

*New South Wales
Rugby Football League Referees'
Association*

**The Sixty-Fourth
Report and Balance Sheet**

For presentation Wednesday, 2nd February, 1972

22nd MARCH

A. SHINER
PRESIDENT

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HON. TREASURER

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

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

November, 1971.

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, 2nd February, 1972, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

BUSINESS

1. Minutes
2. Correspondence
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5. Nominees for Appointment Board
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E. COX
Hon. Secretary

OFFICIALS FOR 1971

PATRON

Mr. C. Wigzell

PRESIDENT

Mr. A. Shiner

VICE CHAIRMAN

Mr. A. Konnecke

HON. SECRETARY

Mr. E. Cox

TREASURER

Mr. O. Cohen

ASST. 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, J. Montgomery (Deputy)

SOCIAL SECRETARY

Mr. F. Walsh

COMMITTEE

Messrs. G. Benson, D. Macdonald, K. Page, R. Dick,
C. Schomberg, J. O'Sullivan

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Messrs. L. Bruyeres, F. Walsh, C. Hudson, K. Page,
M. Godfrey

AUDITORS

Messrs. L. Bruyeres, G. Maher

FEES COMMITTEE

Messrs. F. Walsh, J. Montgomery, J. O'Sullivan

DELEGATES TO 2ND DIVISION

Messrs. A. Holt, A. Willis

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Messrs. B. Barry, J. Farrelly, P. Ellis, C. Hudson,
R. McJannett

A MESSAGE FROM THE PATRON

It is my pleasure to once again add a few words to the Association's Annual Report.

As is usual, we can always look back on a season just completed to determine in retrospect whether we have achieved the measure of success we had hoped for or not, both as an Association and as individual members of it.

As far as the Association is concerned, its Administrative affairs were conducted in the usual efficient manner by the Executive Committee and Social Secretary and in this they were ably supported by our Delegates to the N.S.W. Rugby Football League. To all concerned, I extend my congratulations on a successful year.

The success or otherwise of a season's activities from the point of view of each member is one that only he can judge. Every referee endeavours to ensure that in his career he achieves at least some of the goals he sets for himself. When he passes the oral examination he joins his local district association with the hope that he will progress in its ranks. Most set for themselves the aim of reaching graded status. This is an honour which is difficult to obtain, particularly when one considers the large number offering compared with the small number required. The achievement of graded status is, therefore, something which must be worked for.

It is particularly important, however, to remember that a referee's duty to his associations both State and District, and to the game in general does not cease once he has achieved this status. Further avenues of success are available to him only if he is prepared to continue to keep himself conversant with the Laws of the Game and to keep in good physical condition. These are two most important factors. He should not become complacent with his initial success but should, by his continued thirst for knowledge, demonstrate to all that he has not only the qualifications for the status he has achieved, but the qualifications to go further. Apart from this he must at all times be prepared to impart his knowledge to others.

On a personal note, may I be permitted to express my thanks to the many officials of District and Country Referee's Associations and individual referees for their words of congratulation to me on my election as a life member of the N.S.W. Rugby Football League along with George Bishop, Ray Liston and Arthur Toby. I deeply appreciate their messages on the achievement of an honour which I value greatly.

I am not unmindful that this honour could not have been achieved without the assistance and co-operation that I have received from so many of them over the years.

C.E. WIGZELL
Patron

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that we review the Associations' activities for the 1971 season.

I would like to thank the members of the Executive Committee namely, Eric Cox (Secretary), Lisle Buckley (Assistant Secretary), Ossie Cohen (Treasurer) and Frank Walsh (Social Secretary) for their co-operation and assistance during the year.

The standard of refereeing throughout the 1971 season was of a high standard and I would like to congratulate the referees and touch judges and especially those who were appointed to the semi-finals, finals and grand finals.

The fortnightly meetings last season were again well attended by our members and I am confident this will continue in the 1972 season.

My personal congratulations to Cyril Wigzell and George Bishop on attaining Life Membership Honours to the N.S.W. Rugby League.

My sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Matthews on the passing of her husband, Harold Matthews. Harold was a dear friend of our Association and he will be sadly missed. To all members of the Association, who suffered sad losses during the season, I offer my deepest sympathy.

Finally, I would like to extend to all members my personal and sincere thanks for their support, and we look forward to a successful 1972 season.

A.W. SHINER
President

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT - SEASON 1971

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Submitted for your approval and adoption, is your 1971 Annual Report and Balance Sheet.

The 1971 season I consider was an excellent season particularly from the playing of the game. With the introduction of the Six Tackle rule and Referees once again allowed the option of positioning themselves in the best position in the play-the-ball-movement, we saw a lot more continuity of play.

It is to be hoped that if the International Board meets this year in England whilst Mr. Buckley is visiting that the Board re-introduce the rule where players cannot move inside the 5 yards until the ball comes clear of the ruck. This would further speed up the game.

The overall refereeing standard this year in my opinion was of a very good standard and we saw some very keen competition for Semis, Finals and Grand Final.

Number one Plum this year, the Grand Final, went to Keith Holman and whilst we have already congratulated Keith I feel we must say congratulations once again.

I know we are all proud to have Keith in our ranks because we don't win many ex players particularly an ex international of Keith's standard.

Whilst some of our members have come under fire from Club Officials and coaches, then my advice to them is just ignore these stupid fellows because they are only letting off steam to make up for their deficiencies.

As New Zealand has accepted an invitation to tour Australia during 1972, there will be keen competition for the vacant Test Referees berth, so I recommend to all Referees, get out the skipping ropes one month early and see if you can't win the Plum of the 1972 season.

Once again visits were paid to Country and District Associations by members of the Executive and it is pleasing to see the manner in which they conduct their business. One thing was noticeable at most Associations, the poor influx of new members this year, so I feel it is up to us to get amongst our friends and seek out the right types and influence them to join the ranks of the 'Men in White'.

Year 1971 will be well remembered as it was the 50th year of the Canterbury District Rugby Football League Referees Association. A very good effort by a well conducted Association and they are to be congratulated on their 50th year functions held during the year. Next season sees the first of the North of the Harbour Associations enjoying 50 years and I do know North Sydney are already preparing to have some wonderful celebrations.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT - SEASON 1971 cont'd

I would like to thank my co-Executive Officers, Austin and Os for their assistance, Cliff, Frank and Lyle for their support and to all members for your assistance during the year.

I hope 1972 is an excellent year for Referees and I wish you every success both on and off the field. Finally chaps, thanks once again for the privilege and pleasure of serving you as your Secretary.

E. COX
Hon. Secretary

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The following is the Committee's recommendation for Life Membership, Messrs. Laurie Bruyeres and Colin Schomberg. For your information and perusal outlined below are their records:

L. BRUYERES - graded 1958 to 1971. Total years Membership 14 years.

Attendance at Meetings:

1958 - 12	(15)	1963 - 14	(14)	1968 - 14	(17)
1959 - 13	(16)	1964 - 13	(16)	1969 - 13	(16)
1960 - 8	(15)	1965 - 11	(16)	1970 - 9	(16)
1961 - 13	(16)	1966 - 10	(15)	1971 - 11	(15)
1962 - 13	(16)	1967 - 12	(16)		

Member of Fees Committee 1962 to 1964, 1967 to 1969.

Deputy Chairman 1964.

Member of Examination Board 1964 to 1971.

Member of Finance Committee 1964 to 1971.

Auditor 1965 to 1971.

Senior Vice President 1968 to 1971.

Member of Coaching Classes 1962 to 1971.

C. SCHOMBERG - graded 1955 to 1968. Honorary Member 1969 to 1971. Total years membership 17 years.

Attendance at Meetings:

1955 - 12	(16)	1961 - 1	(16)	1967 - 12	(16)
1956 - 13	(15)	1962 - 6	(16)	1968 - 13	(17)
1957 - 11	(16)	1963 - 11	(14)	1969 - 12	(16)
1958 - 6	(15)	1964 - 12	(16)	1970 - 2	(16)
1959 - 4	(16)	1965 - 15	(16)	1971 - 2	(15)
1960 - 2	(15)	1966 - 14	(15)		

Member of Committee 1964 to 1969.

Vice President 1965 to 1966.

Member of Referees' Examination Board 1966 to 1971.

Coaching Classes 1966 to 1971.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP HONOUR ROLL

K. ARNOLD	J. KELLY
L. BAGGOTT	W. KELLY
A. BELLERUM (D)	K. KEOUGH
J. BATES (D)	E. KERR
T. BELLEW	A. KONNECKE
G. BISHOP	D. LAWLER
J. BLACK (D)	P. LEE
G. BOYD (D)	T. LEFFLER
D. BRATTON	J. McGAULEY
T. BRENNAN	T. McMAHON (D)
R. BROCK	M. MALONEY (D)
C. BROWN	J. MARTIN
J. BUCHANAN (D)	H. MILLINGTON (D)
E. BUCKLEY (D)	J. MOSES
S. CAREY	J. MURRAY (D)
J. CLARKE (D)	W. NEILL (D)
A. COLLINS	J. O'BRIEN
O. COHEN	R. O'DONNELL
T. COSTELLO (D)	A. OXFORD
B. COWLEY	E. PAINE
W. CUKE	C. PEARCE
R. CUMMINS	G. PEARCE (D)
E. COX	H. PIERCE
J. DAVIES	H. POULTON (D)
A.J. DAVIS	H. ROWLANDS (D)
L. DEANE	L. ROSEN
F. DELANEY (D)	A. SHIPWAY
A. DENNIS (D)	R. SMYTH
W. DEVINE SNR.	H. CHUTEMA (D)
T. DICKESON (D)	A. SHINER
R.H. DRAKE (D)	A. SOANE
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 = 85

DECEASED = 30

LIST OF HONORARY MEMBERS SEASON 1971

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

TOTAL = 46

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.
NORFOLK ISLAND R.F.L.	" "
NORTHERN TERRITORY R.F.L.	" "
PORT MORESBY R.F.L.	" "
WESTERN AUSTRALIA R.F.L.	" "

TOTAL = 19

LIST OF GRADED REFEREES SEASON 1971

A. AGGETT	C. HENNESSY
B. BARNES	K. HOLMAN
B. BARRY	R. HUMPHREYS
M. BEACROFT *	B. JACKMAN
G. BENNETT	K. JEFFES
G. BENSON	G. KELLAHAN
J. BISSETT *	J. KELLY
P. BOWEN	W. KIRK
G. BRAINE *	R. LAWLESS
D. BRAYBROOK	I. McCALL
L. BRUYERES	P. McCARROLL
L. BUCKLEY	J. McCOLL
N. CLEMENT	D. MacDONALD
A. COLE	A. McGILVRAY
A. COLLINS	R. McJANNETT
J. CONNOR	D. McLEAN
E. COOK	L. McREYNOLDS
G. COOK	G. MAHER
W. CRAWFORD	N. MORAITIS
B. CROSS	R. MORRIS
T. DeLAUNEY *	J. O'KEEFE
R. DICK	J. O'SULLIVAN
C. EDWARDS	K. PAGE
M. EDWARDS	D. PARDEY
P. ELLISS	R. PATTERSON
J. FARRELLY	W. PEARSON
R. FREEMAN	E. PEPPER
C. GILCHRIST	L. SAMUELSON
J. GOCHER	R. SMITH
M. GODFREY	J. TICEHURST
B. GOLDSWORTHY	M. TOMSETT
K. GRAY	J. TURNER
W. GRONO	F. WALSH
J. HARRIS	R. WARNER
G. HARTLEY *	D. WINTON
G. HEDGER	B. WISEMAN

TOTAL = 72

FIXTURES FOR SEASON 1971

Event	Game	Referee	Touch Judges
<u>PRE SEASON FINAL</u>	St. George V. Canterbury	K. Page	R. Dick G. Hedger
	City I V. Country I	K. Holman	K. Honeybrook (C.R.L.) G. Kellahan
	City II V. Country II	T. Gustard (C.R.L.)	F. Walsh R. Patterson
<u>INTERSTATE</u>	N.S.W. V. Queensland (In Sydney)	H. Albert	B. Barry G. Hedger
	N.S.W. V. Queensland (In Brisbane)	K. Holman	- -
<u>PRESIDENT CUP FINAL</u>	Souths V. Canterbury	G. Hartley	N. Ciszlowski R. Garwood
<u>FLEGG CUP FINAL</u>	Souths V. Canterbury	B. Webber	M. Darcy J. Thomas
<u>S.G. BALL FINAL</u>	Souths V. Wests	L. Green	L. Makin G. Cawood
<u>PREMIERSHIP SEMIS FINALs and GRAND FINALs</u>			
<u>1st Grade Semis</u>	St. George V. Parramatta Souths V. Manly	K. Page K. Holman	R. Warner G. Maher G. Kellahan G. Hedger
<u>2nd Grade Semis</u>	St. George V. Wests Canterbury V. Manly	K. Holman K. Page	R. Dick R. Patterson R. Dick G. Benson
<u>3rd Grade Semis</u>	Souths V. Parramatta St. George V. Canterbury	L. Bruyeres L. Bruyeres	J. O'Sullivan R. Smith M. Tomsett J. Kelly
<u>FINAL 1st Grade</u>	Manly V. St. George	K. Page	G. Kellahan G. Hedger
<u>2nd Grade</u>	Manly V. St. George	K. Holman	G. Maher B. Barry
<u>3rd Grade</u>	Canterbury V. Souths	L. Bruyeres	G. Benson J. Kelly
<u>GRAND FINALs</u>			
<u>1st Grade</u>	St. George V. Souths	K. Holman	G. Hedger G. Kellahan
<u>2nd Grade</u>	Canterbury V. St. George	K. Page	G. Maher R. Dick
<u>3rd Grade</u>	Canterbury V. St. George	L. Bruyeres	J. Kelly G. Benson

FIXTURES FOR SEASON 1971 cont'd

Event	Game	Referee	Touch Judges
<u>2ND DIVISION SEMIS</u> <u>FINALS and GRAND</u> <u>FINALS</u> <u>1st Grade Semis</u>	Ryde-Eastwood V. Bankstown Wentworthville V. Sydney University	J. Harris J. Harris	W. Crawford B. Cross R. McJannett P. Bowen
<u>2nd Grade Semis</u>	Bankstown V. Northern Districts Wentworthville V. Ryde-Eastwood	D. MacDonald D. MacDonald	J. Gacher M. Godfrey M. Edwards J. Turner
<u>FINALS</u> <u>1st Grade</u>	Wentworthville V. Ryde-Eastwood	K. Page	A. Cole M. Godfrey
<u>2nd Grade</u>	Bankstown V. Ryde-Eastwood	L. Bruyeres	M. Edwards P. Bowen
<u>GRAND FINALS</u> <u>1st Grade</u>	Wentworthville V. Sydney University	K. Page	R. McJannett F. Walsh
<u>2nd Grade</u>	Wentworthville V. Ryde-Eastwood	L. Bruyeres	M. Godfrey M. Edwards
<u>ENDEAVOUR CUP FINAL</u>	Cronulla V. Canterbury	K. Holman	R. Dick M. Tomsett

Referees who officiated in 1st Grade during
Season 1971

G. Bennett	J. Harris	D. MacDonald
L. Bruyeres	K. Holman	K. Page
C. Edwards	R. Humphreys	L. Samuelson
J. Farrelly	P. McCarrol	G. Cook

DELEGATES REPORT

Gentlemen,

Season 1971 saw the introduction in New South Wales of the six tackle rule and because of it the football generally was much more attractive than it had been. The Queensland teams' visit to Sydney under the four tackle emphasised the benefits of the six tackle rule and now it has been adopted by the Northern State, football we hope, will prove to be once more the attraction to the patrons we all know it can be.

New Zealand was the real surprise during the year just completed, conquerors of Australia, then in turn Great Britain and finally France, to finish as the Top Nation of the League Countries. Their success should ensure a very profitable short tour of Australia next year with excellent entertainment for our patrons.

The Rugby League took action this year against outbursts by a Club official regarding a leading Referee, this again being timed towards the End of the Season with the most important games immediately at hand.

The Referee has enough to do on behalf of the League and its followers without having to combat these unjust accusations which because of their nature tend to make every decision in a game open to criticism.

It is most desirous that the League continue with their vigilance and control officials who by such action attempt to pressure the Referee and opposing team to the detriment of the game.

Football in 1971 is difficult to control - Referees need so many necessary attributes, each contributing its share to his overall success - and because of all the difficulties associated with each game and more particularly the Semi Finals and Finals with their built-in tensions, it is indeed a tribute to our individual Referees and the Association generally when one reflects and remembers our games were conducted with so little to cause dissension.

My personal regards to all and be ready, 1972 is looming ahead.

CLIFF BROWN
Delegate

HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT - 1971

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I place before the Association the Annual Balance Sheet for 1971. All Accounts are in credit and overall the financial position is satisfactory.

Unfortunately the constitution was not re-printed as anticipated due to some unforeseen expenses occurring during the past year, but it is hoped to produce it this year.

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 eliminated any further call on members for finance.

There are still large stocks of Association ties on hand which involves money dormant, some members have not yet acquired one. In conjunction with the Social Secretary, we suggest a "Buy a Tie Week".

At the end of last season I visited Perth and wish to place on record my appreciation of the cordial reception and entertainment during my stay by the Western Australian Referees' Association. Among other things, they took me to the Finals of the Football and one of their Referees' Meetings. Particular mention is made of the hospitality of Ken Allen, Secretary of W.A.R.F.L. and Life Member of the Referees' Association, of Colin Kelly and Alf Dickson, thanks again for a memorable holiday. A verbal report will be given to our Association later on.

I extend my thanks to the President, Secretary and Social Secretary for their co-operation and the support of all members during 1971.

F.O. COHEN
Hon. Treasurer

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1971

GENERAL ACCOUNT			
<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
By-		To-	
Credit Balance 1970	211.04	Printing & Stationery	194.27
Grade Members Subs.	290.61	Postage & Telephone	148.84
Honorary Members Subs.	35.25	Blazers L.M.	118.20
Affiliations	78.00	Convivial	90.63
Donations - Trial Matches	450.00	Golf Trophy	9.50
Donation N.S.W.R.F.L.	200.00	Entertainment	173.59
Donation W.D. & H.O. Wills	100.00	Referees' Badges	348.51
Referees Badges	418.00	Floral Tributes	34.00
Association Ties	24.00	Honorariums	490.00
Association Badges	1.25		<u>1607.54</u>
Bank Interest	9.21	Cash at Bank	209.82
	<u>\$1817.36</u>		<u>\$1817.36</u>

SPECIAL FUND			
Credit Balance 1970	335.45	Jack Brown Fund	50.00
Transfer from General A/C	200.00	Grant - A. Holt	200.00
Transfer from Fees A/C	100.00		<u>250.00</u>
Donation	1.00		
Bank Interest	8.98	Cash at Bank	395.43
	<u>\$645.43</u>		<u>\$645.43</u>

ASSURANCE FUND			
Credit Balance 1970	818.55	Claims by Members	45.00
Grade Members Subs.	144.00		
Bank Interest	41.29	Cash at Bank	958.84
	<u>\$1003.84</u>		<u>\$1003.84</u>

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1971

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FEES ACCOUNT			
Credit Balance 1970	71.19	Paid to Referees	32332.10
Received from N.S.W.R.F.L.	32332.10	Bank Charges	6.50
Bank Interest	93.87	Stamp Duty	2.50
		Bank Interest to Special Fund	100.00
			<u>32441.10</u>
		Cash at Bank	56.06
	<u>\$32497.16</u>		<u>\$32497.16</u>

SOCIAL FUND			
Credit Balance	245.35	Annual Picnic	564.25
Social Levy	1440.00	Family Picnic	638.65
Active Members Subscriptions	288.00	Convivials	168.15
Hon. Members Subscriptions	35.25	Cocktail Dinner Dance	680.13
Annual Picnic	136.00	Life Members Presentation	
Cocktail Dinner Dance	70.00	Night	682.98
Life Members Presentation		Golf Day Expenses	10.00
Night	635.00	Bank Balance	125.84
Donations			
L. Baggott	5.00		
J. Drewes	10.00		
L. Smith	10.00		
N.S.W. Leagues Club	10.50		
N.S.W.R.F. League	20.00		
Rothmans of Pall Mall	40.00		
Bank Interest	24.90		
	<u>\$2870.00</u>		<u>\$2870.00</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.E. BRUYERES)

Signed: G.W. MAHER) Honorary Auditors

F.O. COHEN
Hon. Treasurer

ATTENDANCES

MEETINGS HELD - TOTAL = 15

Members Who Attended Meetings Are Listed Only

LIFE MEMBERS

T. BELLEW (5)	R. O'DONNELL (8)	J. MARTIN (11)
C. BROWN (14)	C. PEARCE (10)	B. COWLEY (2)
G. BISHOP (9)	H. PIERCE (3)	W. KELLY (9)
T. BRENNAN (7)	A. SHINER (15)	A. KONNECKE (5)
A. HOLT (7)	F. WALSH (14)	L. WILLIAMS (2)
J. McGAULEY (5)	C. WIGZELL (14)	E. COX (15)
J. MOSES (12)	L. ROSEN (4)	K. ARNOLD (16)
J. O'BRIEN (8)	R. TINSLEY (10)	A. SOANE (6)
		K. KEOUGH (7)

ACTIVE MEMBERS

A. AGGETT (4)	P. ELLISS (15)	J. McCOLL (2)
B. BARNES (7)	J. FARRELLY (15)	A. McGILVRAY (8)
B. BARRY (14)	R. FREEMAN (14)	R. McJANNETT (13)
M. BEACROFT (11)	C. GILCHRIST (14)	D. McLEAN (15)
G. BENNETT (10)	J. GOCHER (13)	L. McREYNOLDS (10)
G. BENSON (15)	M. GODFREY (15)	G. MAHER (14)
J. BISSETT (5)	B. GOLDSWORTHY (15)	N. MORAITIS (4)
G. BRAINE (8)	K. GRAY (12)	R. MORRIS (6)
D. BRAYBROOK (11)	W. GRONO (13)	J. O'KEEFE (5)
P. BOWEN (9)	J. HARRIS (5)	J. O'SULLIVAN (15)
L. BRUYERES (11)	G. HEDGER (5)	K. PAGE (14)
L. BUCKLEY (15)	C. HENNESSY (6)	D. PARDY (14)
N. CLEMENT (15)	G. HARTLEY (6)	R. PATTERSON (5)
A. COLE (8)	K. HOLMAN (14)	W. PEARSON (14)
A. COLLINS (9)	R. HUMPHREYS (9)	E. PEPPER (4)
J. CONNOR (11)	B. JACKMAN (7)	L. SAMUELSON (7)
E. COOK (7)	K. JEFFES (3)	R. SMITH (9)
G. COOK (15)	G. KELLAHAN (10)	J. TICEHURST (9)
W. CRAWFORD (11)	J. KELLY (15)	M. TOMSETT (14)
B. CROSS (15)	W. KIRK (6)	J. TURNER (8)
T. DELAUNEY (15)	R. LAWLESS (3)	F. WALSH (14)
R. DICK (12)	D. McDONALD (15)	R. WARNER (14)
C. EDWARDS (11)	I. McCALL (12)	D. WINTIN (14)
M. EDWARDS (5)	P. McCARROLL (8)	B. WISEMAN (6)

HONORARY MEMBERS

J. COFFEY (4)	V. McGUINNESS (1)	J. MONTGOMERY (11)
P. FITTON (4)	A. WILLIS (10)	R. HALL (15)
K. PARKINSON (5)	A. PERRY (5)	C. DIMON (-)
J. O'CONOR (3)	C. SCHOMBERG (2)	J. STEWART (6)
J. WHYBROW (3)	G. TAYLOR (1)	A. NEVILLE (8)

DISTRICT ASSOCIATION DELEGATES

1971

Meetings held = 15

<u>BALMAIN:</u>	D. Dugeon (15), P. Hicks (4)
<u>CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN:</u>	J. Leeds (13), J. Brogan (10)
<u>CRONULLA SUTHERLAND:</u>	A. Allen (1), R. Chambers (12), S. Woolbank (1)
<u>C.Y.O.:</u>	G. Cawood (6)
<u>EASTERN SUBURBS:</u>	G. Hartley (3), R. Gobits (7)
<u>MANLY WARRINGAH:</u>	N. Patten (12), K. Johnston (1)
<u>METROPOLITAN BUSINESS HOUSES:</u>	F. Lennis (4)
<u>NEWTOWN:</u>	R. Pierce (2), R. Wales (6)
<u>NORTH SYDNEY:</u>	J. Porteous (13)
<u>PARRAMATTA:</u>	M. Williamson (9), L. Makin (2)
<u>PENRITH:</u>	B. Ayers (2), R. Donovan (8)
<u>SOUTH SYDNEY:</u>	L. Callinan (5), A. Windross (7)
<u>ST. GEORGE:</u>	J. Samuels (10), R. Stewart (2)
<u>WESTERN SUBURBS:</u>	N. Cislowski (14), A. Hill (5)
<u>COUNTRY R.F.L. REFEREES' ASSOC.:</u>	A. Byrnes (4)

RUGBY LEAGUE NEWS OF INTEREST

South Sydney District Rugby League Football Club were Premiers once again and on Grand Final Day, both Souths and St. George are to be congratulated for clean spirit in which the game was played.

The Second and Third Grade Premierships were won by the Canterbury/Bankstown District Rugby League Football Club and this was a wonderful effort as both their teams had many of their local juniors playing in the teams.

This year saw the retirement of our Treasurer, Os Cohen from W.D. & H.O. Wills after almost half a century of work and after speaking to the Directorate of Wills, Ossie's services will be sadly missed. Let's wish Os happy retirement and keep up the payments to our Referees. Maybe we may see Os joining those other two stalwarts, Cyril Wigzell and Tom Brennan in the coaching of Teachers and Schoolboys in the art of Refereeing.

John Martin has relinquished the Presidency of Canterbury/Bankstown District Rugby Football League Referees' Association due to family reasons and we wish John and Jean well when they take up residence on the Lakes and I hope their daughter's health improves.

I am pleased to report that a popular Great Britain player of recent years, Mike Shobottom, is well on the way to recovery after incurring a serious injury whilst playing Club Football in U.K. Mike was a popular player with Referees whilst touring Australia. Reading recent English papers, I noticed Eric Lawrenson, a leading Referee, is still handling top games in U.K. You may remember Eric paid our Association a visit during season 1968 whilst in Australia.

During the Season, we were paid a visit by one of the Greats in Refereeing, Lal Deane and we certainly were pleased to see him. Just a thought chaps, but wouldn't it be nice to have a past and present Referees' night instead of one of our fortnightly meetings where some of our present Referees could meet some of the fellows who set such a solid foundation for the Association.

This year we welcomed to our ranks, Mick Beacroft, John Bissett, George Braine, Tom Delaunay and Greg Hartley and all these members enjoyed a fairly successful season.

Season 1971 saw the retirement of only four members and as usual I will give you a run down on what they are doing in their retirement.

BARRY CRIPPS: Still refereeing in the Manly District and assisting young Referees in the District. Barry still retains a very active interest in Surf Lifesaving.

DON LANCASHIRE: Returned to Queensland and has completely retired from refereeing. Has a sandwich bar in Brisbane and as a sideline is broadcasting Rugby League on Channel 'O' Brisbane.

ARTHUR NEVILLE: Still coaching prospect referees and although not known to some, Arthur is one of the best coaches for Certificates in the business. Arthur has also retained his interest in refereeing and is a very active member of the Appointment Board with first Division.

JOHN MONTGOMERY: 'Monty', although retired from Grade has carried out the duties as Centreman with the Journalist's Competition and according to Ian Heads, sporting writer for the Daily Telegraph, John keeps firm control when officiating. Still President of North Sydney Referees and looking forward to their 50th year celebrations.

I must mention it once again, in this report and this I guess was the news of the year for all Referees.

The New South Wales Rugby Football League saw fit to bestow Life Membership of the New South Wales Rugby Football League on two of our members, namely our Patron, Cyril Wigzell and George Bishop. Between these two men, they have service to the League of over forty years each.

We all must feel proud when we walk into the League's Club and see both their names added to the honour roll along with many famous personalities of the game.

To Cyril and George, we all say well done good and faithful servants.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP OF N.S.W.R.F.L. R.A. 1971

Year 1971 saw Life Membership bestowed on Alec Soane and Keith Arnold. A wonderful night was held at the Dancers Club, Lidcombe, where Alec and Keith received their Blazers and suitable presentations were made to their good ladies. Both members retained an active interest during season 1971.

VALE: *To all Members who suffered sad losses during the Season we once again offer our deepest sympathies. This was in some respects, a tragic year for some of our Members, especially when we saw the loss of one of our Ladies*

SHIRLEY MCGILVRAY.

Let's hope for better things in 1972.

APPRECIATIONS

To Mr. W.G. Buckley O.B.E., President of the N.S.W.R.F.L. for his assistance and also the members of the N.S.W.R.F.L. Committee.

Once again Jack Hampsted, Brian Kelly, John Buttell for assisting with our Picnic functions.

APPRECIATIONS cont'd

Thanks to W.D. & H.O. Wills, Alan Wilson, Leigh Jenkins and Bruce Jackman for coming to the fore with the Will's award after the Grand Final and also their generous support to Association affairs.

To Adidas through David Prince and Ken Irvine on donating of Football Boots.

To Rothmans for their assistance during the season and also their popular employee, John Connor (one of our Grade referees).

Thanks to the Directors and Staff of the N.S.W. League's Club.

To Doctors and Staff of the Lewisham Sportsman's Clinic.

To June Lake of the Dancer's Club and Alan Davidson of League's Bowling Club.

To those two very generous gentlemen in supporting our functions, Messrs. Jack Drewes and Les Smith.

Thanks to the referees' friend at the N.S.W. League's Club, popular Bob Davidson.

To Keith Sharp and Ray Flockton for their many courtesies at the S.C.G.

Finally our thanks to Ken Stephen, Keith Gittoes, Charles Bannerman and the Staff of the Rugby League Office.

E. COX
Hon. Secretary

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,
A. Neville, J. Martin, W. Kelly, S. Carey
constituted the 1st Division Board.

APPOINTMENT BOARD: Messrs. G. Bishop, J. Stewart, K. Arnold, B.
Hall and N. Savage 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 DIVISION
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: Messrs. A. Holt, A. Willis and E. Cox.

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

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT 1971

Mr. President & Gentlemen,

"At this point of time", with apologies to Sonia and Bill for the use of their phrase, I submit for your perusal and subsequent approval another "super" chapter in the saga of social events of the N.S.W. Referees' Association.

"Super" is a word which has sprung up in popular usage of late with phases giving an excellent or unusually good rating to a person's status.

Let me outline a few for you - Super Star for example Shirley Temple, Mickey Mouse and Bobby Fulton. Super Mouth, Ron Casey on a 21" Screen, D. Donoghue on Vista Vision. Super Gavel or Super Pres. Austin. Super Money, with apologies to the A.N.Z. Banking Group, Ossie. Super Sec., sorry, Secretary Eric, who conducts a lonely hearts service on the side. Super Ball pen-Lyle. Super Dick, not Reg but Norm Allen. Super Whistle Big Toot Keith Page or Little Toot Keith Holman. Super Flag Gordon Hedger, Super S.S. Modesty forbids me to tell you.

The list is never ending, try adding a few yourself. There is a prize if after reading this report you can spot how many times the word "super" appears. Write your answer on a plain sheet of Dawn tissue, enclose a ring pull from a D.A. can and send to "Eric's Advice for the Lovelorn" C/- of this publication. The prize is a ticket to the Mixed Sauna bath at the University of New South Wales, these tickets were donated by Super Coach of Uni, Joe Griffiths who felt he wanted to get the bare facts of Campus Life into our Association. Joe is remembered as the Coach who despite opposition introduced the Mixed Sauna at Uni of N.S.W.

Very few of you know that Frank Hyde took a conducted tour to the U.S.A. with Sonia and Bill and whilst there, was asked if he would act as M.C. at the White House Ball by Super Pres., Nixon, not Austin. When the stunning Sonia appeared with Bill wearing "that dress", he was heard to say after doing a double take and polishing his glasses which had somehow steamed up "I would like to introduce the first Lady of Australia, Sonia, accompanied by Bill, he's the P.M." -- here he catches sight of "that dress" and utters that never to be forgotten phrase "if it's long enough and it's straight enough, it's certainly Thigh enough."

Life Membership Presentation Night

This year the Social Committee fell in with a suggestion I made that as we usually held our Life Membership night in the Month of May to coincide with the Annual City V Country fixture, that we hold it on the Saturday night before Mothers Day. This would enable us to entertain our ladies in a group as we had reverted back to the S.C.G. for the purpose of entertaining the Country Referees.

So Letters were sent to all the "Mummas" inviting them to our Mothers' Day Rort which we hope will become an Annual Event. Most of the mummas brought along their old faithfuls, hardly any milkmen were in attendance. I'm proud of you girls.

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We also changed the venue to the Dancer's Club at Lidcombe and an excellent crowd was in attendance coming from all Associations to enjoy the music supplied by the Mickey Kay Orchestra, stirred along by our Super M.C., Les Smith, who reckons he hasn't been that far from home since World War II. When was World War II? It was before my time!

Lamaro's did the catering which was quite satisfactory apart from one table whose meal was a little cold due to a hot waitress being a little slow.

Probably the most voiced criticism was that the "grog" prices were a little high but in comparison with other places not all that high.

Life Membership honours were bestowed on Mr. Alec Soane and Mr. Keith Arnold by the President, Mr. Austin Shiner who spoke at length on their work for the Association. My Committee and myself hope both will continue to enjoy good health and retain their valued service to the Association. Keith is at present a member of the Referees' Appointment Board whilst Alec is engaged in coaching youngsters in the finer points of athletics.

With plenty of door prizes being distributed during the evening, the ladies all seemed to enjoy the night and perhaps would have received a little something extra when they got home.

Cocktail Dinner Dance

We now move on to the N.S.W.L.C. Bowling Club at Kyeemagh for our second Annual Cocktail Dinner Dance held on Friday the 13th August. Again a disappointing crowd of only 100 people were with us for this evening. Despite the small numbers this evening was voted a success with Col. Sanders and his Orchestra keeping things moving at a fine clip, we had hoped to have Mr. Tony Armstrong-Jones with us to judge the Wine Throwing Contest but he was busy dousing a waiter with a cheap red wine in London.

A goodly supply of novelty prizes, leis, licorice all-sorts, peanut butter and salted peanuts was on hand and despite the much publicised report, probably put out by Eta Peanuts, stating the last three items increased the Sex drive, our own Super Shine report (formerly known as Kinsey) proved this to be lacking in substance.

In conjunction with this function, we ran a theatre Party to see "Love Story". My thanks to all for their support of this event.

We had arranged to give "Tiki" green stamps to all who attend next year's function at Kyeemagh but as they have been put out of business, we will probably arrange for something else to be distributed.

Family Picnic

Throwing aside our "Hot Pants" (referees' gear), we took ourselves to Lane Cove National Park for the Family Picnic on Sunday the 24th October.

The weather was again very good but for the first time the attendance was down slightly on previous years, although a large number of children were on hand

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to consume copious bottles of soft drink, many ice creams and bags of sweets neatly wrapped in A.N.Z. Bank bags.

Each child received a gift from Deputy Chairman, Arthur Konnecke who deputised for Super Pres. Austin who was recovering from injuries received in training for the Buck's Picnic to be held the following Sunday. Austin calls his fridge "the Cricketers' Arms" since he put in Tooheys draught.

A gift was also given to each lady present as a memento of the day.

Races were again conducted for the boys, girls, mums and duds with the mums competing for Theatre Party Tickets to see "Wake in Fright", a controversial film about the outback. I believe the outback scenes were shot in between Parramatta and Penrith.

To wrap up the day, a joker drove his truck over the embankment and only for a large tree, would have rolled onto the ladies' toot - at first a nasty rumour said it was one of the Canterbury Referees showing off again, but it turned out to be one of Brian Barry's "drop out" mates from Willoughby Bus Depot doing a one man operation.

Annual Picnic

The Annual Picnic of the Association was held a week later at Shark Island and in contrast to last years torrential rain, it was a gloriously sunny day.

On the Friday before the Picnic, Eric Cox received a 'phone call from Nicholson Bros. to say don't worry your boat's O.K. even though there is a strike on. He in turn rang me and I thought "Oh no, it's not on again" after last year's effort the jokers will kill me. I think I'll stay home in bed.

Anyway, the day broke clear and bright with approximately 100 members, delegates, visitors and guests of the Association on the wharf, and as time mooched on, other parties were picked up by their launches. But still no boat for the referees. Austin, as President of the I.R.A. (irate referees' Assoc.) was just starting to chew my ear, when in steamed the H.M.A.S. Nowra and smiles all round were the order of the day.

When we landed on the Island, we laid out some sort of a course for the races and then the 18 ft. Yacht Race. Crowds arrived for lunch and squatted all over the Island and some settled right in the middle of the track. So bang went our races which turned out to be what most wanted anyway. It was more relaxing to enjoy a lazy day with good food, plenty of "Staminade" and 18 footers racing around the Island and when the wind sprang up a few of these took the big swim.

Super Chef, Esma Walsh, was again in charge of the light brigade and our Corps de Chefs consisted of Mesdames Dulcie O'Sullivan, Colleen Cox, Margaret Farrelly and Jeannie Martin, who carried out their duties in a most admirable manner keeping the food coming along at regular intervals. Our thanks go to them for their efforts on the day.

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We introduced some novelty events which were well supported in the various divisions whilst Joe Moses again went "under" going "over", well so he reckons, but next year he is going to buy the H.M.A.S. Nowra.

Over the last two picnics, the races have not been looked for as much as in the past and with referees out of training, the strain of these races accompanied by the threat of pulled muscles and other injuries is ever present. I think in the future, we will restrict this picnic to novelty events with races at the family picnic.

Convivials

During the season, a number of convivials were held and these were well supported by members and at the final one for the season, W.D. & H.O. Wills made a presentation to K. Holman, G. Hedger and G. Kellahan, the referee and two Touch Judges who officiated on the 1st Grade Grand Final.

A convivial was arranged and held on Saturday 22nd May in the dressing room at the S.C.G. to entertain the Referees from the Country areas who were down for their Annual Day. This was held at the conclusion of the City V Country fixture and our guests of honour were Tom Gustard (Newcastle) Referee of the seconds match and Kevin Honeybrook (Illawarra) Touch Judge on the firsts fixture. Many of the boys attended the function which after a lapse of two years was again a success. A good crowd of the Country Referees were on hand despite the showers.

On the day of the all Schools Carnival after completion of their duties at the S.C.G., the lads from the Country areas were entertained back at the N.S.W. League's Club by a group of Referees from this Association. My thanks to all members who assisted on this day in particular, Steve Carey.

A new innovation this year was the convivial held in the Referees' Dressing room at Lidcombe Oval following the completion of the Grand final of the 2nd Division where a lot of Referees took the opportunity to have a final get-together to mark the end of our Grade Season.

Mr. Laurie Bruyeres, who has a hot dog stand named after him, in the area as Vice President of the Association, made the "Coughmans" award to K. Page, R. McJannett and myself, referee and Touch Judges on the Grand Final of the 2nd Division.

Conclusion

My thanks on behalf of the Association to Les Smith, Jack Drewes, N.S.W.R.F. League, N.S.W. League's Club and Rothmans of Pall Mall for donations to the Picnic.

The following are various people who also deserve our heartfelt thanks for their efforts on our behalf.

Bruce Jackman and W.D. & H.O. Wills for donations of cigarettes to functions.

John Connor and Rothmans for donations of Cigarettes to our functions.

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Brian Kelly for his choice of Steak for the Picnic, Bill Kelly and Jack Hampstead for the supply of Transport and the Pick-up of goods.

My Social Committee Brian Barry, Phil Elliss, John Farrelly, Col. Hudson and Ron McJannett for their help and support at all functions.

The President, Austin, Eric, Ossie and Lyle for their assistance. To all members who helped in kitchen and as stewards at our convivials.

Esma and I join in thanking all the members who were our guests at our daughter Carolyn's 21st Birthday Party and pitched in to help make the night one that she will never forget.

Don't forget the contest and the very best of good luck. I will conclude this report to go training for the start of the Pre Season Competition which starts February, 18th 1972.

F.W. WALSH
Social Secretary

RESULT OF BALLOTS

PATRON:

C. WIGZELL

PRESIDENT:

A. SHINER

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN:

L. BRUYERES

SECRETARY:

E. COX

TREASURER:

O. COHEN

VICE-PRESIDENTS:

C. SCHOMBER

J. MONTGOMERY

D. McDONALD

ASSISTANT SECRETARY:

L. BUCKLEY

DELEGATE:

C. BROWN

DEPUTY DELEGATE:

J. MONTGOMERY

SOCIAL SECRETARY:

F. WALSH

DELEGATES TO 2ND DIVISION:

A. HOLT - A. WILLIS

COMMITTEE:

O'Sullivan, Cole, Benson, Page
Dick, Barry.

RESULT OF BALLOTS (continued)

HONORARY AUDITORS:

L. Byrnes
G. Mahler

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

NOMINEES FOR EXAMINATION BOARD:

Byrnes - Wiggell - Pearce - Brennan -
Bellew - Schenberg.

NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT BOARD:

O'Brien - Neville - Soane -
Kelly - O'Donnell - Stewart - ARNOLD - Carey -
Hall - Bishop - Savage.

GENERAL NOTES:

Buyers
~~Koncke~~
~~Pierce~~

L. Buckley ✓
~~R. Dick~~

Schmberg 57 86
McDonald 43 74
McMontgomery 54 85
Kellahan 20
Page 31
Stewart 41
~~Godfrey~~
~~Seale~~
~~Benn~~
~~Seale~~
O'Sullivan 28
~~McJannett~~
~~Koncke~~
~~Pepper~~
~~Hick~~
Dick 32

Holt
Willis
~~Bishop~~
~~Stewart~~
~~Holman~~
Buyers 86
Maher 67 Bowen 12
Hudson 25
~~Godfrey~~
~~Seale~~

~~Benn~~
Montgomery
~~Keogh~~
O'Sullivan 49 95
Freeman 31 ✓ 62
Cole 32 ✓ 69
Bowe
Ellis 20
Benson 66 ✓ 97
Hudson 27
Godfrey 30
Page 58 ✓ 95
Kellahan 24
Gilchrist 11
~~Braybrook~~
McCall
Dick 41 ✓ 83
~~Cross~~
Pepper 21
McJannett 21
Edwards 20
Clements 24
Barry 51 ✓ 93
Maher 21
Holman

FEEES
1ST. 50 → 75 G.F.
T.J. 20 → 25 G.F.
2ND 24 - 27 → 40 G.F.
T.J. 16 → 20 G.F.
3RD 17 - 22 → 35 G.F.
T.J. 12 → 20 G.F.

2ND DIV Same 15
T.J. " 10

PRE Season
REF T.J.
30 & 12.50

Soane 70
Kelly 67
O'Donnell 62
Carey 50
Neville 71
Savage 23
Hall 36
~~Coffey~~
O'Brien 81
~~Montgomery~~
Arnold Arnold 58
~~Pierce~~
Stewart 59
~~Keogh~~
Bishop 35