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REPORT

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

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THE SEVENTY - THIRD REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET.
For Presentation on Wednesday, 28th January, 1981.

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

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

December, 1980

Dear Sir,

The Annual Meeting will be held at the New South Wales Leagues Club in the Ballroom, 165 Phillip Street, Sydney on Wednesday 28th January, 1981 commencing at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

BUSINESS

1. Minutes of last Annual Meeting
2. Correspondence
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4. Election of Office Bearers
5. Nominees for Advisory Board
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10. General Business

F. W. WALSH
Hon. Secretary

OFFICE BEARERS FOR 1980

PATRON

Mr C. Wigzell, B.E.M.

PRESIDENT

Mr D. Macdonald

Mr L. Bruyeres (Resigned 26.3.80)

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

Mr D. Braybrook

HON. TREASURER

Mr J. Gocher

HON. SECRETARY

Mr F. Walsh

ASS. SECRETARY

Mr D. Wintin

VICE PRESIDENTS

Messrs. B. Barry (Snr) I. McCall, P. Elliss

DELEGATE TO N.S.W.R.F.L.

Mr A. Shiner

DEPUTY DELEGATE

Mr J. Harris

SOCIAL SECRETARY

Mr C. Turnell

COMMITTEE

Messrs. T. Murphy, M. Tomsett, J. Connor, N. Clements, J. Colenso,
B. Goldsworthy.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Messrs. G. Annesley, M. Tomsett, I. McCall, P. Longhurst, P. Elliss
D. MacDonald, F. Walsh, J. Gocher.

AUDITORS

P. Longhurst, C. Gilchrist.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Messrs. M. Stone, B. Apps, L. Matthews, B. Bradstock, J. Blomfield,
C. Ward.

HANSEN MEMORIAL TROPHY COMMITTEE

Messrs. D. MacDonald, F. Walsh, J. Gocher, D. Wintin, C. Turnell
I. McCall, D. Braybrook, C. Gilchrist.

SPONSORS TO THE ASSOCIATION

CHAIRMAN Sir Peter Abeles - T.N.T. - LIASON OFFICERS W. Petley L. plowes

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE

Messrs. D. MacDonald, F. Walsh, J. Gocher, D. Wintin, D. Braybrook,
M. Stone.

SEMINAR COMMITTEE

Messrs. D. MacDonald, F. Walsh, J. Gocher, I. McCall, D. Braybrook,
C. Gilchrist, J. Harris.

MESSAGE FROM THE PATRON

Season 1980 added further history to this Association and to the game of Rugby League in N. S. W.

Highlights of the season were the visit to New Zealand of the Australian Rugby League team and also the appointment of Mr T. Bellew as Co Manager of the team. Mr T. Brennan & Mr G. Hartley were selected to go to N. Z. also Mr J McCauley who unfortunately was unable to go through sickness to his family. We extend our sincere congratulations to all and more especially to the players on winning the Test series.

To all Referees we extend congratulations on their appointments during the season and continued interest and dedication at all times will improve their ability and bring reward on the field of play, and may we also include Mr Humphries & Mr Cox on being elected as Life Members of the N. S. W. Rugby League.

The administrations of the Association were carried out in the usual efficient manner and to our officers we extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for their interest in the advancement of the Association throughout the year.

In conclusion may we all continue with our efforts to carry out at all times the sincere effort and efficiency to advance the standard of refereeing and rugby league in general.

C. E. Wigzell. B. E. M.
Patron

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The 1980 season proved a very successful year for Rugby League with the outcome of final five in 1st & Reserve grade being unknown until the final round of competitions, this culminating in excellent football through to the Grand Final with 1st Grade premiers Canterbury playing fast, open football & deserving their premiership status.

The highlight of the year was the signing of the new sponsorship agreement with T.N.T. in December by the Australian General Manager of T.N.T. group of companies Mr Ian Shortell at a function at the N.S.W. Leagues Club. Particular thanks to Bill Petley & Lindsay Plowes for their assistance to the Association & Doug Wintin & the Sponsorship Committee for their efforts on behalf of the association.

We experienced some delightful social functions during the year & thanks must go to Col. Turnell & the Social Committee for the arrangements & members for their attendance.

Congratulations to all referees who officiated in representative fixtures & premiership semi-finals, finals & grand finals especially to Ian Smith & Martin Weekes on their first grade appointments.

I would like to thank all members for their attendances at meetings during the year & their contributions to the harmony of the meetings as the year progressed. I believe it proved meetings do not have to be compulsory to be well attended.

My special thanks to Executive Officers, Frank Walsh & John Gocher & Doug Wintin & Col Turnell & members of the committees for their contributions to the successful organisation of Association activities during 1980.

Best wishes to all members in 1981.

Don MacDonald.

PRESIDENT.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT 1980

Mr Chairman and Gentleman,

May I submit for your perusal and I trust subsequent adoption the Annual Report and Balance Sheet for season 1980.

For the Annual Reports of 1978 and 1979 I made mention of the "sweeping changes" and "the winds of change" that swept through the Association's Official Ranks, well they continued to blow again at the Adjourned Annual Meeting. Mr Laurie Bruyeres had been re-elected unopposed as President at the Annual Meeting but was defeated for the Delegate's position in a ballot by Mr Austin Shiner. At the Annual Meeting of the N.S.W.R.F.L. Mr L. Bruyeres lost his position on the N.S.W.R.F.L. Examination Board, this position was one that he had held over a long term serving as the Secretary of the Examination Board for many seasons. The many years of service to the Rugby League were swept aside in that ballot showing another facet of the adage "The game is greater than the individual".

At the Adjourned Annual Meeting Mr L. Bruyeres announced his resignation as President of the Association to take a position with radio station 2 G.B. thus ending some six weeks of speculation on his future plans. The resulting ballot resulted in Mr Don MacDonald being elected as President and ballots were necessary down the line making it as heavily contested as the Annual Meeting.

During the season the competition was again very evenly contested and the final five was only decided in the last round. The finals produced some of the best football seen during the season. Our members performances during the finals drew little or no criticism from the media.

The season of 1981 will usher in a new era in Rugby League with the introduction of the Differential Scrum Penalty and the Sin Bin. The build up and the expectation of Illawarra's entry into the Sydney Competition in 1982 with the possible entry of a second club to make up a fourteen team competition. With the City and Country fixture to be played in Canberra our members had best gear themselves for some travel.

Honorary Secretary's Report (cont.)

Sponsorship

The third and final year of our initial sponsorship by T.N.T. (Thomas National Transport) drew to a close in August, after having marked effect on all facets of the Refereeing fraternity.

Assistance was rendered to all District Referees Associations, the C.R.A. and most country groups during the season and no doubt most of these bodies will be looking forward to continuation of the benefits during the coming season.

