.

P. Lord (Front Row). Had very good condition and was one of the few full time players. A very useful forward.

G. Barber (Front Row). Came into it late and suffered from lack of condition, but was good in the tight work.

B. Hart (Breakaway). Was forced to play out of position frequently, but has plenty of natural ability. Lack of weight is a handicap.

V. Jenkins (Half-back). Played in early matches and his transfer to Fiji was a big loss to the team.

WHIDDON CUP "A"

Record:	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Pts. For	Pts. Agst.
	14	4	10	—	66	165

Unfortunately, this team did not commence the season with a regular coach and in the early matches did not have the benefit of guidance from the sideline. However, once it acquired a mentor, marked improvement was shown in the play, and teamwork and the spirit to win became more obvious. Although the A's finished well out of the competition, it must be remembered that as the fourth team it suffered most from the constant changes due to sickness and injuries in the higher teams. That they retained their spirit and kept on improving is to be commended, and is an indication of the calibre of its members. They have the football qualities, but are lacking in experience.

B. Commens (Fullback). Has very good qualities in his deceiving pace and ability to tackle. Is inclined to be too lethargic.

R. Wiley (Centre or Wing). Greatly improved. Is showing more football sense; runs hard and tackles well.

L. Fozzard (Breakaway and Wing). Very keen and showed improvement. Suffered an injury early which set him back a lot.

W. Atkinson (Centre). Greatly improved and keen. Showed more determination in tackling and running, which resulted in several tries. Next year should see him getting somewhere if he maintains this improvement.

K. McCarthy (Five-eighth). Did a good job as vice-captain. Is tireless, a good tackler and improved all the time.

D. Condie (Half-back). Performed quite ably and varied his play well. Quite elusive in the open.

V. Dobbys (Wing). Keen and improving. Did some good runs at times. What he lacks in speed he makes up in determination. Not afraid to tackle.

R. Waite (Centre and Wing). A very determined runner. Unfortunately, did not play long enough to really get condition.

A. Reid (Wing and Half-back). Started season playing on wing and then filled in as half-back, doing an excellent job in this position. He showed great keenness and determination.

J. Hawkins (Breakaway). Tries hard and tackles quite well.

A. Burford (Lock). A solid worker and has a turn of speed. With more experience, he will be a useful forward.

G. Miller (Second Row). Hard worker when in the mood and not afraid to use his weight. Has the ability to be a really good forward.

K. Kurtz (Second Row). An excellent hard working forward and did a good job in leading the team on a number of occasions. Is a handy kick.

R. Morris (Front Row). A good, keen and honest worker. Played his position well and kept the forwards tight.

A. Nicholas (Front Row). Very keen and vigorous. Uses his weight well, but requires more experience.

J. O'Shea (Hooker). Captained the team and played tirelessly throughout the season. Never off the ball and tackled well. He hooked successfully.

THE GORDON BEVAN SHIELD

The Gordon Bevan Shield was donated to the Club by Mr. Guy Bevan in memory of his son Gordon who lost his life in a tragic motor accident some years before the war. Gordon was an extremely popular footballer member of the Club and those of the present members who knew him will always treasure his memory. The Shield is awarded annually on a basis which exemplifies the virtues for which Gordon himself was so renowned. The points are as follows:—

Attendance at training	20 points
Value to his team	20 "
Most improved player	20 "
General keenness as a footballer	15 "
Value to the Club as a member	15 "
Neatness of uniform	10 "
Total	100 points

We have no doubt whatever that the members will rejoice at the selection for 1950, namely, Doug Guest. Doug, as the popular Captain of the Kentwell Cup side in former years and of the Burke Cup side in 1950, has shown himself at all times to be a true Briar and thoroughly deserves the honour which has come his way.

HOCKEY

(Sub-committee: B. Trevenar (Chairman), B. Adcock, J. Kerr, H. Lenartz, T. Mobbs and A. Scholes.)

The 1950 season was a very successful one as shown by the achievements of both teams in their respective grades of the Minor Division competition conducted by the Metropolitan Hockey Association.

The first team won the final from last year's Premiers, Mosman Vets, and the second team although defeated in the final by Northern Districts was in no way disgraced as there was an extra thirty minutes after full time to determine the winners.

It was very disappointing to the players that the Barton-Briars Shield match was not played this season as the Barton team could not make the trip. It is hoped that our Club will be able to make the trip to Canberra next Easter and bring the Shield back to add to the Club's present record.



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N.S.W.H.A. Minor Division "A" Grade Premiers.

STANDING: T. Mobbs (V. Capt.), D. V. Prowse, D. A. Walker, N. R. Walker, L. Davis.

SEATED: M. Hill, B. Trevenar (Capt.), E. F. Watt (Pres.), J. Hollands, R. Ackermann.

INSETS: B. Ritchie, H. W. Lennartz, A. Steed.

The Club again had Burwood Park as its home ground which proved to be one of the best grounds in the competition as it stood up to the wet weather very well. It is good news to the players that the Council intends to build a dressing shed on the ground.

The teams were fortunate to have the facilities of Concord Oval for training but there were very few players who attended, thus making the training just a farce. Without training, no one can expect to play good hockey for seventy minutes and take the knocks without effect. Furthermore, the players owe it to their team-mates to be in good condition.

Now hockey has been linked with cricket and football as a major sport of the Club it is hoped that we will be able to field three teams next season. It is now up to the present players as well as the Sub-committee to obtain the necessary recruits.

"A" Team

This team broke its sequence of being runners-up after four years and at last had the honour of winning the "A" Grade Championship Pennant for inclusion among the other trophies displayed in the Club Rooms.

In the competition proper the team played 14 matches winning 13 and losing the remaining one to Mosman Vets.

Bruce Trevenar captained the team and under his tutelage the team acquired a knowledge of tactics the lack of which had proved its severest handicap in previous years. Towards the end of the season Bruce had the team moving with machine-like precision and this difference was the vital factor which enabled our men to turn the tables on the Mosman Vets team which had theretofore proved invincible. Bruce's own play as back was an inspiration to his team-mates.

Tom Mobbs was vice-captain and played as inside-right. In this position he showed his best form but was inclined to hold on to the ball too long instead of feeding his centre.

Doug Prowse played as centre-forward and was the leading goal-scorer. His game was generally very sound and his anticipation was good when in the circle. Doug's most impressive game was in the final where he scored three of the four goals awarded to the team.

Allen Steed played as inside-left. Although a newcomer to the Club he had had previous experience with University. He played very good sound hockey and made many excellent runs to score with well-timed shots.

Neil Walker continued as the team's left-winger. He developed a very good back-stick shot which on many occasions enabled him to centre quickly thus keeping the forwards on side and forcing the advantage gained. Neil also scored his share of goals.

Les Davis occupied the other wing position. His fast running and early centres gave the inside men every chance to score.

Ray Ackermann played his usual tireless game as centre-half and on many occasions made it almost impossible for the opposition centre-forward to start any movement. It is not usual for a centre half to score goals but Ray, although in a position to score at times, did not take the opportunity.

Jack Hollands as left-half was at all times on the spot. Although not so fast of foot Jack was ever ready to swing the play with the speed of any first grade player.

Hammy Lennartz filled the right-half position in excellent fashion and made many good moves. He was a tower of strength in attack and never missing in defence. Hammy has also developed a strong back-stick which is an asset to any half. The final showed that a good half can win matches.

David Walker played a very solid game as left-back. He would not be disgraced in any major grade company in this position.

Maurie Hill as goalie was demoralising to the opposition and was a hard man to beat. When called upon he made many very good saves.

Maurie's best match was against Gordon when he stopped shots from many angles and his clears gave the opposition no chance.

Bruce Ritchie was the team's utility man playing as winger, half and back when regular players were injured. At all times Bruce played excellent hockey and it was unfortunate that a place could not be found for him as a regular member of the team.

"B" Team

Once again the "B's" had to be satisfied to finish the competition as runners-up and our congratulations are offered to the winners, Northern Districts.

During the season no fewer than sixteen players represented the Club with this team. After a rather shaky start the side settled down to play some really good hockey. Of the thirteen matches played in the competition proper we won 11, drew 1 and lost 1, to finish equal with Northern Districts at the head of the table. Having the better goal average, Norths were awarded the Minor Premiership and upon meeting our team in the final of the Major Premiership gained the victory after a hard match in which 30 minutes extra time was needed before a result was obtained.

Brian Adcock captained the side and was very unlucky to be injured late in the season. This was a loss to the team as Brian, playing as a forward, made many good moves which frequently ended in goals being scored.

Alan Scholes was vice-captain and left-half, a position which he filled capably. The responsibility of leading the side when Brian was injured did not affect his sound displays.

Bruce Ritchie, centre-forward, was the team's main goal scorer. His undoubted ability made him a worry to opposing backs.

Ken Astridge, inside right, was a model of consistency and a tireless worker, at his best when defending. He combined well with Ritchie.

Don Dick played firstly as left wing and later as inside-left. He always tried hard and performed creditably in both positions. A vastly improved player.

Jack Cassidy, right-half, was a real 70 minutes player. He had a tremendous amount of work to do but always tried hard.

John Kerr was very sound at left-back. "Cracker" combined well with his partner to get the side out of trouble on many occasions.

Aud Land came out of retirement in answer to a "maiden's prayer" midway through the season. As right-back he played, at times, inspired hockey and proved a very sound tactician whose excellent constructive play had a marked effect on the morale of the team as a whole.

Malcolm Smith was a newcomer from Victoria who was called upon to fill the important position of centre-half. He performed quite well but will do better still when he learns to mark his man.

Malcolm Pattrick, winger, did quite well in his first season. Inclined to hang back but will improve with experience.

Col Cunningham, winger, only appeared in the last few matches of the season but soon made his presence felt. An improved player from last season.

Russ Peisley was the find of the season as goalie. It is very hard to find anyone willing to take on this Aunt Sally job let alone capable of doing it properly. Russ did very well indeed and further experience will improve him.

Ted Stockdale, Bob Vincent and Alan Nicholas all played in a few matches and acquitted themselves creditably.

CLUB ROOMS

(Senior Steward: I. R. Vanderfield. Stewards: A. C. Reid, A. Scholes, R. J. Vincent, D. A. Walker, R. Aiken, B. Cormack, A. J. Light, A. Taaffe, and A. Searle.)

As the members all know, one of the most important steps in the Club's history was taken during the year with the purchase of the Club Rooms. This will involve extra financial responsibilities and it is with much pleasure, therefore, that your Committee reports that during the year in which this occurred, those Rooms have seen the highest trading and returned the greatest profit since the commencement of the Club.

Altogether the profits returned from the Club Rooms exceeded £400 which was £160 greater than the best year we have known before.

There are many reasons for this excellent result but the outstanding one is the contribution by Roger Vanderfield, Senior Steward. Roger is in his fifth year of Medicine at the Uni. but, despite the demands placed upon him by his studies, he has managed to supervise and organise the Club Room trading in such a way as not only to obtain record results but also to establish an efficiency which will serve as an invaluable guide to his successors. The Club owes Roger a very great debt of gratitude and we rejoice that his studies have apparently not suffered through his efforts on our behalf.

A contributing factor to the excellent results obtained has been ample supplies. In this respect, although it seems rather inadequate, we can only offer our thanks to Maurie Hill and Geoff Whiddon for the wonderful job they have done in ensuring that the Club has suffered no shortages of any sort, for the first time in many years.

Members who have been attending the Club Rooms throughout the year will also wish to express their appreciation to those who have looked after them—namely, the Stewards and the additional Saturday night helpers who worked during the football season.

For the first class order in which the Club Rooms have been maintained, we especially thank Mark Willis. We also thank Jack Hollands and Brian Williams for work and repairs they have done to the Rooms and Ron Aiken who has done much as our electrician.

Our Report would not be complete without a separate word of appreciation to Alan Reid who has worked untiringly in assisting the Senior Steward and acting as his deputy. His co-operation has ensured that one of them has been in attendance at all times throughout the year and this undoubtedly has been a contributing factor to the year's success.

To all the others who have helped we extend our thanks for the part they played in producing a record year.

Whilst the year taken as a whole is the most successful we have known as far as the Club Rooms are concerned, it is a keen disappointment to look at the separate seasons and to realise that three-quarters of the total turnover was during the months of the football season. This will not be wondered at when the attendances for the two seasons are compared. During the recent football season they were consistently good but during the last cricket season they were poor. Present indications are that during the forthcoming cricket season attendances will be much worse unless the footballers realise that we prefer their support to be perennial rather than seasonal.

The Club Rooms have been purchased and they are now yours in every sense of the word. They are there for your use. We can do no more than hope you will take full advantage of that fact and so justify their purchase.

COMMITTEE

Your Committee met on 12 occasions during the year and the following attendances were recorded:—

B. Adcock	10	R. Thomson	8
R. Clark	10	B. Trevenar	10
W. Elder	10	I. Vanderfield	11
R. Fay	9	J. Walker	7
J. Hollands	10	N. Walker	10

The standard of the Sub-committee work improved during the year but there is still plenty of scope for further improvement. The greatest failing is the lack of attention to seemingly minor details. It is the ability to see that these small items are covered, which is the test of the real organiser, and we look forward to an improvement in this direction during the forthcoming year.

BILLIARDS

(Sub-committee: W. Elder (Chairman) and D. A. Walker.)

As usual, billiards maintained its great attraction for Club members, young and old. Not only did it continue to hold the interest of the majority of the members but it was also of great benefit to the Club financially.

Two tournaments were held during the year. The first, a handicap event, was won by Ted Watt. The same player also won the second tournament, the Club Championship, after an exhibition of good solid billiards. The runner-up in the latter event was Bill Elder.

TABLE TENNIS

(Sub-committee: W. Elder, Chairman; D. Walker and I. R. Vanderfield.)

With the ever increasing influx of young members, this phase of Club activity has once again become a very popular feature of the Club Room amenities. Very rarely was the table unoccupied and rivalry among the players was very keen.

During the year, two singles and two doubles tournaments were held. The singles and doubles championships were won respectively by Fred Randle and two old-stagers in Ron Thomson and Bill Elder. A handicap singles tournament was won by David Walker (3) from brother Neil (scratch). The veterans previously mentioned were successful in the handicap doubles event.

There is no doubt that if the necessary space were available, good use could be made of another table.

GOLF

(Sub-committee: M. Mitchell, Chairman; and C. Mitchell.)

Another year has gone by, and from a golfing point of view a very successful one. During the year three tournaments were held—all at Kirkham Country Club at Camden—and judging by the numbers and enthusiasm of the players the sport threatens to become most popular in the Club.

Results were as follows:—

23/10/1949:

Par Handicap: D. H. Vanderfield, 3 up—1st. G. J. Lee, 3 down—2nd.

Four-ball Stapleford: R. Storey and B. Pyle—1st.

Club Championship: C. Mitchell—1st. M. Mitchell, G. J. Lee—2nd.

16/4/1950:

Four-ball Best Ball Stapleford: N. Neale and M. Mitchell—1st. M. Hill and J. Cleary—2nd.

Nine Holes Par Handicap: B. Trevenar, square—1st. R. Clark, 1 down—2nd.

3/9/1950:

Stapleford: R. Clifford—1st. R. Wicks—2nd.

Four-ball v. Par: I. Vanderfield and R. Thomson, square—1st. N. Walker and D. Prowse, 1 down—2nd.

Club Championship: C. Mitchell and R. Wicks—1st.

We should like to be able to join with the other phases of the Club's sporting life in reporting a year of steadily improving play. The sombre truth, however, is that the standard is not really of international class and is slowly and surely getting worse.

With a view to improving this state of affairs, we had a leading Sydney professional have a look at some of our stars with a view to coaching them. He watched a few hit off the first tee, but we considered that his fee of £10,000, though not unreasonable considering the work involved, was more than we could afford, and we have reluctantly abandoned this scheme.

From a social point of view, however, we can report great success, and every day was enjoyed by all. We would like to see more of the older members taking part in these events, which are an excellent method of keeping in touch with the Club's activities and with old friends. We will guarantee them a most pleasant day.

ACCIDENT FUND

The Accident Fund was run on a similar contributing basis to the previous year, viz., footballers 10/- per player for the season and cricketers 4/- per player. The hockey players paid 2/- each direct to the Association.

Receipts from contributions amounted to £31/9/6 and Bank Interest £2/18/3.

Claims for the season, including a carry forward from the previous year amounted to £32/3/2 from eleven players, which was comparatively light and was no doubt due largely to the soft grounds.

In addition to the above disbursements, a donation of £3/3/- was made to the St. John's Ambulance Brigade in recognition of their services.

It is interesting that no claims were received from cricketers last season, and it is obvious that the charge for players taking part in this sport is too high, but since our players in the two M. & S. teams are re-insured with the N.S.W. Cricket Association at 4/- per head it is necessary for the other teams to fall into line and, until the Association charge is reduced there is little that we can do about it.

Financial Statement

RECEIPTS				PAYMENTS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance 1948/1949 ...	150	13	3	By Claims	32	3	2
Fees—Season 1950	31	9	6	Donation	3	3	0
Interest	2	18	3	Refund of Fees	10	0	
				Balance	149	4	10
	£185	1	0		£185	1	0

SOCIAL

(Sub-committee: J. H. Walker (Chairman), S. W. Atkinson, R. G. Atwill, G. K. Hebblewhite, S. E. Hipwell, A. C. Reid, I R. Vanderfield, B. U. Williams.)

The past year, when reviewed, gives rise to somewhat mixed feelings. Disappointment is felt over the small attendances at some of the functions, but it is pleasing to feel that they were all most enjoyable and financially successful.

The first of these was the Annual Christmas function held in the Club Rooms on 17th December.

The next event was a Cocktail Party held on 1st April to farewell Cricket and give a kick-off to Football. A large attendance which included many new faces sent the season off to a happy start. After the good attendance at this party, it was surprising that only 120 should attend the Annual Dance held at the White City four weeks later, and we were fortunate to just make ends meet.

Another Party was held on 1st July with an attendance of over 100, and a similar evening, by popular request, in August. Both of these evenings were financially and socially a success. This type of entertainment seems to meet with the approval of the younger members.

Following the success of the Football-Hockey Smoko of last year, one was held at the conclusion of this season. An attendance of nearly 100 members, two first-class entertainers and ample refreshment ensured a tip top evening for all. These end of the season Smokos look like becoming a yearly event.

The final evening of the current year was voted by all the regulars as being the outstanding social function that the Club has sponsored for many years. It was a mixed evening of games, dancing, foam and frolic for young and old which had been planned for some months. The organisation, decorations, food and efficiency with which the evening was run were a credit to those concerned. Hence it was a bitter disappointment to the Sub-Committee that only 71 attended. However, the outstanding financial result and the favourable comments passed by those present should be an encouragement for them to stage further such nights.

For some time now members have considered that the social side of the Club has not been fully exploited, and it is pleasing, therefore, to record that a full Sub-Committee has once again been established.

Over the last few months this Sub-Committee has put in a good deal of effort to pave the way for the return to pre-war standards of our social activities, and the final function of the year proved just what is possible with good organisation. We feel confident that the new Sub-Committee will work along the same lines and that the Club will enjoy a bigger and brighter social year than ever before.

CLUB NEWSPAPER.

Older members will recall that efforts to establish a Club newspaper have been made on several occasions during the Club's history. Some attempts have been more successful than others, but for various reasons no Club news-sheet has survived for very long.

During the war, a publication was issued primarily for the benefit of the servicemen. In November, 1946, "The Briars Bulletin" was born only to meet a tragic death in January, 1949.

The year under review saw the matter raised again when Mr. Ted Hebblewhite, a younger member with journalistic inclinations, applied for permission to publish a monthly Club newspaper under the title of "Half-Time", for sale to the members for an annual subscription of 6/-.

At first, Committee was somewhat diffident about the proposal because, whilst it appreciated the value of such a paper, it doubted whether sufficient members would subscribe to make it a payable proposition and

whether sufficient members would be interested enough to do the necessary work in reporting, production and distribution. However, impressed by Ted's eloquent pleas and obvious sincerity, the Committee finally agreed.

At the close of the year, 120 members had become subscribers and no doubt many others will if the thought happens to occur to them at an appropriate moment. The financial success of the venture has not yet been assured (at least another 30 subscribers are needed), but it is quite evident that many members have derived pleasure from reading those issues of "Half-Time" which have appeared to date.

There is no doubt whatever that a Club newspaper, if properly conducted, can be a very important feature of our Club life and it is hoped that the members will give the required support, financially and otherwise, which will enable "Half-Time" to avoid the fate of its predecessors.

For the work already done, the Club is grateful to Ted and his little band of helpers.

LIBRARY

In last year's Report, reference was made, firstly, to the re-establishment of the library by Brian Williams and, secondly, to the existence of a vacancy in the position of Librarian which had temporarily nullified Brian's excellent work.

It is with regret that we record that during the major part of the year under review the library remained as a dormant asset of the Club.

However, during the past few months, Geoff Barber and Len Fozzard have taken it upon themselves to restore the library service and have spent much time in carrying out repairs and straightening out the records so that members will once again be able to avail themselves of this formerly popular feature of the Club Room amenities.

Committee hopes that members will show their appreciation of Geoff. and Len's Club spirit by giving their full co-operation in looking after the books and seeing that they are returned within a reasonable time.

THE J. H. STONE TROPHY

This trophy has been donated to the club by Mr. John Stone, one of our Vice-Presidents. John, who was only a lad himself at the time, was the Club's first President and the name of our Club was adopted from the name of his boyhood home, "The Briars". It is only fitting therefore that the Trophy should bear his name.

The Committee has decided, with John's concurrence, that the Trophy shall be awarded to the member, under 25 years of age, who makes the greatest contribution to the Club welfare during the year.

A Sub-Committee has been set up under the chairmanship of Peter Meulman for the purpose of determining the method of award. For obvious reasons, the Sub-Committee's task is a very difficult one and at the date of writing this Report it had not been possible to arrive at a satisfactory formula. However, every effort will be made to finalise the matter so that an award can be made and the name of the winner announced at the Annual Meeting.

FINANCE

Following are extracts from our Auditor's report:—

This being the last year prior to the formation of the Company it also represents an "all time high" in financial progress, which augurs well for the future of the Club as a Company.

The nett profit for the year just concluded amounted to £323/1/11 compared with £100/19/4 for the previous year, which has been brought about mainly by the increased amount in membership fees and particularly the excellent result achieved from Club Room Amusements. The latter result is most pleasing as it proves members are patronising the Club

Rooms to a greater degree, thereby creating more fellowship between the members besides assisting the Club financially. Congratulations to your Committee and to the Sub-Committee handling this branch of the Club's activities.

Club Room Trading Account. The turnover in Cigarettes, Chocolates and Cordials increased by £83/4/1 over the previous year, and the gross profit by £16/7/10.

Profit and Loss Account. The nett profit as stated previously amounted to £323/1/11 after a loss has been shown on all sporting activities, which is always the case and shows how essential the results of the various Club Room activities are to the financial success of the Club.

A summary of the various sporting and social activities is as follows:—

Cricket. A loss of £59/15/1 compared with £37/5/- last year, but no grant was received from the N.S.W. Cricket Association this year.

Football. A loss of £41/0/1 compared with £20/0/1 last year.

Hockey. A loss of £20/6/- compared with £2/12/4 last year.

Club Room Amusements—Billiards, etc. Income reduced by £3/15/6 but expenditure dropped by £36/2/6.

Entertainments. As stated previously—an excellent result. The income increased from £114/4/5 last year to £259/14/8 this year.

Dances. The nett result from dances amounted to £14/3/5 compared with £59/1/6 last year.

Members' Subscriptions. The total subscriptions due by members for the year amounted to £800/16/3 after writing off bad debts totalling £10/2/6, compared with £251/8/9 last year. The disturbing factor here, however, is the amount of subscriptions still outstanding amounting to £119/10/3, or nearly 40 per cent. of the total subscriptions payable.

Administrative and Clubrooms Expenses. Overhead expenses reduced by £13/15/3 as compared with last year.

Balance Sheet—Furniture and Fittings. These are shown at £425/14/5, a very low estimate.

Sundry Debtors represents fees outstanding by members and is out of all proportion to the total fees payable. This should be given strict supervision and attention.

Commonwealth Bank. The Bank balance has increased by £174/9/2 over last year and now stands at £509/10/6.

CONGRATULATIONS

(Sub-committee: Cupid, Hymen and Mr. Stork.)

On the field of sport, Briars are famous for their team-work, their "tiger" and their prolific scoring. It is not surprising, therefore, to see them evince these qualities in their private lives.

During the year, the following engagements were announced:—

Colin Killip to Miss Judith Seccombe.

Dick Crofts to Miss Beryl Burns.

Peter Crocker to Miss Wynta Bellchambers.

Jack Carson to Miss Wilma Harrison.

Also, Malcolm Mitchell, encouraged no doubt by John Cleary's example, firstly committed himself and then took it seriously. The lucky girl was Miss Diana Savage, now Mrs. Mitchell.

Other marriages were:—

Bill Farnsworth to Miss Nancy Langford.

Don Dick to Miss Margaret Davis.

Jim Atwill to Miss Fay Fitzwalter.

Peter Friend to Miss Pauline Ralston.

Peter Glanville to Miss Coral Coles.

The more advanced students produced the following results:—

John Kerr (a son)	John Dinning (twin boys!)
John Cleary (a son)	Harvey Ford (a son)
John Saunders (a daughter)	Eric Siddeley (a daughter)
Alan Higgs (a son)	Eric Annetts (a daughter)

To each and every one of those named as well as to others who may not have revealed their performances to us, we convey our heartiest congratulations.

CONDOLENCES

We offer our sincere sympathy to Ron, Bert and Gordon Thomson upon the loss of their father and to Paddy and Peter Friend upon the loss of their father also.

APPRECIATION

Again we desire to express the Club's deep appreciation of the attention given to our injured players by Messrs. Bjelke Petersen through the good offices of Mr. Bill Turner.

For and on behalf of the Committee.

E. F. WATT, President.

R. B. CLARK and R. J. THOMSON, Joint Hon. Secs.

ADDENDUM

I wish to place on record my appreciation of the work performed throughout the year by R. B. Clark and R. J. Thomson (Joint Hon. Secretaries), N. Walker (Hon. Treasurer), B. Adcock (Hon. Asst. Treasurer), I. R. Vanderfield (Senior Steward), N. G. Wales (Hon. Auditor), also the members of the General Committee and the various Sub-committees and Stewards.

E. F. WATT, President.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1950.

1950—Sept. 30.—		EXPENDITURE			
		£	s.	d.	£ s. d.
To CRICKET—					
Hire of Ground, Umpires, etc.	54	2	6		
Materials, etc.	83	16	1		
Caps	2	13	0		
Photos	4	18	9		
Insurance	1	10	0		
				147	0 4
„ FOOTBALL—					
Registration, etc.	36	10	0		
Jerseys, Socks and Badges	60	7	3		
Training and Ground Rent	35	0	0		
Materials	7	18	9		
Photos	7	18	1		
				147	14 1
„ HOCKEY					
				55	7 0
„ TENNIS					
				6	16 0
„ MEMORIAL FUND					
Less Donations	96	12	0		
	87	5	0		
				9	7 0
„ CLUBROOM AMUSEMENTS—					
Billiards	5	1	6		
Library	1	15	4		
				6	16 10
„ ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLUBROOM EX- PENSES—					
Rent	104	0	0		
Lighting	26	15	6		
Repairs and Maintenance	10	1	11		
Stationery and Stamps	30	1	1		
Telephone	22	4	4		
Insurance	35	12	8		
Annual Reports	47	18	9		
Sundry Petty Expenses	17	6	0		
				294	0 3
„ BALANCE BEING EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR 12 MONTHS					
				323	1 11
				<u>£990</u>	<u>3 5</u>

1950—Sept. 30.—		INCOME			
		£	s.	d.	£ s. d.
By GROSS PROFIT FROM TRADING ACCOUNT					
					124 12 1
„ CRICKET—					
Batting Fees	83	7	3		
Sale of Photos	3	18	0		
				87	5 3
„ HOCKEY					
				35	1 0
„ CLUBROOM AMUSEMENTS—					
Billiards and Cards	31	10	0		
Entertainments	259	14	8		
				291	4 8
„ DANCE RECEIPTS					
	125	19	9		
Less EXPENDITURE					
	111	16	4		
„ FOOTBALL—					
Jerseys, Socks and Badges	53	9	6		
Registrations	22	15	0		
Hire of Ground, N.S.W.R.U.	25	0	0		
Photos	5	9	6		
				106	14 0
„ TENNIS					
				4	14 6
„ GOLF					
				9	1 6
„ ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS					
Sundry Income	3	4	10		
Interest	6	6	11		
Donations	3	3	0		
Telephone	1	18	9		
Club Badges	1	17	3		
				16	10 9
				<u>£990</u>	<u>3 5</u>

CLUBROOM TRADING ACCOUNT FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1950.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1949—Sept. 30.—						
To Stock on Hand—Cigarettes, Tobacco, etc.	33	14	11			
1950—Sept. 30.—						
To Purchases—Cigarettes, Tobacco, etc.	698	19	9			
				782	14	8
„ Gross Profit Transferred to Income and Expendi- ture Account				124	12	1
				£907	6	9

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1950—Sept. 30.—						
By Sales—Cigarettes, Tobacco, etc.				807	16	8
„ Stock on Hand—Cigarettes, Tobacco, etc.				99	10	1
				£907	6	9

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1950.

LIABILITIES.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
DEPOSIT ON CLUBROOM KEYS				19	0	
SURPLUS OF ASSETS OVER LIABILITIES—						
Balance as at 30th September, 1949	794	12	2			
Add Excess of Income over Expenditure for 12 Months	323	1	11			
				1117	14	1
N.S.W.C.A. SPECIAL GRANT				50	0	0
J. STONE—TROPHY				25	0	0
				£1193	13	1

ASSETS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
FURNITURE AND FITTINGS AT COST—						
Value at 30th September, 1949	421	18	11			
Additions for 12 months	13	15	6			
	435	14	5			
Less Sale Typewriter	10	0	0			
				425	14	5
STOCK ON HAND AT VALUATION—						
Cigarettes, Tobacco	99	10	1			
Badges, Caps, etc.	12	9	0			
				111	19	1
SUNDRY DEBTORS	119	10	3			
Less Reserve for Doubtful Debts	20	0	0			
				99	10	3
COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK				509	10	6
PREPAYMENTS—GROUND HIRE				7	10	0
COMPANY FORMATION EXPENSES				39	5	10
				£1193	13	1

B. ADCOCK.
Hon. Assistant Treasurer.

N. R. WALKER.
Hon. Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of Account and Vouchers of the **BRIARS SPORTING CLUB** for the 12 months ended 30th September, 1950, and the above Balance Sheet, in my opinion, presents a true and correct view of the Club's activities at this date to the best of my knowledge and belief and according to the Books and Vouchers inspected by me.

NORMAN G. WALES, F.A.P.A., A.I.C.S.
Public Accountant and Auditor.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1950.

LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
DEBENTURES—				£	s. d.
199 £5 (5%) Debentures, 1970	_____	995 0 0	COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	3093	13 0
420 £5 (Interest Free) Debentures, 1970	_____	2100 0 0	FORMATION EXPENSES	1	7 0
		<u>£3095 0 0</u>		<u>£3095</u>	<u>0 0</u>

E. F. WATT
D. V. PROWSE
Directors.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

I have Audited the Books of Account and Vouchers of the BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED for the period ended 30th September, 1950, and have obtained all the information and explanations required. In my opinion, the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations given me and as shown by the books of the Company. The Register of Members and other records which the Company is required to keep in accordance with its articles and by Law, in my opinion, have been properly kept.

NORMAN G. WALES, F.A.P.A., A.I.C.S.,
Public Accountant and Auditor.