

N.S.W. RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

November, 1970.

Dear Sir,

The Annual Meeting will be held at the New South Wales League's Club in the Ballroom, 165 Phillip Street, Sydney on Wednesday, 3rd February, 1971, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

BUSINESS

1. Minutes
2. Correspondence
3. Annual Report and Balance Sheet
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10. General Business

E. COX
HON. SECRETARY

OFFICIALS FOR 1969

PATRON

Mr. C. Wigzell

PRESIDENT

Mr. A. Shiner

VICE CHAIRMAN

Mr. A. Konnecke

HON. SECRETARY

Mr. E. Cox

TREASURER

Mr. O. Cohen

ASSISTANT HON. SECRETARY

Mr. L. Buckley

VICE PRESIDENTS

Messrs. L. Bruyeres (Snr. V.P.), J. Martin, J. Stewart

N.S.W.R.F.L. DELEGATES

Messrs. C. Brown, E. Cox, K. Keough (Deputy)

SOCIAL SECRETARY

Mr. F. Walsh

COMMITTEE

*Messrs. D. MacDonald, J. Montgomery, L. Samuelson,
C. Schomberg, J. O'Sullivan, G. Benson*

FINANCE COMMITTEE

*Messrs. J. Montgomery, J. O'Sullivan, L. Bruyeres,
F. Walsh, K. Page*

AUDITORS

Messrs. L. Bruyeres, G. Maher

FEES COMMITTEE

Messrs. J. Montgomery, F. Walsh, C. Hudson, J. O'Sullivan (Deputy)

DELEGATES TO 2ND DIVISION

Messrs. A. Holt, A. Willis

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Messrs. P. Ellis, G. Benson, J. Farrelly,

W. Kelly (resigned 20/5/70), C. Hudson (elected 3/6/70)

B. Barry

A MESSAGE FROM THE PATRON

Season 1970 added yet another chapter to the history of the Association and its activities in various aspects of the great game of Rugby League. To all I extend my thanks for their efforts.

Highlights of the season were the visit of the Great Britain touring side and the attendance of the Royal Family at a Sydney premiership match which was greatly appreciated by all who were privileged to be present on that particular occasion. To the Great Britain side, congratulations are due for their skilful play which resulted in the winning of the Ashes.

I take this opportunity to extend my personal congratulations to all players, referees and touch judges who were selected to participate in and control the fixtures in which the touring side took part.

In some ways the season was a mixed one marked by the apathy of some referees, players and officials in their attitude to the game in general. This does not augur well for the future welfare of Rugby League. This apathetic attitude extended also to some of our commentators on radio and television who were at times critical of the game and in some cases with just cause. The way is open for big improvements to be made for the betterment of the game and in this referees must accept their responsibilities and play their part to leave no stone unturned to ensure that they have a sound knowledge of the Laws of the Game and the ability and determination to apply them at all times.

As usual, the affairs of the Association were conducted by our officials in a most efficient manner. I do not wish to select any individuals for particular mention as comment in respect of individuals would be superfluous. They all worked together in the greatest of harmony and their efforts augur well for the advancement of the Association.

To all referees both in the city and country, I extend congratulations for their various achievements during the year. Especially do I think of the country and district referees and hope that many of them will achieve higher honours in the future and I take this opportunity to remind them that these can only be achieved by determined efforts on their own part.

In conclusion let us look forward to season 1971 with a unified desire for the general advancement of the game of Rugby League.

C.E. WIGZELL

PATRON

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

It is with great pride and pleasure that we review the activities of the Association for the season of 1970.

As in past years with the retirement of senior members, we saw their places taken by newly graded referees who appear to have the ability to uphold the dignity and standing of the Association.

I would like to express my deep appreciation to the executive committee namely Eric Cox (Secretary), Ossie Cohen (Treasurer), Frank Walsh (Social Secretary) and especially to Lisle Buckley (Assistant Secretary) in his initial year of office.

I was most impressed with the attendances at our fortnightly meetings last season and I am sure the same enthusiasm will continue in the forthcoming year.

When one reviews the performances of our active referees and touch judges and compares them with our overseas counterparts it is pleasing to note the high standard of refereeing in New South Wales.

Once again we were very proud of the appointing of Cliff Brown to the Executive Committee of the New South Wales Rugby League. I could not let the opportunity pass without expressing our gratitude and heartfelt thanks to the wives of all members for the assistance that was forthcoming on all occasions.

In conclusion, it has been an honour to have served as your President and I extend my personal and sincere thanks to all members for their co-operation and support.

A.W. SHINER
PRESIDENT

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT - SEASON 1970

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Submitted for your approval and adoption is your 1970 Annual Report and Balance Sheet.

I feel the season just concluded was a very good season from a refereeing point of view where I consider in my own humble opinion that the standard of refereeing was top class from both Centremen and Touch Judges.

Whilst the A.R.L. always has my respect, I feel when they are appointing referees for Test Matches, that as we have three or four referees of equal standard they should appoint different referees for the first two tests and the best for the Final Test. In this way Australia would always have a referee of International Standard.

After viewing the recent 1970 World Cup Series, I feel the appointment of neutral referees to control matches is a must and irrespective of what the so called critics' opinion is, we have the best referees in the World here in Sydney.

Congratulations to Ken Arthurson, Harry Bath, Ron Coote and their great team on winning the World Series. A wonderful team effort.

I have been approached recently by members from Queensland and the Country Referees Association with the idea of forming an Australian Referees Association. This has been one of my aims for a few years without success. Now I have the parties interested, I hope to see this body formed during the 1971 season and it can only be good for refereeing and the game in general.

During the year, members of your Association and the Executive, visited the Country and Metropolitan Associations and we are all pleased to report that all our affiliated Associations are operating very well. Congratulations to Western Suburbs and St. George on attaining their half century and next season Canterbury Association has their big year - 50 years of refereeing.

I would like to thank my co-Executive Officers, Austin Shiner and Os Cohen for their valuable assistance and also Frank Walsh and Lyle Buckley for making my job much easier. To all members and committeemen, I say thank you for your co-operation.

Finally, I feel we have had a good year and we look forward to 1971 and I hope all aspiring referees enjoy the success they deserve. Thank you gentlemen for the privilege and pleasure of serving you as your Secretary.

E. COX
HON. SECRETARY

NOTICE OF MOTION

18th November, 1970.

The Secretary,
N.S.W.R.F.L. Referees' Association,

Dear Sir,

I wish to submit the following Notices of Motion to the Constitution of the N.S.W.R.F.L. Referees' Association for consideration at the 1971 Annual Meeting.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

(1) That each Graded Referee shall contribute Four Dollars (\$4.00) Annual Subscription to the Association.

(2) That each Graded Referee shall contribute Four Dollars (\$4.00) Social Subscription to the Association.

Moved by: F.O. Cohen

Seconded by: F.W. Walsh

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The following is the Committee's recommendation for Life Membership, Messrs. Keith Arnold and Alec Soane. For your information and perusal outlined below are their records.

K. ARNOLD Graded 1951: Active Graded Referee from 1951 to 1960 inclusive. Honorary Member 1961 to 1970. Total years membership 20 years.

Attendance at Meetings

1951 13 (17)	1958 14 (15)	1965 1 (16)
1952 14 (16)	1959 15 (16)	1966 6 (15)
1953 15 (15)	1960 14 (14)	1967 14 (16)
1954 12 (17)	1961 9 (16)	1968 17 (17)
1955 14 (16)	1962 9 (16)	1969 16 (16)
1956 14 (15)	1963 6 (14)	1970 15 (16)
1957 15 (16)	1964 1 (16)	

Member of Referees' Appointment Board from 1967 to 1970 inclusive.
Member of the Coaching Classes from 1961 to 1970 inclusive.

A. SOANE Graded 1957: Active Graded Referee from 1957 to 1967 inclusive. Honorary Member 1968 to 1970. Total years membership 14 years.

Attendance at Meetings

1957 10 (16)	1962 15 (16)	1967 15 (16)
1958 10 (15)	1963 14 (14)	1968 8 (17)
1959 15 (16)	1964 16 (16)	1969 8 (16)
1960 14 (15)	1965 16 (16)	1970 4 (16)
1961 13 (16)	1966 15 (15)	

Member of Rules Committee - 1959.

Member of Committee - 1962 to 1967 inclusive.

Member of Fees Committee - 1961, 1962, 1963, 1966 and 1967.

Assistant Secretary - 1963 to 1967 inclusive.

Member of Coaching Classes - 1960 to 1970 inclusive.

Member of Finance Committee - 1968.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP HONOUR ROLL

L. BAGGOTT	J. KELLY
A. BELLERUM (D)	W. KELLY
J. BATES (D)	K. KEOUGH
T. BELLEW	E. KERR
G. BISHOP	A. KONNECKE
J. BLACK (D)	D. LAWLER
G. BOYD (D)	P. LEE
D. BRATTON	T. LEFFLER
T. BRENNAN	J. McGAULEY
R. BROCK	T. McMAHON (D)
C. BROWN	M. MALONEY (D)
J. BUCHANAN (D)	J. MARTIN
E. BUCKLEY (D)	H. MILLINGTON (D)
S. CAREY	J. MOSES
J. CLARKE (D)	J. MURRAY (D)
A. COLLINS	W. NEILL (D)
O. COHEN	J. O'BRIEN
T. COSTELLO (D)	R. O'DONNELL
B. COWLEY	A. OXFORD
W. CUKE	E. PAINE
R. CUMMINS	C. PEARCE
E. COX	G. PEARCE (D)
J. DAVIES	H. PIERCE
A.J. DAVIS	H. POULTON (D)
L. DEANE	H. ROWLANDS (D)
F. DELANEY (D)	L. ROSEN
A. DENNIS (D)	A. SHIPWAY
W. DEVINE, SNR.	R. SMYTH
T. DICKESON (D)	H. SCHUTEMA (D)
R.H. DRAKE (D)	A. SHINER
H.J. ELLIOTT	A. SPANKIE
F. ERICKSON	J. TURNER (D)
J. FARQUHAR (D)	E. TINSLEY
A. FARROW (D)	B. WALES, SNR. (D)
E. FLETCHER	A. WELSH (D)
A. FIFIELD	F.W. WALSH
W. FRY (D)	C.E. WIGZELL
T. GREW	L. WILLIAMS
G. GRIFFIN	G. WIRTH (D)
J. GRIFFIN (D)	R.J. WARD
J. HANSEN (D)	C. YORKE
A. HOLT	

TOTAL = 83

DECEASED = 30

LIST OF HONORARY MEMBERS SEASON 1970

J. ALEXANDER	H. GRIFFEN	K. PARKINSON
L. ALLEN	J. GRIFFITHS	A. PERRY
K. ARNOLD	A. HALL	L. RANDLE
J. BOWEN	C. HAYES	N. SAVAGE
R. BOWMAN	C. HUDSON	C. SCHOMBERG
J. BRADLEY	J. JEWELL	A. SOANE
N. BRADY	A. KNIGHT	J. STEWART
B. BUCKINGHAM	G. LANE	W. STEWART
R. CAREY	V. McGUINNESS	G. TAYLOR
J. COFFEY	R. McINTOSH	L. TURNER
K. COUCH	K. MANTON	B. WALES
W. DEVINE	R. MENSER	W. WHITE
C. DIMON	D. NICHOLSON	J. WHYBROW
K. DONOVAN	J. O'CONOR	S. WILLIAMS
J. EEDY	J. PARKINSON	A. WILLIS
T. EZART		
P. FITTON		

TOTAL = 47

AFFILIATIONS WITH THE N.S.W.R.F.L. REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

BALMAIN	Referees' Assn.	NEWTOWN	Referees' Assn.
CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN	" "	NORTH SYDNEY	" "
CRONULLA SUTHERLAND	" "	PARRAMATTA	" "
C.Y.O.	" "	PENRITH	" "
EASTERN SUBURBS	" "	ST. GEORGE	" "
MANLY WARRINGAH	" "	SOUTH SYDNEY	" "
METROP. BUSINESS HOUSES	" "	WESTERN SUBURBS	" "
COUNTRY R.F.L.	Referees' Assn.		
NORTHERN TERRITORY R.F.L.	" "		
PORT MORESBY R.F.L.	" "		
WESTERN AUSTRALIA R.F.L.	" "		

TOTAL = 18

LIST OF GRADED REFEREES SEASON 1970

A. AGGETT
 B. BARNES ✕
 B. BARRY
 G. BENNETT
 G. BENSON
 P. BOWEN
 D. BRAYBROOK
 L. BRUYERES
 L. BUCKLEY
 N. CLEMENT
 A. COLÉ
 A. COLLINS
 J. CONNOR
 E. COOK
 G. COOK
 W. CRAWFORD
 B. CRIPPS —
 B. CROSS
 R. DICK
 C. EDWARDS
 M. EDWARDS
 P. ELLISS
 J. FARRELLY
 R. FREEMAN
 C. GILCHRIST
 J. GOCHER
 M. GODFREY
 B. GOLDSWORTHY
 K. GRAY
 W. GRONO
 J. HARRIS
 G. HEDGER
 C. HENNESSY
 K. HOLMAN
 R. HUMPHREYS
 B. JACKMAN

K. JEFFS
 G. KELLAHAN
 J. KELLY
 W. KIRK
 D. LANCASHIRE
 R. LAWLESS
 I. McCALL
 P. McCARROLL
 J. McCOLL
 D. MacDONALD
 A. McGILVRAY
 R. McJANNETT
 D. McLEAN
 L. McREYNOLDS
 G. MAHER
 J. MONTGOMERY
 N. MORAITIS
 R. MORRIS
 A. NEVILLE —
 J. O'KEEFE
 J. O'SULLIVAN
 K. PAGE
 D. PARDEY
 R. PATTERSON
 W. PEARSON
 E. PEPPER
 L. SAMUELSON
 R. SMITH
 J. TICEHURST
 M. TOMSETT
 J. TURNER
 F. WALSH
 R. WARNER
 D. WINTON
 B. WISEMAN

TOTAL = 71

FIXTURES FOR SEASON 1970

EVENT	GAME	REFEREE	TOUCH JUDGES
<u>PRE-SEASON FINAL</u>	St. George V Canterbury	D. Lancashire	R. Dick M. Tomsett
<u>HER MAJESTY'S VISIT TO S.C.G.</u>	Balmain V Souths	K. Page	J. Montgomery R. Dick
	Country I V City I	D. Lancashire	R. McJannett T. Gustard (Newcastle)
	Country II V City II	B. Chapman	W. Crawford J. Kelly
	N.S.W. V Queensland (1st Series)	K. Page in Bris S. Volling in Bris	
	N.S.W. V Queensland (2nd Series)	K. Holman S. Volling	W. Crawford, G. Maher K. Cartwright (N'castle) C. Russell (Newcastle)
<u>PRESIDENT CUP FINAL</u>	South Sydney V Manly Warringah	T. Delaney	N. Cislowski B. Garwood
<u>PREMIERSHIP SEMIS FINALS and GRAND FINALS</u>			
<u>1st Grade Semis</u>	St. George V Canterbury Souths V Manly	K. Page D. Lancashire	R. Dick B. Barry J. Montgomery G. Hedger
<u>2nd Grade Semis</u>	Canterbury V Balmain Newtown V Easts	D. Lancashire K. Page	B. Jackman G. Kellahan W. Crawford R. Morris
<u>3rd Grade Semis</u>	St. George V Canterbury Souths V Easts	K. Holman K. Holman	F. Walsh J. Kelly J. O'Sullivan G. Benson
<u>FINAL</u>			
<u>1st Grade</u>	St. George V Manly	D. Lancashire	J. Montgomery R. Dick
<u>2nd Grade</u>	Balmain V Easts	K. Holman	G. Hedger B. Barry
<u>3rd Grade</u>	Canterbury V Souths	R. Humphreys	G. Kellahan B. Jackman
<u>GRAND FINAL</u>			
<u>1st Grade</u>	Souths V Manly	D. Lancashire	R. Dick J. Montgomery
	* K. Page appointed referee but was injured.		
<u>2nd Grade</u>	Easts V Newtown	K. Holman	B. Barry G. Hedger
<u>3rd Grade</u>	Souths V Easts	R. Humphreys	G. Kellahan B. Jackman

EVENT	GAME	REFEREE	TOUCH JUDGES
<u>2ND DIVISION SEMIS,</u> <u>FINALS and GRAND FINALS</u>			
<u>1st Grade Semi</u>	Sydney University V Bankstown	L. Bruyeres	J. McColI R. McJannett
	Wentworthville V Blacktown	L. Bruyeres	B. Cross L. Buckley
<u>2nd Grade Semi</u>	Sydney University V	J. Harris	J. Gocher
	Arncliffe Scots	J. Harris	R. Patterson
	Wentworthville V		W. Grono
	Ryde-Eastwood		J. McColI
<u>JERSEY FLEGG FINAL</u>	South Sydney V Parramatta	G. Hartley	L. Green T. Arnold
<u>S.G. BALL FINAL</u>	St. George V Parramatta	M. Beacroft	G. Samuels J. Thomas
<u>1ST TEST</u>	Australia V Great Britain	D. Lancashire	L. Cronin J. Smith
<u>2ND TEST</u>	Australia V Great Britain	D. Lancashire	R. McJannett G. Kellahan
<u>3RD TEST</u>	Australia V Great Britain	D. Lancashire	J. Montgomery R. Dick
<u>FINAL:</u> <u>1st Grade</u>	Wentworthville V Bankstown	L. Bruyeres	B. Cross L. Buckley
<u>2nd Grade</u>	Wentworthville V Sydney University	J. Harris	W. Grono R. McJannett
<u>GRAND FINAL:</u> <u>1st Grade</u>	Wentworthville V Blacktown	L. Bruyeres	B. Cross L. Buckley
	Wentworthville V Ryde-Eastwood	J. Harris	W. Grono R. McJannett

Referees who officiated in 1st Grade during Season
1970

L. Bruyeres	C. Edwards	E. Cook
J. Farrelly	J. Harris	K. Holman
D. Lancashire	P. McCarroll	A. Neville
K. Page	L. Samuelson	R. Humphreys

Gentlemen,

The Rugby League Season 1970 followed the disquiet occasioned by the falling attendance of the previous year 1969 and steps to recapture patrons is the task of everyone connected with our game. The spiralling costs of every facet of Rugby League coupled with the decrease in Gate Receipts provide problems for the Administrators.

Some new approaches and ideas will be on trial in 1971 and we all fervently hope these will prove to be a great success.

Once again the standard of refereeing was a credit to our members, yet whilst we can be happy, we should not be complacent and let's use every avenue to make sure the proud record of the N.S.W.R.F.L. referees Association will be further enhanced in 1971.

Television has brought overseas players, referees and conditions much closer to us and made us more conversant with the game as played and controlled in Great Britain. A fair statement would surely be after viewing the recent World Cup Series, firstly the Australian team deserve our congratulations on a marvellous effort in retaining the trophy, and secondly the standard of refereeing, particularly in the Metropolitan Area of Sydney, suffers nothing in comparison with the performances of the men who controlled the World Cup Series.

Season 1971 is the future, unknown, challenging.

I am sure we can and will successfully meet and satisfy all our obligations.

CLIFF BROWN
DELEGATE

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HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT - 1970

Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I place before the Association the Annual Balance Sheet for 1970. All accounts finished with a satisfactory balance.

The General Fund is in credit, thanks to donations from the New South Wales Rugby Football League and W.D. & H.O. Wills - the Association appreciates their generosity and support which enabled us to complete the year without any further call upon members.

Costs continue to rise and the Association has been caught up in the inflationary trend that prevails. This is the first year that Stamp Duty has been imposed on all cheques.

Banks have instituted management charges and discontinued payment of interest on Society cheque accounts, unless transactions can be kept below certain limits. I am pleased to inform that all except the Fees Account were able to meet the requirements, but to offset this, a Fees Savings Account was opened and operated in conjunction with the Fees Cheque Account.

A purchase of 300 Association ties involved a substantial outlay during the year. These were placed on sale to members, the response has been disappointing and it will be a lengthy period before this amount can be recouped.

It is anticipated that the Constitution will be re-printed in an up to date form when sufficient funds are available in the coming year.

I extend my thanks to the President, Secretary and Social Secretary for their co-operation and the support of all members during 1970.

F.O. COHEN
HON. TREASURER

N.S.W. RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1970

GENERAL ACCOUNT			
Receipts		Expenditure	
By-		To-	
Credit Balance 1969	422.60	Printing & Stationery	144.91
Grade Members' Subs.	106.50	Postage & Telephone	119.82
Honorary Members' Subs.	36.75	Blazers L.M.	109.50
Affiliations	81.00	Convivial	60.23
Balance of Fees deductions	347.61	J. Raper Testimonial	30.00
Donations-Trial matches	450.00	A. Robinson "	36.00
Donation N.S.W.R.F.L.	200.00	L. Moses "	20.00
Donation W.D. & H.O. Wills	100.00	Association Ties	625.00
Referees' Badges	386.00	Lapel Badges	83.43
Association Ties	195.00	Tie Bars	77.00
Association Badges	19.25	Referees' Badges	331.84
Bank Interest	18.60	Entertainment	101.79
		Wreaths	29.00
		Stamp Duty	3.75
		Honorariums	380.00
			2152.27
		Cash at Bank	211.04
	\$2363.31		\$2363.31
NOTE: Association Ties to the value of \$702 are in hand.			
SPECIAL FUND			
Credit Balance 1969	242.93	K. Drummond Fund	50.00
Transfer from General A/C	200.00	Lewisham Hosp. (Sports Clinic)	100.00
K. Drummond Fund (Raffle)	20.00	Stamp Duty	1.25
Picnic Novelties	18.00		151.25
Bank Interest	5.77	Cash at Bank	335.45
	\$486.70		\$486.70
ASSURANCE FUND			
Credit Balance 1969	739.76	Claims by Members	85.25
Grade Members Subs.	142.00	Stamp Duty	2.35
Bank Interest	24.39		87.60
		Cash at Bank	818.55
	\$906.15		\$906.15

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N.S.W. RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1970

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FEES ACCOUNT			
Credit Balance 1969	0.22	Paid to Referees	31654.45
Received from N.S.W.R.F.L.	31654.45	Bank Charges	4.65
Bank Interest	82.57	Stamp Duty	6.95
			<u>31666.05</u>
		Cash at Bank	71.19
	<u>\$31737.24</u>		<u>\$31737.24</u>

SOCIAL FUND			
Credit Balance 1969	69.44		
Hon. Members' Subs	36.75	Family Picnic	638.70
Active Members' Subs.	106.50		
Annual Picnic	203.00	Annual Picnic	607.36
Social Levy	1435.00		
Convivials	90.80	Convivials	200.81
Donations			
J. Drewes	20.00		
Rothmans of Pall Mall	40.00		
N.S.W.R.F.L.	10.00		
N.S.W. Leagues Club	10.50		
L. Smith	10.00		
Life Members' Night	135.00		
Kyeemagh Dinner Dance	86.00	Kyeemagh Dinner Dance	586.83
		Stamp Duty	2.45
Bank Interest	28.51	Bank Balance	245.35
	<u>\$2281.50</u>		<u>\$2281.50</u>

This is to certify that we have examined the Accounts of the N.S.W. Rugby Football League Referees' Association and, in our opinion, they disclose a true state of the affairs of the Association.

Signed: L. BRUYERES)
Signed: G. MAHER) Honorary Auditors

F. O. COHEN
HON. TREASURER

ATTENDANCES

MEETINGS HELD - TOTAL = 16

Members Who Attended Meetings Are Listed Only

LIFE MEMBERS

T. BELLEN (6)	E. COX (16)	C. PEARCE (7)
G. BISHOP (8)	A. HOLT (14)	H. PIERCE (8)
T. BRENNAN (5)	W. KELLY (12)	L. ROSEN (4)
R. BROCK (2)	A. KONNECKE (11)	A. SHINER (16)
C. BROWN (16)	J. McGAULEY (5)	E. TINSLEY (14)
S. CAREY (16)	J. MOSES (13)	C. WIGZELL (16)
O. COHEN (16)	J. O'BRIEN (8)	L. WILLIAMS (2)
B. COWLEY (3)	R. O'DONNELL (8)	F. WALSH (16)
R. CUMMINS (4)		K. KEOUGH (11)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

A. AGGETT (6)	C. GILCHRIST (12)	D. McLEAN (16)
B. BARNES (12)	J. GOCHER (16)	L. McREYNOLDS (8)
B. BARRY (14)	M. GODFREY (13)	G. MAHER (14)
G. BENNETT (13)	B. GOLDSWORTHY (14)	J. MONTGOMERY (10)
G. BENSON (16)	K. GRAY (9)	N. MORAITIS (4)
P. BOWEN (12)	W. GRONO (16)	R. MORRIS (13)
D. BRAYBROOK (13)	J. HARRIS (9)	A. NEVILLE (7)
L. BRUYERES (9)	G. HEDGER (3)	J. O'KEEFE (9)
L. BUCKLEY (16)	C. HENNESSY (8)	J. O'SULLIVAN (16)
A. COLE (8)	K. HOLMAN (13)	K. PAGE (16)
A. COLLINS (11)	R. HUMPHREYS (14)	D. PARDY (14)
N. CLEMENT (12)	B. JACKMAN (8)	R. PATTERSON (10)
J. CONNOR (13)	G. KELLAHAN (7)	W. PEARSON (11)
E. COOK (6)	J. KELLY (14)	E. PEPPER (12)
G. COOK (13)	W. KIRK (3)	L. SAMUELSON (7)
W. CRAWFORD (10)	D. LANCASHIRE (12)	R. SMITH (14)
B. CRIPPS (9)	R. LAWLESS (4)	J. TICEHURST (12)
B. CROSS (16)	I. McCALL (14)	M. TOMSETT (12)
R. DICK (15)	P. McCARROLL (12)	J. TURNER (10)
C. EDWARDS (8)	J. McCOLL (9)	F. WALSH (16)
M. EDWARDS (11)	D. McDONALD (15)	R. WARNER (12)
P. ELLISS (16)	A. McGILVRAY (9)	D. WINTON (12)
J. FARRELLY (16)	R. McJANNETT (14)	B. WISEMAN (11)
R. FREEMAN (11)		K. JEFFES (5)

HONORARY MEMBERS

K. ARNOLD (15)	K. MANTON (11)	A. SOANE (3)
J. COFFEY (7)	J. O'CONOR (2)	C. SCHOMBERG (2)
P. FITTON (13)	A. PERRY (1)	J. WHYBROW (2)
R. HALL (13)	K. PARKINSON (3)	A. WILLIS (12)
V. McGUINNESS (3)		

DISTRICT ASSOCIATION DELEGATES

1970

Feb. 1970

BALMAIN: D. Dudgeon (16), W. Brennan (3), J. Reynolds (3)

CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN: J. Leeds (14), A. Collins (2), J. Brogan (11)

CRONULLA SUTH.: A. Allen (9), K. Manton (11)

C.Y.O.: G. Cawood (11), R. Garwood (13)

EASTERN SUBURBS: R. McGowan (3), G. Hartley (2)

MANLY WARRINGAH: N. Patten (12)

NEWTOWN: R. Wales (11), R. Pierce (1)

NORTH SYDNEY: J. Porteous (15)

PARRAMATTA: P. Dunn (9), R. Taylor (2)

PENRITH: R. Hayward (9), B. Ayers (6)

ST. GEORGE: J. Samuels (15)

SOUTH SYDNEY: G. Callinan (11), L. Green (7)

WESTERN SUBURBS: N. Cislowski (10), A. Hill (10)

METROPOLITAN BUSINESS HOUSES: B. Bourke (8), F. Lennis (2)

COUNTRY R.F.L. REFEREES' ASSN: A. Byrnes (7)

RUGBY LEAGUE NEWS OF INTEREST

A mixed year for premierships seeing South Sydney 1st Grade Premiers, Newtown 2nd Grade Premiers, Eastern Suburbs 3rd Grade Premiers and Easts were Club Champions. This I consider good for the game particularly when you look at Newtown's 2nd Grade team with a majority of local products.

It is believed that the management of the recent World Cup Team will recommend to the A.R.L. that future World Cup Matches be controlled by Referees coming from each country playing Rugby League (don't let's hear the words Neutral Referees, because wherever Referees come from they should remain neutral and impartial at all times). This is something I would like to see particularly for an exchange of views and uniformity in refereeing and last but not least Referees would receive greater recognition for their services.

One point for a field goal will be in vogue next season and this may brighten up the game and we may go back to scoring tries which is really Rugby League at its best. There are a few rule changes mooted, but until advised by the A.R.L., they cannot be printed but as soon as advised, all members will be circulated.

At the all day conference it was decided that head high tackling is out i.e. any tackling above the shoulders is illegal. I gave the assurance at the meeting, Referees would be advised but that common sense would apply. This I consider a good move, and providing the Clubs and players join into the spirit of the rule, I feel we will see the last of the "Head Hunters".

The League has now altered its constitution in respect of Life Membership and we may now see some of our stalwarts gaining this coveted honour providing as a grade member they have had forty years service with Rugby League.

I have been handed a 1934 Rugby League News by "Buster" Craigie and let's look at some of the Referees officiating; Ted Fletcher, touch judge Norths V Balmain, Arthur Davis and Arthur Collins, touch judges Norths V Balmain Reserve Grade, Reg Ward and Os. Cohen, touch judges St. George V Western Suburbs, Leo Baggott, Referee University V Eastern Suburbs, Cyril Wigzell, Referee University V Eastern Suburbs 3rd Grade, Tom Brennan, touch judge for University V Easts, Lal Deane, Referee St. George V Western Suburbs. Not bad chaps when you think most of these members are still actively associated with Rugby League.

From the advertisements, these may interest Bay Boat voyage to England cost £38 one class only - Blazers from Gowings 32/6 tailored to measure - tailored suit from Mick Simmons 79/6 - Footballs Rex Grasshopper at special price fifteen shillings and finally price of the programme was threepence.

Again this season we welcomed new members and we are proud to have with us Messrs. Brian Barnes, Dennis Braybrook, Ashley Collins, Barry Cripps, John Gocher, Barry Goldsworthy, Ken Gray, John O'Keefe, Bill Pearson and Doug Winton.

Our retired members are as follows from season 1969 -

Col Hudson - still actively associated with St. George Referees as Treasurer - Member of Social Committee (Frank reckons he has a few ruff! edges but not a bad apprentice).

John Martin - President of Canterbury Referees - Member of Referees Appointment Board 2nd Division. Still partial to a few with the boys after the game.

Ray Menser - Believed to be refereeing up the Central Coast - rumoured the proud owner of Paddy's Market at Erina - cheap vegs. and fruit for all Referees.

Jack Stewart - Deputy Selector for St. George D.R.L.F. Club and had a fairly successful season for his initial season. Proud owner of swimming pool at home so it looks like 'Pool Parties' for his Referee friends during summer.

Carl Langton - Not heard much of Carl since he retired - believed to be still playing occasional game of cricket - Proud owner of new home.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP OF N.S.W.R.F.L. R.A. 1970

Kev. Keough, Eric Cox and their ladies were entertained at a wonderful cabaret at Beverley Hills Bowling - Both very proud men on the evening and had many of their friends and relatives present to witness the presentation of Blazers.

VALE

To all members who suffered sad losses during the season, we offer our deepest sympathies.

APPRECIATIONS

To Mr. W.G. Buckley, President of the N.S.W.R.F.L. and his committee for their co-operation during the season.

Brian Kelly, Bill Kelly, Jack Hampsted, Nick Moraitas, John Buttel for supply of food for our functions and also assisting with transport.

Thanks to John Connor, Rothmans, Alan Wilson, W.D. & H.O. Wills, Ray Stehr and Keith Holman (Black & White Scotch). W.D. & H.O. Wills have now decided to make an award each year to Referee and Touch Judges who officiate in Grand Final - 1970 Grand Final saw the commencement of this award.

To Dick McPhillips, owner of Dick's Shoe Store for his generous donation of 10 pair of 'Huskie' Football Boots to all Referees officiating on Grand Final Day, also a pair of shoes to Referee Picnic (believe Frank Walsh won this award for being greatest stirrer at the Picnic).

Our thanks to the patients of Ward 3 Repatriation Hospital for their award to a Referee with a future - awarded to Keith Holman. A wonderful gesture considering these fellows made the award (a cocktail tray) by hand. Most of these patients have been in hospital since the 1939-45 war.

To Dr. Bill Monaghan and Staff at Lewisham Sportsman's Clinic.

To Directors and Staff of the N.S.W. Leagues' Club - particular thanks to our old mate Bob Davidson.

Our thanks also to Jack Drewes and Les Smith for their generous donations.

To Beverley Hills Bowling Club and the N.S.W. Leagues' Bowling Club Kyeemagh and their Directors for allowing us to conduct functions at their Clubs.

A big thank you to Mr. Ken Stephens and his very efficient staff. A particular thanks to Miss Joan Thomas.

N.S.W. R.F.L. REFEREES WHO OCCUPY POSITIONS

WITH THE N.S.W. RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

EXAMINATION BOARD: Messrs. C. Pearce, L. Bruyeres, C. Wigzell, T. Bellew,
T. Brennan, C. Schomberg and J. Moses.

APPOINTMENT BOARD: Messrs. J. McGauley, R. O'Donnell, J. O'Brien,
J. Coffey, W. Kelly, S. Carey and H. Pierce constituted
the 1st Division Board.

APPOINTMENT BOARD: G. Bishop, J. Martin, K. Arnold, B. Hall and J. O'Connor
constituted the 2nd Division Board.

COACHING PANEL: K. Holman.

COACHING CLASS

FOR REFEREES: C. Wigzell (Director)

SECRETARY 2ND

DIVISION: E. Cox

MEMBER OF

EXECUTIVE: C. Brown

MEMBER OF 2ND DIV.

MANAGEMENT COMM. : Messrs. A. Holt, A. Willis and E. Cox

VICE PRESIDENTS

OF N.S.W.R.F.L.: T. Brennan and J. McGauley

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT 1970

Mr. President & Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Social Committee and myself, I take pleasure in presenting an instant replay of the Social activities for season 1970. So here we go with the disc again for W'Austin, W'Eric and W'os the only Won on Ron we have is Ron McJannett who recently had his name in the paper and after a few more appointments to Cumberland or Belmore, they won't lay a glove on you Ron. Hope you are now O.K. again.

Convivials

During the season (5) five convivials were held after the meetings and these were well supported in the main, but then seeing that the price was right the members should have supported them.

The final convivial had a couple of malfunctions, equipment and members. The gear could not keep the suds cold due to the rush to slake the parched throats caused by over acting and speeches above and beyond the needs of the night.

On the day of the All Schools' Carnival, the Association entertained the lads from the Country R.A. back at the N.S.W. League's Club. An excellent meal was served under the eyes of our 'chefs', Steve Carey (Head Chef) Dick Humphries and 'Sir' George Benson (Drink Waiters).

In the past we have had Col Russell Snr. down from Newcastle R.A. on this day but this year it was a Col Russell again, only this time it was Jnr. You don't notice the time go past.

We had again set the Life Members night for the day of the City V Country fixture and invitations extended to all the boys from the Country to be our guests together with their partners.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Young from Wagga were with us and due to the response, we will probably have to revert back to a convivial in the dressing room at the S.C.G. or perhaps Eastern Suburbs Leagues Club.

Merchandising Section

At the present, we are holding a quantity of Association Ties (18 boxes), lapel badges and tie bars. We have not yet averaged one tie to each graded referee and a lot of Life and Honorary Members have already purchased same, so the response has been poor up to this point.

If the sale of the ties continues to drag, I can see them being given out as door prizes, dance prizes, race prizes etc, etc. However, I do expect a big improvement in sales in the New Year when the results of our first T.V. Commercial are known.

I suppose most of you thought that his Holiness, Pope Paul VI had come out to Australia just to say Mass at Randwick Race Course, well I will let you in on a little secret. After the success of the Rev. Barry Howard, this was a heaven sent opportunity.

Remember as Pope Paul stepped off the plane, in his first address he said "We have strong Ties between Australia and the Vatican", that was our first successful commercial as people all over Australia and the World learnt of our Ties.

And at \$3.00 each, holy smoke you need two. I expect this phrase to be soon as well known as "these offers are genuine - I wouldn't do the commercials if they weren't".

Annual Picnic

The Annual Picnic or disaster day was held on the 11th October and set down for Rodd Island again. Having arranged for the weather to be fine (by courtesy of the Vatican and Westminster), I was quite surprised to see a slight shower on the morning of the Picnic and can only put it down to the fact that both Canterbury and Cronulla Referees Associations were having their golf day and this was the cause of the rain.

Having arranged for the launch to take the workers over at 9.00 a.m. and the main body over at 10.00 a.m., we waited for the 9.00 a.m. ferry to arrive at 9.15 or 9.30 or 9.45 or 10.00 a.m. perhaps. We knew H.M.A.S. Melbourne was in port, but Eric had promised after the Manly Ferry episode, he would see it was locked up for the day and confiscate their rum ration so our boat would be safe, but as time drizzled on with the rain, I began to think that he had turned it loose to sabotage us. A bit after 10.00 a.m., realising that he was losing drinking time, Clive Edwards said "I am going to ring up a mate of mine to find out where the bloody boat is", so after 15 minutes, he comes back and said "you have no boat, the bloke's gone out of business and you don't have an island because you don't have any booking" and then he laughed.

Now why would anybody standing in the pouring rain with no boat and no picnic ground laugh at the Social Secretary.

Col Hudson was sitting in my car with me at the time and he looked out through the rain at the 127 gallons of brake fluid standing on the wharf and he murmured something about there being no justice in the World and started to cry, this I could understand, but not the laugh.

So thinking quickly, I left the disaster area and headed up towards Balmain and by the time we reached the Balmain League's Club, Col had realised all was not yet lost. We approached the supervisor on duty and poured our tale of woe into his shell like ear asking for the use of the Old League's Club - wasn't that a brilliant inspiration? I am glad you agree. The Supervisor, Mr. Hill contacted Mr. Hannaford who readily agreed to our using the Premises. Col and I went around, unlocked the Club, unloaded the truck and Col went back to the wharf to let the multitude know the joyous tidings - back to the Old League's Club out of the rain.

We set up the gear and soon the suds were flowing and the food started coming and many packs of cards were produced and Les Smith contacted Bruce Sacre to come over and do a turn in the afternoon and Joe went over but never under with his "unders and overs" and everybody settled down to enjoy themselves and by 11.00 a.m., you would have thought that the venue had been set down as the Old League's Club in the first place.

Novelty races took the place of the conventional sprints and the results were as follows -

District Delegates (1) G. Burrows (Parramatta)
(2) D. Dudgeon (Balmain)

Graded Referees Championship (1) W. Pearson
(2) J. O'Sullivan
(3) M. Godfrey

Visitors' Championship (1) B. Davoren
(2) M. Marsh
(3) K. Jackman

Life Members (1) F. Walsh
(2) E. Cox
(3) S. Carey

Honorary Members (1) C. Hudson
(2) P. Fitton

Other races set down for decision (that's a Ken Howard phrase) were postponed to the Family Picnic with John O'Keefe winning the Open Championship, having won the Life Members' egg and spoon, Eric and I decided not to run in the open to let others have a chance.

Kitchen facilities were better than if we had been on the Island with the Hot Plate set up on the gas stove and our "Corps de Chefs" were able to work their usual miracle and our thanks go out to Mesdames Walsh, Martin, Cox, O'Sullivan and Farrelly.

In all, there were 93 members and visitors present and most voted it an excellent day in spite of the inclement weather.

Family Picnic

Two weeks later on the 25th October, the Family Picnic was held at Lane Cove National Park and this time the weather was more favourable. Again the numbers were down with 65 mums and dads being brought along by 140 children.

Presents were distributed by the Deputy Chairman, Mr. Arthur Konnecke, deputising for the President and each lady received a gift as a memento of the day.

During the day, sweets, ice cream and soft drinks were dispensed to all the kids big and small. This year we gave away as race prizes for the ladies, two tickets to see "Paint Your Wagon" and these proved to be very popular with the girls.

It was terrific to see the ladies rushing around the ground competing in the various events. Would you believe me if I told you I saw three fellows bouncing one large lady into an expansible corn sack and after she ran in the sack race, it took six to try to get her out, her feet got stuck to the burlap forming a suction so they resolved the problem by converting the sack into a pair of panty hose.

Another lady who we will call Dulcie (it's an alias), proved most adept at a game called "ringing the goose", you could tell it wasn't the first time she had played this game.

So as a follow up to the Picnic, a Theatre Party of 30 people enjoyed "Paint Your Wagon" on Wednesday, 4th December.

Also present with us at the Family Picnic were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gustard and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sheather from the Newcastle Referees Association. Our thanks to these members for their attendance.

Cocktail Dinner Dance

A Special Cocktail Dinner Dance was held at Kyeemagh, the N.S.W. Leagues' Bowling Club being the venue. A party of 98 were in attendance with cocktails starting at 6.30 p.m. and dinner being served at 7.30 p.m.

The meal was excellent being wild duck, shot on the Cook's River swamp, followed by Tapioca Pudding. Dinner and dance music was under the baton of Col. Sanders and his finger lickers but they were an excellent group and between dances when not consuming copious amounts of ale from beer steins they conducted crystal ball gazing, gave out "horror" scopes, conducted seances complete with table rapping and a "Oui ja" board whilst the M.C. in a red Dinner Jacket (discarded by Liberace), and after seeing the Jacket you'd know why he discarded it) invited members of each Association to come forward and engage in an eye-sight test with the winner to receive a special pewter from Cec. Cook's magic shop. The only thing that went wrong with this was that the jokers from the C.Y.O. knocked off the Eastern Suburbs Pewter - shame! The eye-sight charts had the letters S - E - X in that order on them and Dick Cummins was voted "bright eyes" because of the way his eyes lit up and he could read the message three times further away than the rest of the gang.

This night was a huge success and in all seriousness it would be a shame to see it discarded.

"Big Bad" John (Col. Sanders) had been a member of Joe Loss's Band in England and is a very fine musician. An added bonus was a fine vocal bracket by Denis (dimples) Braybrook.

Life Membership Presentation Night

Beverley Hills Bowling Club saw our biggest ever crowd of 275 in attendance on the occasion of Life Membership Honours being bestowed on Mr. Eric Cox and Mr. K. Keough.

The President, Mr. A. Shiner made the presentation to Mr. E. Cox as President and the Deputy Chairman, Mr. A. Konnecke in view of his long association and friendship, made the presentation to Mr. K. Keough. The large crowd was a tribute to both Eric and Kevin and a measure of the esteem in which they are held by members and friends. Our congratulations to both Eric and Kevin on being made Life Members for season 1970, their records speak for themselves but so do the many intangible things that they have done for members and the Association over their years of service.

In their case, service is the operative word because each in his own way has sought only to serve.

That's all your \$2.00 will get you in these columns Eric. All attending enjoyed the waltz music provided by the Oscar Strauss Trio and the Vienna Boys Choir conducted and arranged by Herr Les. Smith on loan from the Sydney Opera House. Our thanks to Les for the manner in which he helped make the night a success.

Conclusion

I would like to thank Mr. Bruce Jackman and W.D. & H.O. Wills for their support to our various functions.

Also our thanks go to Mr. John Connor and Rothmans of Pall Mall for their support and donation of \$40 towards the Annual Picnic.

I wish to thank my Social Committee who worked very hard on your behalf, Messrs. B. Barry, P. Elliss, J. Farrelly and G. Benson, I would at this point like to express my warm thanks to Mr. Col. Hudson who was elected to the Social Committee this year. Col was ever ready to help at all the functions held during the year, he has been an asset.

The Social Levy of \$20.00 per active member resulted in an attractive bank balance being left at the conclusion of the season and gives us a healthy start to season 1971.

At this point, if I am re-elected, it is not my intention to conduct the Annual Picnic (Bucks) this year as I feel it is not getting the support it deserves this decision is subject to direction by the Meeting and you, the members will have the final say, but if this brings as much reaction as other matters that come before the chair, then it should be a quiet meeting. The alternative, a second family picnic or an extra dinner dance.

My personal thanks to the President, Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Secretary for their help during the season, they have been a constant source of inspiration to me and believe me I need it.

Down at Warringah Mall at the moment, they have the raft "La Balsa" and I have booked it to transport our gear and members to Rodd Island for the Annual Picnic. If it can get from South America to Australia, it can take us to Rodd Island. Col. Schomberg has agreed to act as Captain for the trip, if Alec Soane and Kevin Jeffes will fire the Boilers.

Well I must conclude now to go training for the Pre-season competition and I leave a thought for to-day with you - Are we going to hold a 65th Anniversary Dinner? This is two years away and we need time to gather the funds. Oh well, it was only a thought, wasn't it?

Remember -

"We have strong Ties between Australia and the Vatican"
and please buy, we need the money.

F.W. WALSH
HON. SOCIAL SECRETARY

(OPTIONAL) RESULT OF BALLOTS

PATRON:

PRESIDENT:

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN:

SECRETARY:

TREASURER:

VICE-PRESIDENTS:

ASSISTANT SECRETARY:

DELEGATE:

DEPUTY DELEGATE:

SOCIAL SECRETARY:

DELEGATES TO 2ND DIVISION:

COMMITTEE:

RESULT OF BALLOTS (CONTINUED)

HONORARY AUDITORS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

NOMINEES FOR EXAMINATION BOARD:

NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT BOARD:

GENERAL NOTES: