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The Briars Sporting Club Limited Burwood



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Presented to members at the Club Rooms 30A George Street, Burwood, on Friday, 4th December, 1987

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your Board of Directors and Management Committee present for consideration and adoption by members this sixty-ninth Annual Report of the Club's activities and the financial position for the year ended 30th September, 1987.

During the past year, despite somewhat mediocre results in terms of sporting achievements, the club has continued to build on its strong financial and management base in an endeavour to convert its plans for the development of our sport to a level where we can expect to compete in our respective competitions at the highest levels.

The continued success of the club very much depends on our ability now to provide for the future by securing a stream of young, keen and capable members. Indeed three of our sports, Hockey, Basketball and Squash now have junior teams participating under the Club's name, while both Cricket and Rugby have experienced a strong increase in the numbers of younger players.

The financial statements for this year disclose a surplus (after setting aside provisions) of \$27,538 compared with \$24,995 for the previous year. The most pleasing aspect of the result has been the 100% increase in profits from bar trading, attributed to both a higher turnover and a significantly enhanced gross profit margin. This is a direct result of the efforts of Colin Dayman who, since assuming the most onerous task as Senior Steward has ensured that the bar facility has functioned in a most reliable and efficient manner.

The fact that the net cost of sporting activities was at a relatively high level for the year was largely the result of a release of sporting equipment into use, the benefit of which will be partly carried over into future years. However, further analysis does highlight the extent to which our members benefit from the subsidy afforded by our participation in the N.S.W. Open Golf. The importance of this source of revenue to the Club should not be lost on our sports participants.

Our lack of success on the part of our sporting teams is cause for some concern.

For the first time in a number of years we did not have a team contesting a final of the Municipal and Shires competition, although the C grade side performed particularly well to attain a semi-final berth. Neither the A's nor B's, who both finished just outside the final four of their respective competitions, fulfilled the promise that was evident in the composition of the teams. While finishing fifth in the club championship cannot be considered an unsatisfactory result, there is an undoubted underlying strength in the sport's young membership which should serve well for future years.

Although considerable steps were instigated in the football off season by Geoff Moss and his committee in terms of organisation and recruitment of younger players, the club avoided rele-

gation by the narrowest of margins. While the influx of young players will serve the Club in years to come the immediate future will remain clouded unless new, experienced players with established skills are found to form the nucleus of our top grades.

A detailed proposal prepared by the Rugby committee has been adopted with full support of the Club's management for the purpose of attracting players of such calibre, thus achieving what we see as vital short term objectives. I am confident that given success in bringing these plans to fruition, Briars Rugby will once again emerge as a force to be reckoned with in Sydney Suburban Rugby.

The fact that our two most senior Hockey sides have been relegated after participating at the highest competitive levels in recent years, in itself is not a matter of great concern. The more disturbing facet of our hockey is the reluctance of the majority of our players to participate in the wider mainstream aspects of the Club's activities. Over recent years, hockey administration has been to the fore in securing its future viability by fostering junior teams. Indeed, this year, Paul Huggett's Under 17 team performed above expectations to reach the finals. It is now absolutely vital with these players reaching the senior ranks that they are given full scope and encouragement to become members of the Briars in the fullest sense. This will only be achieved without the lead from the established players with the greatest of difficulty. I earnestly seek the co-operation of our current senior players to making a concerted effort to consider this wider challenge.

Basketball during 1987 continued to provide a welcome mid-week alternative for players from other sports with all teams performing satisfactorily, particularly the Women's C1 side which finished in second place. Of particular note was the introduction of an Under 16 side which progressively improved throughout the season to be eventually eliminated by a one point margin in their semi-final.

Squash, while still restricted to only three senior teams, provided a note of optimism for a resurgence with the introduction of two junior teams. The Senior C6 side continued their fine work of the previous year by winning a pennant in the Spring competition.

The Netball ladies completed a successful season with the B1 side finishing as joint premiers and the D1 team runners-up. One could not fail to be impressed by the high level of skills and demeanour of these representatives of the Club on the day of the Grand Final.

The Club's social functions once again were very popular and particularly well supported by club members. The varied programme included a very successful old members' night once again arranged in the clubrooms by Ted Stockdale, a Trots night at Harold Park, car rally, annual ball, club picnic, Tennis and Golf days and finally the annual dinner with, in excess of 260 in attendance. The dinner, with effervescent Max Walker as guest speaker, proved again to be the highlight of the social calendar, although the record numbers did tend to

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place a strain on the facilities at the Concord Golf Club. The hard work carried out behind the scenes by Larry Thompson and his team was very much appreciated.

At 30th September, 1987 the membership of the Club was 421 as follows:

	<u>1987</u>	1986
Life Members	3	3
Full Members	342	364
City Associates	39	47
Country	37	53

Mention had been made earlier in this report of the emphasis being placed by the Club on recruitment at the junior level. During the past year in his capacity as schools liaison officer, John Price, has made an extremely valuable contribution in promoting the name and ideals of the Club to selected schools in our area. A number of pupils from these schools have been invited to participate in both Club activities (sporting and social), and coaching clinics conducted by outside organisations. This programme already has been effective in introducing many young people to the Club. However it is important to realise that our capacity to capitalise on this impetus is ultimately dependent upon the ability and willingness of existing Club members to ensure that these recruits are properly introduced and absorbed into our Club structure.

In October, 1986, we again provided assistance to the organisation of the N.S.W. Open Golf Tournament at Concord an involvement which as stated earlier provides a most welcome source of additional revenue to the Club. The work of Bill Hooker and John Threlfo in the pre-tournament planning, liaison with the promoters, and organisation at the tournament itself was carried out with the utmost professionalism, producing what was undoubtedly our finest effort in the years of our association with the event. To Bill and John, a special vote of thanks for their untiring efforts.

During the year six editions of Focus were published, conveying news and information of the Club's activities to members. It is worth reiterating an editorial to the last issue wherein Gerard Price appropriately comments that the quality and variety of content of this publication is very much dependant upon input from members either as individuals or as representatives of various club activities.

Following representations in recent years, negotiations have now been finalised for a joint project to upgrade the changing rooms and facilities at Rothwell Park. The upgrading, details of which have outlined in recent issue of Focus, having a total cost of approximately \$48,000 will be financed to the extent of \$20,000 by the Department of Sport and Recreation, with the remainder contributed by Concord Council and the Club. Particular thanks go to architect

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Terry Daley, a club member, who assisted in drawing up the plans and particularly to lan Richard who has acted on the Club's behalf in co-ordinating the project in conjunction with Council.

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:-

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

PETER D. RICHARDSON, President

BRIARS CRICKET REPORT

SEASON 1986 - 1987

The 1986/87 cricket season proved to be one of the most disappointing in recent years with us finishing 5th in the club championship. A lack of application and determination early in the season saw all grades losing games which we could have and should have won. All teams finished strongly in the second half of the season but unfortunately the teams ahead of us kept on winning, resulting in the A's, B's and D's not making the semi-finals.

However, there were some great highlights to the season.

- Bart Pozuelo's record breaking efforts in the A's.
- C grade making the semi-finals.
- A grade being runners-up in the limited over competition.
- The emergence of many of the younger players showing the great talent and potential that they possess.

I wish to thank all who assisted during the season in the running of Cricket.

- The Captains Greg Wallace, Rod Smith, Peter Wallace, Peter Lucas & David Wright.
- Stuart Lind Assistant Chairman with the unenviable task of organising and running the training.
- Gerard Price Chairman of selectors (a task that gives you nothing but headaches) and Newsletter editor.
- Paul Price Treasurer.
- Rod Smith and Bart Pozuelo organising of social activities.
- Ted Stockdale afternoon teas at Rothwell every Saturday (greatly appreciated Ted).

I wish to congratulate the respective clubs that we played this year for their efforts and especially Epping (Club Champions), Wentworthville (A & B grade premiers), Auburn-Lidcombe (C grade premiers) and Sydney University (D grade premiers).

Our final placings for the season were -

Club Championship	-	5th
A Grade	_	5th
B Grade	_	7th (on percentages)
C Grade	_	4th
D Grade	_	12th

Steve Schomberg (Chairman)

"A" GRADE CRICKET REPORT 1986-1987

The 1986-87 season belonged to Bart Pozuelo. He simply dominated in both batting and bowling but would have to be disappointed, as were most Briar's supporters, in the failure of the rest of the team to follow his magnificent lead.

The lack of commitment to mid-week practice by many of the players was borne out in regular mediocre performances on the field. The worst aspect of Burwood's play was our fielding, in particular our catching early in the season. This was disappointing in light of our fielding and catching in previous seasons, which was of the highest calibre and helped put lots of pressure on opposing sides.

The final wash-up showed that the difference between being a semi-finalist and an also-ran hinged on the result of a few close games early in the season that slipped through our undisciplined and uncommitted hands.

Despite this picture of gloom and doom there were many positive aspects to the season. Jim Marinos showed his enormous potential as a middle-order batsman, Andy Macky benefitted greatly from an increase in self-confidence in his batting and continued to field superbly and Paul Price displayed a more mature approach to his game and is developing as a talented all-rounder. These players will soon be a major force in the A Grade competition.

And then there was Bart

The Players:

Bart Pozuelo – had a magnificent season. He topped the A Grade Batting and Bowling averages and aggregates by far. Bart scored 921 runs, which is the new club record for all grades, and shared in a club third wicket partnership of 227 with Garry Schomberg against Auburn, in which he biasted a huge 146. Bart began his run-glut with 118 against Roseville in the first game and continued his form throughout a long season without too much support from the rest of the team. His scores in order were 118, 78, 32, 64, 11, 68 n.o., 146, 64, 47, 74, 25, 82, 32, 25, 30 and 25, which is 2 centuries, 6 half-centuries and only 1 score less than 25. This was a truly remarkable performance from an extremely talented, stylish and dedicated batsman. Bart always looked in control of the situation and combined power, timing, concentration and confidence to achieve his well-deserved success.

Chapter Two – Bart took 48 wickets either opening the bowling, bowling first change or bowling off-spin. He took at least 1 wicket every time he bowled, his best performance being 8/98 against the eventual premiers, Wentworthville of which 7 of these wickets came from bowling off-spinners. Bart "Who" also took 6/66 against the runners-up Epping and 5/33 against Warringah. Congratulations on your fantastic achievements.

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Jim Marinos – had a great first season in A Grade. He batted with great confidence and regularly tore the opposition bowling attack apart. Jim's powerful driving and relaxed manner were the main ingredients for his success. During the season he often showed hints of his ability to score runs quickly but proved it during a dynamic innings of 74 not out in 18 overs against Bexley which included 4 fours and 5 sixes. Jim's batting average of 43.6 indicated what a good season he had.

Ted Stockdale – was once again our Number One supporter. Thank-you for your efforts in organising afternoon teas, for encouraging and criticising the team and its players and for caring about Briars cricket. You are a vital and much-valued member of our team and club.

Gerard Price – played many solid innings as a middle-order batsman. His 58 against Epping was one of grit and determination and was the basis of setting up what should have been a winning score. Gerard also contributed several scores of 40 and 30. His consistency can be seen from the fact that in 14 innings he was only dismissed 9 times and only failed 4 times. Gerard bowled well this season but his results suffered from a lack of catching support by his teammates (a term he regularly questioned). His best effort was 5–72 against Roseville in the first game. Once again Gerard proved what an excellent slip-fieldsman he is and took the most catches in the season. His good fielding made it even harder for him to accept the poor fielding off his bowling.

Greg Wallace – did not perform well with the bat. He was often dismissed playing rash shots atypical of his usual careful approach. His one highlight was scoring 77 in a partnership of 177 with Bart Pozuelo against Lindfield. He managed a handful of 30's late in the season but overall his batting was disappointing. However, Greg had his best season yet with the ball. Throughout the season he bowled his leg-spinners on dead pitches and steadily improved his control and confidence. In the last 7 games he was the leading wicket taker with 21 wickets. Greg's best performance was 6–60 against Lane Cove in which he bowled with much variation and often perplexed the opposition.

Andy Macky – developed into a talented, confident, free-stroking A Grade batsman. He held the lower order together many times this season and his fine batting was regularly the reason an average team score became a good one. Andy's fielding was nothing short of brilliant. He took some sharp catches and generally lifted the whole fielding standard of the team by his magnificent efforts. Andy was the deserving winner of the inaugural "Fielding Award" T-Shirt for his performances throughout the season.

Paul Price — was another to develop as a classy lower order batsman. He played with a great deal of confidence and placed great value in keeping his wicket intact. In fact he only lost his wicket 8 times in 13 innings. His best performance was a stylish 52 not out against an accurate Baulkham Hills attack to ensure a victory for Burwood. Paul was also used as a medium pace bowler with mixed success. His bowling was very valuable later in the season during the limited

over games in which he picked up lots of wickets with a thoughtful approach that concentrated on accuracy. Paul will surely be a big asset to this team for many years to come.

Garry Schomberg – scored 94 against Aubum at the Mona Park Graveyard in an innings that combined patience, aggression and determination, and shared in a club third wicket partnership of 227 with Bart Pozuelo. He also scored a quick 66 against Lane Cove in a new role as opening batsman. Unfortunately Garry was out of touch in the other games and generally struggled to score runs. Garry showed his versatility by wicket-keeping brilliantly when given the chance and taking every catch that came his way.

Brett Smith — was plucked from obscurity by the brave selectors but constantly showed what a great team and club-man he is. Brett's positive approach to his cricket often helped lift the team in difficult times and was appreciated by all. Brett benefitted greatly from his experience of wicket-keeping in A Grade and should be a more confident and competent player next season. Brett enjoyed his few trips to the crease with the bat and showed some good form.

Jim Dimas – a determined opening batsman, was another newcomer to A Grade but only showed glimpses of form. His innings of 57 against Wentworthville was full of concentration and held the team together. Jim needs to concentrate and become more involved when field-ing and spend time at practice improving his fielding skills and agility if he wishes to be an asset to the team in the field.

David Trewin — is an experienced and determined cricketer who gives 100% at all times. He played some good innings batting anywhere from 3 to 9 including 45 runs and a century partnership with Bart Pozuelo against Pennant Hills. David's medium-paced off-cutters often troubled the opposing batsmen and he picked up some vital wickets in the end of season limited over games. David always fielded well and often surprised the batsmen with his powerful and accurate returns to the keeper.

Adam Lax – bowled very accurately as both an opening and first change bowler and claimed many of his wickets with fine out-swing bowling. Adam's fielding was first-class and he took several fine catches in the gully. Unfortunately, Adam only played half the season due to a troublesome leg injury.

Steve Schomberg – batted well when given the chance but did not perform to his usual high standard with the ball. Steve organised Briars Cricket extremely well this season in the time-consuming role of Chairman. Your efforts were appreciated by all.

Phil Alley – played a handful of games in A Grade as an opening bowler and performed quite well until he was called up to play First Grade cricket with St. George. We all wish you the best of luck with your future! If you remain committed to achieving your goals and work hard at your game then I'm sure you will go a long way in cricket, if not all the way.

Steve Twohill – opened the batting early in the season and showed some real ability. However, Steve, it is important for you (and everyone) to maintain concentration once you have made a start and turn your 20's into 50's into 100's. Steve is another player who needs to spend time on his fielding skills and agility at practice.

Peter Siebels – made a comeback to cricket after a season off but didn't reach the dizzy heights of two years ago. He enjoyed his cricket and always gave his best.

John Price – played the last 5 games of the season with enthusiasm and a real confidence in his ability as a cricketer. Your efforts were important to the team.

David Jamieson – played several games early in the season and made the highest A Grade score of his career (so far). He batted with great experience to score a stylish 49 against Roseville and was superb in the field. You would have been a big asset to the team had commitments allowed you a full season.

Bill Hooker -- did not score a duck in A Grade this season. Your availability and efforts were appreciated,

Greg Lippiatt, Richard Tregeagle, Paul Simpson, Warwick Giblin, Kevin Price and Colin Ritchie also gave their best when they played. Thank-you for your efforts.

GREG WALLACE

"A" SHIRE STATISTICS

BATTING

Name	Matches	Inn.	N.O .	Runs	Avg.	H.S.	4's	6's	%Bdy	50' s	1 00 's
B. Pozuelo	17	16	1	921	61.4	146	108	9	53%	6	2
J. Marinos	13	12	3	392	43.6	74no		7	51%	3	2
G. Priœ	17	14	5	290	32.2	58	32		44%	1	•
S. Schomberg	8	4	1	92	30.7	41	12	2	65%		
P. Price	17	13	5	231	28.9	52n c	24		42%	1	
G. Schomberg	12	12	1	255	23.2	94	25	3	46%	2	
G. Wallace	17	16	1	344	22.9	77	27		31%	1	
D. Trewin	9	6		131	21.8	45	7		21%		
Andrew Macky	15	13	2	221	20.1	40	15	1	30%		
J. Dimas	10	8	1	122	17.4	57	11	2	46%	1	
S. Twohill	6	5		78	15.6	23	9		46%		

Name	Matches	Inn.	N.O.	Runs	Avg.	H.S.	4's	6's	%Bdy	50 's	100's
B. Smith A. Lax		-	3	71 16	10.1	-	5 5 1		28% 25%		
TOTALS	17	139	24	3458	30,1	146	327	24	42%	15	2

Batting (Contd.)

Also batted:

John Price 1-3, Phil Alley 1-11, Peter Siebels 3-26, Dave Jamieson 1-49, Bill Hooker 1-1, Warwick Giblin 1-4, Paul Simpson 1-13.

Name	Over	Mdn	Wkt	Runs	Avg.	4's	6's	%Bdy	Run/ Over	Over Wkt	%Mdn	Best
B. Pozuelo	259.1	53	48	822	17.1	82	14	50%	3.2	5.4	20%	8/98
P. Price	70.1	14	12	227	18.9	26	3	54%	3.2	5.8	20%	3/10
D. Trewin	41	4	7	150	21.4	13	1	0%	3.7	5.9	10%	3/28
P. Alley	38	7	5	108	21.6	13		0%	2.8	7.6	18%	2/10
A. Lax	70.5	20	8	182	22.8	17		37%	2.6	8.8	28%	3/43
G. Wallace	166.3	17	28	671	24.0	69	8	48%	4.0	5.9	10%	6/60
G. Price	223.2	48	- 26	685	26.3	69	1	41%	3.1	8.6	22%	5/72
S. Schomberg	116.2	30	8	347	43.4	42	2	52%	3.0	14.5	26%	3/32
TOTALS	1003	197	158	3248	20.6	338	30	44%	3.2	6.4	20%	5/ 72

Also bowled:

Peter Siebels 0-54, Warwick Giblin 1-2.

FIELDING STATISTICS

Name and Number of Catches -

2 **Catches Stmps** G. Price 15 P. Price 4 J. Marinos Name 2 S. Twohill G. Schomberg 9 D. Trewin 4 B. Pozuelo 3 J. Price 1 G. Wallace 8 B. Smith 20 4 A. Macky 3 D. Jamieson 1 7 A. Lax G. Schomberg 5 P. Simpson 1 J. Dimas 5 S. Schomberg 2

Wicket-keeping:

"B" SHIRE CRICKET REPORT 1986-1987

A season of mixed fortunes, some excellent victories interspersed with indifferent performances. The team performed very well after Christmas and just missed out on the semi-finals. The team, if having made the semi-finals, would have been extremely difficult for the opposition to beat. To achieve the ultimate consistency is the key to success, unfortunately we had not achieved sufficient points prior to Christmas.

The inability of our top order batsmen to establish the basis for high first innings scores caused, in many instances, the middle and lower order batsmen the problem of trying to 'save' the team.

The inclusion into the team after Christmas of Warwick Giblin and Stephen Twohill gave the side much needed batting stability in the top order. A special thanks for their fine batting which in turn helped the rest of the batsmen to improve their overall performances. Two gifted cricketers who will certainly make their presence felt in A Shires.

The bowling throughout the season was very consistent and contained most of the opposition. Special mention to David 'Condo' Horniman who on three occasions bowled more than 20 overs in an innings as opening bowler, and if he can maintain the enthusiasm and concentration needed could become an excellent opening bowler for many years.

I would like to offer my thanks to the team for the manner in which they played the game, enthusiastic in the field, fully supporting their fellow team mates and although some umpiring decisions were of an extremely dubious nature, did not argue the umpire decisions and at all times gave to me, as captain, the support required.

To the 'Pres' Peter Richardson, his keenness, enthusiasm, willingness to offer good, sound, advice was most appreciated. For any young cricketers wishing to see how to play the game fairly, but with the added killer instinct for victory, could do no better than watch Peter in action.

My thanks to Steve Schomberg and the rest of the cricket committee for their support throughout the season.

The contribution to the season by the players I will highlight individually, but two 'non-players' who deserve special mention are:-

Col. 'D.N.F.' DAYMAN (Did Not Front) - Manager, Scorer, Raconteur.

Col, after much bribery, 'offered' his services to become chief penciller for the team during the season. On occasions, "D.N.F." did not front due to unforeseen circumstances, mainly a heavy social programme the evening prior. His scoring was first class, his neatness a highlight. Col, on many occasions reiterated that he scored more runs and wickets than all the other players combined. His services most appreciated.

TED STOCKDALE – NO. 1 ROTHWELL SUPPORTER

It would be very remiss not to highlight Edward's contribution to the cricketers. Each Saturday afternoon Ted prepares and serves our much needed 'cuppa' at tea interval and after which cleans up in his usual first class effort. He ensured the 'eats' were of a good standard and would 'offer' his compliments or otherwise on the fare provided. Ted, at the conclusion of play, always ensured the club was open and served all and sundry for his customary hour stint. A true champion and Briar in every sense.

The players who contributed most during the season:-

ROD SMITH (Captain) – Highlight of the season was a patient 102 against Auburn at Rothwell, batting No. 9 and only amassing 8 boundaries, the team having been 8–98 and finally scoring 228. Captured 19 wickets with the opposition getting out when looking for a turning off-spin but being deceived by the reliable 'arm-ball'. Earned the wrath of Dave 'Bacchus' Baccarini in dropping a sitter off his bowling against Pennant Hills. Is constantly reminded of this indiscretion. An older player, as he still has a shower after the game.

PETER RICHARDSON – 'Pres', the team would not be the same without Richo, took a couple of screamers in the slip cordon. Although slowing down, his enthusiasm and advice is very much appreciated. Scored a sparkling 94 against Bexley but unfortunately could not carry that form throughout the season. Being in the older generation, also enjoys a shower after the game.

JIM DIMAS – A solid top order batsman who with more practice could put pressure on some of the established A Shire batsmen. A good pair of hands and took some fine catches close to the wicket.

GREG LIPPIATT — A player with batting potential but unfortunately his temperament in not applying total concentration caused many of his dismissals. If Greg can overcome this problem he will score many runs. Very athletic in the field, his ground fielding was first class.

PAUL SIMPSON – 'Simmo' had everything – bowler, batsman, close-in fielder – extraordinaire (his own word). Hit a fine 57 against Lindfield, in a team total of 133, followed in the 2nd innings a great 76. Took 9 catches, fielding close to the wicket, a great asset to the team. Will definitely make A Shires, as he refuses to shower after the game and is a mate of the PRICES. Came of age as a bowler – his tally for the season 1 over, no wickets for 2 runs. Classifies himself as an all-rounder.

DAVID TREWIN – Extremely reliable all-rounder, solid batsman who gives nothing away to the opposition. Very determined in all facets of the game. The opposition is always aware of his appeals, extremely vocal. Will find it difficult to make A Shires as he does shower after

the game. May find he will have to men this habit in front of the PRICES.

MATT YOUNG – A player yet to realise his full potential. An extremely talented medium pace bowler who generates swing and cut. Must learn to concentrate more when batting as the ability is certainly there. An excellent team member who gives 100% all the time.

ADAM LAX – Has now achieved the status of a genuine all-rounder after scoring a magnificent 61 n.o. against Roseville at Rothwell in the first match of the season, batting No. 9. An opening bowler who tries all day, giving 110%. Unfortunately, his achievements were noted by the PRICES, etc., who decided that he deserved to be in the A's. An added bonus is that he also doesn't shower after the game.

PHIL ALLEY – The 'Bruce Reid' look-a-like. A bowler of great potential, destined for much higher grades. Uses his height to great advantage to generate good pace and lift of all tracks. Enjoys his batting and has a good defensive stroke. At the end of the season, his ability was noted by St. George who for the final match of the season, was selected in 1st Grade for St. George – a mighty effort, well done!

DAVID 'BACCHUS' BACCARINI – One of the great toilers in the club. A great all-rounder who complements his batting and bowling to his liking, to field on the deep mid-wicket boundary, to take the occasional catch off Smithy's bowling. Bacchus hit a fine 72 n.o. against Strathfield. David is assured of a permanent place in B's as he often buys Smithy a beer and picks him up from home. Is also known to transport Manager Dayman to the games. We also think he showers after a game.

TIM ALLEY – Brother of Phil, a young cricketer with plenty of potential. Also won the Briars Award for the longest throw of the year – his bat. Has the makings of a talented all-rounder as long as he can control his emotions.

DAVID 'CONDO' HORNIMAN – Never a dull moment with 'Condo'. Enjoys a good walkabout during matches, the only cricketer who listens to Ravel's Bolero, then switches to Frank Zappa. Depending on how he spent his Friday evenings could be seen in his opening overs, when he was 'fit' bowled with tremendous line, length and pace. Achieved 6–93 off 28 overs against Bexley and 5–40 against Pennant Hills. More than useful with the bat, with tremendous power. If he can remain serious with his cricket, will certainly achieve A Shires.

DAVID JAMIESON – Not one of Dave's best seasons but did receive a standing ovation after hitting 20 n.o. against Baulkham Hills. A great competitor who gives his all for the team. Always has a shower after the game, therefore will never get to A's while the PRICES are in the side. Supplies an excellent afternoon tea as Ted Stockdale will confirm. A good mate of Smithy's and Richo, as he helps keep the average age of the team a little higher.

WARWICK GIBLIN - An ex Wests cricketer who gave great stability to the team. An

excellent all-round cricketer with the right temperament. Amongst many great innings, scored a great 100 n.o. against Macquarie University at Macquarie. Bowled very well on all occasions. A pleasure to have in the side. The PRICES may have to alter the rules for selection in the A's as Warwick will certainly be a tremendous asset but his problem is he also showers after the game and is over the age of 30.

STEPHEN TWOHILL – A new recruit to the club. A first class opening batsman and keen fieldsman. Although a specialist gully fieldsman, spent most of his time 'rolling his arm over' to let Smithy know he could bowl. As yet Smithy has not succumbed to his overt tactics. The highlight was his fantastic 64 against Pennant Hills to help set up a great outright victory. Is the right age and does not shower, so will definitely get into the A's.

STEPHEN SCHOMBERG – The Chairman of Selectors and resident A Shire cricketer, was released to play in the B's towards the latter stages of the season. His all-round skills in scoring runs and taking wickets was evident for all to see. Although slowing down in the field, has a very safe pair of hands and fields extremely well. A pleasure to have in the side as well as the quality of his afternoon teas supplied by his wife, Rhonda.

JEFF JARRETT – Came out of retirement to take up the gloves behind the stumps. Great to see him back. Took some fine catches and his ability to read the game was most appreciated. A great will to win and also helped keep the average age up, as Jeff is also over 30.

Matches Played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Lost 1st	Drawn	Points	Position
13	1	5	6	1	42	6th
Runs For	Wick For	ets	Average	Runs Against	Wickets Against	Average
2845	134		21.23	2313	109	21.22

BATTING (x Not Out)

Name	No. of Innings	N.O.	Highest Score	50's	Aggregate	Average	Catches
W. Giblin	9	3	100 x	2	376	62.7	5
R. Smith	14	2	102		364	30.3	4
D. Horniman	10	6	31 x	_	111	27.5	3
P. Simpson	15	1	76	2	374	26.8	9

Name	No. o Inning		N.O.	Highest Score	50's	Aggregate		Aver	age	Catches
S, Twohill	9		1	64	1	230		25.	6	1
D. Trewin	8		1	45 x		164		23.	4	1
D. Baccarini	12		2	72 x	1	204		20.4	4	6
J. Dimas	7		-	30	_	119		17.	0	4
G. Lippiatt	7		_	33	-	89		12.	7	4
P. Richardson	n 16		_	94	1	199		12.	4	7
P. Alley	8		2	17		68		11.	3	3
M. Young	7		-	15		42		6.	0	3
Also batted:				Catches	6					Catches
B. Smith	3	for	43	3		I. Blair	1	for	8	-
R. Tregeagle	2	for	30	4		P. Siebels	4	for	65	1
A. Lax	2	for	80	2		W. Hooker	2	for	20	 .
M. Clarke	2	for	2	1		A. Thompson	1	for	1	-
B. Howle	4	for	34			G. Johnson	1	for	0	_
T. Alley	6	for	64	3		S. Schomberg	5	for	73	1
J. Marinos	1	for	12	1		J. Jarrett	2	for	28	8
P. Mansford	4	for	72	3		J. Price	1	for	0	· <u> </u>
D. Jamieson	6	for	56	_		D. Abood	1	for	9	_

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Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
S. Schomberg	51.1	10	118	10	11.8
W. Giblin	54.4	18	160	12	13.3
M. Young	38.0	9	132	7	18.9
R. Smith	126.1	27	378	19	19.9
P. Alley	114.0	28	280	14	20.0
A. Lax	53.0	10	164	8	20.5
D. Horniman	160.5	28	507	23	22.0
D. Baccarini	129.2	14	465	13	35.8
Also bowled:	D. Trewin	0 for 47	P. Sie	bels 3 for	104
	M. Clarke	0 for 26	A. Th	ompson 1 for	7
	P. Simpson	0 for 2	D. Sc	oble 1 for	22
	R. Tregeagle	1 for 26		R. SMITH	l.

"C" SHIRES CRICKET REPORT 1986-1987

C Grade cricket has always had the reputation for being unpredictable. This year, however, there was some degree of predictability in our game. A "standard" game went along these lines -

David Abood opened with a new batting partner. If this partner was younger than forty they failed, David was then out caught behind, Manso scored runs on the leg side, Brett Howle either scored more than fifty or got a duck, Nick Dimas hit the ball hard, Tregeagle consolidates our position and then scored runs with Mattick, a mini collapse followed before Clarkey slashes quick runs, while Harman laughs.

Mattick and Wal then had a competition to see who can use the most Dencorub, Wal breaks down, tight bowling puts us in a good position before their number 8 stubbornly defends and we end up winning by five runs.

Performances of note include -

- a club record second wicket partnership of 212 between Brett Howle (164) and Peter Richardson (82).
- Clarkey scoring a match-winning 38 not out.
- Scott Harrod (6-39) in the first innings against Strathfield and Mattick (6-49) in the second innings.
- Nick Dimas (70), Brett Howle (66) and Trevor Le Breton (53 n.o.) against Auburn.
- Mattick (52) and Wallace (52 n.o.) match winning 100-run partnership against Macquarie University.
- Dimas (69), Tregeagle (55) and Mattick (79) against Wentworthville and Matt Young (5-48).
- Tregeagle (81 n.o.) against Pennant Hills.
- Clarkey (5–26) against Lane Cove.

In the semi-final we sent Auburn in to bat and at 7 for 119, it looked like the right decision. As usual there was a late middle order revival and Auburn ended all out for 227.

We then lost three quick wickets before stumps to be 3 for 22 overnight. The slump continued at 6-42, before Paul Mattick (46) and Matt Young (15) added 61 for the seventh wicket. Another slump to be 9-107, then Herman Hitipeuw (33 n.o.) and Clarkey (12), added some respectability to our score. We were all out for 158. The match and the season ended with Auburn 3 for 86 in their second innings.

PETER WALLACE (Captain): A disappointing year with both bat and ball. Beat a club record for the most number of times that a person has broken down during a year.

DAVID ABOOD: If it wasn't for a wicket-keeper catching him out all year, David would have had a good year. Once he overcomes this weakness he will be a fine batsman.

PETER MANSFORD: Only scored 93.6% of his runs behind square leg this year, the lowest rate in his career.

BRETT HOWLE: Brett either scores more than fifty or gets a duck.

NICK DIMAS: Nick was odds-on to beat the C grade record for most number of runs in the season, but faltered at the post.

RICHARD TREGEAGLE: Richard proved that there is life after death by leading both the batting and bowling averages.

PAUL MATTICK: Paul was easily the leading wicket-taker and also second highest run-getter, so he had plenty of opportunities to go back to the club for a drink!

SCOTT HARROD: A handy acquisition during the first half of the year. Unfortunately, he wasn't available after Christmas.

TREVOR LE BRETON: Played some fine innings towards the end of the year to finish second in the batting averages.

MATT YOUNG: Didn't really show the form he is capable of, however, his fielding remains superb.

MICHAEL CLARKE: Doubled his career run total with slashing cover drives and now must be considered an all-rounder. Michael needs to pay next year's captain more money to get a better bowl.

HERMAN HITIPEUW: The only person I know who laughs when we get beaten.

Matches played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Lost O/R	Lost 1st	Drawn	Position
14	1	7	0	6	0	4th

"C" SHIRE STATISTICS

Runs for	Wickets for		Ave	erage	Runs against	Wick again		Average
2922	133		22	2.0	2844	150		20.3
Name	No. of Innings	N.(D .	Highe Score	st 50' s	Aggre	egate	Average
R. Tregeagle	8	1		81 *	2	24	6	35.1
T. Le Breton	6	2		53 *	1	13		34.0
P. Mansford	7	1		58	1 ·	17		29.5
N. Dimas	13	. —		69	3	38		29.2
B. Howle	10			164	2	27		27.7
P. Mattick	13			79	2	30		23.2
D. Abood	14	·		46	0	24		17.4
T. Alley	6	1		48	0		34	16.8
P. Wallace	12	3		52 *	1	13		14.9
H. Hitipeuw	10	5		33 *	0		2	14.4
M. Clarke	9	1		38 *	0	11	-	14.1
M. Young	6	_		37	0	/	76	12.7
Also batted:								
P. Richardson	l	2 fo	r 87		T. Lane	1	for 0	
D. Horniman		0 fo	r 5		G. Schomberg	1	for 34	
K. Holley		1 fo	r 1		L. Tsafis	1	for 12	
M. Smith		3 fo	r 6		G. McDonald	1	for 40	
D. James		5 fo	r 14		D. Jamieson	2	for 96	
M. Debreczini	i	3 fo	42		T. Worner	2	for 11	
S. Harrod		4 fo	r 102		R. Fish	1	for 0	
F. Fraser		3 fo	r 12		S. Lind	0	for 0	
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Name	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs	Average
R. Tregeagle	43	9	9	89	9.9
S. Harrod	70	14	. 13	185	14.2
P. Mattick	238	57	34	604	17.8
M. Clarke	71	5	11	245	22.3
M. Young	64	21	8	180	22.5
P. Wallace	110	17	15	358	23.9
N. Dimas	182	37	19	560	29.5

"C" Bowling Statistics (Contd.)

Also bowled:

D. Horniman	6	for	166	
D. Abood	0	for	5	
T. Alley	0	for	2	
K. Holley	2	for	59	
M. Smith	0	for	22	

M.	Debreczini	1	for	11
Ρ.	Breakwell	5	for	96
G.	McDonald	1	for	47
Т.	Worner	1	for	26
S.	Lind	0	for	29

PETER WALLACE

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"D" SHIRE CRICKET REPORT - 1986-1987

With only three players remaining from the premiership winning side of the previous year, the 1986-1987 season was to prove to be a difficult year. The season got off to a bad start when Epping III's beat us by nine wickets in the opening match. A second wicket partnership of 2 runs showed up the limitations in our bowling.

However, our second match was probably the best performance of the year when we beat Roseville outright. Veteran Alan Thompson filled in due to a shortage of players and bowled superbly to take eight wickets, while Stuart Lind took the remaining 12 wickets.

Unfortunately because of players making themselves unavailable and losing players to the higher grades, we could never field the same side in consecutive games. When we fielded a reasonable side we performed well as could be seen with our wins against Canterbury, Macquarie University, Lane Cove, Epping I's and a draw against Auburn.

If we had been able to field a settled side from week to week we may have been pushing for a position in the top four.

There were a number of encouraging individual efforts during the season which are worth commenting upon:-

- Stuart Lind taking a magnificent 61 wickets for the season.
- Nick Billington's 66 not out against Auburn and generally his good performances as an opening batsman.
- Trevor Le Breton's 78 against Macquarie University.
- Roger Fish's 18 catches and his fine 44 not out against Wentworthville.
- Grant Johnston's fine batting after he joined the club towards the end of the season.

- Michael Clarke's 34 in the last game of the year batting at No. 5.

- The fine fielding of **Tim Womer**, **David James & Mike Smith**.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the 44 players, yes 44, that played "D" Shires during the season. In particular, I would like to thank **Stuart Lind** for his help during the season and would like to thank also, **Steve Schomberg**, the Cricket Chairman and my fellow selectors.

Peter Lucas Captain.

"D" SHIRES STATISTICS

Matches Played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Draws	Lost 1st	Lost O/R	Points	Position
16	1	5	1	8	1	40	
Runs For	Wicke For	ts	Average		Runs Against	Wickets Against	Average
2659	175		15.91		3045	153	19.90

BATTING

Name	No. of Innings	N.O.	Highest Score	50's	Aggregate	Average	Catches
L. Johnston	8	4	65x	1	207	51.75	3
T. Le Breton	6	—	78	1	157	26.17	1
P. Lucas	19	2	57	1	354	20.82	3
P. Breakwell	8	2	39	<u> </u>	122	20.33	5
J. Billington	10	3	66×	1	136	19.43	2
T. Worner	10	2	42		147	18.38	8
R. Fish	18	2	44x	-	268	16.75	18
S. Lind	12	2	58	1	165	16.50	6
Also Batted:			Catches				Catches
M. Smith	11 for	116	4	P. Moore	2 for 40		. —
D. James	8 for	104	4	L. Mitchell	3 for 14		_
R. O'Brien	1 for	13	_	A. Thompson	2 for 16		_
P. Huggett	9 for	27	2	J. Scott	3 for 18		_
J. Barnes	3 for	10	_	C. Brooks	2 for 14		_
P. Missio	4 for	50	1	P. Brooks	3 for 15		
A. Cantori	2 for	16	1	W. Hooker	1 for 16		_
T. Lane	4 for	49	2	J. Drayton	2 for 12		1
D. Baccarini	0 for	0	1	R. Tregeagle	1 for 54		1
L. Cassaro	1 for	0	_	J. Jarrod	1 for 20		1
M. Debreczini	8 for	89	8	A. Kanaan	8 for 50		1
J. Delefunte	5 for	50	2	P. Bigwood	1 for 20		
M. Young	1 for	2	1	A. Evans	8 for 38		-

Also batted (Con	ntd.):	Catches			Catches
D. Horniman	1 for 10	_	S. Schomberg	1 for 17	—
V, Fish	1 for 9	1	B. Smith	1 for 0	
B. Howle	1 for 2	_	M. Clarke	1 for 34	
P. Weekes	1 for 8	-	N. Dimas	1 for 0	
			L. Dirke	1 for 17	_

BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
S. Lind	275	54	875	61	14.51
P. Breakwell	113	32	300	19	15.79
A. Kanaan	82	20	276	17	16.24
L. Johnston	64	8	219	9	24.33
Also Bowled:	R. O'Brien	0 for 34	M. Smith	5 for 66	
<u></u>	D. Baccarini	1 for 44	M. Debreczin	i0 for 1	
	A. Thompson	8 for 52	P. Bigwood	2 for 66	
	C. Brooks	3 for 77	A. Evans	3 for 166	
	J. Scott	1 for 98	L. Dirke	1 for 51	
	N. Billington	0 for 22	S. Schomberg	g 0 for 44	
	P. Lucas	0 for 16	D. Horniman	2 for 35	
	T. Worner	2 for 134	V. Fish	0 for 22	
	J. Le Breton	1 for 66	G. Lippiatt	4 for 50	
	D. James	0 for 26	N. Dimas	2 for 21	
	J. Barnes	0 for 17	M. Clarke	1 for 31	
	P. Huggett	1 for 16	B, Howle	0 for 7	
	P. Missio	0 for 7	P. Weekes	1 for 30	

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CITY & SUBURBAN CRICKET REPORT

SEASON 1986 - 1987

Another season of flannelled foolery has come and gone and with it comes the realisation that Kipling's assertion is undoubtedly correct, that mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the 1.30 (or so) sun.

In C & S, none of us is getting any younger, yet perennial warriors like David Walker and others continue to challenge Father Time, and to humble us lesser mortals by their exploits. Not for them the lamentations of Eliot's Prufrock,

("I grow old, I grow old, I shall wear the bottoms of my trousers rolled")

as we others perform more to the standards envisaged for C & S players.

It would therefore be remiss of me not to mention here the retirement of Graham Ireland, who has found it easier to stoop for the tennis ball at the net, than to find the red ball on the outskirts of the cricket field. Graham has served the Briars well over many years, and we thank him for it.

I am indebted to Ian Blair for his mini-summary (in "Focus" of May, 1987) of the season's events, and this report will refer to some of it. Copyright infringements should be reported to Ian's solicitor, and plagiarism to Winston Churchill's.

There were many highlights of the season, not the least of which was the magnificent run of wins after Christmas, when we lost only two of our last nine games. A feature of this period was the powerful batting of Ian Blair and Bill Hooker, and the magnificent spin bowling of John Crockart and Bob Kersey. These four players head batting and bowling aggregates and averages. (John took eighteen wickets in his last five games, while more than 50% of Bob's "victims" were bowled — extraordinary for a leg-spinner).

Other highlights of an enjoyable season were:

- the return to regular matches of a 'youngster' of some potential Peter Burt.
- the three catches of Marty Watts at second slip in the penultimate game.
- the valiant attempt of Marty Watts to win the coveted "Billy Ducker Trophy".
- the stare of disbelief given by Peter Mansford when adjudged lbw for the second week in succession. After this, Peter was heard to mutter that team-mates in 'shires' cricket had better eyesight; and then made his arrangements accordingly.
- the regular phone-calls at 12.30 p.m. by Alan Thompson to this writer, to indicate

- that he was just out of bed and having a spot of breakfast. Despite this, Alan bowled beautifully all season.
- the commentary on the game, delivered to himself by Maurice Critchley while fielding at point (vis Paddo).
- the often-heard complaints of lesser-known "spinning triplets" Craig Hickey, Terry O'Kane and Maurice Critchley, about their lack of bowling activity.
- the 'resurrected' sprint held during the last match. The writer is to appear on crutches next year, in an attempt to escape the back-marker position.
- the often brilliant fielding of Terry O'Kane and John Jessup, which left oldtimers shaking their heads in disgust at the high standard.
- the acrobatics of Col Dennis in the field against Old Sydneians, when he tripped on two separate occasions to avoid going for a 'catch'.
- the "repartee" between Maurice Critchley and one of the residents during a match at Parramatta Psych. Hospital.
- the final evening of the season, when C & S had ten players present. Mrs. Burt enjoyed her first evening at the club since 1967, but had to leave early.
- the barbeque at Ian Blair's mansion.
- the tone of disbelief in Rhonda Critchley's voice upon learning that Maurice had scored 20 runs.

Let me iterate that the 1986-7 season was a most enjoyable and quite successful one, and I'm happy to report that we <u>almost</u> always failed to allow the prospect of a negative result to dampen our enthusiasm or the spirit in which we played the game. The season was notable for a number of cricketing careers being resurrected, and in this category John Crockart and Peter Burt produced some vintage performances with ball and bat respectively. Also, the unusual C & S sight of spinners in tandem wreaking havoc on opposition batsmen was enough to bring tears to David Walker's eyes as he flicked off the bails.

On a serious, concluding note, the future of C & S cricket in the Briars Club does not seem very secure, unless we can have a more stable player base from which to work. Although the record shows that sixty-odd players appeared, many were 'press-ganged' because the skipper was desperate. The seasons with twenty-plus 'regular' players are gone, due to the advent of a fourth shires side and several retirements. Players now need to be available for 50% of games rather than 25%, if the side is to thrive in future years. Naturally, any new players are welcome.

DAVID WRIGHT.

CITY & SUBURBAN STATISTICS

ANALYSES - 10 Wins - 10 Losses.

BATTING

Name	Innings	Not Outs	Aggregate	Averages	Catches
W. Hooker	7	0	239	34.1	3
I. Blair	11	0	306	27.9	6
P. Burt	10	2	202	25.3	2
J. Jessup	6	0	146	24.3	-
D. Walker	12	4	159	20.0	5(5st)
M. Critchley	16	4	221	18.4	5
C. Dennis	9	0	130	14.5	3
A. Thompson	12	7	72	14.4	7
T. O'Kane	10	0	133	13.3	5
C. Hickey	11	0	118	10.9	0
R. Kersey	8	5	26	8.99	3
M. Watts	14	3	83	7.6	4
D. Wright	13	2	70	6.3	6
J. Crockart	5	2	12	4.0	3
Also Batted:					
T. Burt	1 for 0	K. Holley	2 for 27	B. Howell	2 for 28
S. Harrod	1 for 8	T. Worner	1 for 0	R. Smith	1 for 23
A. Maher	1 for 24	C. Blair	1 for 0	I. Richards	1 for 9
F. Fraser	1 for 10	P. Breakwel	1 for 21	A. Lax	1 for 1
C. Burt	1 for 0	J. Jarrett	1 for 8	E. Delefunte	1 for 6
M. Wright	1 for 0	J. Mitchell	1 for 1	P. Watkins	1 for 0
D. Baccharini	1 for 2	C. Walker	1 for 1	B. Smith	1 for 25
J. McKendry	1 for 6	M. Walker	1 for 1x	D. Horniman	1 for 8
P. Mansford	4 for 33	B. Critchley	1 for 12	M. McKenzie	2 for 8x
D. Jamieson	2 for 10	M. Blyfield	2 for 10	T. Alley	1 for 20
G. Ireland	1 for 0	B. Pozuelo	2 for 12	B. Wilson	1 for 3
(47 batted)					
Best Batting :	Ian Blair	55 vs	Old Sydneians		
		83 vs	Old Aloyisians		
		50 vs	North Sydney		
	John Jessup	55 vs	I. Zingari		

Best Batting (Contd.)

Peter Burt	67	vs	Lindfield
	48	VS	N.A.B.
David Walker	54	vs	Cricketers' Club
Bill Hooker	72	vs	A.M.P.
	45	vs	North Sydney
	61	vs	St. George

BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maide	ens	Wicke	ts	Runs		Average
J. Crockart R. Kersey P. Burt A. Thompson C. Dennis D. Wright	88 81.1 28 154 44 139.2	6 7 0 42 3 19		29 22 7 24 8 19		390 347 117 444 221 558		13.4 15.8 16.9 18.5 27.6 29.3
Also Bowled:	S. F. D. A. D. K.	Pozuelo Harrod Fraser Horniman Walker Lax Baccharini Holley Blair	1 for 2 1 for 2 2 for 2 2 for 2 1 for 2 3 for 4 4 for 4	26 16 21 27 41 49	P. Breakwell I. Blair B. Hurley W. Hooker C. Hickey M. Watts T. O'Kane B. Wilson (23 bowled a	1 3 1 0 1 1 0 0 t least or	for for for for for for for for (1)	31 32 7 1 1 6 2 12 over).
Best Bowling:	Bol Pet Ala	un Crockart b Kersey er Burt n Thompson vid Wright	4 - 6 - 4 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 4 - 3 - 4 -	22 vs 25 vs 43 vs 14 vs 21 vs 10 vs 15 vs 20 vs 35 vs 31 vs	Paddingtor N.A.B. North Syd A.M.P. Paddingtor Old Cranb Parramatta St. George Wyvern Old Aloyis	ney rookians		

Wicket-keeping

Total

Dismissals	(Stumped)	(Caught)
10	5	5
3	2	. 1
2	1	1
· 1	0	1
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ANNUAL REPORT - RUGBY 1987

The 1987 season wasn't the greatest for the Club when we consider we only just avoided relegation from the Kentwell Division.

In what was always going to be a difficult season following our poor performance in 1986, we in fact slumped further for a number of reasons. First and foremost we were not competitive in Kentwell Cup despite a successful recruitment drive in the off-season which brought many new players to the Club. Most of the new recruits were young and those who played Kentwell probably did so before they reached the maturity required, and whilst they acquitted themselves well, would have been better off having a full season in the lower grades. This situation created a lack of depth within the Club, and with many players already playing above their grade, there was no pressure on the first grade players to perform consistently week in, week out. This lack of pressure created a complacency with players feeling that they didn't have to train consistently or play consistently well to hold their position.

Also, a malaise has unfortunately set into the Club where we have become a bunch of nice guys both on and off the field. To be successful next season, we must turn this situation around, and I don't mean become thugs, but we must make our opponents respect us and treat us as a threat and be intimidated by our presence. To do this we must become more committed to training and our attitude to winning. We must not accept coming second as being the norm but rather as something totally unacceptable.

This year was my first as Football Chairman, and not having served in any administrative capacity before, it was a real "eye-opener" as to what goes on behind the scenes. I could not have performed my duties without the help of a lot of people and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them personally.

Club Coach - Col Dennis : Unfortunately, due to the parlous situation we found ourselves in

this year, Col's role with the Club did not turn out as first designed. However, his assistance in team selection and rounding up players for training and games was invaluable.

Chub Captain – **Milton Howell**: Had the unenviable task of making post-match speeches in an unsuccessful season. Never lost his sense of humour and gave as good as he got. Could have walked away with the Whiddon Cup Best & Fairest Award, but accepted our desperate situation and played Kentwell Cup towards the latter part of the season. Also, as one of the Club's longest standing players, often gave me the prod I needed to make requests and demands I might otherwise have baulked at – great support all year.

Kentwell Coach – John Campbell: A man this Club desperately needed and still needs if we are to be successful in 1988. As someone with no background in the Club, he showed tremendous enthusiasm and will to win. Given the right support next year, he will be a great success.

Burke Coach - Phil England : If we all had Phil's enthusiasm towards the Club and wanting to be successful, we would never be in a relegation situation.

Whiddon Coach – Gary Sly: A person with great skill and knowledge, unfortunately never had the same 15 players each week with whom he could work. Became more enthusiastic as our situation became more desperate. Deserved better results for his efforts.

Judd Coach - Warren Rann : No sane person would ever volunteer for this position. I had to twist his arm to take it on, and he gave it everything he had.

Managers - David Blair, John Staniforth, Doug Staniforth & David Lewis : A thankless task most of the time, but all performed well - from me, many thanks.

Peter Bowyer & Ted Callaghan : Took over from Managers on several occasions and were most successful. Also, Ted's assistance at being linesman for most matches was much appreciated.

Canteen – the Staniforth Family : Once again, a great effort in very primitive conditions – one of the success stories of 1987. Also, the efforts of Chris Murray in this area are not forgotten.

Social – Joe Lancuba & David Guille : Organised two Rock 'n Roll nights which deserved better patronage for their efforts. Joe also helped to organise inaugural pre-season touch football competition which was a great success.

Fund Raising – Larry & Diane Thompson : Ran raffles at home games and opened their house for social functions. Always a great day and night at Thommo's.

Groundsman - Len Hollis : What a great Club man ! Bought a utility just so he could do the job properly.

My wife Sue : At the presentation day I thanked her for putting up with all the time away from home due to my duties as Football Chairman. She said she didn't miss me, so I am going to do the job next year.

GEOFF MOSS.

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KENTWELL CUP REPORT

Playing rugby or coaching rugby is a way of life – a challenge to produce the best in one's self or others.

Whilst participation gives personal enjoyment and playing well, gives personal satisfaction, there is no substitute for being part of a winning team - that's what it's all about.

The statistics detail our performances for the year, we can't alter the results but we might like to consider what changes are necessary to ensure a more successful Bi-centenary Season.

Firstly, our attitude must change – winning must become the primary goal for everyone. Forget social rugby and the opportunity to run off the grog and lets start thinking and talking about aggressive and uncompromising rugby.

Some members need to change their outlook on what this game is all about.

It's not about being the good guy - it's about being the tough guy.

It's not about giving in to them - it's about giving it to them and I don't mean dirty play.

It's not about blase attitudes on training! We all have to push ourselves if we are to get the best out of ourselves — We can't do that by training once a week — club policy must be training twice a week.

Without implementing such a policy how can any coach hope to instil the necessary discipline, fitness and skills so vital to winning.

It is ridiculous to suggest the club is about catering to the less serious player who can only train one night a week or who is not interested in playing "grade" rugby.

We already have some very serious and committed players in all sides.

By encouraging and not discouraging players from training twice a week we are setting the foundation for success – winning !

Secondly. - the more senior members and players of the club have an obligation to instil in new players a sense of pride in personal performance and commitment on the training track and in the game.

I hope I never again have the misfortune to witness a presentation of the "best player trophies" as occurred at season's end.

I thought best player was an award we would all seek to attain. A measure of our skill, courage and determination to be admired by all.

How can we foster the right attitude when we degrade that achievement by throwing an uninscribed mug to the recipient.

Please "present" the man a trophy he will treasure and will be proud to put in a place of prominence – Give him the recognition he deserves !

Finally -1 can say 1 have never seen a perfect rugby side; regardless of who plays in the side - real strength comes from a common bond and a common commitment.

We need to drive each other to achieve that common bond and from there our commitment will flourish.

That's how we get the right attitude !

We may have lacked a few "big guns" to dictate play, still, we had plenty of opportunities to score and failed.

What we lacked was "fire in the belly" – unrelenting determination – the drive that makes the difference between being a winner and a loser.

Those characteristics are not handed out at the start of the season. We have to work for it and I hope this comment makes a starting point for next year.

A total 39 players played Kentwell. Included below are those who played at least half the total games with John Healy and Ross Thompson seeing out the full season.

- **F.B. DAVID GUILLE** His defence instilled confidence in the side and his probing runs saw two tries including the match winner against Matraville.
- Wing **ROBERT LANCUBA** Played to his fullest potential and had a personally successful season.

Wing TONY LANE - Also played his best football and finished the season battling on.

Centre ROSS THOMPSON - "Sticky Fingers", a great tackler who knocks players out of the game.

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- Centre MARK GUEST A very good prospect just finding his way in his first Kentwell year – more than a lot was asked for and he gave everything he had.
- Five-eight JOHN BOWEN "Mr. Deception" a great find for the club at the right time.
- Five-eight JACK ELLISON -- "Wobbles" never once let the side down and was a truly committed player.
- Half JOE LANCUBA Has a winning attitude I admire and more courage than any other player still frustrated.
- No. 8 **GREG MITCHELL** With his talent and "bulk", Greg was unstoppable, he set the plays and knocked the stuffing out of the opposition.
- No. 8 SCOTT HYDE The best young player I've seen for 10 years must keep searching for new skills to be a "great" player.
- 2nd Row **PETER GARAMY** For a player so inexperienced Peter still has a lot to offer had a great season in the line-outs and scored a fine try backing up.
- 2nd Row PAUL WILSON A real grafter loves his football and always reliable.
- **2nd Row CHRIS KUBARA** Enjoyed his rugby, was aggressive and fit only injury prevented a better season.
- **Prop. TONY WOZNIAK** Strong and very skilful when he is fired up. Needs more good players to work from.
- **Hooker** MILTON HOWELL In my opinion a great clubman selfless, always there in the rucks and mauls.
- **Prop.** JOHN HEALY A most underestimated player is a great scrummager, key jumper and has very good all-round skills.
- Breakaway CHRIS FISHER Should have fixed his injury the fittest player with loads of talent.
- Breakaway JOHN JESSUP Members have forgotten how good J.J. really is. Deserved a lot more points and showed the way to win on many critical occasions.
- B/Wing TERRY O'KEANE Now you know why Kiwis win! The more aggressive he got, the better he got. Terry is a player's player. If you want a model of commitment, use Terry !
- Manager
 DAVID BLAIR
 Mr. Enigma
 two more legs and he would look like a giraffe.

 David is one of those clubmen that keep on giving to the game and the players for no reward and little recognition
 Thank you, David !
 John Campbell.

BURKE CUP REPORT 1987

Without doubt, the youngest ever Briars Team played together throughout the season. With a number of 17 year olds in the side and despite Chris Murray, Peter Dunlop and Gordon Brown, the forward pack averaged between 19-20 years of age on most occasions.

Whilst some of the early losses were due to size and inexperience, the pack hung together under the direction of Vice Captain and 21 year old hooker, Shaun Heffernan. As the season wore on Mark Alessandra, Tim Guest, Andre Witham and Dooley Davis developed into a formidable unit. Continued drill work on technique and playing together will pay long term dividends.

In the backs, "young" Andrew Craig again led the side impressively and his constant harassment of our forwards certainly worried the opposition. Roger Fish was steady as full back whilst Chris Liddell and David Horniman both have great potential. The late arrival of Aron Maher was welcomed. A shortage of class "finishers" and forced changes at five-eight. cost the team many point scoring opportunities.

Overall the attitude and response to training was good and with some hard strength/endurance work in the off-season, this side can be a real force. That is, provided the club "pull", "borrow", "beg" or "steal", four or five Kentwell or above players from grade teams or overseas. These young talented newcomers must be blended with top calibre players to be competitive at this level of football.

Despite being able to build a small core of constant Burke Cuppers, we were still forced to have some 59 players don a jersey. Those players with more than nine games were:-

* MARK ALESSANDRA –	a worthy best and fairest winner. Needs to work on fit-
(Prop/Second Rower)	ness earlier in season. A dynamic ball runner and not
	frightened in the tight. (Scored 2 tries).

- SHAUN HEFFERNAN didn't take a backward step all year and pushing for a Kent-(Hooker) well spot.
- DOOLEY DAVIS a good season but still needs to work on aggression and (Prop) technique.
- TIM GUEST a future Kentwell Cupper with off season development on stamina and strength.
- * ANDREW CRAIG fierce competitor who gave all and more for the Club. (Half) (Scored 3 tries).
- CHRIS LIDDELL a talented player who gave his best.
 (Utility Back)
| * DAVID HORNIMAN
(Centre) | - | needs more self discipline/confidence to reach full potential.
Kicks goals and scored 2 tries. | | |
|-------------------------------|------|---|--|--|
| * ROGER FISH
(Fullback) | - | a good honest team player. | | |
| OTHER CONSISTENT PE | RFOF | RMERS OR NEWCOMERS WORTHY OF NOTE WERE : | | |
| BACKS - | | | | |
| * JOHN BOWEN | | very deceptive runner and real acquisition to the club. | | |
| * GLEN BECKER | | lost confidence after injury. | | |
| * ROBERT LANCUBA | _ | improving his concentration. | | |
| * GREG RUSSELL/
ARON MAHER | _ | as one disappeared the other arrived. | | |
| * JIM STEELE | - | a classy late acquisition. | | |
| FORWARDS - | | | | |
| * GORDON BROWN | - | the pocket dynamo, who never stops harassing. | | |
| * TIM FISHER | - | injury prevented him from going on with it. | | |
| * SCOTT HYDE | - | outstanding prospect destined for high recognition in rugby. | | |
| * STEVE LUCIC | _ | an untimely illness again prevented him showing his best. | | |

- always gave his best. CHRIS MURRAY
- when Paul was firing so was the team. PAUL WILSON

Great potential.

aggression and rules of the game needs to be refined. Enor-* ANDRE WITHAM mous potential.

Tony Andrews, Russell Chataway, Steve Deverill, Peter Dunlop, Kerry Foster, Andrew Groves, Darrin Mudford, Steve Robb and of course, the Barker Trifecta (Andrew, Brad and Jamie) all deserve special mention for their contribution.

My sincere thanks to John Staniforth for another sterling performance. He gave 100% playing Judd Cup and the same commitment to managing the side.

It would be very difficult for us to function without the "Staniforth" family. Whilst it was a difficult season, the commitment and standard set by the coaching squad was outstanding and I thank them for their assistance.

PHILIP ENGLAND.

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WHIDDON CUP REPORT 1987

The 1987 competition was for the Whiddon Cup side a very frustrating exercise in "if justs". For the entire season, each match involved a rotation of, on average, seven players, which did not allow for any degree of stability in the back-line positions and provided a constant source of rectum looseness (irritation) to the forward pack, who for nearly the whole season dominated the opposing forwards.

Except for several matches, the side was only narrowly beaten and the team management was very appreciative to the boys (and Larry Thompson) for the efforts and perseverence displayed week-to-week in a side that just didn't seem to be able to win a match.

On a brighter note was the performance of the new young players to the Club who, although very inexperienced in this type of Rugby at the start of the season, developed as the season progressed, and the experience gained will benefit both the individuals and the Club in the coming seasons.

I am also very appreciative of the efforts put in by Big Doug and Col Dennis during the season in helping to run the side.

GARY SLY.

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JUDD CUP REPORT 1987

Without the necessary players to cover the key positions, the 1987 Judd Cup side struggled all season. When we hit on the right match plan and stuck to it, the results were very

pleasing, as in the first round match against Chatswood. With the ball never moving beyond "Chang" at five-eight, the forwards were able to play to their potential and score a pleasing win.

First round wins against old rivals, Hunters Hill and Colleagues, were the highlights of a season that could have been better if only the players could have been moulded into a settled team. Other Clubs seem to be able to settle their Judd Cup into a reliable outfit early in the season, to kick the Club off to a good start each Saturday.

WHY NOT BRIARS?

The 1987 Juddies were never disgraced, and many new players were found who will assist the Briars' revival in 1988.

The old brigade of Judd Cup included Dom Keating, Bob Beattie, Peter Stewart, Kim Piefke, Bob Stephenson, Geoff Moss, Len Hollis, John Staniforth (Captain), Tim Fisher, Peter Bowyer.

The new players who we will rely on in 1988 include Russell Chataway, Mike Kelly, Andrew Groves, Gary Avery, Col Christie, Tony House, Steve Luck, Tony Love, Robert Scerri, Darren Mudford, Keith Wass, Peter Shanahan, Robert Hammond.

WARREN RANN.

RUGBY AWARD WINNERS – 1987.

Best & Fairest Awards

Kentwell Cup:		Terry O'Kane
Burke Cup:	—	Marc Alessandra
Whiddon Cup:	_	Milton Howell Marc Witham
Judd Cup:	_	John Staniforth

Rookie of the Year: David Horniman

Gordon Bevan Shield

This Trophy is awarded to a player not only for his on-field performances but for his overall contribution during the season. The following criteria is used to assess the winner of this award:-

Attendance at Training:20 pointsValue as a player:20 points

Gordon Bevan Shield (Contd.)

Most Improved Player:	20 points
General Keenness:	15 points
Value as a Club Member:	15 points
Neatness of Uniford:	10 points

The winner this year is: Geoff Moss

Geoff Archibald Shield

This Trophy is awarded to a player in his first full season with the Club, and the same criteria used for the Gordon Bevan Shield is used for assessing this award.

The winner this year is: Mark Guest

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GOLDEN OLDIES RUGBY REPORT 1987

The highlights of 1987 were:

- we had one training session
- we played in the International Festival in Auckland, N.Z.
- the G.O's v. Presidents XV match was revived.
- we showed Randwick, Eastwood and Gordon a thing or two in the Eastwood tournament.

Although team entries from Australia were depleted owing to comparatively high tour costs, the Briars colours were carried into the N.Z. Festival under our own club name which was quite an achievement considering that many grade clubs were forced to make up composite teams. We were in fact a little short on playing strength but this shortage was very ably covered by granting honorary Briar status to some Glenfield Grizzlies and Carlton Comets. After negotiating the opening function, we faced the North Island Vikings containing ex-All Blacks, including Sid Going and Richie Guy. This proved to be our hardest game on tour – the Going brothers dazzled us on many occasions with their well practiced move code named "going – going – going – gone". In the second third the Briars scored 3 well deserved tries by:-

Speedo(using his sidestep);Churchie(on his birthday) andLloyd(from Carlton).

Each of these tries was expertly converted by Rollo, who refused to kick again on tour in case he blemished his 100% record.

Game 2 against the Pakuranga Fencibles saw many entertaining tries by Bob Coulter, John Staniforth, Ted Callaghan, Jimmy and Paul from Carlton and Joe Rose backing up a long run on the blind side by Bob Brown of the Grizzlies. However, the crowd were speechless when Doug Staniforth emerged from the shadows on the sideline to touchdown in a repeat performance of "The Richmond Move" using one of the Fencibles to throw the ball into the line-out — as expected, Doug converted his try. With Rollo emphatically refusing to kick, the Beast was called on to convert 2 tries from the sideline. Bob Coulter also converted his own try. Mal Goldsmith from Florida crossed the try line only to knock-on in goal in a display of true sportsmanship.

Game 3 against the N.Z. Evergreens saw the Briars outfit again show its skills despite the effects of the ever plentiful Lion Red. Tries to Joe Rose, Speedo Rod Smith II and Len Hollis, were enjoyed by all. The Phantom of the Red Shorts again scored after Churchie kicked ahead and re-gathered – the conversion was never in doubt. Len Hollis also showed his ability as a goal kicker. Only the 3 Grizzlies and Don Flynn were left tryless, due to their unselfish ball distribution.

The President's XV match ended in a draw and proved to be a popular event despite again being marred by inclement weather. Thanks to everyone who assisted with this event.

The next Festival is in Canada in 1989 and we already have a squad of approximately 50 persons (including ladies and children) ready to tour. Although the Golden Oldies do not directly provide the young players so urgently needed by the Club, they serve to provide the means by which senior members can stay in touch with the Club in a meaningful way and contribute to the administration as well as having the occasional run. If any member would like to know more about the Golden Oldies or the Canadian Tour, please contact Ted Callaghan, Bruce Robinson or John Staniforth.

BRIARS HOCKEY ANNUAL REPORT 1987 SEASON

1987 was, for Briars Hockey, a year of reflection.

Looking back a year or two to find what it was that motivated us to play together as a team, to interact with each team-mate, coach and trainer, so that when our sides ran on the field, we had an even chance of winning.

This year on most occasions we were a beaten side before we ran on the pitch. Enthusiasm was very short-lived as players played out their Saturday hockey rather like their weekly exercise. Don't get me wrong, all players tried hard at some stage during their game, but as soon as things went against a player a coach was on his back flogging him, not coaxing him. This approach crept through to a captain or two. What do you prefer to do, something someone tells you to do or something someone asks you to do. Think about that next time you want to tell someone to do something.

There were a lot of changes to the norm this year. A number of new players, along with a new coach unsettled a lot of our players. We needed a change but not one like this. The change needs to be planned and approved by the players and the coaches who are then committed to their own decision.

The results for 1987 were bad. The worst they have been for many, many years.

1st Grade 1B		10th	(last)
2nd Grade 2B	_	10th	(last)
3rd Grade 3B	_	8th	

By comparison, our Under 17's scored more goals than the three senior sides put together. Consequently, all three sides have been dropped a grade. 1st Grade now goes to 1C, 2nd Grade to A Reserve, 3rd Grade to B Reserve.

It is at this point where every player that is to play in 1988 must set about "thinking them positive vibes". Our 1st Grade side should have all the goal-scoring practice it needs in the competition it is in.

We can start to get a taste of that in the Summer Cup competition and Indoor competition that will commence in early January, 1988.

Once players start to get that "winning feeling" back in their bones the confidence will rise, personal commitment will increase and pre-season fitness will improve. The high intensity indoor hockey season should also shed a few pounds and sharpen the reflexes. We will attempt to commence the indoor training sessions in the first week of March, and this will give us a base from which to plan each team.

Briars Hockey (Contd.)

BIG PROBLEM

We need a coach for each of the three grades. Non-playing coaches if at all possible. Up to date coaching methods and training material can be supplied, even taught. Amongst our players we have 8 N.C.A.S. Level 1 qualified coaches, we have books, videos, N.C.A.S. courses to go on. What we don't have is three people that can take charge of a team, gain their respect and commitment and ensure that what they planned during training is being carried out on the field. In return, we will give these three coaches a team each that is dedicated to winning — nobody likes being relegated. Those teams will have consistent players each week. If someone goes up or down a grade there will be a good reason.

The coming season will see 10 of our current U/17 team moving into senior hockey. One or two of them will move into 1st Grade but the rest will be kept together, along with a few experienced current players that will help mould this side into a premiership winning side.

This will mean that our current three sides will be consolidated into two, so frequent doubling up will not be a problem in the future.

The year starts with the Summer Cup on the artificial turf grounds on 19th January and the Indoor Hockey comp that we had four teams in this year, should start the same week.

The highlight of the coming year, apart from the victory celebrations at the end of the year, will be the Barton long weekend in June, this year being the real 40th anniversary of the two clubs playing each other. Ex-hockey players please note — a team of "veterans" will be going to Canberra with us. If you and your family would like to attend, please keep an eye on Focus for more details and call one of your old buddies and discuss it.

From where we are in the Sydney Hockey Association competition there is only one way - that is up. This year we must aim for at least two Grand Finals and a Semi. All of you players reading this report, let's think carefully about that...... a long time since we were in a Grand Final, eh! This has to be the best opportunity in 10 years.

Let's give it a real go and make 1988 truly the Celebration Year.

SANDOR KOVACS Chairman, Briars Hockey.

UNDER 17 HOCKEY REPORT, 1987

1987 has seen the return of a Briars' junior hockey team in the finals. The U17 team played its way to 4th position. Playing the 3rd placed team in the semi-final, Ben Keneally scored in the 10th minute from a Greg Dunn pass to put the team 1–0 in the lead. The goal was the result of constant pressure against the Marist Bros. defence, with tight passing being a key to our game. Throughout the first half, our defence was rock solid, providing a sound base from which our forwards could maintain a steady attack, and not allow Marist to equalise. Half time saw a tired Briars team one goal up, and enthusiastic to carry out the win.

The second half started with as much pace as the first, with our defence under great threat, particularly from the opposition centre forward. A barrage of penalty corners midway through the second half allowed Marist with a golden opportunity to equalise, however the courageous and tenacious running tackles from Gerard Doyle prevented the strikers from getting a solid hit at goal. Five minutes from the end of the second half, a penalty stroke was awarded to Marist, essentially placing the fate of the Briars team at the mercy of our goal-keeper, Matt McFarlane. Against enormous pressure, and some quick advice from our first grade keeper, Matt saved the stroke, and provided the impetus for the team to hold out Marist and win the game. The atmosphere at the final whistle was electric and emotional. This was the first time in over five years that a Briars junior team had made the finals, let alone the semi. The game was played with true spirit and determination from both sides, and it was a credit to our team that they came out on top.

The minor final was scheduled for the following week, and our team was running hot and confident of another victory against Dundas. However, the next two weeks were washed out, and the enthusiasm of our team soon waned. When we finally played Dundas, we were mentally unprepared, which allowed Dundas to get on top and score three goals in the first half. The second half saw a more determined Briars team fight hard to level the scores, but the control we showed in the semi-final had been left behind. The final score was 3–0 to a well deserving Dundas, who eventually won the grand final against Baulkham Hills.

The season overall was rewarding as results go, with the team deserving its final placing. We comfortably won against the two weaker teams, but always struggled against the three top teams. We completed the rounds with 5 wins, 1 draw and 8 losses.

During the season, most of the U17 players were selected to play in the senior teams. Ian Reynolds, Greg Dunn and Matt McFarlane all played first grade at some stage during the season. Ian and Greg in particular show they have the talent to become representative players if they seek this avenue, and will be a big boost to our stale first grade team. Matt is deservedly this year's R.D. Vanderfield award winner, through his enthusiastic approach to

training, match Play and social mixing with both juniors and seniors, and he has also concentrated on developing a high standard of his game as goal-keeper. Other players who improved during the season were Martin Wood, James Ryan, Paul Foster and Marshal Patterson. Martin has been selected in next year's Parramatta U17 district team.

Before I give a brief player synopsis, I would like to acknowledge the assistance of Brian Wood and John Cameron for their administrative work through the season with the junior hockey committee. Many thanks must also go to the majority of seniors and parents, who helped umpire and offer vocal support, as the fogs rose on those chilly winter mornings, especially during the semi and minor finals.

Team Statistics -	Played 14
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Won – 5
	Drew – 1
	Lost – 8
Won semi-final - 1-0	vs Marist Bros. (Dundas)
Lost minor final – 3–0	vs Dundas
Goals for - 29 (inc	luding finals)
Goals against – 51 (inc	luding finals)
Goal Scorers –	Greg Dunn 16
Goal Scolely	Ben Keneally 6
	Den Kenedity 0
	Mambal Pattomon 2
	Marshal Patterson 3
	Paul Cameron 3
Best & Fairest	Paul Cameron 3
Best & Fairest Most Improved	Paul Cameron 3 Richard Ashen 1

Team Synopsis -

Matt McFarlane (goal-keeper, captain): played his best season to date. Needs to work on slide tackles, and increase recovery time. Suffered some bad knocks but bounced back with determination.

<u>Paul Foster</u> (left back): worked hard all year. Tackling and distributing were solid points to his game. Fitness improved dramatically during the season.

James Ryan (right back): his first season, and showed great aptitude. Had trouble with hitting, and held the ball too often. Dribbling was excellent, but a little slow.

Rob Wildman (left back, left half): a keen player, with an aggressive nature and solid hitting. Tackling needs to be improved. Martin Wood (left half): good stick skills, but needs to concentrate on positioning, and anticipation of the plays. Has good confidence when he has time to gain control of the ball.

Ian Reynolds (centre half): has the best skills of all the players, and has a well developed thinking game. Was easily one of the best players of the district. Lacks only in his own confidence.

Gerard Doyle (right half): a solid defensive player with excellent tackling abilities. His distribution of the ball is hampered by his unwillingness to hit the ball. A broken wrist during the season didn't help.

Paul Cameron (right wing): lost some speed this year, and lost confidence in receiving the ball. Was always following up attacking moves, looking for rebounds from the keeper. Needs to concentrate on shooting for goal, and which stroke to use at a given time. Has a lot of potential.

Ben Keneally (inside right): had some good games, but lacked the consistency of previous years. Positioning needs improvement, and needs to back-tackle more. Scored some excellent goals.

Greg Dunn (centre forward): an excellent ball distributor, and a goal-scoring machine. Will be a valuable asset to seniors next year.

Marshal Patterson (inside left): the quiet achiever. Has excellent stick skills and ball control, and scored some brilliant goals. Needs to back-tackle more and increase his short distance speed.

Richard Ashen (left wing): tried hard in his first season. Has problems with receiving the ball which limited his possession of the ball. Should also concentrate on beating a player. Will do well next year with some dedicated training.

Thanks also to James Ryan for filling in during the season.

PAUL HUGGETT (Coach)

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UNDER 15 JUNIOR HOCKEY REPORT 1987

The U15 squad was not really given a fair go this season. Five players played 15's last season and six came up from the U11's. Thus the team really was two separate units that rarely performed as one. Their coach was not too much help either. Being the coach for

two sides divided his attention both at training and on the field as well.

The team played 13 games, drawing 2 and losing 11. Scored 2 goals and had 69 against. An inability of the young forward line to score goals hurt the side and it was only the last few games that the coach struck a good combination of positions for the players.

The Team -

DANIEL THIELE: Goal-keeper. The absence of Danny for the first couple of rounds was really felt. The goals against is no indication of his talent. Consider this year as a good work-out, Danny. Danny scored 10 B & F points.

MIKE ACKROYD: Forward & Back. Mike started the season in the backs, much to his disgust and finished in the forwards to his delight. Mike has great energy and determination but found it hard getting it all together at times. 8 B & F points.

REUBEN BROWN: Half & Back. Reuben was one of the old guard of this side and his experience shone through on all occasions. As a back with Andrew, they made a terrific combination. 11 B & F points.

ANDREW BERGHUIS: Half & Back. Andrew always played solid hockey. As a half, he and Reuben found the going a bit tough due to the inexperience of the other players. As a back however, he provided solid performance. A great season. 10 B & F points.

GRAHAM VARIS: Centre Half. Captain. Graham had an outstanding season. He led the team admirably and provided a much needed strength in the centre of the field. Graham won the Best & Fairest competition with 15 points. Congratulations Graham and thank you for your efforts in '87.

ADRIAN KEED: Wing-Half. Adrian joined the team in the 8th round and showed plenty of enthusiasm. Ball skills will see Adrian's game improve. 3 B & F points.

PHILLIP CRAWFORD: Forward. Phil doubled up from the 11's to play with the 15's but seemed to shy from the much larger opposition. The experience did him no harm however. 2 B & F points.

JAMES IVERSON: Forward. James' stick work this year was much better than last year. Lack of ball, however, did not allow him to use this on too many occasions. James occasionally also, when he got the ball tried to do too many "fancy skills" with it. 6 B & F points.

MATHEW TITMUS: Forward. Mathew had a mixed year and never really got firing. Lack of ball hindered his performance and trying to help out too much often caught him out of position. 11 B & F points.

MARKUS THIELE: Half. Markus was slightly overawed by the size of the opposition and going from dominating the play last year, he found that it was difficult against boys much larger than himself. 1 B & F point.

As the coach, I must apologise to the boys for the effort I put into the team. It was not enough and they deserved better. Hopefully, next year a few more people will be willing to help out with the juniors, so that it does not all fall on the shoulders of a few.

LASZLO KOVACS

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UNDER 11 HOCKEY ANNUAL REPORT 1987

1987 was a better year for the U11 squad. After gaining experience last year, the team was much stronger this year and played with greater confidence, cohesion and understanding.

The team played 15 matches. Of these, they won 3 and lost 12. They scored 27 goals and had 59 against. This is a vast improvement over last year, with the promising statistic being that this team <u>can</u> score goals, the average game score being 2-4.

Best & Fairest this year was not a laydown misere, either. Phillip Constable won the title. Phillip must also be congratulated for being selected to play in the Parramatta representative squad.

The Team -

DAVID McLACHLAN: Goal-keeper. David had a terrific year. I must thank his father for his personal coaching of David. In several games David displayed courage and skill as a keeper, however, he will have to learn to concentrate on the game. David earned 5 B & F points.

CHRIS ACKROYD: Fullback & Half. Unfortunately Chris spent a lot of time being shuffled around from back to half and back again. He finally found his form in the halfs where he had many good games. Chris should work harder on his tackling though. 5 B & F points.

DANNY EVERETT: Fullback & Half. Danny started off as a half but after a couple of games moved to back and was invaluable in that position. His persistent tackling stopped many attacks. 14 B & F points.

SCOTT JOLLY: Wing. Scott playing in his first year found the going tough at first, but towards the end of the season his game started improving. Persistence will improve Scott's game. 6 B & F points.

PHILLIP CONSTABLE: Centre Half, Captain. Phillip had another blinding year. He was forever back defending and took every opportunity to attack and showed often that he loves scoring goals. On occasions, he should have used his superior ball skills and gone himself, but being totally unselfish, decided to pass the ball to his fellow players, trying to set up plays. Phillip won the Best & Fairest with 26 points for the 6th time.

BRAD IRWIN: Inside Forward. Brad played in the halves early in the season, but moved up to the forwards where his game improved greatly and he enjoyed it as well. 6 B & F points.

CHRISTOPHER DETJEN: Inside Forward. Being one of the youngest players in the side, Chris did not lack the ferocity for which he has become well known. A few more years, a bit of height and poundage will see a good hockey player. 3 B & F points.

JONATHAN DETJEN: Half. John suffered a fitness problem this year and his performance on the field suffered accordingly. Jonathan did persevere however and had a good season. 2 B & F points.

WENDY HUNTER: Wing. Wendy, in some games played a bit shy and was afraid to go in and tackle hard. In others, however, she tackled hard and made many breaks down the left side. Wendy scored 5 B & F points.

PHILLIP CRAWFORD: Forward. Phillip had a mixed season. Whilst he stood out as being one of the better players and the highest goal scorer. He lacked aggression and tended to stroke the ball rather than hit the covers off it. It was his first season though. Next season, though, Phillip will, I believe, be a more effective player. 12 B & F points.

MATHEW PAYNE: Back. It was Mathew's first year and it took him a few games to settle in. With work on his tackling technique, Mathew will find his hockey improving greatly. 5 B & F points.

Special mention must go to Kate Jolly and Kerrie Hunter. These girls are only half the size of the boys in the team and both were eager to play and have a go. Thank you girls and I look forward to seeing you both again next season.

It was a pleasure to coach this side. The boys and girls have fantastic spirit and most of all commitment. This is truly a great team of fantastic kids which I shall enjoy coaching again next year.

LASZLO KOVACS.

ANNUAL SQUASH REPORT

AUTUMN COMPETITION 1987

Due to a varying number of reasons (employment change, moving interstate, personal, etc.) the squashies were short in numbers. However, we did field two teams:

Grade	A3		Games	Wins	Losses
		Ken Kable (C)	14	6	8
		Neil Richardson	12	5	7
		Greg Menz	13	3	10
		Alan Cameron	14	6	8
	C4	 Grant Heggarty	14	10	4
		Ed Moore	11	5	6
		Wayne Rastall	6	4	2
		Gary Phillips	9	4	5
		Greg Kelly	6	4	2
		Dan Power (C)	2	0	2
		Clif Priest	9	8	1

The A Grade team had the goods to be semi-final material but, due to injuries to two of their players viz: Neil Richardson and Greg Menz. Never reached their full potential, the team finishing a creditable fifth.

The C4 Team was completely the opposite. They had players to burn and selecting the team each week was a nightmare. My thanks to the fellas for accepting the selections without a complaint. My apology to Gary Phillips, for it seemed every time he won he was dropped from the team the following week. The end result was, the team finished the competition as minor premiers and were beaten in both the Final and Grand Final. Cliff Priest was the recipient of "The most consistent player" award.

SUMMER COMPETITION 1987

Grade			Player	Games	Wins	Losses
	A4	_	Greg Menz	10	3	7
			Ken Kable (C)	14	11	3
			Alan Cameron	13	11	2
			Ray Pontifex	. 8	4	4
			Grant Davis	6	3	3
			Peter Whitley	1	1	0

Squash Report (Contd.)

Grade	de Player		Games	Wins	Losses	
	C3	_	Grant Heggarty	12	6	6
			Ed Moore (C)	14	2	12
			Clif Priest	13	12	1
			Russell Butler	10	8	2
	C4	-	Garry Phillips	14	0	14
			Wayne Rastall	10	2	8
			John Healy	4	1	3
			Greg Kelly	11	2	9
			Dan Power (C)	14	1	13

The A'ers, after an indifferent start to the season, powered home from 6th at the end of Round 9 to finish Third.

The C3 team performed consistently throughout the season, finishing in 3rd position.

Both the A4 and C3 have the team to win a pennant - good luck, fellas.

The C4 team continued all season to meet opposition stronger than themselves. Congratulations to the boys for giving a 100% effort every week. This experience should prove to be a stepping stone to a pennant next season.

Congratulations also to Clif Priest. For the second season he has won the RAY PONTIFEX AWARD for "The Most Consistent".

MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Dan Power Squash Chairman.

Squash Report -

Photograph of D3 Pennant winning side



<u>R-L</u> - Greg Kelly, Dan Power (Captain), Wayne Rastall Grant Heggarty

JUNIOR SQUASH

SUMMER COMPETITION

A first for 'The Briars' Squash. Thanks to the fine efforts of John Price, we now have two Junior Squash teams. They play from the Five Dock Squash Centre representing "The Briars". The bous are pupils from De La Salle, Ashfield.

Grade			Player	Games	Wins	Losses
	B2	-	Philip Byrne (C)	6	6	0
			Joe Burgio	3	1	2
			Mark lacano	4	4	0
			Michael Katsoulotos	6	3	3
	C3	—	Badwe Sarkis	6 ·	6	2
,			Adam Brockhurst	2	2	0
			Ben Kwock	6	6	0
			Adrian Leartardi	2	1	1
	Reser	ves –	F. Abraham	2	1	1
			B. Souvid	2	2*	0

* One win in **B2**.

With two rounds to go the B2 team are in 3rd position -4 points behind the leaders. With the good form the boys are showing, the minor premiership is not an impossibility.

Led by Captain Badwe Sarkis and strongly supported by Ben Kwock, the C3's are leading the competition. They are strong favourites for the minor premiership and pennant.

Dan Power Squash Chairman.

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BASKETBALL ANNUAL REPORT 1987

Another successful year was experienced by Briars Basketball. All teams transferred from Western Suburbs competition, which was played at Concord High School, to the Parramatta Basketball Association which is located at Wyatt Park, Lidcombe.

Four senior teams began the year - one women's and three men's. All experienced success

of one kind or another. The women's team which was organised and run by Lesley McGifford made it to the finals of the major competition, only to be defeated by a very narrow margin. The A reserve men also made it to the final series but cracked under the pressure once again.

As Basketball Chairman, I would like to express my thanks to the following people who helped organise the teams through the year — Lesley McGifford, Bill Hooker, Marty Watts and Jon Price. Jon being involved with the junior side of Basketball, while Bill and Marty with the C grade men's teams.

Basketball is proving to be a tremendously social sport for the club where existing members who are involved in other serious competition sports can play basketball on a social basis. Hopefully, this aspect will continue and develop over the coming years.

1987 also saw two junior teams taking part in the Western Suburbs U16 competition. These teams were known as the Concord Briars and we hope that their participation will continue in the Bi-centenary year.

At present the Spring competition is half way through and is due to finish on December 12. This makes it a very long year when the first comp. began at the beginning of February. The people who have played all three competitions this year have paid around \$150. in basketball fees. So basketball is not a cheap sport but is comparable with most other indoor sports and a lot more enjoyable. So try it, you might like it!

STOCKDALE TROPHY - Bill Hooker

BOB PERL Basketball Chairman.

A – Reserve Men

The A Reserve Men's team had an up and down year. They played some very good basketball and some very bad.

The team consisted of:- Steve Schomberg, Jeff Lofts, Eric Woldarski, Bob Perl, Ben Seaman, Earl May, Brett Coventry, Murray Brown and Steve Crucline.

This team has played with each other in various sides for a period of 10 years and they still enjoy their basketball. Hopefully, next year will be even more successful for them.

BOB PERL.

C2 BASKETBALL REPORT -

Although not successful in making the finals of the Autumn/Winter competition, the team displayed a marked improvement as the long competition evolved. By the end of the rounds, a strong combination had developed and has continued on into the Spring competition. At the time of writing the team is undefeated after 6 rounds.

The improved performance of the team was largely due to the acquisition of Brian Neale. A basketballer from Adelaide who was 'hanging-around' the stadium looking for a game, we were most fortunate to grab him at that time. He has added a lot of zest into the team and combined with solid players in John Dickman and Ed Moore to provide a strong scoring combination. The defence was well served by Marty Woldarski, Robert Sœvi and yours truly. Steve Fisher was our only 'tall-timber' and was continually worked overtime, but was very effective in scoring a large share of the baskets.

We were also privileged to see the emergence of Paul "Bandsaw" Bevins as a basketballer. His ability to get to "second phase" ball and slip in the short passes, completely fooled most opposition - Basketball will never be the same !

The team also enjoyed the skills and speed of Gerard Price towards the end of the season, which again was a major contributor to our improved performance.

In all, an enjoyable but strenuous season.

BILL HOOKER.

BRIARS C2 MEN -

This team had a very enjoyable year and enjoyed their basketball as well. They were fortunate enough to see the reappearance of Dave Jamieson, witness the experience of a Briars ex-President in Ian Blair.

In the major competition which ran over a period of 3 months, this side finished 6th out of 13 teams. This, in itself is a tremendous effort. A number of players joined and left this team, however this has not dampened their enthusiasm. Rob Kirkby has proved to be a strong and reliable player, along with the ever-reliable Marty Watts. If all goes well, this team will be a force in '88.

HOUSE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I took over as House Chairman midway through the year and since then I have arranged the sporting premiership photos in chronological order. Also I have been fixing the day-to-day maintenance of the club rooms.

At the moment we are discussing the upgrading of the games room, wanting to make it lighter, brighter, better ventilated and generally more attractive for the members' use.

I would like to thank Col Dayman for his assistance during the year, as he and I have been working together to maintain the club rooms, that we are so lucky to have, so that members and friends can come along and enjoy all the facilities.

DAVID BACCARINI.

1987 N.S.W. OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 1987 N.S.W. Open Golf Tournament was held at the Concord Golf Club, Concord, between 15 - 19th October, 1986.

A Golf Management Committee comprising of Messrs. I. Richard, P. Mansford, W. Hooker and J. Threlfo was formed to oversight the Briars Club involvement and handle negotiations with the organisers, Tuohy Allan and Associates.

The organisers agreed to upgrade the course facilities to be made available to Briars but, at the same time, expected the functions undertaken by the Briars Club to be handled in a professional manner. It is pleasing to report that the personnel who volunteered their services on behalf of the Club reacted to the challenge in a most positive manner and the organisers were unstinting in their praise of the contribution made by the Briars Club to the successful running of the tournament.

It would take up too much space to list all volunteers individually but you can be assured that the efforts of each person, whether they were available for one day or five days, were much appreciated. Special mention is made of the following people who worked for four to five days and the Club is indebted for their contribution:

Paul Latham	Ian Richard	Ollie Osterman
Ben Seaman	Charlie Williams	David Blair
Marty Watts	Kath Williams	Bob & Stuart Liddell
Fred Schomberg	Bob Perl	Ian Richards
Bob Streeter	Alan Thompson	Doug Staniforth
Ern & Barry Jones	Peter Mansford	Dan Power

We also wish to acknowledge the assistance of George Wright in organising the "senior member" contingent without whom, quite frankly, the Club would not have been able to meet all the commitments. Thanks George, for a job well done!

Of course, "Ollie's Trolley" was again a hugh success and special thanks to Club member Ollie Osterman for the many hours of selfless work put in to getting the ball retriever to operate in such an efficient manner.

The break-up of funds was the same as previous years, i.e. half of the gross amount to be split up between the sports/functions on a pro-rata basis:

Rugby	36.8%	Cricket	24.7%	Focus	12.5%
Golden Oldies	7.8%	Basketball	6.5%	Hockey	5.4%
Squash	2.9%	Junior Hockey	2.4%	Netball	0.5%

W. Hooker and J.F. Threlfo for Golf Management Committee.

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 26th snow season at Thredby. 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 micro-wave 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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FOCUS - 1987

With the 5 editions of FOCUS for 1987 already completed, it is with regret that I must say the quality and quantity of articles has declined. The number of regular contributors has decreased as has the size of the publication. Perhaps this may change in '88.

However, to produce such a publication requires the financial support of our advertisers and the following contributors for 1987 must be thanked sincerely:

Mortlock Insurance, Richardson & Wrench, Kerry Trollope Antiques, Sercombe, Staniforth and Mattick, Pymble Timber Company, Raine & Horne and Len Hollis Automotive Refinishers.

Your support was appreciated during the year and it is hoped will continue into 1988, along with other new advertisers.

Also, the following people must be thanked for their contributions:

Advertising	Col Denn is
Rugby	Geoff Moss
Cricket	Gerard Price/Stuart Lind
Hockey – Senior	Team Captains
'' – Junior	Paul Huggett
Basketball – Womens	Lesley McGifford
- Mens	Marty Watts, Bill Hooker
Squash	Dan Power
Junior Recruitment	John Price
Social	Paul Price/Larry Thompson
Netball	Jo Weber
Golf	John Threlfo

Once again, my thanks to Grant Heggarty for his "behind the scenes" work in updating records and arranging the printing of each edition.

With the support of **all** club members in 1988 I'm sure we can make the FOCUS a more worthwhile publication.

GERARD PRICE

Focus Chairman.

SOCIAL REPORT

The 1987 Social Year kicked off with our Annual excursion to the bookmakers at the trots night at Harold Park at which the majority of the 100 members and guests who attended appeared to finish ahead (if not with the bookies, certainly with the seafood and champagne).

The Car Rally was once again taken out by our Honorary Exec., Chang and wife. Is it true he has 'Briar' knowledge to the route? The highlights of the day was no doubt Chang taking bribes from the younger Price and his cronies for false information and our dedicated Squash Chairman, Dan Power finishing the course around sunset when everyone was packing up their cars for the wobbly trip home (seemed to be a large number of wives and girl-friends who weren't driving when the cars arrived, driving home).

The Annual Ball at Canterbury Racecourse was an outstanding night and it is rumoured some of the 250 who enjoyed the food, wine and dancing at Canterbury still had the bow-ties in place in the early hours back at the club, for the post-dancing debriefing.

The Annual Dinner at Concord Golf Club was an outstanding night, with a record number in attendance to enjoy the wit and humour of big Maxie Walker. This will be a hard one to top in the Bi-centennial year. Perhaps we can get government funding for next year's dinner? One great thing about the Annual Dinners is that it brings all the older members out and gives them a chance to catch up with their old sporting comrades, over a few beers.

Along these lines, Ted Stockdale has continued to organise his 'Old Members' Friday nights and it would be great to see a few more turn up to discuss 'the good old days'.

David Guille and Joey Lancuba were responsible for a couple of successful Rock 'n Roll nights at the club and anyone who doubts what great nights these are should ask the tenants downstairs as they assess the structural damage done to their premises on the Monday after these events.

By the time of the Annual General Meeting the Christmas drinks party will have been held for 1987 but I have it on good authority there will be Christmas drinks on every Friday night in December at the club, so why not join us. After all every night at the Briars is a social occasion. It's that kind of place.

All the best for a big Bi-centennial year at the Club.

LARRY THOMPSON Social Chairman.

SENIOR STEWARD REPORT

It is pleasing to present this report, both in view of the financial aspect as well as the improvement in draught beer.

This has been a result of regular cleaning of the beer lines as well as maintaining clean glasses and fresh supplies of beer.

A very popular innovation has been the introduction of Light beer on tap - although some Reschs drinkers don't agree.

We have managed to open on all Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights and other nights have also been used by the various sports.

It is envisaged that the proposed updating of the games room will assist with the club patronage.

Being a club which relies on voluntary labour, it can be difficult to have all tasks done properly but I would like to thank Greg Mitchell, who has been mainly responsible for the cellar work and has contributed greatly to the improved draught beer.

Also Dave Baccarini has been very helpful in relation to glass cleaning and his assistance in general has been greatly appreciated.

At times it is difficult to get people to work behind the bar but I would especially like to again mention the above two gentlemen and also Dave Cooke who have been only too prepared to help on the bigger nights and special events.

Also, whilst I mention people working behind the bar, I would be remiss if I didn't include Ted Stockdale.

Besides handling the cash register, he also can be seen in action early on both Friday and Saturday nights and has even been known to shout patrons a drink - pity he's so cranky about it though.

In summation, I think it has been a very successful bar trading year and it can only improve.

So when you are looking for a night out, or even a few quick drinks, why not call into the Club.

COL DAYMAN Bar Steward.

BRIAR'S NETBALL ANNUAL REPORT 1987

I have great pleasure in forwarding the Briar's Netball Annual Report and the results that we have gained this year.

We again entered the winter comp. with four teams, one of these teams, E Grade, found it difficult to compete without the seven players required for each game and dropped out through the season, with the expectation of returning to the competition in 1988. The other three teams went extremely well with the B2 Bombers and the D2 Berries making the grand finals.

The B2 Bombers went through the season undefeated only to draw the grand final after putting ourselves under a lot of pressure. The D2 Berries, after just managing to slip into the semis in fourth position (and that on a forfeit by another side) did very well to reach the grand final only to lose by one goal.

The Summer comp. just started and is a mid-week comp. and we have entered just two teams and at this stage of the season are performing with satisfaction.

FINANCE:

At present we have \$232.80 in the bank and \$75.00 on hand, received from fees for the Summer comp. We purchased during the season, two balls and two sets of tags. We are in no current need of any expenditure till next season.

Best Regards,

JO WEBER

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JUNIOR RECRUITMENT

As we reflect on the year gone by and count the disappointing results experienced in almost every sport, we ask why? In 1986/87, every sport experienced difficulty in attracting comfortable quantities and/or high quality prayers, so again we ask why?

1986/87 signalled the exhaustion of previous recruitment via 'bringing your mates along'. We needed to adopt a higher profile in the local area and attract those players who previously drifted into one of the many other local clubs.

With the introduction of our Junior Recruitment program, we now boast 2 basketball and 2 squash junior teams. Both cricket and rugby have started to enjoy an influx of players from

Junior Recruitment (Contd.)

local schools, and with the current programs involving these schools, 1988 will almost certainly prove just how substantial are the benefits of promoting the Briars to teenage students.

To date, the biggest problem has been the lack of manpower able to spend 1-2 hours every fortnight coaching these students. If you are one of the many 'ARM CHAIR' members who can afford the time to assist in our junior program, this is your big chance. I'm sure you would thoroughly enjoy such work, which requires a minimal amount of time and effort.

Finally, many thanks to Dan Power, Denis Twomey and Margaret Knap for their time and effort in ensuring the success of our junior squash and basketball teams. The boys involved are excellent ambassadors for our club and we look forward to a long association.

See ya at the Club,

JOHN PRICE.

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ROTHWELL PARK CHANGING ROOMS AND AMENITIES BLOCK

Briars and Concord Council have completed negotiations for a joint project to upgrade the changing rooms and facilities at Rothwell Park.

The building commenced early November and completion is expected late January or early February, 1988, so the new facilities will be available for the latter part of the Cricket season.

The building's design was initially put together by a club member – Architect, Terry Daly – and subsequent designs have been carried out by the Council along the same lines as the changing room facilities at Major's Bay, which it will resemble in outward appearance and vandal proofing. The change rooms will be the same width as at present and flanked on one side by a store and the other by a kiosk, which will have a bar height counter with roller shutter and facilities inside for the preparation of snacks. A verandah the same depth as at present will stretch across the full width of the building. The depth of the change rooms will be increased to provide clothes hanging and bench space in each, for forty players. At the rear of each change room will be a full width shower room with five showers. The shower rooms will be fully tiled and the floor of the change rooms will be tiled. The showers have been designed to provide hot showers for at least 120 people in one afternoon, in four groups, one hour apart. Tiled public toilet facilities are included at the rear to accommodate players and spectators.

Rothwell Park (Contd.)

The cost of the project is \$48,000 and will be met by a grant from the Dept. of Sport and Recreation of \$20,000 and the remainder by Briars and Concord Council.

ADMINISTRATION

Both the Board of Directors and the Management Committee met on 12 occasions during the period 1st October 1986 to 30th September, 1987. Attendance by members was as follows:-

BOARD -	P. Richardson	_	12	
BUARD -	J. Staniforth		11	
	C. Dennis		11	
	C. Walker	_	7	
	I. Richard	_	10	
	J. Crockart		9	
	P. Mansford	_	6	
	W. Hooker	_	12	
	B. Robinson	_	8	
MANAGEMENT -	P. Richardson	—	12	
	P. Bowyer	-	11	
	J. Threlfo	-	8	Appointed December, 1986
	M, Watts	-	6	
	D. Baccarini		4	Appointed May, 1987
	G. Price	_	2	
	J. Price	_	7	
	T. Wozniak	-	1	Resigned October, 1986
	G. Moss	_	6	Appointed November, 1986
	S. Schomberg	_	11	Appointed October, 1986
	R. Perl	_	6	
	C. Dayman		12	Appointed October, 1986
	S. Kovacs	·	4	Appointed Getebol, 1999
				Appointed February, 1987
	L. Thompson	_		Appointed rebidary, 1907
	D. Power		8	

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 **Gerard Price.** Gerard is an extremely active sportsman in cricket, hockey and basketball, as well as a key promoter of junior sport and recruitment within the Club. He is also the editor of the Focus magazine.

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	· <u> </u>	35 points
Conduct		15 points
General Keenness	_	15 points
Value to Club as a member	_	25 points
Neatness of dress	-	10 points
		100 points

This trophy has been won by **Gerard Price**. Gerard has been a regular member of the 'A' shires side over the last few seasons and his form in 1986/87 was outstanding. Well done, Gerard.

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 Keenness	-	15 points	
Value as a Club member		15 points	
Neatness of Uniform		10 points	
		100 points	

Geoff Moss is the winner of this trophy. Geoff is the current rugby chairman and his efforts in this capacity as well as on the field, has been outstanding. Congratulations, Geoff.

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 Administrati	on —	20 points
Value to the Club other than	Hockey	– 20 points
Conduct on field of play	-	15 points
Neatness of dress	-	10 points
		100 points

The winner for this year is Laszlo Kovacs. Laszlo'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, Laszlo.

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
Keenness as a player	-	20 points
Improvement as a player	-	15 points
Conduct on the Squash Court	-	15 points
Neatness of dress	_	10 points
		100 points

Dan Power is this year's winner. Dan's contribution to Squash this year has been outstanding. Congratulations, Dan.

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 Basket-ball player on the following basis:-

Value as a team member	-	35 points
Value as a Club member	_	25 points
General Keenness	-	15 points
Neatness of Uniform	-	10 points
Conduct	-	15 points
		100 points

This year's winner of this trophy is **Bill Hooker**. Bill has held together his team and has been responsible for the recruitment of many new basketballers to the Club. Good Work, Bill.

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 **Mathew McFarlane.** As well as playing junior hockey, he has also played in the senior sides. Well done, Mathew.

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 **Mark Guest**. Mark had an outstanding season in his first year, quickly establishing himself as an integral part of the Kentwell Cup backline.

ROBERT BRUCE CLARK - OUTWARD BOUND SCHOLARSHIP

At the time of going to press, the award of the 1988 Annual Outward Bound Scholarship, established by Bob Clark, is still to be determined.

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, 1987

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)	C. K. Dennis
R. I. Richard	J. F. Crockart
J. Staniforth	P. Mansford
C. D. Walker	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 \$27,538 (1986 --\$24,995).
- (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	20th	day of	November,	1987.
		On behalf of t with the Resol	the Board and in acco lution	ordance
		(Sgd.) P. P. D. RICH	D. Richardson HARDSON	irector
		(Sgd.) J. J. F. CRO	F. Crockart CKART	irector

THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1987

RESERVES & ACCUMULATION ACC	OUNT	1987	<u>1986</u>
General Reserve	(Note 9)		\$ 19,327
ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT			
Balance 30.9.86		139,581	114,586
ADD: Profit Year Ended 30.9.87		27,538	24,995
Transfer from General Reserve		19,327	
Total Accumulated Earnings		\$ <u>186,446</u>	\$ <u>139,581</u>
Total Reserves and Accumulated Earnin	ngs	\$ <u>186,446</u>	\$ 158,908
This is represented by:-			
FIXED ASSETS Land and Buildings	(Note 4)	22,307	22,683
Furniture, Fittings, Air Conditioner,		22,007	22,000
Cash Register, Carpet and Vinyl Floor	(Note 5)	12,835	14,818
		\$ 35,142	\$_37,501
INVESTMENTS	(Note 6)	165,023	124,000
Trust Funds	(Note 7)	2,691	2,466
		\$ 167,714	\$ 126,466
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CURRENT ASSETS		14 146	0.155
Stock at Lower Cost or Market Value Prepayments		14,146 4,346	9,155 2,959
Debtors		5,857	4,492
Cash at Bank		206	11,833
Cash on Hand		100	189
		\$ 24,655	\$ 28,628
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Total Assets		\$ 227,511	\$ 192,595
LESS: LIABILITIES			
Trust Funds	(Note 7)	\$ 2,691	\$ 2,466
DEBENTURES			
5% Debentures Maturing 30th September		600 2,500	600 2,500
Interest Free Debentures Maturing 30th	September, 1991		
		\$ <u>3,100</u>	\$ 3,100
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provision for Deferred Maintenance		7,000	7,000
Trade Creditors and Accruals		16,729	6,384
Subscriptions Paid in Advance Provision for Sport Development		845 10,700	2,848 11,889
		\$_35,274	\$ <u>28,121</u>
Total Liabilities		\$ 41,065	\$_ <u>33,687</u>
		\$ <u>41,005</u> \$186,446	\$ <u>53,087</u> \$158,908
Excess of Assets Over Liabilities The accompanying notes form part of	these accounts.	\$ <u>100,440</u>	\$ 100,900
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THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED (A Company Limited by Guarantee) BAR TRADING AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1987

BAR RECEIPTS			
Sales		<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>
Less: Cost of Sales		37,110	32,046
		17,877	19,375
Gross Bar Profit		\$ 19,233	\$ 12,671
LESS: BAR OPERATING EXPENSES			
Liquor Licence		1.00.4	4 504
Bar Expenses and Maintenance		1,884 3,117	1,534 3,753
Depreciation of Bar Equipment		561	3,733 702
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		\$ 5,562	\$ 5,989
Bar Trading Profit		13,671	6,682
ADD: INCOME FROM			
Property Rents		25,875	24,308
Members' Subscriptions		6,497	7,713
Interest Received		16,457	16,292
N.S.W. Open Golf Championship		8,609	8,057
Sundry Income	<i>b</i>	175	671
Net Surplus (Cost) Sporting Activities	(Note 3)	(4,595)	2,049
Surplus (loss) on Social Activities		(66)	115
		\$66,623	\$65,887
LESS: OPERATING EXPENSES			
Administration and Club Room Expenses		21,215	18,249
Property Expenses	(Note 2)	8,316	7,288
Depreciation of Furniture, Fittings, Air			
Conditioner, Cash Register, Carpet and Vinyl Floor		2,420	0.055
Amortisation Rothwell Park facility		3,334	2,855
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		\$ 35,285	\$ 28,392
OPERATING PROFIT		31,338	37,495
LESS: Transfer to Provision for Deferred	Maintenance		5,000
Transfer to Provision for Sport D	evelopment	3,800	7,500
		3,800	12,500
SURPLUS FOR YEAR TRANSFERRED	TO ACCUMULATION		
ACCOUNT		\$27,538	\$ 24,995
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The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

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THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED (A Company Limited by Guarantee)

NOTES FORMING PART OF THE 1987 ACCOUNTS

			1987	1986
1.	ADMINISTRAT	TION AND CLUB ROOM EXPENSES		
		nance and Cleaning	6,347	5,729
		age, Telephone, Bank Charges		
	and Television		3,239	3,375
	Lighting and He	•	2,062	2,376
	Annual Reports		2,994	2,675
	Insurance – Ge	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,509	1,344
	ાnterest Paid	ports Injury	1,264 57	- 42
	Billiards and Ta	ble Tennis	50	124
	Focus		1,666	546
	Donations and	Presentations	364	500
	General Expens		1,663	1,538
			\$ 21,215	\$ 18,249
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2.	PROPERTY EX	PENSES	2.890	2,630
	Insurance Rates		5,050	4,282
	Depreciation of	Ruildings	376	376
	Depreciation of	Bundings		
			\$ <u>8,316</u>	\$ <u>7,288</u>
3.	NET COST OF	SPORTING ACTIVITIES		
υ.	Hockey:	Ground Hire, Gear, etc.	4,557	4,950
	HOGREY .	Less: Receipts for year	3,930	4,425
		Net Cost of Hockey	\$ 627	\$ 525
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	Cricket:	Ground Hire, Gear, etc.	9,103	10,647
		Less: Receipts for year	7,278	9,643
		Net Cost of Cricket	\$ 1,825	\$ 1,004
	Football:	Cround Hiro, Coor, etc.	13,619	6,005
	FOOTDalle	Ground Hire, Gear, etc. Less: Receipts for year	13,120	8,562
		Net cost/(Surplus) of Football	\$ <u>499</u>	\$ (2,557)
	Squash:	Court Hire, Gear, etc.	2,065	1,107
	•	Less: Receipts for year	1,737	2,338
		Net Cost/(Surplus) of Squash	\$ 328	\$ (1,231)
	Basketbali:	Court Hire, Gear, etc.	4,237	5,081
		Less: Receipts for year	2,921	4,871
		Net Cost Basketball	\$ <u>1,316</u>	\$ 210
	NET COST/(SL	IRPLUS)SPORTING ACTIVITIES	\$ 4,595	\$ (2,049)
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THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED (A Company Limited by Guarantee) NOTES FORMING PART OF THE 1987 ACCOUNTS

		1987	1986
4.	LAND AND BUILDINGS		
	At Cost	28,772	28,772
	Less: Accumulated Depreciation	6,465	6,089
		\$ 22,307	\$ 22.683
5.	FURNITURE AND FITTINGS		
	At Cost	38,942	37,944
	Less: Accumulated Depreciation	26,107	23,126
		\$ 12,835	\$ 14,818
6.	INVESTMENTS		
	Secured Debentures in Listed Companies at cost	109,000	39,000
	Government Bonds at Cost	-	10,000
	Deposits – at Call	56,023	75,000
		\$ 165,023	\$124,000
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 Cash at Bank	700 631	700 523
		\$ 1,331	\$ 1,223
	J. Sheehan Sporting Scholarship:		
	Secured Debentures in Listed Companies Cash At Bank	700 660	700 543
		\$ 1,360	\$ 1,243
8.	PROVISION FOR SPORT DEVELOPMENT		
	BALANCE – 1st October, 1986	\$ 11,889	
	Add: Transfer from Income and Expenditure Statement	3,800	
		15,689	
	Less: Expenditure for Year	4,989	
	BALANCE – 30th September, 1987	\$ 10,700	
9.	GENERAL RESERVE		
	BALANCE – 1st October, 1986	\$ 19,327	
	Less: Transfer to Accumulation Account	19,327	
	Balance – 30th September, 1987	\$ -	
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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE 1987 ACCOUNTS (Contd.)

10. 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.

11. 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.

(c) The accounts have been prepared on the basis preceding the new Schedule 7 requirements dated 1st October, 1986.

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER, 1987

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, 1987;
- (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 Applicable Approved Accounting Standards.

DATED at SYDNEY this 20th day of November, 1987.

On behalf of the Board and in accordance with the Resolution

(Sgd) P. D. Richardson P. D. RICHARDSON

(Sgd) J. F. Crockart 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:-

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, 1987, 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 applicable approved accounting standards and Australian Accounting Standards.

DATED at SYDNEY this

20th

day of

November,

1987.

(Sgd.) C. G. Jones

C. G. JONES Chartered Accountant.

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