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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Your Board of Directors and Management Committee present for consideration by members the Seventy-Fourth Annual Report of the clubs financial position and activities for the year ended 30th September, 1992.

**Gentlemen,**

During the past year, your management committee, supported by the Board of Directors, have moved to re-affirm certain standards expected of those who wish to be known as "A Briar".

Over the 74 years of our club certain thinking and values have changed, and that is accepted, however the Management Committee is unable to accept any lowering of set standards, and more importantly, the committee is unable to accept from the members any disrespect for "The Briars" as a club and therefore disrespect for those founding and subsequent members whose foresight allowed us to be part of the unique situation we enjoy today.

There are a very few members who, sadly, tend to forget that they are charged with carrying on the standards of the Briars for those who come after, not only in sporting activities but also within the clubrooms. These standards are most easily passed on by setting of example — by having the courage to be a "Briar" on the field and within the clubrooms.

During the year your Management Committee took disciplinary action against three members.

Last years report indicated that plans were a-foot to carry out certain building work on our premises. A building committee was formed with a brief to source information and make recommendations with regard to upgrading to any necessary council requirements, provide amenities upstairs for male use, aesthetically improve the building so that it is complimented by other recent development in the area and importantly so investigate upgrading our commercial shops downstairs, so that a market rental can be achieved now and in the future. Currently the shops are in poor repair and the current economic climate would not allow the club to achieve a good rental. The building committee has recommended to the board that we proceed with application to council for development approval based on plans which were displayed in the clubrooms and covering generally work discussed above.

Many would be surprised to know that this year we came within an ace of winning a premiership in each of our major sports. We were successful in winning the Richardson Cup in Rugby, Basketball won a premiership in C2 Grade and Squash not only won Pennants in C3 and E1 but they also won the club



championship for the first time from 41 other clubs. Hockey lost a very close game in the 1st Grade Grand Final and in Cricket the 'A' shire team were robbed of a winning chance by inclement weather.

Any premiership winning team in any sport is a great boost for the club in general, and to win premierships in sports such as Rugby and Basketball, which have been struggling recently, adds great excitement and expectation for the following season or competition. However, without wishing to put a dampner on the achievements of our sports last year, the premierships and near misses, save for Squash, were not a reflection of any great strength in the sports. Junior recruitment is well subsidised by the board, and all administrators of sport are going to have to look long and hard at their depth of quality players if we are to continue participating at reasonable standards. Plans for action should be put in place now, with the intention of recruiting junior players into our ranks. We must be vigorous in our recruitment – players with ability will generally not walk in the door – they will go where they are invited, wooed or where their friends go. I know all sporting chairmen are aware of their obligations in this regard.

When the winning feeling is still evident is the best time to recruit and encourage further development, build enthusiasm and determination to continue to win. Rumour is that certain Richardson Cup coaches and players will be lecturing all new members in the art of "Partying as a winner".

Congratulations to the sports administrators and players on premierships and near misses. We look forward to more success next year.

Next year is our 75th Anniversary which will be celebrated throughout the twelve months. An athletics day has been organised for early in the year and we will look to our normal social activities, such as the Annual Dinner and our Dinner Dance to be large anniversary celebrations. Rugby, Cricket and Hockey are planning gala days and of course we expect our old members night to be bigger and better than ever. Ted Stockdale's old members night this year attracted over 200 members and we were fortunate to have two of our founders, patrons Bob Clark and Fred Lucas in attendance. Fred travelled from Wagga for the night and of course Bob is now a resident of Sydney.

Too many committees, sub committees, sub-sub committees with associated time and effort make honorary administration an onerous task. The future directors committee, an extension of a planning committee formed some 25 years ago, has, as the name suggests, a brief to, among other things, set guidelines for the future growth and direction of the club. This committee is currently active, as it will be from time to time as required and with an agenda covering current aspects of sporting activities and administration and any way more efficient requirements may be implemented should they be warranted.

Financially the club is in a strong position due to income from current investments and property rentals, sound bar trading and receipts from our Golf

Tournament activities. However, it must be remembered that a substantial portion of our investment funds will be expended on our building maintenance/upgrade program. The Hooker-Threlfo Golf dynamos should be congratulated on once again organising our tournament golf involvement which provides invaluable income for the sports.

Two overseas tours will take place next year – Cricket to England and Rugby Golden Oldies to a tournament in Ireland. We congratulate them, wish them well and hope that their initiative will alert other sections of the club of the benefit of attracting good players when you are known as “A Touring Club”, not to mention the enormous spirit built up on every one of these exciting trips.

My thanks go to the management committee who have been asked by me to take a different direction than previous years on certain matters. It is not an easy job to perform some of the less attractive tasks within the club, but it is gratifying to me that this management committee is displaying strength in its day to day management of club affairs. Once some more “bumps” are gone the club will operate smoothly and I look forward to working with a strong committee next year. My particular appreciation to John Threlfo and Brett Howle who handle the executive officer positions with distinction.

During the year we saw Col Dayman and Michael Clarke retire from management and Phil England from the board. The effort and time that these three members have devoted to the Briars is well known. We congratulate and thank them.

We would remind all members that our club is a self help organisation and ask you to assist in furthering the success of our club by contributing, either as a player, an administrator or as a member who keeps contact by attending sporting events, social events or comes to the club for a drink on Fridays. We can't exist without enthusiasm from members.

In conclusion we congratulate the successful clubs we have competed against and to the others for the opportunity of enjoying our sporting contact. We record our appreciation for the support we received from our municipal authorities in Burwood and Concord Councils and Cumberland College of Health Sciences for the use of their oval during the year. We also thank the following bodies for making competitions available.

Sydney Rugby Referees Association  
NSW Suburban Rugby Union  
Sydney Hockey Association  
Sydney Hockey Umpires Association  
Squash Racquets Association of NSW

Bankstown Basketball Association  
Parramatta Basketball Association  
NSW Cricket Association  
Council of Municipal and Shire Clubs  
City and Suburban Cricket Association

**CRAIG R. HICKEY, PRESIDENT**

## OBITUARIES

### **L. B. (Peter) Meulman**

Peter passed away in June, age 85. Peter joined the club in 1922 and had the distinction of playing in our first grade cricket and rugby sides. Had never played cricket before but over the years developed into a good bat and a useful slow bowler. He played breakaway in the 1st XV.

Peter was a club treasurer for a number of years and assisted in other administration duties. He helped organise the church service at St. Anne's Strathfield for the War Memorial Plaque dedication for those members who lost their lives in World War II. The plaque, draped with the Australian Flag hangs proudly in the club lounge room.

### **R. V. (Vernie) Buzacott**

Vernie joined the club in the mid thirties and played cricket. His two brothers Dick and Jack were also members.

To the families of the above we extend our deepest sympathy. Both were members until their untimely deaths.

### **Ted Stockdale**

## **CRICKET - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

1991/92 season will be looked upon as a season where we came so near and yet so far. There has never been a more frustrating season where injuries are concerned with key players being either unavailable or restricted in their performance up until Christmas.

After this, we seemed to have all players available and our performances reflected this with all teams being in a position to make the semis prior to the last round. All things considered it was a very good season with all players able to be proud of the way we put together some very good team performances.

To illustrate how close the competitions were, all grades had to win their last round matches against Macquarie University in order to make the semi-finals. Unfortunately, only the A grade could achieve this with the other three grades losing narrowly and as such, missing the semis

We finished third in the Club Championship and if we can maintain the talent we currently have in the Club a win here is not too far away.

Once again, there were many outstanding individual performances during the year with the following but a few:

- A Grade 'losing' the final when the second day was washed out.
- Steve Stapelfeldt scoring 2 magnificent centuries (including one in the semi-final) and also topping the association averages.
- Johnny Platania scoring his maiden century for the Club and finishing 5th in the Association averages.
- the Under 24's great victory over Wentworthville.
- David Aboods great double of a century and 7 wickets in the same game.

The final standings for the season were as follows:

A Grade	2nd
B Grade	5th
C Grade	6th
D Grade	5th
Club Championship	3rd
Under 16	8th
Under 14a	1st
Under 14b	2nd

Unfortunately, this season we were unable to arrange any pre-season games due to the unavailability of any cricket grounds but the extensive training in the lead up to the competition ensured we were well prepared.

During the season there were also several annual events which involved many of the players. These included:

- the annual 'Double Wicket' competition held at Goddard Park. This involved some 26 players plus some of our juniors with the eventual winners being Paul Price and Kyri Kyriakides.
- the Schools 7-a-side competition which was once again organised by David Abood and involved 7 schools. The day was eventually won by Homebush.
- a mid season tour to Wagga to play a limited overs game under lights. We won.

Of course, there was also a couple of social events which took place and assisted in the fund raising. They included:

- Karaoke Night (Pre-season)
- Harbour Cruise
- End of Season Award Night

There is no doubt that any sport in the Club cannot operate successfully without the assistance of many people. Firstly, to the Ted Stockdale, our most ardent supporter who religiously turns up at Rothwell to prepare and clean up the afternoon tea. We appreciate your efforts and support and hope to see you for many years to come.

This season, Ted was accompanied at many of the games by Bob Clark. It was fantastic to see Bob at the games offering his support and words of encouragement.

Another of the Clubs members who provided his continued support was David Blair. We thank him once again for his encouragement during the season.

This season we were once again provided with one of the best turf wickets in Shires, being Rothwell Park. To Concord Council we offer our congratulations and thanks for their facilities. These included the use of Goddard Park for the Double Wicket and the Schools 7-a-side, Majors Bay Oval practice nets, and of course, Rothwell Park.

We would also like to thank Cumberland College, Lidcombe for the use of their synthetic wicket for our C & D grade teams.

On behalf of the Burwood Club we would like to congratulate the following successful teams:

A Grade	Lindfield
B Grade	Lindfield
C Grade	Warringah
D Grade	Roseville
Club Championship	Lindfield

To all players who played for us during the season in any of the grades or the City and Suburban I thank you for your efforts both on and off the field and for your support of the social functions.

I would also like to thank all those who formed part of the cricket committee for the season. Your efforts were much appreciated and very valuable. I would especially like to thank Richard Tregeagle, my assistant, for all his help in the administration of cricket and to Brett Howle for his efforts.

This season the future of the City and Suburban team reached the crossroads where the number of players available was at times was very lean and in fact we were forced to forfeit a couple of games. Just prior to Christmas, Stewart Lind was able to take over the organising of this team and continued to do a magnificent job. Without his assistance the future of C & S cricket was extremely grim. Thank you Stewart (and family).

As we are all aware the future of the Club rests in the hands of our juniors. Fortunately, we have been able to secure juniors teams but not without the time and efforts of Bob and David Abood who once again managed and coached the Under-16 team as well as David's involvement in the organisation of the Schools 7-a-side. Unfortunately, their team was not so successful but we appreciate all they have done over recent years.

Also involved in the juniors and their organisation were Mark Moran, John Byers and Ted Staines who were involved in the Under 14 teams. Both teams were successful in reaching the final in their Divisions and the team coached and managed by John and Ted were undefeated premiers. Well done to all the boys involved.

Finally, I would like to thank all those supporters at the finals series and during the season. Hopefully, a premiership is not too far away.

**GERARD PRICE**  
**CRICKET CHAIRMAN.**

## A GRADE

During the off-season we were very fortunate to obtain the services of some new A grade talent as well as seeing the return of 2 'ex Briars' from the wilderness of grade cricket.

On paper, the side was close to the best in the competition but performing on the field is what counts and after 6 rounds we had only won 3 games and things weren't going right. Some changes were made and this resulted in only 1 more loss in the rounds over the remainder of the season and a semi final position.

Our first game of the season proved to be one of mixed fortunes as we were smashed all round the park when Lane Cove scored 298. But, a sensational batting performance saw us overhaul their total and achieve a remarkable victory. Some indifferent performances from the team over the next few rounds where we were unable to dismiss our opposition for reasonable totals saw us struggle in the very important pre-christmas rounds and required us to win nearly every game after Christmas to make the semis. Fortunately, our performances improved remarkably and we were able to finish in 3rd place.

One of the highlights of the season was a very valuable outright victory over Penant Hills where we dismissed them for 31 and 62 in the same day and we were only 3 runs short of a sensational outright victory on day one.

Some other notable games included the following:

vs Bexley - we were sent in on a wet wicket in this one day game and scored 5-162 thanks to a partnership of 107 between Geoff Armstrong (57) and Steve Stapelfeldt (64) and in difficult circumstances dismissed them for only 69.

vs Macquarie University - this was the last game before the semis and one we had to win to ensure a position in the top 4. With everyone well prepared for the effort, Richard Tregeagle (3-36) and Jeff Ho (2-26) bowled brilliantly to have Macquarie floundering at 5-16. They eventually scored 8-150 in this one dayer and when we stumbled to 4-52 things didn't look good. However, Bart Pozuelo (51x) and Geoff Armstrong (29) steadied the boat to see us to victory and the semis.

Semi final vs Warringah. After winning the toss and batting we were 2-43 with both openers gone. But Barty (44) and Stapo (125) combined well for 88 to put us in a more respectable position. Some more lost wickets left us at 6-179 at tea. Then Stapo and Gerard Price (26) put on 73 before we were all out for a respectable 260.

The bowling and fielding was absolutely outstanding as Jeff Ho (4-13) ripped through the upper order to have Warringah 4-19 and all but gone. The weather seemed our only obstacle to victory but consistent bowling eventually dismissed them for 100. A great victory.

## Final vs Lindfield

Once again we won the toss but sent Lindfield in on a slow track. Some good all round bowling again saw us on top as they collapsed to 7-90. But some stubborn late order resistance advanced their total to 183 before the last wicket fell.

At the end of the day we were 2-31 and on track for a victory but as usual, the rain came and washed away our chances with no play on day 2.

Throughout the season our batting was very consistent with 7 century partnerships, 2 of which were opening partnerships. Our top four batsman all notched over 350 runs in the season and as can be seen from the following figures we were once again able to bat all the way down the list.

Wicket	Average/wicket	Best partnership
1	36.53	117
2	22.19	135
3	24.73	142
4	44.82	110x
5	38.55	144
6	20.44	52x
7	16.71	73
8	17.33	53x
9	9.67	24
10	18.25	31

On behalf of all the players I would like to thank all the supporters who travelled to Warringah to watch the semi-final and to Lindfield for the final.

Also, thank you to all the players who contributed in some way to the A grade team.

## The players:

**Terry Aili** – his fielding improved tremendously this season taking some very good catches including a beauty in the semi. His batting was also very good and he scored his maiden A grade century and two 50's as well. With 5 other scores over 20 he will need to extend these scores into much bigger totals. Even bowled 10 overs.

**Paul Price** – once again had a good season and was unlucky to miss his century against Strathfield (98). Had 7 scores over 20 but another who failed to convert



these good starts. Combined with Terry in 2 century partnerships and 2 other partnerships of 80 ensuring regular good starts.

**Bart Pozuelo** – returned from the grade ranks to check out the standard of Shires and scored 1 in his first game. Didn't dominate as in past seasons but still scored an undefeated 130 against Epping and had valuable knocks against Roseville, Macquarie Uni and in the semi against Warringah. It was great to see him back as he chimed in well with 21 wickets and excellent fielding.

**Stephen Stapelfeldt** – another 'ex-gradie' who returned and performed brilliantly. Topped the Associations averages to prove he was one of the best bats in the comp. Scored an unbeaten century against Strathfield and a magnificent 125 in the semi against Warringah. Only failed to score double figures on 2 occasions and a very valuable player. Bowled a few overs including 4-23 against Baulkham Hills.

**Geoff Armstrong** – joined us from Bexley in an effort to win a premiership and proved a valuable addition to the Club. Had a couple of very good innings including 77 against Epping and an excellent 57 against his old Club. Surprisingly not given his chance to bowl especially after his Wagga performance so maybe next year.

**Gerard Price** – 'Skips' bowling was sorely missed for the first two-thirds of the season after recovering from knee surgery. However, as soon as he began to bowl the team was a class above the rest of the comp with the combination of Price/Tregeagle/Ho/Schomberg all firing and demolishing Bexley, Pennant Hills, Macquarie and Warringah in the semi in successive games. Gerard took 6-23 against Pennant Hills and hit a fine 58x against Lane Cove. Deserves an A grade premiership as skipper.

**Paul Thomas** – another who returned to the Club after a couple of years in the wilderness. Had a very good year behind the stumps taking 22 catches and proved very handy with the bat in a couple of games. Due to the upper order strength Thommo didn't get to bat very often but when he did chipped in well.

**Jeff Ho** – also joined us from Bexley and had a pretty good first year. Bowled fairly well up to Xmas but really took off after that. Took 28 wickets for the season and really led the way in the semi where he took the first 4 wickets to fall. Also bowled well against Pennant Hills and Macquarie Uni. Not a bad bat either.

**Steve Schomberg** – once again Steve performed to his ability with some very consistent efforts through the season. Finished with 23 wickets including a best of 4-13 against Bexley and regularly tied all batsmen up with a splendid line and length. Didn't have as many chances with the bat as he would have liked but he still does O.K. Makes a great afternoon tea.

**Richard Tregeagle** – joined the A's two rounds before the semis and picked up 5-21 in his first game. Still one of the best bowlers in the comp as he showed against Macquarie Uni and in the semi and final. A huge asset to the side who still has a few years left in him.

**Sean Penrose** – in his first season with us he began well with a few wickets but lost his line and length and was moved to B grade. On his day can be a good bowler but needs to improve his control.

**Paul Simpson** – Simmo couldn't reproduce the form of last season and was another who played the bulk of the year in B Grade. There's no doubt he has the ability to get back into A's.

**Peter Carapiet** – through sheer weight of runs in the lower grades the old bloke was promoted to A's and did well in a couple of his innings. Says he can bowl a bit and that he's not a bad fieldsman either. We'll wait and see.

**Shane Mantle** – only called on to play a few games in A's but did the job well. A valuable club man who will consistently play the top grade very soon.

Also, thanks must go to Frank Caristo who only played 1 game but kept wickets very well.

