

**NEW SOUTH WALES  
RUGBY LEAGUE  
REFEREES' ASSOCIATION**

**SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT  
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**1984**



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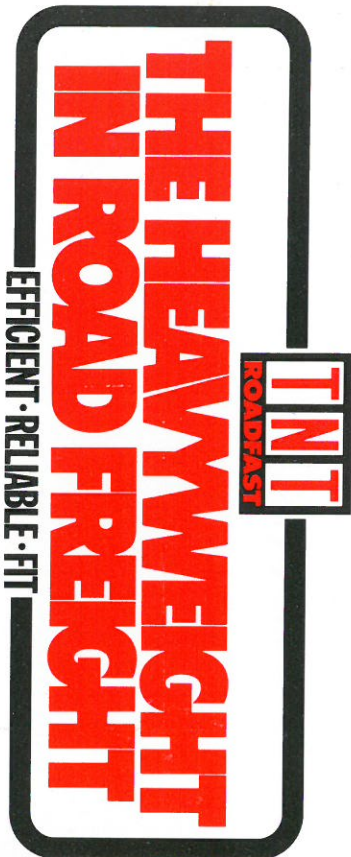
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## NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

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### NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

Dear Sir,

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held in the Ballroom of the New South Wales Leagues Club, 165 Phillip Street, Sydney on Wednesday, 28th November, 1984, commencing at 7.30 p.m. You are cordially invited to attend. The Order of Business shall be:

1. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting.
2. Correspondence
3. Secretary's Annual Report
4. Financial Statement and Auditor's Report
5. Election of Office Bearers
6. Other Elections
7. Notice of Motion
8. Committee Recommendations
9. Life Membership Recommendations
10. General Business

Yours faithfully,

**COLIN TURNELL**  
Secretary



## NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

### OFFICE BEARERS — SEASON 1984

PATRON: Mr. C. Wigzell, B.E.M.

PRESIDENT: Mr. D. Macdonald

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN:  
Mr. I. McCall

SECRETARY:  
Mr. C. Turnell

TREASURER:  
Mr. P. Longhurst

ASSISTANT SECRETARY:  
Mr. B. Wiseman

DELEGATE TO N.S.W.R.L.:  
Mr. D. Wintin

DEPUTY DELEGATE TO N.S.W.R.L.:  
Mr. F. Walsh

SOCIAL SECRETARY: Mr. M. Thompson

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE CO-ORDINATOR: Mr. C. Ward

JUDICIARY NOMINEE: Mr. T. Murphy

### COMMITTEE:

Messrs.: D. Macdonald, C. Turnell, P. Longhurst, I. McCall,  
D. Wintin, M. Thompson, G. Cook, J. Colenso and B. Wiseman

### AUDITORS:

Messrs. J. Gocher and G. Robertson

### SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

Messrs. L. Matthews and R. Pearce

### HANSEN MEMORIAL TROPHY COMMITTEE:

Messrs. D. Macdonald, C. Turnell, P. Longhurst, G. Cook, J. Harris,  
I. McCall, M. Thompson, D. Wintin, B. Wiseman

### SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE:

Messrs. D. Macdonald, C. Turnell, P. Longhurst, I. McCall, M. Stone, C. Ward

### TNT LIASON OFFICERS:

Messrs. W. Petley and L. Plowes

## NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

### MESSAGE FROM THE PATRON

The past season has been a very successful one for the members of the New South Wales Referees' Association. Less criticism of referees' performances in the media was in sharp contrast to the previous few seasons.

I am now 83 years of age and although my health stops me from attending meetings I think of the members as I watch a televised game or read a newspaper report. From the games I have seen the standard is still very high. Congratulations to all referees who performed their duties with great credit, especially those appointed on Grand Final Day.

I must thank members who visited or phoned me to keep me informed of the happenings in the Association. I was also pleased to receive copies of the Association newsletter "Sidelines".

It is good to see a new crop of young referees developing in the Association. With dedication and a sound knowledge of the rules all referees can contribute to improving the standard of refereeing in Sydney.

May I wish all members and their families a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

CYRIL WIGZELL B.E.M.  
Patron

## NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mr. Chairman and Members,

The Secretary's Annual Report and Treasurer's Financial Statement for Season 1984 is submitted for your information, consideration and adoption.

The 1984 Season will be remembered by members as one in which referees' names and performances were not the focal point of the sporting journalists' attention. Following the media's constant criticism of referees and the system of appointments in 1983 the New South Wales Rugby League decided that the General Manager, Mr. John Quayle, should take over the task of appointing referees.

Mr. Quayle visited the graded referees at training and outlined the system to operate in 1984. An Advisory Board of Messrs. Cox, O'Donnell and Neville would collate reports from the Advisory Board Assistants. From these reports John Quayle would make the appointments. Referees would be notified individually of their appointment and no details would be released to the media or anyone else. In fact, the Executive of the Association received details of appointments during the week after the game. Hopefully the media and the public would forget about who is appointed to a game and concentrate on the players and the game of Rugby League. I am happy to say that the system, except for a few problems, has worked very well to deflect media attention.

The biggest drawback of notification of individual appointments is that referees are unaware of other members' appointments. This lowers morale and the competitive spirit between referees and eliminates the chance of referees travelling to the football together. Also all members would appreciate the opportunity to congratulate a referee, who is promoted, before the match is played. The Executive has mentioned these points to John Quayle and will raise them again and hopefully they can be resolved to the benefit of both parties during the off season.

#### MEETINGS:

During the Season, Meetings were held monthly at Marrickville R.S.L. Club to combine with referees' training at nearby Henson Park. The venue was satisfactory in that members who attended training did not have to travel to the City and could buy a meal at the Club.

The Association's newsletter 'Sidelines' was published and circulated to members at meetings and posted to older Life Members unable to attend meetings.

'Sidelines' contained a summary of correspondence, bank balances, social reports, items of interest and articles from former referees. I believe it saved time at meetings and I look forward to its continuation and improvement in coming years.

#### CONSTITUTION:

Don Macdonald, Peter Longhurst, Terry Murphy, Ian McCall and myself, the Constitution Review Committee, spent two very long nights formulating the draft constitution which was considered by the members on 11th September. The failure of 50% of the graded referees to attend the Special Meeting on 22nd August was most disappointing for those who had worked hard to prepare the draft Constitution. However, all members will soon be in receipt of the Constitution and should realise their obligations to the Association and fellow Members.

#### SPONSORSHIP:

Again our excellent relationship with our sponsors TNT continued in 1984, this being the first year of the current 2 year agreement. This year I saw first hand the work involved with the Sponsorship and I appreciate more its value to the Association. Congratulations and special thanks to Chris Ward, Bill Petley and Lindsay Plowes for their work during the season. Bill and Lindsay attended every Sponsorship meeting and their experience in these matters was helpful to the Committee.

Again we had the pleasure of entertaining representatives of TNT Management at the Annual Presentation Dinner and the Life Members Convivial.

#### SOCIAL FUNCTIONS:

Michael Thompson in his first year as Social Secretary performed this important task in an efficient manner. He and the Social Committee deserve thanks for their efforts. The members attendance at the functions was again good and the friendly manner in which all mixed shows the good spirit which exists in the Association.

#### CONGRATULATIONS:

Kevin Roberts and Barry Barnes were selected to control Test matches in New Zealand. I know they were proud to receive the appointments and represent the Association overseas. Both were presented with an Australian blazer by the Australian Rugby League before their departure. The Association presented them with an engraved silver tray and goblets to remember the appointments.



Barry Bolton, Vince Smith, Noel Cislowski and Ian McCall were appointed as Touch Judges in the Australia vs. Great Britain Test matches. All performed very well and brought credit to the Association. Also they did an excellent job entertaining the visiting New Zealand referees.

In August, Ray O'Donnell was elected a Vice President of the N.S.W. Rugby League. This is another honour achieved by Ray in a career which has seen distinguished service to the N.S.W. Referees' Association and the N.S.W. Rugby League.

Ian McCall and Colin Turnell received Life Membership blazers at a well attended Annual Presentation Dinner at Bankstown Paceway Function Centre. The records of both men show the work performed to earn the highest honour in the Association.

At the same function Treasurer Peter Longhurst was announced as the winner of the George and Amy Hansen Memorial Trophy. Peter's work for the Association over the 12 month period was fantastic. It was no surprise that he was selected as the winner.

Congratulations to the N.S.W. Rugby League and the Winfield Company for the spectacular presentation of Grand Final day – it was a day to be remembered. Congratulations also to the Canterbury-Bankstown, Balmain and Parramatta premiership winning teams.

Each graded referee strives for a Grand Final appointment – congratulations to those who achieved it this year. Dedication, concentration and a sound knowledge of the rules could see any graded referee receive a Grand Final appointment in 1985.

#### **N.S.W.R.L. REFEREES' ASSOCIATION COMMEMORATIVE TROPHY:**

This trophy was instigated by the members following the passing of 3 Life Members in June. The trophy will be presented annually to the Grand Final referee "in tribute to the efforts of the past members." Prime Minister Bob Hawke was on hand in the room soon after the Grand Final and agreed to present the trophy to Kevin Roberts. Kevin, for once, was caught with his pants down – being in the shower when the Prime Minister arrived. Mr. Hawke in presenting the trophy talked of his working relationship, as ACTU President, with the TNT Group of Companies. He also compared the referees' job with that of the 'speaker of the house'. Kevin, dressed only in a towel, proudly received his trophy. It was a great start for our newest trophy.

#### **VISITORS:**

Jack Gibson gave a talk on motivation to the graded referees and cricket umpire Ted Wykes entertained the members with stories from his cricketing career. Both were most enjoyable.

Ray Shrimpton, from Auckland and Tony Drake, from Christchurch, made short visits to referee the two Test matches played in Sydney. Both were fine ambassadors for their country and refereeing in particular. Unfortunately their visits did not co-incide with a meeting but they were entertained by members who were available. Kevin Roberts must be thanked for his efforts in entertaining them.

Former Great Britain hooker Mike Stephenson joined us for the Life Members Convivial and related some humorous stories from his English playing days.

We also had the pleasure of entertaining guests from TNT, Country Referees' Association and Sydney Rugby Referees. It was a pleasure to continue the excellent relationships we have with these people.

#### **VALE:**

This year was a particularly sad one with the passing of 5 Life Members. As a mark of respect a summary of their records is listed below.

##### **ALEX SOANE:**

Graded 1957 to 1967; Assistant Secretary 5 years; Fees Committee 5 years; Finance Committee 1 year; Rules Committee 1 year; Appointment Board 3 years; Elected Life Member 1971.

##### **JACK MCGAULEY:**

Graded 1935 to 1942; Examination Board 9 years; Committee 2 years; Vice President 7 years; Delegate to Rugby League 17 years; Country Committee 6 years; Appointment Board 10 years; Rugby League Vice President 19 years; Elected Life Member 1944.

##### **STEVE CAREY:**

Graded 1946 to 1956; Committee 2 years; Vice President 6 years; Finance Committee 3 years; Auditor 10 years; Appointment Board 11 years; Elected Life Member 1958.

##### **LOU ROSEN:**

Graded 1941 to 1946; Excellent attendance record; stood unsuccessfully for many positions; voluntary worker for the Association. Elected a Life Member in 1955.

**TED FLETCHER:**

Graded 1928 to 1944; Vice President 5 years; Committee 8 years; Auditor 6 years; Elected a Life Member in 1941.

To members who suffered bereavement in their families during the year, the Committee, on behalf of the Association offers sincere sympathy.

**THANKS:**

The Association wishes to express thanks to:

1. John Quayle, Tom Bellew and the staff of the N.S.W. Rugby League for the manner in which we were received and for SCG tickets for the representative games and the finals series.
2. Bob Abbott and the Australian Rugby League for courtesies extended to help us entertain visiting international referees.
3. Alan Shields, Secretary-Manager of Marrickville R.S.L. Club, who helped greatly in the arrangement of meetings and the Life Members Convivial.
4. All District Associations, Country Referees' Association and Queensland Referees' Association who entertained our representatives during the year.
5. Darcy Lawler for the hospitality extended when we entertained Country Referees at Souths Juniors.

My personal thanks are extended to Don Macdonald, Peter Longhurst, Brian Wiseman, Doug Wintin, Michael Thompson, Chris Ward and the members of the Committee for their valued assistance and guidance during the year. Also thanks to my wife, Robyn, for understanding when the job of Secretary disrupted our family life.

May 1985 bring good health, enjoyment and success to all members.

**COLIN TURNELL**

Secretary

**NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee of the Association makes the following recommendations for 1985, to be considered at the Annual General Meeting.

1. That each Graded Referee shall contribute five percent (5%) of all fees, paid through the Association, to the General Fund. Each Graded Referee will thus be credited with (a) Membership Subscription.  
(b) Insurance Subscription.
2. That each Graded Referee shall pay a Social Fund Subscription of sixty dollars (\$60.00).
3. That Honorary Members shall pay a Membership Subscription of five dollars (\$5.00) or one dollar (\$1.00) for a pensioner.
4. That Affiliated Associations shall pay an Affiliation Subscription of ten dollars (\$10.00).

Note: The Committee considers this increase is warranted to cover increased postage, telephone and administration costs and that \$10.00 is still a nominal amount.

5. That General Meetings of the Association in 1985 be held at the N.S.W. Leagues Club, on the dates listed, provided that Graded Referees are not training at Henson Park.

20th March — Adjourned Annual Meeting; 17th April; 15th May; 12th June; 10th July; 7th August; 4th September; 18th September — Life Members Convivial.

Note: It is the intention of the Committee to talk with the Rugby League General Manager and the Referees' Co-ordinator in an effort to arrange video and/or education lecture sessions at the N.S.W. Leagues Club, on meetings nights, instead of physical training at Henson Park.



## NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The following members are recommended for Life Membership of the Association in 1985. Their records of service are listed hereunder.

#### JOHN CONNOR

Graded Referee 1964 to 1983  
Honorary Member 1984

Attendance at Meetings:

1964	10 (16)	1971	11 (15)	1978	8 (14)
1965	11 (16)	1972	12 (15)	1979	12 (17)
1966	10 (15)	1973	13 (15)	1980	14 (17)
1967	10 (16)	1974	14 (14)	1981	11 (15)
1968	15 (17)	1975	12 (16)	1982	11 (16)
1969	14 (16)	1976	13 (16)	1983	13 (17)
1970	13 (16)	1977	15 (16)	1984	1 (10)

Member of Social Committee 1972

Member of Committee 1980

Total Membership 21 years.

#### TERRY MURPHY

Graded Referee 1975 to 1980  
Honorary Member 1981 to 1984

Attendance at Meetings:

1975	15 (16)	1979	17 (17)	1982	16 (16)
1976	16 (16)	1980	6 (17)	1983	15 (17)
1977	16 (16)	1981	13 (15)	1984	7 (10)
1978	12 (14)				

Member of Social Committee 1976 to 1978

Member of Committee 1978 to 1980

Delegate to N.S.W.R.F.L. 1981 to 1983

Member of Hansen Trophy Committee 1977 and 1978

Member of Finance Committee 1977

Member of Sponsorship Committee 1977 to 1979

Member of Policy Committee 1979

Member of Special Committee 1983

Judiciary Nominee 1984

Total Membership 10 years.

Messrs. G. Cook, B. Cross, J. Colenso, J. Danzey, R. Garwood, G. Hedger, K. Jeffes, J. Jewell, P. Longhurst, A. Neville and B. Wiseman were nominated for Life Membership.

## APPOINTMENTS

### Referee

### Touch Judges

City 1 K. Roberts L. Matthews W. Foran (Orange)  
vs. Country 1

N.S.W. K. Roberts R. Hunt I. Irwin (Qld.)  
vs. B. Gomersall (Qld.) J. Colenso  
Queensland K. Roberts M. Dunn

Australia vs. Great Britain R. Shrimpton (NZ) B. Bolton V. Smith  
1st Test T. Drake (NZ) I. McCall N. Cislowski  
3rd Test

New Zealand vs. Great Britain K. Roberts  
1st Test K. Roberts  
2nd Test B. Barnes  
3rd Test K. Roberts

National Panasonic Cup Final B. Wiseman R. Hunt  
Brisbane vs. Easts C. Ward

Commonwealth Bank Cup M. Ryan C. White  
St. Gregory's vs. Christian Bros. G. Annesley  
Campbelltown Lewisham

GRAND FINALS I. McCall R. Hunt  
1st Grade Canterbury vs. Parramatta K. Roberts

2nd Grade Balmain vs. St. George B. Bolton B. Wiseman  
C. Ward

3rd Grade Parramatta vs. St. George N. Cislowski B. Gately  
G. McCallum

Members who officiated in First Grade:  
G. Annesley B. Barnes J. Gocher  
G. McCallum A. McKean G. O'Donnell  
K. Roberts M. Stone C. Ward  
M. Weekes G. West

### JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE FINALS

President Cup B. Gilchrist (C.S.) D. Turvey (C.B.) B. Stevens (C.S.)  
H. Flegg Cup K. Gegg (Canb.) P. Teale (Parra) I. Quinton (Canb.)  
S. G. Ball Cup C. Hopkins (N.S.) A. Sercombe (Illa) S. Jackson (C.S.)

# LIFE MEMBERSHIP HONOUR ROLL AND ATTENDANCES

## 10 MEETINGS HELD

K. Arnold	-	H. J. Elliot	-	J. Murray	D
L. Baggett	-	P. Elliss	1	W. Neill	D
B. Barry	2	F. Erickson	-	J. O'Brien	-
A. Ballerum	D	J. Farrelly	3	R. O'Donnell	7
J. Bates	D	J. Farquhar	D	J. O'Sullivan	2
G. Benson	5	A. Farrow	D	A. Oxford	-
T. Bellew	2	E. Fletcher	D	K. Page	2
G. Bishop	D	A. Fifield	-	E. Paine	-
J. Black	D	W. Fry	D	C. Pearce	1
G. Boyd	D	C. Gilchrist	7	G. Pearce	D
D. Bratton	-	J. Gocher	5	H. Pierce	2
D. Braybrook	4	M. Godfrey	-	H. Poulton	-
T. Brennan	-	T. Grew	-	H. Rowlands	D
R. Brock	D	G. Griffin	-	L. Rosen	D
C. Brown	2	J. Griffin	D	L. Samuelson	-
L. Bruyeres	2	R. M. Hall	-	A. Shipway	D
J. Buchanan	D	J. Hansen	D	R. Smyth	-
E. Buckley	D	J. Harris	7	H. Schutema	D
S. Carey	5-D	A. Holt	-	C. Schomberg	1
J. Clarke	D	C. Hudson	4	A. Shiner	4
N. Clement	-	J. Kelly	3	A. Soane	1-D
A. Collins	D	W. Kelly	D	A. Sparkie	D
O. Cohen	-	E. Keogh	D	M. Tomsett	5
T. Costello	D	E. Kerr	D	C. Turnell	10
B. Cowley	-	A. Konnecke	-	J. Turner	D
W. Cuke	-	D. Lawler	-	E. Tinsley	-
R. Cummins	5	P. Lee	D	B. Wales Snr.	D
E. Cox	7	T. Leftler	-	A. Welsh	D
J. Davies	-	I. McCall	9	F. W. Walsh	8
A. J. Davis	-	J. McGauley	D	C. Wiggall BEM	-
L. Deane	D	T. McMahon	D	L. Williams	8
F. Delaney	D	D. Macdonald	10	D. Wintin	10
A. Dennis	D	M. Maloney	D	G. Wirth	D
W. Devine Snr.	-	J. Martin	-	R. J. Ward	D
T. Dickson	D	H. Millington	D	C. Yorke	D
R. Dick	5	J. Montgomery	-		
R. H. Drake	D	J. Moses. BEM	4		

TOTAL 109

DECEASED 46

HONORARY ASSOCIATE MEMBERS FOR LIFE  
W. Fallowfield O.B.E.  
H. Gillard

# GRADED REFEREES ATTENDANCES

## 10 MEETINGS HELD

K. Allard	3	G. Lee	7
G. Annesley	4	I. McCall	9
B. Barnes	4	G. McCallum	8
S. Betts	7	A. McKean	7
N. Bissett	2	P. McMahon	3
J. Blomfield	8	L. Matthews	8
B. Bolton	7	P. Miller	4
P. Bungate	9	S. Nash	5
G. Boyd	9	G. O'Donnell	10
M. Cassidy	5	D. O'Keefe	5
N. Cislowski	9	M. O'Neill	9
J. Colenso	9	I. Parraby	8
J. Colwell	6	R. Pearce	7
P. Cooley	9	K. Pickard	-
M. Dunn	8	R. Picard	6
R. Garwood	10	K. Roberts	5
B. Gately	8	M. Ryan	7
J. Gocher	5	P. Ryan	5
L. Green	2	V. Smith	3
G. Haines	7	J. Snare	5
P. Harradine	7	D. Spagarino	7
W. Harrigan	3	M. Stone	8
M. Hewitt	7	R. Styles	6
M. Holton	4	M. Taylor	9
M. Howell	6	M. Thompson	10
R. Hunt	8	C. Ward	10
C. Jones	10	M. Weekes	2
G. Kelly	7	G. West	9
R. Kiddle	8	C. White	7
C. Law	-	B. Wiseman	10

TOTAL 60

\* Graded 1984



# HONORARY MEMBERS ATTENDANCES 10 MEETINGS HELD

A. Aggett	
B. Apps	
P. Atkins	
D. Barsley	
M. Beacroft	
G. Bennett	
M. Bilton	
P. Bowen	
D. Bowron	
R. Bowman	
B. Bradstock	
G. Braine	
B. Buckingham	
L. Buckley	
R. Carey	
J. Coffey	
R. Coffey	
A. Cole	
J. Connor	1
E. Cook	
G. Cook	6
B. Cripps	
B. Cross	4
K. Crouch	
J. Danzey	6
K. Davis	
T. Delauney	
C. Dimon	
L. Edney	2
M. Edwards	
K. Evans	
F. Fisher	
P. Fitton	
P. Freeman	

R. Freeman	
R. Gobits	
B. Goldsworthy	1
M. Grady	4
K. Gray	
H. Griffin	
H. Griffith	
W. Groño	2
G. Gunnee	
C. Haynes	1
G. Heaton	5
G. Hedger	7
G. Herd	
R. Hensley	4
D. Heymer	
C. Higson	
K. Holman	1
K. Holwell	
R. Humphries	
K. Jeffes	2
J. Jewell	5
M. Keeble	
B. Keenahan	
G. Kellahan	
B. Kendall	1
A. Knight	
P. Longhurst	10
P. Lucas	6
K. Manton	
S. Martin	
R. Menser	
P. Moon	4
R. Morris	
T. Murphy	7

TOTAL 103

# REFEREES' ASSOCIATIONS AFFILIATED WITH N.S.W.R.L. REFEREES' ASSOCIATION AND DELEGATES ATTENDANCES 10 MEETINGS HELD

Balmain	D. Dudgeon	6	N. McMahon	3
Canberra	N. Bissett	2		
Canterbury-Bankstown	B. Davoren	8	P. Field	1
Cronulla-Sutherland	B. Gilchrist	8	N. Duncan	1
Eastern Suburbs	R. Payne	7	S. Morgan	7
Illawarra	W. Wynn	3	D. Murray	1
Manly-Warringah	A. Scanlon	10		
Newtown-Campbelltown	L. Mumberson	2	D. Cuthbertson	3
	M. Seery	2		
North Sydney	M. Quailey	7	C. Hopkins	1
Parramatta	K. Travers	9		
Penrith	M. Bunnage	9	H. Creighton	3
St. George	K. Gardner	8		
South Sydney	M. Latham	7	M. Watts	2
Western Suburbs	R. McGavin	4	J. Stewart	2
	M. Keir	2	K. Ford	2
N.S.W. Country	K. Riolo	6		
Public Service	N. McMahon	3	G. Callinan	9
University Cup	M. Robertson	6	G. Reece	2
Northern Territory	D. Wintin	10		
Victoria	N. Cahill	2		

## N.S.W. RUGBY LEAGUE POSITIONS HELD BY N.S.W.R.L.

### REFEREES' ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

President:	Mr. T. Bellew
Vice President:	Messrs. E. Cox, J. McGauley (Died 11.6.84) and R. O'Donnell (Elected 6.8.84)
General Committee:	Messrs. C. Turnell and D. Wintin
Referees' Advisory Board:	Messrs. E. Cox, A. Neville and R. O'Donnell
Advisory Board Assistants:	Messrs. B. Cross, P. Elliss, J. Jewell, J. O'Sullivan, M. Tomsett, F. Walsh and L. Williams
Judiciary Nominee:	Mr. T. Murphy
Examination Board:	Messrs. C. Pearce (Chairman), J. Harris (Secretary), L. Bruyeres, R. Dick, C. Gilchrist, D. Macdonald and C. Schomberg
Coaching Panel — Referees' Division:	Messrs. N. Cislowski, R. Dick, J. Farrelly and C. Gilchrist
Referees' Coaching Class:	Messrs. R. Dick, J. Farrelly and C. Gilchrist
Director of N.S.W. League Club:	Mr. E. Cox

## NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

### DELEGATE REPORT

As members would be aware from the meeting reports in 1984, the roll of delegate, like the General Committee meetings of the League, incurred a complete change of format. From an arena of debate, diplomacy, vigilance, argument and many times frustration to a simple sit up and listen forum, I am sure to all involved it came as quite a shock. Still on reflection, due to company incorporation when a Board is elected to run a business there is little reason to expect any different an approach.

Because of this situation, your Executive was forced into direct dealings with the General Manager on matters concerning our Association. In the main, such dealings proved satisfactory and I thank the Executive on your behalf for the amount of time and effort spent in such approaches. Although many of the recommendations from the Special Committee meeting held in June 1983 have been adopted, there are still others that require our perseverance. In us not having our own board member and with the amount of every day business confronting the General Manager, I believe it is essential that a member of that body be delegated to represent this Association and present arguments and recommendations on our behalf. It would seem sensible that he attend our meetings or certainly meetings of Committee.

Points of interest during 1984 worthy of reflection. Acceptance of female candidates for referees ticket, restructuring of referees appointments, particularly in regard no public announcement of same and three week period of appointments. Newtown/Campbelltown and Western Suburbs District Club decisions, experimental rules and future changes to Junior Representative fixtures, establishment of a code of behaviour for players and the preparedness of the Board to act on Clubs straying from the guidelines on press statements. It was specially pleasing during the season to see Ray O'Donnell elected as a Vice President of the Rugby League and Terry Murphy appointed to the Judiciary Tribunal. Congratulations to both men.

At a luncheon launching the '84 Winfield Competition, a plea was made to the media generally to take a look at their approach to the game following years of criticism and controversy. Their acceptance and change of attitude was probably the most outstanding and pleasing feature of the year. Those concerned, deserve our thanks. The approach and performance of all graded referees to the challenges of 1984 showed their genuine concern for Rugby League. It is, thanks to you, that we are well on the way to re-establishing the respect that referees so rightly deserve.

**DOUG WINTIN**  
Delegate



## NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

### HISTORY OF THOMAS NATIONWIDE TRANSPORT LTD

A brief history of our sponsor is included for the members' information.

The business originated as a sole venture in 1946 when Mr. K. W. Thomas commenced a one truck operation. Following a steady expansion of activities it was formed into a private company during 1951. TNT was incorporated as a public company on 7th November, 1961 and official listing on the Sydney Stock Exchange was granted the following year.

At that stage TNT's principal activities were road and rail transport of interstate freight within Australia. Subsequently these two modes of transport were integrated by the introduction of TNT's flexivan rail trailer service. To support this service TNT designed and developed its own railhead distribution centres throughout Australia.

In 1967 TNT acquired a major proportion of the Australian business of the U.K. based Transport Development Group which provided a substantial increase in the volume of goods handled, and expanded TNT's activities into car carrying, customs clearance and bond free stores as well as local and wharf cartage.

In the same year, TNT merged with Alltrans, one of the largest privately owned groups then operating in the Australian freight transport industry, in which Sir Peter Abeles was one of the two principal shareholders. This acquisition gave the Group a wider coverage of service in Australia and also brought it into New Zealand where Alltrans had a substantial presence.

Expansion outside Australasia took place in 1969 when TNT made the first of a number of acquisitions of road and rail transport companies in the U.S.A. and Canada. In areas such as North America, where transport operations are subject to licensing arrangements, the Group's policy has generally been to expand by acquiring companies having strategic licences.

The Group commenced a parcels transport business in the United Kingdom in 1973. Three companies were purchased in 1977/78 and have provided the Group with an extensive parcels network on which to build its future in the United Kingdom. The Group also started operations in Brazil in 1973 with the acquisition of a majority interest in a road freight transporting company.

TNT's shipping interests started in 1970 when it took a 33 $\frac{1}{3}$  per cent interest in Bulkships Limited, an unlisted public company. This investment was increased to 50 per cent in 1974 and then to 62.5 per cent in 1976. In 1971 Bulkships acquired a 50 per cent interest in Tasman Liner Limited (since renamed Union Shipping Group Limited) a joint venture company with the other 50 per cent of the share capital held by separate New Zealand interests. This joint venture company then acquired from P & O Lines all the issued share capital of the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand Limited, a prominent shipping line on South West Pacific and trans Tasman routes.