During the season your Executive Officers engaged in negotiations on your behalf with the T.N.T. group of Companies for a continuance of Sponsorship of the Association. Following careful and detailed submissions from the Executive a sponsorship was agreed to for a further three years by the T.N.T. Company.

During the negotiations, the T.N.T. Group of Companies headed by Mr. Ted Prebble and Mr. Max Russo showed the Company's keen desire to resign the sponsorship agreement. Standing in the wings were our Liaison Officers Mr. Bill Petley and Mr. Lindsay Plowes everhelpful and pointing both parties in the right direction.

A function was arranged by T.N.T. (Bill Petley and Lindsay Plowes acted as hosts) to witness the signing of the agreement by Sir Peter Abeles on behalf of T.N.T. and the Executive on behalf of the Association. This was held at the N.S.W. Leagues Club on the 13th December 1980 but unfortunately Sir Peter Abeles had to go to for an urgent Board Meeting of Ansett Industries and Mr. Ian Shortell signed on behalf of the company.

I would like to thank Mr. Ian Shortell, Mr. Ted Prebble, Mr. Max Russo, Mr. Bill Petley and Mr. Lindsay Plowes for the help and co-operation extended to the Association over the past three years

Honorary Secretary's Report (cont.)

and look forward to the same over the next three years of the sponsorship agreement.

Meet the Press

From an idea spawned at an early morning training run at Kyeemagh it was decided to hold a "Meet the Press" function to give our members a chance to meet the lads from the Media. This can be gauged as a success and will be the forerunner of many more such functions.

Honours

Robert Martin(Bert) Hall and Jack Harris were made Life Members of the Association for the 1980 Season. The presentation of the Life Membership Blazer of the N.S.W.R.F.L. Referees Association was made at a function held at West Epping Bowling Club on the 14th June 1980.

Both these recipients will add lustre to the Life Membership ranks as their dedication and loyalty have always been of the highest order.

Eric Cox. Eric received the highest accolade that the N.S.W.R.F.L. can bestow, that of Life Membership, at the N.S.W.R.League's Christmas function. This was in recognition of a lifetime of service to Rugby League starting in Brisbane pre-war continuing here in Sydney until the present time. Congratulations are extended to Eric on behalf of the Association.

John Gocher. The Geo. & Amy Hansen Memorial Trophy was won this year by John Gocher. This is a tribute to John for his work on behalf of the Association. John is one of the most dedicated Executive Officers that it has been my privilege to work with over the years in any sphere. Congratulations John - well done!

Honorary Secretary's Report (cont.)

Kevin Humphries. President of the N.S.W.R.F.L. and the Australian Rugby League, Mr. Kevin Humphries was also made a Life Member of the N.S.W.R.F.L. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement. Kevin has always been a keen supporter of this Association and we record our thanks to him for this support.

Tom Bellew. This year saw Tom Bellew selected as Manager of the Australian Rugby League Team to tour New Zealand. Tom was one of our members who did a lot to obtain the initial sponsorship with T.N.T. The team returned home with an excellent record both on and off the field of play. Congratulations Tom.

As a reward for a Lifetime of service to Rugby League, the N.S.W.R.F.L. selected three Vice Presidents, Messrs. J. McGauley, T. Brennan and J. Ford to go to New Zealand as Official Visitors with the Australian Rugby League team. Due to the illness of his wife Jack McGauley had to withdraw, but Tom and Jack both went to New Zealand. Returning to say how much they had both enjoyed the trip and as both Tom Brennan and Jack McGauley are Life Members of this Association a suitable presentation was made to these gentlemen also to Mr. Tom Bellew as Manager.

Vale

Mr. Jim O'Connor a popular Honorary Member passed away late in the season and as a last request his ashes were scattered over the Ocean he loved, at Narooma.

Early in the season Mr. Norman (Latchem) Robinson passed away after a long illness, just prior to the official naming of the new grandstand at Leichhardt Oval in his honour.

Honorary Secretary's Report (cont.)

Members who suffered bereavements were George and Carol Braine who lost her father, Jack McGauley who lost a sister and brother-in-law, Kevin Jeffes lost his daughter in very sad circumstances. Max Godfrey had a family bereavement. Ron and Lyn Pearce lost an uncle and also Lyn's mother passed away, whilst Earl Carroll (North Sydney R.A. Del.) lost his brother and Max Tomsett was unfortunate to lose his mother.

To all those mentioned and all others who suffered the sad loss of a loved one during the season we offer our sincere sympathy.

Sickies

During the season the following are a few of the members or their wives who reported in as being ill during the year.

Dave Bowron had an infected foot and Peter Pierse had a mild attack of hepatitis.

Rick Sinclair had a bout in hospital for a couple of weeks, also Mrs. Jack (Emily) McGauley was an inmate of Balmain Hospital for several weeks.

Mrs. Therese Braybrook spent time in hospital as did Mrs. Shirley Neville.

Kevin Jeffes was in hospital for a very serious spinal operation and was the recipient of news he could well have done without at such time. The support he received from his son and members who were his close friends, were able to see him through a very troublesome time.

Mrs. Joan Dick was also sick for some time and our old mate Tony Young, "the man from Snowy River" got "throwed" from his horse and fractured his skull but you can't keep a good man down and Tony bounced back although he still

Honorary Secretary's Report (cont.)

has to go into hospital at Canberra early in the New Year for an operation, so we wish Tony all the very best for a speedy recovery.

To all those mentioned and all those who have been sick, but were not mentioned, we wish you a speedy recovery and good health in 1981.

Seminar

A Seminar is to be held at Newport on the 13th - 15th February 1981. This is our second such seminar the first being held in February 1979. This seminar is in line with our fully professional approach to the game as it moves forward into the eighties. It is designed to see that members will be mentally and physically fit for the coming season. It's success or otherwise depends on each member attending, applying himself to the various sections of the Seminar and taking part in it to the fullest.

Visitations

Your Executive Officers, during the season, visited all the Metropolitan District Referees' Associations. These District Associations are the Life Blood of the N.S.W.R.F.L. Referees Association.

The twelve country referees who came down for the All Schools carnival of the N.S.W. Rugby League were entertained by members back at South Sydney Junior Leagues Club at dinner and the show.

Following a suggestion that the return N.S.W. v Q'ld State match be a State of Origin fixture it was decided to bring out an English Test Referee, Mr. Billy Thompson, to referee the match. Billy was met at the airport by Brien Gately and myself and we were joined by Charlie Gibson (N.S.W.R.F.L.). Billy and his wife had been kind to Brien and his family when they were in Britain around Christmas 1979. He appreciated the manner in which he was entertained by the District Associations whilst he was in N.S.W.

Honorary Secretary's Report(cont.)

