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**The Briars**  
**Sporting Club Limited**  
Burwood



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Presented to members at the Club Rooms, 34A George  
Street, Burwood, on Friday, 7th December, 1962.

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## THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

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Gentlemen,

Your Board of Directors and Management Committee have pleasure in presenting for your perusal and adoption, the Forty-fourth Annual Report of the Club for the year ended 30th September, 1962.

If it had not been for certain incidents referred to later on in the Report, the year would have been a highly successful one. As it was, it was reasonably satisfactory.

On the field of sport, the Club won only one Premiership ("B" Hockey) but the allround strength was probably as high as it has ever been as evidenced by the fact that of the ten teams participating in competitive sport, no less than seven were finalists in their respective competitions with another reaching the semi-finals.

The footballers continued to show improvement and only for lapses of form at most unexpected moments could well have produced two Premierships and possibly a Club Championship. A little more application and personal sacrifice should bring results next year.

The cricketers had a somewhat similar record although, in the case of the senior team, the toll of the years may well have been the explanation of failures otherwise inexplicable. Inexperience and lack of concentration were the greatest handicaps of the lower teams.

At last, old age caught up with the "A" Hockey team which surrendered the Premiership crown held for so long. As already mentioned, however, the "B" team won the Premiership and this augurs well for a resurgence of strength in the top team in the very near future. For the first time, a third team was entered and this team performed quite creditably.

The subsidiary sports of squash and golf were well patronised as were the indoor entertainments of billiards, snooker and table tennis.

The Club's Social Sub-committee was very active and conducted many functions, one or two of which, however, were marred to some extent by misbehaviour on the part of some of those attending.

From the administrative point of view, the year was quite difficult. The drastic changes in the executive organisation fore-shadowed in last year's Report were largely responsible for this and therefore the difficulties were not unexpected. The pleasing aspect was the readiness of the young administrators to learn and we are quite sure that with greater experience and a more mature outlook they will serve the Club equally as well as their predecessors.

In our preceding remarks, we have had occasion to refer to certain incidents which detracted from the success of the year. Apart from the misbehaviour already mentioned (the culprits appeared to be guests of members rather than the members themselves but the latter must bear full responsibility), there were too many occasions when younger members, some in a position of responsibility, misbehaved themselves, not in the Club Rooms, but in public, which was much worse as they then placed the Club's good name in jeopardy. Your Executive is gravely concerned at this trend and is prepared to take severe disciplinary action against any member guilty of such misbehaviour in the future.

Financially, the Club continued on its safe and steady course.

Reference was made in last year's Report to the work of a special planning sub-committee. During the year under review, this work advanced to the stage where it was considered desirable to discuss its findings and proposals at joint quarterly meetings of the Board and Committee. These meetings proved to be helpful in not only promoting plans for the future development of the Club but also in creating a better general understanding between the two governing bodies of the Club. Irrespective of the outcome of the planning proposals, this liaison can only be for the good.

The membership figures as at 30th September, 1962, as compared with those for the beginning of the year, were as follows:-

				1961	1962
Full	...	...	...	<u>248</u>	<u>245</u>
Junior	...	...	...	28	15
Associate	...	...	...	47	(83
Country	...	...	...	<u>28</u>	<u>343</u>
				<u>351</u>	<u>343</u>

We continue to be grateful to the Burwood and Concord Councils for their co-operation during the year and look forward to the same happy relationship in the future.

In concluding this introduction to our Report, we convey thanks and good wishes to the N.S.W. Rugby Union, the Metropolitan Sub-District Rugby Union, the N.S.W. Rugby Union Referees' Association, the New South Wales Cricket Association, the City and Suburban Cricket Association, the Western Suburbs Cricket Association, the Western Suburbs District Cricket Club, the Sydney Hockey Association, the Sydney Hockey Umpires' Association, the Squash Association of N.S.W., the Leura Golf Club and our opponents on the field of sport.

#### CRICKET

SUB-COMMITTEE: L. Davis (Chairman), J. Balforth,  
P. Mansford, T. Mobbs, A. Taaffe,  
D. Williams.

The 1961/62 season will go down in the records as the year of the lost finals. The "A" Shires were soundly beaten by Auburn - Lidcombe in the final. Our season's hope for senior honours was dashed by a record breaking batting collapse of 20 runs. This is a record we hope our club will never beat. X

The "B" Shires, after a very good all round season, won the semi-final in a spectacular manner against our very old friends Lane Cove, but were surprisingly defeated by Pennant Hills in the final.

The "C" Juniors, after a most successful season had to take the Runners - Up Trophy from Homebush R.S.L.

One of the most gratifying points recorded from the season, was the improvement of team work and spirit in the "B" Juniors. They were going very strongly at the end of the season and could have easily made the finals with a bit of luck.

Another most enjoyable season is reported from the C & S team. Alan Rose with 78 wickets including a hat trick did much to make the Briars respected by the other members of the C & S Association. X

The Sub-committee were active early, arranging practices through the courtesy of Fred Randle and Parents and Citizens of The Ryde Public School, and with



daring made several selection changes with emphasis on youth. This proved most successful, and for the second time in three years we won the Club Championship.

Heartiest congratulations to Auburn - Lidcombe on winning the A premiership. Pennant Hills B premiership. Enfield United W.S.C.A. B grade and Homebush R.S.L. W.S.C.A. C grade.

The Sub-committee takes the opportunity to express thanks to all who contributed to the seasons success. We wish to record our appreciation to Mr. Alan Barnes and the N.S.W.C.A., W. Ray and the City & Suburban Association and last but not least to Otto Rumph, Jack Creak and the West Sub Cricket Association. We wish Otto & Mrs. Rumph many happy, healthy years of retirement. Thank you Otto for your help and assistance during your association with our Club.

#### FIRST ELEVEN ("A" SHIRE)

With a new captain and several new faces in the side, the team set out at a good pace to capture the season's honours. It is now very obvious that we had the second best team in the competition as Auburn Lidcombe registered two very decisive outright defeats and so won a very well deserved Premiership. To George Parry and his team, heartiest congratulations.

Several features caused consternation as follows  
(1) Failure of the middle batsmen, the best 3rd wicket partnership for the season was 36 (2) Very bad fielding throughout with only one or two exceptions, allowance must be made for age in some cases, but the younger members were very lax in this department  
(3) Due to fielding, the attack faded towards the end of the season.

Despite criticism, we take solace in the fact the team in conjunction with the "B" Shires amassed enough competition points to take out the Club Championship. It was most gratifying to see the newcomers Vernon Prowse, Kevin Holley, Ray Young, John Wade and Graeme Cordaro rise to the occasion and they will continue to improve in this class of cricket.

Again we express our appreciation to Mr. Reg Walker who did such a good job on the score book and also to all the ladies and followers who assisted us with their support throughout a very enjoyable season.

G. IRELAND (Captain): Despite the fact that this was his worst season with the bat, almost led the side to premiership honours in his first attempt.

D. WALKER (Vice-Captain): Started the season with a brilliant 82, but caught the middle batsmen bug. Did some fantastic stumpings and worried the opposition in that position. Would be well advised to drop back now and concentrate on the catches.

T. MOBBS: Topped the aggregate and averages again and must be classified as still the best bat in the Club. Weight and sight handicap him in the field, but still an excellent team man.

N. WALKER: Faded in the batting after a brilliant century against Bexley. Together with Tom got the team away to many good starts as opener. Still the most reliable field.

C. JONES: His slows copped a caning and will have to introduce more tricks to his trade in future. Gave us a glorious display of batting at Lindfield, when he scored 86 out of 102 in one hour to win the game outright.

E. WATT: Found the fielding a bit hard to tolerate for one who works so long at the crease. Gave us some of his match winning innings and finished the season with a good all round performance.

K. HOLLEY: One of the new boys we are very proud of. Like Ted, Kevin recorded a good all round result and shows his class with great concentration.

J. WADE: Back in the "A"s after a spell, one of the teams most attractive (not in looks) and reliable batsman. Married life seems to have inspired him.

V. PROWSE: The most energetic and improved bowler in the team, has a good future ahead if he continues to bowl on the spot.

G. CORDEROY: Had a disappointing season, but we are glad he is back with us, as he has everything a batsman needs, a handy keeper and a model lad.

R. YOUNG: Tantalised the opposition with a very successful attack of full tosses early in the season faded towards the end, but won the bowling average.

STATISTICS

Matches Played	W.O.	W.I.	L.O.	L.I.	D.	Pts.	Position in Competition
14	4	5	2	1	2	67	2nd.

Runs for	Wkts. for	Avg.	Runs agst.	Wkts. agst.	Avg.
2569	131	19.6	3025	159	19.0

BATTING AVERAGES

Name	Inns.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average.
Mobbs, T.	19	3	75x	433	28.06
Walker, N.	15	1	105	363	25.9
Jones, C.	13	4	86	201	22.33
Walker, D.	15	1	82	279	19.9
Watt, E.	15	4	52	216	19.6
Holley, K.	12	1	50	213	19.4
Wade, J.	15	3	56	227	18.9
Corderoy, G.	17	4	31	169	13.0
Ireland, ..	15	-	27	162	10.8
Young, R.	11	1	15	50	5.0
Prowse, V.	10	5	16x	22	4.4

ALSO BATTED: N. Young, 1 innings for 5 runs.

BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Average
Young, R. ..	104.6	5	457	31	14.74
Prowse, V. ..	112.2	12	392	23	17.04
Watt, E. ..	184.4	23	604	32	18.87
Holley, K. ..	141	25	548	28	19.57
Jones, C. ..	114	5	527	20	26.35
Walker, N. ..	7	-	40	7	5.7
Wade, J. ..	23	-	118	7	16.8
Mobbs, T. ..	19	1	70	4	17.5

ALSO BOWLED: G. Corderoy, 0 wickets for 31 runs;  
G. Ireland, 0 for 5; N. Young, 0 for 10.

SECOND ELEVEN ("B" SHIRE)

This team would be one of the youngest ever fielded by the Club, and after a brilliant win in the Semi-finals we went down to Pennant Hills in the final. Despite a shocking first innings collapse, we fought back and the game finished with an appeal against the light and the Pennant Hills captain's finger nails bitten to the quick. A well deserved win to the Hills boys, and a fitting end to a good season.

The season was interrupted by rain and three matches were missed due to this cause.

Except on odd occasions the batting line up performed very well, as reflected in the averages where 7 batsmen recorded averages over 20 - R. Thomas set the pace, closely followed by N. Byron, Peter Richardson recorded the only century, his first (we hope for many more). Graeme McEachran's 8/40 equalled the record, X but unfortunately, he could not reproduce such devastation in other games. John Wilson topped the bowling honours with 49 wickets and thoroughly deserved the result. Barry Vaughan brought a kind of guile badly needed in our attack and made a very impressive debut into Shire cricket.

The most pleasing feature was the brilliant fielding, it would not be fair to single out individuals except to say the Captain would not swap them for any grade side.

Our thanks to Club members and supporters who came along to cheer us and assisted with the afternoon tea and score book.

LES DAVIS (Captain): Recorded another good all round performance, and his years of experience stood the side in good stead when the pressure was on.

PETER MANSFORD (Vice-Captain): Batted well, a brilliant field, a great team man, does not forget there's work to be done. Showed outstanding leadership qualities when called on to captain the side in the Semi-finals.

BOB THOMAS: Missed some cricket early due to women and weather, but soon delighted the spectators with that glorious square cut. Can bowl a bit too. Captured 13 X for 18 in the Uni. of N.S.W. game, but was out back to size in later games.

NORM BYRON: Relished the opener's position by attacking from the first ball. His calibre is reflected when we analyse the semi-final and final statistics. Norm scored 186 for 4 innings with 1 not out. Fielded brilliantly and assisted at the bowling crease at times.

PETER RICHARDSON: Plucked a few out of the blue in slips, acted as opening stabiliser to Norm Byron. He showed us in his century, he is capable of hitting hard, and when he becomes confident to play shots will enjoy his game more than ever. Has great prospects.

FRED RANDLE: We did not have enough of this talented player, due to business reasons, but he showed us how to bat.

TREVOR PARKER: Did not play till mid-season. Played many valuable knocks in accordance with the occasion. Will do better when he can pick the correct ball to hook. Also added polish to the side behind the stumps.

JOHN WILSON: Missed the coveted 50 wickets by one, and appears high in the batting average. Showed marked improvement in controlled bowling, and used his head to outsmart the batsmen. Well done, John.

GEOFF GORTON: The best bat in the team with the worst average, loves to attempt the impossible. Would be a champion if he could settle down to serious batting. A very handy bowler and took some good catches after early lapses.

PHIL McEACHRAN: Did a fine job as wicket keeper till Trevor Parker arrived on the scene. Did not produce the batting form he is capable of; however, less back lift and a change of style for different paced wickets will overcome the minor faults. Will no doubt one day be one of the Club's best bats. Also proved a handy bowler.

GRAEME McEACHRAN: Knows his cricket off by heart. Produced one record breaking performance and faded out. Somewhat negative with the bat, but has very good potential as an all rounder.

JIM NEALE: Another talented all rounder, but prone to have lapses of brilliance and tripe. Keen team man and should repeat the performances of his father.

BRUCE TREVENAR: Bowled well without much luck, and we'd have won the Roseville game if he had not lost his bat and head.

BARRY VAUGHAN: On the way up, see "B" Juniors.

TERRY WELLS: Arrived on the scene late, a very bright prospect as a speedster. The best compliment we can pay is "we would have won the final had he been available."

SPENCER HIPWELL: Came in for the kill at the end. Scored 48 not out in the semi final and 48 in the final. Most reliable and bats with common sense.

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STATISTICS

Matches Played	W.O.	W.I.	L.O.	L.I.	D.	Pts.	Position in Competition
14	3	5	0	3	3	69	2nd.
Runs for	Wkts. for	Avg.	Runs agst.	Wkts.agst.	Avg.		
2882	124	23.2	2460	177	13.9		

BATTING AVERAGES

Name	Inns.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average
Thomas, R.	12	2	93	413	41.3
Byron, N.	16	4	72x	443	36.9
Randle, F.	7	2	49	162	32.4
Davis, L.	13	5	57	219	27.4
Parker, T.	6	-	46	132	22.3
Mansford, P.	15	1	63	303	21.6
Richardson, P.	15	3	104	253	21.0
Wilson, J.	9	-	34	128	14.2
Gorton, G.	16	-	47	209	13.0
McEachran, P.	14	2	25	137	11.4
Neale, J.	7	-	21	45	6.4

ALSO BATTED: S. Hipwell, 3 inns for 126 runs; T. Wells, 2 for 42; G. McEachran, 3 for 25; B. Vaughan, 4 for 36; B. Cardwell, 1 for 7; B. Trevenar, 4 for 9; N. Young 1 for 3; R. Thomson, 1 n.o. for 6; J. Robertson, 1 for 0.

BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Average
Wilson, J.	167	40	491	49	10.02
Thomas, R.	58	10	231	23	10.04
Davis, L.	93	28	212	20	10.6
McEachran, P.	27	5	69	6	11.5
Wells, T.	42	5	137	10	13.7
McEachran, G.	39	2	170	12	14.7
Neale, J.	45	6	167	11	15.18
Vaughan, B.	68	14	208	13	16.0
Gorton, G.	29	3	127	6	21.1
Trevenar, B.	69	12	241	10	24.1

ALSO BOWLED: B. Cardwell, 3 wickets for 16 runs; N. Young, 2 for 21; F. Randle, 1 for 19; P. Mansford, 1 for 32; P. Richardson, 1 for 57; N. Byron, 0 for 33; J. Robertson, 0 for 8.

THIRD ELEVEN ("B" JUNIOR)

Once again this team had a very enjoyable season, and despite the fact that 30 players made appearances with the team, it managed to more than hold its own



against the opposition notching some good wins in its record to finish 5th in the competition. As a matter of interest two matches early in the season were lost by only one run. All matches were played with good sportsmanship by both sides despite the lack of official umpires during the season.

The bowling was steady throughout the season and was never really collared. There were some very good performances, four bowlers taking 20 wickets or more for the season. The batting did not back up the good work however, and generally was patchy, and failed when the pressure was on. This is borne out by the averages which show only two batsmen with averages of over 20 and only one player scoring more than 200 runs.

The fielding generally was good, comparatively few catches being grassed.

To sum up it was a generally satisfying season from all angles, and what was maybe lacking in ability was more than made up for in all round enthusiasm and comradeship.

DON WILLIAMS (Captain): Topped the aggregate average and highest score, second in the bowling averages including the hat-trick. To sum up a very satisfying season.

✓ Ashfield 30/9/61

JIM BARRATT: One of the Club's promising all rounders, but should have recorded better figures with such ability.

BRICE CORDEROY: Found Camperdown difficult to handle, but showed his class with the bat on several occasions. Due to a country appointment we lose his valuable services next season. A model team man.

ALAN COOK: The Bill Johnston of the side, a most unorthodox bat, but could easily become a star bowler with more control and headwork.

BARRY VAUGHAN: Another promising all rounder who earned his promotion to the "B" Shires, fields better than many who are better equipped. Has the right temperament for higher grades, both with bat and ball.

JOHN EDMONDS: Started the season with some handy knocks, but takes the game too lightly. Did a good job behind the stumps.

MIKE ELDER: Looks good, but the team needs more runs from Mike's bat. Good field.

**JOHN CUMMINE:** Should develop into a very fine fast bowler. His season was interrupted by studies, but was rewarded with an excellent pass in the Leaving.

**ANDY CLIFFORD:** A good team man, most reliable for attendance, always a trier.

**GRAEME ASHDOWN:** Had a bad season with the bat, but is too good to stay on the outer, must be patient and concentrate harder.

Graeme McEachran, Jim Neale, Col Dennis and Chris Walker were the outstanding performers amongst the balance of 30 players.

### STATISTICS

Matches Played	W.O.	W.I.	L.O.	L.I.	D.	Pts.	Position in Competition
14	2	4	2	3	33	31	5
Runs for	Wkts. for	Avg.	Runs agst.	Wkts. agst.	Avg.		
2280	189	12	2360	155	15.2		

### BATTING AVERAGES

Name	Inns.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average
D. Williams	19	3	94	433	27.06
B. Corderoy	11	-	67	196	17.8
B. Vaughan	11	2	36	114	12.6
A. Cook	17	5	31	133	11.08
G. Ashdown	17	1	30	142	8.8
J. Barratt	19	1	31	154	8.5
J. Edmonds	20	1	30	157	8.2
J. Cummine	8	-	18	71	8.8
M. Elder	16	1	40	107	7.1
G. McEachran	9	-	15	53	5.9
A. Clifford	14	3	9	16	1.4

**ALSO BATTED:** J. Neale, 5 ins. for 115 runs; B. White-lock, 7 for 116; C. Walker, 3 for 43; E. Myers, 3 for 45; C. Dennis, 5 for 34; D. Kerrigan, 4 for 23; E. Stockdale, 2 for 5; R. Stephens, 3 for 4; M. Smith, 1 for 1; L. Walker, 1 for 1; J. Hallam, 2 for 0; R. Fraley, 2 for 45; B. Cox, 2 for 7; T. Hobbs, 2 for 46; J. Rose, 1 for 2; B. Matthews, 2 for 0; J. Robertson, 1 for 24; P. Mansford, 1 for 31; G. Gorton, 1 for 0.

### BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Average
J. Neale	45	2	180	25	7.2
D. Williams	20	1	114	10	11.4
J. Cummine	49	6	176	13	13.5



BOWLING (Contd.)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Maidens</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts.</u>	<u>Average</u>
A. Cook	90	12	361	26	13.8
J. Barrett	60	2	327	20	16.3
B. Vaughan	76	9	393	23	17.08
A. Clifford	36	3	173	8	21.6

ALSO BOWLED: B. Whitelock, 4 wickets for 103 runs;  
 G. Ashdown, 2 for 27; J. Rose, 1 for 15; T. Mobbs,  
 1 for 6; J. Hallam, 3 for 76; B. Cox, 2 for 54;  
 L. Walker, 1 for 16; M. Smith, 1 for 25; J. Robert-  
 son, 0 for 56; J. Edmond, 0 for 7; G. McEachran,  
 0 for 69; D. Kerrigan, 0 for 65; C. Dennis, 0 for 1.

FOURTH ELEVEN ("C" JUNIOR)

As far as total performance is concerned, the 1961/62 season proved to be the most successful since the premiership team four years ago.

Having held a fairly stable position in the competition throughout the year (generally 3rd or 4th), we reached the final, having won the semi-final against Newtown by 2 runs.

When it is considered that this team had 21 members participate throughout the season, the above achievement seems even more outstanding.

Several individual performances proved most promising for future honours in the club. Graham Shaw and Dennis Travers both scored over 400 runs, whilst John Hallam took the bowling honours with an average of 8.1.

The captain of the team, Allan Davis found that everybody was very willing to co-operate in every way, which made his task far easier.

Above all, the most encouraging feature of the team was the spirit which every member displayed both on and off the field.

ALLEN DAVIS (Captain): Had his best season with the bat, scoring 312 runs. Displayed initiative to lead the team to victory in several close games. Opening bat and attentive fieldsman.

DENNIS TRAVERS (Vice-Captain): Batting his strongest point. A vicious hook shot was extremely useful in many good innings. Bowling was very accurate and on two occasions took hat-tricks. Must improve fielding.

JOHN HALLAM: Fast opening bowler with much potential. He attacked the stumps continuously and won the bowling averages. Not much success with bat, but he knocked up one very quick 55.

GRAHAM SHAW: Opening bat. Topped batting averages with 28.9. Bowling was very fast and usually accurate — he took 50 wickets. Never afraid to go for the runs, and displayed much daring in his batting.

GEOFF TRAVERS: A most outstanding wicket keeper and batsman. Geoff was the youngest and keenest member of the team. His character, enthusiasm, performance and club participation should stand him in good stead in the future.

ROY JAMES: A very competent batsman — never to be hurried, yet always pushing the score along. Had several brilliant innings, particularly against Croydon when the situation was desperate. Excellent fieldsman but his eyes are troublesome at the moment.

RAY FRALEY: Had an interrupted season because of illness and never really got started. Unquestionably one of the best batsmen in the competition and a quick field.

GREG MACINTYRE: The team comedian and a good club member. Had a very poor season caused by interruptions due to work in the country. Showed promise as an opening bat.

MURRAY MELVILLE: A stylish stroke-maker with much potential. His batting was affected partly by school studies. Fielding good and wicket-keeping shows merit.

JOHN HAZELWOOD: Medium fast bowler who met with little success. Showed his skill with bat on several occasions which indicates much promise.

TED AIKMAN: The "father" of the team, yet nowhere near over the hill. Scored a delightful 51 (including eleven 4s.). As a medium spin bowler he should be most successful in the coming season.

GARY MACANDREW: Medium pace change bowler. Always gets a good length from the first over. Got hit quite a lot early in the season which undoubtedly helped settle him down. Needs to concentrate on batting. Gained one excellent hat-trick.

ROBERT CONKLING: Had a very disappointing season. Batting was at its best against slow bowling. Obviously the quickest fieldsman in the team.

**JOHN ROSE:** Too busy with engagement to concentrate on cricket. Always the happiest member of the team. Batting fell behind its normal standard; did very little bowling.

**VERNON FARROW:** The New Zealand boy had a poor season with the bat. As a medium-pace bowler, he swings the ball both ways. His 17 wickets include some of the best batsmen in the competition.

### STATISTICS

							Position in
<u>Matches</u>	<u>W.O.</u>	<u>W.I.</u>	<u>L.O.</u>	<u>L.I.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Competition</u>
14	4	2	1	5	1	33	Second
<u>Runs for</u>	<u>Wkts. for</u>	<u>Avge.</u>	<u>Runs agst.</u>	<u>Wkts. agst.</u>	<u>Avge.</u>		
3048	177	17.2	2338	199	11.8		

### BATTING AVERAGES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Inns.</u>	<u>N.O.</u>	<u>H.S.</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Average</u>
Shaw, G.	16	.	84	463	28.9
Travers, G.	13	4	48x	240	26.7
James, R.	15	2	66x	306	23.5
Travers, D.	23	3	67	446	22.3
Davis, A.	17	1	46	312	19.5
Fraley, R.	11	.	56	214	19.5
Curran, G.	10	2	20	105	13.1
Melville, M.	10	2	29	104	13.0
Hallam, J.	10	1	55	114	12.7
Hazelwood, J.	13	3	21x	120	12.0
Conklin, R.	12	1	26	117	10.6
Aikman, E.	12	2	51	85	8.5
Rose, J.	9	3	12	34	5.7
Macandrew, G.	11	1	21	56	5.6
Farrow, V.	11	2	10x	37	4.1

**ALSO BATTED:** G. Macintyre, 8 ins. for 21 runs;  
R. Brennan, 1 for 7; A. Kent, 2 for 5; G. Erwin, 1  
for 0; E. Myers, 1 for 30.

### BOWLING

<u>Name</u>	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Maidens</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts.</u>	<u>Average</u>
Hallam, J.	110	31	316	39	8.1
Shaw, G.	141	23	522	50	10.1
Travers, D.	88	10	355	30	11.8
Macandrew, G.	63	13	258	19	13.6
Farrow, V.	59	5	289	17	17.0

**ALSO BOWLED:** G. Travers, 4 wickets for 29 runs;  
E. Aikman, 3 for 26; G. Curran, 8 for 100; J. Rose, 4  
for 74; J. Hazelwood, 5 for 99; R. Conklin, 2 for 49;  
M. Melville, 0 for 1; A. Davis, 0 for 6.

### CITY AND SUBURBAN ELEVEN

The season opened to the usual creaking of wheel chairs and arthritic joints as the team took the field for the opening match. This straggling on to the field for the first time in the season is reminiscent of the Anzac Day march as those who have survived from the previous year eagerly scan the players to see if the grim reaper has claimed his usual toll among the aging warriors.

A lot of difficulty was experienced during the season by the Captain in conveying his directions to the players. The normal method of calling to a player to move to a certain position in the field proved ineffective against semi-deaf and inattentive fieldsmen and this was replaced by a system of semaphore signaling (after an intensive training course). This also proved unsuccessful. Thirty years habit of never looking at the captain cannot be changed in one day.

However it does appear that this problem will be solved by the issue of small walkie talkies and hearing aids to all fieldsmen.

Another innovation during the season was a series of team talks (during the course of the game). These, when employed, had immediate and dramatic results as witness our match against one of the strongest sides, I. Zingari, when we were chasing 180 runs in two hours. Where we would normally expect to get about 120 in the time, after the talk it only took us half the time we usually take to get all out. At 5 o'clock the game was over and we were out for 52.

We have had similar results from other pep talks.

#### STATISTICS

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
25	13	11

  

<u>Runs for</u>	<u>Wkts.for</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Runs agst.</u>	<u>Wkts.agst.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
3050	215	14.1	2849	209	13.6

#### BATTING AVERAGES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Inns.</u>	<u>N.O.</u>	<u>H.S.</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Average</u>
Hipwell, S.	18	1	74	444	26.12
Williams, B.	17	1	52	294	18.38
Cardwell, B.	18	-	62	314	17.44
Balmforth, J.	22	-	54	375	17.00
Taaffe, A.	16	3	41	151	11.62
McLaughlin, R.E.	20	-	44	223	11.15

BATTING AVERAGES (Contd.)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Inns.</u>	<u>N.O.</u>	<u>H.S.</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Average</u>
Stockdale, E.	21	-	27	220	10.48
Robertson, J.	14	-	36	134	9.57
Lamb, R.	16	10	13	48	8.00
Mitchell, C.	12	-	29	100	8.33
Young, N.	10	2	45x	64	8.00
Rose, A.	17	4	13	64	4.92

ALSO BATTED: C. Leonard, 1 ins. (1 n.o.) for 15 runs; B. Corderoy, 3 for 21; R. Thomas, 1 for 1; B. Tasker, 2 for 6; W. Melleuish, 3 for 5; T. Wells, 3 for 35; R. Thomson, 1 for 0; D. Kerrigan, 1 for 0; L. Davis, 1 for 19; D. Walker, 3 for 62; R. Young, 1 for 10; P. Mansford, 2 for 39; G. Farrell, 1 for 3; T. Parker, 1 for 2; M. Elder, 1 for 7; E. Watt, 1 for 37; G. Corderoy, 1 for 27; J. Wilson, 1 for 20; B. Trevénar, 4 for 34; D. North, 5 for 28; D. Williams, 1 for 46.

BOWLING

<u>Name</u>	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Maidens</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts.</u>	<u>Average</u>
Rose, A.	159	11	677	78	8.68
Taaffe, A.	14	1	35	4	8.75
Trevénar, B.	33	6	112	8	14.00
Balmforth, J.	70	3	336	23	14.6
Wells, T.	27	4	119	8	14.87
Young, N.	76	7	292	19	15.37
Robertson, J.	102	8	385	22	17.5
Williams, B.	84	6	325	17	19.12
Cardwell, B.	16	2	60	3	20.00

ALSO BOWLED: R. Thomas, 1 wicket for 29 runs; W. Mellouish, 3 for 69; C. Leonard, 1 for 20; R. Lamb, 0 for 5; B. Tasker, 0 for 11; C. Mitchell, 0 for 4; R. Young, 4 for 55; L. Davis, 0 for 22; E. Watt, 2 for 28; J. Wilson, 0 for 20.

FOOTBALL

SUB-COMMITTEE: C. Walker (Chairman), G. Morgan, O. Hales, J. BARRETT, M. GOLDSMITH, R. SPEDDING, B. Hillerman, P. Darragh, C. McMonies.

Sincere thanks to the above for their co-operation and support during '62. The many tasks required to run a successful season were executed efficiently and with great enthusiasm.

Our efforts this year yielded Briars a second; a third and a fourth. As yet no premiership, and certainly no Club Championship. It is interesting to recall

that Briars won the Club Championship in 1950-51 with Kentwell finishing third; Burke fifth and Whiddon fifth.

Our season commenced as early as Feb. this year with coaches attending the Australian Rugby Union Coaching Convention at Narrabeen.

Trial games were conducted against Bank of N.S.W., Colleagues and Mosman. Results being eight wins and one loss. The main interest in our trials centred around the wealth of new talent which joined the Club this year, following our recruiting campaign at many schools. This campaign consisted of showing our "Tour of New Zealand" Film at the schools and circulating copies of last year's Annual Report. This was followed by an evening at the Club for prospective new members at which Bill McLaughlin spoke with our new prospects. Many thanks to Bill for his sincere and convincing remarks.

To the new footballers of this season; thanks, and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we said you would. As this report goes to print, a committee, consisting of many of these new players, is conducting this year's campaign.

Our coaches this year were:- Brian Williams (Kentwell); Lex Yule (Burke); John Harper (Whiddon).

Our selection set-up, the same as last year, two selectors and coach of Kentwell, Bill Elder, Frank Farrell and of course Brian Williams. Hearty thanks to these for their stoic efforts.

Attendance of coaches at training this season showed a 100% improvement - entirely due to the fact that this year only one coach became matrimonially involved, against last year's two. This was probably due to the fact that the remaining two were already somewhat involved.

Attendance at training was again of high standard. We were only less than 45 on two occasions and just as seldom less than 50. A new crisis arose at training this season in the form of frequent clashes with a furtive figure who stole from the darkness to place us all in the same predicament by switching off our floodlights at 9.30. This "Kill-joy" met with a fitting end however when he bumped into Stan McGregor one evening whilst retreating from the shed.

Again used consistently at training this season was our supposed "White Elephant" the scrummage machine.

This has been of great benefit to all teams.

One of the many highlights of this year's football was a trip to Melbourne at Easter. Here we played the Powerhouse Rugby Club in what considering our previous nights activities, proved to be a fast hard game; finally being defeated 22-24. It is our wish to have Powerhouse up to Sydney next season and perhaps make this an annual feature.

Social games were also played against Wesley College, Blue Mountains, Hawkesbury College, Mosman and Lane Cove U-21s.

Having read this synopsis of the season, many footballers and others may conclude that perhaps we had a successful year - one second, one third and one fourth and an enjoyable seasons football.

But this is not the case.

A successful season is surely one in which we win the Club Championship. This season we certainly came much closer than we have for years. But still we only finished fourth in the Club Championship. The main reason for our vast improvement this season was that 90% of our players from season '61 returned to play again this year. If we are able to enter four teams next year and if we maintain most of this season's players then we must also maintain our improvement and we shall undoubtedly go mighty close next year.

To our regular side-liners, thanks, - to the many who say they will come again when we are winning, we don't need you then, they are the losing teams which need the support, and good support is certainly a tremendous asset.

The "What goes with Briars Football" section again proved a roaring success. Many enjoyable Saturday evenings at the Club and numerous barbecues. Sincere thanks to coaches wives, Anne, Jo. and sue for the support at these evenings.

Congratulations to Colleagues, A.M.P., Knox Old Boys and Uni. of N.S.W. on their wins in Kentwell to Judd respectively.

Consolation:- We again won the premiership with our Junior team. Many thanks to Owen Hales for his efforts in this regard and to the many who offered their services as coaches:-

The following reports by courtesy of the coaches:-

KENTWELL CUP TEAM 1962

Matches

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drew</u>	<u>Bye</u>	<u>Pts.for</u>	<u>Pts.agst.</u>	<u>Points</u>
12	5	7	-	2	131	131	14

The 1962 season will be remembered as one in which we started off in shocking form and finished up playing remarkably well in the semi-finals. This was the first semi for most of the team and they will do better still next year.

After a number of poor games the players suddenly realised that with a little more effort they could win matches and this they proceeded to do so effectively that only two teams remained unbeaten by the Briars and one of these our old enemies Colleagues scraped home 6-3 (one try each) right on the bell.

While our rucking is still not top class the team were quicker to accept the loose ball and use it. There was a tendency all through to either accept the dummy or allow the opponent to make his pass or kick. Even when an opponent is obviously trying to get rid of the ball it is essential to move in hard and fast with a solid low tackle.

The only other repeated fault was that of waiting for support to come after a break - in the first place the support can and should be there at all times and in the second place slowing down only gives the opposition time to cover. The tendency for both backs and forwards not to drop back when the ball was kicked or run behind them did allow the opposition to score on various occasions.

On the other hand some of the team's passing bursts were outstanding with backs and forwards combining in excellent fashion. In most games the forwards won a lot of ball from both lineouts and scrums and with improvement in rucking late in the season carried on into next year the backs will have a feast of ball with which to attack. Moves learnt in 1962 can be added to for 1963 and the variety of play obtained will lead to many tries.

All players should carefully read the above and following criticisms, bouquets and remarks in order to respectively remove, continue and adopt the points mentioned.



Many thanks to the players from Burke and Whiddon who stood by as reserves for Kentwell without whom the team would not have been complete.

DAVE LINDSAY: (Captain - Front row) A strong experienced forward who led the team very capably up the competition ladder. Very largely responsible for the big improvement in our forward play this year.

BILL LECKIE: (Hooker) Undoubtedly the best hooker in the competition and one of the most improved forwards in the team as regards general play. Handling and combination in passing bursts were excellent towards the end of the season.

DAVE HALES: (Front row) A definite 80 minute player, good handler and also good tackler. Very fast on the loose ball and combined well in passing bursts.

PETER DARROGH: (Second row) Peter played the same solid hard working games we have come to expect from him each season. Every team must have players of his determination in order to be successful. Could learn to use his support more in passing bursts.

JIM BARRETT: (Second row) Hard working vigorous forward who gave no quarter. Broke up our opponents line-outs most effectively on many occasions. Played solidly all season but strangely enough really came good after his marriage.

GRAEME MORGAN: (Lock) Cover defense good as ever particularly as regards position and handling. Graeme's tackling and general play became more robust and determined at each succeeding game. Running in combination with backs proved most effective.

MAL GOLDSMITH: (Breakaway) A very quick forward - quick in handling, quick in thinking. In some games a bit inclined to tackle high yet showed he knows how to tackle on several occasions. Another of our forwards who proved most effective in passing bursts.

BOB HILLERMAN: (Breakaway) At the end of the season Bob was proving most effective and a thorn in our opponents side. Naturally had some difficulty in converting from centre to a breakaway but worked hard at improving his game and will now be a real threat in his new position in future seasons.

CHRIS WALKER: (Half) Played well when injuries allowed. Was most unlucky with injuries playing few

games but his passing and his combination with the hooker proved valuable when he was fit. Played himself into the ground in the very fast semi finals.

MIKE ELDER: (Five eighth) Played sound unruffled football right through the season. Handling was excellent and he got the backs running even when under pressure. Not as fast as before his season layoff yet still managed some handy breaks. Used the short kick effectively on occasions but should practise this to perfect it.

COL DENNIS: (Inside Centre) Came in half way through the season and immediately supplied the penetration we had been lacking. Forced all opponents to watch him closely which is essential of centre play. Always looked about to make a break which worried the cover and gave our outside backs more room to move and this was used.

MIKE MATTHEWS: (Vice-captain - outside centre) Played particularly well in the second round - was slow getting going early in season. Being big probably need to start training earlier than some. Defense most effective at all times and he provided many openings for the wings from good combination with team members particularly Col Dennis. A very hard man to tackle when at full speed.

JOHN WEARME: (Wing) A very intelligent and sound player in attack and defense. Covers a lot of ground in defense and goes looking for the ball when being starved. Tackling mostly safe. Not slow but not exceptionally fast - speed could be improved with special training.

JOHN MORTLOCK: (Wing) A most evasive runner and very safe tackler, a good turn of speed when he runs straight but John does tend to run into the cover defense once he has beaten his man - needs to use the full width of the field more. Very keen and very determined at all times when in possession.

BRETT LOCKETT: (Wing) Played only a few games in Kentwell due to injury etc. but is a very safe handler and very good in attack with a dummy, swerve and change of pace. Brett's tackling from the wing position was most effective and proved he knows how. Goal kick outstanding - the best in the competition.

PETER BURT: (Full back) Played a really outstanding game in the semi final - a safe handler, accurate line kicker and very good tackler. Positional play sometimes astray and in some games was caught in possession unnecessarily. Runs well with the backs in attack and made some good breaks.

JOHN METCALF: (Half) Did everything asked of him. Due to injuries to other players was changed from five eighth to half and played really solid safe football at all times. Very rugged under pressure. A very good team man who worked hard to adapt himself to the changed position. Defended well.

### BURKE CUP TEAM - 1962

Matches

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drew</u>	<u>Bye</u>	<u>Pts.for</u>	<u>Pts.agst.</u>	<u>Points</u>
12	7	3	2	2	496	61	20

Minor Premiers.

Semi-final and Final lost.

### BURKE CUP PLAYERS - 1962

BOB STEPHENS - Captain. K. MAUGHAN, B. LITTLE, G. CARROLL, R. DYTOR, D. CROOKES, P. GRANT, D. ADAMS, D. WALKER, E. LEHNER, L. DYTOR, R. SCOTT, J. MORTLOCK, D. KERRIGAN, G. ROLLESTON.

This year moulded into a fifteen who showed how to play hard constructive football and at the same time mix well at any social gathering. There was a pleasing absence of players "throwing in the towel" during the game and excuses for non-attendance at training.

We played to win every game and as the season progressed we saw some very determined attack and defence, with players giving out all and more than they received. Team conduct was exemplary and behaviour on and off the field must surely be a credit to the Briars.

I make no mention of players individually as we agreed through the season this was a team who all had their share of faults, mistakes and brilliant patches.

Our apologies to the Club for not doing better in the competition but we promise improved results next year.

The overall pattern of our play was to run the backs once out of our 25 yd. line. This had mixed results and time and again we found "basic football" so essential. Our forwards must provide faster service to the backs and the backs must learn to position themselves much more rapidly particularly in loose play.

We still bequeathed ample penalties to the opposition, often over simple cases of law; possibly a few lectures would help next season.

Our skipper was selected after 3 or 4 players had been tried, a final choice which only made us wonder why it was not the first and only one.

During the season we saw several of our young players develop remarkably and the next ten years should see higher honours for them.

Graham Yule and Dave Richardson: thanks for coming down and providing expert guidance and words of wisdom.

#### WHIDDON CUP TEAM - 1962

##### Matches

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drew</u>	<u>Bye</u>	<u>Pts.for</u>	<u>Pts.agst.</u>	<u>Points</u>
14	9	5	-	-	130	72	18

The 1962 Whiddon Cup Team carried the Gold and Maroon colours to the Grand Finals and narrowly missed bringing back home the Cup that was donated by a past President G.H. Whiddon.

The team spirit was the most inspiring I have known since I joined the Briars Club in 1954 and this coupled with sportsmanship in all quarters the Whiddon Cup team was indeed a credit to the Club.

Attendance at training was 100% and team keenness necessitated a second evening.

Many thanks are due to Stan McGregor whose much needed assistance was required to bind the forwards into a formidable pack enabling the backs to have more than their share of the ball.

#### WHIDDON CUP PLAYERS - 1962

BARRY ANGUS: (2nd Row forward) A solid second rower always a tower of strength. Should be graded in higher ranks next season.

GUS AHERN: (2nd Row forward and breakaway) An excellent forward in the open however his tight play needs some polish. Good in cover defence.

ROY ARMSTRONG: (Breakaway) Very good positional player always on the ball. Hope to have the pleasure of coaching him next season.

WARWICK BRUCE: (Fullback) A definite asset to any team. More conditioning next season may lessen injuries.

JOHN BEVAN: (Winger) A speedy try scoring player. Should develop into an excellent player. However must watch his tackling.

CHRIS CARNEGIE: (2nd Row forward) Started at beginning of season very slowly. However developed into one of our star players. Should be an asset to the club.

ALLAN COOKE: (Roving forward) Very versatile player even as fullback. Pleasure to have him when we did.

JOHN EDMONDS: (Five eighth) Seems to have found his correct berth at last. Some good goalkicking during season. However requires better conditioning to play at his peak.

DAVID EDMONDS: (Centre) Very unfortunate to lose this player to injuries. However during games he did play in showed excellent qualities of a coming centre.

DENNIS GRADY: (2nd Row forward) Strong rugged player lost to injuries at crucial stage in competition. Hope to see this keen player next season.

LEN GRAFF: (Front row forward) The keenest player on the field. Good solid front row player. Without Len's kicking we would not have reached the Semi-finals.

GREG HURST: (Hooker) A very ardent footballer whose ability progressed with the season. However loose rucking could be improved.

OWEN HALES: (Front row forward) Injuries again stole another excellent forward for centre of the season. Excels in loose play and cover defence.

STEVE KEIR: (Vice-captain - lock) An excellent come back. A tower of strength in boosting moral of the forwards. Cover defence perfect. Congratulations to you and Wendy for the babe.

IAN MCGREGOR: (Breakaway) Always following the ball plus coupled with good solid tackling this player ended the season as an asset to the team.

LES MACNEILL: (Breakaway and front row) Excels in loose play. Always puts the opposition on the ground with vigour. Quick on cover defence and recovery.

GRAHAM PROWSE: (Centre) A very fast and tricky runner. Excellent in attack and defence. However inclined to watch opposition too much. Material for a higher grade.

GRAHAM ROLLESTON: (Winger and centre) With a combination of using his head with his speed an excellent player.

JOHN SINGLETON: (Centre - winger - five eighth) A most useful player who has proved himself over the years. However seemed to lack initiative this season.

BOB SPEDDING: (Captain - half) An excellent footballer and Captain. An inspiration to his team.

KERRY TRELLOPE: (Centre) A late starter. Very careful pair of hands and a good boot. Could develop into a top centre.

DON VENESS: (Winger and centre) A very strong and solid runner and tackler. More care needed with handling. A good asset to any team.

VIC WHITELEY: (Utility player) Vic did not play on many occasions but showed tremendous keenness throughout the season. Seldom missed a Wednesday or Saturday.

BOB ZUTTON: (Winger) Commenced season casually. However showed keenness towards middle of season and developed into a player worth while watching. Hope to be able to keep him next season.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all members of the club who played in Whiddon Cup during the season for the fine display of Union.

### HOCKEY

SUB-COMMITTEE: B. Trevenar (Chairman), C. Jones, M. Spencer, E. Aikman, P. Richardson, E. Wade, M. Hill.

The Club was represented in the Sydney Hockey Association with three teams in the Minor Division in the "A", "B" and "C" Grades. This is the first season the Club has entered a team in the "C" Grade competition and from the response of players and the success of the team there should be three teams in future seasons.

The teams had mixed success. The "B" Grade were the glamour side being the only one to win a Premiership which they did by the odd goal after extra time in the Grand Final against Northern District after the latter had defeated our man, Minor Premiers, in the Final. The "A" Grade finished the season in third place, defeating the Minor Premiers, Moorebank-Liverpool, 5-1 in the semi-final only to go down to the eventual winners, Gladesville, in the final. Although the "C" Grade did not reach the first four they had a successful season considering the inexperience of the players.

We take the opportunity to congratulate Gladesville and Randwick I for their wins in the "A" and "C" Grades respectively.

The Barton-Briars Shield fixture was played in Canberra at the end of the season, a fitting climax to a most enjoyable season of hockey. The Barton Club turned on their usual hospitality starting with the matches on the Duntroon ground and a barbecue lunch at Regatta Point, a vantage point on the new Lake Scheme which by 1963 will be the show place of Canberra. Both the "A" and "B" teams were defeated, reducing the "A" team's lead to two wins in the Shield series and the "B" team to one each. In the 1963 season we shall have the Barton Club to Sydney - so it is up to each and every player to help on the particular visit to make it an enjoyable week-end.

We sincerely thank Burwood Council for again granting us the use of Burwood Park for our home ground, also for the additional help given to the preparation of the surface and markings.

#### FIRST ELEVEN ("A" GRADE)

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drawn</u>	<u>Goals for</u>	<u>Goals agst.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Postn.</u>
22	16	4	2	118	25	34	3rd.

Well, it had to happen! Season 1962 can be remembered not because we won, but because we lost the Premiership. The winning sequence lasted for six years and it just had to be our old rivals, Gladesville, who ended our run.

The season opened with very patchy displays and it was evident that Briars would be hard pressed for the title. The young and frisky Moorebank-Liverpool team played havoc and indeed as the season went by it seemed that they would turn out favourites. They captured the Minor Premiership and were drawn to play against us in the semi-final. Although our form was patchy (and sometimes frightful), especially against Cremorne and other lesser teams, it was thought that when the chips were down and the big games were on, we would have the advantage of experience. This was so and we lathered Moorebank-Liverpool to the tune of five goals to one.

The final was against Gladesville but the theory did not work. We had a bad day and were well beaten. Gladesville then became Premiers by defeating Moorebank in the Grand Final. We suppose it's only a just reward

for Gladesville who, although not being the most popular team, have been in the finals just as often as we have and that says a great deal.

Peter Richardson retained his position as goalie. Neat and safe, rather than spectacular, he has gained considerably by playing in Sydney Colts representative teams. Brian Cox was promoted from the "B"s as right half. Early he played two games each Saturday and his form suffered. Later his play developed and he could be a centre half of some potential. Lou Stapleton started as inside right and looked good. However, the selectors' wisdom saw a change due at centre half and Lou was installed there. As a result the defence was tightened and what a tremendous flick shot he has!

Notable performances were registered by Bruce Trevenar and Ken Willis as full backs. A change in tactics by these two improved the defence immeasurably. Colin Willis was hard pressed at left half but had memorable matches against St. George, Mosman and Northern Districts. The forward line did not reach its former heights. Peter Paterson strove to regain form after a mystery illness which kept him bedridden for months and reduced him to a shadow of his former self. Ross Swain, making a comeback after a season's layoff, did not quite regain his former spark although he hit some lovely goals, especially off his reverse stick. Eric Wade had a recurrence of back trouble which did not help matters at all. When he was in a goal hungry mood he hit some beauties. John Beadsworth alone maintained his standard although his centre shots are now yards ahead of his inside forwards. Colin Jones began the season as centre half and his goal scoring form in that position induced the selectors to try him as an inside forward. The move proved Colin to be one of the most elusive players we have seen for some time and a constant danger to the opposition.

#### SECOND ELEVEN ("B" GRADE)

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drawn</u>	<u>Goals for</u>	<u>Goals agst.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Postn.</u>
23	18	3	2	95	24	38	1st.

It is very pleasing to report that the "B" team was successful in winning the first premiership since 1951. This team, which has kept plugging away over the years, was favoured by several factors that made success possible. Firstly, there was an excellent Club and team spirit present, the team being a happy



one, a factor that was obviously missing in some opposing teams. Secondly, the formation of a third team enabled us to keep our second team intact and to mould a formidable combination of regular players.

Throughout the season, the team had its share of easy games but the season was marked by close, hard games, there being 16 teams in the competition. Those opposing teams warranting mention were Randwick, Ryde, North Sydney and particularly Northern Districts who defeated us 1 goal to nil in the final thus necessitating a Grand Final, Briars being Minor Premiers. The Grand Final was a hard, tense game played in shocking conditions, and we won only in the last minute of extra time when Geoff Gorton netted a beautiful goal.

Peter (Sailor) Richardson, goalie, played his usual strong game until injured late in the season. His position was taken over by Ted Aikman, an experienced goalie, whose splendid performances in the finals must receive special mention. Excellent goal-keeping by these two players made all the difference to the defence, giving the rest of the team a feeling of security.

John Robertson, right back, bolstered the defence and his solid hitting got the team out of trouble on many occasions. Always a worry to his opposing forwards, Bob Snow, left back, and captain, was accused of not driving the players enough but managed to get the support of his team when needed.

John Rose, left half, played good consistent hockey; a tenacious tackler who never gave in and proved a hard man to get the ball past. Warren Partington, centre half, played particularly well but took a lot of punishment from heavier opponents. He has a lot of hockey potential but needs to develop stronger hitting. Colin (Cricket) Jones, right half and Vice-Captain, played good hockey apparently benefiting from better condition. Has become a more flexible player his defence being solid with occasional attacking bursts up the wing.

Geoff Gorton, left wing, proved to be an attacking player to be reckoned with. Geoff's ability to run with the ball and centre resulted in many goals. Ian Sullivan, inside left, was a most unselfish player who combined well with the other forwards. Always dangerous with the ball in the circle scoring 27 goals. David Walker, centre forward, gave a great performance by scoring 50 goals, being the highest individual score in the Club's history. He was the spearhead of the attack, giving the team the thrust and scoring

potential needed. Peter Mansford, inside right, played his very steady game combining well with the other forwards and always back in defence when needed. Max Hill, right wing, proved his ability in this position, putting many centres across which resulted in goals. Always keen in attack.

Max Spencer, right wing, gave his best when playing with the team and was unlucky to lose his position during the finals because of strong competition for the forward positions. Colin Aikman, Jack Cassidy, Graham Cooper, John Fripp and Peter Paterson all played with the team on various occasions and this willingness to give their best was always appreciated.

### THIRD ELEVEN ("C" GRADE)

<u>Played</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Drawn</u>	<u>Goals for</u>	<u>Goals agst.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Postn.</u>
19	7	8	4	30	42	19	8th.

The nomination and fielding of a team in the Minor "C" Grade competition for the first time, was undoubtedly a most successful venture. The season was commenced with only the required eleven players and due to a crop of early injuries and illness was obliged at times to play a man or two short, thus suffering a number of defeats. However, as the season progressed new players and one or two veterans strengthened our ranks. About mid-season we were able to field a full team each week and occasionally have a reserve or two. Like the average lowest graded team in any Club we were a mixture of old-timers and new blood trying to mould ourselves into a smoothly functioning unit, capable of commanding respect from the opposition. By the end of the season we had accomplished just that, as evidenced by the fact that we held the Minor Premiers, Randwick I, to a scoreless draw and our list of wins in the latter stage of the season was most impressive. Each member made every effort to improve his own particular play and the collective effort and spirit was excellent.

Special mention must be made of three completely new players of the sport who made remarkable progress in mastering the rules, ball control and positional play. After experimental moves were made to determine the positions most suited to their talents, their improvement was most marked and pleasing. We predict that Greg Macintyre, Greg McEwen and Jack Scott will develop into top bracket players if given further encouragement and experience.

In attempting to analyse the performances of the team over the full season we must view our weaknesses as well as our strength. In attack our forwards early lacked cohesion, drive and finish, due to a large extent to inexperience and continual changes made to players' positions to discover strength and ability. We believe that later in the year our front line became as strong as we could muster and some fine scoring movements were in evidence. The lessons learned this season will be remembered. However, we still have much more to master and trust that next year we may further our knowledge and techniques. Our defence was also suspect early in the season and too often we were caught with our lines of communication stretched too far with the half backs badly out of position. Persistent schooling and personal endeavour eventually played a big part in rectifying our errors and we feel that in the closing matches our defence was equal to that of any of our opponents. There is vast room for improvement, but having completed our first season and overcome most of our teething troubles, we feel confident that our future matches will be a series of continued improvement and all the more enjoyable.

We would like to congratulate our Club-mates in the two higher Grades who played so well that they graduated to the finals and, in particular, to the "B" Grade team who brought home the "pot" after a really tough battle at St. Ives. We like to feel that we contributed in some small measure to their success in that we enabled them to select and maintain a regular and capable combination and to supply able reserves when required.

We have enjoyed our season's hockey and wish to thank all those Club mates who assisted us in so many ways and made our winter sport something to await eagerly next year.

Chairman's Note: The team was captained by Ted Aikman who did a splendid job to mould the team, and his ability as a goalie is evident as he was goalie for the "B" Grade team in the semi-final, final and grand final. The defence was shared by Norm Ellis, Greg McEwen, with Colin Aikman, Max Spencer and Greg Macintyre as halves. The forward five consisted of Graham Cooper, John Fripp, Kevin Bell, Jim Bell and Abdul Hamid.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

SUB-COMMITTEE: B. Williams (Chairman), L. Davis, C. Dennis, M. Elder, S. Hipwell and A. Reid.

For some years now the Club has been interested in acquiring the use of another cricket ground with a turf wicket. Initially, the need was a home ground for our city and suburban team and various proposals were from time to time discussed. However, the efforts were of a somewhat desultory and spasmodic character and did not lead to any firm result.

Latterly, the matter has been linked with discussions as to the future development of the Club and during the year a special sub-committee of the members named above, undertook a detailed investigation of the problem.

The sub-committee proceeded on the basis that the first objective would be to secure another turf wicket cricket ground suitable also for football and hockey. However, it was considered that in the long-range term planning should keep in mind the possibility of having new Club Rooms with associated parking area adjacent to the sporting field, and the even further possibility of providing such amenities as a swimming pool, tennis court, squash court and bowling green.

The sub-committee embarked on a series of approaches to our local councils and as a result possible sites for a new ground came up for consideration. To date, the position has not advanced beyond the stage where we can say that a suitable area is available. The financial implications have not yet fully emerged but a rough estimate made by the sub-committee indicates that finance will not be an insuperable problem.

The introduction of poker machines has not been considered as a means of raising the necessary finance and the sub-committee has put forward the proposition that a development fund be built up from the proceeds of a special campaign of increased social activities, increases in membership fees, ground fees and various other promotions initiated by members either individually or collectively. The suggested target is £2,500 per annum. Various sources of borrowing were suggested as an additional source of funds, if needed.

The sub-committee reported progress to a combined meeting of the Board and Management Committee held on

8th October, 1962, and the report was adopted in principle. It was agreed that the Chairman would take the opportunity to elaborate for the information of the members generally at the Annual Meeting.

It is emphasized that at this particular time there is no precise plan to be put before the members for endorsement. There is merely a broad objective and all that is sought from the members at the Annual Meeting is that by their adoption of this Annual Report they will give their Executive a mandate to proceed with the work necessary to formulate a definite scheme.

When this scheme has been prepared it will be placed before a special general meeting of the Club for detailed consideration and discussion and, if thought fit, for endorsement.

#### INDOOR ENTERTAINMENT

SUB-COMMITTEE: P. Mansford (Chairman).

Unfortunately no snooker, billiards or table tennis tournaments were conducted during the year due to the non-interest of members in these respective indoor games. Most members evidently have their time occupied with other forms of indoor entertainment.

Of the minority that availed themselves of the facilities provided it is still obvious that some members are either unaware or unwilling to pay the one shilling charged for each game of snooker or billiards. Members are again requested to pay their shilling to the steward at the Bar.

The table tennis equipment was used with great vigour by a few players, judging by the battered state in which it was left, and it is requested that users of this equipment use more care in the future.

#### GOLF

SUB-COMMITTEE: P. Mansford (Chairman), C.S. Jones, C. Mitchell.

Four Golf Days were again held this year at our usual haunt, Leura, and amazingly enough the course does not appear to have suffered to any great extent since we have been having four Days a year.

We are again indebted to the management of the Leura Golf Club and wish to take this opportunity of complimenting the Club on the consistent magnificent

condition in which the course is always kept. Also the Secretary's continued tolerance and help which has been tested at times by the Briars.

All four days were remarkably well attended although the weather was not always kind and some members failed to honour their obligations after stating their intentions to play. Fortunately this practice is not as prevalent as has previously been the case.

It is to be hoped that next year we will see an increase in the number of "older members" attending these Golf Days as they would find them most enjoyable.

Unfortunately a disturbing influence has come over the recent Golf Days in that some members are treating the Day as purely a drinking day and not a Golf Day, particularly some of the younger members.

The aftermath of several incidents on Golf Days was that the carrying of alcohol around the course was forbidden. It is to be hoped that this ruling will be strictly adhered to as it is felt that the 19th is the place to do the drinking.

The four respective Golf Days were won by:-

February 25	-	P. McEachran	-	G. McEachran
June 10	-	B. Williams	-	A. Reid
August 19	-	C. Mitchell	-	M. Hilder
November 11	-	R. Clark	-	E. Stockdale

#### SQUASH

SUB-COMMITTEE: R.D. Vanderfield (Captain), P. Mansford (Secretary), L. Fozzard (Treasurer).

The Briars were again represented in both the Winter and Spring Pennant Competitions by two teams. Once again we were unsuccessful in our attempts to notch a premiership win although we were represented in semi-finals of both Competitions.

The Winter Competition was a term of mixed fortunes for the Briars with the "C1 Team" making the semi-final, only to be comfortably beaten, and the "A" Grade Team finishing towards the rear of their section.

The Spring Competition was virtually the same story, our second team making the semi-final in "B" Grade Division 3, only to be resoundingly beaten by the Army. The "A" Grade Team again finished towards the bottom of the Competition despite the fact that on several occasions they almost toppled leading teams.

The fact is now quite obvious that new blood is required in the ranks as some of the stalwarts are finding the grind a wee bit tough. Any new players would be most welcome.

We are again indebted to Bill McLaughlin for the use of his courts for our home matches and we are specially grateful to the members of the McLaughlin family for the courteous service we always received at the courts. (Bill excepted as he was always away with a football team).

### SOCIAL

SUB-COMMITTEE: R. Stephens (Chairman), D. Grady, D. Kerrigan, P. Walker, J. Edmonds, and J. Mortlock.

Although there were not many social events during the year, the few which were held were quite successful both from a social and a financial angle. The first was a Christmas Social held at "Elim" in Burwood in December and it was attended very well by all the sporting bodies of the Club although the lack of some of the older member was quite noticeable. Altogether, a very merry night was had by all.

At the suggestion of the Football Sub-committee, a barbecue at Narrabeen Fitness Camp was held before the early football trials. This turned out to have a better than hoped for result, with the Colleagues as our guests, and with good weather prevailing enormous quantities of steak and wherewith to wash it down were enjoyed by both camps who mingled really well until the show came to a close.

The second social was held at Croydon Masonic Hall on Saturday, 7th April and except for the support of the new and younger members of the Club it would surely have been a social and financial flop. Very few of the cricket, hockey and older fraternity were in attendance.

Another barbeque, this time at Garie Beach. Fortunately, the weather was again clement - so much so that some of the boys were seen to go surfing. In the afternoon, a rather vigorous game of beach football took place and surprisingly enough no one was too severely injured to enjoy the refreshments provided.

The Annual Ball was held once again at "Elim" on Saturday, 11th August. Although the Ball was a sellout it was marred unfortunately by a certain amount of

horseplay and by a lack of space. It seems that if we are to have a better Ball next year a much larger ball-room will be required, particularly as many of the members who would have liked to attend could not do so because a limit of two hundred persons was necessary.

The Chairman is indebted to the Sub-committee for their help during the year and to that band of members who worked so hard to make the socials, and particularly the barbecues, so successful.

#### CLUB ROOMS

Trading during the past twelve months produced an unexpected increase in turnover and the year's results produced the best yet.

Early evening attendances were well maintained, and Saturday night trading during the Winter months was consistently high. However, a big disappointment was the fall away in Friday night attendances.

Stewards: The early evening roster suffered one alteration during the year by the withdrawal of C. Magrath. His replacement was D. Grady and the full roster is now Messrs. D. Grady, M. Hill, O. Osterman, B. Trevenar and R. Stephens.

The Friday and Saturday night roster, which was introduced in the middle of 1961, is working well but, unfortunately, many of the original members have been unable to continue and have been replaced. The present roster is Messrs. R. Anstey, W. Elder, R. Elvery, B. Cardwell, P. Hotten, S. Jones, S. Keir, A. Reid, R. Storey, D.P. Walker, J. Wearne and E. Stockdale.

We are most grateful to the above members for their valuable work, and express our appreciation to those who have retired from these duties, namely, Messrs. R. Ackermann, M. Blair, R. Chegwyn, C. Magrath, G. Miller, A. Taaffe and D. Williams.

The early evening stewards have again been generous in their provision of tasty tid-bits for their customers. Their kindness has been assisted more recently by a collection box for the receipt of alms from those who appreciate this service.

Buildings: New blinds have been provided for the bar room and lounge.



Plant: The equipment has functioned very well during the year and no exceptional maintenance has been required.

The provision of a refrigerated cabinet for the kegs "on tap" has been an entire success, and it is now possible to draw beer without an excessive head. This has speeded up the service, particularly in peak periods, and has also eliminated a lot of waste.

Stocks: The range of lines carried has been adequate for our regular customers. The bi-monthly stock take has been consistent and satisfactory.

Service: The service provided by our honorary stewards has again been very good.

However, we would emphasise that the Club's facilities are not available at any hour of the day and night at a member's whim. This remark applies particularly to some who arrive at the Club after 11 p.m. on Fridays after a night in town.

We try to supply service within reasonable limits and members should not expect anything more.

Deliveries: Mr. W. Simes and his assistant, Mr. B. Kelley, have again accepted the task of receiving our supplies, and we are indebted to them for their kindness.

Cleaning: The cleanliness of the premises has been placed in the hands of a roster comprising Messrs. A. Clifford, G. Hutcheson, J. Edmonds, A. Cook, D. Grady, R. Stephens, P. Burt, J. Metcalf, J. Mortlock, J. Wearne, K. Maughan, G. Carroll, D. Kerrigan, G. McEwen, D. Edmonds, G. Prowse, B. Ray, C. McMonies, D. Hales, O. Hales, M. Spencer, P. Richardson, R. Clark, T. Stockdale, M. Elder, C. Dennis.

This system has not functioned as well as expected, due to the failure at times of rostered members putting in an appearance. As a result, the cleaning has had to be done by others, in addition to their normal chores. Ted Stockdale has been a tower of strength in this respect.

The Western Suburbs District Cricket Club, who have occupied our premises on Thursday evening for many years, also arrange a weekly cleaning and floor polishing, and we appreciate this service very much.

We are again indebted to Mrs. Stockdale for her kindness in laundering our towels each week.

AWARDS

J.H. STONE TROPHY: This trophy is named after the first President of the Club, the late John Stone, and is the most valued of the awards at the Club's command in that the winner must be a member under 25 years of age who has made not only the greatest but an outstanding contribution to the Club's welfare during the year.

In the year under review, there were many young members who made valuable contributions to the Club's welfare but, in the opinion of the assessors, none was sufficiently outstanding to warrant the award - keeping in mind that there is a reluctance to nominate a previous winner unless the member concerned has even excelled his previous record.

This is not a trophy to be lightly won and it is no great reflection on our younger membership that in this particular year the award must stand in abeyance. However, we confidently expect a definite award next year.

GORDON BEVAN SHIELD: This is the footballers' trophy commemorating the name of a young Briar whose life was brought to a sudden and tragic end in a road accident many years ago. It is awarded on a points system as follows:-

Attendance at training	...	20	points
Value to his team	...	20	"
Most improved player	...	20	"
General keenness	...	15	"
Value as Club member	...	15	"
Neatness of uniform	...	10	"
		<u>100</u>	"

The very popular winner this year is Bob Stephens. Apart from his ability as a footballer, Bob (who is over 25 years of age) has done a quite magnificent job for the Club as a member of Management Committee, Chairman of the Social Sub-committee and Steward. This valued honour is a well-merited one in which his Dad, Bill, himself a Briar of past renown, will no doubt take great pride.

CRICKET MEMORIAL TROPHY: This is a symbol of remembrance of those of our members who lost their lives during service in World War II. Its association with cricket is really coincidental as the Gordon Bevan Shield for footballers was already in existence. It is a very significant award and is based on similar con-

siderations, as follows:-

Value to team as a cricketer	...	35	points
Conduct	...	15	"
General keenness	...	15	"
Value to Club as a member	...	25	"
Neatness of dress	...	10	"
		<u>100</u>	"

This year's winner is Don Williams who, despite the passage of years, is still able to make his presence felt as a cricketer and as Captain of one of the Club's teams. Above this, however, is the service Don has given to the Club as its Treasurer, a key position in our honorary administration. We are delighted indeed to have this opportunity to congratulate him on a well-deserved honour.

A.J. ROBINSON SHIELD: Only those cricketers and hockey players who have joined the Club in the past three years or so would not know Mr. A.J. Robinson. "Robbie" was one of our most regular spectators and did many years ardent service as scorer for the "B" Shires. Unfortunately, bad health (he is in his eighties) has prevented his attendance in recent years. The Shield which bears his name is awarded each year to the hockey player earning the most points from the following allocation:-

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

Peter Richardson is the winner for this year and all who know him, which is a large proportion of the Club membership, will applaud the choice. His prowess as a hockey player is recorded elsewhere in this Report. Added to this are his skill as a cricketer, his pleasant personality and a readiness to help out with the many chores to be done in the Club Rooms. It is a popular win and we congratulate him heartily.

#### MR. E.J. SIDDELEY

A notable event which occurred after the close of the year but was so important that we cannot let it wait for mention until next Annual Report, was the 99th Birthday, on 9th November, 1962, of our beloved Patron, Mr. E.J. ("Pop") Siddeley.

The members generally would not be aware that this Club owes its existence to a number of fathers who, in 1918, encouraged their sons to form a sporting club. Whilst leaving the lads to organise the administration of the Club including its naming as "The Briars", the fathers kept a watchful eye upon developments and unobtrusively assisted in many ways. They donated prizes for various sporting events and were keen barrackers for the teams in all contests against outside opponents.

"Pop" is the last survivor of these dedicated fathers and some evidence of his work for the Club and of the esteem in which he is held is to be derived from the fact that he was our President in 1924-25, 1928-29, 1931-32 and 1939-42. He is also a Life Member.

It is for these reasons that we congratulate the Grand Old Man of Briars on attaining his 90th. Birthday and look forward to his scampering down the pitch of Time towards the coveted three figures.

#### MR. E.F.WATT

Compared with the gentleman to whom reference has just been made, Mr. Watt is a newcomer to the Club. However, he has an outstanding record of service and we take advantage of the approach of his 72nd. Birthday (which means that under the law of the land he must relinquish his position as a member of the Board of Directors) to pay him tribute.

Mr. Watt's interest in the Club began when his son, Teddy, now a veteran member of the "A" Shire team, joined us as a young lad in the early 'forties'. It was not long before this interest attracted the attention of the Executive and he was invited to contribute to its strength as a Vice-President serving as a member of the Club's General Committee.

Then, in 1948, he became President, a position which he held with distinction until 1953. In the meantime, the Club was formed into a company and Mr. Watt was an original member of the Board of Directors constituted as a consequence. He has served as a member of the Board ever since.

Mr. Watt is blessed with personal qualities which, stimulated by his genuine interest in the Club, have enabled him to make an outstanding contribution to our welfare. He has the ability to analyse the pros and cons of a situation and to express his assessment of

the problem in a lucid, but restrained, fashion. This made him an ideal person to act as President and those who shared in the Club's administration during the years of his Presidency will readily agree that he did a noble job in a most difficult period of the Club's history.

It is with great sincerity, therefore, that on the occasion of his stepping down from active office in the Club, we now take the opportunity to say to Mr. Watt on behalf of all members - "Thank you for the work you have done for us and may you be spared for many years to enjoy life in good health and happiness and may we look forward to your continued interest in our welfare."

### CONGRATULATIONS

Our spies have not been as vigilant this year as previously and their meagre report is that B. Thomas and J. Rose have become engaged, that J. Barrett, B. Darragh, I. Fischer, J. Harper, W. Partington, B. Tasker, B. Vaughan and J. Wade have gone one step further and that P. Berry, J. Robertson and S. Kier have gone one step further still.

We congratulate all of those named plus the many who have no doubt performed similar feats without attracting the notice of our somewhat faulty records.

### ADMINISTRATION

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

<u>BOARD:</u>	R.B. CLARK	...	11	R.J. THOMSON	...	7
	H.C. FORD	...	3	E.F. WATT	...	11
	A.J. LAND	...	8	D. WAY	...	6
	L.B. MEULMAN	...	11	H.G. WHIDDON	...	9
	D. PROWSE	...	10			

### COMMITTEE:

L. DAVIS	...	9	R. STEPHENS	...	8
C. DENNIS	...	8	R.J. THOMSON	...	7
M. ELDER	...	9	B. TREVENAR	...	10
D. KERRIGAN	...	8	C. WALKER	...	9
P. MANSFORD	...	9	B. WILLIAMS	...	11
M. MATHEWS	...	10	D. WILLIAMS	...	7

FINANCE

The Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th September, 1962 together with the Balance Sheet as at that date and with the report of the Auditor thereon.

Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year amounted to £1,126, of which £500 was transferred to General Reserve and £100 set aside to provide for future repairs and maintenance to the Club's building; the balance of £526 was added to Accumulated Funds.

During the year Debentures totalling £955 were repaid to members leaving the balance outstanding at this date at £2,735.

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

"Bar sales increased in this year, and consequently gross profit from bar trading was £172 higher than the figure for the previous year. Net cost to the Club of conducting cricket, football and hockey was £140, being £74 less than the expenditure for the year ended 30th September, 1961. The total expenditure on repairs and maintenance was £210 whereas in the previous year, when the premises were repainted, it was £491. A donation of £100 was made to Concord Council as a contribution towards improvements to the playing grounds used by the Club.

Application of the profit for the year and its effect on the assets and liabilities of the Company is illustrated in the following Statement of Funds:-

STATEMENT OF FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1962

Funds were provided by:

Net Surplus	£ 1126
Transferred to Accumulated Funds	526
Transferred to General Reserve	500
Transferred to Provision for Deferred Maintenance	<u>100</u>
Add charges for Depreciation and Revaluation (being non cash items)	<u>161</u> <u>£1287</u>

These Funds were applied to:

	£
Redeem Debentures	955
Purchase Cooling Cabinet	265
Increase Working Capital	67
	<u>£1287</u>

I am pleased to report that the records were presented to me in very good order, and had been accurately maintained throughout the year."

CONCLUSION

The Board and the Committee, in concluding this Forty-fourth Annual Report of the Club's activities, convey to every member their best wishes for continued enjoyment of membership during the years to come.

For and on behalf of the Board and Management Committee,

R.J.THOMSON, President  
B. TREVENAR, Secretary  
M. ELDER, Administrative  
Secretary.

ADDEMDUM

On the eve of my retirement from the Presidency of our Club, I wish to thank the members for electing me to that high office and to apologise to them for not rendering that service which I had hoped. Unfortunately, the calls of my civil avocation prevented me from carrying out many of the duties which I felt were desirable and which had been carried out so successfully by my predecessors in the office.

However, as I step down, I have the consolation of knowing that the Club still thrives and that under my successor it will go from strength to strength. For this, I and you have to thank all those stalwart members who have organised the multiple phases of the Club's activities and have enabled us to report yet one more successful year. Whilst this spirit remains, the Club will endure.

R.J.THOMSON  
President.

**THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**

### BAR TRADING ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1962

<u>30/9/61</u>		£	<u>30/9/61</u>		£
£			£		
140	Liquor Licence	150	1437	Gross Profit - Beer and Spirits	1648
52	Depreciation - Bar Equipment	73		Sales	4912
75	Bar Expenses and Maintenance of Equipment	62		Less Cost of Sales	<u>3264</u>
1358	Profit on Trading transferred to Income & Expenditure Account	1530	188	Gross Profit - Cigarettes Chocolates etc.	167
				Sales	820
				Less Cost of Sales	<u>653</u>
<u>£1625</u>		<u>£1815</u>	<u>£1625</u>		<u>£1815</u>



THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1962.

<u>30/9/61</u>		£	£	<u>30/9/61</u>		£	£
£	CRICKET		323	£	PROFIT ON BAR TRADING	1530	
122	Ground Hire and Registrations	121		1358	CRICKET		
146	Material	202		184	Betting Fees and Insurance	245	
	HOCKEY				HOCKEY		
96	Registrations, Equipment etc.		92	86	Ground Fees & Sale of Equipment	101	
	FOOTBALL				FOOTBALL		
98	Ground Hire, Registrations etc.	149		104	Registrations & Sale of Equipment	196	
126	Material & Equipment	118			CLUB ROOM AMUSEMENTS	36	
12	CLUB ROOM AMUSEMENTS		6	10	Billiards and Table Tennis	14	
	Billiards and Table Tennis			71	Surplus on Social Activities	22	
	ADMINISTRATION AND CLUB ROOM EXPENSES		712	588	SUBSCRIPTIONS		614
137	Lighting and Heating	148		49	DONATIONS RECEIVED		67
	Repairs, Maintenance & Clubroom				PROPERTY INCOME		240
326	Expenses	68		205	Rentals Received	205	
215	Stationery, Stamps & Telephone	122		39	Interest Received	35	
46	Insurance	46					
58	Annual Report	58					
41	General Expenses	87					
12	Donations and Presentations	116					
75	Depreciation - Furniture & Fittings	67					
	PROPERTY EXPENSES		503				
11	Commission	11					
191	Interest	153					
71	Insurance	71					
1118	Rates	126					
165	Repairs	142					
500	Transfer to General Reserve		500				
	Transfer to Provision for Deferred Maintenance		100				
	Excess of Income over Expenditure		526				
128	Transferred to Accumulated Funds		526				
<u>£2694</u>			<u>£3029</u>	<u>£2694</u>			<u>£3029</u>

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1962

30/9/61	£	£	30/9/61	£	£
<u>£</u>			<u>£</u>		
	<u>Accumulated Funds</u>	1848	9266	<u>Land and Buildings (At Cost)</u>	9266
1194	Balance 1/10/61	1322		30-34a George St., Burwood	
	Excess of Income over		673	<u>Club Room Furniture and Fittings</u>	606
128	Expenditure for Year	526		(at valuation 1/7/62)	
	<u>Reserves (Used in the Business)</u>	6516	465	<u>Bar Equipment (at valuation 1/7/62)</u>	657
2326	General Reserve	3781	41	<u>Glasses, Crockery, etc. (at valuation)</u>	20
3690	Debenture Redemption Reserve	2735		<u>Shares in Rugby Union Co-op Trading</u>	
	<u>Debentures - (not redeemable</u>	2735	5	<u>Society Ltd.</u>	5
	within one year)				
3115	£5 - 5% Debentures	2470		<u>Debenture Redemption Fund Investment</u>	
575	£5 - Interest Free Debentures	265		£700 - 4% M.W.S. & D.B. 1968 Loan	
98	<u>Sundry Creditors</u>	442	700	(at cost)	700
324	<u>Subscriptions in Advance</u>	373		<u>Stock on Hand (at valuation)</u>	423
-	<u>Provision for Deferred Maintenance</u>	100	181	<u>Beer and Spirits</u>	207
232	<u>Bank Overdraft</u>	-	49	Cigarettes, Chocolates, etc.	59
			22	Metal Badges	36
			2	Football and Hockey Equipment	89
			3	Crickot Caps	22
			20	Club Ties	10
			45	<u>Sundry Debtors</u>	48
			-	<u>Cash at Bank</u>	66
			17	<u>Cash on Hand</u>	17
			193	<u>Prepayments</u>	206
<u>£11682</u>		<u>£12014</u>	<u>£11682</u>		<u>£12014</u>

SECRETARY'S DECLARATION

I, Michael Elder of Sydney in the State of New South Wales, Secretary of The Briars Sporting Club Limited, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the accompanying Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account of the Briars Sporting Club Limited are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct. And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Oaths Act, 1900.

Subscribed and declared at )  
SYDNEY this Sixteenth )  
day of NOVEMBER, 1962 ) (Sgd.) M. ELDER  
Before me D.V. PROWSE J.P. )

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

We, Ronald J. Thomson and Douglas Vernon Prowse, two of the Directors of The Briars Sporting Club Limited are of the opinion that the accompanying Income and Expenditure Account is drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the results of the conduct of the Club for the year ended 30th September, 1962 and the accompanying Balance Sheet is drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Club as at 30th September, 1962.

Dated at SYDNEY this On behalf of the Board  
SIXTEENTH day of  
NOVEMBER, 1962.

(Sgd.) R.J. THOMSON

Director

(Sgd.) D.V. PROWSE

Director

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I report to the members of BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED that, in my opinion, the Balance Sheet at 30th September, 1962, and the Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 1961, so as to give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs.

In my opinion, the accounting and other records (including Registers) examined by me are properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the said Act.

DATED AT SYDNEY  
15th November, 1962.

C.W.C. MAGRATH. A.S.T.C. A.A.S.A.  
REGISTERED UNDER THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS REGISTRATION ACT, 1945,  
AS AMENDED.