### Gerard Price Captain

Matches Played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Lost O/R	Lost 1st	Drawn	Points	Position
15	1	7	0	3	4	50	2nd
Runs For	Wickets For	Average For	Runs Against	Wickets Against	Average Against		
2814	103	27.32	2677	133	20.13		

## A Grade Statistics

### Batting

Name	Matches	Inn	N.O.	Runs	Avg	H.S.	50's	100's	Catches
S. Stapelfeldt	15	15	4	573	52.09	125	–	2	7
B. Pozuelo	15	17	4	483	37.15	130x	–	1	7
G. Armstrong	15	14	3	287	26.09	77	1	–	5
T. Aili	15	17	1	412	25.75	105	–	1	9
P. Price	15	17	–	391	23.00	98	–	–	8
P. Carapiet	9	5	1	79	19.75	22	–	–	2
P. Simpson	6	7	2	95	19.00	35	–	–	4
G. Price	15	10	3	131	18.71	58x	1	–	9
P. Thomas	14	9	4	93	18.60	27x	–	–	22
S. Penrose	6	5	2	34	11.33	21x	–	–	1
S. Schomberg	15	7	3	37	9.25	13x	–	–	4
J. Ho	15	7	1	51	8.50	23	–	–	3

**Also batted:** S. Mantle 1 inning for 9 runs (4 matches)  
 R. Tregaeagle 1 inning for 2 runs (n.o.) (4 matches) 2 catches  
 F. Caristo 1 inning for 0 runs (n.o.) (1 match) 1 catch

## Bowling

Name	Overs	Mdn	Wkts	Runs	Avg	Run/over	Over/Wkt	Best
R. Tregaeagle	57.5	15	14	140	10.00	2.46	4.13	5.21
G. Price	62.1	16	13	145	11.15	2.34	4.78	6.23
J. Ho	182	32	28	508	18.14	2.79	6.50	4.10
S. Schomberg	172.1	50	23	460	20.00	2.67	7.48	4.13
S. Stapelfeidt	50.1	11	7	145	20.71	2.90	7.17	4.23
B. Pozuelo	177	35	21	532	25.33	3.11	8.14	4.55
S. Penrose	93.4	19	12	335	27.92	3.60	7.81	3.24

**Also bowled:** P. Price 3/130  
 T. Aili 0/34

## B GRADE

In a tightly contested competition the B's narrowly missed the semi finals, finishing in 6th place, two points outside the four. With probably one of the most experienced sides for some time, and arguably one of the teams favoured to contest the final, a combination of misfortune and failure to grasp opportunities in tight situations cost the team dearly. During the season again influenced by the weather, the team was well placed in two of the three games washed out. Two of our three consecutive mid seasons losses were by a margin of one wicket.

A late season resurgence with four straight comprehensive wins saw the team into the final round needing a win to secure second place. Again it was a matter of missed opportunities. Sent into bat we had our opponents, Macquarie University 9 for 130 before a well compiled final wicket partnership took the score to 214 at the close of the first day's play. Given the modest target we never really recovered from the mid week injury to an opening batsman and a loss of early wickets, falling 27 runs short, despite a valiant lone hand by Brett Howle, who scored 78.

Statistically the side performed to the standard established by successful Burwood sides in recent years. With the exception of the final game, and in the three games where a declaration followed a first innings lead, the team's score exceeded 230 in every innings. Four regular batsmen achieved averages in excess of 30, together with Peter Carapiet who during a short time with the side scored 232 in four completed innings (including a majestic 124 against Wentworthville).

The bowling probably suffered from changes to personnel with the 16 wickets taken by an injury affected Shane Mantle being the highest individual tally for the season. Of particular note was the bowling performance of Peter Schouten when he joined the side in the latter part of the season. Fielding was efficient, if not quite of the high standards of recent seasons, while Frank Caristo performed most capably and enthusiastically behind the stumps.

At the risk of being seen to be repetitive, it should, however, be mentioned that the overall consistency of performance was undoubtedly affected by unavailabilities, some for valid reasons (injury, work commitments) others much less than valid (holidays, weddings, together with other mind boggling innovative ideas).

Our congratulations go to Minor Premiers Lindfield on their Premiership win. On the other hand the B's shared the disappointment of the A's once again having their Premiership opportunities denied by the now predictable March winter.

On behalf of the team, an expression of thanks go for the work and support which is often so easily taken for granted, provided by Ted Stockdale for his interest in supporting the side and in looking after our afternoon tea arrangements, Ann

James for the immaculate keeping of the score book, and Gerard Price and his Cricket Committee for the extremely competent manner in which cricket is administered in the Club. Over recent years this important factor has ensured our consistent position as one of the leading clubs in the competition.

Brief profiles of players who most contributed to the team during the season are as follows.

### **JOHN PLATANIA**

Played exceptionally well in the period to Christmas with five out of seven innings exceeding 40, including a memorable 137 against Auburn at home. John's contribution in the latter part of the season was unfortunately affected by injury and unavailability. If John is able to complement his more than capable batting skills by working a little harder to improve his contribution to the team's fielding, his overall cricketing status would be much enhanced.

### **PHIL TREGEAGLE**

During the second half of the season Phil Tregeagle was elevated to the role of opening batsman, a role he filled admirably. Despite a good start in most of his innings he was able to pass the 50 mark only once, being the first game against Lane Cove when he scored 74. Fielded well taking most catches with nine.

### **WARWICK GIBLIN**

Another with a very good first half of the season, with three scores of 60 or over, including an aggressive 92 before being run out against Wentworthville. With little cricket in the post Christmas period Warwick lost some of his early season form. He did not quite achieve the same success with the ball as in previous seasons. As usual a most competitive team member and, provided his usual tactical advice and support to the captain.

### **BRETT HOWLE**

Brett, who demonstrates all the attributes of a good team and club man, had a sound season with the bat, culminating in a final game score of 78, which with more support may well have been match winning effort. With eight, took the second most number of catches in a whole hearted fielding performance.

### **FRANK CARISTO**

1991/92 saw Frank reach a level of maturity not always evident in previous seasons. This resulted in his best ever performance in the team as wicket keeper, taking 15 catches and two stumpings. Unfortunately did not often have the opportunity to show his undoubted potential with the bat. Should continue to develop into a very good cricketer for the club.

## **BEDE MAHER**

At fourth or fifth wicket, having limited opportunities, was not able to fully exploit the undoubted potential. Provided useful variety as an occasional bowler taking eight wickets.

The legacy of a prior season shoulder injury did not permit Bede to show his usual brilliance in the outfield. Unfortunately, by returning to the country, in Bede, the club loses a fine gentleman and a very good team contributor. Would certainly be welcomed back with open arms should the opportunity arise.

## **PETER RICHARDSON (Captain)**

Batting at sixth wicket or lower and with the team now boasting an experienced complement, considers it now time to ease back after many seasons in the higher grades. In so doing, would like to express appreciation for the opportunity of leading, and enjoying the company of, those who have been part of the very good Burwood B Shire sides of recent years.

## **PAUL JAMES**

Unfortunately in a strong batting side did not often have the opportunity to display his ability with the bat. Used extensively, and continued to develop, as a reliable off spin bowler, although should endeavour to utilise flight as a variation.

## **MATT YOUNG**

Matt was lost to the side for an extended period following a groin injury in the fifth game. Bowled with usual enthusiasm and competitive spirit when he returned for the last two games.

## **PETER SCHOUTEN**

Joined the side midway through the season and bowled most impressively and utilised his high action to the fullest advantage. Peter's display in the final game against Macquarie University, when he took 5 for 54 off 21 overs was the best bowling performance of the side for the season. Needs to intensify his concentration a little more in the field.

## **SHANE MANTLE**

Through occasional promotion to the A's and injury, the side did not derive the full benefit of Shane's outstanding bowling skills. Given the scope to establish himself as the team's genuine all rounder, perhaps did not fully realise his batting potential. An outstanding prospect for his age and should establish himself as one of the club's foremost cricketers in the years ahead.

## SEAN PENROSE

Claimed 14 wickets during his four games with the B's, including a fine 6 for 44 in the important game against Warringah. Would become even more effective if could maintain a consistent line.

Thanks also go to the more occasional contributors to the team during the season, Peter Carapiet, Andrew Macky, David Abood, David Young, Richard Zogbee, Richard Tregeagle and Norm Ezzy.

**Peter Richardson**  
**Captain**

## B GRADE STATISTICS

Matches	Won O/r	Won 1st	Lost 1st	Drawn	Points	Position
13	—	6	4	3	42	6TH
Runs For	Wickets For	Average	Runs Against	Wickets Against	Average	
2590	96	26.98	2383	113	21.09	

### Batting (\* Not Out)

Name	inn	N.o.	HS	50's	100's	Agg	Avg	Catches
P. Simpson	6	2	66*	1	—	190	47.50	8
J. Platania	9	—	137	2	1	409	45.44	5
W. Giblin	11	—	92	3	—	349	31.73	7
P. Tregeagle	12	1	74	1	—	338	30.73	9
B. Howle	11	—	78	2	—	300	27.27	8
B. Maher	11	1	46*	—	—	179	17.90	7

### Also Batted (completed Innings)

		Catches
P. Carapiet	4 for 232	1
P. James	7 for 79	2
S. Mantle	5 for 69	1
P. Richardson	6 for 51	7
A. Macky	4 for 46	2
F. Caristo	5 for 43	15 (2 s)
D. Abood	1 for 37	—
M. Young	1 for 23	5
D. Young	2 for 16	—
R. Zogbee	2 for 8	—
R. Tregeagle	0 for 6	3
P. Schouten	1 for 5	2
S. Penrose	1 for 4	—
N. Ezzy	1 for 1	1

## Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best
P. Schouten	87	20	211	13	16.23	5/54
M. Young	100.5	22	314	14	22.43	3/39
S. Mantle	96.4	15	387	16	24.19	6/78
P. James	108.4	23	357	12	29.75	3/41

## Also Bowled

S. Penrose	14 for 172
A. Macky	9 for 201
B. Maher	8 for 177
W. Giblin	7 for 226
R. Tregeagle	6 for 77
P. Simpson	3 for 56
R. Zogbee	1 for 69
N. Ezzy	0 for 33
D. Abood	0 for 9
P. Tregeagle	0 for 4
P. Richardson	0 for 4
B. Howie	0 for 2



## C GRADE

The C Grade side promised much at the start of the season. With four of our first round team having played A grade and three having played B grade much was expected and the team served up two strong wins first up. From there on however inconsistency and a failure to win any of the four one day games played after being in good positions in each of them saw us finish in fifth place and narrowly miss the semi finals. Middle order collapses, fielding lapses and the inability to finish teams off were our downfall.

With a little more luck and application we would have made the semis and been a very good chance to win the competition. In our games against the four semi finalists a dropped catch or batting collapse was the only thing between us and victory.

The seasons highlights were:

- Peter Carapiet and Sean Moran setting a record partnership of 221 against Auburn.
- David Abood scoring 119 and taking 7-31 against Epping.
- Destroying Strathfield (at least to the stage of having them 9-51).
- A last ball tie against Pennant Hills with the stumps hit from the boundary.

Despite the lack of success the season was very enjoyable and at no stage could our lack of success be blamed on a lack of application. Thanks to all the players who took part and made the season enjoyable and special thanks to Gerard Price on yet another fine job as cricket chairman.

The team consisted of:

**David Abood** – In David's first five innings he scored 357 runs. Unfortunately his form did not continue to the end of the season. Had an exceptional game against Epping scoring his first century (119) and took 7 for 31 including three caught and bowled.

**Sean Moran** – The most accomplished batsman in the competition. Scored 312 runs at an average of 34.67 and shared in a record partnership with Peter Carapiet at Auburn. Showed the value of occupying the crease and on average one hundred runs were scored each time he was at the wicket.

**Alex Fookes** – After a disastrous start to the season Alex took over the role as wicket keeper and immediately saw an improvement in his batting. As a first up wicket keeper gave a very polished performance. When not keeping took some of the best reflex catches one could see.

**Paul Mattick** – As captain finally showed some consistency with the bat. He Scored 333 runs with an average of 41.6. Was particularly affective in the second half of the season with memorable knocks of 89 not out against Roseville and 61 against Pennant Hills.

**Norm Ezzy** – Norm bowled a lot of overs and conceded a little over two runs per over. Did not enjoy the success he deserved many times being just too good for the batsman. Gave 100% in the field and when batting could be relied upon to do the job.

**Des Morrison** – In the first game Des took 7 wickets for 48 and was not to enjoy any degree of success thereafter. Did not get to show his true ability with the bat primarily due to the need to chase runs most times he came to the creases.

**Phil Harding** – Brilliant one day horrible the next. On his day undoubtedly the hardest bowler to play in C grade. Unfortunately when he wasn't the hardest bowler to play he struggled with his length and line and proved easy pickings for batsmen.

**Richard Zogbee** – Richard was our most successful bowler taking 17 wickets in 6 games. A bowler with a big heart and a lot of aggression. He put in the hard work and got the results. Batted aggressively and with a little more discipline will score a lot more runs.

**John Price** – Played the first game and injured himself. Did not play again until round 9. It took him until the last two rounds before showing his real ability with the bat. Bowled very well in the first game of the season but struggled on his return.

**Richard Tregeagle** – Came into the team as a batsman and failed to score any runs until he started to bowl. In the three games he bowled he took 10 wickets and proved a difficult proposition for most C grade batsmen.

**Micky Bakshi** – Work commitments limited his availability however proved to be a very stylish batsman. Needs to work very hard at his running between the wickets.

**Wayne Scott** – After promotion from D's batted very well until injury shortened his season. In four trips to the wicket averaged over 30. Will score many more runs in the future.

**Paul Mattick**  
**Captain**

## STATISTICS

Games played 12 (1 washout)

Games won first innings - 5 (including an outright tie)

Games lost on first innings - 6 (including an outright win)

Games drawn - 1

Runs scored - 2,472, wickets lost - 101 (per wicket - 24.48)

Runs conceded - 2,330 wickets taken - 111 (per wicket - 20.99)

	Matches	Inn	No	HS	Agg	Avg	Catches
P. Mattick	11	11	3	89*	333	41.6	5
D. Abood	11	11	1	119	414	41.4	6
S. Moran	11	9	-	69	312	34.7	9
J. Price	5	6	-	52	154	25.7	4
R. Zogbee	6	6	2	29	74	18.5	-
A. Fookes	11	10	-	82	170	17.0	19
R. Tregear	5	5	-	37	71	14.2	1
D. Morrison	9	8	1	21	64	9.1	6
N. Ezzy	9	5	1	20*	35	8.7	6
P. Harding	7	5	3	4	7	2.3	

### Also batted

P. Carapeit	2/145	A. Marsh	2/15
M. Bakshi	4/99	A. Clarke	4/48
K. Kyriakides	1/10	N. Dimas	1/4
S. Marriot	1/10	A. Leslie	1/1
T. Wornor	1/1	T. Kershaw	2/29
P. Schouten	2/2	A. Macky	1/1
D. Young	1/21	S. Mantle	1/21
D. Baccarini	1/69	M. Young	2/6
W. Scott	4/126	D. Bolt	3/36
R. Freeman	1/14	A. Berenger	1/1
P. James	1/49	J. Platania	1/29

	Matches	Overs	Maidens	Agg	Wkts	Best	Avg
R. Zogbee	6	82	23	169	17	5/45	9.9
R. Tregear	5	42	11	134	10	4/80	13.4
D. Abood	11	39	4	117	8	7/31	14.6
J. Price	5	57	9	144	8	3/16	18.0
D. Morrison	9	86	19	263	11	5/40	23.9
N. Ezzy	11	171	57	366	14	6/34	26.6
D. Harding	7	111	21	345	12	4/13	28.7

### **Also bowled**

M. Young	4/93
S. Mantle	5/73
N. Dimas	1/17
A. Clarke	2/105
K. Kyriakides	0/16
P. Schouten	6/130

W. Scott	1/15
D. Baccarini	0/22
S. Marriott	0/12
P. Mattick	2/78
P. Jones	0/20

## D GRADE

After a very confident start to the season we concluded on a somewhat disappointing note. After being undefeated from 9 rounds we lost 3 of our last 4 matches to miss out on the semis altogether. The game that really hurt was our loss to Bexley where we lost by a solitary run. This was ever more painful as we bowled them out for 89.

Apart from not making the semis the season did have many positive aspects about it. D Grade is renown for having many players pass through the ranks and this year was no different however, we were able to build on a nucleus of players who proved very consistent throughout the season. On top of this we were able to mould a team spirit which is essential for a winning side. Every player was keen to contribute to the teams' success. This fighting spirit was specially evident in our games against Wentworthville where we were chasing a total of 210 and passed their score 7 wickets down, against Baulkham Hills we were rolled for 106 but managed to dismiss them for 70, against Lindfield chasing a huge total of 351 we batted out against a very strong attack to force a draw, after losing first innings to Pennant Hills we came back to snatch a dramatic outright victory and even in our final game against Macquarie Uni we fought to within 7 runs of a semifinal spot.

### Player Profiles

**Tim Worner** (captain) Definitely not a good season with the bat however, it's not easy to be consistent while batting with the bunnies (sorry fellas). My excuse, as captain, was giving the bunnies a chance to bat higher (thought I'd try). Just as well I can keep, 27 catches and 2 stumpings.

**Terry Elhassan** – A model of consistency all season forming part of the strength of our top order. Highlighted with a superb knock of 85 against Lindfield plus the back bone of our innings against Bexley. Will have nightmares over this game for many years to come.

**Tom Bikou** – Another consistent top order man. Shared a 139 run partnership with Terry against Lindfield (81). Really missed him towards the end of the season when his ingrown toe nails got the better of him.

**Nick Dimas** – A very handy player to have in any side. Takes the honours for being the all-rounder of the team. A punishing top order batsman and a demon off-spin bowler. Not known to take a backward step on the cricket field.

**Saeed Khan** – A link pin in our bowling attack. Can be relied upon to give 100% when given the ball. Might not go as hoarse if he learns the LBW laws. Still yet to prove he is not a bunny with the bat.

**Alistair Leslie** – Deserves special mention for his commitment and enthusiasm to the game. Although his averages tell a story they don't say how well he bowled or how versatile he is as a batsman. Best groundfielder in the side.

**Peter Wallace** – A true campaigner in the vintage category. Showed his skills in games where the young pups failed. As each season passes Wals bowling arm gets lower and lower however, is still as effective. Only bowler I've seen who when bowling, the umpire wears a helmet.

**Kyrie Kyriakides** – A more than handy player to have in the side. Bowled some marathon spells for some excellent results. Had five wicket hauls against Epping and Macquarie Uni. Not as successful with the bat. Needs to learn to have patience.

**Spiro Troubetas** – Not one of Spiro's best years. Only did any damage in the middle in the game against Warringah. With a little more confidence and a touch more concentration would improve no end. A very handy clubman.

**Paul Cramsie** – Similarly, not a great year with the bat for Cramo. Could not nail down a permanent batting spot. Showed some good form against Lindfield (42). Did not have a lot of opportunities to perform with the ball. Always does well in the field.

**Dave Kable** – Stands a good chance of playing much higher if ever he was available for a full season. Showed his best performance against Strathfield where he snared 7 wickets in the match. Always a handy bowler to have in the pack.

Special mention should also go to Wayne Scott and Richard Tregeagle. Both managed short stints as captain before they performed with the bat and found themselves up the grades. Wayne scored the only ton for D grade with a great knock of 132 against Auburn while Richard had an innings of 81 not out against Wentworthville. Thanks fellas.

**Tim Worner**  
**Captain**

### "D" Shires Statistics

Matches Played	Won O/R	Won 1st	Lost O/R	Lost 1st	Drawn	Points	Position
13	2	4	0	3	4	44	5
Runs For	Wickets For	Average	Runs Against	Wickets Against	Average		
2144	84	25.52	2534	133	19.05		

## Batting

Name	No. of Innings	No.	Highest Score	50's	Aggregate	Average	Catches
T. Bikou	7	1	81	1	210	35.00	1
T. Elhassan	10	1	85	1	287	31.89	4
N. Dimas	11	3	57X	1	241	30.12	2
P. Wallace	6	3	25X	-	81	27.00	1
A. Leslie	6	1	27	-	99	19.80	5
K. Kyriakides	5	1	21	-	51	12.75	3
P. Cramsie	9	1	42	-	93	11.62	1
S. Troubetas	8	-	22	-	66	8.25	-

### Also Batted

### Catches

S. Khan	5 for 22	6
W. Scott	4 for 216	2
T. Kershaw	4 for 133	1
D. Morrison	4 for 89	1
C. Robinson	4 for 26	2
R. Tregeagle	3 for 146	4
A. Marsh	3 for 11	-
D. Bolt	2 for 38	-
D. Kable	2 for 6	2
A. Clarke	1 for 36	1
S. Marriott	1 for 31	1
J. Santangelo	1 for 12	-
G. Evans	1 for 2	2
P. Harding	1 for 0	-

## Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Best Bowling
P. Harding	34.1	12	57	11	5.18	5 for 30
P. Wallace	42	14	95	7	13.57	4 for 16
K. Kyriakides	136.2	40	412	24	17.17	5 for 36
D. Kable	70	19	192	10	19.20	5 for 15
N. Dimas	159	38	438	19	23.05	3 for 22
S. Khan	204	54	475	20	23.75	4 for 70

### Also Bowled

P. Cramsie	6 for 104
D. Morrison	6 for 140
A. Leslie	4 for 189
A. Marsh	3 for 31
A. Clarke	3 for 49
S. Marriott	1 for 25
W. Scott	0 for 18
T. Elhassan	0 for 22

# **UNDER 24's LIMITED OVER COMPETITION**

## **Frank Gray Shield**

Another disappointing year for the U/24 side. A first round loss and second round wash out made it virtually impossible to make the semi's. However, the side went out on a high note with an unbelievable victory over Wentworthville.

Thanks to all the players who made themselves available for these games.

### **Round 1: Burwood 150 lost to Auburn 6-241**

A final 11 met at Mona Park on Sunday for the start of the U/24 comp. The side had changed about half a dozen times due to player contractual disagreements and dissent over match payments in the lead up to Sunday. Lengthy negotiations all Saturday night ensured the services of Shane Mantle.

Losing the toss we bowled and 2 early breakthroughs had Auburn 2-30. Auburn batted out their 60 over to finish at 6-241. Yianni Platania bagged 3 catches (doubling his career aggregate for the club), Shane Mantle 2-81 from 21 and Dave Kable 3-53 from 17. Between Saturday and Sunday, Shane bowled 50 overs and slept very well on Sunday night. We fielded well throughout however, the last 3 over cost us 38 runs.

242 was certainly a reachable target, at 4 runs an over. However, our top order crashed as we struggled to 6-57. A middle order partnership of 77 between Paul James (39) and Frank Caristo (31) added some respectability to the score.

### **Round 2: vs Strathfield - Wash out.**

### **Round 3: Burwood 9-217 defeated Macquarie Uni 199**

After our first round loss and second round washout, a win was required to keep our slim semi final hopes alive. Winning the toss we batted on the placid Rothwell wicket aiming to set a large score. We were in early trouble at 4-68, however an entertaining 65 from Alex Fookes in a 58 run partnership with Adam Marsh backed up by Terry Aili with 27 and Frank Caristo 27x, saw Briars progress to 9-217 from our 60 overs.

With 217 a gettable score, tight bowling and fielding was required. Macquarie were in the box seat at one stage being 1-90 from 30 overs, but on-the-spot bowling in the middle stages by Paul James and Ant Clarke saw Macquarie at 4-98. During his spell Clarkie bowled 9 consecutive overs for 9 runs. This bowling was supported by eager fielding, particularly by Adam Marsh with 2 brilliant run outs from the covers. Clarke ended up with the first and last wickets for 2-50, whilst Paul James bowled 19 straight for 4-67. Macquarie had a sniff of victory towards



the end, but determined cricket saw Briars walk away with the win. A good all-round team effort.

#### **Round 4: Burwood 8-262 defeated Wenty 8-260.**

**WHAT A GAME!!** If Bill Lawry had to call this match he would have had a convulsion by the end of it (and there weren't any Victorians playing either)!

Losing the toss we were asked to bowl. Our fielding was ordinary, with not enough continual pressure exerted on their batsmen. The result was us giving away 20-25 extra runs. Only 3 of their batsman reached double figures as Wenty were 8-260 from their 60 overs. Clarkie 2-65 and Shane Mantle 4-67 bowled well at the end to stem the run flow. Paul James 2-49 from 14.

For us to have any chance of a win it was imperative that we got off to a good start and keep wickets in hand at the end. We achieved both. An opening partnership of 104 between Yianni Platania 44 (6 fours – first time he has got into double figures in 20 U/24's games) and Sean Moran 45 (5 fours) was perfect foundation. However we lost both openers and were suddenly 3-107 from 30 overs. Solid partnerships, firstly between Dave Abood 21 (3 fours) and Charlie Howle of 64, then 45 between Charlie and Adam Marsh kept the run rate over at the desired rate. Charlie batted very well for his 64 (3 sixes, 9 fours) in a display of sensible hitting.

We required 38 from the last 4 overs with 5 wickets in hand, then 24 from the last 2 overs. In the words of Bill Lawry – "It's all happening here!" - was certainly the case. Off the last over we required 17 runs to win. First ball Clarkie hits for 4 and is stumped off the second. Paul James hits a single from the 3rd and runout from the 4th. By this time 9 fieldsmen are scattered around the boundary fence. Adam Marsh is on strike with 2 balls to go and the score at 8-250. The second last ball goes sailing over the square leg fence for 6 runs and is lost.

Five minutes later with the score at 8-256, needing at least 4 to tie, the last ball is bowled and, in an identical shot to the previous one, the ball again goes sailing over the square leg fence for 6 runs and a Briars victory! 9 "yahooing" team mates invade the field. A tremendous win with Adam finishing on 57x.

**BRETT HOWLE  
CAPTAIN**

## Batting

Name	Innings	N.O.	Runs	Ave.	H.S.	Catches
A. Marsh	2	1	76	76	57x	0
F. Caristo	2	1	58	58.0	31	3
S. Moran	2	0	58	29.0	45	1
B. Howle	3	0	72	24.0	65	2
P. James	3	0	59	19.67	39	1
R. Zogbee	3	2	19	19.0	14x	0
J. Platania	3	0	56	18.67	44	4
T. Aili	3	0	37	12.33	27	0
S. Mantle	3	0	36	12.0	16	1
D. Abood	3	0	29	9.67	21	0
A. Clarke	3	0	16	5.33	6	1

Also batted: A. Fookes 1/65  
D. Kable 1/3\*

## Bowling

Name	O	M	W	R	Ave.	Best
D. Kable	17	3	3	53	17.67	3/53
P. James	42	7	7	143	20.43	4/67
S. Mantle	50	6	7	203	29.0	4/67
A. Clarke	34.2	6	4	148	37.00	2/50
A. Marsh	5	1	0	22	—	—
R. Zogbee	30	4	0	118	—	—

## **UNDER 16'S**

The 1991-92 season proved to be a highly frustrating one for the Under 16's. For the second season in a row, we had a major problem getting players onto the field, and we fielded a full side on only one occasion throughout the year. This factor, combined with an influx of inexperienced players in their first year of competitive cricket, resulted in a fifth placing in a 6 team competition. Our results were one win, an outright tie, two draws and 6 losses, a fair record under the circumstances. In a year of disappointment, a brave draw stood out as the finest result. Playing Belmore Rovers, who needed a win to secure second spot, Briars were 6-12 half an hour into the first day. A brave 31 from Dennis Carroll saw Briars last out the day at 9-83, and the second day was washed out, giving the boys a well earned 2 points.

The year has seen 3 players graduate to our senior ranks, with Joe Jutrisa, Michael Abood and Robert Harb all earning positions early in the new season with D grade and C and S.

I would like to thank all those who have helped out over the past 3 years, especially my father, Bob, who has given up all his Saturday mornings to manage the team over this period. I would also like to congratulate all associated with the victorious Under 14 side, and wish them well as they venture into the new season as Under 16s.

**David Abood**

## CITY AND SUBURBAN

As those of you who have joined us for a match already know a season of Briars C & S Cricket is quite an adventure. The 1991-92 season proved to be extraordinary in many ways, although our results on the field cannot be considered anything but ordinary, winning just five of nineteen games.

There were a number of reasons for these quite modest results as a team. Unfortunately, one of the major ones is that there were very few individual performances to capture the imagination of the Australian selectors, as those readers brave enough to read the statistics below will no doubt testify. Suffice to say that only one batsman topped 150 runs, and only one bowler secured more than 10 wickets. With these bizarre statistics, it won't surprise the reader to learn that a bowler topped the batting averages, and a batsman topped the bowling. Sounds usual for C & S, I hear you thinking!

Having eleven players on the field is often considered a luxury for us, but this year numbers were tighter than usual, and we actually forfeited three or four matches. Jack Pace was not impressed. The turn-over of players was incredible even for us, with fifty-five players having a turn at the batting crease, and thirty-seven players rolling-over the arm at some point. Thirty players were seen for two matches or less.

The main reason for the numbers horror has been the retirement/defection of several regulars' from past seasons, who have not been effectively replaced. (Where is Bob Kersey?)

The irony of our struggle to put a team on the paddock came in the final match against Northern District, when Briars had enough players to provide the opposition with two of our squad, Steve Foster and Paul James. Realistically, however, there will continue to be a problem unless a major re-evaluation of the situation for 1992-93 occurs. We may even have to include players under twenty!

There were a number of other interesting features of the season. Six different captains led the side, with varying degrees of success. Most declined the honour as soon as they could find a replacement. Secondly, despite a very determined challenge from Stuart Lind, Alan Thompson retained his record as the 1 not-out champion' of the squad, being dismissed only twice in his seven innings (and aggregating fourteen runs). Thirdly, only three players - David Wright, Col Dennis and Terry Kershaw - were available for a regular squad of seven or eight players available would be nice! Finally, no bowler sent down seventy overs for the season.

It is normal to give brief outline of the season for each of the main squad.

Numbers make this difficult, but some of the regulars were:

**Terry Kershaw:**

Nicknamed 'Rip van Winkle' after he made a return to cricket this season after 25 years dozing in the land of the major success stories, contributing several excellent innings. He also kept very well when called upon. Terry's pleasant nature and ready wit were missed when he was 'dropped' to C Shires. Took the batting aggregate!

**Col Dennis:**

Col's return to cricket after a few seasons in the wilderness at Concord Golf Club was most welcome. He didn't enjoy his best season with the bat, but picked up several wickets cheaply, and displayed his usual eagerness in the field.

**David Wright:**

Didn't display any form at all with the bat for most of the season, and only 'came good' in the last three matches. Wicket keeping was adequate, but missed a stumping early in the season when Kenny O'Brien was bowling at fast-medium from two paces. One of those keen to resign captaincy.

**Alan Thompson:**

Returned from Perth, or thereabouts, Thommo found the flatter tracks here not to his liking. Maintained his imposing record of not-outs, built up over several seasons of occupying a down-the-list position. Was heard to mutter on a few occasions about returning to cheer Everton F.C.

**Matt Barlin:**

One of the great characters of the side, Matt's bowling easily outscored his opening batting to such an extent that he topped the bowling averages.

**Mal Graham:**

Joined the side late in the season, but his fiery opening bowling and swashbuckling batting were just what were required – a great competitor.

**Anthony Clarke:**

One of a dynasty, Anthony recorded the season's highest score (53). His appearances offset the loss of Jeff, reputedly to baseball.

**Stuart Lind:**

The only captain who couldn't off-load the job, Stuart did very well, almost winning the not-out award, and taking the batting average. Organised the team even when he wasn't playing, which is a sign of real devotion to duty.

**Bart Pozuelo:**

Has been a regular 'guest' player over several years. Showed that even star imports are capable of scoring ducks in C & S. Bowled beautifully (he gets more bowling here than in A Shires).

**Terry O'Kane :**

Wasn't seen much. The lure of the caravan at Salamander Bay proved too strong for much of the season.

**Andre Berenger:**

Almost too young to play with us. With application can become a very good batsman, as he plays very straight and times the ball well.

**Bob Streeter:**

Walked into the captaincy after one game. Bob missed a lot of the season for various reasons, but showed he has lost none of his technique.

My apologies for the other 43 players for not including you.

**DAVID WRIGHT**  
**CAPTAIN (SOME TIMES)**

## Statistics

**Batting and Catches**

Player	Catches	Innings	Not Outs	Highest	Agg	Avge
S. Lind	4	5	4	14 N.O.	35	35.00
K. Kyriakides	—	3	1	33 N.O.	56	28.00
A. Clarke	1	6	1	53	133	26.60
N. Ezzy	1	3	—	36	65	21.67
B. Pozuelo	1	3	—	29	52	17.33
R. Smith	1	7	—	45	116	16.57
M. Graham	5	7	3	21	64	16.00
T. Kershaw	7**5as WK	11	—	41	158	14.36
K. O'Brien	—	3	—	23	39	13.00
T. O'Kane	3	6	—	37	70	11.66
A. Berenger	3	7	—	23	81	11.57
D. Wright	14*WK	13	2	29*10	125	11.36
R. Streeter	2	6	—	23	66	11.00
C. Dennis	2	11	—	28	86	7.82
D. Baccarini	3	3	1	15	15	7.5
A. Thompson	1	7	5	8*N.O.	14	7.00

### Also batted:

J. Clarke 4 for 16 runs; T. Aili 3 for 72; I. Blair 5 for 31; D. Mathews 4 for 12; M. Barlin 6 for 32; M. Blyfield 3 for 6; B. Graham 7 for 36; P. Cramsie 2 for 4; A. Mackey 2 for 13; B. Howle 2 for 67; C. Robinson 2 for 9; D. Horniman 2 for 46; S. Foster 4 for 12; O. Moore 4 for 5; T. Elhassan 2 for 66; A. Leslie 2 for 18; and many single performances.

### Bowling

Name	Overs	Maidens	Wkts	Runs	Avg	Best
M. Barlin	35	3	13	118	9.07	4.21
R. Harb	11	2	5	48	9.60	5.48
C. Dennis	19	3	6	59	9.83	3.25
B. Pozuelo	24	3	10	99	9.90	5.29
S. Lind	37.4	7	8	136	17.00	6.25
A. Clarke	20	2	5	86	17.20	4.29
D. Baccarini	22	3	5	91	18.20	3.13
K. Kyriakides	30	2	8	145	18.13	3.20
M. Graham	69	11	9	224	24.89	3.33
N. Ezzy	22	4	2	53	26.50	1.20
A. Thompson	69	13	8	215	26.88	4.41

Plus too many others to mention.

### Wicket-Keeping

Name	Catches	Stumpings
D. Wright	14	—
T. Kershaw	5	(plus 2 catches in the field).

## RUGBY UNION – CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

"From adversity comes success, how sweet success tastes, long time between drinks," quotes heard after winning the 4th grade grand final. Yes, we finally did it after 17 years no more listening to the stories from the 1975 grand final team. Now there will be a whole new set of stories. Congratulations to 4th grade.

When we look at the year as a whole our level of competitiveness in the higher grades slipped compared to 1991. With 1st grade coming 6th (5th 1991), 2nds 9th (5th 1991), 3rds 4th (4th 1991) and club championship 6th (5th 1991). These results reflect the dedication or lack of, by players and not the coaches towards training. As players in 1st and 2nd grade or those aspiring to reach these grades, we have to realise that to win a grand final takes a lot of dedication on the training paddock throughout the year.

Many people deserve recognition for their assistance throughout the year. First must be the coaches. I'll start with first grade. Chris Howard took the job on after much arm twisting as every prospective coach fell by the wayside. Chris was also our preseason trainer and came up with some of the most innovative training techniques, which had some of us extremely fit. Chris had a difficult job as there were several first graders from 1991 missing due to work and being overseas. But due to a perceived lack of commitment by the players he resigned. After some arm twisting, Tony Wozniak came back to finish the season. Thank you Woz.

Bruce Ferguson took on the 2nd grade coaching job and suffered the usual problems of a high turnover of players. But special thanks must go to Bruce for his efforts besides coaching, his assistance in many areas made my job just that much easier.

Terry O'Kane once again took on third grade and was rewarded with a semi final spot, then came up against a team that had changed dramatically from the rounds. Third grade paid the penalty by selecting a genuine unstacked side which was appreciated by the players.

Then we come to the SUPER COACH, Peter Stewart. What accolades can be heaped on the man. He's been able to do something no other coach has been able to do for 17 years, win a premiership! His ability to recruit new players, with the aid of the Burt connection, saw him mould a team of youth with the experience to achieve success. His ability to totally organise 4th grade was greatly appreciated.

Thanks must go to the various Managers that gave their services to various grades through out the year in particular Gary Sly, Kim Piefke, David Lewis (FRED), Mal Webber. The managers role is an important one, the people mentioned and others I have forgotten made my job on Saturdays considerably easier.



Other people who must be thanked are:

Chris Murray (once again he did thankless tasks of co-ordinating and running the canteen).

John Jessop our Club Captain – his ability to downgrade an opposing teams win during post match speeches was something to behold.

Chris Lamond and Matt Waddington – organised transportation for various refreshments to the grounds on Saturdays and their assistance in jobs that had to be done throughout the year.

David Blair for once again doing the stats.

Thanks must go to the people throughout the year who regularly where asked to cut onions, butter bread or cook in the canteen.

To finish with a quote by one of the younger members of the club at the grand final "I didn't realise Briars had so many members". Briars Rugby needs the involvement of past players to reach its full potential. So if you can spare the time, become involved and help Briars Rugby have a big year in 1993 for 75th anniversary.

**JOHN GOLSBY**  
**RUGBY CHAIRMAN**

## **BARRACLOUGH CUP**

The 1992 season was certainly an interesting one, with the final points tally (16 - 8 wins) and position on the table (5th) each identical with the previous year. In some ways, this was a disappointing result, as the team was certainly more competitive this year with the promise of even better to come.

Amongst many highlights, a number are worth remembering:

the first round defeat of premiers St. Ives on their home ground

the second round sequence of five wins in six games, with only an unlucky loss to Chatswood spoiling a remarkable unbeaten run

- the fact that (Killara excepted!) we generally beat sides which we should have beaten
- the fact that no side (Knox included) could claim to have beaten the Briars easily
- Sean Humphries' great season, culminating in the "Best and Fairest"
- Scott Hyde's tackle
- Great first seasons for Tony Johnstone (Rookie of the Year), Miles Foley and another rookie, Allan Conan

Apart from the major lowlight of the season - two last-minute losses to Killara - the coaching dramas also bear mention. At the (very) last minute, Chris Howard was "volunteered" to coach Firsts, and from the start brought new ideas and enthusiasm to the role. Unfortunately, the energy which Chris displayed was not always matched by the players, whose pre-season and training commitment did not match their on-field efforts. This was despite the most interesting and varied training programme seen at Briars for years. (This is surely a lesson for 1993 - we must not allow early losses through lack of preparation).

The workload and a lack of support eventually told on Chris, and fortunately Tony Wozniak was again foolish enough to believe all the promises and filled in admirably for the balance of the season. On a positive note, as a result of both Chris and Tony, the last third of the season saw some great results, and allows us to look forward optimistically to next year.

**Major contributors were:**

**Tommy Rampoli: (Asst. Coach)**

Tommy hopped around helping our backs, and the stability and penetration shown were a credit to Tommy and the head coaches.

### **Tony Johnstone**

The world's biggest full-back (why aren't our forwards that big.) A great debut year. Scored plenty of tries with the chip in lower grades early, and improved tremendously when given the chance in firsts including a try against St. Ives with his first touch. Needs to find someone whose opinion he respects and listen to advice. A great 1993 ahead.

### **Stewie Brisbane**

An underrated contributor who had a very good year. Very strong runner who can turn a game – example Macquarie Uni. Quiet, but a valuable and popular team member.

### **Chris Lamond**

With Stewie, provided dash and penetration out wide. Again, probably didn't see enough of the ball. Wants to play half back. A good effort Chris.

### **Tim Burt**

Consolidated his first full year in firsts. A tragic injury to a vertebrae in the last game – Tim's OK, but unfortunately Rugby is over for good. I can only hope that Robotman contributes in some other way in the future.

### **Miles Foley**

Fine young man who had the unenviable task of captaining the side early. A major acquisition for the club who played five eighth and inside centre. Surprisingly elusive runner and reliable kicker. Another who is a 'must' for the '93 side.

### **Allan Conan**

It's hard to be critical of such an old man! Allan was an important inclusion in the side in the second half of the season and was a major reason for the successful fun home. Controls a game, and leads by example.

### **Brandon Sheppard**

Another inspirational player as would be expected from the Messiah. A source of drive around the base of the rucks and scrums. Can play anywhere but is an organiser who is wasted away from the ball. Another year Brandon.

### **Graham Bayliss**

The reluctant forward. "Snout" is a frustrated back who would be a centre. Sorry Snouty, you're a forward. Made a huge difference to the pack whether at lock or

second row. Great strength and a fearsome runner who made ground whenever he took it up straight. A great season.

### **Graham Banks**

An interesting year all round Peewee. Banksie had his best year yet and was the club's number 1 breakaway all year. A very popular team member who should continue to improve now that he's settled down (Ahem!).

### **John Jessup**

Started well and received the honour of captaincy in mid-season before end of year "business trips" saw JJ unavailable towards the end of the year. A popular non-winner of the Best and Fairest. A dinosaur who will now commence a dignified and graceful slide down the grades.

### **Peter Attwood**

Continued to improve after his "Rookie of the Year" Award last year, particularly towards the end of the season. A leader by example if not by talking. Trained all year, and another important club man who should look forward to even better.

### **Cameron Slapp**

Cemented a permanent spot in the latter half of the season. "Pull-through" had to provide most of the lineout ball amongst the Briars midgets. Improved his all-round game and has great potential.

### **Sean Humphries**

Started as hooker but even played breakaway towards the end. With his studies allowing Sean to train, he was able to really dominate this year. A fearless footballer who deservedly won the B and F. Get back to hooker.

### **James Munroe**

Potentially the best prop in the comp who terrorises oppositions when he runs. Needs a bit more belief in himself and to realise that he is a matchwinner. Greater fitness and earlier involvement in games are the key for Munners. A coach's nightmare.

### **Paul Viglienzone**

Flash came into the side and was a regular selection by season's end. He is a footballer who never lets the side down. Scrumming and lineout throws improved immensely. A good Briar.

### **Dooley Davis**

Yet another year from Dooley who showed that marriage wouldn't stop a guy playing football (or eating). This was Dooley's best year, with excellent scrum-maging and more aggressive general play. A very strong man who continues to improve.

Other important contributions came from Perry Davenport, Paul Madirazza, Garry O'Brien, Mark and Greg Guest and Scott Hyde, all of whom will be back next year.

All in all, a year which could have delivered much more but which promises some great Saturdays in 1993.

**TONY WOZNIAK**  
**COACH**

## **STOCKDALE CUP**

Indeed a season to remember or one we'll never forget. A long hard grind, especially the second round.

Many thanks to all those players who gave it their best shot. To Kim Piefke a special thank you for the effort throughout the season.

There is no need for talent apologies at this time. Just think of this for next season; those who fear the impossible will find little possible. Commitment means hard work. Hard work always has its rewards. One of the best rewards is to win a grand final.

Briars need your commitment in 1993, our 75th year.  
See you on the paddock.

**BRUCE FERGUSON**

## BLUNT CUP

### Played 19 Won 13 Lost 4, 187 For 96 Against

Semi-finalist again was a very pleasing result. Halfway through the season things weren't looking great. The turn around was finished in the last game with the side being unbeaten in the 2nd round, a great effort.

The 2nd game against Chatswood was the most entertaining game I have played in for a number of years, as the team members and spectators would also agree. An 18-0 win.

Beating the competition leader Knox, at their ground, was worth waiting the 2 years it took to take the points. The spirit it was played in, gave everyone a great deal of satisfaction. 11-3 win.

The semi-final against Killara was disappointing to say the least. Luck plays a part in any game and things beyond our control played a part in the end result, having said that, we had our opportunities during the game. I couldn't fault the commitment shown by everyone on the field from the first to the last minute.

**Tony Love:** Fullback. After a slow start got better as the season went on. As Tony's positional play and fitness improved it gave confidence to the whole side.

**Phil Waddington:** Wing. A season disrupted by injuries. Showed enough to suggest will be playing up the grades next year.

**Joe Franco:** Wing. Came into the team in the last half of the season. Hampered at times by injury, but after overcoming these contributed with his well known enthusiasm. What grade Joe plays next year is in his hands.

**Dave Horniman:** Wing. We had some interesting conversations during Dave's period with 3rd Grade. Reliability and consistency should be the goals for 1993 plus 1st Grade.

**Grant Toole:** Outside Centre. Grants first year in the club proved to be a plus to 3rd Grade's progress to the semis. Safe and hard in defence and never bettered in attack. Should aim higher next year.

**Scott Lowe:** Inside Centre. "Elastoplast" will make a profit this year thanks to Scott's ankles. His opposition number knew he was in for a hard afternoon both in defence and attack. Capable of playing higher grades.

**Doug Patchett:** Five Eight. Showed that backs can be skilful and tough. Committed team man and a good bloke after a game. The younger players learnt alot from Doug. Have another season Dougie. 2nd in the Best and Fairest.

**Dave Brownhill:** Half back. Season cut short by a serious injury. In the games Dave played always committed himself to the task.

**Andy Craig:** Half back. Came into a side after Dave's injury and didn't disappoint. Contributed with his determination and maturity in pressure situations. Thanks for the effort.

**Gary Pearce:** Lock. Best and Fairest for 1993. Runner, tackler, lineout jumper, it still doesn't sum up the contribution Pearce made to 3rd Grade.

**John Arvantakis:** Breakaway. Developed into one of the better players for 3rd's. Enjoyed scoring tries and putting pressure on opposition five eights. I look forward to see further improvement next season.

**Brent Cash:** Breakaway. Same player as 1985 but different position. Made a significant impact from the second round. Players in the upper grades could learn a lot from the way Cashie plays rugby.

**Chris Howard:** Utility. Played in 7 different positions during the year. Got the club fitter than we have been for many years. One of the most effective "Maori" side steps in the club.

**Matt Loxley:** 2nd Row. Performed consistently through the season. A strong runner with ball in hand. Get fit next year.

**Anthony Clarke:** 2nd Row. Contributed in every game with both skill and determination. Looked forward to scrum training. Aim higher next year.

**Steve Currie:** Prop. Gives 100% everytime he runs onto the field. Team man, club man, a pleasure playing with you mate.

**Bob Bertie:** Prop. Never disappointed in any game he played. After problems with health showed the younger players a thing or two. Would have wished for a better finish for Bob.

To the players not mentioned apologies. Also the people who helped me during the season, thanks.

2 years ago my aims were to win a Premiership and to make it important to play 3rd Grade.

To achieve one of these means that going on and succeeding in the other is only a matter of hard work and time. Next year 1st place.

**Terry O'Kane**  
Player/Coach

## RICHARDSON CUP

Married at last: its nice to know that some of the victorious Richardson Cup players, who are retiring after many years of service to the club, are doing so knowing that they will not be left on the shelf.

Lets start at the beginning (1992). Over a game of golf a decision on Richardson Cup recruiting was formulated.

This led to discussions with a forward pack of not much experience, but a great deal of youth.

With the first game approaching (the next day), I had a forward pack, two backs and nothing else, but there was light at the end of the tunnel; a phone call from Simon Burt saying he had a few mates, all six of them, and all backs, wanting a game of rugby. Although they were old, I decided to give them a go.

So with a young forward pack and a bunch of geriatric backs Richardson Cup had a team. A team of guys who enjoyed their rugby, enjoyed their mates and enjoyed what winning was to offer.

Unlike the years before, the players had a chance to settle into a team, and stay there, due to the fact that third grade also made the semi-finals and didn't require the services of Richardson Cup players.

With a chance to train as a team leading into the finals, we moulded into a well organised team capably led by our team captain Matt Rogers.

Leading into the Grand Final there was not talk of defeat, we took the field in a positive frame of mind and came off the same way.

To all those who helped me throughout the season go my thanks.

To Gary Sly, team manager, the team could not operate without him.

To a group of guys who on a fateful Friday night, said they would help me out for a couple of games only, albeit some had to sneak their gear out to play, some got injured but they all stayed for the season. To sum it up - We won, Congratulations.

The following are the players that played the majority of Richardson Cup games.

**Full back: Paul Fitzmaurice.** They were starting to doubt me when I kept saying, I've been told this bloke can play rugby; saved his best games till the end of the season and proved me right.

**Wing: Craig Sandwell.** School commitments interrupted Craigs season games but was back (due to unfortunate injury to Matt Grey) for the games that mattered most, scored a fine try in the Grand Final, was one of the younger backs.



**Wing: Scott Carey.** "Up their Cazaly" Carey in some games his hand were terrible but in others they were great, the grand final was one to be remembered for his greatness.

**Centre: Don Fingleton.** With such an easy name to spell you would think they could get it right, bad luck Lou; hard running centre that liked to get over his opposite backline.

**Centre: Mick Playford.** Could never keep Mick quiet, must have been his concentration. Skilful centre who fitted into the side well and added new dimensions to our attack.

**Five-eighth: Mike Henry.** His words of wisdom he enriched me with after the grand final are something I will use next season; good tactician with the ball.

**Half: Matt Rogers.** Some Senior players were quite impressed with a section of Matt's cheer squad. Captained the side with great maturity, found it hard keeping up with the younger forwards though.

**Lock: Len Hollis.** If everyone was as keen as Len you would always win grand finals. Used to say he never spoke on the field, but we know different.

**B/Away: Ray Tuffin.** Only bloke I know that lasted the first 20 minutes of the game and Knox players still wanted to fight him after the game; must have been something he said.

**B/Away: Gary Stewart.** Great help in early season recruiting, also kicked a 85 metre penalty goal into a 85 knot wind in the grand final - just ask him.

**B/Away: Larry Thompson.** The stomper must have paid big money to the judiciary so he could take part in the grand final. I also think he helped break Ray Tuffin's foot.

**Second Row: Mark Gavin.** New comer to the club, settled down to play some very fine football; only draw back was that his age embarrassed the rest of the forwards.

**Second Row: Geoff Moss.** If it wasn't for the referee, Mossy would be the teams leading try scorer - every time he spoke after the game "I got the ball down" honest I did.

**Second Row: Dean Kay.** Stuck through the season with limited opportunities, but kept in match practice by tackling bar stools or anyone standing near them.

**Prop: Terry McFarland.** Terry has a fine rapport with the opposition players, particularly five-eighths - just ask Knox. Very mobile front rower.

**Prop: Gary O'Brien** carried injury into the big one but was never going to come off. Baldy relished the tight play, with the odd facial thrown in.

**Hooker: Milton Howell.** Milton thinks now that he has conquered Rugby, his next quest is to have a single digit golf handicap; he will be back at rugby.

**Anywhere: Chris Murray.** Chris had the unfortunate ability to play anywhere and could not gain a permanent spot but stuck it out and has already said he will back up next year. Well thats one forward I've got.

**Anywhere: Steve Hansen.** Unfortunately Steve was injured, just as he was establishing himself as the clubs most accomplished finishing winger (not bad for a born again B/Away).

**Anywhere/Everywhere: Simon Burt.** Our recruitment saviour - Where did he find those guys? Speed to burn, knew no fear, always in a hurry - unfortunately, to get to London mid season.

**Injured: Matt Grey.** Matt was injured in a car accident only days before the grand final and was deprived the opportunity of playing in the big one, but has assured me that he will win it next year.

My apologies go to those who played Richardson Cup throughout the year.

**PETER STEWART  
COACH**

## **RICHARDSON CUP PREMIERS 1992**



## HOCKEY CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

With a couple of months to go prior to the start of the Premiership, I was very apprehensive as to whether we would be able to field a competitive club, both from the aspect of player numbers, overall ability, and financial resources.

However, with the start of the season a number of players who looked at being doubtful starters turned out and with a sizeable influx of new players, the club found itself with the strongest numbers for many years.

New members Matty Yager, Grant Hornblow, Harminder Singh, Adam Schasser, and the return of Andre Declase, Paul Price, Alex Head, Wayne Allsop and Bill Tabikh, considerably lifted our standard and depth throughout the grades. This combined with a more dedicated approach to coaching and training were the predominant contributions to a successful season.

The thought of having:

1. An Under 17 side;
  2. Two of the three senior sides in the finals;
  3. First Grade and the Under 17s in the Grand Final;
- were far from my expectations at the outset of the season.

I will not dwell on individual teams, this has been covered adequately by the respective team captains or managers. Obviously I am thrilled with the results of our three finals sides and particularly with that of the Under 17 side - to have strong doubts on our ability to field a side in the first place, and then to see them play skilled and controlled hockey in a Grand Final was fantastic. My appreciation to Laszlo Kovacs for getting the team established and to Brett Grahame, Malcolm Graham, and Graeme Varis for the management of the side during the season. While ever we have a junior hockey side, the prospects for the continued viability of Briars' hockey are strong.

My thanks to Bob Streeter for once again his tireless (no pun intended, Bob!) efforts in all aspects of hockey administration throughout the season. This season it was gratifying to see a number of other members assisting in the administration. To Laszlo Kovacs, Peter Carapiet, Alex and Chris Head, Alan Chu, Andre Declase, Graeme Varis, Ian Reynolds and the Graham boys, Brett and Mal, my appreciation for a job well done.

The future of Briars hockey looks stronger at this stage than it has for the past 3 years and with a continued involvement by all members in the administration of their sport, I am sure the future will be both rewarding and enjoyable. Hockey still has a long way to go - we are still not financially viable or contributing to the Club through integration with other Club members. As a sport we will only be

able to claim success when we are able to call ourself a "Club" in the true nature of the word – however, this season has seen a large step forward!

**BILL HOOKER**  
**HOCKEY CHAIRMAN**

## 1ST GRADE

Last year's 1st Grade report suggested that, providing some specific conditions were met, "... Briars Hockey will reach the number one position in 1992".

This was a legitimate contention.

Half of the hoped-for factors did indeed occur, and the performance of the side in the Summer Cup Competition during February - March created a very positive impetus in the push for 1992 success. Playing against sides composed of A-Division 2nd and 3rd Grade players (with an occasional 1st Grader), our team turned in some distinguished performances, especially against top clubs Moorebank and Ryde-Hunters Hill. However, a most unsatisfactory turnout against Glebe in the same competition was probably more significant in giving a pointer to the season's finale.

In review, the season looks to have been a straight-out one-on-one contest between Briars and eventual winners Parramatta. Retrospective perception would pin-point Sunday July 26th as the day when Parramatta confirmed their standing as premiership favourites with a very comfortable win over Briars in the Alan Yates Cup on the new Sutherland Astro turf.

Activities on and off the field in the first half of the season prior to that game gave little portent of what was to come.

Training attendances were good, coaching was effective, fitness was definitely improved over last year, goals were being scored, and halfway through the revised 6-team competition (8-teams last year, 10 the year before) Briars 1st Grade had only lost one game and drawn one game, and won the other eight!

Then came the Yates Cup, played one week after the season's low point, an embarrassing bad "game" against Northern Districts at Majors Bay Oval, our only real home game, and one of only three played on normal grass in 1992.

This Northern Districts game highlighted our team's major weakness, namely lack of personal self-discipline - the utter commitment to making the best possible contribution, and never letting down your team-mates. An under-strength Northern Districts side were handed a game they never contemplated winning, and our premiership hopes were severely compromised. The Yates Cup game then gave Parramatta the psychological advantage for 1992.

Some ground was regained in subsequent weeks, but the side was never again able to be sufficiently bonded together to know without question that the next man would be in the right place, would do the right thing, and would then back up to clear any subsequent problem to help his cohort. Our major opponent was not intrinsically more skilful, but simply did this and other basics better.

The season for Briars 1st Grade was actually a very good one, and most players can feel pleased with their efforts. However, one major blight must be addressed.

During 1992 the 1st Grade side averaged only slightly under one send-off per game; twice during the season three people got their marching orders in the same game; and even in the finals series Briars earned three yellow cards. Only four of the regular top team distinguished themselves by not earning the umpires' wrath during 1992. Of the games that were lost or drawn, only one saw a full Briars team play a full seventy minutes.

(Speaking of the Valley's game - no, on second thoughts, ask the players . . . !).

I am absolutely certain that every member of this year's 1st Grade side (including the manager) believes that he could make an even better contribution than occurred in 1992. I hope that is the case, even though it would be asking a lot to request that Danny Thiele make a bigger contribution than he did this year - he was the outstanding player.

Next year's team faces a new challenge, and there will necessarily be changes to personnel due to age, personal choice, medical problems and maybe even comebacks - but that's another story!

To the 1992 champions, Parramatta, congratulations on your professionalism.

To the surprisingly large numbers of Briars 1st Grade hockey plays in 1992 season, a thumbnail sketch follows.

To the players of 1993, I can only assure you that (to modify Hemingway) you will get the result that you personally earn.

## THE TEAM

**DANNY THIELE** (Goalkeeper): A superb season, included saving two penalty strokes in one game. A good trainer. The Grand Final result was unkind to him. "Eee-Wee" agrees that D.T. really earned 1st Grade's B & F Award.

**MATT YAGER** (Fullback/Half): A newcomer to the club in May, ex Taree (good breeding ground), who claimed a regular 1st Grade spot because of his commitment, close marking ability, and general reliability (plus youth and legs!). Not yet corrupted by Briars regulars, and an interesting prospect in coming years.

**PETER CARAPIET** (Fullback/Centrehalf/Captain/Coach/Selector/3rd Umpire): Could not help but make a major contribution to the team in his various roles. Still one of the most skilful players in the competition, but umpires are starting to think that they know what he is doing, and so gets unaccustomed penalties against. We hope next year's contribution is less painful for him.

**RUSSELL ROBERTS:** (Fullback): A solid season and always there when needed. Russell's season was compromised by the need to select a younger, quicker back to cover P.C. against the very mobile Parramatta forwards. Ripped off by not being allowed to take any penalty strokes.

**JAMIE RYAN:** (Left-Half): Young, fit, committed, but a bit ahead of himself and definitely a bit aggro. A wholehearted performer and a key team-member who was always willing to contribute. Scored a sensational forward's goal in Round 10 and then pestered the selectors for a permanent positional change.

**IAN REYNOLDS:** (Centre-Half): Also effective inside forward, but his ability demands the centre spot. Ian has abundant skills and (like Alex Head) would benefit from a situation where he and team-mates had played a lot more hockey together. One of the best trainers, certainly one of the best players, and unquestioned No. 2 in my 1992 rankings.

**MARTIN WOOD:** (Right Half/Various): Good skills, good attitude, definite team man, effective half and deceptive forward. The obvious highlight of his season was a hatrick of goals against Northern Districts in Round 3, but his late season switch to half was very effective for the team. Season compromised by work commitments.

**ALEX HEAD:** (Inside Forward/Centre-Half/Fullback): Very talented and versatile player who made a valuable contribution through his commitment to coaching the senior side in 1992. His own field play was compromised by an inferior umpiring standard compared to what he was used to last year in A Division, and his subsequent frustration got the better of him on several occasions. Heavily targeted by opposition, with the injuries to prove it. I personally hope 1993 is more rewarding for Alex.

**CHRIS HEAD:** (Centre-Forward/Wing): 112 years young and don't forget it! A disappointing year as he was only second highest 1st Grade goal scorer and only third highest in the club! A very dangerous forward and sometime reliable defender, who is regularly featured in opposition team game plans. Prime motivator for most of the club (with a couple of notable exceptions).

**GREG DUNN:** (Centre Forward/Inside Left/Left Wing): Top goal scorer again, and top stick destructifier as well. Disappointed statisticians after scoring 11 goals in the first two games and only 14 in the next 18 games. Another genuine team player and one of how many to not get marched in 1992? Hopefully a stalwart of Briars Hockey for years to come.

**GRAHAM VARIS:** (Right Wing): An up-and-down season with highlights against Northern Districts on Homebush 1 (2 goals) and Parramatta on Homebush 1 (1 goal in the Grand Final) plus B & F points against Manly in Round 7. I wonder what the attraction is on Homebush 1? As a reformed (junior)

centre-half Graham needs some positional direction to make him a more effective wing forward against top sides.

**SANDOR KOVACS:** (Left Wing): Always a team contributor, selected in 1. Grade for aggression, speed, aggression and skill on the left flank, proving quite effective in early jousts with Parramatta. Unlucky to miss playing in the Grand Final. Understood to be involved in developing an insidiously powerful (and opinionated!) 3rd Grade side for 1993.

Other Players: Andre Declase, Kevin Fernandez, Wayne Allsop, Sonny Chadha, Mohammad Tariq, Michael Taylor, Adam Schasser, Richard "Puck" Davies, Matthew McFarlane, Malcolm Graham, and T.J. Sian - Thanks, guys.

1992 was definitely a memorable year for all concerned. I only hope that every person involved learns from the experience. It was a good year, but it so easily could have been better still.

Hoping to see all past and present players at the club's 75th Anniversary celebrations at Homebush next June long weekend.

**BOB STREETER**  
MANAGER.

### STATISTICS:

Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Points	Position
20	15	1	4	73	29	31	2nd

#### Top Goal Scorers

G. Dunn	25
C. Head	19
M. Girvan	7
M. Wood	5
A. Head	5

#### Best & Fairest

I. Reynolds	20
P. Carapiet	16
G. Dunn	16
D. Thiele	15
A. Head	9

Semi-final	—	Lost	0 - 3
Preliminary Final	—	Won	2 - 0 (M. Girvan, G. Varis)
Grand Final	—	Lost	3-5 (P. Carapiet, A. Head, G. Varis)



## 2ND GRADE

The 1992 season was a typical season for Briars Hockey second grade. A lot of promise, talented players, good commitment, but we could not put all together. As always the team was at the mercy of first grade selections which saw the teams balance thrown on multiple occasions.

The year did not start on the right note with our first win not arriving until the eighth round. The third round did however see the arrival of some new players to the club. A hard fought out three all draw with Northern Districts did show some promise for the side.

A lack of goal scoring dogged the side all year. 27 goals were scored in the year, the top scorer being Adam Sassher, who only joined the club half way through the season as a full back. Adams six goals all from short corners was instrumental in a far better second half performance.

The most valuable player for second grade was the captain Andre De Clase. Andre was welcomed back to the club after a few years absence in the first division competition. Andre brought with him not only a wealth of experience but also commitment and, as a captain should, lead the team by example. Andre received best and fairest points on eleven of the eighteen times he played and not only won the second grade best and fairest but also the club competition with 27 points.

The years statistics were: 27 goals for 57 against. Best win 3:0 against Baulkham Hills, worst loss 1:8 also Baulkham Hills. The team won 5, drew 2 and lost 13 games. The team finished 5th in the ladder, 3 points out of the final four.

## Player Profiles

### Goal Keeper

**Danny Thiele:** Danny, although his prime role was a first grade keeper did play numerous games in second grade and often kept the score to a respectable level. 1992 was the best I have seen Danny play. Danny is without a doubt one of the most talented goal keepers in the Sydney competition and a real asset to the club.

**Matthew McFarlane:** Work commitments saw to few appearances from him. Matthew received one point in the best and fairest competition. Matthew has enough talent to claim his place along side any keeper that has played with Briars, however 1992 saw Mat loose his confidence and the plot to some degree. Mat is spectacular when he is hot. To get back to his true form will take a large degree of focus, determination, discipline and commitment. Matty has the talent, but it depends if he wants to apply it!

**Malcolm Graham:** Whilst Malcolm was the regular third grade goalie he made numerous appearances in the seconds. He received 6 points in the best, fairest and was one of the most improved players of the year. Mal was able to focus his aggression this year and started to tackle effectively. Thank you for your efforts.

## **Defenders**

**Reuben Brown:** Reuben is still a relative junior compared with his team mates. Reuben is not a stand out player, he just does his job. Experience will assist his game to develop and improve his ability to pick up his man more effectively. It was comforting to be able to rely on Reuben to be there and give the same level of performance every week.

**Adam Shassher:** Adam is one of the finds of the season for second grade. This quite unassuming man turns up half way through the year and said that he has played a game of two. When asked if he could hit a ball replies with an almighty whack from the top of the circle that almost broke the backboard. Adam was the years highest goal scorer with 6 goals in 10 games. Adam also was second place getter in the best and fairest with 14 points receiving points in 6 of his 10 games. 1993 looks like a good year for Adam.

**Eric Wade:** Eric played only a few games with us at the start of the season but at 58 he is older than some of the other players grand fathers. It was nice to have a few beers with you Wade'y and I hope to see you at the games next year as well.

**Eddie Gaulstien:** Eddie only played half a season with us after a three year absence from the game. Eddie had good control and vision at the back and helped settle the team. Hopefully Eddie will return to have another go with Briars in 93.

## **Midfield**

**Andre De Clase:** As his name suggest Andre played this year with a lot of class. Andre's work in the centre was invaluable and he lead by example and never gave up. Andre scored a rare goal and received the most best and fairest points with 27. Andre also silenced a few of his critics at the club by being one of the first to pay his fees. Thank you for a fantastic effort and we look forward to your participation next year.

**Wayne Allsop:** Wayne is the most improved player in the club in 1992. Last year Wayne was playing thirds, whilst this year saw Wayne help out the firsts on numerous occasions. Wayne was unfortunately overshadowed this year by Andre but his effort during the year was superb. His fitness is outstanding and Wayne developed a remarkable skill to eliminate his man and able himself to assist in attack. Wayne was awarded 12 best and fairest points.

**Michael Taylor:** Mike, when he played linked brilliantly with Andre and together they played some glorious hockey. Unfortunately Mike was not able to play every game, had he done so, I am sure that the team would have reached the finals. Mike received 8 best and fairest points and scored one goal. Hope to see a lot more of you next year.

**Michael Sterry:** Mike played in various positions in seconds before being promoted to third grade. Mike can really play almost any position on the field and did, from centre half, full back to inside forward, and despite giving away a lot of years to the other players keeps himself at a admirable level of fitness and his experience and skill is faultless. Mike was awarded 3 best and fairest points. Thank you for another great year.

**Derrek Sterry:** Derrek's game is getting more solid every year. His tackling skills are amongst the best in the club and as a team player was a valuable asset. Derreks consistent game earned him 10 best and fairest points.

## Forwards

**Grant Hornblow:** Grant also joined us half way through the first round and although he had not played hockey for a few years his potential showed early on. As the year progressed Grant's skills sharpened and was often seen screaming down the side line. Grant got married during the season but even that did not put him off his hockey and continued to perform well earning 3 best and fairest points and scoring 1 goal.

**Sandor Kovacs:** Scummy as he is more kindly known to his friends had his finest year in hockey in the 17 years. He was rewarded at the end of the season by being promoted to first grade (at last) for the last round and the finals. Had it not been for an accident he suffered whilst being a ball boy I am convinced that he would have played in the grand final. Sandor scored 3 goals in seconds being the 3rd highest scorer and earned 2 best and fairest points. Next year with his fitness better may see him yet again promoted to 3rd grade.

**Asif:** Asif joined Briars half way through the first round and after a few games settled down to producing some good hockey. Unfortunately due to personal reasons Asif was unable to complete the season.

**T.J. Said:** TJ also joined with Asif and showed promise as the much needed attacker that was sorely missing from the team. TJ did manage to score a goal, and received 2 best and fairest points. TJ suffered a torn hamstring and was forced to retire half way through the season.

**Sonny Chadha:** Sonny also joined with Asif and TJ. Sonny was often called upon to play in the firsts. His grass game is first class but the turf often showed up his

fitness. Sonny unfortunately suffered a severe back injury that put him the last half of the season.

During the season many other players helped out such as Chris Head and Greg Dunn who both contributed 4 valuable goals each, Alex Head also played the occasional game and was inspiring and was rewarded with 2 goals, Other first graders included Ian Reynolds who was awesome in setting up the win against Manly, Jamie Ryan, Martin Wood, Brett Graham, Russell Roberts, and Peter Carapiet who sometimes helped for 30 seconds and sometimes a little longer.

Next year with the proposed competition changes will see a lot of pressure placed upon the seconds side, so a solid team from the start with good commitment will be rewarded.

**Laszlo Kovacs**

## 3RD GRADE

The 1992 season began disastrously for third-grade with the side suffering large defeats in its first five matches and looking anything but semi-final prospects.

However, the infusion of a few experienced players and some strikepower in the forwards saw a marked improvement in the team's performance, and they only lost four of their remaining fifteen matches to qualify for the semi-finals in third position.

The semi-final saw the team score a narrow 1-0 victory over Baulkham Hills but they unfortunately could not go on with the job the following week, going down 2-1 in the final minutes against a good Northern Districts side.

In many ways these two games were indicative of the problems the team (and to a lesser extent hockey in general) had throughout the season-namely, they had skills more than the equal of most sides but fell down through their poor execution of set-piece plays and a lack of general fitness.

If the team (and again hockey in general) is to reach its maximum potential and achieve the success it is capable of, then the players must adopt a more dedicated approach to training so that these problems can be rectified. The talent is certainly there!!

### Results -

Matches	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Pts	Position
20	10	1	9	40	44	21	3rd

### Player Profiles -

**MALCOLM GRAHAM** - (Goalkeeper) Without a doubt Malcolm was the best goalkeeper in the third-grade competition this year, making many brilliant saves and providing a constant source of intimidation for opposition forwards. Whilst he still has a tendency to let in a few soft goals, Malcolm can be well satisfied with his efforts this season, finishing third in the best and fairest.

**PETER WALLACE** - (Fullback) Consistence and reliability were two of the trademarks of Wally's game during the season. His solid tackling skills and non-nonsense style made him the mainstay of the defence and he finished a very deserving third in the best and fairest.

**MIKE STERRY** - (Fullback) Mike began the season quite slowly but his experience and solid all-round game came to the fore in the latter part of the season, particularly in the semi-final where his last-ditch defence was almost single-handedly responsible for the side progressing to the final.

**CARL FRANCIS** – (Half) Carl came into the side late in the season and provided additional strength and experience to the defence. Although a little slow at times, his ability to read play provided greater structure to the attack, a facet of the game which was especially evident in the final.

**GERARD DOYLE** – (Half) A very whole-hearted and committed player, Gerard turned in some inspirational performances this season. His strong marking and tackling were important in blunting the opposition's right-side attack but he needs to contribute more in attack.

**GAVIN BOURKE** – (Half/Inside-forward) Despite advancing years and suspect knees, Gavin's high work rate and experience were of enormous value to the team throughout the year and his commitment and drive were an example to all. Hopefully some intensive R & R during the offseason will see him back again next season.

**WAYNE ALLSOP** – (Half/Inside-forward) An exuberant character, Wayne's enthusiasm for the game was infectious and helped all around him to enjoy their hockey. His dedication to training and fierce determination saw him play a number of games in the higher grades before he was reintroduced to the team just prior to the semi-finals where his fitness and solid all-round game made him an important contributor to the team's success.

**ALLEN CHU** – (Centre Half)(Captain) Allen had a slow start to the season but his solid stick skills and passing game saw him stand out on many occasions. Unfortunately his game sometimes suffered through a lack of fitness and a tackling style which often earned the ire of the referee, but with a bit of work he should be back bigger and better in '93.

**JOHN PRICE** – (Inside-forward) John played solidly throughout the season bringing a touch of experience and organisation to an otherwise sound forward line and helping to create a number of attacking opportunities through his good combination with P.P. Unfortunately he struggled a little with the defensive end of his task and would probably be best suited at centre-forward, but overall still had a year with which he can be well satisfied.

**PAUL PRICE** – (Centre Forward) P.P. enjoyed a highly successful season, finishing second in the best and fairest, and he provided the strikepower necessary for the side to become a premiership hope, scoring a huge total of 24 goals. Together with John and 'Scoop' he formed a patient forward line and on his day was almost impossible to stop, as we seen by his spectacular four goal debut against Gordon.

**BEN SCULLY** – (Wing/Half) After a very good season in 1991, Ben's game probably did not progress as hoped this year. He nevertheless played solidly on most occasions but will come on dramatically when he shows a little more confidence in his ability and a more positive approach when in possession.

**BRETT GRAHAM** – (Wing) Scoop enjoyed a very successful season taking out the best and fairest with some very consistent performances, particularly during the latter part of the season. His speed made him difficult to stop in space in a one-on-one situation and he gave some excellent balls from the wing to create scoring opportunities. Brett also scored 7 goals during the season but will need to work hard on his shooting which was generally pretty ordinary.

**BILL TABIKH** – (Wing) A dogged player, Bill generally played soundly and won the team a couple of games during the season with some pressure goals. Unfortunately he drew the short straw to play left wing and as a result his game suffered a little, but a bit of work on his backstick play should see him become an important contributor next season.

I would like to thank these players and the assortment of other players (too numerous to mention) who made occasional appearances during the season for their fellowship and efforts this year, and a special vote of thanks to Bob Streeter whose support and organisation of all three grades was vital to our success.

**BRETT GRAHAM**

## UNDER 17's

1992 was always shaping as a critical year for the future of junior hockey ... Briars. Last year the club was unable to field a side and we therefore had the daunting task of building a side from scratch.

For the first five rounds of the competition the side struggled to be competitive, but with the advent of a stable line-up and a more positive approach to their hockey the side registered a dramatic improvement, only losing four of their final thirteen games to reach the grand final of the B division.

In a close and exciting match Briars went down 2-1 in extra-time to a more experienced Northern Districts side who must be congratulated for their victory and their domination of the division throughout the season.

This result however, ranks as one of the most encouraging signs for Briars hockey in many years and one from which the players can take justifiable pride.

Throughout the season they remained a close-knit and enthusiastic team and never ceased to amaze with their enormous improvement in skills as the year progressed, going from a struggling side at the beginning of the season to a genuine premiership threat.

My thanks go to all the players for a very rewarding and successful season, and to those seniors who assisted throughout the season, in particular Lazlo Kovacs and Graheme Varis.

### Results

#### After 5 rounds (6 teams):

Position	Win	Draw	Loss	For	Against	Pts
6	1	-	3	5	20	4

#### After 10 rounds of Under-17 B Division (6 teams):

Position	Win	Draw	Loss	For	Against	Pts
3	4	2	4	24	19	10

### Players

**James Whalan:** Goal Keeper. At 14 James was one of the youngest players in the side and understandable struggled early in the season to display the confidence and aggression essential for this difficult position. However, his enthusiasm and dedication saw him become undoubtedly the side's most improved player and a major contributor to the team's success during the latter part of the season.



**Scott Colomb:** Fullback. Scott's experience was invaluable to the side's success during the season and he provided an important settling influence, calling the shots and setting up play. His tackling and stick skills are at a very high level and he has the ability to be a fine player for many years to come.

**Damian Dawson:** Fullback. Damian enjoyed a brilliant season and was a clear winner of the Best and Fairest with a string of strong performances throughout the year. An excellent defender with good stick skills, he will be playing first-grade in the very near future.

**Nick Pervushin:** Left Half. Another of the younger brigade, Nick had a tremendous season. Rarely had a bad game and proved to be a solid half who stuck to his winger superbly and defended strongly. Destined for big things in the future but he must develop his ball skills and passing to reach his full potential.

**Steven Walker:** Centre Half. Steven is what Briars hockey has been seeking for many years - a centre half who can score goals regularly. Particularly towards the end of the season, Steven was the lynchpin of our attack, scoring 14 goals, and he has the skills and experience to make a big impact in the seniors next year.

**Graheme Moat:** Right Half. Graheme was only in his first season of hockey but at times you could be forgiven for thinking he had played for years. Another who improved dramatically over the course of the season, his solid work at the back, encouragement of fellow players and enthusiasm, proved invaluable towards the end of the season and he was a deserved winner of the R. D. Vanderfield Trophy.

**Mohammed Sian:** Left Wing. One of the youngest players in the side, Mohammed improved greatly over the course of the season to become a competent winger with good skills. his excellent attitude to training and eagerness to listen will stand him in good stead over the coming seasons, and with more experience he should emerge as a fine prospect for the future.

**Ming Chang:** Left Inner. Ming played out of position all year and struggled with his positional play and control. However, he made up for this his enthusiasm and willingness to get involved, and made a solid contribution throughout the season.

**Sasha Zaika:** Centre Forward. On his day Sasha has the ability to create havoc for any defence. He scored 9 goals during the season, many of them spectacular individuals efforts which displayed his brilliant stick work. Occasionally "falls asleep on the couch" however, and needs to get more involved if he is to reach his full potential.

**Chris Baloglow:** Right Inner. Like Ming, Chris played out of position all year and struggled with his positional play. Despite this he produced some good performances during the season, but must have more confidence in his own ability if he is to make a successful transition to the senior ranks.

**Chris Maxfield:** Right Wing. Chris was a regular 3rd grade player last year. The side benefited greatly from his experience and captaincy, particularly in the finals. Once he overcame a few mid-season discipline problems. Chris had a good season and was one of the side's most potent attacking forces with his solid skills and pace.

**Marcus White:** Reserve. When he finally began to use two hands on the stick Marcus's form improved quite noticeably and he adequately filled a number of positions, particularly during the finals where his marking filled an important role. However, he must be a little stronger on the ball if he is to play his best hockey.

**Christopher Deijen:** Reserve. Chris's determination and enthusiasm was an example for the rest of the side to follow. Unfortunately his time on the field was limited but he no doubt benefited from the experience and should be a valuable asset next season – a good team player.

Thanks also to Jason Bellotti, Mike Ackroyd, Ben Scully and Marcus Thiele who all made occasional appearances throughout the season.

## SQUASH

1991-92 produced a large resurgence in squash, which saw the number of teams increase from four to twelve. Autumn 1992 saw the winning of the club championship, the first time in the club's history. The club also performed well in the championship for spring 1991, coming third, despite not winning a pennant.

### SPRING 1991

This comp failed to produce a pennant, although we had five semi-finalists from six teams, and two grand-finalists. This was the third season in a row where the club had not won a pennant, despite increasing our size in each of those seasons.

#### **B1: Ken Kable (c), Alan Cameron, Steve Ackling, Joe Elias, Paul Bryne.**

Similar to when this team used to play A-grade, they had a slow start to the comp, but came home strongly to sneak in forth and make the semis. They then went from strength to strength to win the semi and the final convincingly, but unfortunately failed in the grand-final, against a much younger team with the help of some gutless umpiring decisions. Both Paul and Joe won on the night, but didn't have enough games to take the pennant.

Kaptain Klutch Kable had an extremely prodigious comp, winning ten of his twelve matches: four of those 3-0 to less than 10 points (old scoring system). Joe also had a good comp, facilitating his move into A-grade this year and a continuation of his general improvement. Paul had a comp as erratic as his presence in the country, but improved towards the end; whilst A1's comp was very solid.

#### **C1: Steve Clark, Steve Madz, Phil Bryne, Grant Heggarty (c), Cliff Priest.**

A similar comp to the last few for this team, once again saw them wear the mantle of 'bridesmaids' in this grade. The team made the semis, but lost out in their first one to finish fourth overall. The team's swash-buckling and brilliant number three had an extremely unlucky comp (finished last in the performance trophy), but did win on the semi final night. Steve-the-slug returned to squash, after a one and a half year lay-off, his game improving in direct inverse proportion to his waistline. Steve-the-stick-insect only won six of his ten games, but lost the other four in five sets. Cliff had his customary good comp (won 7/10) whilst running Australia's water-skiing. The last player in the team was Grant, the man that can run around the court, bouncing off walls and opposition players with complete conservation of kinetic energy (only possible by other small objects like molecules and atoms). He was leading the performance trophy, and was un-

defeated, until round 10 where he subsequently lost his next three games. other Briars teams, which storm home in the concluding games, this team fa

**C2: Peter Anderson (c), Tony Antidormi, Peter Elias, Ian Brigden, Andrew Pipolo.**

This team had an unlucky comp, missing out on the semis by three points. Every member was erratic, in their form, winning 3-0 one week, losing 3-0 the next. Unfortunately, on the important nights all four members couldn't coincide with their winning, and so could not get extra four points for winning the night. Of the players, Andrew improved markedly towards the end of the comp, as too did Peter Anderson. Peter, though could not make use of his superior fitness and extensive on court running as he had only the one five setter all comp (which he lost anyway). Peter Elias' introduction to the club (and the beginning of the Elias dynasty) was short lived, as he left after this comp. For the rest of the team, playing their first comp for the club, the experience was good and the season a success.

**C3: Ian Thompson (c), Con Tarantello, Chris Virgona, Jim Bricknell, Dave Newton.**

The other team to make the grand-final was this one, playing in their second comp for the Briars. They came from the rear of the standings, half way through the comp, to end up as minor premiers. They played a good semi, but could not find the same form for the grand-final and went down to a team that was playing very well, on the night. Ian once again had a dominating comp (won 10/12) and Don too had a strong comp (won 11/13). Chris enjoyed a brief return to form, winning over half his matches; but Dave, fighting an injury could only win a couple. Safari-man Bricknell, having negotiated the terrors of Africa (in the form of man, beast and food), found the squash environment too tough for himself and had a worse than average comp. With a bit of commitment and application, this team should do well in the ensuing years.

**C4: David Kable, Wayne Rastall (c), Peter Murphy, Dave Catts, Ed Moore.**

Another team to miss out on a pennant was this side. Having finished fourth after the rounds, they won their first semi quite easily. On final night, Peter and Young David both won 3-0, but were not supported by the rest of the team as they went down on points. Young David had a solid comp in the #1 position (won 9/14) and was the only player in the club to have played all fourteen games. Cappie Rastall was once again hampered by injury (don't mention the spur) but as always provided inspirational captaincy. Peter dropped in for his usual one comp a year (and is now back overseas) to lose his first three matches and then win his next

ten. Steadie Eddie Moore had a fairly consistent comp, winning just on half his matches. Unfortunately Dave Catts could only play the one game for the year. He broke up with Tanya about Round two and could not handle the trauma of not having some female watch his squash.

### **D3: Ray Cook, Greg Kelly (c), Spiro Plessas, Ron Marshall, Mick Franco.**

This team was running near to last at the beginning of the comp, but picked up their game dramatically to finish third. They won their first semi very easily, but were without their #1 for the final and grand-final. Unfortunately, with everyone playing up a position, they could not emulate their semi-final result and finished the season third. With Ray being there, they would have won the comp easily, as they had beaten the eventual winners convincingly five weeks previously. Ray had a very good comp winning ten of his thirteen matches, nine of them (plus the semi) 3-0. He has a job in England and won't be back for a couple of years. Cappie Kelly had a very steady comp, winning half of his matches. Spiro took his time to find form, losing his first five matches, and then remained undefeated until Found four, two comps later (Spring 1992). Ron improved his game, as he went on, and his fitness increased; whilst Mick, hampered by injury only played the right matches.

The performance trophy was a dead heat between Ian Thompson and Ken Kable. Coming in second was Ray Cook, followed by Peter Murphy. (Where's Grant?). The Briars Club Championship (the first in eight years) was fittingly fought out between Ian and Ken, to be won by Ken 3-1. He subsequently lost all fitness gained through the previous comp with the celebrations afterwards.

### **AUTUMN 1992**

After a drought of three seasons, the squashies finally came up with a pennant, through what could be called a saturation campaign. By staging the recruitment coup of the century, the Briars managed to poach (sorry entice) three of Burwood Independent's top players and a ex-Victorian state grader. This initiative, along with further recruitment, added another four teams to the comp, and continued the rebuilding, started by Dan Power and continued by Ken Kable (and co).

The strength of the recruitment was seen in the fact, that of forty-one clubs in the western district, the Briars came away as CLUB CHAMPIONS (we're looking forward to the T-shirts). Our E1's and C3's were pennant winners from a season that saw the Briars get five teams into the grand-finals. The club had easily the highest average, over the other forty clubs, due to the fact that out of the 9 teams which made the semis, the remaining 2 teams came 5th. A wonderful club performance.

**E1: Mick Jaroszewicz, Robert Russo, Mick Franco (c),  
Bill Bouchahine, Bob Soueid.**

This team was one of our pennant winners and had the highest team score in the Sydney-wide competition. Despite the fact that Mick 'where's the \$500' Franco decided to turn up 2 hours late to the grandfinal, after a heavy cocktail party, he still managed to get the required game to give the boys the night.

Mick Unpronounceable-name had a good season only losing the one match. Robert's record was the same, but on having slightly better results became the club's best performer for the season. Mick Franco had his best season to date, winning 12 of his 14 and captaining the side brilliantly. Bill had a good start to his comp career (won 9/11) whilst Bob only played the three. With the team losing 8 rubbers for the season, it was always going to be a sure bet that they would win; Mick Franco was so sure he even started celebrating before his match. All the new players have remained at the club and are looking forward to a bright future.

**D3: John Preen, Greg Kelly (c), Ron Marshall,  
Spiro Plessas, Paul Cotter.**

Our second lowest team managed to make the semis, after an eventful season, but unfortunately lost in the final. Spiro had a very good comp to remain undefeated in his twelve games. His average fell just short of Robert's, but he continues to remain undefeated since round seven last year. John had a tough comp at one (won 5/11), but was ably supported by the Kell (won 7/12) who has continued his usual consistent form. Ron had a unfortunate comp, beset by injuries, but played the last four rounds. Paul seems to have currently disappeared off the face of the earth, but his one comp with the Briars saw him win 7 from 12. The team finished third.

**C4: Phil Bryne, Robert Bedic, Wayne Rastall (c),  
Geoff Robertson, Eddie Moore.**

This team made it to the grandfinal, but were unfortunately defeated on the night. The team had a good comp, only losing the one match through-out, but with a heavy injury toll on the night, could not come up with the goods. Robert, with a major chest infection, was seriously hindered in his match, when the ref wouldn't let him take the saline drip onto the court. Geoff too received an unfavourable decision when it was decided that he'd only be allowed one crutch onto the court, and despite letting Cappie Rastall on with his wheelchair; he of course found it hard to manoeuvre in the corners. Overall Cappie had a good comp, losing the one match of his ten. Geoff had a 3 from 7 record, whilst Robert won 9/12. Steaddie Eddie won 7/11 in a much improved comp; he seems to have vintaged well. The team's star number one (shin-splints, amputated hands, extreme case of Persian' flu) had a good comp and was able to lend his years of ex-

pert experience and superior logic to a team so disadvantaged, yet so full of promise.

**C3#6: Keith Powell, Toni Antidormi (c), Cliff Priest, Andrew Pipolo, Ian Brigden.**

An interesting team that saw them just miss out on the semis. Keith had a tough comp at one, but began to win towards the end of it. Tony, as well had a tough comp, winning half his matches at number two. He along with Ian is returning to the southern comp and the Briars would like to wish them well (and hope they'll receive divine intervention and come back). Andrew had a good comp at four, only losing the three matches, and seems to be ever improving. The last player in this team is Cliff Priest. Cliff has been playing for the club for almost twenty years and has now decided to call it quits. As the Briar's only world champion, we are sorry to see him go, but hope he enjoys his life away from the court. The team came in fifth.

**C3#5: Peter Anderson (c), Joe Karam, Maurice Termesana, Jason O'Brien, Alan Wilton.**

Our other pennant winners was this team. In a tight comp that saw the semi-finalists within twenty points of each other, the boys ran away with it easily, in the grandfinal, having to play only the three rubbers. Despite them not coming back to the club, after their victory; the celebrations went off well with the supporters doing all the work. We were able to get in contact with Peter at about four the next morning to make sure they had won.

Peter had a good comp at one (won 9/13). Maurice too had a good comp (won 9/12) whilst Jason had a great average despite losing four matches. Alan only played the five matches and Joe's speed was only good enough to win half his. As an executive (and desperate) decision these boys will go straight to C1 where it is hoped they can win in this grade, a grade having been contested by the Briars for the past ten seasons. If they should win here, it is guaranteed that they will not leave the club for at least 48 hours.

**C2: Ian Thompson, Con Tarentello, Chris Virgona, Jim Bricknell, Dave Newton (c).**

With the lack of results recorded on the board it's hard to gauge how well this team went. Losers in the C3 grandfinal last year, we had thought they'd dropped their bundle when they were coming last at round 10. But they made a late surge, in a tight comp, to end up missing the semis by three points. Ian regained his form towards the end of the comp, as did Con. Dave had probably his best comp for the Briars and Him seems to have found the form that had deserted him for the last couple of comps. Of course Chris plodded along in his usual unfit (no practice) type of way that has become his hallmark.

**C1: Steve Clark, Jeff Andrew, Steve Madz (c), Grant Heggarty, David Kable.**

For the next comp the Briars had decided to put a whole new team in this grade in an effort to win it. Previous tactics of installing burglars, stacking it with as many players as possible and major revamps has still failed to win as this team once again were the bridesmaids. For Steve the-stick-insect and Grant who have made the finals in this grade for the last six comps, it's going to be a fond farewell.

Steve-the-slug continues to improve (won 7/12) and will be playing B-grade next comp. New boy Jeff also had a good comp (won 7/8) but was unlucky with racquets around final time. The other Steve had once again a good comp (won 8/10) but couldn't get it together around final time and is going to have his shoulder operated on anyway. Grant maintained his improved form (won 8/9) whilst the best performed in the finals (won all his matches 3-0) was Young David who is in for a big promotion next season.

**B1: Paul Bryne, Joe Elias (c), Jim Farrell, Alan Cameron, Adrian Stodalka.**

Having missed out on second spot on count back, this team travelled all the way to Minto to play their final, which unfortunately they lost. Paul had an average comp (won 5/11) and is still getting used to his guide dog. Joe had a very good comp at number two (won 8/11) and will be playing A-grade next comp. Jim 'sambucca' Farrell will also be playing A-grade, but with the fact that the four matches he lost were all 3-2, obviously needs more training and to leave the club earlier. Alan had an ordinary comp at four whilst Adrian had an even more ordinary one at five. He did manage to beat Ken in the club championship (as did nearly everyone else).

**A2: Paul Jones (c), Jeff Walsh, Michael Nobes, Ken Kable, Gary Pengelly, Tony Porter.**

This team, in a very late surge which saw them come in fourth and then reach the grandfinal, unfortunately lost it to the biggest bunch of prats ever seen. As a team their comp was looking ordinary, until the arrival of Mike who won all his 7 matches, 6 of them 3-0. Mike will be leading our charge for the Doug Vanderfield trophy in the A1 grade next comp. Paul had a very good comp at #1 (won 8/12, 5 of them 3-2). Another man able to handle the pressure (but should stop blaming himself for the other guys flukes) was Jeff (won 7/12). Gary had a reasonable start to the comp, but fell away at the end (won 3/9) and probably needs more games. Another player who needs more games (if in the hope that he'll win one of them) is our great haka man Tony. He might not be able to win at squash but he can dive over tables, which is something Klutch Kable can't do. Klutch had a filthy



comp at four, which saw him take a sabbatical in Vanuatu for three weeks; that didn't seem to help at all.

Overall the Briars were very successful this year, winning, out of forty-one clubs, the club championship and two pennants. Performance trophy goes to Robert Russo, in his first comp, with Spiro Plessas coming in second.

Another Briars club championship was held between comps. The Pontifex trophy was won by Michael Nobes, runner up Paul Jones, whilst the C-grade trophy was won by Ian Thompson, runner up Steve Madz.

The following comp (Spring 1992) sees the squashies increase their numbers to now twelve teams, including three A-grade teams. This is the most teams we have ever entered, quite a turn around from 8 years ago.

We'd like to thank the Squash Racquets Association along with the staff of Burwood Squashlands for their help and cooperation.

**Ken Kable**  
Chairman

### C2 PREMIERS AUTUMN 1992



M. Termesana, J. O'Brien, J. Karam,  
P. Anderson (c), A. Wilton

## E1 PREMIERS AUTUMN 1992



Bill Bouch, Mick Franco (c), Rob Russo, Mick Jaroszewicz

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## **BASKETBALL**

Basketball came through a difficult year and finished the major competition with one team. However the patience shown by the board was rewarded with the team taking out the C2 division. The win has been a great boost for basketball in general and as a result we now have 3 teams playing in the spring competition at Lidcombe in the following grades B2, C1 and C2. This competition is short and finishes before Christmas and hopefully more basketball trophies for Briars. Playing strength is now a total of 22 players. Outstanding contributions on the court came from Ronnie Zapanta, Noel Pimping, Mel Loteria, Matt Appleton, Mark McLeay and Graham Creed, not to forget our coach Dale (Baldy) King.

We believe that we have the basis for building a good basketball club so with 3 teams playing out the 1992 year, we look to 1993 with optimism.

### **MAJOR GOALS FOR 1993**

- Increase playing strength
- Establish basketball committee
- Pursue high school programme - Re: Junior development to establish a junior team.

Congratulations to Graham Creed on winning the E.G. Stockdale Trophy. Graham has been a tremendous Briar for the club always available to play, turns up to play on time, gives 100% plus on the court and shows great sportsmanship.

**ED MOORE**  
**BASKETBALL CHAIRMAN**

## NETBALL

For the last time this year, just one more time for the record Milton, "Well, what can I say?" Briars netball is still hanging in there with three teams competing under the club's name.

Rita Lombardo's team, "The Rah Rahs", are playing their third round for the club at Fivedock Indoor Cricket Centre. The team was playing in Division 5 and managed to make two grand finals, unfortunately losing both by only a few goals. Well done girls! The team was then put up into Division 2. Congratulations to Karen Watson who got married in October and due to moving house is no longer playing. Jaime Trafford, who you all know as, "The Star Goal Shooter", decided to have a rest for a while is no longer playing, which meant the team was left with no goal shooters. Flash, this skirt is looking better all the time. Now with only one new shooter and a stronger and rougher competition in Division 2, the Rah Rahs are unfortunately not really doing as well as they have in the past. Out of nine games played this season, the team only won two, believe it or not one through a forfeit and has had one bye. With only four games to go the Rah Rahs will continue to play hard and probably still get slaughtered. Next round the team is playing on a Wednesday night and Division 3. Good Luck girls!

The team now consists of: Rita Lombardo, Therese Lombardo, Karen Antram and new members Jacqueline Greenway and Janette Oehlmann. Thanks to Karen Watson and Jaime Trafford for playing in the first two seasons.

The oldest Briars Netball team, Jo Weber's team, to date, now in its second season, has played 5 games together with 3 wins, 1 loss and 1 forfeit. The team is strengthening with each match played and should be strong contenders for the semi's. Unfortunately, in the last couple of weeks we have lost Maryanne due to work commitments, Judy Palmer to another holiday and now Sue Waterhouse has fallen and strained ankle ligaments which puts her out for at least 6 weeks. Now losing our advantage of having 3 reserves we will be playing harder to win. As usual the umpiring plays an important part in these Division 1 games, and as we all know their decision is final, right or not (how I agree Jo!). A good attitude and sportmanship is imperative. Keep it up Girls, well done.

The team consists of: Jo Weber, Marg Dinello, Margaret Andrich, Sue Waterhouse, Tracey Dj, Judy Palmer, Justine Toki, Kate and Maryanne Longhurst.

### JO WEBER

Carolyn Turner's team (Col's recruit), are the third team playing under the Briars' name, also at Fivedock Indoor Cricket centre on a Thursday night. The girls are playing hard in Division 1. Unfortunately they haven't won too many games, but the scores have been close. Keep trying girls and good luck in the next season. The team consists of Carolyn Turner and her friends.

Thanks to everyone playing and once again anyone interested in playing Netball for the club, please contact Rita Lombardo on 789 5636 (H). It's been fun playing and a good year for all. Netball is self funded with \$100 in the kitty made on the Netball night. There is nothing needed by the teams at the moment, so we all look forward to another great season and hopefully will get some girls photos up on that Briars' wall as premiers. I look forward to holding more social functions in the coming year for Netball and getting involved in some gala days, maybe mixed teams with the boys. Thanks again to Col, John Golsby, Milton, the president, Paul Price, Bachus, Clarkie and everyone else who supported the girls throughout the year.

**RITA LOMBARDO**

## **PERSONNEL**

1992 saw the continuation of large numbers of new members joining the Briars.

It is expected that by the time you are actually reading this report 80-90 new members would have joined the clubs sporting ranks during 1992. This makes a total of approximately 230 new members over the past 3 years, which is most satisfying.

It is most disappointing though, that some of our sports chairmen still allow non members to continue playing for the club long after any reasonable deadlines for new players to have joined the club have passed. Rugby and Basketball were the worst offenders.

With the continued influx of new members into each sport, and the success of all the sports in 1992, it is hoped that 1993 provides even more premierships for the Briars.

**PAUL PRICE**  
**PERSONNEL CHAIRMAN**

## HOUSE

To start I would like to thank Col Dayman for a great job he has done over the past few years.

During the year the club has had a variety of functions including a Change of Sex Night, Karaoke Night, and believe it or not a Netball Night, as well as playing host to the Rugby Club.

The Eighth Annual Club Singles Championship were conducted during the year, the results were as follows:

Snooker G. Armstrong

Table Tennis P. Simpson

Darts J. Munroe

The lucky badge draw is still in progress in accordance with Permit No: TCQ1/2534 issued by the N.S.W. chief Secretary's Department. To date the club has had three winners being, David Cooke receiving \$160.00 on the 20th September, 1991. Also Max Spencer winning \$500.00 on the 6th March after four draws also Owen Moore receiving \$500.00 on the 28th August, 1992. The Badge draw is held every Friday between 7.00pm and 8.00pm.

Again the point must be made about the state of the club after functions, it must be mentioned that the club members seem to forget how to clean up after themselves. On many occasions the club has been left in a mess, with rubbish over the floors and as well as glasses left at tables and on chairs. If you are organising a function, please make sure you can clean the club prior to leaving.

I would also like to remind members of the lack of respect towards the club in the last twelve months, with some major damage to the walls, doors as well as cigarette machine and snooker table and cues. Please remember the club has placed these items for the members to enjoy, let's not make the club take them away.

I would like to thank all those who have made my job very easy and I will try and have a drink with you all.

**ANTHONY CLARKE**  
**HOUSE CHAIRMAN**

## **SENIOR STEWARD**

It is always disappointing to record that takings are down compared to last year. Bar takings totalled 98% compared to the previous year.

You will be aware that Col Dayman retired from his joint positions as Senior Steward and House Chairman at the end of June 1992. Many changes were made to the bar operation during the six years that Col served on the Management Committee, resulting in greatly increased revenue for the club. Sincere thanks to Col for his efforts.

Thanks also to the small number of people who do the hard work behind the scenes on the house and bar committee. During the year, these have included Anthony Clarke, Chris Lamond, Matt Waddington, Paul Viglinazone and Paul Madirazza.

Friday nights are always pleasurable at the club, and credit for provision of suppers should be extended to Norm Bush and Rod Smith. It was very pleasing that Ted Stockdale appeared at the club on Friday night for the first time in several months, due to illness. I wish you a speedy recovery, Ted and look forward to more regular Friday visits from you in the future.

Thanks also to Stuart Lind for providing the necessary change for the operation of the bar till.

To all who attend the club on a regular basis, thanks for your patronage. I am looking forward to improving our results for next year.

**GARRY O'BRIEN**  
**SENIOR STEWARD**



## **SOCIAL GOLF**

### **LEURA GOLF CLUB - 12TH APRIL 1992**

This was our first visit to Leura for a number of years, our first since the Fairmont Resort was built. Twenty eight players made the journey to the mountains on a beautiful sunny day, although not all made it onto the course. Bill Hooker's brother, Don, unfortunately locked his keys in the car and spent most of his Sunday trying to retrieve them.

The shot of the day undoubtedly was played by Tim Guest on the 1st who bounced his tee shot off a Fairmont window back onto the fairway, must have allowed for the wind or used local knowledge.

The day was won by "Burglar" Milton Howell with a nett 53, followed by yours truly nett 57 and David Gehrig nett 63.

### **HIGHLANDS GOLF CLUB (MITTAGONG)**

**- 11TH OCTOBER, 1992**

Thirty one players made the journey down south on a pleasant windy day yet again. Half the field nearly spent their day sitting beside the freeway as the brakes of the bus caught fire, obviously Larry up to his usual tricks and another reason for me not to travel on the bus.

The "Briars Open" trophy was at stake and was won on a countback by Bob Stephenson from Ken Kable, who would have won on his own prize that he donated, but just missed. Better speak to the handicapper, Ken. A number of new members played for the first time, which was pleasing to see. Craig Hickey, our esteemed president, played a fine round showing a liking for the wind and won the scratch score with an 81. The bus made it back to the club, from all accounts a very quiet trip, Larry must have missed the bus.

I would like to thank Ray Pontifex, Ken Kable, Chris Murray, David Blair, Bill Hooker for their very generous donation of prizes for the two events. Also John Threlfo and Peter Bowyer for their assistance in organising the two days.

Two bookings have been made for 1993.

28th February - Kiama

24th October - Leura

Hope to see you there!

**MARTIN WATTS**  
**SOCIAL GOLF CONVENOR**

## SCHOOLS LIAISON

The past twelve months has proven to be a mixed bag in terms of junior development within the club. Overall, however, I feel that the club has had a positive 1992, and I believe that junior development will continue to flourish over the next few years. Whilst the number of new young players to our senior ranks has not been as great as I would have liked, the foundations have been laid for a number of school students to consider Briars as a future option, and the benefits of this will undoubtedly be seen in the long term.

The highlights of the year, without a shadow of doubt, were the Annual Seven-a-Side Cricket tournament, and our mighty performance in the Under 17 hockey competition. The cricket competition drew a record nine entries, and was won by Homebush Boys' off the second-last ball of a thrilling final against Concord High. Christian Brothers Lewisham won the repechage final. The hockey team battled very well to reach the grand final of the Under 17 competition. After a fine performance against far more experienced opposition, the Briars went down 2-1, the winning goal being a penalty stroke in extra-time.

The club fielded three junior cricket teams, two in the Under 14's and one in the 16's. The 14A side were convincing undefeated premiers, while the Under 16's, and Sean Moran from C-grade, were sent on a week long camp to Bowral, where Sean won a scholarship to train on with the State Under 19's squad. Michael and Joe, along with another junior, Robert Harb, have graduated to our senior teams this year.

Successful presentation nights were held for both cricket and hockey teams at the conclusion of the seasons. These nights enabled the boys and their parents to spend time at the club, and see the facilities Briars can offer them.

The previously full sponsorship of the Homebush Boys' first XV jumpers was stopped this year. However, the club still provided a partial sponsorship of \$200.00.

Club packages were given to all Year 12 students at the end of 1991, an exercise which will be continued this year. I also received invitations to participate in presentation nights at Homebush and Marist Brothers Eastwood.

The major disappointment for the year was the cancellation for the second successive year of the Seven-a-Side Rugby Union Tournament. Only three teams nominated, two of which came from one school. A new format will be considered to encourage junior involvement in rugby in 1993, due to a total lack of interest from the local schools.

In closing, I would like to thank all those who have assisted me over the past twelve months, especially John Price, who has given me a great deal of support. I hope that 1993 proves to be a successful year once more.

**DAVID ABOOD**  
**SCHOOLS LIAISON OFFICER**

## **FOCUS**

Since your last annual report, Focus has undergone an editorial change. I would like to extend warm thanks to my predecessor, Michael Clarke and congratulate him for consistently producing a quality publication.

Our Focus is only as good as our contributors, and to our regulars, many thanks for your efforts. It is imperative that all sporting chairmen, or their representatives, make every effort to make their submissions as comprehensive and informative as possible. Our members are a vain lot and like reading about themselves.

We have recently introduced some new features and resurrected some old ones and more are planned for future editions. We would welcome any constructive criticism on how you feel your journal may be improved.

Finally, thank you to all those who have taken advertising space over the past year, particularly those who have been loyal to us over the years. This is our only source of income and assists in defraying ever increasing publication costs.

**MILTON HOWELL**  
**EDITOR**

## SOCIAL

The Briars 1991/92 Social Calender followed the format of the previous years. We had a Christmas Party, the Old Members Night, The Annual Ball and the Annual Dinner. Unfortunately for one or a few of many possible reasons attendances were generally down. We could blame the recession or the changing face of Briars membership that make some of the more traditional events not as inviting to the newer younger members. It is more likely however that the falling numbers could be due to an increasing apathy among people to make the effort of organising a group to come along to these functions. As a result of the falling numbers a decision was taken to drop the Trot Night from our list of club social events for 1992.

The Christmas Party unfortunately was very poorly patronised. To those who got to the Club and assisted with the decorations and especially to Spiro Troubetas who assisted with the food a very big thank you. On the night we also asked for donations for gifts to be distributed to the not so fortunate children at Christmas. There was a tremendous response from those who did attend and the gifts were greatly appreciated.

The 1992 Old Members Night was probably the most successful of all social functions held during the year. The attendance was most definitely aided by the presence of Bob Clark. It also proved that with a little co-operation from a lot of people there is not much organisation required to ensure that a Briars social function is successful. A special thanks on this particular night must go to the bar staff, those who took it upon themselves to contact old members to get them along on the night and especially to the kitchen staff who proved that a function at Briars can include high quality food with plenty of it and great service.

The Annual Ball was held in May at Concord Golf Club. Once again the Kooka Brothers provided the entertainment and all those who attended agreed once again that it was a most successful night. A very big thank you to Ken Kable for his efforts in organising almost forty (40) squash players and their partners to attend. The balance of our numbers were made up of the regular attendees. Thank you to Concord Golf Club for their hospitality once again.

The Annual Dinner was held in July and our guest speaker was Peter Fitzsimons, international rugby player and journalist. We have been graced over the years at our Annual Dinner with a high calibre of speaker and Peter was no exception. John Jessop again provided the vote of thanks and it appears we have once again found the best man for the job. The Dinner was well attended by members who are currently playing sport with the Club however there was a disappointing lack of the older members at the dinner. It is regretful that the dinner is not better patronised by this group.

Finally as we head into 1993 and the Club's 75th Anniversary there is little doubt that if the members want to have a successful social year it is up to the members to each do their bit to ensure events are well patronised. There is little doubt there will be much on offer during 1993 however our traditional events such as the Old Members Night, Ball and Dinner should be attended in the numbers they deserve.

Finally in closing this report I'd like to thank all those who took the effort to organise groups or tables to our social events this year. A special thank you to Ken Kable and the squashies. Currently they are probably the most successful sport within the Club. It is also noticeable that as a sporting group they give tremendous support to the Club's social activities.

**PAUL MATTICK**  
**SOCIAL CHAIRMAN**

## **THE GOLDEN OLDIES**

1992 was a quite year, what with the presidents XV day at Rothwell, a no show day at Camden. The mini gala day in August in which Gordon Stags and CBOBS played at home. In some 8 months from now we "The Wilted Briars", will be in Dublin, taking part in the eighth international golden oldies rugby festival, enjoying the Irish way of life, the laughter and hospitality, they are renown for.

The annual Presidents vs the G.O's, day was again enjoyed by all who attended. The presentation were held at the club after the game, the golden boot award going to Stuart Brisbane. Stanno's scoring system may have to be revised due to the fact that no one can understand it.

1993 will be a big year for the Wilted Briars as we have the anniversary clothing to promote and sell. Race day at Ranwick on Sunday 14th February. The 75th anniversary sports carnival, to be held Sunday March 7th, at St. Lukes Oval, Concord. Mark the above dates on your wall calendar, do not forget to bring the family along for a fun day with the Briars.

Congratulations to the mighty 4ths for their grand final win. Many of the players are golden oldies.

In closing we "The Wilted Briars" take this opportunity to wish all club members, and families, a merry christmas and a prosperous 1993.

**EDWARD A. CALLAGHAN**  
**CHAIRMAN "THE WILTED BRIARS"**

## ADMINISTRATION

Both the Board of Directors and the Management Committee met on 12 occasions during the period 1 October, 1991 to 30 September, 1992. Attendance by members was as follows:-

### Board

I. Richard	11	(retired as President at AGM Nov 1991)
C. Hickey	12	(elected as President at AGM Nov 1991)
J. Staniforth	8	
J. Price	8	(elected at AGM Nov 1991)
J. Crockett	8	
P. Bowyer	10	
G. Rolleston	11	(re-elected at AGM Nov 1991)
P. England	1	(resigned at AGM Nov 1991)
P. Richardson	11	

### Management

I. Richard	2	(retired as Chairman Nov 1991)
C. Hickey	10	(appointed Chairman Dec 1991)
J. Threlfo	9	
B. Howle	12	
P. Price	12	
C. Dayman	9	(resigned as Senior Steward/House Chairman June 1992)
M. Howell	8	(resigned as Rugby Chairman at AGM Nov 1991 - appointed Focus April 1992)
J. Golsby	9	(elected Rugby at AGM Nov 1991)
G. O'Brien	3	(appointed Senior Steward July 1992)
A. Clarke	1	(appointed House Chairman July 1992)
G. Price	11	
P. Mattick	10	
K. Kable	11	
D. Abood	8	
W. Hooker	10	
P. Cramsie	5	
M. Clarke	2	(resigned Focus April 1992)
E. Moore	7	



## **J. H. STONE TROPHY**

The trophy is named after the first President of The Briars Sporting Club, the late John Stone. It can only be won by a club member, under 25 years of age, who has made an outstanding contribution to the club's welfare during the year.

Brett Howle, a previous winner of this trophy, continues to display the qualities of dedication and commitment to whatever facet of the club in which he is involved. Brett is the club's Assistant Honorary Executive Officer, a position which constantly places demands on his time whether before, during or after work. His willingness to contribute to the welfare of his chosen sport and the club itself; his bearing; and professional manner are a splendid example to his peer group and the younger members of the club.

## **CRICKET MEMORIAL TROPHY**

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

Value to team as a cricketer	-	35 points
Conduct	-	15 points
General Keenness	-	15 points
Value to the Club as a member	-	25 points
Neatness of dress	-	10 points
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		100 points

The winner of this trophy is Brett Howle. Brett has worked tirelessly in the administration of cricket over the past few years, being involved in such diverse activities as coordinating cricket's manning at golf tournaments, organising social functions, as well as the day to day administration of cricket. Brett was a regular member of the B Grade team and is a deserved recipient of this award.

## **GORDON BEVAN SHIELD**

The Gordon Bevan Shield is awarded to the player who, in the opinion of the Club, has done the most toward football and the Club in general. The criteria of selection are as follows:

Attendance at training	-	20 points
Value to the Team	-	20 points
Most improved Player	-	20 points
General Keeness	-	15 points
Value as a Club Member	-	15 points
Neatness of Uniform	-	10 points
		<hr/> 100 points

The Shield is awarded to Gary "Baldy" O'Brien. In the comparatively short time that Gary has been a member of the club, his contribution to the welfare and ideals of the club are acknowledged by his peers and this award is tangible proof of that recognition.

## **A.J. ROBINSON SHIELD**

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

The winner for this year is Brett Graham. Brett has played from 1st grade to 3rd grade during the season and always gives 110% effort and encouragement. He has done a fantastic job as Editor of the weekly hockey reports in the local papers as well as Focus. Brett managed the Under 17 side with his usual total commitment.

Brett also represents the club in cricket. A very worthy winner.

## **DOUG VANDERFIELD TROPHY**

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

Points are awarded as follows:

Value as a team member	-	20 points
Value as a member of the Club	-	20 points
Keeness as a player	-	20 points
Improvement as a player	-	15 points
Conduct on the Squash Court	-	15 points
Neatness of dress	-	10 points
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		100 points

The winner this year is Greg Kelly. Greg has been representing the club in squash for 10 years. During that time he has been treasurer of squash for 5 years and is a credit to the club both on and off the court.

## **E.G. STOCKDALE TROPHY**

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

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

The winner this year is Graham Creed. Graham has given great service to basketball over the past 2 years, highlighted this year by him captaining the C2 winning team in the grand final. Graham's conduct and sportsmanship are of the highest order and his willingness to help and assist other team members was a big factor in winning the championship pennant.

### **R.D. VANDERFIELD TROPHY**

This Trophy is awarded to a member of the Junior Hockey teams who has contributed most to the junior teams. It carries the name of a past President who showed great interest in the formation of junior teams.

The winner this year is Graeme Moat, a new member to the club, who was an enthusiastic and strong contributor to the success of the Under 17 team. Congratulations, Graeme.

### **GEOFF ARCHIBALD TROPHY**

This is awarded to the rugby player who has made the greatest contribution to the Club in his first year playing rugby for the Club.

This year's winner is Paul Madirasza. Paul has embraced the finer points of the club with a great deal of enthusiasm e.g. staying late at the club to assist with the cleaning up and ensuring the clubrooms are secured. Paul's enthusiasm was also to the fore on the football field where he contributed well above his size.

### **ROBERT BRUCE CLARK - OUTWARD BOUND SCHOLARSHIP**

The scholarship donated by the Patron of the club, Bob Clark, is awarded to a younger member who, in the opinion of the executive, displays outstanding potential to contribute to the welfare of the club and it is considered that attendance at an Outward Bound course would assist in the character development of the individual. Paul Jones has recently joined the club through squash and already displays a keen appreciation of the club and its ideals. Paul is a tenacious competitor on the courts, a gentleman off the courts and is assisting Ken Kable with the ongoing development of squash, particularly in the areas of sponsorship, player quality and scholarship to Paul.

Members would be aware that the club's office bearers are honorary positions which inevitably demands a significant amount of time, and on occasions additional personal expense, to ensure the job gets done. The selfless dedication of all office bearers to their sport/function is appreciated and acknowledged by the executive, on behalf of all club members.

Paul Price, Personnel Chairman, has continued his vigorous recruiting campaign which has broadened the club's membership base. The executive also wishes to publicly acknowledge the selfless dedication and time freely given by Norm Bush

in ensuring club and sports functions are adequately catered for. His reliability and dependability is without peer, highlighted by his active contribution to ensuring that all volunteers at golf tournaments where the club provides workers are looked after in an appropriate manner at the end of a hard day out on the course. Norm sets a fine example of how active and non-active members can positively contribute to club activities.

Board has approved of major renovations to the club building which should greatly assist member comfort and maximise the cashflow from shop rentals. A development application has been submitted to Burwood Council and it is anticipated that work will commence early in the new year. Peter Bowyer and members of the Future Directions Committee, Mal Weber and Milton Howell, are involved in developing a strategic planning base for the club and sports, in co-operation with the respective sports chairmen. Activities and special functions have been planned to celebrate the club's 75th anniversary in 1993. Each member's co-operation and support is crucial to ensure the success of the celebrations.

As Honorary Executive Officer, I wish to publicly acknowledge the great amount of blood, sweat and tears (maybe) freely given for the betterment of the club by our President, Craig Hickey, sometimes in very trying circumstances. Craig has led the executive team from the front and has handled many diverse situations in a positive and constructive manner. I look forward to my continued association with Craig for the remainder of his presidency.

Finally, we wish members every success, individually and as teams representing the club, in the upcoming year.

**C. R. HICKEY**  
**PRESIDENT**

**J.F. THRELFO**  
**HONORARY EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

# **THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**

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## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

Your Directors present their report on the Accounts of the Company for the year ended 30th September, 1992.

In the opinion of the Directors the Results of the Club's operations during the financial year were not substantially affected by any item, transaction or event of a material or unusual nature.

### **NAME OF DIRECTORS**

The Directors in office at the date of this Report are:

#### **NAMES**

HICKEY	Craig R.
RICHARD	Robert I. G.
RICHARDSON	Peter D.
STANFORTH	John W.
CROCKART	John F.
ROLLESTON	Graeme B.
BOWYER	Peter G.
PRICE	John K.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Business Proprietor
Company Director
Chartered Accountant
Solicitor
Accountant
Accountant
School Teacher
Business Proprietor

### **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The principal continuing activities of the Company are:

#### **The Promoting and Playing of Amateur Sport**

There was no significant change in the nature of those activities during the year.

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONT'D)**

**RESULT**

The net result of operations for the year was a Profit of \$31,086 (See Note 1 (d) regarding Income Tax).

The Directors have reviewed the operations of the Company and advise that the Club has operated successfully and that the new financial year will be a period of continued growth with the Boards policy of continual improvements to the Club attracting more patronage of members and their guests.

In the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report, no item, transaction or event of a material or unusual nature, has arisen which is likely in the opinion of the Directors, to significantly effect the operations, results or state of affairs of the Company in subsequent financial years.

**DIRECTORS' BENEFIT**

Since the end of the previous financial year no Director of the Company has received or become entitled to receive a benefit other than normal Directors' remuneration.

C. R. Hickey  
Director

G. B. Rolleston  
Director

Signed in accordance with a Resolution of the Directors  
at Burwood this 18th day of January 1993

# **THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**

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## **DIRECTORS' STATEMENT**

- (1) In the opinion of the Directors:
  - (a) The accompanying Income and Expenditure Account is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the Profit of the Company for the current financial year;
  - (b) The accompanying Balance Sheet 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 the financial year; and
  - (c) At the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.
- (2) The Accounts of the Company have been made out in accordance with Statements of Accounting Concepts and Applicable Accounting Standards.

C. R. Hickey  
Director

G. B. Rolleston  
Director

Signed in accordance with a Resolution of the Directors  
at Burwood this 18th day of January 1993



# **AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED**

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## **Scope**

I have audited the financial statements of The Briars Sporting Club Limited for the year ended 30th September, 1992, consisting of the Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure Account and accompanying notes. The Company's Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and the information they contain. I have conducted an independent audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the Company.

My audit has been planned and performed in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide a reasonable level of assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Concepts and standards and statutory requirements so as to present a view of the Company which is consistent with my understanding of its financial position and the results of its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

## **Audit Opinion**

In my opinion, the financial statements of The Briars Sporting Club Limited are properly drawn up:

- (a) so as to give a true and fair view of:
  - (i) the state of affairs of the Company as at 30th September, 1992, and of the Profit of the Company for the financial year ended on that date;
  - (ii) the other matters required by Division 4, 4A and 4B of Part 3.6 of the Corporations Law to be dealt with in the financial statements;
- (b) in accordance with the provisions of the Corporations Law; and
- (c) in accordance with Statements of Accounting Concepts and Applicable Accounting Standards.

C. G. JONES

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

Signed at Sydney

this day 19th day of January 1993

# THE BRIARS SPORTING CLUB LIMITED

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## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1992

CURRENT ASSETS	NOTE	1992	1991
Cash	2	7,097	800
Receivables	3	290	9,203
Investments	4	245,559	204,504
Inventories	5	24,892	22,292
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>277,838</b>	<b>236,799</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Investments	6	62,356	53,449
Property, Plant & Equipment	7	46,575	42,000
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>108,931</b>	<b>95,449</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>386,769</b>	<b>332,248</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Creditors & Borrowings	8	13,224	12,780
Provisions	9	52,915	30,811
Other	10	3,996	3,402
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>70,135</b>	<b>46,993</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Other	11	3,742	3,449
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>3,742</b>	<b>3,449</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>73,877</b>	<b>50,442</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>\$312,892</b>	<b>\$281,806</b>
<b>MEMBERS' FUNDS</b>			
Retained Profits		312,892	281,806
<b>TOTAL MEMBER'S FUNDS</b>		<b>\$312,892</b>	<b>\$281,806</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these accounts

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**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS  
AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1992**

## **NOTE 1 – STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### **(a) Basis of Preparation**

The accounts of the Company have been drawn up in accordance with the accounting concepts, standards and disclosure requirements of the Australian accounting bodies, applicable Accounting Standards, the provisions of Schedule 5 to the Corporations Regulations, and the requirements of Law. They have been prepared on the basis of historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. The accounting policies have been consistently applied.

### **(b) Depreciation**

Freehold Property, Plant, Equipment, Furniture and Fittings are written off over the estimated life of each asset using either of the straight line/diminishing value methods.

### **(c) Inventories**

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost has been determined by specific identification.

### **(d) Income Tax**

There has been no provision for Income Tax due to the Club being a Sporting Organisation and therefore exempt from Income Tax.

### **(e) Subscription In Advance**

Subscriptions in Advance represent membership receipts for 1992/93. Such income is brought to account in the Income and Expenditure Account during the period to which the subscription relates.

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SCHEDULES TO BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1992

	NOTE	1992	1991
<b>CURRENT ASSETS-CASH</b>	<b>2</b>		
<b>CASH</b>			
Cash on Hand		400	300
Cash at Bank-Cricket Touring Account		6,579	500
Cash at Bank-Current Account		118	-
		<u>\$7,097</u>	<u>\$800</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS-RECEIVABLES</b>	<b>3</b>		
<b>OTHER DEBTORS</b>			
Debtors		290	650
Prepayments		-	8,553
		<u>\$290</u>	<u>\$9,203</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS-INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>4</b>		
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>			
Secured Debentures in Listed Companies-at Cost		80,000	112,581
Deposits		165,559	91,923
		<u>\$245,559</u>	<u>\$204,504</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS-INVENTORIES</b>	<b>5</b>		
<b>INVENTORIES</b>			
Stock on Hand		<u>\$24,892</u>	<u>\$22,292</u>

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SCHEDULES TO BALANCE SHEETS AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1992

	NOTE	1992	1991
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS-INVESTMENTS 6</b>			
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>			
Secured Debentures in Listed Companies-at Cost		<u>58,614</u>	<u>50,000</u>
<b>TRUST FUND</b>			
<b>R. J. THOMPSON MEMORIAL TRUST FUND</b>			
(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		815	700
Cash at Bank		<u>1,087</u>	<u>1,006</u>
		<u>1,902</u>	<u>1,706</u>
<b>J. SHEEHAN SPORTING SCHOLARSHIP</b>			
Secured Debentures in Listed Companies		1,071	1,071
Cash at Bank		<u>769</u>	<u>672</u>
		<u>1,840</u>	<u>1,743</u>
		<u>\$62,356</u>	<u>\$53,449</u>
<b>PROPERTY, PLANT &amp; EQUIPMENT 7</b>			
<b>LAND &amp; BUILDINGS</b>			
Freehold Land & Buildings-at Cost		28,772	28,772
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		<u>8,341</u>	<u>7,969</u>
		<u>20,431</u>	<u>20,803</u>
<b>FURNITURE, FITTINGS, PLANT &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>			
Furniture, Fittings, Plant & Equipment-At Cost		77,048	65,748
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		<u>50,904</u>	<u>44,551</u>
		<u>26,144</u>	<u>21,197</u>
		<u>\$46,575</u>	<u>\$42,000</u>

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## SCHEDULES TO BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1992

	NOTE	1992	1991
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES-CREDITORS &amp; BORROWINGS</b>	8		
<b>CREDITORS &amp; ACCRUALS</b>			
Trade Creditors & Accruals		<u>13,224</u>	<u>9,680</u>
<b>LOANS-DEBENTURES</b>			
5% Debentures Matured 30/9/1991		-	600
Interest Free Debentures Matured 30/9/1991		<u>-</u>	<u>2,500</u>
		<u>-</u>	<u>3,100</u>
		<u>\$13,224</u>	<u>\$12,780</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES-PROVISIONS</b>	9		
<b>PROVISIONS</b>			
Provision for Deferred Maintenance		37,000	20,000
Provision for Sport Development		10,315	10,811
Provision for Tour Subsidy		<u>5,600</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>\$52,915</u>	<u>\$30,811</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES-OTHER</b>	10		
<b>OTHER</b>			
Subscriptions Paid in Advance		<u>\$3,996</u>	<u>\$3,402</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES-OTHER</b>	11		
<b>OTHER</b>			
Trust Funds		<u>\$3,742</u>	<u>\$3,449</u>

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The amount of capital which is not capable of being called up, except in the event of and for the purpose of the winding up of the Company, is not to exceed \$2 per member by virtue of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

### SEGMENT REPORTING 13

The Company operates as a Licenced Club in New South Wales providing services and facilities common to Sporting Clubs.

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## **STATUTORY PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1992**

	<b>1992</b>	<b>1991</b>
<b>Retained Profits</b> at the beginning of the Financial Year	281,806	253,828
<b>Add: Profit for Year</b>	31,086	27,978
<b>Retained Profits</b> at the end of the Financial Year	<u><u>\$312,892</u></u>	<u><u>\$281,806</u></u>

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## BAR TRADING AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1992

BAR RECEIPTS	1992	1991
Sales	93,053	99,310
Less: Cost of Sales	44,792	52,636
Gross Bar Profit	<u>\$48,261</u>	<u>\$46,674</u>
<b>LESS: BAR OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Liquor Licence	4,180	2,580
Bar Expenses and Maintenance	4,331	6,195
Depreciation of Bar Equipment	1,254	334
	<u>9,765</u>	<u>9,109</u>
<b>BAR TRADING PROFIT</b>	<b>38,496</b>	<b>37,565</b>
<b>ADD: INCOME FROM</b>		
Property Rents	40,472	38,874
Members Subscriptions	5,598	5,765
Interest Received	30,119	27,284
Australian & New South Wales Open Golf Championships	3,048	2,047
Surplus/ (Loss) Sale of Clothing	2,433	(6,612)
Surplus/ (Loss) on Sporting Activities (Note 14)	4,096	(4,927)
Surplus/ (Loss) on Social Activities	(2,074)	(1,499)
Surplus/ (Loss) on Old Members Night	(636)	(544)
	<u>121,552</u>	<u>97,953</u>
<b>LESS: OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Administration and Club Room Expenses (Note 15)	44,156	48,341
Property Expenses (Note 16)	10,610	8,845
Depreciation of Furniture, Fittings, Air Conditioner, Cash Register, Carpet and Vinyl Floor	5,100	4,789
	<u>59,866</u>	<u>61,975</u>
<b>OPERATING PROFIT</b>	<b>61,686</b>	<b>35,978</b>
<b>LESS: Transfer to Provision for Deferred Maintenance</b>	<b>17,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>
Transfer to Provision for Sports Development	8,000	5,000
Transfer to Provision for Tour Subsidy	5,600	-
	<u>30,600</u>	<u>8,000</u>
<b>SURPLUS FOR YEAR</b>	<b><u>\$31,086</u></b>	<b><u>\$27,978</u></b>



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	NOTE	1992	1991
NET COST OF SPORTING ACTIVITIES	14		
<b>Hockey:</b>			
Ground Hire, Gear etc		7,816	7,869
Less: Receipts for year		<u>7,406</u>	<u>4,730</u>
Net (Cost) / Surplus of Hockey		<u>(410)</u>	<u>(3,139)</u>
<b>Cricket:</b>			
Ground Hire, Gear etc		7,190	10,348
Less: Receipts for year		<u>12,102</u>	<u>12,493</u>
Net (Cost) / Surplus of Cricket		<u>4,912</u>	<u>2,145</u>
<b>Football:</b>			
Ground Hire, Gear etc.		10,806	16,567
Less: Receipts for year		<u>9,692</u>	<u>14,504</u>
Net (Cost) / Surplus of Football		<u>(1,114)</u>	<u>(2,063)</u>
<b>Squash:</b>			
Court Hire, Gear etc		10,673	4,355
Less: Receipts for year		<u>11,515</u>	<u>4,287</u>
Net (Cost) / Surplus of Squash		<u>842</u>	<u>(68)</u>
<b>Basketball:</b>			
Court Hire, Gear etc.		134	1,857
Less: Receipts for year		<u>-</u>	<u>55</u>
Net (Cost) / Surplus of Basketball		<u>(134)</u>	<u>(1,802)</u>
<b>NET (COST) / SURPLUS OF SPORTING ACTIVITIES</b>		<u><u>\$4,096</u></u>	<u><u>(\$4,927)</u></u>

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## NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1992

	NOTE	1992	1991
<b>ADMINISTRATION AND CLUB ROOM EXPENSES</b>	15		
Repairs, Maintenance and Cleaning		10,668	12,520
Stationary, Postage, Telephone and Bank Charges		3,632	4,247
Light and Heating		4,547	3,722
Annual Reports		5,289	4,731
Insurance – General		1,871	1,854
– Sports Injury		9,560	10,807
Interest Paid		30	30
Billiards and Table Tennis		–	393
Focus		7,067	6,028
Donations and Presentations		1,272	460
General Expenses		220	949
Tour Subsidies		–	2,600
		<u>\$44,156</u>	<u>\$48,341</u>
<b>PROPERTY EXPENSES</b>	16		
Insurance		5,460	3,127
Rates		4,778	5,342
Depreciation of Buildings		372	376
		<u>\$10,610</u>	<u>\$8,845</u>