Our old friend from Queensland, Eddie Ward, was appointed to control the Interstate fixture at Leichhardt Oval. Also from the Brisbane R.L.R.A. we had Allan de Landelles the assistant Secretary together with David Redfern one of the young brigade of Brisbane referees of whom I feel sure we will hear a lot from in the near future.

Our Treasurer, John Gocher, went to Bowral as guest speaker at a Presentation Night on Friday 8th February 1980.

Chris Ward was the guest of Sawtell R. L. Club at a dinner designed to promote and generate interest in the club for next season and from all accounts was very well received as the guest speaker.

We had a party of referees over from Auckland Referees Association, these included Messrs. Pat Farrell, Keran McCall, Ray Newton, Allan MacDonald, Kerry Iresland and Dave McLeod the Secretary.

Congratulations

I would like to open this section by extending the congratulations of the N.S.W.R.F.L. Referees' Association to Mr. Noel Spohr for his work on behalf of country referees. Noel, until the recent Annual Meeting of the Country Referees Association, had been the President of the Country Referees Association for many seasons and had been a prime influence in the welding of the country referees into a strong and viable force in country football. Keeping control of a group of members as widespread and scattered as the country lads demands keen judgement, a sense of humour and a strong determination. The C.R.A. tendered a luncheon to Noel, at which this Association was represented, during which the various speakers paid tribute to Noel and his efforts over the years. We wish him well in his new venture.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. Max Tomsett on his appointment as a Touch Judge in Brisbane on the State of Origin fixture Q'ld v N.S.W. This was a first for a Touch Judge to be appointed to go Interstate for a

Honorary Secretary's Report (cont.)

fixture and I believe that he created a fine impression with his display on the Touch line.

Jack Danzey was appointed to the N.S.W. v Q'ld fixture in Brisbane and he turned in a first class performance as the Referee.

From the Grade list of Referees for 1979 the following members retired, Messrs. D. Barsley, G. Braine, G. Cook, J. Farrelly, L. Green, R. Humphreys, B. Shipton and C. Turnell, we wish them well in their retirement and thank them for their efforts on behalf of the Association over their years of service.

The newly graded Referees for season 1980 were, Messrs. S. Belts(N.S.), S. Cox(B.), K. Davis(Uni cup), G. Heaton(N.), J. Reynolds(S.S.), I. Smith(N.S.), W. Tulloch(E.S.). Ken Davis is the first referee to be graded from the ranks of the University Cup Referees Association and Bill Tulloch was re-graded after a sojourn in Britain. From the President's Cup fixtures Messrs. Leon Edney(Parr.), K. Allard(Parr.) and R. Picard(M-W) were graded. 3

Congratulations are extended to Canterbury-Bankstown on winning the First and Reserve grade Competition, also to Parramatta on annexing the Under 23s Competition. Excellent football played in the right spirit.

The following referees obtained the honour of officiating in various representative fixtures:-

<u>FIXTURES</u>	<u>REFEREE</u>	<u>TOUCH JUDGES</u>
Manly-Warr. v Balmain	G. Hartley	M. Tomsett; I. McCall
Craven Mild Cup		
City 1 v Country 1	G. Hartley	B. Wiseman; B. Grant(Kingscliff)
City 11 v Country 11	G. O'Donnell(Illaw)	N. Cislowski; G. Benson
N.S.W. v Q'ld in Q'ld	J. Danzey	
N.S.W. v Q'ld in Sydney	E. Ward	B. Cross; B. Wiseman
N.S.W. v Q'ld in Q'ld		
State of Origin	W. Thompson(Gt.B.)	M. tomsett(N.S.W.)
1st Grade Grand Final		
Cant-Banks. v Eastern Subs	G. Hartley	M. Tomsett; I. McCall
2nd Grade Grand Final		
Cant-Banks. v Parra.	J. Danzey	G. Benson; J. Connor
23s Grand Final	J. Gocher	B. Cross; B. Wiseman
Parra. v Balmain	14.	

Honorary Secretary's Report (cont.)

The same officials had controlled the finals the week before. In addition to these, the following officiated at the Preliminary Semi-Finals as Referees; Messrs. K. Roberts, D. Braybrook and B. Goldsworthy. Touch Judges - Messrs. R. Garwood, D. Bowron, J. Turner, B. Gately, D. Winton and P. Longhurst.

<u>FIXTURES</u>	<u>REFEREE</u>	<u>TOUCH JUDGES</u>
M.B.H. Water Board v Dept. of Main Roads	P. Pierse	J. Kelly; H. Reedy
M.B.H. K. out Final Daily Mirror v ANZ Bank	K. Davis	B. Apps; R. Hunt
Tooths Cup Final Balmain v Parramatta	G. Hartley	G. Benson; B. Wiseman
Commonwealth Bank Cup St. Gregs Campbelltown v Holy Cross Ryde	B. Bradstock	R. McDonnell; N. Cislowski
Sydney Under 18s v Country Under 18s	C. Ward	M. Thompson; D. Spagarino
Presidents Cup Final	K. Allard(Parra)	E. Wadley(M-W); B. Kidd(Pen)
H. Flegg Final	R. Picard(M-W)	A. Hickey(M-W); J. McKinnon(Bal)
S. G. Ball Final	L. Edney(Parra)	V. McDonald(UniC); M. Holton(Par)

The following members officiated in First Grade in 1980; Messrs. B. Bradstock, B. Goldsworthy, G. Hartley, K. Roberts, I. Smith, C. Ward and M. Weekes.

Officials

I would like to congratulate Don MacDonald on his first season as President and thank him for his help and assistance. John Gocher again carried out his duties as Treasurer in an admirable manner whilst Doug Winton as your Assistant Secretary was untiring in his efforts in that position and as Chairman of the Sponsorship Committee.

Col Turnell as your Social Secretary maintained his high standard of Social events which were well supported by the members showing their appreciation of his efforts.

Honorary Secretary's Report (cont.)

Conclusion

Season 1981 will see a visit from a French Rugby League Team and I expect a French Referee will come with them as part of the reciprocal arrangements for the interchange of referees.

May I wish you all the best of Good Luck with your appointments during 1981.

Thankyou for the privilege of serving as your Secretary during the past season, at times when paths cross or there is a conflict of action, that action will always be in the interest of the members and the Association. If members have dual roles or vested interests the risk is always present that it can re-act against the Association. The Association being the same body that spawned them and gave them the opportunities to obtain this added bonus. Without the Association they would not have had the opportunity; the Association made them what they are, no matter what they may think.

I have no conflict of interests, it's the Association first and second. If it were not so then I would resign from the Association if I felt the second interest took precedence. I will feel your agreement or not in the ballot box and on your good judgement I rest my case.

In conclusion I would like to thankyou for the privilege of serving as your Secretary for the season 1980 and I would like also to thank Don, John, Doug and Col for their help, encouragement and support during the season. I'm off to training now.

F.W.WALSH

Hon. Secretary

NOTICE OF MOTION

Dear Sir,

We the undersigned, wish to submit the following "Notice of Motion" to alter the Constitution of the N.S.W.R.F.L. Referees Association for consideration at the Annual Meeting of 1981.

1. That rule 6 be amended to read:-

Honorary or Non-active Referees may maintain their membership by the payment of five dollars (\$5.00) or one dollar (\$1.00) for a pensioner, Annual Subscription to entitle them to full privileges of a member, providing that such Honorary Members have been active for one (1) year in the ranks of Grade Referees, and whose membership shall have been continuous.

2. That the part of rule 7 relating to Honorary or Non-Active members be amended to read:-

Each Honorary or Non-Active Member shall pay an Annual Subscription of five dollars (\$5.00) or one dollar (\$1.00) for pensioners.

Moved: C. Turnell

Seconded: J. M. Gocher

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The following members have been recommended by the Committee for Life Membership Honours in 1981. Set out under is a copy of their records of service with the Association.

N. CLEMENT - Graded 1966-1980. Total Membership 15 years.

Attendance at Meetings:

1966 - 9 (15)	1971 - 15 (15)	1976 - 16 (16)
1967 - 15 (16)	1972 - 15 (15)	1977 - 16 (16)
1968 - 17 (17)	1973 - 15 (15)	1978 - 14 (14)
1969 - 14 (16)	1974 - 14 (14)	1979 - 16 (16)
1970 - 12 (16)	1975 - 16 (16)	1980 - 15 (15)

Member of Social Committee, 1972, 1973, 1977, 1978, 1979.

Member of Committee, 1980

Member of Hansen Memorial T. Committee, 1978.

D. WINTIN - Graded 1970-1980. Total Membership 11 years.

Attendance at Meetings:

1970 - 12 (16)	1974 - 14 (14)	1978 - 14 (14)
1971 - 14 (15)	1975 - 16 (16)	1979 - 16 (16)
1972 - 15 (15)	1976 - 16 (16)	1980 - 15 (15)
1973 - 15 (15)	1977 - 16 (16)	

Assistant Secretary, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980.

Sponsorship Committee member and Chairman, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980.

Member of Social Committee, 1973, 1974, 1975. Special Committee, 1979.

Member of Hansen Memorial T. Committee, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980.

The following members were nominated - Messrs. D. Braybrook, N. Clement, J. O'Connor, G. Cook, B. Cross, R. Freeman, C. Gilchrist, J. Gocher, W. Grono, G. Hedger, J. Jewell, J. Kelly, I. McCall, A. Neville, J. Turner, D. Wintin.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP HONOUR ROLL AND ATTENDANCES

K. ARNOLD		R. H. DRAKE	(D)	J. MOSES	(3)
L. BAGGOTT		H. J. ELLIOT		J. MURRAY	(D)
B. BARRY	(7)	P. ELLISS	(9)	W. NEILL	(D)
A. BELLERUM	(D)	F. ERICKSON		J. O'BRIEN	(3)
J. BATES	(D)	J. FARRELLY	(1)	R. O'DONNELL	(13)
G. BENSON	(13)	J. FARQUHAR	(D)	J. O'SULLIVAN	(4)
T. BELLEW	(3)	A. FARROW	(D)	A. OXFORD	
G. BISHOP	(D)	E. FLETCHER		K. PAGE	(2)
J. BLACK	(D)	A. FIFIELD		E. PAINE	
G. BOYD	(D)	W. FRY	(D)	C. PEARCE	(2)
D. BRATTON		M. GODFREY	(4)	G. PEARCE	(D)
T. BRENNAN	(1)	T. GREW		H. PIERCE	(4)
R. BROCK	(D)	G. GRIFFIN		H. POULTON	(D)
C. BROWN		J. GRIFFIN	(D)	H. ROWLANDS	(D)
L. BRUYERES	(2)	A. HALL	(12)	L. ROSEN	(2)
J. BUCHANAN	(D)	J. HANSEN	(D)	L. SAMUELSON	
E. BUCKLEY	(D)	J. HARRIS	(15)	A. SHIPWAY	
S. CAREY	(13)	A. HOLT		R. SMYTH	
J. CLARKE	(D)	C. HUDSON	(2)	H. SCHUTEMA	(D)
A. COLLINS		J. KELLY	(D)	C. SCHOMBERG	(2)
O. COHEN		W. KELLY	(D)	A. SHINER	(15)
T. COSTELLO	(D)	W. KEOGH	(D)	A. SOANE	(11)
B. COWLEY	(1)	E. KERR	(D)	A. SPANKIE	(D)
W. CUKE		A. KONNECKE	(3)	M. TOMSETT	(12)
R. CUMMINS	(3)	D. LAWLER		J. TURNER	(D)
E. COX	(4)	P. LEE	(D)	E. TINSLEY	
J. DAVIES		T. LEFFLER		B. WALES SNR.	(D)
A. J. DAVIS		J. McGAULEY	(1)	A. WELSH	(D)
L. DEANE	(D)	T. McMAHON	(D)	F. W. WALSH	(15)
F. DELANEY	(D)	D. MacDONALD	(15)	C. E. WIGZELL	(7)
A. DENNIS	(D)	M. MALONEY	(D)	L. WILLIAMS	(1)
W. DEVINE SNR.		J. MARTIN		G. WIRTH	(D)
T. DICKSON	(D)	H. MILLINGTON	(D)	R. J. WARD	(D)
R. DICK	(15)	J. MONTGOMERY	(2)	C. YORKE	

TOTAL = 102

DECEASED = 39

15 Meetings were held in 1980 and against each member is their attendance.

HONORARY ASSOCIATE MEMBERS FOR LIFE

J. R. DREWES SNR. (D), W. FALLOWFIELD, O.B.E. and H. GILLARD

NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE
GRADED REFEREES FOR SEASON 1980 AND ATTENDANCES -

17 MEETINGS HELD

K. ALLARD *	(9)	W. HEYLBUT	(11)
G. ANNESLEY	(15)	D. HEYMER	(6)
B. APPS	(15)	K. HOLWELL	(12)
B. BARNES	(4)	R. HUNT	(13)
G. BENSON	(13)	G. KELLY	(8)
S. BETTS *	(12)	J. KELLY	(15)
M. BILTON	(9)	P. LONGHURST	(11)
J. BLOMFIELD	(15)	I. McCALL	(15)
B. BOLTON	(15)	D. MACDONALD	(15)
B. BOWRON	(12)	R. McDONNELL	(13)
B. BRADSTOCK	(12)	L. MATTHEWS	(12)
D. BRAYBROOK	(13)	I. MURPHY	(6)
N. CISLOWSKI	(10)	S. NASH	(10)
N. CLEMENT	(15)	R. PEARSE	(13)
J. COLENSO	(10)	R. PICARD *	(9)
R. CONNOLLY	(8)	P. PIERSE	(10)
J. CONNOR	(14)	H. REEDY	(10)
S. COX *	(13)	J. REYNOLDS *	(12)
B. CROSS	(14)	K. ROBERTS	(9)
J. DANZEY	(14)	R. SINCLAIR	(6)
K. DAVIS *	(12)	I. SMITH *	(12)
M. DUNN	(3)	D. SPAGARINO	(12)
L. EDINY *	(8)	M. STONE	(13)
P. ELLISS	(9)	M. THOMPSON	(4)
R. GARWOOD	(13)	M. TOMSETT	(12)
J. GOCHER	(15)	W. TULLOCH * <i>Regraded</i>	(10)
B. GOLDSWORTHY	(10)	J. TURNER	(3)
G. GATLEY	(11)	C. WARD	(15)
H. GRIFFITH	(12)	M. WEEKES	(14)
M. GRADY	(12)	D. WINTIN	(15)
W. GRONO	(14)	B. WISEMAN	(12)
G. HARTLEY	(9)	J. YARD	(15)
G. HEATON *	(10)		

TOTAL = 65

LIST OF NON-ACTIVE MEMBERS

17 Meetings were held for 1980 and Attendances were:-

A. AGGETT		R. GOBITS		N. MORAITIS	
P. ATKINS		G. GUNNEE		R. MORRIS	
R. ATKINSON		C. GILCHRIST	(15)	A. NEVILLE	(2)
D. BARSLEY		K. GRAY		D. NICHOLSON	
G. BENNETT	(12)	H. GRIFFIN		G. NORBERRY	(2)
M. BEACROFT		L. GREEN		J. O'CONOR	(D)
J. BISSETT		C. HAYNES		J. O'KEEFE	
P. BOWEN		G. HEDGER	(4)	D. PARDY	
R. BOWMAN		C. HENNESSY	(8)	J. PARKINSON	
J. BRADLEY		R. HENSLEY		N. PATTEN	
G. BRAINE	(2)	R. HUMPHRIES		R. PATTERSON	
B. BUCKINGHAM		K. HOLMAN	(1)	W. PEARSON	(1)
L. BUCKLEY		K. JEFFES	(3)	A. PERRY	(8)
R. CAREY		J. JEWELL	(15)	R. PIERCE	(1)
J. COFFEY		B. KENDALL		L. RANDLE	
R. COFFEY		W. KIRK		J. REYNOLDS	
A. COLE		M. KEEBLE		N. SAVAGE	
E. COOK		G. KELLAHAN		B. SHIPTON	(2)
G. COOK	(5)	A. KNIGHT		A. SEE	
K. COUCH		N. McALISTER		R. SEMMENS	
B. CRIPPS		V. McGUINNESS	(2)	J. STEWART	
T. DELAUNEY	(5)	A. McGILVRAY	(2)	W. STEWART	
C. DIMON		R. McINTOSH		J. TICEHURST	
C. EDWARDS		R. McJANNETT		C. TURNELL	(15)
M. EDWARDS	(4)	D. McLEAN	(2)	B. WALES	
J. EEDY		L. McREYNOLDS		R. WARNER	
F. FISHER		K. MANTON	(1)	W. WHITE	
P. FITTON	(2)	R. MENSER	(1)	J. WHYBROW	
P. FREEMAN		J. MITCHELL		S. WILLIAMS	
R. FREEMAN		R. MURRAY		A. WILLIS	
				B. WEBBER	

TOTAL = 91

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

BALMAIN	Referees' Assn.	NEWTOWN	Referees' Assn.
CANTERBURY/BANKSTOWN	" "	NORTH SYDNEY	" "
CRONULLA/SUTHERLAND	" "	PARRAMATTA	" "
EASTERN SUBURBS	" "	PENRITH	" "
MANLY WARRINGAH	" "	ST. GEORGE	" "
METRO. BUSINESS HOUSES	" "	SOUTH SYDNEY	" "
N.S.W. PUBLIC SERVICE	" "	UNIVERSITY CUP	" "
		WESTERN SUBURBS	" "
N.S.W. COUNTRY R.F.L.	Referees' Assn.		
NORFOLK ISLAND R.F.L.	" "		
NORTHERN TERRITORY R.F.L.	" "		
PAPUA NEW GUINEA R.F.L.	" "		
WESTERN AUSTRALIA R.F.L.	" "		

DISTRICT ASSOCIATION DELEGATES
1980 ATTENDANCES

15 Meetings held

BALMAIN	D. Dudgeon (13), P. Carroll(1), N. McMahon(2)
CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN	P. Wallace (11), P. Ryan (3)
CRONULLA SUTHERLAND	B. Stevens (10)
C.R.F.L.R.A.	NIL
EASTERN SUBURBS	R. Connor (7)
MANLY WARRINGAH	T. Hickey (5), R. Picard(3), E. Wadley (2)
M.B.H.	J. Bain (9)
NEWTOWN	P. Baker (10), N. Lucas(2), K. Ford(2)
NORTH SYDNEY	E. Carroll (10), J. Quinn(2), C. Jones(2)
UNIVERSITY CUP	V. McDonald (11)
PARRAMATTA	K. Travers (11)
PENRITH	H. Creighton (13), K. French (1)
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	T. Delauney (5)
N.S.W. PUBLIC SERVICE	G. Callinan (14)
ST. GEORGE	K. Gardner (14), G. Brown (2)
SOUTH SYDNEY	C. Butler (11), G. Herd (2)
WESTERN SUBURBS	B. Collins (2), G. Gregory (2)
SPONSORS	
T.N.T.	W. Petley (9), L. Flowers (7)

DIRECTOR OF REFEREES REMARKS

Gentlemen,

As Director of Referees on behalf of the N.S.W.R.F.L. I would like to thank all active members for giving Rugby League another highly successful season.

Congratulations to members on their appointments throughout the season with Jack Danzey getting the interstate plum and Greg Hartley the First Grade Grand Final.

Season 1981 will see a Seminar being conducted on your behalf and you will be expected to attend and take part to the fullest. The invitees from the District Associations will again take part in the Grade Trials and apart from training with the Grade Referees all have been invited to attend the Seminar by courtesy of the Seminar Committee.

The brand of football played by the Teams in the Grand Finals was excellent and will set a pattern for season 1981.

Some new faces again pushed their way into higher grades with some consolidating their position.

Finally, thank you for your assistance and another great season of Rugby League and the best to you all for the forthcoming International Season.

E. COX
Director of Referees N.S.W.R.F.L.

DELEGATE'S REPORT

The season 1980 will be remembered as a most successful year for Rugby League with the Australian Rugby League Team being triumphant in New Zealand, whilst on the home front the brand of football played in the Finals was of the highest order.

Conscious of the need to update the Judiciary Committee, Mr. Jim Comans was selected by the Rugby League to replace Mr. R. (Dick) Dunn who decided to step down from the Judiciary Committee as Chairman. Strong sentences handed out to the players saw the players settle down to play football. The introduction of the Sin Bin this coming season will put further pressure on the players to behave themselves.

Another new innovation was the introduction of a State of Origin fixture between N.S.W. and Queensland. In what would have been a non-event, the Series had already been decided with N.S.W. the winner of two straight matches; this fixture was like a breath of spring, playing to a packed Stadium and creating tremendous interest.

The Sin Bin and the Differential Scrum Penalty are two new rule changes for season 1981; there will be full detailed information forthcoming in the near future and I am sure your Secretary will advise you as soon as it is to hand. I would say to you at this point not to fall into the trap of jumping at conclusions re the interpretation of these rules until you get the right information.

We can look forward to the visit of the French Rugby League Team with anticipation as their standard of play has risen since they were last here.

The Rugby League's decision to include the Illawarra team in the Sydney Competition will open new vistas and I feel we are all on the threshold of one of the most exciting eras in the History of Rugby League.

DELEGATE'S REPORT (cont)

In conclusion I would like to thank the Committee and in particular my co-delegate Frank, for his co-operation during the season and to the members for giving me the opportunity to be your Delegate during the season 1980.

A. SHINER

"ON THE BLINDSIDE"

Peter Longhurst took time out to play in the prestigious Harry McKinnon Golf Championship at Narellan. This is open to all who have reached 1st Grade as a player or official. When Pete fronted up they checked him out and they weren't going to let him play as they said he was only a Touch Judge. Pete's hackles rose and that's a shocking sight, and he swept on to victory. Well done Pete.

Whilst on the subject of golf; for the record, Col Schomberg shot a hole-in-one on the 4th hole at the Annual Golf Day last Anniversary day. Congratulations Col.

Peter Wallace and his wife Lynn were the victims of thieves whilst travelling in Rome, having their travellers cheques "pinched". Rome is famous for it's "Bottom pinchers", but Lyn reckons they missed her and pinched Peter.

On Mossop's World of Sport recently he had Laurie Kelly write in asking for a certain League segment to be shown. When Rex was presenting the segment he said the momento would be sent to Laurie. The momento is a key ring and Laurie is a guest of the government at Long Bay Jail. The

On the Blindsides (cont)

mind boggles at the thought of all the inmates sporting Channel 7 Key Rings. I didn't think they had locks on the doors out there by the speed with which they come and go. Rex mumbled something about Laurie being a captive audience.

Recently seen on the far North Coast enjoying a holiday in the sun, warming their suntans before the start of another season were three of Leagues Heavyweights.

Peter Longhurst spent a couple of days in hospital prior to Christmas just for a series of checks. Lois tells me she could have told the Doctors that it was only Morning Sickness and that Peter hadn't noticed she was six months pregnant. On the serious side of things though, Pete we hope it doesn't give you any trouble in the future.

The Womens Weekly and Womans Day both have their monster cross-word puzzles at this holiday time of the year, so for your enjoyment and puzzlement we have included our own Referees Crossword by courtesy of Ida Buttrose. We ask that you don't peek at the answers until you have attempted it. Good Luck.

REFEREES CROSSWORD

(Should only be attempted by Grade Referess)

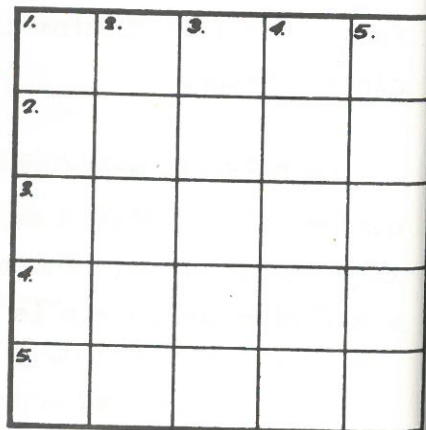
ACROSS

1. Blow with fist
2. _____ and Judy
3. Tool
4. English magazine
5. Party Drink

DOWN

1. Vegetable
2. Sheep
3. Chooks
4. Oceans
5. Goal Posts

Solution below and upsidedown.



Across: 1. Punch, 2. Punch, 3. Punch, 4. Punch, 5. Punch
Down: 1. P's, 2. U's, 3. N's, 4. C's, 5. H's

AND THIS WEEK'S CHARTSTOPPERS

REFEREES' TOP TEN:-

Sydney's original and authentic list.

TITLE

ARTIST

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. SHADDAP YOUR FACE | RANDY STONE WITH
SPAGARINO AND THE FIBROS |
| 2. I LOVE TO HAVE A BEER WITH BRADSTOCK | SLIM DANZEY |
| 3. ANOTHER ONE BITES THE DUST | THE ADVISORY BOYS CHOIR |
| 4. OH LORD ITS HARD TO BE HUMBLE | GREG AND THE SUNSHINE BAND |
| 5. DON'T STAND SO CLOSE TO ME | D.B. AND THE PROP FORWARDS |
| 6. LIFE AT THE OUTPOST | PEDRO PIERCE AND
REG BLOMFIELD'S RUSHCUTTERS |
| 7. SPEND THE NIGHT | JOE MOSES AND THE JUDICIARY |
| 8. SO LONG | TOMMY BISHOP AND
THE BOARD |
| 9. BABOOSHKA | NOEL CISLOWSKI AND THE COSSACKS |
| 10. I LIKE CHINESE | KEV ROBERTS AND THE
MANDARIN CLUB ORCHESTRA |
| BULLET PERFORMER | |
| THE WANDERER | CAPTAIN AND TURNELL |

HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT - 1980

Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Association may I submit for your perusal the Financial Accounts for the 1980 season.

Each of the accounts is in a sound position, as a result of a very successful year.

The following tabulation is for general information, showing the major items of income and expenditure for the General and Social accounts for the past 6 years.

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>
<u>GENERAL ACCOUNT</u>						
<u>INCOME</u>						
Subs & Affils	696	724	1199	1672	1443	1895
Grants	850	1050	1200	1350	1800	1800
Donations	100	100	1350	75	-	-
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>						
Entertainment	312	412	894	763	842	731
Honoraria	606	606	1150	1150	1265	1392
Print/Post etc.	411	545	583	776	650	851
<u>SOCIAL ACCOUNT</u>						
<u>INCOME</u>						
Subsidies	2478	2466	2105	3055	3225	3316
Donations	120	310	10	1270	2000	2500
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>						
Ladies Night	598	700	666	1555	1341	1653
Family Picnic	707	804	989	787	729	714
Convivials	404	243	397	262	249	537
Final Night	-	-	1059	692	1215	1098
Bucks Picnic	758	765	-	-	-	-

Honorary Treasurer's Report (cont)

The success of the year's social functions was due to a lot of planning and organising by Col Turnell who deserves our thanks in this regard.

With the T.N.T. Sponsorship agreement renewed for another 3 years, we look forward to a continuation of their friendship and co-operation. A special thanks to Bill Petley and Lindsay Flowers for their assistance throughout the year and also the interest they have shown in the association.

Our gratitude is extended to the N.S.W. Rugby Football League for the grants which were very beneficial to the Association. Also Rothmans of Pall Mall for their Donation to the Social Fund.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Don MacDonald, Frank Walsh, Doug Wintin, Col Turnell, Eric Cox and Reg Dick for their assistance and co-operation throughout the year.

J. M. GOCHER

Hon. Treasurer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1980

<u>GENERAL FUND 1980</u>			
Credit Balance 1979	\$1124.64	Printing & Stationery	\$325.00
Active Members Subs.	650.00	Postage	124.30
Balance Fees Deductions	1093.60	Telephone	401.77
Non-Active Members Subs.	66.50	Govt. Insurance	66.00
Affiliations	85.00	Floral Tributes	200.00
Grants:		Life Members Blazers	179.00
NSWRFL (Pre-season)	1000.00	Life Members Ladies	
NSWRFL (1980)	800.00	Gifts & Flowers	40.00
Bank Interest	39.66	Presentations	118.00
Bank Interest transferred	550.00	Honoraria	1392.00
from fees A/c.		Entertainment:	
		All Schools Carnival	363.00
		City/Country & Fin. Ser	218.02
		Guest Speaker	150.00
		Bank Charges	7.00
		S. I. A. Account	1100.00
		Cash at Bank	725.31
	<u>5409.40</u>		<u>5409.40</u>

Financial Statement (cont)

FEES ACCOUNT 1980

Credit Balance 1979	\$ 63.64	Paid to Referees	\$48,557.20
Received from NSWRL	51,518.00	Insurance Account	130.00
Received from M.B.H.	2,162.80	Social Levies	3,250.00
Bank Interest	591.65	Deductions to Gen. Acct.	1,743.60
		Interest to Gen. Acct.	550.00
		Bank Charges	15.00
		Cash at Bank	90.29
	<u>\$54,336.09</u>		<u>\$54,336.09</u>

SPECIAL FUND 1980

Credit Balance 1979	\$ 890.40	S.I.A. Account	\$ 921.95
Bank Interest	72.62	Cash at Bank	41.07
	<u>\$963.02</u>		<u>\$963.02</u>

ASSURANCE FUND 1980

Credit Balance 1979	\$2,151.37	K. Roberts	\$ 26.00
Allocation from Fees			
Deductions	130.00	S.I.A. Account	2,354.32
Bank Interest	156.41	Cash at Bank	57.46
	<u>\$2,437.78</u>		<u>\$2,437.78</u>

SOCIAL FUND 1980

Credit Balance 1979	\$2599.36	Net Cost Ladies Night	\$1653.00
Social Levies—Active Member	2600.00	Net Cost Final Night	1098.26
Active Members Subs.	650.00	Family Picnic	714.75
Non-Active Members Subs.	66.50	Convivials	537.37
Donations: T.N.T.	2000.00	Touch football race prizes	64.90
Rothmans	500.00	Stationery etc.	19.15
Balance Guest Speaker Night	44.00	B.B.Q. (B. Bolton)	30.60
Balance Life Members Night	62.25	S.A.I. Account	4000.00
Bank Interest	116.84	Cash at Bank	520.92
	<u>\$8638.95</u>		<u>\$8638.95</u>

Financial Statement (cont)

AUDITOR'S REPORT 1980

This is to certify that we have examined the books of account of the N.S.W. Rugby Football League Referees' Association and in our opinion, they disclose a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association. In addition, we have examined the Schedule of Payments made pursuant to the T.N.T. Sponsorship Agreement and have satisfied ourselves to its content.

Signed: C. P. Gilchrist) Hon.
P. J. Longhurst) Auditors



Don welcomes the guests and announces the stripper



Peter, Dick and Don waiting for the stripper



Steve, Cliff and Joe enjoy the stripper



Harry and Bert have seen it all before

BOOK OVER-THE-COUNTER NOW
RATED BY
WYERT
CROZ
BZ
GIVE ME THE NIGHT

HARRIS MAD MIKE IS COMING

HARTLEY'S LAW WINS THE FANS

'MOUTH BLEEDING'

IMAGINE
MOSSOP
GAGGED
Let George
Do It!

Williams John runs a heroic record
DEE WHY LEAVE IT LATE

WHISTLING IN THE DARK

LOOK AT THE

JUDGE GUILTY OF CHARGE

PAGE WITH SOMETHING DIFFERENT
HAVE A GREAT NIGHT OUT

RUBBING THE RIGHT WAY

TOO HIGH

KELLY IS ALIVE AND WELL
UBURBIA

THOMMO - I WANT TO FIX THE POMS

straight e in cricket

WHY RICK

Martin to repel British invasion

Turner for the movie

ISN'T TAPES AND VIDEOS
BOB SICK BOY

Greg slams Don's record

IS VIOLEN IN TOUCH

REFS CHIEF CALLS HARTLEY FILM

SMITH
SUPERMAN
WITHOUT STEPHEN

INCONSISTENCIES OF THE REFEREES' BOARD

HEAD DECISION

Face it, George - she's a drongo

TOLD IN COL CAR PARK

GOES TO MAC

Ref refuses to say

DOUBLE LIFE OF PETER

Sign up a ref? No way

Referees reject offer
Bob knocks back \$275,000 bid to raise \$5.5m
Dennis KNOWS WHERE THE ACTION IS
Young pacer on the verge of greatness

GRAHAM WINS U.S. PGA
GREG DELAYS HIS AMERICAN START
TJ GETS TOUGH

N.S.W.R.F.L. REFEREES WHO OCCUPY POSITIONS WITH THE N.S.W.R.F.L. 1980

Members of the General Committee: E. Cox, F. Walsh and A. Shiner

Vice-Presidents: J. McGauley, T. Brennan and T. Bellew

Coaching Class for Referees: C. Wigzell (Director)

Referees' Appointment Board: E. Cox (Director of Referees)
J. O'Brien, R. O'Donnell

Referees' Advisory Board: S. Carey, A. Neville, J. O'Sullivan,
L. Williams, J. Jewell, H. Pierce,
R. Dick, C. Schomberg

Examination Board: C. Pearce, C. Wigzell, T. Brennan,
J. Danzey, D. MacDonald, J. Moses,
J. Harris

Referees' Coaching Division: C. Gilchrist, R. Dick, G. Bennett,
G. Annesley, N. Cislowski

Director of N.S.W. Leagues Club
Representing N.S.W.R.F.L.: E. Cox

Members who Officiated in
1st Grade: B. Bradstock, J. Danzey, J. Gocher,
G. Hartley, B. Goldsworthy,
D. MacDonald, K. Roberts, C. Ward,
I. Smith, M. Weekes

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT 1980

1980 provided another season with a similar round of social functions as in previous years. All the functions were reasonably well attended and could be called successful.

The Social Committee, Bruce Apps, Barry Bradstock, John Blomfield, Les Matthews, Mike Stone and Chris Ward gave me great support in the organisation of the social functions. Without their assistance my task would be a great deal harder.

T.N.T.'s continued sponsorship of the Association and the younger members we are now attracting to grade refereeing, will enable us to have a variety of social functions in future years. More about that during 1981.

CONVIVIALS:

Four convivials were held after meetings during 1980. Each was held on the 5th floor as this provided more room for food preparation and bar service as well as space for members and visitors to move around and discuss things.

The first convivial was to welcome the new graded members, and we hope, set the stage for an enjoyable season for the whole Association.

International marathon swimmer Des Renford spoke at our second convivial. His talk was very informative and highly entertaining. Besides the long hours of training and physical endurance of competing I'm sure Des enjoys life. His efforts show the results of dedication and hard work. Des' manager, John Devitt, also attended this convivial.

During the year we also entertained the Rugby Union referees. This has developed into a very pleasant reciprocal arrangement. These men have much in common with us and some of their solutions to problems can benefit us.

Social Secretary's Report (cont)

All the convivials were very well attended and I guess many of the problems we face were discussed and solved over a few beers.

Two convivials were held at the S.C.G. dressing room after the City - Country game and the Grand Final. I am anxiously looking forward to having a convivial at the City - Country game in Canberra in 1981.

LIFE MEMBERS' PRESENTATION NIGHT

Balmain and Penrith District Associations supplied the bulk of the crowd to see Bert Hall and Jack Harris receive their Life Members' blazers.

A standing ovation was accorded these two highly regarded stalwarts of the Association. Their long service to the Association and the respect in which they are held made them very deserving Life Members.

The West Epping Bowling Club was a different venue which catered very well for the 160 people in attendance.

After my disaster with the band at this function in 1979 I was very pleased with the performance of the one-man-band, John Stewart. His skilful selection of quiter dinner music and excellent dance music really gave the night a real boost. John has already received 4 bookings after that performance and think we will see more of him in 1981.

SPECIAL LADIES NIGHT

This was our second visit to Western Suburbs Soccer Club and as often happens the first one is hard to beat.

The food, entertainment and service was good but the major drawback

Social Secretary's Report (cont)

at this type of venue is sharing an auditorium with club members. This makes speeches and presentations very difficult - the reason the George and Amy Hansen Memorial trophy was not presented on that night. Still, the attendance was reasonably good and I'm sure most people enjoyed themselves.

The drop in attendance over the past two years is probably caused by this night being in the style of "a night at the club" whereas it should be a prestige function.

The solution to these problems is to have a Ladies Night or Ball at a smaller club or reception lounge where we can present a top class night and enjoy ourselves without disturbing other people.

It is the intention of the Social Committee to organise a Ladies Night, in July - August 1981, which every member will be proud to attend.

LIFE MEMBERS' REUNION CONVIVIAL:

Another successful Life Members Reunion Convivial was held at the Catholic Club. Again the food and service was excellent and the cost of the night was very reasonable.

26 Life Members were amongst a total attendance of 110. It was pleasing to see the old faces at this function and it is hoped that more Honorary Members, as well as Life Members, attend in the future to renew acquaintances made in refereeing.

The highlight of the night was the presentation of the George and Amy Hansen Memorial Trophy to John Gocher. His efforts as Treasurer and as a referee over the preceeding 12 months justify his receiving this award.

Social Secretary's Report (cont)

FAMILY PICNIC:

I thought the N.S.W. drought would break at the Family Picnic. The rain started to fall at 10 o'clock but this didn't deter the members and the kids.

Fortunately, I had booked the hall adjacent to Coleman Park and the kids amused themselves playing and eating ice creams most of the morning. The adults, also eating ice creams, looked at the rain. Meanwhile, Jack Danzey and family were on Henry Lawson Drive searching for Coleman Park. I heard a rumour they drove past the park 6 times.

We had just enough room for everybody to have lunch inside the hall and at about one o'clock the rain stopped. A mass exodus of parents and kids followed. Races and games were organised and enjoyed by all.

When Santa arrived, later in the afternoon, many referees saw that he was wearing sandals instead of "proper" shoes. He must have had a hard season - probably running 2nd Grade line.

The 75 kids waited patiently as Santa handed out presents and then returned, very tired, to his home at the North Pole.

Considering the weather conditions the picnic was a great success.

LOOKING TO 1981

The amalgamation of the Life Members Presentation Night and the Ladies Night into one top class night seems to be an ideal way to solve some of the social problems. I'm sure T.N.T. would support us financially to promote this night as the leading referees' function in Sydney.

Social Secretary's Report (cont)

This would also give us scope to have an early season function (say April - May) which would be less formal. Still, more planning is necessary before final decisions can be made.

The sponsorship by T.N.T. has eased some of the problems confronting the Social Committee. For the past 3 years money has been used towards social functions and some has been saved for a special function in the social levy, which is now \$40 per active referee. Besides being financially better off we can also enjoy the company of Bill Petley and Lindsay Flowers who both regularly attend our meetings. Also, company executives and workers are always invited to our functions and it is our pleasure to entertain them. Thanks again T.N.T.

In his first year as President Don Macdonald has done a wonderful job and has given me every assistance for which I thank him. Also thanks to Frank, John, Doug and the Social Committee for all their help during 1980.

COL. TURNELL
Social Secretary

RESULTS OF BALLOTS

PATRON:

PRESIDENT:

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN:

SECRETARY:

TREASURER:

VICE-PRESIDENTS:

ASSISTANT SECRETARY:

DELEGATE:

DEPUTY DELEGATE:

SOCIAL SECRETARY

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE:

COMMITTEE:

Results of Ballot (cont.)

HONORARY AUDITORS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

NOMINEES FOR EXAMINATION BOARD:

NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT BOARD:

GENERAL NOTES: