

68th ANNUAL REPORT

AND

BALANCE SHEET

1985 — 1986

The Briars
Sporting Club Limited
Burwood



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on Friday, 5th December, 1986

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your Board of Directors and Management Committee present for consideration and adoption by Members, this Sixty-eighth Annual Report of the Club's activities and the financial position for the year ended 30th September, 1986.

The Club completed its sixty-eighth year most satisfactorily with the few areas requiring consideration being tackled in an effective and timely manner.

It is pleasing to note that the unique position the Club holds in the community continues to be maintained, and indeed strengthened, with the basic ideals of the Club's founding fathers still foremost, given the significant changes that have occurred to the social and other facets of life over all these years. However, we cannot afford any sense of complacency. We must be attuned to changes to our environment, be able to anticipate such changes and adjust accordingly. In my view we have the ability within the current, and future, membership to meet the challenges which will continue to confront us, thus enabling the Club to enter the 21st century with full confidence.

The financial position of the Club continues to improve with the surplus for the year increasing to \$24,995 compared with \$17,951 for the previous year. The proceeds from our work at the N.S.W. Golf Open have again made a significant contribution to the surplus. As in past years this is partly reflected in an allocation to the sports on the basis of individual participation. As noted in past Reports, we must nevertheless be mindful of the impact upon the Club's finances should this source of revenue not be forthcoming at some time in the future. The Club has also benefitted from the higher rates of interest prevailing on increased funds under investment during the year.

The one disturbing feature apparent from the accounts is the reduced level of bar turnover coupled with a lower gross profit margin. The reduced turnover is particularly disappointing as it had the effect of reversing the encouraging trend shown last year after the initial impact of random breath testing in years since 1983. During the earlier part of the year a concerted campaign was introduced which ensured that the Club was open each week night. Unfortunately this action met with a disappointing response from Members. The Club rooms are obviously the focal point forming the basis for membership fraternisation, and I encourage Members to make a fuller utilisation of the facilities that they provide.

Sporting teams enjoyed a moderate level of success with four teams taking out premierships.

In cricket, the "A" side after an unbeaten sequence over virtually two seasons faltered when, after winning the minor premiership by a significant margin, were well beaten in their semi-final. However, the side is still very young and talented and I am sure will be a force in the competition in the years to come. The "B"s and "C"s were both disappointing, not realising

their undoubted potential, and finishing out of semi-final contention. The redeeming feature for cricket was the premiership success of the Club's inaugural "D" Grade side, who finished the season in a very strong fashion. The number of young talented players who joined the Club and played with the team augurs well for the future.

Rugby, after the comparatively successful season in 1985 which saw the Kentwell and Whid-don Cup sides reaching the Grand Final and Semi-Final respectively, in 1986 slipped from fifth to eighth place in the Club championship with the threat of relegation a possibility at one stage. Whilst the Kentwell side was competitive for the most part, the lower teams suffered from a lack of depth, and the need to properly provide for the induction of new younger players has become quite apparent. It was most encouraging in the latter part of the season to see the old spirit return, and the sense of urgency and commitment that prevailed amongst those associated with rugby to establish plans for the conduct of the 1987 season.

In a highly competitive environment the three senior hockey sides were all placed eighth in their respective grades. The foresight and hard work initially provided to the juniors by Robert Wood has been taken up by three young coaches who, together with the boys' parents providing administrative support, are establishing a very good base for the future of our hockey.

Basketball, in its second year, confirmed the early promise by winning premierships in the "B" and "C" grades of the Western Suburbs competition. Furthermore, late in 1985 the two ladies sides were also successful in winning their respective competitions. Apart from the ability of basketball to introduce new members to the Club, it has also attracted participants from the Club's other major sports, indeed a most commendable feature.

Squash, despite the still diminished numbers, fielding only three sides, achieved a pennant with the victorious D3 team. Although there is still a long path ahead to regain its previous status within the Club, there are encouraging signs of activity by the Committee to achieve this.

The Club's sponsorship of netball extended to three teams and it is most pleasing to see the manner in which the ladies have supported the Club's other activities.

John Price once again provided the platform for a very successful social calendar showing that with proper planning and attractive functions, Club members will support this very important facet of Club activities. Functions held during the year included a New Year's Eve party, a trots night at Harold Park, a car rally, the Annual Ball at the S.T.C. Centre at Canterbury, culminating in the Annual Dinner with guest speaker Mark Ella, which in the absence of John overseas, was well organised by David Blair and David Guille. Once again, Ted Stockdale organised the popular Old Members Night, a most successful function albeit that the attendance of our longer standing members has somewhat diminished. It is hoped that we might see them in force next year.

The Club continued its successful involvement with the N.S.W. Golf Open this year at Concord. John Threlfo, who was instrumental in the pre-tournament organisation, and Bill Hooker who managed our involvement on the day, must once again be congratulated on the professionalism shown in the approach to our responsibilities.

The membership to the Club increased to 467 at the year end as follows:—

	<u>1985/1986</u>	<u>1984/1985</u>
Life Members	3	2
Full Members	364	351
City Associates	47	41
Country	53	50

A review of our membership indicates that over the past 10 years there has been virtually no change in the total membership, whereas during the preceding decade our membership increased by almost 20%. To meet our overall objectives it is imperative that we not only retain our existing members, but have the ability to attract each year a number of suitable young recruits who will provide the lifeblood of the Club in years to come. I have, early in the report, mentioned the particular needs of rugby at the moment in this regard.

In an effort to develop this theme, a major initiative of Board and Management has been the appointment of a Schools Liaison Officer, with full Management Committee status, to head a team to plan and implement a range of activities and support with a view to achieving a position of preference amongst appropriate high schools. Under the Chairmanship of John Price, ably supported by Marty Watts and Terry O'Kane in particular, the Committee has already taken significant steps in pursuit of these objectives, the commitment to which has also been acknowledged by Board in its resolution to set aside a further \$7,500 to the Provision for Sport Development in this year's financial statements.

Focus under the editorial control of Gerard Price continues to provide a lively news sheet to all members, in particular those who by reason of the geographic location would not otherwise be informed of the activities of the Club and its members.

During the year, two of our longest standing Directors, being also our immediate past two Presidents, John Edmonds and Ian Blair, after many years of distinguished service to the Club, decided to stand down from the Board. John, a Director since 1976 and President from 1980 to 1983 made a significant contribution particularly in matters relating to the Club's property and insurance. Ian, President from 1983 to 1985, and a Director since 1973 in his early years ably supported the Club's administration initially as an Assistant Treasurer and later as Chief

Executive Officer. In addition to the involvement in the Club's administrative function, both John and Ian performed on the sporting arena at the highest levels. On behalf of all Club members I take the opportunity to thank John Edmonds and Ian Blair for their significant contributions to The Briars. Arising from the consequential casual vacancies, the Board appointed Bill Hooker and Bruce Robinson as Directors.

Club members were very much saddened by the passing of Audley Land, whose dedication to the Club over many years was only last year recognised in the award of life membership. A fuller tribute to Aud's achievements by Ted Stockdale is contained later in the report.

The past 12 months have seen quite a number of changes to the personnel comprising the Management Committee. To all those who have served, and in particular Peter Bowyer, in his first year as Chief Executive Officer, thank you for your support.

In conclusion, we record our appreciation for the support we received from our Municipal authorities in Burwood and Concord Councils and the Cumberland College of Health Sciences for the use of their oval during the year.

We extend our congratulations to the successful clubs with whom we have competed and to the others for the opportunity of enjoying our sporting contact. We also thank the following sporting bodies for their assistance in making competition available:—

Sydney Rugby Union	Western Suburbs Basketball Association
Sydney Suburban Rugby Union	Parramatta Basketball Association
Sydney Hockey Association	N.S.W. Cricket Association
Sydney Hockey Umpires' Association	Council of Municipal & Shire Clubs
Squash Racquets Association of NSW	City & Suburban Cricket Association

Peter D. Richardson,
President.

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OBITUARY

A. J. LAND — Audley passed away on 12.9.'86, in The Masonic Hospital, Ashfield.

Aud joined the Club in 1931, became a permanent opener for the A Grade cricket side. During his 25 years of playing cricket, he amassed the huge total of 9033 runs. He also played hockey for the Club for a number of years which commenced in hockey's inaugural year, the participation of hockey as a major sport in the Club.

After his playing days had passed, he started the huge task of preparing the cricketing statistics for the Club. From day 1 to the current players, every cricketer who has played for the Club has been recorded, together with those records and other details of cricket statistics, in fact, not one statistic was missed by Audley.

Away from the sporting field, Aud held the following positions in the Club —

- (a) Life Member
- (b) Vice President
- (c) President

During the war years, he and his wife Joan were on the Club's War Comforts Fund. Aud can be described as the ideal club member and amongst others, was responsible for the Club being consolidated.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the excellent support given to Aud by his wife Joan during the role played by Aud in the Club.

TED STOCKDALE

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CRICKET REPORT

SEASON 1985 – 1986

1985/86 Season was one filled with contrasts of performance. However it was another good season for the Burwood Cricket Club.

We finished third in the Club Championship, which although not quite the result we were looking for, still shows that Burwood is a club to be reckoned with. The extraordinary run of success the club has enjoyed over recent years continued with yet another trophy finding its way behind the bar at Briars.

Our D Grade side turned in some spectacular performances to bring this trophy into the Briars in our very first season competing this grade. Peter Richardson and his team deserve every bit of praise directed their way.

The C Grade and B Grade sides did not quite reach the heights we expected, finishing fifth and seventh respectively. In the redraw end-of-season matches these two teams showed glimpses of what might have been, finishing first and second, respectively.

After extending their unbeaten streak to thirty-three games the A Grade side faltered at the post and bowed out to Epping in the semi-final. Disappointment !!

The support to the four shires side shown by the City and Suburban team was greatly appreciated as was their ability to be self-supporting.

I am sure I echo every cricketer's sentiments in sincerely thanking the four Shires' captains, Greg Wallace, David Trewin, Peter Wallace and Peter Richardson, Chairman of Selectors Peter Mansford and Newsletter Editor Gerard Price for the often thankless tasks they undertook. Again, thank you Mr. Ted Stockdale for your support and assistance – Rothwell just would not be Rothwell without you.

Finally, I wish to thank our opponents and congratulate the winners among them.

RICHARD TREGEAGLE
Chairman

"A" SHIRE CRICKET REPORT 1986-86

"A" Shires began the season as defending premiers, having been undefeated the previous year. Although we continued to win games, it soon became apparent that this season was going to be different. It was our bowlers that were winning games for us, as our batsmen were only scoring moderately well. We were often winning games without really getting out of first gear. Consequently, when we needed to pull out an extra effort it was difficult. Eventually we were beaten in the last match of the competition and followed it up with another loss in the semi-finals. We were not desperate enough to win !

Congratulations to Peter Richardson and his D Grade premiership side on their fantastic performance. Congratulations also to Epping A Grade on winning our competition.

The players:

Bart Pozuelo was our most consistent batsman and leading run-scorer. His elegant stroke play, sound defence and cool temperament helped him hold the innings together on many occasions. Bart had five scores above 50 and was unlucky to miss scoring another century for the club.

Bart performed consistently as both a first change bowler and, later in the season, as an opening bowler. He often beat the bat with his outswingers and off-cutters, but didn't always get the wickets he deserved. Congratulations to Bart on taking 14 catches throughout the season.

Garry Schomberg scored two centuries this season and obtained the highest batting average. He regularly hit opposing bowlers to all parts of the ground whenever they bowled a loose ball. Garry also filled in as wicket-keeper for half the season and did a commendable job.

Richard Tregagle was back to his best early in the season, taking lots of wickets, bowling fast and accurately and scaring lots of opposition batsmen. Unfortunately, Richard injured himself around Christmas and struggled to find form after that. His fielding was up to his usual high standard, even after his injury.

Gerard Price bowled. Not only did he bowl, but he opened the bowling and took the most wickets in the season. He twice took 5 wickets in an innings, once being in the semi-final in which he took 5-41 off 19 overs. As a middle order batsman, Gerard made some worthwhile scores including 57 against Epping when we were in trouble at 7-67.

Steve Stapelfeldt had an impressive first season in A grade. His batting was very forceful and very entertaining. He was rewarded with an impressive 53 in the semi-final. Steve bowled well when given the chance and picked up some valuable wickets with his accurate medium pacers.

Greg Wallace had a poor season with the bat until he scored 107 n.o. against Wentworthville.

He often batted for an hour then lost concentration and was dismissed. Greg's spin bowling occasionally broke vital partnerships but generally wasn't accurate enough.

Steve Schomberg bowled accurately, but without the extra zip of previous seasons. He regularly picked up one, two or three wickets but never managed a large haul. Steve once again contributed with the bat when it was needed in tight situations.

Darren Holley fought his way into the team after some good scores in B grade and continued his good form in A's. He scored two 50's and added a lot of strength to the top end of our batting order. Darren's fielding was first class.

Paul Thomas showed glimpses of form with the bat but gave his wicket away too easily. Paul kept wicket well until he was injured.

Matthew Brennan showed promise as a left arm orthodox spin bowler and took 4 wickets in each of his first two games in A's.

Andrew Macky didn't bat up to expectations but his fielding and keenness was excellent.

Nigel Sterry bowled well when he was in A grade and was an asset to the side.

Dave Young showed some form early in the season but lost confidence in his batting.

Paul Price didn't perform well with the bat but was reliable in the field.

Thank you to Bill Hooker and Dave Trewin who performed well when filling in in A's.

And a big thank-you to Ted Stockdale for organising afternoon teas and supporting the team. We all appreciate it, Ted.

GREG WALLACE

"A" SHIRE STATISTICS

BATTING

Name	Matches	Inn.	N.O.	Highest Score	Runs	Average	50's	100's
G. Schomberg	13	13	4	121 n.o.	440	48.9	1	2
B. Pozuelo	14	12	1	86	522	47.5	5	—
S. Staplefeldt	14	11	2	53	276	30.7	1	—
D. Holley	8	8	1	60	198	28.3	2	—
M. Brennan	6	3	2	20 n.o.	28	28.0	—	—
G. Wallace	14	13	1	107 n.o.	327	27.3	1	1

BATTING (Contd)

Name	Matches	Inn.	N.O.	Highest Score	Runs	Average	50's	100's
G. Price	14	12	2	85	267	26.7	2	—
P. Thomas	12	13	4	36	203	22.6	—	—
R. Tregeagle	13	6	4	10 n.o.	30	15.0	—	—
S. Schomberg	13	7	1	36	80	13.3	—	—
D. Young	8	8	1	22 n.o.	89	12.7	—	—
A. Macky	7	5	0	25	61	12.2	—	—
P. Price	7	6	0	14	42	7.0	—	—

Also batted: D. Trewin 0—18, N. Sterry 1—4

BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average	5 Wkts/Innings
N. Sterry	41.1	5	16	159	9.9	1
M. Brennan	47.3	3	11	157	14.3	—
G. Price	173.2	45	31	451	14.5	2
S. Staplefeldt	64.2	20	10	167	16.7	—
R. Tregeagle	152	36	24	448	18.7	3
B. Pozuelo	161	58	22	425	19.3	—
S. Schomberg	171	49	21	420	20.0	—
G. Wallace	65	5	9	278	30.9	—

Catches/Stumpings — B. Pozuelo 14, G. Schomberg 12/1, G. Wallace 11, P. Thomas 10/2, G. Price 8, S. Staplefeldt 7, S. Schomberg 6, R. Tregeagle 5, P. Price 4, D. Young 4, N. Sterry 4, D. Holley 4, A. Macky 4, M. Brennan 2.

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"B" SHIRE CRICKET REPORT 1985-1986

The old cliché, 'the less said the better', aptly describes the performance of the "B" Shire team during the 1985/86 season. Misfortune, bad weather, inconsistent batting and a bowling attack that often lacked penetration all contributed to the B's being placed a very disappointing 7th in the competition. Only determination and an occasional outstanding individual effort prevented the season from being a complete disaster.

The team's bowling performance during the season was solid, although the lack of genuine 'strike' bowlers proved to be an enormous handicap. However, full credit must be given to the team's medium pacers who toiled for long spells and never allowed an opposition line-up to dominate. John Soames deserves particular praise for the relentless toil and superb accuracy that enabled him to bowl a 'maiden' on average every 5 overs. Congratulations are also due to Rod Smith whose 6 for 30 against Baulkham Hills was by far the best bowling performance of the season.

A quick glance at the batting averages provides many of the reasons for the team's demise in 85/86. With the exception of Paul Price and perhaps Andrew Macky in the earlier part of the season and Greg De Corsie near the year's conclusion, the batting line-up lacked consistency and in some cases, application. At times our efforts were enough to make the poor captain contemplate suicide and make even the resilient and optimistic Ted Stockdale shake his head in disgust. However, there were some fine individual efforts with centuries to both Andrew Macky and Bob Streeter in the opening match. Also worthy of note, are Rod Smith's 61 out of a winning total of 138 against Epping and Paul Price's superb 74 against Bexley.

At times during the season, the B's showed that they could well have been a force in the competition. A total of 282 in the opening match against Strathfield, a victory over the eventual premiers Epping and a magnificent outright win over Pennant Hills in the last match of the season, all pointing to 'what could have been'.

Although the season was disappointing in terms of results, the sportsmanship and friendship that are always so much a part of Briars sport, certainly made the cricket year worthwhile. I would like to extend my thanks to the players and all those associated with the Club who extended their support to me during the season.

The players who contributed most to the team during the season were:

David Trewin (Captain) — A very disappointing year for the captain, who as a batsman failed to lead by example. Bowled accurately and consistently during the season and maintained his enthusiasm and determination throughout.

Peter Mansford — Captained the team during rounds 7-9 and as always provided a steady influence on the team — somewhat like an elder statesman. As always, Peter enjoyed those

captains foolish enough not to employ a backward square leg. A true gentleman and a calming influence, Peter's batting prowess and friendship will be greatly missed if '85/86 proves to be his final year in Shires cricket.

Bob Streeter — After starting the season with a fine century, Bob's form deteriorated badly. Too often he paid the penalty for playing 'back and across'. Nevertheless, Bob is a batsman with an excellent eye and he is certain to return to form in the coming seasons.

Paul Simpson — Very much a confidence player, Paul is an excellent driver. Unfortunately, he experienced a dreadful mid-season slump and spent the second half of the competition in 'C' Grade.

David Jamieson — The 'Run out Kid' (although it's never his fault) and worthy, but most unappreciative winner of the Billy Ducker Award for 1985-86. David's usually consistent and steady influence in the middle order was sorely missed.

Richard Freeman — A wicket-keeper of considerable potential, Richard's efforts were characterised by determination and tidiness behind the stumps. Although a batsman of sound technique and adequate concentration, Richard failed to make his mark as a batsman.

John Soames — The Club was indeed fortunate to acquire John's services. An experienced cricketer and an outstanding medium pace bowler, John proved his ability to bowl accurately and with considerable penetration when the wicket suited his style of bowling.

Rod Smith — Rod's nagging off-spin and powerful batting were a great asset to the 'B's' from the time that he joined the team in Round 5. Although not a prolific spinner of the ball, Rod is able to contain even the most competent batsmen and frustrate them into error.

Paul Price — An accomplished batsman who plays straight and is able to score on both sides of the wicket, Paul was one of the few top-order batsmen to perform with consistency. His patience and concentration as well as his ability to punish loose bowling, were shown to be first rate.

Nigel Sterry — Although not a bowler of great pace, Nigel's accuracy once again ensured that he was a leading wicket-taker in the 'B's'.

Greg De Corsie — On the six occasions that Greg batted in 'B' Grade, he displayed his enormous talent. He will be greatly missed during the 1986-87 season.

"B" SHIRE STATISTICS

Matches Played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Lost 1st	Drawn	Points	Position
16	1	6	5	3	40	7th

"B" Shire Statistics (Contd.)

Runs For	Wickets For	Average	Runs Against	Wickets Against	Average
2224	112	19.8	2578	144	17.9

BATTING (x Not Out)

Name	No. of innings	N.O.	Highest Score	50's	Aggregate	Average	Catches
A. Macky	4	1	101 x	1	190	63.3	2
P. Price	10	2	74	2	273	34.1	5
G. De Corsie	6	1	41	—	148	29.6	2
R. Smith	7	2	61	1	114	22.8	7
P. Mansford	14	—	58	1	275	19.6	2
P. Simpson	9	1	55	1	122	17.4	4
R. Streeter	16	1	109	1	259	17.3	7
D. Trewin	10	2	26	—	116	14.5	4
D. Jamieson	16	2	39	—	180	12.9	5C/2S

Also Batted

D. Holley	3 for 111
D. Baccarini	2 for 13
M. Brennan	2 for 10
R. Freeman	4 for 45
J. Soames	6 for 60
P. McHarg	2 for 0
A. Thompson	—

Catches

1
2
—
17
8
4
2

Catches

K. Holley	1 for 2	—
M. Morgan	2 for 9	3
P. Mattick	1 for 1	—
N. Sterry	1 for 14	—
D. Young	3 for 36	1
M. Young	3 for 24	2
B. Pozuelo	1 for 22	—

BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. Smith	112.1	15	318	22	14.5
N. Sterry	120	22	323	18	17.9
D. Trewin	113.5	14	309	17	18.2
D. Baccarini	73.2	13	206	11	18.7
J. Soames	194	41	526	18	29.2

Also Bowled:

A. Lax	3 for 44	B. Pozuelo	3 for 23
A. Thompson	7 for 88	M. Clarke	1 for 22
M. Brennan	5 for 117	A. Macky	0 for 15
M. Morgan	6 for 165	D. Holley	0 for 3
P. Price	5 for 72	K. Holley	0 for 31
P. Alley	7 for 53	P. Simpson	0 for 13
D. Jamieson	2 for 4	R. Freeman	0 for 8
M. Young	4 for 29		

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"C" SHIRES CRICKET REPORT 1985-1986

1985-86 started with a bang as we set a C Grade record 6(dec) for 344 against Strathfield. The contributors were Greg Lippiatt (98), Mike Hodgson (38), Matthew Brennan (59), Peter Wallace (53) and Nick Dimas (71 n.o.). Matthew and Peter set a C Grade record partnership of 94 for the 5th wicket. Despite dropping too many catches, we dismissed Strathfield for 224.

After dismissing Auburn for 164 (Nick Dimas 4(60) you would have thought that a victory was inevitable but the mighty fell in a big way as we were all out for 82.

Losing the toss on a wet wicket may have been some excuse for another poor performance with the bat, being all out for 105. Macquarie passed us four down.

Michael Morgan (5/59) spearheaded the attack to dismiss Roseville for 136. Peter Lucas (26) and Greg Lippiatt (45) gave us an 80 run opening partnership before we struggled to pass Roseville six down.

A solid 52 from Neil Pollard and aggressive batting from Paul Mattick (53) and Brett Smith (55 n.o.) enabled us to declare 6 for 222. Lane Cove were 1 for 3 overnight but alas it rained on the second week.

Peter Wallace (5/18) lead from the front as Lindfield was dismissed for a Nelson, 111. After struggling at 7 for 63, we passed them 8 down. Matthew Young hit a fine 30 n.o.

Playing at Snape Park (alias the snake) I was happy with our total of 206 (Garry Holmes 36 and Paul Mattick 47). 2 wickets before stumps had last year's premiers Epping on the ropes at 2 for 2. Bad bowling and a dead pitch made our chances of a victory disappear as Epping passed us 5 down.

Jim Dimas (34) and Kevin Holley (54) were the only bright spot in a total of 164 against Warringah. In a tight match, Warringah passed us 9 down.

New players Greg de Corsie (98) and John Platania (34) with Nick Dimas (69 n.o.) enabled us to declare 7 for 252. Three wickets before stumps had us in a good position but rain was the only winner on the second week.

Phil Alley (4/30) and Nick Dimas (3/24) combined to dismiss for 80. Greg de Corsie (43) and Nick Dimas (47) made it 2 scores in a row. Having a 107 lead on the first innings, a much needed outright win was on the cards. Canterbury crawled to 1/57 at stumps.

Bill Hooker came out of retirement yet again to score 71. He was assisted by Dave Baccarini (39) and Brett Smith (43) as we were all out for 200. In a nail biter, Baulkham Hills were all out for 196.

Phil Alley (5/56) destroyed Wentworthville to dismiss them for 165. Bill Hooker (26), Greg Lippiatt (39) and Matt Young (51 n.o.) enabled us to declare 7 for 189. Phil Alley (7/56) then continued his destruction but Wentworthville, 8/31 staved off the onslaught, enough to avoid an outright loss.

Like Wentworthville, Pennant Hills faced the wrath of Alley (5/39) and with Nick Dimas (4/23) were dismissed for 131. Jim Dimas (68) and Greg Lippiatt (52) all but passed them in a 118 run opening partnership. We declared 6/161. Nick picked up another 4 wickets in the second innings to dismiss Pennant Hills for 141. This left us 112 to score in 17 overs. Brett Smith (43 n.o.) and Paul Simpson (33 n.o.) enabled us to pass them 3 down on the last ball of the day.

As with the previous year we won the redraw competition undefeated. Notable performances include Paul Simpson (41), Nick Dimas (47) against Canterbury. Brett Smith (3/11) and Michael Clarke (3/33) against Pennant Hills. Jim Dimas (31), Brett Smith (38) and Paul Simpson (65 n.o.) against Strathfield. Nick Dimas (3/14), Jim Dimas (3/25) and (44) against Baulkham Hills.

Overall 1985/86 was a very mixed year; we started like world-beaters then won only 2 out of our next 8 games. After this we were unbeaten in our next 8 games.

I would like to thank the 35 players who played C Grade during the year, especially Kevin Holley and Bill Hooker, who came out of retirement yet again to help us when we were short of numbers.

Peter Wallace — Bowled well at times when he wasn't sick or injured but his batting was disappointing. Enjoyed captaining once he got on the field.

Greg Lippiatt — Started the season in style with a fine 98. However his form slumped in mid-season, only to recover towards the end.

Nick Dimas — 2nd in the batting averages and 2nd in the bowling averages — not a bad season. Nick is playing more and more responsibly and I am expecting big things from him next year.

Michael Clarke — Didn't bowl as well as previous years. Michael must concentrate on his bowling more. His batting improved, averaging an impressive 11-7.

Brett Smith — There was never a dull moment with Brett in the team. In between running John Platania out and dropping straight forward catches off the captain, Brett managed to be the leading run scorer.

Michael Morgan — A new player to the Club. Michael bowled well at times but too often strayed down the leg side.

Phil Alley — Another new player who joined C Grade mid way through the season. Phil annihilated the batsmen, taking 29 wickets in 6 matches, including equalling the C Grade record for most wickets in a match. Phil's fielding needs to improve.

Paul Mattick — Paul's bowling was missed this year due to back problems. His batting started the season in form with a 53 and 47. Paul must suffer from post Christmas depression as he never seems to score runs after then.

Jim Dimas — Jim in his first season with the Club proved himself to be a capable opening batsman who will go further.

Paul Simpson — Paul topped the batting averages for the year after initially finding trouble, following his promotion from B grade.

"C" SHIRE STATISTICS

Matches played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Lost O/R	Lost 1st	Drawn	Points	Position
17	1	9	—	4	3	50	5th
Runs for	Wickets for		Average		Runs against	Wickets against	Average
3072	131		23.5		2471	151	16.4

"C" Shire Statistics (Contd.)**BATTING (x Not Out)**

Name	No. of Innings	N.O.	Highest Score	50's	Aggregate	Avg	Catches
P. Simpson	8	3	65	1	198	39.6	2
N. Dimas	13	2	71	2	330	30.0	6
J. Dimas	10	2	68	1	230	28.8	5
B. Smith	16	3	55	1	347	26.7	13
G. Lippiatt	14	0	98	2	292	20.9	4
P. Mattick	8	0	53	1	125	15.6	4
P. Wallace	13	3	53	1	129	12.9	2

Also Batted:

P. Lucas	7 for 71	A. Poljak	2 for 20	R. Tregagle	1 for 5
N. Pollard	4 for 106	K. Holley	3 for 76	W. Hooker	4 for 114
M. Hodgson	1 for 38	R. Smith	0 for 23	G. De Corsie	2 for 141
M. Brennan	1 for 59	M. Morgan	2 for 29	D. Baccarini	1 for 39
S. Baker	3 for 59	P. McHarg	1 for 10	A. Macky	1 for 0
R. Freeman	1 for 7	D. Holley	1 for 0	G. Price	0 for 29
A. Cantori	2 for 19	M. Young	4 for 129		
M. Clarke	3 for 35	A. Lax	1 for 12		
G. Holmes	5 for 63	J. Platania	5 for 77		
T. Le Breton	1 for 3	A. Thompson	1 for 2		
S. Peck	1 for 2	P. Alley	1 for 18		

BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. Alley	131	41	279	29	9.6
N. Dimas	128	37	320	24	13.3
P. Wallace	164	29	383	27	14.2
M. Morgan	105	17	287	13	22.1
M. Clarke	84	8	308	13	23.7

"C" Shire Statistics (Contd.)

Also Bowled:

S. Baker	7 for 203	W. Hooker	0 for 3
A. Maher	1 for 25	P. Simpson	0 for 28
M. Brennan	3 for 41	J. Dimas	4 for 38
G. Holmes	0 for 12	R. Smith	0 for 23
K. Holley	0 for 18	G. Lippiatt	0 for 16
A. Lax	4 for 71	B. Smith	3 for 11
A. Thompson	0 for 24	J. Platania	0 for 8
M. Young	4 for 116	G. Price	0 for 33
P. Mattick	1 for 24	A. Macky	2 for 21
R. Tregeagle	1 for 25		

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"D" SHIRE CRICKET REPORT – 1985–1986

For the first time the Briars fielded a team in the "D" Grade Municipal and Shires competition and, despite significant early difficulties, celebrated this inaugural season with a thoroughly well-earned premiership.

During the initial settling in period the team was plagued with player shortages, a lack of discipline on the part of certain individual players, and the inevitable drain on the side caused by player unavailability in higher grades. In all, some thirty-six players were selected to play in the "D's" and thanks must go, particularly, to those who filled in at short notice. However, in the latter half of the season the team became moulded into a well-disciplined, compatible group, with a keenly developed will to win, as evidenced in the last four competition games, when in the lead up to the semi-finals, the side managed to secure two first innings wins by one wicket in consecutive games, followed by two strong outright victories to leave us at the end of the competition round in second place.

A significant impact upon the side was undoubtedly the introduction to the Club of a group of young cricketers in Phil Alley, Mat Young, Jim Marinos, David Abood, Trevor Le Breton and David Horniman, all of whom made quite significant progress and will provide a strong nucleus for the Club in years to come.

Perhaps the outstanding feature of the side throughout the season was the fielding, which was worthy of a very much higher grade of cricket. Very few catches were missed and the standard of ground fielding consistently put pressure on the opposing teams. As is often the case, it was probably this facet of the play that made the difference in the closing stages of the season.

The semi-final match was played against Canterbury at Bland Oval where, in drizzling conditions, we were sent in to bat and compiled a creditable 182 with 5 batsmen completing scores in the 30's and 5 others failing to score. During the course of a tense second morning, Canterbury replied with a score of 170 with Stuart Lind and David Horniman completing marathon efforts of 5 for 75 off 39 overs and 4 for 64 off 32 overs respectively. With plenty of time to play, we were in some trouble in the second innings at 4 for 54, but the issue was put beyond doubt by Jim Marinos with a devastating 158 (including 9 sixes) for the side to be all out for 297 at stumps.

In the final we were drawn to meet the minor premiers, Epping 1, who were very much favoured to take out the premiership. Sent in to bat on a well grassed wicket at Somerville Oval, the team struggled early to be 4 for 44. Once again the situation was rescued by Jim Marinos who played a superbly controlled innings to be 80 not out in a total score of 171, a reasonable score for finals cricket in this grade. However, in the time that remained on

the first day, our well-balanced opening attack bowling unchanged, reduced the opposition's batting to tatters, to be all out for a lowly 57, with David Horniman providing the fire (6 for 32), well complemented by the subtle in-swing bowling of Stuart Lind (3 for 24). Forced to follow on, Epping after early being 3 for 23, proceeded to expose our somewhat limited bowling depth, and did well to declare at 6 for 257, setting Burwood a target of 143. Needing only to bat out time to win, Burwood's top order batsman applied themselves particularly well, losing 4 wickets for 80 in the time that remained. A most fitting reward to all of those in the team who had persevered throughout the season.

In conclusion, it must be said that from what initially appeared a somewhat daunting task of captaining our first ever 4th Grade Shires team, in fact turned out to be an immensely rewarding and pleasant experience. For that I thank the players, quite a few of whom were playing with the Club for the first time, for their support, dedication and latterly, extremely keen will to win.

Thanks to Cricket Chairman, Richard Tregagle, my fellow selectors who shared the frustrations of running a fourth side for the first time, and to that small band of club members who supported the team, particularly over the final two Saturdays.

The players who contributed most to the team during the season were as follows:

Peter Richardson (Captain) — Still recuperating from his injuries of the previous season, stepped down from the "B"s to lead our first "D" Grade side. He had a moderate season with the bat experiencing some difficulties in adapting to the different bounce of the synthetic wickets. Proved competitive with the younger members in the field by taking 11 catches.

Peter Lucas — Joined the side late in the season and found his form with 50's in the last two competition rounds. His experience showed through in both innings of the final when, although not scoring many runs, he provided much needed stability to the upper order.

Neil Pollard — Also joined the side late in the season and finally found form in the last competition round with a well compiled 69. Fielded well and a capable change bowler.

John Price — The scent of a premiership late in the season was sufficient enticement to bring this talented player out of semi-retirement. In his limited appearances showed the prowess that the Club has missed in recent years.

Jim Marinos — Playing with the Club for the first time, Jim completed the first part of the season without particular distinction and generally lacked a disciplined approach to his game. However, the last five games saw a dramatic turnaround with scores of 77, 104, 158 (semi-final), 80 n.o. and 26 n.o. (final) to complete the season with an aggregate of 673 runs, a quite outstanding effort. Furthermore, Jim's fielding was brilliant, taking 12 catches and possessed with a beautiful throwing arm which caught a number of opposition batsmen unawares.

Providing Jim can apply a disciplined approach to his undoubted natural talents, he will surely make a name for himself in the Club's top teams.

Trevor Le Breton — Another newcomer to the Club proved a most effective hitter of the ball, however needs to complement this facet of the game with a better developed defensive strategy. Acted capably as stand-in wicket-keeper on a couple of occasions. A good team man.

David Abood — David, still at school, displayed considerable promise in his first season, showing a maturity well beyond his years in providing a stable influence to the lower batting order. His batting, built around a good sense of timing, is at its best working to deflect the ball, a skill he should seek to develop rather than trying to utilise undue force. Unfortunately, did not quite get the opportunity to fully exploit his offspin bowling. Safe in the field.

Herman Hitipeuw — Herman's wicket-keeping, particularly during the latter part of the season was of the highest order, which combined with his infectious enthusiasm contributed much to the team's success.

Stuart Lind — Relishing the opportunity, Stuart provided a wholehearted effort right throughout the season being the leading wicket taker with 40. His efforts were well recognised when, in tandem with David Horniman, bowled superbly in the semi-final and final. Fielded consistently well throughout the season taking some well judged outfield catches. Stuart's attitude, determination and general support for the team provided an ideal example to many cricketers in the Club, with far greater cricketing ability.

Stephen Baker — Steve played six games towards the end of the season and proved a most capable all-rounder. His undefeated 35 in the semi-final helped the side to a respectable score after a middle order collapse. He secured 24 wickets as a particularly useful change bowler with the ability to extract extra life from the wicket with his deceptive approach.

David Horniman — Another latecomer, David showed his full potential by absolutely demolishing the Epping side in the first innings of the final by taking 6 for 32 from just 12 overs. If the high level of raw talent and stamina that David possesses can be fully developed, his success in higher levels of cricket should be assured.

Phil Alley — Phil's early season ability to consistently beat the bat did not reflect in his bowling analysis. He utilised his height to the fullest moving the ball both ways off the wicket. Earned a well deserved promotion to the "B's" later in the season and should emerge as a fine strike bowler once his stamina is more fully developed.

Tony Poljak — Played in nine games in the course of the season and although tried hard to succeed, was not able to recover from a mid-season slump. Fielded well throughout, taking 7 catches.

"D" SHIRE STATISTICS

Matches Played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Lost 1st	Points	Position
15	4	8	3	72	1st

Runs For	Wickets For	Average	Runs Against	Wickets Against	Average
3235	157	20.61	2742	192	14.28

BATTING

Name	No. of Innings	N.O.	Highest Score	50's	Aggregate	Average	Catches
J. Marinos	17	2	158	4	673	44.9	12
J. Price	7	1	53	1	155	25.8	6
T. Le Breton	18	3	76	1	346	23.1	9c/1S
P. Lucas	11	1	59	2	219	21.9	2
D. Abood	12	1	59	1	238	21.5	8
P. Richardson	20	—	59	1	385	19.3	11
N. Pollard	8	—	69	1	145	18.1	5

Also Batted:

Catches

Catches

S. Lind	8 for 33	8	B. Smith	1 for 44	1s
H. Hitipeuw	9 for 34	15c/2s	P. White	1 for 17	—
A. Poljak	9 for 61	7	P. Mattick	1 for 38	—
A. Zac	6 for 38	5	J. Begnall	1 for 21	—
S. Baker	5 for 112	2	M. Brennan	1 for 1	—
D. Horniman	3 for 44	1	C. Dennis	2 for 26	1
A. Cantori	2 for 45	2	N. Dimas	3 for 64	1
J. Drayton	1 for 0	1	G. Lippiattqq	1 for 19	—
M. Young	3 for 52	1	W. Mainwaring	1 for 4	—
D. James	3 for 18	1	R. O'Brien	2 for 9	—
P. Alley	1 for 35	3	A. Thompson	1 for 3	—
S. Cremona	2 for 0	1	B. Howle	1 for 2	—
I. Blair	1 for 49	1	J. Lowry	—	1

BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. Begnall	31.4	1	98	11	8.9
N. Dimas	46	7	128	11	11.6
S. Lind	221	50	573	40	14.3
S. Baker	107.1	19	382	24	15.9
D. Abood	46.3	2	257	16	16.1
D. Horniman	105.2	18	276	17	16.3
M. Young	45.1	4	184	11	16.7
P. Alley	122	24	295	17	17.3

Also Bowled:

M. Brennan	5 for 32	R. O'Brien	2 for 31
S. Cremona	5 for 91	J. Lowry	1 for 37
N. Pollard	3 for 78	W. Mainwaring	1 for 1
I. Blair	3 for 49	P. Richardson	1 for 0
A. Poljak	3 for 21	D. James	0 for 28
A. Thompson	2 for 27	C. Dennis	0 for 40

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CITY & SUBURBAN CRICKET REPORT

SEASON 1985 – 1986

With the introduction of a D Grade Shire cricket team in the Club this year C & S suffered because the team was used to try new players joining the Club. Most players had not played C & S cricket before and were found wanting when they found that a game consisted of only 33 overs per side.

This neither helped the player nor the team and was the main reason for our high turnover and in some way our poor record.

Unfortunately C & S has become more competitive and some sides have to win at all costs and with the above reason, this does not help our side.

The Club has never had a home ground for C & S and games became very difficult to come by each season. It would be hoped that we could share a ground or grounds with other clubs in the area which, I am sure, would help to improve the standard of C & S in the Club. Finally, it would be hoped that C & S be used for the 'mature' cricketer who enjoys a good game of cricket, played to win but not at all costs and that there be a group of players from which the C & S team be picked.

The theme of this year's side was spin, in part. There are very few spin bowlers in the C & S competition due to the limited overs, but in the case of Briars, spin bowling won one match – Paul Simpson 5–12 – and were unlucky to lose another against a strong Westpac side, where John Crockart took 3–33, should play more often.

The batting performances were fair to poor, with regulars such as Craig Hickey having his worst season ever with the bat, but again astounded his greatest critic, Chris Mitchell, with three catches and a stumping in one innings, keeping the pressure on David Walker for the No. 1 wicket-keeper's job, in case we go on tour.

David Walker again showed that he has not lost his touch. After hearing of Craig's brilliant performance, the following match made a stumping off one of the opening bowlers, whose name will be withheld due to embarrassment. Unfortunately, David was unable to play many games due to golfing commitments. This is most co-incidental but his batting average and golf handicap are the same.

The all rounder of the side was David Wright, leading wicket-taker, second on the batting averages and many catches. The position of 'tossing' captain gave David a sense of responsibility and loneliness, as he was continually abused by other members of the side for his bad calling. Can get his own back by being the 'on field' captain next year.

Alan Thompson decided that bowling 44 overs straight every Saturday afternoon in Shires was not on and felt that 15 or 16 overs straight was far more enjoyable. Also, David Wright just lived around the corner and could give him a lift each week. Will be moved up the batting order, so as to reduce his 'not outs'.

Terry O'Kane could not repeat the previous season with the bat, but again was excellent in the field. Who said hookers were clumsy? — Rugby hookers, that is. While on Hookers, Bill did not play many games due to Shire sides being short. Was getting desperate for runs until the last game, where he scored just about all in his last game. Should stop being a gentleman and let Shires look after themselves.

The word 'gentleman' is not commonly used in C & S but this season the side had a couple, the other being Tim Worner, a new member who became wicket-keeper and batted down the list at the start of the season, gave up wicket-keeping and opened the batting at the end of the season and there was a big improvement in both areas.

Ian Blair was awarded the highest position in Briars cricket, Captain of C & S decided that he could not handle the pressure and went overseas for a month.

The team decided, in his absence, that going overseas was a poor excuse to get out of the captaincy and on his return was again made Captain and was heard muttering that '5 years hard labour would be more enjoyable'.

Blamed Wrighty for all the losses, due to bad calling. Still bowls well.

The Club should spend more money in contracting John Crockart. Only made a few guest appearances for a nominal fee — 3 cans of Tooheys. This promising spinner, I am told, has a water-tight contract up to 1993 with the North Ryde Saturday Afternoon Cricket Association. Can envisage a go ahead captain opening the bowling with him.

Players to watch in 1986/87 : **C. Dennis, J. Barrett, R. Kersey, G. Ireland and M. Watts.**

Players who have been released from their contracts : **B. Pozuelo and G. Price.**

Hints for Shire Selectors : **Paul Simpson** should be encouraged to bowl spin. **John Platania** and **Rodney O'Brien** should play higher grades in Shires.

CITY & SUBURBAN STATISTICS

Matches Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
18	7	11	—

City & Suburban Statistics (Contd.)

Runs For	Wickets For	Runs Against	Wickets Against
1875	171	2022	194

BATTING AVERAGES (x Not out)

Name	Innings	N.O.	H.S.	Aggregate	Average	Catches
I Blair	14	—	59	299	21.4	7
D. Wright	13	5	21	101	12.6	6
W. Hooker	5	—	44	58	11.6	3
T. O'Kane	10	—	28	113	11.3	6
D. Walker	6	—	32	66	11.0	5c/4s
C. Hickey	14	—	39	151	10.8	10c/1s
A. Thompson	10	6	15 x	33	8.3	1
T. Worner	12	2	19	74	7.4	7

Also batted:

J. Barrett	8 — 31	M. Howell	4 — 6
A. Chegwyn	2 — 27	J. Platania	2 — 56
A. Lax	1 — 14	J. Beggall	1 — 0
L. Edwards	1 — 1	G. Ireland	2 — 19
A. Maher	3 — 35	D. James	8 — 32
D. Jamieson	2 — 35	M. Watts	3 — 1
A. Baccarini	1 — 3	R. O'Brien	2 — 42
P. White	1 — 16	D. Harvey	2 — 26
A. Poljak	1 — 8	W. Mainwarring	4 — 13
G. Keen	1 — 6	D. Pesa	3 — 34
L. Taylor	1 — 0	B. Howle	2 — 54
C. Dennis	3 — 42	D. Zak	4 — 12
S. Lind	1 — 0	D. Guille	1 — 8
A. Edwards	1 — 10	R. Howarth	1 — 20
J. Price	2 — 10	R. Kersey	5 — 12
K. Singh	1 — 2	N. Dimas	1 — 12
D. Blair	4 — 13	A. O'Connor	1 — 1
J. Crockett	4 — 11	P. Mansford	2 — 33
P. Simpson	1 — 14	G. Price	1 — 18
B. Pozuelo	2 — 35	G. Hooker	1 — 0
R. Smith	2 — 47	R. Brandshield	1 — 21

Bowling Averages:

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
W. Mainwarring	25	7	10	71	7.1
R. Kersey	19.2	2	7	65	9.3
A. Thompson	142	27	25	336	13.4
J. Crockart	29	—	8	118	14.8
D. Wright	173.4	30	33	542	16.4

Also Bowled:

I. Blair	5 — 42	S. Lind	1 — 5
A. Lax	2 — 88	K. Singh	1 — 0
A. Maher	0 — 9	P. Simpson	5 — 12
L. Edwards	0 — 6	D. Pesa	0 — 25
T. Worner	0 — 4	M. Howell	0 — 10
D. Baccarini	0 — 63	D. Blair	1 — 38
C. Dennis	1 — 60	B. Pozuelo	2 — 31
P. White	0 — 30	R. Smith	2 — 18
J. Begnall	1 — 36	T. O'Kane	1 — 7
A. Poljak	2 — 10	J. Price	0 — 4
D. Guille	0 — 10	N. Dimas	1 — 6
W. Hooker	0 — 42	R. O'Brien	5 — 72
D. Jamieson	0 — 24	A. O'Connor	1 — 10
D. Harvey	0 — 35	R. Brandshield	1 — 22
R. Howarth	1 — 24		

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ANNUAL REPORT – RUGBY, 1986

The 1986 Rugby season turned out to be the most disappointing season since 1976. The results were as follows:

Club Championship	8th
Kentwell Cup	7th
Burke Cup	10th
Whiddon Cup	7th
Judd Cup	7th
Sutherland Cup	7th

Positive steps taken in 1985 were completely eroded in 1986 – not one team made the semis and we dropped from 5th to 8th in Club Championship standings. The reasons for our demise are both short and long-term, in their origin.

In the 1985 report, I felt that if we kept all of 1985 infrastructure, we would have a similar year in 1986. Unfortunately, this was not to be, losing too many valuable personnel, both off and on the field, to repeat our 1985 performance. The 1985 season rolled into the 1986 season without any new impetus. Key rugby personnel had a very long 1985 season, taking into account the Golden Oldies trip in October/November, a period which is essential in relaxing away from Rugby, slowly recharging the batteries. So, 1986 rolled in and we were not ready for the task ahead of us.

However, the major reason for our downfall lies in the area of player recruitment. A recruitment strategy for the long term has never been implemented to counteract our fundamental weaknesses, no juniors and geographical location. We have relied on the 'word of mouth' method to bolster our numbers. While we have succeeded in fielding our required number of teams, membership has been too disjointed to build up the required stability and continuity for success. Also, while some years the new members may be of a high playing standard, the loss/acquisition ratio of players, can heavily affect the quality of teams.

The first steps in trying to rectify our recruitment problem was taken this year with the commencement of a school program to attract local juniors to the Briars. The benefits of such a program, if carried out successfully, would not fully materialise for another five years. But it is our best option.

Our current crop of players as a group are, shall we say, in the veteran class. Quite a few have played well over one hundred games, a very commendable achievement. As one enters the twilight of one's career, the enthusiasm that once existed has waned. It is difficult to put pressure for further contribution to those who have already given a lot.

With few new faces and the departure of some very experienced and talented ones, coaching was not for the inexperienced in 1986. The only plus from a coaching viewpoint is that we learnt some of the pitfalls that may arise during the course of the season and ways to avert them in the future.

There were some pluses in 1986. We did avoid relegation and without adopting a significantly different selection policy to that employed early in the year. The dedication to winning, when it was most needed, showed real club spirit, best exemplified by our rounds against Matraville and Blue Mountains, 1st and 2nd in the Club Championship. We did attract a few new young players in the form of Tim Fischer, Kerry Foster, Joe and Ralph Logozzo and Steve Robb.

Again, our team management kept up their high standard. Thank you David Blair, who once again was a member of the S.S.R.U. Executive Committee, Gordon Dunlop, Doug Staniforth and Terry O'Kane.

While the Rugby Committee did not perform up to 1985's higher standard, there were a few outstanding performances, namely:—

- * The home matches canteen which was run by Chris Murray and Doug Staniforth, achieving record takings. A major reason for the canteen's success was the work put in by Kath and Sue Staniforth — thank you.
- * Our mid-season rock and roll night and end of season functions organised by David Guille and his wife Jenny. Both great nights, thoroughly enjoyed by all.
- * Terry O'Kane's effort in school recruitment.
- * J.J.'s efforts as Club Captain — not easy speaking after some of our efforts.

The 1987 season is already being mapped out by a committee. The Club needs your help. Come forward and assist in rebuilding Briars Rugby.

TONY WOZNIAK

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KENTWELL CUP — 1986

In what turned out to be a very even competition, Briars Kentwell Cup finished a disappointing seventh. While the overall standard of Kentwell Cup play might have dropped a peg overall, the gap between the top and bottom sides narrowed — Newport arrived as a Kentwell Cup force, Hunters Hill and Chatswood improved over 1985, St. Ives first-up semi-finalists in their year, back up in Kentwell and others deteriorated in standard, namely Colleagues and Briars.

The momentum we gained in 1985, unfortunately, never emerged in 1986. The loss of Robbo and Rex as our coaches and the inability to find a suitable replacement meant that we lacked direction in pre-season selection, training and coaching. The idea of a player/coach was (given that it materialised two weeks prior to the commencement of the season) to hold things together in the hope that either Robbo or Rex would make themselves available. By the time Robbo and Col Dennis came to the rescue, it was too late.

The loss of four key players from last year's grand final team, plus the lack of depth in Briars Rugby became too large an obstacle to overcome. Gary Neates and Bob Bishop are hard to come by. Unavailability and injury played their parts in disjoining the side, with most outside backs playing in at least two different positions throughout the season.

While the season's highlights were few, the following were the main:—

- * Home and Away wins against Colleagues — at home by a pushover try in the last five minutes and we registered our first away win since 1980.
- * The 9—3 win over Blue Mountains — ensured our participation in the 1987 Kentwell division.

Apart from not reaching the semis, the low points were:—

- * Defence,
- * Discipline — St. Ives, and
- * Dedication to fitness.

The 1986 team was:—

Aaron Maher/Full Back, Wing, O.C. — Tried hard in each position asked to play. Has not reached full potential.

Brent Cash/Wing — Disrupted season, caused by marriage, did not allow Brent to settle down. Back to your best next season.

Ralph Lagazzo/Wing. A late starter, Ralph is potentially one of the best backs to come to Briars. Has speed, can catch, tackle and beat a man, as he has already shown.

Ross Thompson/Wing, O.C. — Showed true determination to come back to rugby after serious injuries in 1985. Thank you for your efforts in both training and playing.

Owen Moore/Centre — Injury shortened Owen's season to a few games. Key player in 1985, was missed.

Mal Weber/Centre — A late starter in 1986, Mal was still able to contribute in the latter half of the season with his usual no-nonsense style of play.

David Guille/Full Back, Five-Eight, Captain — David played half the season at full back and the other half at five-eight and Captain. A tremendous effort on the field, justifying his position in the team by his play on the field. Had, most probably, his best season with the boot.

Tony Cooper/Five-Eight — A short season from Tony, due to work & Honolulu commitments. A player we needed in 1986 and will need in 1987.

Joe (Mario Fenech II) Lancuba/Half back — Continues to be the most creative player in Kentwell Cup. A slightly frustrating year for Joe, he set high standards for himself and expects the same from his team mates.

Greg Mitchell/Lock — The hardest tackler in Subbies (ask the Newport back-row). Was more effective at lock. For a non-drinker could be a lot fitter.

John Jessup/Breakaway — J.J. may not have won the B. & F. this year, but his overall performance throughout the season was up to the very best — even as he approaches veteran class.

Ian Thomas/Breakaway — Just as E.T. found his Kentwell feet, wedding bells were calling. Has great potential.

Kerry Foster/Breakaway — Fittest player at Briars. Plays in a similar fashion to Chris Roche, no regard for his body. Will be part of Kentwell side for a few years to come.

Gavin Rolf/Second Row — At last, a second rower over six feet. From Judd to Kentwell in one season, a big jump which Gavin handled well. If rate of improvement continues, he will be dominant player in Kentwell.

Peter Dunlop/Second Row — Read last year's report and concentrated on the man — hence, a shortened season. Missed his scrummaging.

Gordon Pegler/Second Row — Plays the game the way it should be played — Hard.

John Healy/Front Row — Another big season. Jumped well, scrummaged very well, a most valuable team player.

Terry O'Kane/Hooker, Breakaway — Great season. A most deserved winner of the Best and Fairest Award. Does not take a backward step, a pleasure to be in the same team.

Milton Howell/Hooker — Became a member of the team when Terry played back row. Enjoyed his outings with Kentwell.

Others who contributed to Kentwell were Marty Ormin, Jack Ellison, Paul Wilson and Chris Murray.

As mentioned earlier, Bruce Robinson and Col Dennis took over the coaching duties mid-season, allowing me to concentrate on playing — thank you both for your efforts.

Once again David Blair performed his managerial duties to the highest possible standard. Thank you on behalf of all team members.

The current Kentwell side have, in the main, been together for five years. In that time they have served the Club to the best of their ability, one can ask for no more. It would have been fitting to have seen more rewards for the efforts they have given. It can be hoped that the next generation of Dunlops, Healys, Webers, Jessups, etc. will serve Briars with the same commitment.

TONY WOZNIAK

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BURKE CUP REPORT 1986

To dwell on Burke Cup's performance this year would only recall bad memories and many frustrating hours spent on Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoons.

The first fundamental for a team success is for a Coach to be able to train with fifteen players prior to playing, and then, to get the same fifteen onto the paddock Saturdays. We were never able to achieve that feat, and consequently our results showed it. The side, at times, played with a lot of heart and purpose which showed in the fact that four of the five draws for the season were against the four teams to contest the semi-finals. However, it is my belief that the failures we had, can be attributed to lack of application and dedication.

We will gloss over our team statistics, but some notable individual performances were:

Roger Fish — Vice Captain and five-eight — topping the points tally with 32 points for the season.

Bruce Ferguson — that "evergreen" second-row forward sprinting over the line to be the leading try scorer with 2.

Kerry Foster — Breakaway — in his first season with Briars, winning the Best & Fairest award with a total of 16 points gained from the first 7 matches, before playing the rest of the season in Kentwell Cup.

Milton Howell — “**Happy Hooker**” and **Captain**, being runner-up in the Best & Fairest just ahead of Chris “Shirl” Murray and Alex Chegwyn. Unfortunately, Alex Chegwyn suffered a broken arm in the 8th round against Newport and Neil Chalmers, making a comeback with Briars after a few seasons, was involved in a car accident which put him out of action for most of the 2nd round. It was most unfortunate for Alex as his form was excellent and he was pressing for higher honours.

I would like to quickly mention a few of the other regular members of Burke Cup this year, and I hope that they will all turn out again next season, together with an influx of new “younger” players.

Tony Jackson — **Prop.** — First season with Briars — well played — 16 games.

Robert Lancuba and **Chris Adams** — **Wings** — 15 games.

Scott Burton — **Lock** — and **Paul Wilson** — **2nd row** — 12 games.

Victor Fish at **centre** — 11 games. A lot of strong running and defence — fine effort, Victor.

Dooley Davis — **Prop.** — 10 games.

Tony Lane — **Centre/Wing/Fullback**, or wherever needed — 8 games.

To the many players who backed up on Saturdays to play Burke after playing in earlier games, thanks very much, it was much appreciated.

The endurance and enthusiasm award goes to my very capable Team Manager, Gordon Dunlop, for all his efforts and help throughout the season. Unfortunately for Gordon and myself that elusive win was not to be. Thanks once again for your time, effort and assistance.

DUSTY SAUNDERS

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WHIDDON CUP REPORT, 1986

1986 won't go down in history as one of the Briars' best. Numbers weren't there and the enthusiasm to train was pretty grim. Let's hope it was a one year downer and we will bounce back next year to the top, where we belong.

Whiddon Cup, after a poor first round came right back in the second round, due to a great defensive record and for a while there we were semi-final candidates. However, a little dark

chap, referee named George soon stuffed that up, penalising our forwards for coming around offside, sometimes even before they had their boots on.

The highlight of the season had to be the wins over Matraville and the Blue Mountains, when Club Championship points were needed.

Thanks to the Captain, Bob Stephenson, Manager, Dashing Doug Staniforth and all players who played Whiddon Cup, especially those guys who brought down new players to the Club. Players like Shaun Heffernan, Tim Fisher, Steve Robb, Peter Garrety, Brad Serhan, etc. are the Club's future.

Also thanks to Sterling Moss, Larrikin Thompson, Dusty and Peter Dunlop for their support.

Rod Smith — Golden Oldie, still playing good football. Like to play five-eight.

David Jamison — Ditto. P.S. Rod Smith also kicked some good goals except against Hunters Hill.

Bob Stephenson — Golden Oldie, fat, won't train but still won the Best and Fairest. Well done, Bob.

Peter Stewart — Peter couldn't train as he was making babies but he was good value with his versatility.

Peter Bowyer — Sponsored by Penfolds. Brilliant, exciting player.

Tony Lane — Played everywhere, sometimes three grades on the one day. Well done, Tony.

Tony Andrews — Tony had an unfortunate year with injuries. When he played he was good value to the team, especially his line-out play.

Len Hollis — Yes, Mandy, there is a Lennie Hollis. Anyway, wholehearted effort rugby-wise. Thanks, Lennie.

Shaun Heffernan — Shaun has plenty of enthusiasm and was never far from the ball. He has First Grade potential. Unfortunately fell in love with a St. Pats hooker.

Steve Robb — Improved with every game and there is still room for more.

Richard James — Has plenty of potential — must train harder.

Steve Bardwell — Still got it.

Bob Bertie — Bob will never win Lotto, he tripped on a thistle, and broke his ankle when just on the verge of Wallaby selection. Greatly improved player.

Peter Garretty — New player with plenty of potential, especially in the line-outs.

W. RANN

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JUDD CUP REPORT 1986

Rugby statistician, David Blair, informs me that a total of 67 fellows played Judd Cup in 1986, which must be some sort of record. Of those 67, only 12 played seven or more games and many of the other 55 were plucked from wherever just to make up a side.

With this number of players, many of whom had never heard of Goddard Park, let alone come to a training session, it was hard to get any continuity, and this was reflected in our results. Despite this, we were competitive in every game except for a disastrous match against the Blue Mountains, and one can only speculate on what might have been had we managed to get people to training.

Obviously all who played Judd Cup this year cannot be individually recognised in this editorial, but some efforts do deserve special mention.

(Number of games shown in brackets)

Les Church (17) — Played the most games and was one of the best attenders at training.

John Staniforth (16) — After our home game against Newport, it was thought John had finally perfected the art of running with the football and thinking at the same time, however, his last game against St. Ives proved that it was only a flash in the pan effort.

Gavin Jay (15) — Most talkative winger in sub-districts. A player with potential, it is hoped we see him again in 1987.

Dom Keating (14) — Second in Best & Fairest points, and most improved player this season.

Steve Hansen (14) — Best & Fairest winner and equal leading try scorer. These factors will ensure his return in 1987.

Larry Thompson (14) — During the off season will be perfecting a method of reversing into rucks and mauls, to avoid further head injuries.

Tony Toothill (13) — Had a good season. His 2-litre bottle of Staminade every Saturday was much appreciated by dehydrated footballers such as Hansen and yours truly.

Judd Cup Report (Contd.)

Chris Reeves (11) — Catching and kicking game still needs work, but in defence, his tackling at times was spectacular.

Steve Bardwell (9) — As a centre, he makes a good second rower.

Peter Bowyer (9) — Played on the wing many times, although also selected in a higher grade on the same day. A great effort.

Young players such as Steve Robb, Peter Garemy, Tim Fisher and Nick Redmond show great potential and should benefit next year from the experience gained playing with the many aged and learned Judd Cup regulars. To those players not individually mentioned, please accept that your performances were most appreciated and that space prohibits a detailed summary.

A special mention should be made to those players who were thrown to the wolves so to speak when it became necessary to select them in the Burke Cup, whilst the two lower grades were strengthened towards the end of the season, and also those players who often doubled up and played Whiddon or Burke Cups on the same day. Your acceptance of these decisions and the spirit shown was tremendous.

Finally, a word about our Manager, Terry O'Kane. As a Manager, Terry had some shortcomings such as always turning up late for games, but the interest and enthusiasm shown towards the Judd Cup side by a player heavily involved in the performance of the Kentwell Cup team was appreciated by all the players.

FOR THE STATISTICALLY INCLINED — Judd Cup played 18 games, won 8 and lost 10. We scored 12 tries, 5 conversions, 9 penalty goals and 1 field goal, and had scored against us 29 tries, 14 conversions, 9 penalty goals and 1 field goal.

GEOFF MOSS

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SUTHERLAND CUP REPORT 1986

Briars finished in 8th place, with 3 wins, 2 draws and 12 losses and/or forfeits. The latter being necessary as the higher grades needed the players to help stave off relegation. Billy Burns must be complimented on his enormous efforts in arranging players for the 'Fighting Fifts' every Saturday. Also thanks Billy for the amber coloured liquid supplied after every

match. To the Juddies who each week would back up where necessary, Les Church, 'Fingers' Thompson, Don Keating, John Stanno and others — we thank you all. A special thanks to Warren Rann who pulled on the boots one Saturday to help us out, only to play 2 minutes before the final whistle. A record for the shortest game.

Our valiant Navy was called upon once again in times of grave trouble, when all was not blue sky and plain sailing. H.M.A.S. Tobruk supplied the following manpower — Tug Wilson, Shaun Clayton, Doc Watson, Steve Burrows, Roo Medway, Barry Trapp, Gavin Locke, Bob Anderton — thank you for your services to the 'Fighting Fiftths'. Our Welsh imports, David Price and Peter Clattback, procured at great expense, played only half a game each, before being spirited away to the higher grades, never to be seen again in Fifth Grade.

Briars' Golden Oldies were a feature of the Fifth Grade every Saturday. To mention a few: Col Dennis, Les Church, John Staniforth, Bruce Robinson, Chris Walker, Robert (Ausfart) Sundstrom, Ted Callaghan. Thank you all for your efforts.

In closing, I would like to ask any player, young or old, who may wish to make a comeback and can put up with 40 minutes of scintillating Rugby, played at a leisurely pace. The 'Fighting Fiftths' would be glad to see you in the 1987 season. For those who played and did not get a mention, I thank you also.

EDWARD A. CALLAGHAN

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GOLDEN OLDIES RUGBY REPORT 1986

Following the extensive activities surrounding the 1985 London Festival and European Tour, the Golden Oldies took things very easy in 1986 and in fact managed to negotiate an entire rugby season without being called upon to play rugby on one single occasion. An effort was made to organise a game late in the season but various circumstances found us unable to locate a suitable opponent before the goal posts were put away until next year. However, a reunion of the 1986 Tour Party held at the Club early this year and a theatre party to "On the Blind Side" late last year were both very well attended.

Planning for the 1987 Auckland Festival is well underway and a team of vintage rugby enthusiasts will carry the Briars colours into the land of the long white cloud in May, 1987 for a short tour.

It is expected that the 1989 International Golden Oldies Rugby Festival will be held in

Canada and we hope to be able to arrange a short festival tour and a more extensive, long tour to accommodate both requirements. Any Briars interested in the 1989 tour, either as an eligible player (i.e. 35 or over in 1989) or supporter, should make sure that they register their name, address and 'phone number with Bruce Robinson or myself.

Finally, the Golden Oldies would like to express their appreciation to all those who supported our raffle, conducted at the Annual Dinner. The winners of the major prizes were:—

Vic Barrett	—	"Ella, Ella, Ella" book.
Steve Schomberg	—	"Wallabies Grand Slam" video.

Cheers

JOHN STANIFORTH

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BRIARS HOCKEY REPORT — 1986 SEASON

The 1986 season turned out to be one of mixed fortunes for the A2 side. The team was refreshed and enthusiastic after the summer break, leading to high hopes of a semi-final berth towards the end of the season.

The first four games produced some of our best hockey, with results that put us into 3rd position at that stage of the competition.

Our team work and commitment to making space and getting the ball to do the work, meant that our basic lack of fitness was not exposed at the time.

The game that best exemplified our first round performance was against Bankstown. In the first 15 minutes it was one-sided hockey, with Bankstown completely dominating the game. At that point Andre de Clase came into the centre-half position and from that time on we dominated the game with Andre encouraging us to attack the opposition aggressively (not physically).

Although the final score was 2—2, we came away from the game feeling a real sense of achievement. Gerard and Paul Price had outstanding games, as did Russell Roberts and Colin Huggett, pursuing the opposition at every opportunity. Once Andre had organised the half

line, our defensive players — Nigel Sterry, Derek Sterry, Michael Sterry, Laszlo Kovacs and Martin Wood, were able to settle into one of our best examples of supportive play seen all year. This was also one of Michael Tass' first games and his fine efforts helped cement his place in the side for the season.

90% of all our points in 1986 came in the first round.

Initially, several players, namely Laszlo Kovacs and Michael Sterry and Sandor Kovacs, who had attended a national coaching course in 1985, combined to take practices on Tuesday nights, but unfortunately as the season progressed, the commitment and physical fitness of the majority of players in the side reached such a dismal state that in the second round it seemed that we were only going through the motions. It is sad to see a team, with players of great potential, unable to motivate themselves and each other to gain the rewards that are there for the taking. It takes individual commitment of the likes of Michael Sterry to create a winning combination.

The A2 side ended up in 8th position out of 10, so much of the team work developed in 1985 disappeared in the latter half of 1986 and only a positive decision by team members in 1987 will see the improvement needed, if we are to maintain our position in the competition.

Gerard Price: Had a frustrating season. Brilliant in patches when given enough ball by the halves and inside forwards. Needs more support up front if he is to show his true abilities.

Paul Price: Paul is improving with each season. He gave much of himself in each game and as with his brother, given more support will be able to show his true abilities.

Michael Tass: Michael would have to be the find of the season — tenacious, penetrating and effective in front of goal. He also showed an awareness of those around him.

Russell Roberts: Russell had a disappointing season overall. He started the season in fine form but a lack of fitness became a real problem for him as the season progressed.

Colin Huggett: Col found it hard to settle into the term this year. He was asked to fill several different positions in a short space of time and this tended to unsettle his game. Hopefully, the 1987 season will be more to his liking.

Nigel Sterry: Nigel was also called upon to fill several positions during the year. He played steady, reliable hockey with the odd brilliant game. One of the more motivated players.

- Andre De Clase:** This year, as with previous seasons, Andre was inconsistently the most skilled and potentially the best match winner we had. Andre has the ability to lift a team and its game to great heights.
- Derek Sterry:** Derek seemed to lack real motivation in many of the matches this season. On the 2 or 3 occasions he got worked up during a match, he showed great attacking and dribbling skills and started to feed the ball to his forwards with confidence.
- Michael Sterry:** Thank you Michael for holding us together, not only with some excellent defensive work around goal but also with your fire, enthusiasm and dedication to the team.
- Laszlo Kovacs:** Laszlo showed touches of brilliance in goal. Unfortunately, a lack of concentration saw a few very soft goals get past him. To Laszlo's credit he forgot about them to concentrate on the next attacking situation.
- Paul Huggett:** Paul joined us late in the season from the 2nds. His drive and enthusiasm along with good trapping, hitting and positional play, helped stabilise the defence.
- Steve Schomberg:** Steve was asked to play in several positions during the season. He found the adjustment a hard one. A broken hand mid-way through the season saw him miss most of the second round.

Thank you, too, to Bob Streeter, for his support and words of wisdom during the matches.

M. WOOD

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BRIARS B4 TEAM REPORT, 1986

A somewhat disappointing result to a year that had the potential to see us in at least the semi-finals, if not a chance to bring home a pennant.

The team shaped up at the beginning of the season as a reasonably well skilled side but frequently depleted of numbers as the A2 side required at least one reserve when playing away

games and occasionally players being unavailable. Early in the season we were fortunate enough to gain Ross Delaney, an ex A1 forward from another Sydney club who brought with him a wealth of experience in team tactics, advice and skill. Unfortunately, some Briars found it a bitter pill to swallow that someone might know better than them and set the conditions that culminated in our 8th place from 10 at the end of the season.

Hockey is a team sport. It is played by 11 individuals that pool their skills, go out onto the field and play out the team plan they practiced so hard to perfect. And this is the problem with Briars B4. We don't train and we all think we know best. Until such time as individual players commit themselves to a more disciplined style of play, particularly in the areas of self control, man to man marking, backing up, calling properly and most importantly, trying to re-involve themselves in the games once the play passes them.

Worrying about other players' mistakes only detracts from your own concentration, causing a lapse in your game about which the next player worries and so the chain is set off. This happened to the point where on a number of occasions, opposition teams were openly scornful of the attitude of several of our players.

The high points of the season included young Ian Reynolds, who finished his first full season as a B4 player at the ripe old age of 16, showing the maturity of someone twice his age and experience. Ross Delaney's appearance a third of the way through the season lifted the performance of the half line and provided much needed advice for the forward line, on where and when to position themselves. Paul Huggett's solid form elevated him to A2's, Mike Tass also got one shot at A2 and has now cemented his spot too. Col Huggett made a big impression on our side coming down (at his request) from A2, the team should take note of his no-nonsense attitude in a game. Also welcome was the return of his brother, Ross Huggett.

The Team for 1986 comprised:

- Dominic Romeo:** One of the best keepers in the B4 comp. but needs more fitness and reflex training to push for A2.
- Paul Huggett:** Promotion to A2 says it all.
- Steve Dewitt:** Bad luck to break a finger half way through the season, showed promise on the wing, a long way from his usual full back position.
- Paul Nicholson:** Occasionally loaned to us by C5. Easily capable of holding B4 position, just the sort of thing we need next year.
- Eric Wade:** The daddy of the team, in his 27th year of hockey with the club. Made the N.S.W. Veterans Over 52 y.o. squad for second year in a row.

- Ian Reynolds:** Destined to be in a Sydney Colts side next year and will soon be pushing for an A2 spot. Shows all the flair that Mal Shorter did in his Junior/Senior days. Might have to work on a bit of size.
- Ross Delaney:** A brilliant player, used to far more dedication and effort from his teammates. Should have a go at goal himself, more often.
- Alan Clarke:** Has good individual skills but must learn that he is part of a team — too often ended up with the ball over the sideline.
- Ken Chaves:** Plays a strong game but must get re-involved in the game once the play passes him. Attendance at training dropped off towards end of season, not the way to hold a 2nd grade spot.
- Michael Tass:** Tassie always plays to the level of the team he is with. Once given a go in 1st grade he will be hard to keep out.
- Dave Chaves:** Tries hard, doesn't get much action out on the left wing and needs to work on stick/ball co-ordination.
- Peter Jones:** "I'm sick of stopping 'em, I wanna score some." Peter dropped himself to B4 to play as a forward. Had a good start but you can't learn a position overnight. Must have the ball on the stick out in front of you, to get past defenders. Lots more shooting practice and fitness is the answer to Peter's quest for goals.
- Sandor Kovacs:** More concentration on the game required. Must stay in position to receive ball from half line, and leave refereeing up to the referees.
- Ross Huggett:** Still has most of the old skills that saw him in Sydney reps sides in the late 70's but has put on a bit of weight in the years off. More fitness will give the finish that produces goals.
- Col Huggett:** Had trouble finding a steady position in 1st Grade. Decided he could do more for 2nd grade and proved it in the last few games. An excellent influence on the side.

S. KOVACS

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UNDER 17 HOCKEY REPORT, 1986

After a two year break from any U17 competition, Briars entered a young side in the Parramatta/Hills Junior Hockey competition. In a disappointing season for results, the team managed only one win and one draw from a total of 16 games.

Although the team members combined well, the defence was generally poor, with back-tackling a big weakness. Positioning of players was good, but more thought is required to anticipate what other fellow players, as well as the opposition, are planning. The only other main problem with the side was a lack of finishing of moves, particularly the scoring shots. This is where advice and support from experienced seniors will be invaluable if the team is to be a force next year.

There are some good individuals who are beginning to show their true talent. Ian Reynolds played the majority of the senior season in B4, and was substituted as a half into A2 seniors. He also trialled for a spot in the Sydney Wests Juniors, and I hope the selectors have the good sense to pick him.

Other players who supported the senior teams were:

Ben Keneally	—	B4 and C5
Gerard Doyle	—	C5
Chris Wade	—	B4 and C5
Martin Wood	—	C5
Matt MacFarlane	—	C5
Greg Dunn	—	B4 and C5
Robert Wildman	—	C5

With 8 out of 12 players from the team filling in spots in the seniors, it not only indicates the potential in the team, but also supports the strength of the Parramatta/Hills competition.

The team scored 19 goals for the season, at an average of 1.18 goals per game, but disappointingly allowed 82 goals to be scored against, which is too high an average to bother about calculating. Top goal scorer for Briars was Greg Dunn, with 8 goals, which includes a hat-trick scored against St. Patrick's College, Dundas (a game which we lost 8-3).

There is much room for improvement. Defence is currently the biggest weakness. The whole team will be eligible to enter again next year, so with some attention made to tackling, passing, tactics and fitness, the team should pick up those elusive victories.

To round off the season, let me say that the boys always were true sportsmen, in both their dedication to the game and with their keen attitude, and hopefully they will all return next year to win the U17 trophy.

Team Synopsis:

Goal Scorers:	Paul Cameron	—	6
	Greg Dunn	—	8
	Ben Keneally	—	3
	Chris Wade	—	1
	Martin Wood	—	1

Best & Fairest: Gerard Doyle

Most Improved Player: Chris Wade

R. D. Vanderfield Trophy Winner: Ian Reynolds, 1984–85

THE TEAM:

		G.K.	Matt MacFarlane		
	R.B.	Ian Reynolds (C)		L.B.	Paul Foster Robert Wildman
R.H.	Gerard Doyle	C.H.	Martin Wood	L.H.	Tim Anderson Robert Wildman
	I.R.	Paul Cameron		I.L.	Ben Keneally
		C.F.	Greg Dunn		
R.W.	Chris Wade			L.W.	Marshall Paterson

Thanks also to Andrew Douglas, Sean "Paddy" McGinty and Brad Gee for their much needed attendance as reserves, and to John Cameron and Brian Wood for their help with team management.

PAUL HUGGETT
Coach

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UNDER 15 JUNIOR HOCKEY REPORT 1986

The 1986 season could best be described as very encouraging. This side was made up of 7 or 8 players who have another year or two in the U/15 age group as well as 2 players enjoying their first year of hockey.

The keenness and competitiveness of the team was very admirable and as the season progressed so too did the potential and success. Despite a string of early losses, the team continually attended Thursday night training sessions and eventually their hard work was rewarded with a solid 1-0 victory over competition leaders Baulkham Hills.

The second round witnessed many stirring victories, including a massive 5-0 victory over Rooty Hill, 6-0 over Northmead High School and 2-1 over Natterjacks. Although forwards Ben Keneally, Martin Wood and Bradley Gee took all the glory with some superb goals, the solid rock-like defence of defenders David Allen, Shaun Rohrlach, Ruben Brown, Graeme Varis and Andrew Berghuis, did not go unnoticed.

The improvement of the team was perhaps typified, not by one of their victories, but by their narrow 1-0 loss to the defending premiers, Merrylands. This result was in complete contrast to their first round encounter, where they were easily beaten 5-0.

The season finished on a deservedly all time high when the Boys from Briars put on an exhilarating display of hockey to score a record 8-0 victory over Northmead High School including some unbelievable goals, rarely witnessed in Junior Hockey.

Although it was my first season as coach, I found it to be a most enjoyable and satisfying experience. The most satisfying aspect being the improvement of the team throughout the year, typified by the fact that at one stage we were considered strong semi-final contenders compared to being regarded as easy beats at the commencement of the season.

Special thanks must go to all the players and parents for their constant hard work and attendance throughout the year and especially John Cameron and Brian Wood who always went out of their way in assisting in administration and other activities.

This season should be used as a foundation for future success in Junior Hockey and with 3 Junior Hockey Associations, we can only hope that the support and keenness can continue to achieve even greater success in 1987.

1986 SUMMARY OF RESULTS

Played:	16	Won 5 — Lost 11
Goals for:	23	Goals against: 35
Position: 7th		

Leading goal scorers:

Ben Keneally (8), Martin Wood (7)

Most Improved Player:

Bradley Gee

Best & Fairest Player:

David Allen

PLAYER PROFILE

DANIEL THIELE (Goalkeeper) — Saved many goals and improved as the season progressed to be one of the best goalies in the comp.

SHAUN ROHRLACH (C) (Fullback) — Very solid and mature in his role as captain. Stopped many opposing forward runs and has a very strong hit.

SPENCER GELLATLY (Fullback) — His football seemed to interfere with his Hockey, however found his position at fullback and performed very well during the second half of the season.

ANDREW BERGHUIS (Left Half) — Has a couple of years left in this age group but was by no means out of his depth, has good skills and is very solid in both defence and attack.

GRAEME VARIS (Centre Half) — Could be one of the best players in the comp. Despite some erratic play has great stickwork, knowledge and a very good hit.

RUBEN BROWN (Right Half) — Was a very consistent performer throughout the year. Also has a couple of years left in the U/15's. Very solid in defence and very unselfish in attack.

BRADLEY GEE (Left Wing) — Improved out of sight, went from using one hand at the start of the season to possessing good skills by the end of the season. Also has a lot of pace and has learnt how to score goals.

NICK POUNDING (Inside Left) — Also a great improver as the season progressed, has learnt the skills of the game and provided some good passes and teamwork during the year.

BEN KENEALLY (Centre Forward) — Finally learnt how to score goals and boy, he scored some rippers. Provided a lot of attacking flair in the forward line.

DAVID ALLEN (Centre Forward/Fullback/Goalkeeper) — That says it all, performed exceptionally well in all three positions, perhaps fullback being his best. Has a very good future in the game.

MATHEW TITMUSS (Inside Right) — Was a very good link man in the team. Is very unselfish, providing a lot of good passes. Also scored a couple of good goals.

MARTIN WOOD (Inside Right) — With Ben, provided most of the goals during the season, scored some exceptional ones, one in the last game that no goal-keeper would have stopped.

Thanks also to Rob Wildman and Chris Wade who provided valuable assistance during the year and especially to Paul Huggett and Laszlo Kovacs for their umpiring and co-operation throughout the season.

PAUL PRICE

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UNDER 11 HOCKEY ANNUAL REPORT 1986

THE TEAM:

MIKE ACKROYD: (Forward) — An excellent year for Mike. He finally found his place in the forward line, making many busting breaks.

CHRIS ACKROYD: (Fullback) — A late addition to the Team, Chris showed that he had a big heart and commitment which made up for his lack of experience in being able to deal with more skilled opponents. Chris was the side's most improved player.

PATRICK DETJEN: (Fullback) — Patrick also started the season late. However, he gave the side much needed confidence in the backs.

JONATHAN DETJEN: (Midfield) — Jonathan is only seven years old, however he had no hesitation attacking players twice his size and if he keeps at it, he will be running rings around everyone in two or three years time.

DAVID McLAUCHLAN: (Goalkeeper) — David's inability to concentrate on any one thing for more than a short time made it difficult to place him in a suitable position in the side that he would enjoy. However, once in goal, he was capable and had moments of quite brilliant and brave play. Keep at it David.

ROBERT McLAUCHLAN: (Midfield) — The second seven year old in the side, Robert showed that he was as capable as the rest of the side at times, but his game suffered, due to a lack of knowledge of positional play. He's got a big heart, however, and never stopped trying.

DANIEL EVERETT: (Midfield) — Danny was the side's quiet achiever. Had a good year.

BRADLEY ERWIN: (Forward) – “Tiger” started the year in the backs and progressed through to the forwards. Some hard work on his ball skills should see great improvement in his game.

PHILIP CONSTABLE: (Midfield) – Philip also started the year in the backs, showing an amazing ability to stop the opposition’s attack and then lead a counter-attack. Philip went a bit quiet in the second half of the year but should use his very good stickwork to dribble the ball through the opposition, as this would make him a very lethal player to have in the side.

MARKUS THIELE: (Midfield) – Markus is a good hockey player except for two faults. He tries to be everywhere, everytime, all the time. This might work now but come senior hockey and Markus will be left behind. Markus should also learn to keep his head down when hitting the ball.

DEBRA IVERSON: (Midfield) – Debbie was the side’s guest player. She’s only small but when she got the ball she showed the boys what she was capable of. Thanks, Debbie.

JAMES IVERSON: (Forward) – James won the team’s Best and Fairest and was the most talented player in the side. James was the highest goalscorer and was often the main motivator of the side. If James keeps at his hockey, he will have no problems in playing first grade for the club in a few years. Should have no problems at all playing representative hockey.

The season started off with a lot of uncertainty. Only seven players, a coach unable to attend training and a trainer who had never played hockey before. Not the best ingredients for a successful season.

It is to the players’ credit that the team performed as well as they did. We played 14 games, winning 2, drawing 1 and losing 11. We scored 5 goals and had 48 scored against us. These statistics do not, however, show how well the team really did play.

This was a year for building and teaching. Next year will start the hard work of set plays, moves, ball skills and the like.

It was a pleasure to coach this side, and I am looking forward to working with this team again next year.

LASZLO KOVACS

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BRIARS HOCKEY 1986 SOCIAL REPORT

Two major social events were held during the season, being the bi-ennial trip to Canberra to visit the Valleys Club (otherwise known under their pre-amalgamation name, as Barton) and a Past versus Present outing.

The Canberra trip was well organised, with most Briars bodies travelling in two mini-buses hired by Colin and Paul Huggett and driven by those same worthies, Colin piloting the seniors in one, with Paul chaperoning the juniors in the other. The trip down was relatively uneventful, although one of Paul's enjoyed arriving more than the travelling!

Games were played at the Mint on Sunday for the perpetual trophies, with an additional run kindly organised on Monday on the artificial surface at the Bruce Stadium.

Sunday was fine early but became overcast, windy and very cold during the afternoon. Experience of frigid conditions enabled the locals to win all games comfortably, although the junior game was very competitive for the duration and saw some fine hockey played. Ian Reynolds and friends showed their senior counterparts how penalty corners should be taken, and never gave up trying to pull back the deficit on Valleys.

Hospitality back at the club was up to the usual high standard, but at least one attendee was ankle tapped by mixing Fosters cans with the now dreaded black Guinness. However, a number of the Valleys team were not heard to mention Sunday night's activities on Monday morning, so it can only be assumed that they either didn't want to or couldn't remember how their evening finished! That's the popular view of happenings, anyway.

Monday was simply a perfect day for Canberra and an invitation game at Bruce Stadium was enjoyed by all who attended. Again, the juniors were impressive with their skills, attitude and determination.

The trip home was also relatively uneventful, with most bodies in the senior bus going to sleep to avoid having to listen to 1001 jokes in bad taste, propagated by the Hockey Chairman (admittedly with some support).

1987 in Sydney will be the 40th annual encounter of the Briars — (Barton) Valleys Clubs and a memorable weekend is planned. As usual, it is expected to be the June long-weekend and efforts will be made to coerce ex-players and associated bodies along for a nostalgic bit of boozing and telling lies — and playing the odd game. Diarise it now.

The second major event was the Past versus Present game at Central Park on August 31, and a good day it was too. Apart from the distressingly familiar casualness of Briars hockey players to get to the venue on time, all other aspects were positive and highly enjoyable. The

oldies acquitted themselves very well and weren't even guilty of blatant fouls trying to slow down allegedly faster, fitter current players — is there a message there somewhere?

Several of the past players made a big effort to get to this function and help make it a successful day, and it is only hoped that 1987 will also see strong support for this most worthwhile event.

For the record, below is a list of ex-players who turned back the clock, in addition to which apologies were received from John Kemp, Greg McIntyre, Geoff Streeter, Max Spencer and Ross Huggett.

Them what came —

**Col Aikman
Paul Mackay
John Price
Bruce Trevenar**

**Ted Aikman
Keith Harvey
Peter Wallace
Phil Adair**

**Peter Richardson
Malcolm Shorter
Ian Sullivan
John Tripp**

— hope I haven't forgotten anyone!

The 1987 event should be bigger and brighter and better than ever, and could well be interlocked with the Valleys visit to make it even more memorable.

Social ran a profit of roughly \$200 in 1986 and thanks must go in particular to Steve de Witt, Ian Trimble and Laszlo Kovacs for their contributions via home game barbecues.

BOB STREETER

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ANNUAL SQUASH REPORT

This year has seen the return of strength to the Squash teams in Briars. In the autumn pennant (February to July), three teams were fielded as follows:—

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Losses</u>	<u>Average</u>
A3 Team	Ken Axtell	9	7	2	4.0
	Ken Kable (C)	11	10	1	5.1
	Ray Pontifex	12	10	2	4.7
	Roger Gersbach	11	6	5	3.5
	Ralph Capper	7	3	4	3.4

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Losses</u>	<u>Average</u>
C4 Team	John Healy	12	8	4	4.7
	Peter Rae (C)	11	5	6	3.7
	Lou Tourian	10	2	8	2.5
	Ed Moore	10	3	7	2.7
	Gary Phillips	11	3	8	2.5
D3 Team	Grant Heggarty (C)	12	9	3	4.6
	Greg Kelly	13	7	6	3.3
	Wayne Rastall	12	8	4	4.4
	Dan Power	13	9	4	4.4
	Paul Woods	6	—	—	—

The competition was played over 14 rounds, with Ken Kable giving the best individual performance, gaining an average of 5.1 points per round out of a possible 6.0 points per round.

The A3 side proved to be a very consistent team right through the whole competition and finished up as minor premiers. This was despite the fact that both Ray Pontifex and Ken Axtell were simultaneously playing in another squash competition and at times it was difficult to field a full side. The odd injury and a clash of timetables in the semi's and grand final ultimately proved to be an undoing for the side and this lost them the opportunity of winning a pennant.

The C4 side began strongly and looked set to make a strong impact in the competition. Alas, this was not to be. A mix-up of point scores from a winning round caused the team to have the points forfeited and this proved too much of a disadvantage for the side to regain their dominance. They ultimately finished sixth in a field of eight.

The D3 side started poorly with losses in the first two rounds. Wins became more consistent as the rounds progressed but the occasional loss found the side struggling, in the fourteenth round, to gain a semi-final berth. The side ultimately proved victorious in the round and finished third in the competition round. As fate would have it, wins in the semi-final and final saw the team into the grand-final, and with confidence brimming over from the previous two wins, the opposition was trounced and the D3 side had won the Pennant.

The withdrawal of three of the C4 players for the spring Pennant (July to November) allowed only two teams to be entered as follows:—

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Losses</u>	<u>Average</u>
A2 Team	Ken Axtell	8	5	3	3.8
	Ken Kable (C)	10	4	6	3.0
	Ray Pontifex	10	5	5	3.2
	Roger Gersbach	11	8	3	4.3
	Ralph Capper	4	—	—	—
	Kel Harding	5	2	3	3.0
C6 Team	Grant Heggarty (C)	9	8	1	4.9
	Ed Moore	12	10	2	5.2
	Wayne Rastall	8	7	1	5.4
	Gary Phillips	5	2	3	3.0
	Greg Kelly	7	6	1	4.9
	Dan Power	7	3	4	3.6

The above statistics are as at round 12 for the 14-round competition, and with only two rounds left to play at the time of writing, Wayne Rastall looks like taking out the best individual performance for the competition.

The A3 side, due to their performance in the autumn competition, were upgraded to A2 for the current competition. This move has provided the team with a much tougher comp. and at the end of round twelve they are lying in fifth position. Two good wins in the last two rounds should give them a semi-final berth.

A merging of the remnants of the C4 side and the D3 side, provided a C6 team. From the start of competition, the team has proven to be too strong for the other teams and are certain to take out the minor premiership. Although this doesn't mean an automatic pennant, the competition to date has not provided much opposition and the C6 side is odds on favourite to win the pennant.

GRANT HEGGARTY

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BASKETBALL ANNUAL REPORT 1986

Another successful year has been had by Briars Basketball. At the beginning of the year we

started with five teams, two mens B grade, two C grade and a C grade womens team. All of these teams were playing in the Western Suburbs association, with the exception of one B mens side which was playing in the Parramatta Basketball association.

All of these teams experienced success of varying degrees. One of the C grade mens side, which was captained by Steve Schomberg, consisted of a lot of new people to the club who had very limited experience in playing basketball. However, they showed a lot of improvement throughout the competition and seemed to enjoy their basketball. The C grade womens side had an outstanding competition led by Rhonda Schomberg in the early stages until an enlargement of the abdominal region prevented her from doing so (congratulations to Steve and Rhonda on the arrival of their daughter ?). The girls performed extremely well, making their way through to the Grand Final which they narrowly lost by 2 points. The B grade mens side at Parramatta also made their way through to the final which they lost to Black-twon. In the Western Suburbs competition, the B and C grade mens proved to be very successful in winning their respective competitions, concluding a most successful first half of the year to the club.

The new competition started at the beginning of August in the Western Suburbs Competition. Briars were fielding one B grade womens side who are performing well in the early rounds. Two C grade mens, one of which is a result of the junior recruitment program consisting of eight 15 year olds playing under the name of the BRIARS BOMBERS. Hopefully, their interest in the club will be such as to increase their involvement over the next couple of years. Also a B grade mens side which is the winning C grade from the previous competition.

In the Parramatta Association, the competitions are run at different times. The B grade side at the beginning of the year moved up to play A grade, in which they were fairly competitive. However, they, or we, I should say, finished second last and were relegated to A reserve for the Spring competition. We are now confident of doing fairly well in this particular competition.

As you may have well worked out, Basketball is played all year, except for the Christmas and New Year period.

Some people consider it to be an expensive sport, but it is all relative as to how much you enjoy the game and how much you enjoy playing. For example, Registration is \$25 for the year. Court fees are \$20. per game per team. Team entry to the competition is \$30. Administration cost \$4. per player. All of these add up and for a 20-game competition, the fees are around \$80-\$90. per player. The second competition is \$30. cheaper as registration and administration costs are only paid once.

Basketball is in a healthy state at the moment, with people very keen to play and enjoying their basketball immensely. Let's hope that the situation continues for years to come

Stockdale Trophy — R. Perl.

R. Perl, Basketball Chairman

A Reserve Parramatta Basketball Association —

The team playing in the Parramatta Basketball Association consists of —

Steve Schomberg, Bob Perl, Jeff Lofts, Murray Brown,
Chris Bradley, Mick Liubinskas and Ben Seaman.

These people have been playing together for some time and are enjoying their basketball as much as ever. Steve is frightened to stop playing because he is already starting to blow up like a balloon. Chris Bradley and Murray Brown were the two rabbits of the team, Jeff Lofts provides all the experience that would keep 10 teams happy, while Bob Perl, Ben Seaman and Mike Liubinskas provide the necessary height. Overall, a well balanced team and a good bunch of blokes to play with.

Western Suburbs B Grade Winners —

This was one of the teams which won a championship for the Briars club this year. The team was made up of —

Bob Perl, Grant Mathison, Ben Seaman, Paul Mattick,
Murray Brown, John Dickman, Nick Seaman, Paul Moylen
and Ed Moore.

Again this was a well balanced team with plenty of experience and the necessary aptitude.

This side was a little too strong for the particular competition in which it was playing, never being really stretched at any stage. However, it was a victory which was well deserved and one that the players enjoyed immensely.

B Grade Parramatta —

This was a new side to the club which only lasted one competition. The side was made up by —

Craig Maddox, Paul Latham, Con Brooks, Ed Moore, Mathew
Walker and Geoff Brasden.

As a new side they struggled to find some form of combination. However, they enjoyed their basketball and won a few games which made it all worthwhile. My thanks to Craig for acting as team captain. I hope we can get this team into action again next competition.

C3 Men

Briars C grade became the first male basketball premiers in the Club's history this year when

they won their Grand Final defeating Burwood. What an effort it was on their part! The team, comprising of mostly novices in the sport, overcame a 7 point deficit late in the second half to take out the game by 32-25. This was accomplished with only one training session in the whole season. At this point some of the notable achievements are worth a mention: 1. Phil (Drongo) Alley was hit in the head in the first half and never really made it back into the same. Phil wants all his supporters to know that he grew 2 inches during the season. (What an exaggerator).

2. Late in the second half both Gerard Price and Mike Hodgson missed simple, uncontested lay-ups. Thanks for effort guys!

3. Poor old Dave Jamieson (Johnno) did not beat Blairy in the final tally although we think he had a few more attempts.

4. Matt Appleton was unanimously voted the most improved player of the team and "most valuable player" (M.V.P. to all those basketball fans) of the Grand Final. He swatted down at least 6 of the opposition shots. Thankfully he will be playing again this season. Great season Matt.

5. Marty Watts played a great back up role during the season. This was highlighted by getting his first bloody nose and bruised ribs during our training session. Thanks for the effort Marty!

6. Our ring-in from Colorado, Paul Pewterbaugh, although not qualifying for the finals did make an impression on the selectors. Hope to see you back next season, Paul.

7. Warwick Negus, again the high scorer, will not be able to play next season due to study commitments.

What a season! Overall it was a marvellous effort on the players' parts. They did the Club proud on the night.

Thanks to all the supporters who followed us during the season. On the final night they made a hell of a difference.

WARWICK NEGUS

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N.S.W. OPEN GOLF 1985

Once again the Briars were successful in tendering for the Course labour contract with the promoters, Tuohy Allen & Associates. Concom Golf Club was the venue.

The National Panasonic N.S.W. Open Golf Tournament was conducted over the period 16-20th

October, 1985. With some 50 members unavailable due to the Golden Oldies Tour, we anticipated that numbers would be tight.

And tight they were — the Thursday was a disaster, with nowhere near enough members to cover our allotted duties. Our credibility with Tuohy Allen & Associates took a 'nose-dive' however, we were able to undertake a last minute 'ring-around' to muster enough members to get us through the rest of the Tournament.

Particular thanks and appreciation must go to Bill Atkinson who was able to organise a large contingency of Older Members for the Thursday and Friday. Without this tremendous effort by Bill, any future involvement with Tuohy, Allen & Associates would purely be a memory.

The 1985 N.S.W. Open saw the emergence of the revolutionary "Ollie's Trolley", a ball-retriever of unique design and capabilities. An invention of Olof Ostermann, this ball-retriever was a god-send to the running of the Driving Range. A special thanks to Olof Ostermann for the countless hours that went into building "Ollie's Trolley". To Doug (She's right) Staniforth our thanks for his assistance to Olof and to Geoff Tweedale and VICTA for donating the Ride-on Mower to pull "Ollie's Trolley".

The following members provided the back-bone of the workforce, offering their time and efforts for the full week:

Bruce Trevenar
Charlie Williams
Peter Mansford
Alan Thompson

Dan Power
Olof Ostermann
Bill Atkinson
Bob Hanthorne

To John Threlfo and Ian Richard for their help in organising the Pre-Tournament matters prior to their departure on the Golden Oldies Tour.

A special accolade to Greg McPhee, my co-organiser, for maintaining his sanity during some very trying times. The organisation is a six-month effort and one that Greg performed with the zest and dedication that we come to expect of him. Thanks, Greg!

For the record — the result of the golf was that of Terry Gale sinking a 7-foot putt on the final hole to tie with Ian Stanley on three-under, 281. However, the match committee penalised Gale two strokes for shifting an immovable obstruction on the eighth hole.

All in all, quite an eventful week.

BILL HOOKER

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BRIARS SKI CLUB – THREDBO

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

Secretary: Maurie Catts **Hon. Auditor:** Col Jones

The Club has just completed its 25th snow season at Thredbo. From a skiing point of view the season was good and bookings were heavy.

The lodge is in a good state of repair and is much more comfortable following the enlarging of the kitchen and the incorporation of a dishwasher and microwave oven.

Briars members are reminded that there are often vacancies in the lodge after Ski Club members' bookings have been made. Andy Clifford welcomes enquiries.

The period from October through summer to April remains under-utilised. Thredbo has been extensively developed as a summer resort and nowadays offers a wide range of activities – golf, tennis, horse riding and some magnificent mountain bush walks, being but a few.

Our thanks to Mike Kennedy, organising pre-season maintenance and wood gathering.

Special thanks to Don Walker for his preparation of the accounts and to Col Jones who is our honorary auditor.

For bookings, please contact Andy Clifford at 29-8601.

RICHARD VANDERFIELD

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HOUSE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Those of you who have been in the clubrooms recently will have noticed the improvements which continue to be made to our very unique and special little haven. Renovations to the entrance foyer are nearing completion and what a difference the light, bright wood panelling makes, compared with the dreary old sight that used to greet you when you pushed the door, found it open and headed upstairs. Our thanks to a new member, Kerry Foster for his work in this area and an old member, Doug Staniforth, for the work on the lighting.

We have also had signs reminding us about locking up and tidying up, placed strategically on

the inside of the doors and behind the bar, just in case that 'Last one for the road' causes a loss of memory for the 'last to leave', whom we rely on so much to 'do the right thing'.

Shortly, as a selection of various items of club uniform become available, i.e. track suits, blazers, ties, jumpers, T-shirts, etc., we hope to set up a display case, similar to the one containing the international rugby jumpers in the clubrooms, to further beautify what surely must be one of the most unique, friendly and warm club facilities anywhere in amateur sport. Hope to see you here soon.

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PERSONNEL REPORT

1986 was a disappointing year with only 11 members being admitted to the Club. All sports are reminded of their responsibility to ensure that all players become club members. I hope 1987 will show an improvement in the number of new members, especially rugby and cricket.

I wish to thank Col Dennis for his help and attendance at the new members' nights.

MARTY WATTS

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FOCUS — 1986

It is unfortunate to report that in comparison to 1985, the editions of the 1986 FOCUS have been very disappointing. Only one or two of the editions were really worthwhile with much of the information out of date due to late articles by contributors, or due to the delay in printing. The number of regular contributors has decreased in recent years which is quite disappointing due to the increased number of teams competing. Possibly this may change in 1987.

To date there have been four editions published, with one to follow towards the end of this year.

If you have not been receiving your FOCUS, please notify the Club and your address will be checked and updated if necessary.

To produce such a publication requires financial support and this was provided by advertisers who must be thanked. Our 'regulars' included: Raine & Horne, Pymble Timber Company, Mortlock Insurance, Richardson & Wrench, Kerry Trollope Antiques, and Sarcombe, Staniforth & Co. Your support was appreciated during the year and it is hoped, will continue next year along with many new advertisers.

The following people must be thanked for their contributions:

Advertising	—	Col Dennis
Rugby	—	Tony Wozniak/John Jessup
Cricket	—	Gerard Price
Hockey—Senior	—	Team Captains
		Sandor Kovacs
Hockey—Junior	—	Paul Price
		Paul Huggett
		Laszlo Kovacs
Basketball	—	Bob Perl
Squash	—	Grant Heggarty/Dan Power
Social	—	John Price
Netball	—	Jo Weber

My thanks must also go to Grant Heggarty for his efforts in updating the club records and for his distribution of the FOCUS.

Let's hope that 1987 provides more up-to-date and regular articles as this is the only regular newsletter for your fellow Briars.

GERARD PRICE
Focus Chairman

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SOCIAL REPORT

As we reach the end of another social year, let's just reflect on what some members missed out on.

We began the year with our, now annual, Trot Night in which some 100 members, following

'Uncle Bob's Mail', managed to lose a motza. But it was fun. Following soon after, our Old Members night was again well attended. What a shame many of these guys are not still actively involved in the club.

With Buddo and Chang leading the search of Sydney's streets, our Car Rally again proved a most enjoyable day for all, with very few divorces reported. The Annual Ball, with almost 250 in attendance, was another memorable evening. Maybe next year it will go till 2 p.m.?

Thanks to the efforts of David Blair and crew, our Annual Dinner, with Mark Ella as guest speaker, maintained its tradition of a full house and a top night. We must also thank David Guille for his highly successful Rugby socials packing out the club rooms.

As we get closer and closer to Christmas (already) don't forget the traditional Christmas Drinks coming up soon.

What we need now is a NEW Social Chairman. Any of you members who have always wanted to contribute to the club, but never before stepped forward, please make your intentions clear now. We need you to maintain the club's social successes of the past.

Have a good New Year.

See ya at the Club,

JOHN PRICE

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ADMINISTRATION

Both the Board of Directors and the Management Committee met on 12 occasions during the period 1st October 1985 to 30th September, 1986. Attendance by members was as follows:—

BOARD —	I. Blair	—	6	Resigned April, 1986
	P. Richardson	—	10	Elected December, 1985
	J. Edmonds	—	1	Resigned July, 1986
	J. Staniforth	—	11	
	C. Dennis	—	9	
	C. Walker	—	9	
	I Richard	—	8	
	J. Crockart	—	8	
	P. Mansford	—	5	
	W. Hooker	—	3	Appointed August, 1986
	B. Robinson	—	2	Appointed August, 1986

Administration (Contd.)

MANAGEMENT —	I. Blair	—	3	Resigned December, 1985
	P. Richardson	—	9	Elected December, 1985
	C. Hickey	—		Resigned December, 1985
	P. Bowyer	—	12	
	B. Hurley	—	3	Appointed December, 1985
	M. Watts	—	5	
	A. Chegwyn	—	5	
	G. Price	—	6	
	J. Price	—	9	
	T. Wozniak	—	7	
	R. Tregeagle	—	5	Appointed November, 1985
	S. Schomberg	—	2	Resigned November, 1985
	R. Perl	—	8	Appointed November, 1985
	R. Wood	—	1	Resigned October, 1985
	S. Kovacs	—	6	Appointed November, 1985
	G. Heggarty	—	5	Resigned June, 1986
	D. Power	—	3	Appointed July, 1986
	A. Maher	—	1	Resigned September, 1986

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BAR REPORT

Unfortunately due to a lack of patronage early in the week, our attempts to guarantee the Club being open six night a week by providing a roster, folded during the year. On several occasions those rostered to organise the bar were forced to talk to the photographs and even buy them a drink. The reasons for this lack of patronage have been thoroughly discussed and reviewed by management and as a result the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday rosters have ceased, although on these nights the club is more often than not, open because of meetings, after training drinks, after basketball drinks and, of course, the Squashies regular Tuesday night suppers. However, we can guarantee you, the club is definitely open every night, Thursday through Saturday and it is good to see the patronage picking up on these nights. So why don't you call in, you never know what familiar faces from your glorious sporting days might be here to see you.

We also welcome the appointment of that well known front of the bar person, Col Dayman, as our new senior Bar Steward and those of you who know Col will know that the beer is guaranteed to be cold and pouring well whenever "One man does one job" properly.

JUNIOR RECRUITMENT

Realising the success of Briars future was at risk, the club has now introduced a new management position, i.e. School Liaison Officer. The aim of this position is to increase the number of juniors, we have feeding into our senior ranks.

Already, the club is active in a number of schools in the surrounding areas, promoting the Briars Club, offering incentives such as trophies, coaching, scholarships, etc., we have approached these schools with some very promising results.

Rugby have approached both Homebush and Concord High with a view to assisting in coaching, offering scholarships, donating perpetual trophies, etc. We also invited student representatives from both schools to attend an Annual Dinner which proved an excellent public relations exercise.

Hockey's junior program continues its success and we are already seeing its results in the senior grades. We are sure that our 3 junior teams will become a major force in their respective competitions next season.

Basketball already has one junior team from Homebush High. With approaches to several other schools to be made, we are sure it will only be a matter of one season before basketball boasts a very successful junior program.

The cricket success stories of recent times are quite obviously the results of junior recruitment programs. With this in mind, Steve Schomberg and his merry men have already commenced their assault on many of the local schools (some are even Catholic).

With all these junior programs in operation, our club's future successes seem very secure. However, this success can only be realised if we increase the assistance given to your Sporting Committee in this area. If anyone is not already involved, and is "willing and able" to help, please contact me without delay.

See ya at the Club,

JOHN PRICE

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J. H. STONE TROPHY

The trophy is named after the first president of the Club, the late John Stone. It can only be won by a member under the age of 25 years and who has made an outstanding contribution to the Club's welfare during the year. This year the trophy has been won by **Paul Price**. Paul is an extremely active sportsman in cricket, hockey and basketball, as well as a key promoter of junior sport and recruitment within the Club.

CRICKET MEMORIAL TROPHY

The trophy is intended as a remembrance of those who lost their lives during service in World War II. The trophy was donated by the late H. G. Whiddon. The basis of arriving at the winner is as follows:—

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

This trophy has been won by **Peter Wallace**. Peter was captain of our C Shires cricket side and is a very active club member having held the position of Club Treasurer for several years. Well done, Peter.

GORDON BEVAN SHIELD

The Shield is presented each year to the footballer, who, in the opinion of the Club, has done most towards football and to the Club in general.

It is presented in memory of a young 'Briar' who was tragically killed in a road accident. Points are awarded as follows:—

Attendance at training	—	20 points
Value to team	—	20 points
Most Improved Player	—	20 points

Gordon Bevan Shield (Contd.)

General Keeness	—	15 points
Value as a Club member	—	15 points
Neatness of Uniform	—	<u>10 points</u>
		<u>100 points</u>

Terry O'Kane is the winner of this trophy. Terry was the captain of the Kentwell Cup side, as well as a valuable member of the Football Committee. Terry was also the manager of the Judd Cup side and a sub-districts rep. Congratulations, Terry.

A. J. ROBINSON SHIELD

This Shield was donated by the late A. J. Robinson ("Robbie") and is won by the Hockey Player obtaining the most points in the following manner:—

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

The winner for this year is **Paul Huggett**. Paul's efforts in the promotion of junior hockey have been outstanding and have contributed immensely to the resurgence of Hockey in the Club. Well deserved, Paul.

DOUG VANDERFIELD TROPHY

This Trophy is presented to the Squash player who has contributed the most to Squash and the Club in general.

The Trophy was donated by the late R. D. Vanderfield who was very instrumental in commencing Squash in the Club and having it recognised as a major sport. Points are awarded as follows:—

Doug Vanderfield Trophy (Contd.)

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

Greg Kelly is this year's winner. Greg's contribution to Squash this year has been outstanding. Congratulations, Greg.

E. G. STOCKDALE TROPHY

This Trophy has been donated by the Board of Directors in recognition of the outstanding contributions made to the Club over the years by Ted Stockdale. It is awarded to a Basketball player on the following basis:—

Value as a team member	—	35 points
Value as a Club member	—	25 points
General Keeness	—	15 points
Neatness of Uniform	—	10 points
Conduct	—	<u>15 points</u>
		<u>100 points</u>

This year's winner of this trophy is **Bob Perl**. Bob is the current Basketball Chairman and has been responsible for the recruitment of many new basketballers to the Club. Good work, Bob.

R. D. VANDERFIELD TROPHY

This Trophy is awarded to a member of the Junior Hockey teams who has contributed most

R. D. Vanderfield Trophy (Contd.)

to the junior teams. It carries the name of our late past President, who showed great interest in the formation of junior teams.

The winner of this Trophy is **Ian Reynolds**, who is 16 years of age. As well as playing junior hockey, he has also played in the senior sides.

GEOFF ARCHIBALD TROPHY

This Trophy is awarded to the Rugby player who has made the greatest contribution to the Club in his first year playing rugby. This year's winner is a well known Kiwi import for the 1986 season, **Kerry Foster**. Well done, Kerry.

ROBERT BRUCE CLARK – OUTWARD BOUND SCHOLARSHIP

The Annual Scholarship, established by Bob Clark has been awarded to **Paul Huggett**. Paul plays hockey and cricket with the Club. Paul will be attending the course in January.

ADDENDUM

I wish to convey my personal appreciation and thanks to all the Honorary Office-Bearers for their loyal and devoted services during the year.

P. D. Richardson – President.

CONCLUSION

We convey to members, both collectively and individually, our best wishes for success in the forthcoming year at the respective sports and express the hope that the Club will continue to prosper and play its part in the life of the community.

P. D. Richardson – President.

P. G. Bowyer – Hon. Exec. Officer.

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THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER, 1986

Your Directors submit herewith their report with respect to the Profit and Loss Statement of the Company for the year and the state of affairs of the Company at the end of the year.

(1) The Directors in office at the date of this report are:—

P. D. Richardson (Chairman)
R. I. Richard
J. Staniforth
C. D. Walker

C. K. Dennis
J. F. Crockart
P. Mansford
B. C. Robinson
W. F. Hooker

(2) The principal activity of the Company during the course of the financial year consisted of promoting and playing amateur sport. There was no significant change in the nature of that activity during the year.

(3) The excess of Income over Expenditure for the year amounted to \$24,995 (1985 — \$17,957).

(4) Directors' Benefits —

Since the end of the previous financial year no Director of the Company has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the Company or a related corporation with the Director or with a firm of which he is a member, or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest.

DATED at SYDNEY this 21st day of November, 1986

On behalf of the Board and in accordance
with the Resolution

..... Director
P. D. Richardson

..... Director
J. F. Crockart

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1986

	1986	1985
RESERVES AND ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT		
General Reserve	\$ 19,327	\$ 19,327
ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT		
Balance 30.9.85	114,586	96,629
ADD: Profit Year Ended 30.9.86	24,995	17,957
Total Accumulated Earnings	\$ 139,581	\$ 114,586
Total Reserves and Accumulated Earnings	\$ 158,908	\$ 133,913
This is represented by:—		
FIXED ASSETS		
Land and Buildings (Note 4)	22,683	23,059
Furniture, Fittings, Air Conditioner, Cash Register, Carpet and Vinyl Floor (Note 5)	14,818	18,375
	\$ 37,501	\$ 41,434
INVESTMENTS (Note 6)	124,000	87,000
Trust Funds (Note 7)	2,466	2,254
	\$ 126,466	\$ 89,254
CURRENT ASSETS		
Stock at Lower Cost or Market Value	9,155	8,744
Prepayments	2,959	6,450
Debtors	4,492	2,801
Cash at Bank	11,833	7,635
Cash on Hand	189	189
	\$ 28,628	\$ 25,819
Total Assets	\$ 192,595	\$ 156,507
LESS: LIABILITIES		
Trust Funds (Note 7)	\$ 2,466	\$ 2,254
DEBENTURES AND GIFTS		
5% Debentures Maturing 30th September, 1991	600	1,100
Interest Free Debentures Maturing 30th September, 1991	2,500	2,500
	\$ 3,100	\$ 3,600
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Provision for Deferred Maintenance	7,000	2,000
Trade Creditors and Accruals	6,384	3,879
Subscriptions Paid in Advance	2,848	4,361
Provision for Sport Development	11,889	6,500
	\$ 28,121	\$ 16,740
Total Liabilities	\$ 33,687	\$ 22,594
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	\$ 158,908	\$ 133,913
The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.		

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED
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BAR TRADING AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1986

BAR RECEIPTS	<u>1986</u>	<u>1985</u>
Sales	32,046	36,556
Less: Cost of Sales	<u>19,375</u>	<u>18,672</u>
Gross Bar Profit	\$ <u>12,671</u>	\$ <u>17,884</u>
 LESS: BAR OPERATING EXPENSES		
Liquor Licence	1,534	2,128
Bar Expenses and Maintenance	3,753	608
Depreciation of Bar Equipment	<u>702</u>	<u>877</u>
	\$ <u>5,989</u>	\$ <u>3,613</u>
Bar Trading Profit	6,682	14,271
ADD: INCOME FROM		
Property Rents	24,308	20,017
Members' Subscriptions	7,713	8,789
Interest Received	16,292	10,565
N.S.W. Open Golf Championship	8,057	5,209
Sundry Income	671	—
Net Surplus Sporting Activities (Note 3)	2,049	(1,972)
Surplus on Social Activities	<u>115</u>	<u>(636)</u>
	\$ <u>65,887</u>	\$ <u>56,243</u>
 LESS: OPERATING EXPENSES		
Administration and Club Room Expenses (Note 1)	18,249	25,308
Property Expenses (Note 2)	7,288	6,049
Depreciation of Furniture, Fittings, Air		
Conditioner, Cash Register, Carpet and		
Vinyl Floor	2,855	3,429
Tour Subsidy	<u>—</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	\$ <u>28,392</u>	\$ <u>35,786</u>
 OPERATING PROFIT	37,495	20,457
Less: Transfer to Provision for Deferred Maintenance	5,000	—
Transfer to Provision for Sport Development	<u>7,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>
 SURPLUS FOR YEAR TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT	\$ <u>24,995</u>	\$ <u>17,957</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE 1986 ACCOUNTS

		<u>1986</u>	<u>1985</u>
1. ADMINISTRATION AND CLUB ROOM EXPENSES			
Repairs, Maintenance and Cleaning		5,729	14,500
Stationery, Postage, Telephone, Bank Charges and Television		3,375	1,865
Lighting and Heating		2,376	2,135
Annual Reports		2,675	2,260
Insurance		1,344	1,342
Interest Paid		42	55
Billiards and Table Tennis		124	136
Focus		546	383
Donations and Presentations		500	—
General Expenses		<u>1,538</u>	<u>2,632</u>
		<u>\$ 18,249</u>	<u>\$ 25,308</u>
2. PROPERTY EXPENSES			
Insurance		2,630	2,590
Rates		4,282	3,083
Depreciation of Buildings		<u>376</u>	<u>376</u>
		<u>\$ 7,288</u>	<u>\$ 6,049</u>
3. NET COST OF SPORTING ACTIVITIES			
Hockey:			
Ground Hire, Gear, etc.		4,950	5,694
Less: Receipts for year		<u>4,425</u>	<u>5,267</u>
Net Cost of Hockey		<u>\$ 525</u>	<u>\$ 427</u>
Cricket:			
Ground Hire, Gear, etc.		10,647	10,649
Less: Receipts for year		<u>9,643</u>	<u>10,608</u>
Net Cost of Cricket		<u>\$ 1,004</u>	<u>\$ 41</u>
Football:			
Ground Hire, Gear, etc.		6,005	8,902
Less: Receipts for year		<u>8,562</u>	<u>9,039</u>
Net (Surplus) of Football		<u>\$ (2,557)</u>	<u>\$ (137)</u>
Squash:			
Court Hire, Gear, etc.		1,107	1,006
Less: Receipts for year		<u>2,338</u>	<u>737</u>
Net Cost/Surplus of Squash		<u>\$ (1,231)</u>	<u>\$ 269</u>
Basketball:			
Court Hire, Gear, etc.		5,081	6,625
Less: Receipts for year		<u>4,871</u>	<u>5,253</u>
Net Cost of Basketball		<u>\$ 210</u>	<u>\$ 1,372</u>
NET COST/(SURPLUS) SPORTING ACTIVITIES		<u>\$ (2,049)</u>	<u>\$ 1,972</u>

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE 1986 ACCOUNTS

	<u>1986</u>	<u>1985</u>
4. LAND AND BUILDINGS		
At Cost	28,772	28,772
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>6,089</u>	<u>5,713</u>
	<u>\$ 22,683</u>	<u>\$ 23,059</u>
5. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS		
At Cost	37,944	37,944
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>23,126</u>	<u>19,569</u>
	<u>\$ 14,818</u>	<u>\$ 18,375</u>
6. INVESTMENTS		
Secured Debentures in Listed Companies at Cost	39,000	44,000
Government Bonds at Cost	10,000	26,000
Deposits — at Call	<u>75,000</u>	<u>17,000</u>
	<u>\$ 124,000</u>	<u>\$ 87,000</u>
7. TRUST FUNDS		
R. J. Thompson Memorial Trust Fund: (To be held by the Club and used for such purposes as agreed to by the family of the late Ronald John Thompson).		
Secured Debentures in Listed Companies	700	700
Cash at Bank	<u>523</u>	<u>427</u>
	<u>\$ 1,223</u>	<u>\$ 1,127</u>
J. Sheehan Sporting Scholarship:		
Secured Debentures in Listed Companies	700	700
Cash at Bank	<u>543</u>	<u>427</u>
	<u>\$ 1,243</u>	<u>\$ 1,127</u>
8. PROVISION FOR SPORT DEVELOPMENT		
Balance — 1st October, 1985	\$ 6,500	
Add — Transfer from Income & Expenditure Statement	<u>7,500</u>	
	14,000	
Less: Expenditure for year	<u>2,111</u>	
Balance — 30th September, 1986	<u>\$ 11,889</u>	

9. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting practices adopted by the Company are in accord with the accounting standards required by the Australian Accounting Bodies and/or by law. The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical costs and do not take into account changing money values.

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE 1986 ACCOUNTS

10. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Depreciation of Fixed Assets

Depreciable assets are written off by the Diminishing value method over their estimated useful lives.

(b) Basis of Preparation of Accounts

These financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the convention of historical cost accounting as practiced in Australia.

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER, 1986

In the opinion of the Directors:

- (a) the profit and loss statement of the Company is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the profit of the Company for the financial year ended September 30, 1986;
- (b) the balance sheet of the Company is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at the end of that financial year;
- (c) at the date of this report there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due; and
- (d) the accounts of the Company to which this statement relates have been made out in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards.

DATED at SYDNEY this 21st day of November, 1986.

On behalf of the Board and in accordance
with the Resolution

..... DIRECTOR
P. D. Richardson

..... DIRECTOR
J. F. Crockart

**AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**

I have audited the accounts comprising —

- (i) balance sheet and profit statement of the Company together with the notes attached thereto;
- (ii) the statement by Directors;

in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

In my opinion:—

- (a) the accounts are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies (New South Wales) Code and so as to give a true and fair view of:

- (i) the state of affairs of the Company as at September 30, 1986, and of the profit of the Company for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) the other matters required by Section 269 of that Code to be dealt with in the accounts;

and are in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

- (b) the accounting records and other records, and the registers required by that Code to be kept by the Company have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of that Code.

DATED at SYDNEY this 21st day of November, 1986.

(Sgd) C. G. Jones

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C. G. JONES

Chartered Accountant.

C6 MINOR PREMIERS 1986 – Spring Pennant



TOP ROW (L-R) Gary Phillips, Greg Kelly, Dan Power, Wayne Rastall

BOTTOM ROW (L-R) Ed Moore, Grant Heggarty

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED
MUNICIPAL AND SHIRE 'D' PREMIERS 1985-1986



Back row: N.A.J. Pollard, S. Baker, D. R. Abood, P.J.S. Alley, T.A. Le Breton, J. V. Marinos
Seated: A. J. Poljak, P. A. Lucas, J. Price, P.D. Richardson (Capt/President), H. A. Hitipeuw,
D. J. Horniman, S. E. Lind.

'C' GRADE BASKETBALL PREMIERS, W.S.B.A.



Back row:

Seated:

Absent:

M. Appleton, P. Richardson (President), P. Alley

M. Watts, G. Price, D. Jamison

(W. Negus, M. Hodgson)



Back row:

Paul Moylan, Peter Richardson, Bob Perl

Seated:

John Dickman, Grant Matheson, Ed Moore

Absent from photo: Paul Mattick, Ben Seaman, Murray Brown, Nick Seaman

