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THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

Gentlemen,

This report by the Board of Directors and Management Committee covering the activities of the Club for the 40th year of its existence, is presented with pleasure for your consideration and adoption.

The year under review has been one of consolidation and development. Certain matters inaugurated the previous year were implemented and other actions designed to benefit the members and improve overall efficiency were initiated. At all times the prudent and well proven major policies for the control of the Club, which are a heritage from our early builders, were maintained.

Considerable progress was made towards revitalising the prime objective of our Club - the participation in amateur sport by the members.

A virile football sub-committee introduced a new method of approach to gain desirable types of footballers leaving the schools, and the services of a coach with valuable experience was obtained. Encouraging signs which augur well for the future were apparent in that a stronger spirit of enthusiasm was in evidence and performance on the field of play showed improvement.

The Kentwell Cup team won its way to the semi-final and the young Whiddon Cup team produced a season's record much better than in previous years. Increased spectator support by members was pleasing.

Some weaknesses in the administration of this sport have already been examined and plans for their eradication have been discussed.

Performances in the cricket sphere were reasonably satisfactory. The "A" Shire team, though minor premiers, were beaten in the semi-finals and the "B" junior team in particular acquitted itself far better than formerly.

The need to have young cricketers developing to take very soon the places of the ageing backbone of our higher teams received serious attention, and a bold step was taken by the entering of a fifty team in the "C" Grade competition of the Western Suburbs Cricket Association, comprising mainly young lads around the 15 year age group. There will be "teething troubles" arising from this action but in the ultimate the Club should benefit.

The spontaneous contribution by members present at the Annual Cricket Meeting of amounts totalling £13 to assist in equipping this new team is a warming example of good Club spirit.

In general, the sport of Hockey continued to run smoothly and successfully and the "A" team registered the Club's sole premiership win.

The game of Squash is increasing in popularity and Club teams participated with reasonable success in the competitions run by the Squash Association of New South Wales.

Opportunities provided for the playing of golf, billiards and table-tennis were adequate to meet the needs of members.

Possibly the greatest improvement in Club affairs occurred in the Social activities. Despite a very late cancellation, beyond our control, of the booking for the Annual Ball, alternative arrangements resulted in a most enjoyable evening being shared by the capacity number present. Other social functions held in the Club Rooms were likewise successful, and the Club's finances benefited appreciably.

Administrative matters received close attention throughout the year. Some members found it impracticable to continue in office and others have capably filled the vacancies. The loss of valuable administration is keenly felt but so long as others are prepared to fill the wants of the Club, our future is assured.

Earnest consideration was given to a number of much appreciated suggestions in the interests of Club welfare submitted by certain members towards the end of last year. Most of them were implemented and the Club has benefited from them.

The general functioning of sub-committees was overhauled and actions taken included the adoption of regulations for the control of cricket. The compilation of similar regulations, with consequential adaptations, are nearing completion for the control of other sub-committee activities.

In order to keep the work of the Secretary within less than impossible limits, assistance has been provided in several ways, the appointment of an Assistant Secretary and a subsequent faithful discharge of the duties being, perhaps, the greatest contributing factor.

Financially, the Club had a satisfying year despite its somewhat unique position of being closed on Sundays and not having poker machines installed on the premises.

Debentures to the value of £850 have been repaid in order of allotment.

The improvement in the financial position is attributable to increased use by members of the Club's facilities and amenities and the extent of such future support will determine the Club's ability to clear its indebtedness and provide additional benefits for the members.

At the 30th September, 1958, the composition of the membership was as under, for comparison membership for 1957 is also shown.

	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>
Full	209	198
Junior	17	37
Associate	52	71
Country	30	26
TOTAL	<u>308</u>	<u>332</u>

It will be noted that the membership increased by 24 during the year under review. The most pleasing factor was the increase in Junior Membership where the increase was 20. No doubt this is a result of the drive by Football Committee for new members. There was a drop of 11 Senior Members, but a similar number has increased the Associate Membership.

The Burwood and Concord Councils continue to show us consideration, and it is desired to record our sincere appreciation of their assistance.

The opportunity is taken to express our thanks to the sporting bodies with which we are affiliated and with whom we associate. We offer our best wishes to the N.S.W. Rugby Union, Metropolitan Sub-District Rugby Union, N.S.W. Rugby Union Referees' Association, N.S.W. Cricket Association, City & Suburban Cricket Association, Western Suburbs Cricket Association, The Council of Municipal & Shire Cricket Clubs, Sydney Hockey Association, Sydney Hockey Umpires Association and Squash Association of N.S.W., together with all clubs with whom we competed on the field.

We also thank the staff of the N.S.W. Rugby Union and N.S.W. Cricket Association for their wonderful assistance throughout the year.

CRICKET 1957-58

Sub-Committee: Chairman - D.A. Walker

Deputy Chairman - P. Mansford

Committee: J. Robertson, R. Thomas, N. Young

A prevalent custom is past Annual Reports has been to happily record the competitive success of the two Shire teams; a perfunctory "all's well" acknowledgment as to the performance of the "B" Junior and "C & S" teams usually follows. The standard cliches, "an enjoyable season was had by all", and "fine teamwork and sportmanship were displayed", are always featured. A perusal of these reports will reveal how little have the aspects of Cricket administration, and of a season's play, differed from year to year. The season under review, and consequently this report, presents little deviation from the pattern of uniformity.

Four teams represented the Club, one in each of the "A" and "B" divisions of the Municipal and Shire Competition of the NSW Cricket Association, one in "B" Grade of the Western Suburbs Cricket Association, and a team with the City and Suburban Cricket Association. At this point, we express our appreciation of the excellent organisation of the controlling Associations in ensuring smooth-running competitions.

This section of the report will be confined to a general range of comments on the teams, as "intimate" and detailed accounts of the four teams' fortunes are given later within their respective Captains reports.

The much travelled C & S team has as yet no home ground. An approach was made to Strathfield Council to ascertain information on the availability of Airey Park. However, a prior claim is held on this fine reserve.

In the "C and S" eleven, a nucleus of regular veterans has developed, with the team composition differing only a little from week to week. This selection policy has caused speculation as to whether the standard of performance of some members warrants their constant appearance, to the exclusion of younger members, who as yet, not of Shire status, are obliged to play on matting wickets. Many factors must be considered when a revision of the function, and of the selection, of this team is deemed desirable.

The "Veterans" have achieved an unenviable notoriety as to fielding standards. However, we hasten to add

that this mantle of ill fame sits on the shoulders of many other club players. A disturbing feature is the lazy mental approach held by many members, and especially is it embedded in the younger and aspiring players. The only solace gained over this inexcusable feature is that it also appears widely amongst our opposing teams. It may be instructive to note that many of our Shire players are holding their positions, not by any vastly superior batting or bowling skills, but by sheer brilliance of fielding.

With the previous years experience of matting wickets, the "B" Juniors faced the season with more "know how" and confidence and consequently had a much more successful season. One matter which worried our players was the disappointing standard shown by many, disjointed, opposing teams in the latter half of the season. The Captain discusses more fully on this subject in his report. Suffice to say here that we appreciate the difficulties faced by the association, and frankly, we are unable to suggest worthwhile correctives for the defects evident.

Our congratulations are extended to the strong Fivedock team, who were worthy Premiers in this competition.

The "Shires" used Rothwell Park as its home oval, and opposing teams invariably complimented us on the fine wicket. We are indebted to the expert attention of the Curator, Mr. Bill Hollis, who despite ill health, was always on the job to produce such excellent wickets.

As to competitive success, the A's achieved a Minor Premiership but were soundly beaten in the Semi-Final by the ultimate premiers, Epping. The Epping club achieved a fine treble, the A and B Shire premierships, and the initial Shires Club Championship. Congratulations!

The loss of experienced players, and a chronic batting instability shown by the new younger members, caused many disheartening performances in the "B" Shire team. Had encouragement and constructive help been offered at this stage by senior members of the club, instead of the proffered ill-informed, illogical and destructive comments, the team's morale and standing may have been considerably elevated in this difficult early period. By the close of the season, an effective combination had been formed, which carried the team to a creditably high position.

Shire players are often rankled by an attitude of smug pleasure in the club rooms when the teams appear in danger of defeat. This must be a legacy of war and immediate post war years when the Club monopolised the Premierships, and it was hoped that honours would be more evenly shared. However, in the present era, the Shire competitions are keenly and closely fought, and it is essential for morale and success that we have the fullest member support for the teams. A most heartening boost would be given to all our teams if we had only a small percentage of the supporters, who loyally follow the footballers, as spectators at our matches.

Early in the season, we played a Nepean Districts team on the fine Penrith Oval. As in the previous match, a keen tussle ensued, and, sated after a sumptuous Afternoon tea, all voted the day an excellent venture.

A highlight to conclude the season was our Annual Easter trip to Goulburn. Golf, Canberra tours, and the hospitality of the local RSL and Golf Clubs, combined to entertain our tourists during this pleasurable week-end.

We played two matches against combined 1st and 2nd Grade teams on the Easter Saturday and Monday. Whilst we were apprehensive of the quality of our team, all players lived up to, or exceeded, their reputations, and we are able to report two successes. The winning margin in each case was extremely slight and as both matches were decided in the last overs, excitement and tension abounded. We again thank the Goulburn Association for their endeavours to make the trip so enjoyable.

Mid-season, a Rules discussion night was held at the Club rooms. We were grateful for the appearance of ex-Test and Sheffield Shield umpire, Mr. Herb Elphinstone, who rendered an excellent and concise discourse on the troublesome cricket laws, and expertly answered our queries. Several cricket "Shorts" and Chaplin two reeler films were projected, whilst the evening concluded with supper. This beneficial evening will bear repetition in future seasons.

Conceding that the Club could contribute to brighter cricket by adding more colour to our caps, we have decided on a new cap design. This will retain the maroon colour, and the same badge, but gold cord will be braided down the stitched cap divisions, and a gold centre button will sit atop.

In conclusion, the Chairman thanks the Subcommittee, the various Team Secretaries and Kit Stewards, and the Captains and Selectors for their help and support during the season.

"A"SHIRE - 1st ELEVEN

Though the competition programme caused us to encounter the strongest sides in the first four matches, the team bounded away to an excellent start. An outright win over Canterbury, first innings wins over last year's Premier Ryde and Epping, with a favourable draw against Bexley placed us at the top of the table. This run of success continued until halted by our old "bogey" team, Auburn. With a burst of outright victories after Christmas, and notwithstanding the setback of a first innings defeat by Canterbury, we found ourselves Minor Premiers by a handy margin at the end of the 12th round.

During these rounds the strength of the team was founded in the prolific battling form of our players. We were invariably given a good start by the early batsmen, and with punishing bats following in the list down to 9th position, our overall scoring rate was usually very brisk. In the welter of runs batting faults possibly were committed without the full penalty being paid. These careless features should have prepared us for the ultimate failure of the batting array.

At the commencement of the season, our bowling appeared suspect, as variety and depth seemed lacking. However, the bowlers, acting as an attacking unit, rather than as individuals, co-operated to effectively dismiss our opposition for mostly moderate totals.

Lacking any individual match winning bowler, our attack was consistently accurate, very little loose bowling was evident, and the batsmen allowed few indiscretions. It is striking to note that no one bowler secured more than 5 wickets in any one innings.

This attack was mostly backed up by excellent fielding, rising to brilliance in the close-in forward position, enabling the adoption of field placements otherwise useless to attempt. The only flaw exposed at times was in slips and behind the wicket.

On the few occasions when the bowling was collared, despondency seemed to settle on some members, but generally the outcricket standard was much higher than in previous years. The returns to the keeper were always

immaculate from all members. One hesitates to suggest reasons.

In view of the preceding remarks, it was therefore very disappointing to the team for the batting to fail so dismally in the semi-final against Epping. Some excuse may be found for the first innings debacle of 67, for we were sent in to bat on a soft and upsetting wicket. The bowlers struck back to dismiss Epping for 137, and considering our batting strength, we still felt capable of compiling a large enough total in the second innings to give us a reasonable chance of victory. However, on a perfect wicket, we could only muster a wretched total of 84 runs. The most noteworthy feat was that Fred Randle carried his bat for 49 n.o. to join the illustrious few in the club to have batted through an innings.

We congratulate Epping on so resounding a victory and on their ultimate winning of the Premiership.

Our "A" team have been semi-finalists every year since the inception of the system, but this is their first grasp of the R.B. Clark Cup.

Whilst we are disappointed as Minor Premiers to lose the competition the team still considers that the Semi-Finals and Final system of concluding the competition generates the greater interest at the close of the season.

One problem during the year was to ensure that all members had their talents utilised fully. In a team containing several all rounders, with most batsmen being embryo bowlers, and bowlers with batting aspirations, it was inevitable that in this competitive cricket, some claims must remain unproven and various resources untapped. The aim, rightly or wrongly, was to have the specialist members concentrate on their respective talents to secure their maximum efficiency, whilst ensuring that the genuine all-rounders had their versatility fully exploited. To a captain of limited experience it was very heartening to feel that he was given a maximum of support at all times from the team and for which he is grateful.

The thanks of the Captain and Team are also extended to the Team Secretary, Barry Cardwell, the Kit Steward, Col. Jones and to the afternoon tea caterer, Doug Prowse. Doug had loyal and noble support from the many wives who produced, and "tidied up" after, the terrific afternoon teas enjoyed by all.

Always on duty over the score book was Mr. Reg Walker whose quiet, efficient service was much appreciated by the team. His ears must have "burned" far more than previously when hearing opposition comments on the questionable tactics of the wicketkeeper captain, his son, but he appreciated the humour of such situations.

One constant pleasure was to have Mr. E.J. "Pop" Siddeley, our Patron, present at our matches. His advice was always well received by "Walker" and the team, and much to our sorrow we often regretted the absence of a "man in the gully" or that "man on the drive."

DAVID WALKER: Though enjoying immensely his initial experience as Captain, found at first that the adoption of this role caused further lapses in his always faltering concentration as a keeper. Further experience is developing an ability to separate the demands of each role. At his brief visits to the crease, consistently set a bad example of undisciplined batting, and should have his licence cancelled for negligent driving.

TOM MOBBS: The team's enthusiastic vice-captain, batting at first wicket, was the run-getting machine, and as such, the basis of the batting strength. His application to the task of building an innings was an oft unheeded example to the other players. His faults were a recurrent, and dangerous obsession with back cuts, and the tendency to allow his aggressive methods to become fettered into over-caution by apparently innocuous bowling. Though normally a safe field, has slowed considerably, but this new diet may work wonders.

FRED RANDLE: This enterprising left handed opener had a successful season, especially in the pre-Christmas period, though his finest effort was his lone and unconquered hand in the semi-final. Fred is very strong in offside play, but misses many opportunities on the on-side by swinging over the line of flight when attempting to pull the ball away. "Rolled his arm over" hardly at all, except when in covers, where he always fielded enthusiastically and safely, especially when using two hands. He is also an excellent outfielder, but slow to change positions when so required.

GRAHAM IRELAND: This classical bat surprised us, and shocked opposing bowlers by showing hitherto unexpected aggression, meeting with considerable success, and provided our most polished and brilliant displays seen for seasons. This new style allied with his sound defence

formed an effective opening combination with Randle, though at times Graham disappointed by lapses into onrelessness. Despite some early mishaps, he developed into an excellent specialist as a close in fieldsman.

NEIL WALKER: As the "solid" batsman to bolster our "middle" was called on to subjugate his naturally aggressive tendencies to a method of deep concentration, dour defence, and outraged bursts of hitting. In this role, he was moderately successful, though a highlight of the season was his hurricane fifty against University of Technology. A safe and versatile field, capable of brilliant deeds, Neil found the skipper like hard turf, unresponsive to his spin, and he bowled never.

DOUG PROMSE: This feared wrecker of bowling was most prolific early in the season, producing our lone and brilliant century against Epping, followed by a near century at Longueville. Whenever at the crease, he dominates the attack, but considering his experience, regrettably too often falls to the careless or reckless stroke when "set". The team is very dependant on Doug's batting, as is the bowling on his regular appearance at silly point, where he is a match winner. At a late stage of the season, was found at mid-off, and he claims to have seen the bowler's actions for the first time in seasons.

BARRY CARDWELL: Though dogged by ill fortune, at times self-contributory, and by one horrid patch of completely scoreless innings, nevertheless produced many valuable knocks, particularly a match saving effort against Lindfield. Without forsaking his effortless and aggressive style, Barry must develop a sounder defensive technique to produce results consistently. Possessor of a superlative return to the wicket, he was one of the team's more brilliant fieldsman, as a leg slip or anywhere. Secured a modicum of wickets early in the season, but needs far more bowling than able to be given to ensure a return to his old form.

HAMMY LENNARTZ: Though a permanent "A" Shire selection, missed early matches in order to strengthen the "B" Shire. This unsettling experience "Tump" took in his stride, and proceeded to justify his well earned promotion. Batting lower than previously, he was often called on for vigorous batting, which caused some inconsistency. A fine 65 against Canterbury, and the stroke play against Sutherland proved his ability to bat soundly when required. As a bowler, given to the old waywardness, but added variety to our attack with his noted recipe of in-dippers, out

swingers, leg breaks, etc. Had much success with his limited opportunities with the new ball, but mostly exploited the old ball, using less direct methods than the other bowlers, and leans more on the abilities of the fieldsmen. With his quick reflexes, made some phenomenal saves, and proved a brilliant field.

DON CARNEY: Though unpunctual, usually arrived in time to use the new, and old, ball effectively to capture over fifty wickets in his initial season with the Club. Hampered by muscular troubles when really approaching top pace, nevertheless always sustained a probing, accurate, and often hostile attack. A "never say die" type, he was always keen to apply "pressure" if the team's morale appeared to slip, and always happy to correct his contemptible skipper's eccentricities. As a batsman was visibly impressive, and looked always a keen and alert field, but in both cases mostly proved that appearances can be deceptive.

TED WATT: After playing only five matches, Ted departed on a much envied trip to the States. During this early period, he batted delightfully and seemed set for his best season. Though still a very accurate and, if aroused, fiery bowler, his shortened approach appears to have deprived his bowling of that little "extra zip". An excellent field but still prone to his old fault of at times appearing to lose interest in the game.

GEOFF TWEEDDALE: Left his land uncleared to return to the side when Ted Watt sailed overseas, and met with instant success, his excellent use of the new ball helping to rout Lindfield, Roseville and Sutherland. After only three matches he had taken 23 wickets, but found later batsmen more resistant. He batted in his usual carefree fashion, and figured in two match winning last wicket partnerships. We were therefore let down badly when he bagged a "pair" in the semi-final, ruining his impressive average and run of not outs.

COL JONES: By some, an underrated bowler, but his successful effort his season in carrying the whole of our spin attack must have dispelled their doubts. His 44 wickets contained many sought after "scalps", and were justly earned as Col seems to bowl with little luck. The accuracy of his off breaks, allied with his ability to bowl to a set field, allowed his continued use as a stock-bowler. The affable Col needs only to develop more variety, and more "hatred of batsmen" to become a match winner. He waited till the last match to produce a worthy and winning batting contribution. In his fielding, he has seemingly lost confidence, and especially to his own bowling, does this fall below his past standard.

"A" SHIRE STATISTICS

							Minor		
Matches							Premier	Final	
<u>Played</u>	<u>W.O.</u>	<u>W.I.</u>	<u>L.O.</u>	<u>L.I.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>T.</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Position</u>	
14	4	6	1	2	1	-	1st	3rd	
Runs For							Runs Agst.	Wkts. Agst	Avge.
3,521		147		24.08			3,216	190	16.92

BATTING AVERAGES

<u>N a m e</u>		<u>Inns.</u>	<u>N.O.</u>	<u>H.S.</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Average</u>
T. Mobbs	..	18	1	80	620	36.47
E. Watt	..	7	2	65 n.o.	179	35.80
D. Prowse	..	15	1	108	460	32.86
F. Randle	..	15	3	55	361	30.08
G. Tweeddale	..	6	4	30 n.o.	58	29.00
G. Ireland	..	18	2	71	432	27.00
H. Lennartz	..	14	3	65	292	26.55
N. Walker	..	18	4	53 n.o.	299	21.36
B. Cardwell	..	16	-	40	215	13.44
D.A. Walker	..	16	1	35 n.o.	189	12.60
D. Carney	..	11	3	22	83	10.37
C. Jones	..	13	3	29	100	10.00

ALSO BATTED: R. Simms, 3 inns. for 39 runs, G. Farrell, 2 inns. for 17 runs, J. Rudd, 1 inns. for 11 runs, C. Magrath, 1 inns. for 1 run, K. Astridge, 1 inns. for 0 runs.

BOWLING

<u>N a m e</u>		<u>Overs</u>	<u>Maidens</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts.</u>	<u>Average</u>
G. Tweeddale	..	85	9	313	27	11.5
D. Carney	..	182	25	671	52	12.9
H. Lennartz	..	90	4	397	24	16.5
B. Cardwell	..	33	4	158	8	19.7
C. Jones	..	182	13	917	44	20.8
E. Watt	..	73	2	299	13	23.0

ALSO BOWLED: N. Young 3 wkts. for 47 runs, K. Astridge, 3 wkts. for 84 runs, R. Sims, 2 wkts. for 28 runs, N. Walker, 1 wkt. for 19 runs, F. Randle, 1 wkt. for 53 runs, D. Prowse, 0 for 4, G. Farrell, 0 wkts. for 6 runs, T. Mobbs, 0 wkts. for 37 runs.

"B" SHIRES - 2nd ELEVEN

After being a comparatively static side for several seasons the "B"s took on a new look for the 1957-8 season with only 6 of the previous regulars being available to take their place in the side.

With the Club's cricketing future in mind the selectors took the opportunity of giving several younger players valuable experience in Shire cricket and, while their performances were not as successful as was hoped, we feel that the move will reap its reward over the next few seasons.

Despite the lack of experience the side only narrowly failed to make the semi-finals finishing fifth in the actual competition and subsequently scoring convincing victories in the last two matches. In point of fact, the team lost only four matches during the season and in three of these the losing margin was less than 20 runs.

Our measure of success, however, was due almost entirely to our bowlers who comprised one of the most formidable attacks in the competition. Unfortunately they were let down frequently by extremely brittle batting - an element which had previously been absent from "B" Shire teams. We feel that this batting lapse is only temporary and look forward to seeing the "B"s back at the top next season.

Owing to a family illness we unfortunately lost the services of our scorer, Mr. A.J. Robinson, halfway through the season. For his assistance in the early part of the season we express our sincere gratitude and we look forward to his continued support, and criticism in the future.

RON THOMAS (Captain): Appreciating the return to the side of Ron Eadie as wicket-keeper Ron had a fairly good season with the bat.

JACK HOLLANDS (Vice-Captain): Owing to illness and business commitments Jack missed several matches, but played some typical fighting innings. One of our few players who could score quickly.

LAURIE CUTLER: A newcomer, Laurie took some time to settle down, but later played some good innings. One of our keenest fieldsmen and a handy change bowler.

BRIAN ADCOCK: Our most penetrating bowler, Brian bowled extremely well in almost every match taking the most wickets for the season. Unfortunately, concentration

lapses prevented him doing himself justice with the bat.

GEOFF CHEGWYN: Could not settle down although he gave several glimpses of his potential ability as a batsman. He must learn to play himself in before going for the bowling. A very safe field.

GRAEME FARRELL: Probably our best fieldsman, Graeme batted well early but fell into the doldrums midway through the season. Has plenty of strokes but should endeavour to quicken his footwork.

RON EADIE: Ron returned to the side after two seasons' absence, and his wicketkeeping was much appreciated by our bowlers. Batted well on several occasions, but must use his feet more against slow bowlers.

ROGER KERR: Had a disappointing season with the bat owing generally to lack of concentration, but he hit the ball harder than in past years. Fielding could improve.

PETER MANSFORD: Our youngest player who showed intense concentration and played several good innings. He must learn to hit anything loose with more power. His fielding was disappointing.

RON SIMMS: Ron joined us late in the season and batted promisingly although he must get behind the ball more in defence. Usually safe in the field although a trifle slow. A handy left arm change bowler.

ALAN ROSE: Once again took the bowling average, an honour he richly deserved. Also came to our assistance with the bat on more than one occasion.

BRUCE TREVENAR: Bruce continues to bowl well and showed more hostility this season than for some years. Played some of his typical valuable innings towards the end of the season and again fielded well.

JOHN WILSON: A very keen player with definite prospects as a fast bowler, but he must learn to sacrifice speed for accuracy. A good field and handy bat.

Matches		STATISTICS							
<u>Played</u>	<u>W.O.</u>	<u>W.I.</u>	<u>L.O.</u>	<u>L.I.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>T.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Position</u>	
								(at end of 12th round)	
14	4	6	1	3	-	-	85	5th	
<u>Runs For</u>	<u>Wkts.For</u>	<u>Avge.</u>	<u>Runs Agst.</u>	<u>Wkts.Agst.</u>	<u>Avge.</u>				
2625	170	15.4	2621	215	12.19				

BATTING

<u>N a m e</u>	<u>Inns.</u>	<u>N.O.</u>	<u>H.S.</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Average</u>
Thomas, R. ..	18	2	72	408	25.5
Hollands, J. ..	14	2	50*	232	19.3
Mansford, P. ..	13	3	48	170	17.0
Cutler, L. ..	20	-	84	333	16.7
Rose, A. ..	10	5	36*	82	16.4
Eadie, R. ..	17	3	69	212	15.1
Simms, R. ..	8	1	28	105	15.0
Kerr, R. ..	20	1	48	282	14.8
Adcock, B. ..	16	1	43	196	13.1
Farrell, G. ..	16	4	27	116	9.7
Wilson, J. ..	12	2	21	84	8.4
Chegwyn, G. ..	8	1	26	55	7.9
Trevenar, B. ..	13	2	22	82	7.5

ALSO BATTED: R. Young, 3 Inns. for 10 (1 not out);
 A. Land, 2 for 59; J. Robertson, 2 for 14 (1 not out);
 A. Mills, 2 for 19; H. Lennartz, 2 for 20; I. Black,
 1 for 4.

BOWLING

<u>N a m e</u>	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Maidens</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts.</u>	<u>Average</u>
Rose, A. ..	128.3	14	490	46	10.7
Adcock, B. ..	124.7	6	580	48	12.1
Trevenar, B. ..	167.7	21	536	42	12.8
Wilson, J. ..	93.4	7	352	26	13.5
Young, R. ..	24.5	5	102	7	14.6

ALSO BOWLED: N. Young, 5 wickets for 42 runs,
 H. Lennartz, 5 for 79, R. Simms, 4 for 32, L. Cutler,
 4 for 72, J. Robertson, 3 for 64, J. Hollands, 2 for 76,
 G. Farrell, 1 for 10, R. Eadie, 1 for 14, P. Mansford,
 1 for 30, R. Kerr, 0 for 8.

"B" JUNIOR - 3rd ELEVEN

As far as results the season was an excellent one but the standard and attitude of some Clubs in the competition left a lot to be desired. In the last four games not once did we play a team with the requisite numbers, some players turned up clothed in anything but the correct Cricket attire. A few years ago the Club decided to enter in the "B" Grade Competition instead of the "C" Grade for exactly the same things which occurred this season. Without doubt this was the major reason why the season was not as enjoyable as in past seasons.

Despite this the team was a very happy one and full strength was maintained until the end of the season.

The season found most of the players acclimatised to matting not as in the first year which found most of us floundering after many seasons on malthoid.

During the season 29 players appeared in the team. No doubt the highlight of the season were Ron Simms two centuries. Unfortunately for the team Ron was promoted to "B" Shires.

Dick Atwill captained the team until injured when Ted Stockdale took over the position. Our thanks to Les Davis who downgraded himself to tutor some of the "younger fry".

DICK ATWILL: Had the honour of leading the team until injury forced his unfortunate retirement. Up to that stage unfortunately had not found touch with the bat.

TED STOCKDALE: Vice-Captain. Batted well on most occasions, led the team capably after Dick was injured.

LES DAVIS: Illness gave him an interrupted season. Took most wickets but batting below his usual excellence.

ERIC WADE: Did not play a full season but when he played was always an asset to the team.

NOEL YOUNG: Another injured player who missed many games. On his day easily the best opening bowler in the competition.

GEOFF GOSTELOW: Disappointed with bat, could bat well when he concentrated as was confirmed by his brilliant 78 against Malvern.

RON SIMMS: Two centuries in seven knocks speaks for itself.

WARWICK DUNN: Warwick would agree that he is not a great cricketer but always a trier. Largely responsible for making the team a happy one.

IAN BLACK: A very impetuous batsman but when able to settle down batted well. The Aunt Sally of the team.

WARREN WILSON: Could be a good cricketer if interested in the game. Always made himself available upon request.

BILL TURNER: Always a trier even if he did not have great success with ball.

JOHN ROBERTSON: Why he does not do better we do not know? Can bat and bowl well but on most occasions failed to get going. Perhaps its the weight he carries.

COLIN DENNIS: Could be a good cricketer if he was keen on the game. If short would always forgo his swimming to play.

PETER QUINN: Only played a few games but showed promise with ball.

VERNON PROWSE: Came into the team near the end of the season. Shaped well and we look to big things from this player next year.

STATISTICS

Matches

<u>Played</u>	<u>W.</u>	<u>W.I.</u>	<u>L.</u>	<u>L.I.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>T.</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Position</u>
14	4	6	-	4	-	-	42	3rd

<u>Runs For</u>	<u>Wkts.For</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Runs Agst.</u>	<u>Wkts.Agst.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
2853	201	17.20	2153	254	10.82

AVERAGE

BATTING

<u>N a m e</u>		<u>Inns.</u>	<u>N.O.</u>	<u>H.S.</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Average</u>
P. Mansford	..	4	1	82	162	54.00
R. Simms	..	7	-	105	277	39.57
E. Stockdale	..	18	2	74	461	28.82
L. Davis	..	12	2	49*	229	22.90
E. Wade	..	7	1	49	135	22.50
N. Young	..	5	3	30*	39	19.50
J. Wilson	..	5	1	44	73	18.25
G. Gostelow	..	13	2	78	180	16.36
R. Atwill	..	8	-	34	129	16.12
W. Dunn	..	16	2	48	210	15.00
I. Black	..	13	-	42	190	14.61
M. Cummins	..	5	-	24	58	11.60
P. Quinn	..	5	-	17*	43	10.75
W. Milson	..	12	5	28	73	10.43
W. Turner	..	7	2	14*	49	9.80
J. Robertson	..	15	1	43	136	9.71
C. Dennis	..	7	2	12	21	4.20

* Denotes not out

ALSO BATTED: G. Chegwyn, 4 Innings for 60 runs, S. Perry, 3 for 35, W. Carter, 1 for 11, K. Phelps, 1 for 9, V. Prowse, 3 (2 n.o.) for 9, E. Annetts, 3 for 24, W. Magrath, 2 for 9, L. Walker, 2 for 7, G. White, 2 for 6, G. Tasker, 3 for 8, T. Baker, 1 for 0, A. Davis, 2 for 1.

BOWLING

<u>N a m e</u>	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Mdns.</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts.</u>	<u>Average</u>
E. Annetts ..	13	1	43	8	5.37
V. Prowse ..	30	9	63	8	7.67
N. Young ..	44	8	140	18	7.78
L. Davis ..	81	14	238	27	8.82
J. Wilson ..	36	8	102	10	10.20
P. Quinn ..	33	8	119	11	10.82
R. Simms ..	40	4	157	11	14.27
J. Robertson ..	88	13	277	18	15.39
W. Dunn ..	66	7	253	15	16.87
R. Atwill ..	21	2	102	5	20.40
W. Turner ..	53	11	154	7	22.00
W. Milsom ..	37	6	147	6	24.50

ALSO BOWLED: G. Gostelow, 2 wickets for 4 runs, W. Magrath, 1 for 2, G. Chegwyn, 2 for 6, A. Davis, 1 for 7, E. Stockdale, 2 for 18, L. Walker, 1 for 10, P. Mansford, 3 for 32, C. Dennis, 1 for 23, I. Black, 0 for 5.

CITY AND SUBURBAN ELEVEN

The Senior side (in age), once again had an enjoyable season, although it could only manage to win eleven matches out of 26; however, many of the matches were very evenly contested, particularly against the stronger sides, but unfortunately some poor performances are recorded against comparatively weak teams.

The team's most reliable batsman was "Colonel" Rudd who had a prolific season in scoring 598 runs, this being an excellent effort for one not so young and nimble.

David North and Wal Smith gave good support with the bat, with David North capturing the batting average.

The bowling honours went to Bob Clark who captured over 50 wickets, and was ably supported by Aub Taaffe, Ray Young and Wal Smith.

Once again we extend our thanks to all the teams who entertained us during the season, and we look forward to the day when we have our own ground and can repay the hospitality which has been given to this team over the years.

In conclusion, Management Committee should make enquiries into the possibilities of obtaining a second turf wicket which could also assist in perhaps one of the "lower" teams participating.

Matches

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drawn</u>
26	11	15	-

<u>Runs For</u>	<u>Wkts. For</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Runs Agst.</u>	<u>Wkts. Agst.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
3272	209	15.6	3555	205	17.3

AVERAGESBATTING

<u>N a m e</u>		<u>Inns.</u>	<u>N.O.</u>	<u>H.S.</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Average</u>
D. North	..	21	3	61*	487	27.0
J. Rudd	..	26	1	64	598	23.9
S. Hipwell	..	24	1	44	417	18.1
A. Taaffe	..	20	6	40*	221	15.8
W. Smith	..	25	1	38*	304	12.7
R. Clark	..	13	7	38	83	13.8
A. Leadbeater	..	21	1	33	227	11.3
R. Thomson	..	14	3	36	111	10.1
C. Mitchell	..	11	3	22	77	9.6
R. Young	..	11	4	21	57	6.3
B. Williams	..	11	1	18	52	5.2

* Denotes not out

ALSO BATTED: G. Thompson, 7 Innings (1 not out) for 51 runs, A. Thomson, 3 (1 n.o.) for 12, W. Turner, 4 (1 n.o.) B. Adcock, 1 for 0, J. Wilson, 1 for 5, W. Magrath, 3 for 2, P. Mansford, 1 for 1, J. Robertson, 1 for 22, J. Hollands, 2 for 57, D. Prowse, 1 for 0, I. Mackie, 8 (1 n.o.) for 120, A. Land, 1 for 19, D. Walker, 1 for 5, G. Tweeddale, 1 for 24, V. Prowse, 2 for 0, G. Farrell, 2 for 2, N. Young, 1 for 2, R. Kerr, 1 for 23, P. Quinn, 1 for 3, I. Black, 1 (1 n.o.) for 1, W. Taffee, 1 (1 n.o.) for 0.

BOWLING

<u>N a m e</u>		<u>Overs</u>	<u>Mdns.</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts.</u>	<u>Average</u>
R. Clark	..	181	19	779	54	14.4
A. Taaffe	..	96	7	409	26	15.7
W. Smith	..	108	6	633	32	19.8
B. Williams	..	59	-	289	14	20.6
R. Young	..	122	3	604	29	20.8

ALSO BOWLED: W. Turner, 5 wickets for 62 runs, J. Wilson 1 for 30, D. North, 1 for 9, B. Adcock, 2 for 13, R. Thomson, 6 for 124, J. Robertson, 0 for 18, W. Magrath, 0 for 21, K. Astridge, 2 for 26, J. Hollands, 0 for 38, I. Mackie, 0 for 29, G. Tweeddale, 0 for 65, V. Prowse, 8 for 99, N. Young, 3 for 29, P. Quinn, 2 for 14.

FOOTBALL

SUB-COMMITTEE:- Messrs. J. Comerford (Chairman), I. Brabant; L. Curry; C. Dennis; C. Dodds; M. Elder; S. Jones; I. Middleton; S. McGregor; (Chairman - resigned); B. Owen; C. Walker and R. Young.

Whilst none of the teams became a Premiership side this year, a most enjoyable season was had by all players. Good fellowship and team spirit were always evident among the players.

Fortunately, there were sufficient players this year so it was not necessary to call on the older club members to make up the numbers as was the case during the 1957 Season. In fact no less than 76 members appeared for the Club. This was mostly due to the efforts of the Management Committee and Football Sub-Committee in fostering a drive for new members.

The Football Sub-Committee functioned very smoothly and carried out their work conscientiously.

Fortunately, keen interest was maintained throughout the Season. There were several reasons for this. Firstly, all players had games; social matches were arranged for a fourth team, comprising players not selected in the three Competition Teams, while there were sufficient players available. Secondly, there were many social events throughout the Season, and thirdly, a more realistic attitude towards the selection of the teams by the selectors.

The Wesley College Team played a Briars Combined team on two occasions at Rothwell Park. On one of these occasions our second combined team played the Blue Mountains Team. The visitors were entertained at a luncheon provided by the players, and prepared by the wives and girl friends of the Football Sub-Committee, to whom we extend our sincere thanks, particularly to Mrs. Comerford who was responsible for the organisation of the catering. A Social was held on the same evening in the Club Rooms, but did not attract many visiting players.

There were two country trips during the Season, one being a Sunday trip to Wentworth Falls where a combined team played the Blue Mountains Team; and the second, which was the highlight of the Season, being a trip to Molong for the Queen's Birthday week-end. We defeated Molong on the Saturday and were defeated by the very good Yeoval Team at Yeoval on the Monday.

Our team was entertained at a party at the Molong Golf Club on the Saturday night, and at the property of Mr. Jeff Smith, the Molong Football Club President, on the Sunday afternoon. The hospitality of the Molong Club, particularly that of Jeff Smith was excellent, and it was largely due to this that the weekend was such a success, as all members who were present have agreed.

The team was entertained with films at the Hotel on the Sunday night by Grahame Bailey and Jeff Smith. Grahame, who is well-known to the members of this Club, was a member of the Wallaby Team which recently toured the British Isles. He showed some of the pictures which were taken by him on tour and delivered an excellent and interesting talk on the team's experiences both in Rugby Union and travelling whilst overseas.

Another feature this Season was the entertaining evening held at the Club when Mr. Terry McClennehan, the Manager of the Wallaby Team, delivered a talk about the tour. We had an attendance of about 70 Club members and visitors including Mr. Phil Tressider, the Daily Telegraph Sporting Journalist, and Col. Windon, the well-known champion footballer of the late forties and early fifties. The interest of all present was held for every minute of the hour and a half talk, which in itself is sufficient evidence of the excellence of the talk. Our sincere thanks are due to Brian Adcock who went to a lot of trouble to arrange the visit.

Later in the Season Allan Reid arranged for Mr. John Gordon to show films at the Club Rooms on the elements of Rugby Football. Whilst these films were made by the Rugby League Code, they were really good and demonstrated the correct methods of tackling, passing, kicking, etc. Unfortunately, due to the short notice and lack of keenness at this late stage of the Season, attendance was extremely disappointing. Fortunately, however, Mr. Gordon, who incidentally is a member of the Colleagues Club, agreed to make the films available again. These will be shown at the beginning of the next football season.

We congratulate Bill McLaughlin who added another honour to his already impressive list, in being chosen as Assistant Manager and Coach to the successful Wallaby Team which recently toured New Zealand. The Club is proud of Bill's achievements in Football.

Our congratulations also are passed on to Roger Vanderfield, who was appointed to the Maori test in Sydney.

Perhaps the most pleasing aspect this Season was the form of our Whiddon Cup Team which performed most creditably to finish equal third in its division of the competition. It is reassuring to see these younger members playing so well, as they can improve greatly with experience if they show the same keenness in future seasons, and can help to restore the prestige in Sub-District Rugby Union which the Club has held in the past.

In general the Kentwell Cup and Burke Cup Teams did not perform as well as was hoped, although both teams played some excellent football, the Burke Cup Team being very unlucky to lose several of its matches.

One of the most disappointing aspects of the Season was the lack of responsibility of certain players who failed to meet their financial commitments regarding football registration, and football gear purchased from the Club. It is sincerely hoped that the few players concerned will come forward and settle their accounts promptly.

The sincere thanks of the Club are given to the Coaches of the Teams, Ross Cribb (Kentwell Cup), Geoff Stevenson (Burke Cup), and Don Walker (Whiddon Cup), and to the Selectors and other members who assisted in many ways, and without whose efforts the Club's football could not function. Special mention must be made of Stan Jones for his sterling work during the season.

As usual, we especially thank Mr. Gordon Young who again carried out his First Aid work at all of our matches. Gordon is also to be thanked for the assistance he has given the Club in other activities during the Football Season.

The Club extends its congratulations to the winners of the Sub-District Competitions, the Kentwell Cup being won by Western Suburbs, the Burke Cup by Colleagues, and the Whiddon Cup by North Cronulla Life Savers. This year the Club Championship was again won by Colleagues, which Club has had such a fine record in recent years.

The Club also extends its good wishes to all of the other Clubs that participated in the various Sub-District Competitions.

KENTWELL CUP:

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drawn</u>	<u>Points for</u>	<u>Points Agst.</u>	<u>Position</u>
12	6	6	-	179	146	4th

This Team appeared to have the makings of a Premiership side early in the Season, but unfortunately it failed to produce its top form in critical games. Although the Team reached the Semi-Finals, it was easily defeated by the University of Technology which was in turn defeated in the final by Western Suburbs, the eventual winners of the Competition. In the Semi-Finals our Team played well below its capabilities. What a contrast in the second round against Colleagues, the minor premiers. In this game the forwards and the backs played grand football. On such occasions as this the Team played real football, but on other occasions, whilst individual play was often good, the players did not combine as a team.

This year the Team had some very good backline combinations which unfortunately, due to absence from injury, business and other reasons did not last. The back line in the University of Technology game in the second round was undoubtedly equal or better than that of any team in the competition throughout the Season, until our regular five-eight was forced off the field with a badly sprained ankle.

Although some of the previous Season's Team Members did not play, there were some very good footballers among the new Club Members to replace them.

As usual the Team was handicapped by lack of a reliable goal kicker who would have changed the results of several games.

RAY YOUNG (Captain) - Front Row. Led the Team capably and often inspired the forward with his fiery play in rucks and lineouts. Ray is still one of our best forwards.

CLIFF DODDS - Hooker. Another hard player who was always on the ball and scored some good tries. Handled well and ran with determination, but did not reproduce the brilliant form displayed last year, due to condition not being as good.

RAY ELVERY - Front Row. Was slow to reach his top form but when he did, played really good football making barging runs down the sideline.

GRAHAME KIER - Second Row. A young player who combined well in the scrums. Later in the season learnt to use his weight to advantage and made some fine runs. Unfortunately, could not train regularly due to study but with better condition and more experience could develop into one of our best forwards next year.

JOHN COMERFORD - Second Row. Improves with age. A highlight of his play this season was the small number of inexcusable penalties he gave away. No doubt the keenest footballer in the Club.

NICK MARSHALL - Lock. A new member, Nick soon showed his worth to the team in all phases of play. Lineout play and rucking fierce, ran with determination in the open, linking well with backs, tackling and backing up good. Excellent line kick. One of our best forwards.

STEVE KIER - Breakaway. Played in several positions, usually acquitting himself well. Steve could improve greatly with some early nights before the games. Basically a real footballer, handles tackles and runs well, and positional play good.

JOHN PARSONS - Breakaway. Another good footballer who excels in many positions, but unfortunately was badly injured early in the Season.

PETER DARRAGH - Breakaway. Late starter this season due to working in country. A tower of strength in the really hard tight play, soon made his presence felt. Always in superb condition and one of our best forwards.

JOCK JENVEY - Breakaway. Another of the ex-Duntroon players who played the standard of football expected. Unfortunately suffered injuries to his ankle. A fine player.

CHRIS WALKER - Half Back. Started off playing good football, but began to hang on to the ball too much. Scored some good tries but must realise that a good breakaway will never let a half penetrate at the scrum base. Injured late in season. Condition must be improved next season. This player does have real potential.

LANCE CURRY - Five Eight. The best footballer in the Club. Tough and game, brilliant in attack, an exceedingly tricky runner and superb defence. Lance scored over one hundred points this season, a fine record. Unfortunately, injured his ankle before the semi-finals where he was badly missed.

NEIL KEW - Centre. A newcomer to the Club who proved to be one of the best backs in attack and defence. Started rather late in the season but quickly showed form which tags him as a real find. Played some games as five eight, but showed better as a centre with more room to move.

VERNON PROWSE - Centre. Another young player with outstanding prospects. Good in attack and defence. His presence in the back line was reassuring.

REX LAMB - Winger. A very heady footballer who has an excellent kick into the forwards. Unfortunately, possesses everything for this position except the necessary pace.

JOHN HARPER - Winger. A good player who turned in some outstanding performances, but was injured early in the Season.

BRUCE COMMENS - Winger. Played with his old dash this season. Condition better than previous season. Worked good moves with the half back. Made a few mistakes which detracted from an otherwise good performance.

RICHARD PLUMMER - Winger. Started late in the Season, but played exceptionally well in attack and defence, should do well next year.

JIM CRISS - Wing. Came from Burke Cup to play some outstanding games until badly injured. Has speed and football brains. Should show out next year.

JOHN MCKAY - Full Back. One of the teams best tacklers. Unfortunately, tries to beat the opposition by running often when our forwards are well upfield. Often lets the ball bounce before taking it.

LAURIE CUTLER - Full Back. Also tries to beat the opposition by running, particularly when out of reach of our forwards who are well upfield. Handles and kicks well and could develop into a good full back with coaching.

BRIAN WILLIAMS - Full Back. Played a few games only but even without the conditioning of previous matches still shows out as a class full back. Handling, kicking, positional play and attack, almost as of old.

BURKE CUP

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drawn</u>	<u>Points For</u>	<u>Points Agst.</u>	<u>Postn.</u>
14	4	8	2	78	170	5th

As the results show, the Burke Cup had a very indifferent season, playing good football in patches.

Individual players stood out, notably the captain, Noel Young, and Graham Farrell, whilst several others, Ian Middleton, Ian Brabant, Gordon Hutcherson played very well. On the whole, however, the players,

although keen, did not have the necessary fire and determination required to win matches. In many cases games could have been won, and on most occasions, we were on top but the team dropped its "bundle" when overtaken in points.

JOHN NEEDHAM - Full back. Excellent defender, always showed determination and courage, handled extremely well, needs to improve in kicking and general play, will develop into a first rate player.

GRAHAM WHITE - Full back. Good footballer, speed, brains, ability - can play extremely well when so inclined, needs much more determination, concentration and condition.

BARRY VAUGHAN - Wing. Very determined lad, played extremely well, always keen - will develop into a very good footballer.

COL DENNIS - Wing. Improved a lot as the season progressed, nippy, thinks well, must improve defence to be a really good footballer.

WARREN MILSOM - Centre. Steady, reliable, good defender, will play anywhere in the backs and try his utmost. Hampered throughout the season by indifferent health, injuries, etc., should do better next year.

MIKE MATHEWS - Centre. Unfortunately, broke his wrist early in the season. A very hard and determined footballer - should show up very well next year.

IAN MIDDLETON - Centre. (Vice-Captain) The same old Ian. Still one of the best handlers in the Club. Play anywhere from 5/8 to wing and give a good display. Played some very good football late in the season as outside centre.

RON HAMLYN - Centre. Hampered all season by injuries so didn't have much of a chance. Played in several positions and always did his best - good defender and handler.

GEOFF GOSTELOW - Half Back. Didn't play at all well, slow and indifferent, capable of far better play, which on occasions showed.

RICHARD WEST - Half. A definite asset to any football team, clever, tricky, all over the field, again however was hampered by an ankle injury and missed quite a few matches.

JOHN CARTER - Breakaway. Keen, fast and active, always a trier, although undid most of his good work by doing silly things. Could mature into a good footballer if he learns to restrain himself.

JOHN MCKINNON - Breakaway. A far better footballer than he appeared to be this season.

IAN BRABANT - Breakaway (Old Strawb.) Played well, keen, determined and always a trier. Played several good games on the wing, although he assures us that look is his position.

GORDON HUTCHESON - Lock. Keen and fit, always in there trying, will develop into an extremely good footballer.

GEORGE GELL - 2nd Row. His lineout mark was a pleasure to watch - his general play improved steadily throughout the season. George, with a little more determination, could develop into a good footballer.

NOEL YOUNG - 2nd Row. (Captain). Noel played extremely well all season, showing plenty of fire and determination in all his play, always a trier. As Captain, led his team well and made it a pleasure to coach the Burke Cup Team. Was definitely unlucky not to be promoted to the Kentwell Cup Team as his play certainly warranted it.

TONY RAY - 2nd Row. Commenced late in season and impressed with defence. We look forward to watching his progress next season.

ANDY CLIFFORD - Front Row. Young, enthusiastic, always in there trying his best. Should mature into a very good footballer given a few more years.

BOB SWINNEY - Front Row. Tough and active, always in the thick stuff - improving steadily, had his best year since he joined the Club.

GRAHAM FARRELL - Hooker. Pound for pound the best footballer in the Club, always flat out, keen as mustard, never missed a training night, etc., could do with fifty more like Graham.

GORDON HARTLEY - Front Row. Always on the ball, played well until Army commitments interfered.

IAN DARLINGTON - Front Row. Experienced prop who didn't hit his top this year - needs much more conditioning.

JOHN LOVE - Breakaway. Keen as mustard, always trying his hardest and played well all season, with another year or so will develop into a first rate forward.

WHIDDON CUP

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drawn</u>	<u>Pts.For</u>	<u>Pts.Against</u>	<u>Position</u>
14	8	5	1	143	106	Equal 3rd in Division

The "Pineapple Juice Boys" developed into a very fine team. Overcoming the urge to play as individualists, they really played together as a team with such good effect that they became quite a formidable combination in the second round of the competition, so much so that only one team, Colleagues A, were able to beat them in both rounds. As an indication of their ability to play as a team practically every try was scored by the outside centre or the winger resulting from a full team effort in winning the ball and passing it out in orthodox fashion.

After a terrific baptism in the first match in which tigerish tackling alone kept the score to a moderate level against a team at least a stone a man heavier, the Whiddon team provided the highlight of the season by playing excellent football to beat the same team, Warringah, convincingly in the second round.

Comments for the guidance and assistance of these players:-

IAN BLACK - Full Back - A player with excellent prospects for a bright future with experience and some additional weight he has the potential to go a long way.

GEOFF MURRAY-PRIOR - Wing - Lacking in experience. Will need to show determination if he is to succeed.

GRAHAM ASHDOWN - Wing - A most promising player of whom much was expected. Unfortunately he "disappeared" half way through the season.

BILL VASSILLO - Wing - Extremely keen and has quite a good football knowledge. Handled badly at times and needs to improve his tackling.

PETER GRANT - Breakaway - Played good consistent football, tackles well and performed successfully on the wing when called on to fill that position.

RICHARD GULLEY - centre - Just settling into team when he suffered injuries which kept him out for the season. Set excellent example with his keenness.

KEN FARRAH - Centre - Undoubtedly has ability, but disappointed by inconsistent displays, needs to show greater concentration and determination in tackling.

PETER WALKER - $\frac{3}{4}$ th - Tackled consistently and well, handling only fair but fed the ball to his backs quite well. Will need to develop greater speed and determination.

MIKE ELDER - Half Back - Led the team well, proved the best player in the back line. Has keenness and ability to go to great heights. His enthusiasm was an inspiration at all times.

BILL HERRON - Hooker - An excellent hooker who will show to greater advantage in higher company. General play good and should continue to improve.

BOB FISHER - Prop - Played as utility forward where required which meant a lot for the team. Interest and enthusiasm a variable quality.

BOB MATHEWS - Prop - A little "ball shy" in close play but showed speed and determination in open play. Close play improved during the season but must continue to improve.

GARRY DENT - 2nd Row - Played only a few games has ability and capacity to do well if he is prepared to train properly.

LLOYD WALKER - Lock - An experienced player who tackles in inspiring fashion. Set a fine example with his enthusiasm and should have several years of enjoyable football ahead of him.

BRIAN WHITELOCK - Lock - Played very well and with plenty of keenness. Will need to be more observant of the offside rules.

PHILLIP MULLER - 2nd Row - Showed promise but missed most of the season with injuries. Has good style and should do well next season.

TONY HOLDEN - Breakaway - Always willing and certainly keen. General play should be better.

BARRY CARROLL - Breakaway - Plenty of experience. This season affected by marriage in first half. However, should be in higher team when he settles down.

ALAN DAVIES - Breakaway - Came into team for last few matches. He has physique to develop into a very useful player.

HOCKEY

SUB-COMMITTEE: B. Trevenar (Chairman), P. Paterson,
E. Wade, M. Spencer, K. Watson, C. Jones.

The Club was represented by two teams in the Minor Division of the Sydney Hockey Associations Competition, and enjoyed another successful season. The "A" Grade side won the Minor Premiership and followed this success by defeating Gladesville in the final, 3 goals to 1, and thus retaining the "J.A. Pearce Cup" for another year (8 years out of 11). The "B" Grade were not as fortunate as the "A's" - they finished very low down in the competition, but with more effort by a few and a build up of Club and team spirit, this team should finish up near the top next season.

We take this opportunity of congratulating Glebe on winning the "B" Grade competition.

The "Barton-Briars Shield" this season was held in Canberra. The result a win for the Club, 3 goals to 2, after a very good game. The second match ended in a 3-all draw played in a real carnival spirit. We thank the Barton Club for their hospitality and we are looking forward to their visit next season.

Burwood Park was used as our home ground - its surface was not up to the standard of some grounds, but we thank Burwood Council for the help in the ground preparation.

This year Hockey was placed on the same footing as the other major sports in the Club by the very generous gift of a Trophy to be known as the "A.J. Robinson Shield" to be awarded annually to the hockey player who makes the greatest contribution to Club welfare.

FIRST ELEVEN

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drew</u>	<u>Goals For</u>	<u>Goals Agst.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Postn.</u>
21	18	2	1	136	23	37	1st

The Team had the pleasure of being Minor Premiers again this season and went on to further their success by defeating Gladesville 3-1 in the final which was classed by Grade players of being a very high standard in which each and every player played his part. The team spirit was of the usual high standard.

The goals scored has set a new record in the Club for hockey, being 136 goals scored, with 23 goals against.

BRUCE TREVENAR (Captain), Right Back. Scored 12 goals, which is most unusual for Bruce. Captained team well and is still one of the best full backs in the competition. The "Mr. Hockey" of the club.

COLIN JONES. (Vice-Captain), proved himself a very able deputy, and as centre-half his game was of the usual high standard we know he can play. He is never tiring in defence and always on the ball in attack. Col entered in to the field of goal scorers by netting 7.

DAVID WALKER, as left back, was always on the ball when the opposition were attacking. He is the type of player who never tires - the tougher the game, the more solid his own performance. Scored 2 goals.

SAM BEADSWORTH played left half in his usual style giving the forwards their share of the ball. He is solid in defence and a hard man to pass, but has the habit of obstructing when tackled, for which he was penalized freely. Sam experienced serious injuries mid-way through the season, but came back fighting.

JACK CASSIDY played sound Hockey, at right half, and always had the situation under control. Jack is an asset in any team.

PETER PATERSON, right-wing, when in possession was always a danger. His pace often left the defence standing and his centres gave the inside forwards a good share of the ball. Peter scored on 6 occasions.

JOHN BROWN as inside right played many outstanding games as his goals, 41, for the season indicate. John is a hard hitting forward who grasps every opportunity. He should move the ball around a little more.

ROSS SWAIN, centre-forward, with very good stick work is a very unselfish player who throws the ball around at all times. Ross was up with the top goal scorers with 33 for the season.

DON WOMBEY. Don gained the position as inside left after his last season's success, and set a high standard. He never missed an opportunity in the circle and showed good stick work. Combined well with other forwards. Scored 25 goals for the season.

IAN SULLIVAN was promoted to the "A's" as left wing for the latter part of the season and played very well, was able to get the ball across at the right time.

However, there are a few blemishes in his wing play, but experience will eradicate these.

ALAN PRICE played in the backs and left wing till he was laid up with sickness.

TED LANDER played early in the season as centre forward but was moved to the country. Ted played outstanding hockey and gave many opportunities to the other forwards.

ERIC WADE filled in for the "A's" when injuries hit the team. He has to learn that there are 10 other players in the team, and can't score all the goals. Eric should force his way into the team next season.

JOHN MCKENZIE played with the "B's" and "A's" during the season, and if he absorbed the experience he gained he should do well in future seasons. We hope he too enjoys better health, as sickness stopped him playing a full season.

ARTHUR BEADSWORTH again filled the role of "Mascot", and is part of the team our opposition look forward to see.

"B" GRADE - SECOND ELEVEN

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drawn</u>	<u>Goals For</u>	<u>Goals Agst.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Position</u>
21	4	13	4	41	59	12	6th

The "B" Grade Team had rather a lean season. Of 21 games played we won 4, drew 4 and lost 13. We were unfortunate in not having sufficient players to guarantee our being able to field a full team at all times. The encouraging features were the keenness shown by the stalwarts who did make a point of being available and the willingness of the "A" players to double up when possible.

ERIC WADE (CAPT.) strove hard to hold team together at all times. He was rewarded for his efforts by being promoted to the "A" team later in the season.

PETER RICHARDSON (VICE-CAPT.) (RIGHT BACK) Played in numerous positions during the season always to the team's advantage, plays the game hard and a strength to the backs.

RICHARD MACKENZIE (GOAL). This season switched to the Goal position and proved to be very capable with more experience will be first class in this most important position.

ROBERT SNOW (LEFT BACK). A new player to the club and although maintains ignorance of the "pros and cons" of Hockey proved as good a back as we have seen for the last two seasons.

MAX SPENCER (RIGHT HALF) Another player who has played in numerous positions during the season always a trier who enjoys Hockey, a good team man and capable umpire.

PHIL WILSON. (LEFT HALF) Plays a rugged game with perhaps too much tendency to play the man instead of the ball with more experience will improve even further.

TOM BAKER. (RIGHT WING). Moved to Canberra before completing the season, this was unfortunate for the team as was mastering this position very well and improving with every match.

KEITH WATSON. (INSIDE RIGHT). Improved player since last season and more of a goal scoring potentiality due to more determination inside the circle. Inclined to allow himself to be played offside on occasions has good stick work.

IAN SULLIVAN (CENTRE FORWARD) Ex Barton player and a newcomer to Briars, has good stick work and "Hockey sense" and filled his position very well.

MAX HILL. (INSIDE LEFT). An old hand at Hockey and a help to the forwards inclined at times to be hustled but always in the right position to score goals.

DON CLOUTON. (LEFT WING). Plays the game with determination but must learn to control his enthusiasm by playing the ball and not the man will improve with more seasons.

JOHN ROBERTSON (RIGHT HALF). Played in numerous positions during the season but was then transferred to Wollongong. Always helped out when possible and with more hockey will be a valuable man to the team.

JOHN MCKENZIE. (RIGHT WING). Another newcomer to Hockey who will greatly improve with more experience, guidance and a little more determination.

SQUASH

(Chairman: R.D. Vanderfield, Secretary, G. Ireland)

Squash is now an established minor sport with some 24 players participating every Wednesday evening at Bill McLaughlin's courts at Burwood.

During the winter season four teams played competition squash controlled by the Squash Association of N.S.W. In the spring two teams competed. Although results were not outstanding, valuable experience was gained and our highest graded team finished near the top of the competition table in both winter and spring competitions.

Most members who requested a game were able to be accommodated although there was the odd occasion when the application had to be refused.

Our sincere thanks to Bill McLaughlin for the many favours extended to us.

INDOOR ENTERTAINMENT

SUB-COMMITTEE: R. Thomas (Chairman), A. Holden,
P. Mansford.

During the year a Table-Tennis Singles Championship was held with David Walker defeating the holder Peter Paterson in a keenly contested final.

Owing to lack of interest among members however, it has been reluctantly decided not to hold any further championships in the indoor sphere.

Table Tennis, Billiards and Snooker have all been very popular during the year although some members are still apparently not aware that Billiards and Snooker each cost one shilling per game, which should be paid prior to the commencement of their game.

GOLF

SUB-COMMITTEE: R. Thomas (Chairman), C. Mitchell,
A. Holden, P. Mansford.

The usual four days were held at Leura in November of 1957 and April, July and August of this year.

The attendance at each day was very disappointing with the field averaging only about 30 including several visitors, and it has therefore been decided to hold only three days per year in the future.

We are once again very appreciative of the courtesies extended us by the Laura Golf Club and although the course is taking some time to recover from the droughts and bushfires of 1957, all players thoroughly enjoyed the days.

The usual practice of people dropping out at the last moment was again in evidence, but fortunately, we were able to keep faith with the caterers. It has been decided that if the Club becomes liable financially as a result of this practice, the offending members will be debited with any cost incurred by the Club.

In keeping with the Club's ideals the main competition events have been four-ball competitions although minor individual events were also held. A record of all players' performances is now being kept to ensure that as many people as possible can share in the prizes over the year. The Committee views with disfavour any attempts by players seriously to conceal their true ability in an endeavour to obtain high handicaps to ensure winning competitions.

HALF-TIME

(Editor: G. Farrell, Asst. Editor, R. Thomas,
Printer, L. Davis).

After a period of many months the Club Magazine namely "Half-Time" found its legs again, and with the active support of a few members it has been possible to print 6 issues this year.

Half-Time is a way to circulate general notices, gossip and club sport, and it is very disappointing there are only a few subscribers. This is a poor percentage of members, for the task and time it takes arranging and chasing members to contribute articles into one publication of your paper.

At the beginning of the year there was a certain amount of money in hand left from the last subscriptions to the magazine. It was therefore decided by Board and Management Committee to circulate three free copies of Half-Time to all financial members. In the third copy an application voucher was enclosed and

those desirous of becoming a subscriber were asked to return the voucher to the Club, the subscription fee of the paper being 8/- from June 1958 to September 1959.

Here we are nearly into 1959 and looking forward to many more subscribers and a few more story writers. The successful continuance of this magazine depends entirely on the support and co-operation of members.

SOCIAL

SUB-COMMITTEE: W. Turner (Chairman), N. Young, C. Dennis, G. Farrell, C. Walker and J. Robertson.

Social activities for the Club during the past year had a grand beginning when 173 people attended the Xmas Dance at the Club Rooms. Whilst the unexpected roll-up was extremely gratifying it had the rather unfortunate effect of straining our catering arrangements and what, in the beginning appeared as though it was to be our most lavish supper yet served, had Col (Black-Head) Jones wishing that he could perform a "fishes and loaves" act. Nevertheless the Xmas spirit gradually gained its hold and the minor inconveniences occasioned by the shortage of solids was quickly set aside by the hospitality that floned throughout the Club Rooms. This function was rated an outstanding success and full marks to Colin Jones for organising this show. Up to this stage there was no Social Chairman and in January, Bill Turner was elected to the position.

In April, a Social was held in the Club Rooms to mark the end of the cricket season, however, it would appear that our cricketers, not having the opportunity to retire undefeated on the field, decided to retire socially on the night of their dance, resulting in a very poor attendance.

Another dance was held at the end of June and a most enjoyable evening was had by those who attended.

The Annual Ball which was held at Concord Golf Club was a social success and the Committee would like to thank the President for the assistance given in organising the venue of the Ball.

We also take this opportunity of thanking the ladies who over the last year have helped tremendously in catering for the dances.

In the past year your Committee have endeavoured to make the Social evenings something to be looked forward to and they sincerely trust that you will encourage them by attending every function that it is possible to be present at.

ACCIDENT FUND

(Treasurer - J. Brabant)

The Accident Fund contributions were altered from previous years, this being brought about by the disastrous loss of £46/5/0 the previous year.

Contributions for the season were as under:

- (a) If a member belonged to both a Medical Benefit Fund and a Hospital Contribution Fund 10/- was charged.
- (b) 20/- was charged if belonging to either a Medical Benefit Fund or a Hospital Contribution Fund.
- (c) 30/- charged if not belonging to either.

Of the 11 members who subscribed to the Fund 10 came under Category (a) and the other member under (B). It is interesting to note that 76 players participated during the season and eleven only joined the Fund.

It was thought that at the beginning of the season enough money may not be in hand to meet commitments so a special meeting of all members was called to discuss the position. It was pointed out at this meeting that the Directors and Management Committee were in favour of the Fund being wound up, due to lack of finance and support. Members of the Fund unanimously voted in favour of the Fund carrying on until the end of the season, and if finance was not available to meet all claims they be paid on a "pro rata" basis.

Members also agreed that due to lack of support and the doubtful financial position the Fund should be wound up, but this was deferred until the end of the season. We were indeed fortunate that only one claim was received and paid, but outstanding claims, amounting to £19/17/0 from last season were met. So the season was completed with a credit balance of £44.13.2 in the Fund which was very satisfying when it was thought at the beginning of the season not enough finance would be available.

We are again indebted to Gordon Young for the manner in which he treated injured players. Gordon's presence at all games was greatly appreciated. We also wish to thank other members of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade and also Dr. Roger Vanderfield for assistance rendered during the season.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	£	s.	d.	<u>PAYMENTS</u>	£	s.	d.
To Balance B/F	52	6	5	Claims	10	7	0
Fees from Members	6	0	0	Donations - St. Johns Ambulance Brigade, and Concord Boys' Scouts	5	5	0
Interest	1	18	9	Balance C/F	44	13	2
	£60	5	2		£60	5	2

CLUB ROOMS

The year under review was the first full period we have operated with a licence, which was granted in November 1956.

As a consequence, we have too little information on which to base comparisons but it can be said that our weekly average trading figure has risen slightly over that of the previous year, and that is a good sign.

On the other hand, we consider we have learnt sufficient to be able to assess our prospects of functioning successfully as a licensed club, and can now say with all sincerity that this can be done without detrimentally affecting our prime role as a sporting Club.

We feel that the character of our Club has not changed because of the licence, and believe that this is due in no small measure to the General Committee's decision that there should be no Sunday trading, and that poker machines should not be installed. Our ability to function successfully with honorary stewards drawn from the membership has also contributed largely to this happy state.

We can therefore look back over the past year with satisfaction and feel most optimistic for the future.

It only remains for those present stalwarts to maintain their interest and that their example is followed by other members in a position to do so. There are positive signs that this is already happening.

The early evening trading has proved most successful and attendances for many months now have been heartening. Already the three months period August/October is well in advance of the corresponding period last year.

It will no doubt be particularly satisfying to the officiating stewards to know that their efforts have helped to produce approximately two fifths of our trading revenue.

If we can achieve anything like our potential, we will have no worries on the financial side.

An aspect which is equally important, however, is the administrative side and here the position is not so certain.

It is quite apparent that our turnover is never likely to be sufficient to permit of paid stewards, and we are therefore faced with the prospect of doing this work ourselves. There are not a great number of suitable members who are in the position to assist, but we shall have to find them. The present stewards have been doing the work for some time now and they cannot be expected, nor should we ask them, to continue functioning indefinitely.

A satisfactory continuance of our licence would seem to hinge on the availability of members to carry on the work.

PLANT: The equipment has functioned satisfactorily and maintenance charges have been low.

STOCK: We now have a good knowledge of members' requirements, and are able to carry stocks accordingly.

In this respect, we shall miss the good work performed by Mr. Alan Reid over the years, due to his transfer to the country.

Stocktaking has been carried out regularly and the position is satisfactory.

STEWARDS: There were a number of changes in the roster of stewards which operates each week day evening between 5 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. The following members have carried out this duty during the year, and we cannot thank them too much:-

Messrs. S. Jones, M. Hill, W. Magrath, O. Osterman and B. Trevenar, with Messrs. A. Taaffe and W. Turner acting as proxies.

SERVICE: We think an efficient service has been provided members during normal trading hours.

DELIVERIES: Mr. W. Simes and his assistant, Mr. Bert Kelley have again cheerfully accepted the responsibility of receiving all goods delivered to the Club, and we are most grateful to these gentlemen for their kindness.

CLEANING: The cleanliness of the premises has been maintained, and to a large degree, the credit must go to Mr. W. Turner who regularly puts the broom and mop over the place every week. This is no mean effort, and is one that few members would attempt. Thanks, Bill.

Mr. Ernest Parker, a member of the Western Suburbs Cricket Club polishes the floor each week, and this materially improves the appearance of the Rooms.

DINING ROOM. Mr. Bill Turner is Chef on Saturday evenings and he prepares wonderful continental dishes. This amenity is greatly appreciated by all members. Once again, thanks, Bill.

AWARDS

THE J.H. STONE TROPHY

This trophy was donated to the Club by the late Mr. John Stone for the member under the age of 25 who contributes most to the administrative side of the Club.

The winner this year is Grahame Farrell. Grahame is one of our very keener younger members, (he had to be to win this trophy). He is the Editor of "Half-Time", a member of Management Committee, the hooker in Burke Cup and a member of the "B" Shire team. So it is obvious from this fine record that "Puddin" is a worthy winner of this trophy. Congratulations, Grahame.

A.J. ROBINSON SHIELD

Hockey is now brought into line with the other two major sports with the donating of a shield in honour of Mr. A.J. Robinson, a Vice-President of the Club. "Robbie" as he is better known is a great follower of the Club especially in Hockey and Cricket. It is fitting that this honour has been bestowed upon him.

The points have been calculated as under:-

Value to Team as a Member	35 points
Value in Hockey Administration	20 "
Value as a Club Member other than Hockey	20 "
Conduct on Field of Play	15 "
Neatness of Dress	10 "
	<u>100 Points</u>

One feature of the Shield it cannot be awarded to the one person on successive years.

The initial winner of the trophy is Bruce Trevenar. It is fitting that Bruce should win this trophy. It was Bruce who in 1946 introduced Hockey into the Club. Since then he has been Chairman of the Hockey Sub-Committee. He is captain of the "A" Hockey Team, a member of the "B" Shire Team and a member of Management Committee. Our congratulations to Bruce on the winning of this trophy.

CRICKET MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Cricket Memorial Trophy serves as a memorial to those of our Club who made the supreme sacrifice during the war and, as the allocated points disclose, is awarded not only to the person who shines as a cricketer, but also shows a high administrative ability and genuine outlook.

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 "
		<u>100 points</u>

The winner of the trophy for the 1957-58 season is Ron Thomas. Ron is a worthy winner for not only is he a good cricketer, but an excellent administrator. He was Captain of the "B" Shire team. Ron is also

Assistant Secretary, Assistant Editor of "Half-Time", Chairman of the Indoor Committee. Ron has also been Cricket Chairman, and he assisted greatly in the preparation of the regulations governing cricket in the Club. Therefore, there is no doubt that Ron is an excellent choice as the winner of the trophy.

THE GORDON BEVAN SHIELD

This shield is awarded annually to the footballer who makes the greatest contribution to Club welfare.

The Shield was donated to the Club by the late Mr. G.F. Bevan in memory of his son, Gordon, who was accidentally killed in a motor accident 20 years ago.

This year we add to the long list of winners Ray Young. Ray was Captain of the Kentwell Cup team, a member of the Football Sub-Committee and one of the "veterans" of the "C and S" cricket team. Ray is the joy of a Secretary he has only to be contacted to do something and it is carried out promptly. We say well-done Ray and congratulations upon winning the trophy.

The points for this trophy are calculated along the following lines:-

Attendance at Training	..	20 points
Value to his Team	..	20 "
Most Improved Player	..	20 "
General Keeness	..	15 "
Value to the Club as a Member		15 "
Neatness of Uniform	..	10 "
		<hr/> 100 Points

CLUB PHOTOS

During the year the Queen's photo was moved from the Games Room into the lounge where it is now to be found over the archway leading to the bar.

The late H.W. Whiddon who was a great stalwart of the Club, an ex-President, Patron, Trustee and Life Member, his photo now adorns the eastern wall of the lounge.

After much discussion by various Committees and advice from outside experts it was decided to hang only thirteen of thirty-three photos available, in the Games Room. The balance are to be placed in an album.

This decision was reached bearing in mind the effect of hanging too many photos would have on the appearance of the Club Rooms.

CONDOLENCES

During the year the Club lost one of its Vice-Presidents in Mr. John Darval Hunt.

Mr. Hunt was keenly interested in the Club in its younger days. Even over the latter years when Mr. Hunt was not enjoying the best of health, he was always a regular attender to our Annual Meetings. Mr. Darval Hunt was also a Vice-President of the Metropolitan Sub-District Rugby Union.

We extend our sympathy to the family of the late Mr. John Darval Hunt.

We also extend our deepest sympathy to Members who had bereavements during the season.

THOSE WHO TOIL

(SUB-COMMITTEE (ex parte): R. Clark, E. Stockdale,
and R. Thomson)

The year was a prolific one and the Sub-Committee, inactive itself, takes great pride in the efforts of others particularly where the final result has been the production of potential Briars.

The producers and their produce are as follows:

Ron Aiken (a son)	Brian Williams (a son)
Brian Adcock (a daughter)	George Miller (a son)
Bill Atkinson (a son)	Barry Nix (a son)
Jim Alford (a son)	Alan Reid (a daughter)
Ian Darlington (a son)	Laurie Routley (a son)
Don Guest (a son)	Ross Swain (a son)
Spencer Hipwell (a son)	Roger Vanderfield (a
Hamilton Lennartz (a daughter)	daughter)
	Don Wombey (a son)

The necessary preparatory action was taken in the following cases:-

E n g a g e m e n t s

Roger Kerr to Gwen Harpley
Neil Kew to Maisie Allen
Richard Plummer to Rosalind Heuston
Geoff Stevenson to Ronda Coverdale

E n g a g e m e n t s c o n t d .

Bruce Tasker to Margaret Bryant
 Gordon Tasker to Margaret Williams
 Ray Young to Helen Cooper

M a r r i a g e s

Clinton Dawkins to Jan Coughlan
 Warwick Dunn to Rosemary Stobo
 Ray Elvery to Helen Deaman
 Grahame Ireland to Maureen Ritchie
 John Jenvey to Marguerite Hydes
 David McKeown to Yvonne Jones
 Peter Paterson to Marilyn Yates
 Kevin Phelps to Coleen Rummery
 Grahame Thompson to Pamela Quinn
 Ian Thompson to Janice Hartigan
 Bruce Wiggins to Elaine Berrick
 Noel Young to Elaine Berrick

To the Briars concerned and their wives or fiancées, as the case may be, we extend hartiest felicitations and look forward to frequent further mentions of their names in this section of the Annual Report.

It is appropriate also to mention that our worthy President, Aud Land, and his good wife, Jean, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary during the year (they were married late). To Audley and Jeannie we also extend our congratulations and best wishes.

A D M I N I S T R A T I O N

The Board of Directors and the Management Committee each held 12 meetings during the year. The attendances were as follows:-

<u>BOARD</u>	<u>No. of Meetings Attended</u>
<u>Name</u>	
R. Clark	10
H. Ford	7
S. Jones (retired December)	3
A. Land	11
L. Meulman	9
D. Prowse	10
E. Watt	10
D. Way	9
G. Whiddon	9

MANAGEMENT

<u>Name</u>	<u>No. of Meetings Attended</u>
J. Comerford (Appt'd April)	6
L. Davis (Appt'd July)	3
C. Jones (Res'd December)	3
S. Jones (Retired December)	3
R. Kerr (Res'd February)	4
A. Land (Appt'd January)	9
S. McGregor (Res'd April)	5
P. Paterson (Res'd December)	1
P. Quinn (appt'd Jan-Res'd April)	1
A. Reid	10
E. Stockdale	12
B. Trevenar	7
W. Turner (appt'd January)	6
R. Thomas	9
R. Vanderfield	6
E. Wade (Appt'd March)	4
D. Walker (Res'd July)	9
G. Farrell (Appt'd February)	6

FINANCE

The Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th September, 1958, together with the Balance Sheet as at that date and the Report of the Auditor thereon are appended to this report.

Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year amounted to £253, after providing £96 for Depreciation of Club Room Furniture, Fittings and Equipment and setting aside £853 to the reserve for the redemption of debentures.

From the point of view of finance this has been the club's most successful year. During the year administrative expenses were less than the previous year and expenditure on Hockey, Cricket and Football were lower, whereas revenue from the bar and club social activities increased. This enabled your board to repay to members debentures totalling £705, these being repaid in the order of allotment of the original application.

The following extracts have been taken from the report of the club's Auditor:

"An analysis of the items of income and expenditure, in which there was some variation from the previous year, is set out below.

CRICKET, HOCKEY AND FOOTBALL. The net cost of conducting these sports during the year amounted to £109, which was £85 less than the expense incurred in the previous year. Replacement of equipment is the main factor affecting costs of these sports, and it is to be expected that variations will occur from year to year.

BAR TRADING. The gross profit from the bar trading increased by £368, due to increased sales of £567, and a reduced charge for licence fees. Licence fees charged in the previous year, included additional fees to cover the initial period of licenced trading.

CLUB ROOM AMUSEMENTS. The most significant item under this heading was social activities, which yielded a surplus of £146, as compared to a loss of £5 last year. This was a most satisfactory result, and one which had considerable bearing on the increased profit for the year.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLUB ROOM EXPENSES, decreased by £60, mainly due to decreased expenditure on stationery, stamps and telephone, on which items expenditure during the previous year was considerably higher than normal.

Application of the profit for the year and its effect on the assets and liabilities of the Company, appearing in the Balance Sheet, is as under:-

<u>Funds were provided by</u>	£	£
Net Surplus		1088
Transferred to Accumulated Funds	252	
Transferred to Debenture Redemption Reserve	<u>835</u>	
<u>Add back non-cash charge for</u> Depreciation		96
Income from Debenture Redemption Fund Investment and Interest written back		<u>65</u>
		<u>£1249</u>
<u>These Funds were applied:</u>		
Redeem Debentures		705
Reduce secured overdraft		505
Provide additional working capital		<u>39</u>
		<u>£1249</u>

I am pleased to report that the Books of Account, Vouchers and other records were presented in good order, and I very gratefully acknowledge the assistance given to me with the audit this year."

CONCLUSION

We convey to Members, both individually and collectively, our best wishes for success in the forthcoming year and express our hope that the Club will continue to prosper and play its correct part in the community.

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

A.J. LAND, President

E.G. STOCKDALE, Hon. Secretary

ADDENDUM

I wish to place on record my appreciation of the work performed throughout the year by E.G. Stockdale (Hon. Secretary), E. Wade (Hon. Treasurer), R.W. Thomas (Hon. Asst. Secretary), W. Milsom (Hon. Asstd. Treasurer), R. Swinney (Hon. Asstd. Treasurer), C.W. Magrath (Hon. Auditor), A.C. Reid (Management Committee), also Members of the Board, the Management Committee, Stewards and the various Sub-Committees.

A.J. LAND

President

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITEDBAR TRADING ACCOUNTFOR YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1958

<u>30/9/57</u>	£	<u>30/9/57</u>	£	£
£		£		
234 Liquor Licence	139	1088 Gross Profit - Beer and Spirits		1256
69 Depreciation - Bar Equipment	63	Salos	4001	
29 Repairs to Equipment	39	Loss Cost of Salos	<u>2745</u>	
860 Profit on Trading transferred to Income and Expenditure Account	1228	104 Gross Profit - Cigarettes, Chocolates etc.		213
		Salos	936	
		Loss Cost of Salos	<u>723</u>	
<u>£1192</u>	<u>£1469</u>	<u>£1192</u>		<u>£1469</u>

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1958

<u>30/9/57</u>	£	£
£ CRICKET		212
100 Ground Hire & Registrations	80	
200 Material and Insurance	<u>132</u>	
HOCKEY		85
141 Ground Fees and Equipment	<u>85</u>	
FOOTBALL		183
78 Ground Hire and Registrations	75	
45 Material and Equipment	<u>108</u>	
CLUB ROOM AMUSEMENTS		10
33 Billiards and Table Tennis	10	
5 Loss on Social Activities	<u>-</u>	
ADMINISTRATION & CLUB ROOM EXPENSES		466
107 Lighting and Heating	124	
52 Repairs and Maintenance	62	
183 Stationery, Stamps & Telephone	116	
47 Insurance	49	
63 Annual Reports	50	
18 General Expenses	17	
23 Donations and Presentations	15	
33 Depreciation - Furniture & Fittings	<u>33</u>	
PROPERTY EXPENSES		467
10 Commission	10	
276 Interest	282	
61 Insurance	55	
98 Rates	<u>120</u>	
436 DEBENTURE REDEMPTION RESERVE		835
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		<u>253</u>
16 TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS		<u>253</u>
<u>£2025</u>		<u>£2511</u>

<u>30/9/57</u>	£	£
£		
860 PROFIT ON BAR TRADING		1228
CRICKET		150
132 Batting Fees and Insurances		
HOCKEY		
102 Ground Fees and Sale of Equipment		83
FOOTBALL		138
136 Ground Hire, Registration and Sale of Equipment		
23 HALF TIME MAGAZINE		11
CLUB ROOM AMUSEMENTS		175
27 Billiards and Table Tennis	24	
14 Surplus on Dining Room	5	
- Surplus on Social Activities	<u>146</u>	
518 SUBSCRIPTIONS		515
7 DONATIONS RECEIVED		2
PROPERTY INCOME		209
205 Rentals Received	208	
1 Interest Received	<u>1</u>	
<u>£2025</u>		<u>£2511</u>

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1958

30/9/57

£	£	£
		822
553	ACCUMULATED FUNDS	
	Balance 1/10/57	569
16	Excess of Income & Expenditure for year	<u>253</u>
	RESERVES (Used in the Business)	4066
1066	General Reserve	1066
2400	Debenture Redemption Reserve	<u>3000</u>
	DEBENTURES	6245
4765	£5 - 5% Debentures	4610
2485	£5 - Interest Free Debentures	<u>1635</u>
363	SUNDRY CREDITORS	403
	SUBSCRIPTIONS IN ADVANCE	149
242	Fees	135
23	Half Time	<u>14</u>
826	COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA	321
	(Secured by Mortgage)	
	A. J. LAND, <u>Director</u>	
	D. V. PROWSE, <u>Director</u>	
	E. WADE, <u>Hon. Treasurer</u>	
<u>£12139</u>		<u>£12006</u>

30/9/57

£	£	£
9266	LAND AND BUILDINGS (At Cost)	9266
	30-34a George St., Burwood	
660	CLUB ROOM FURNITURE & FITTINGS	627
	(at cost less Depreciation)	
629	BAR EQUIPMENT (at cost less depreciation)	566
	SHARES IN RUGBY UNION - CO-OP Trading Society Ltd.	5
900	DEBENTURE REDEMPTION FUND INVESTMENT	900
	£900 - 4½% M.W.S. & D.B. 1968 Loan (at cost)	
	STOCK ON HAND (At Valuation)	323
61	Cigarettes, Chocolates etc.	72
175	Beer and Spirits	170
5	Metal Badges	5
10	Cricket Caps	10
32	Football & Hockey Equipment	25
46	Glasses, Crockery, etc.	41
42	SUNDRY DEBTORS	30
8	CASH ON HAND	7
93	COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK OF AUSTRALIA (Current Account)	58
207	PREPAYMENTS	224
<u>£12139</u>		<u>£12006</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I report to the members that I have examined the Books of Account and Vouchers of THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED for the year ended 30th September, 1958. I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required and in my opinion, the attached Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs at that date, according to the best of my information, the explanations given to me, and as shown by the Books of the Company.

In my opinion, the Register of Members and other records which the Company is required to keep under the Companies Act, 1936, or by its Articles of Association, have been kept in a proper manner.

C.W.C. MAGRATH, A.S.T.C., A.A.S.A.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT & AUDITOR

Dated at Sydney. 6th November, 1958