TNT first made a substantial investment in the airline business in 1972 when it purchased a 23.4 per cent investment in Ansett for A\$11.5 million, following which it announced its intention to bid for the whole of the issued share capital of the company. The bid did not proceed following the introductions of legislative changes by the Victorian Government.

The Group's investment in Ansett was reduced to 13.9 per cent in 1978. Following share market purchases in 1979, the Group made a general offer to shareholders other than to Mr. Rupert Murdoch and his associated companies. This offer was successful and the Group now owns approximately 49.4 per cent of Ansett's issued ordinary share capital.

Expansion in Europe during 1982 saw the formation of TNT/IPEC and TNT SKYPAK.

The establishment of TNT/IPEC provided greatly expanded freight services throughout the European Zone. TNT Skypak operates International Air Freight and Courier Services through a worldwide network of offices.

During 1983 TNT introduced specialised transport services within Australia. To this point the various modes, Road, Rail and Sea were operated under the banner of TNT Transport System. Specialisation was launched with the formation of three divisions — TNT Roadfast, TNT Seafast and Alltrans Railfast Express with each operating independently in the respective modes.

Further expansion in the United States of America was evident with the acquisition of Holland Freight Lines during 1984.

TNT is proud of its history, developing from humble beginnings to the present day Australian based multi National Transport Organisation.

**NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION**  
**REPORT FROM GENERAL MANAGER,**  
**NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE LIMITED**

The 1984 season saw significant changes occur in all areas of our game. The new administration and the subsequent new directions taken by the NSW Rugby League meant that readjustment was necessary for all affiliated bodies.

The changes in the refereeing structure were initially canvassed at the Rugby League Forum, held in early November, 1983. The changes included the appointment of a Referees' Coaching Co-ordinator, a new method of reporting on Referees' performances and a more streamlined and confidential system of Appointments.

The reports on Referees' performances saw a major change in 1984. Both Advisory Board members and Club Secretaries were given the opportunity to comment on the performance of referees in all matches. This system of reporting allied to the fact that Club Officials were prevented from commenting through the media ensured that Referees' performances were assessed in a balanced light during the season.

It is unfortunate to note that numbers of active referees are declining in District Associations. The NSW Rugby League supports all efforts by the Referees' Association and Clubs to arrest the decline and to once again have adequate numbers in refereeing ranks.

Congratulations are due to all who are involved in the very necessary task of refereeing our game. In particular may I acknowledge the work done by the Executive of the Referees' Association, members of the Appointments, Advisory and Examination Boards, as well as the Coaching Co-ordinator and members of the Referees' Division of the Coaching Panel.

I must give special mention to Mr. Eric Cox, Mr. Ray O'Donnell and Mr. Arthur Neville for the conscientious and professional way they supported me in the important task of appointing referees. The principle of maintaining confidentiality in notification of appointments also assisted in taking public pressure off our Referees.

Jack Danzey, a former player and referee accepted appointment to the position of Referees' Coaching Co-ordinator. Under Jack's guidance and with the full co-operation of the League, the coaching and critiques of Referees' performances were capably handled so that development in Referees' abilities was achieved during the season.

Acknowledgement is made, too of the appointments of Kevin Roberts to International, Grand Final and the State of Origin fixtures and John Gocher and Barry Barnes to International fixtures during the year.

The efforts of the Advisory Board members and Frank Walsh in co-ordinating the referees for our All Schools Carnival were also greatly appreciated.

Looking to 1985 I see further consolidation of the gains made during 1984, with a continuing period of stability and increasing professionalism amongst referees. The increased use of video material as an aid to improving performance is an innovation which I feel will assist referees in that regard.

Once again I say thank you for your commitment to our game and I look forward to continuing support during the 1985 season.

**JOHN QUAYLE**  
**General Manager**  
**N.S.W.R.L.**



## NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

### SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

This, my first year as Social Secretary has been a little different to what I experienced as Canterbury-Bankstown Social Secretary. The revamped Social Committee of Les Matthews and Ron Pearce has worked well and my thanks go to them for their help. The season overall socially worked out O.K. with most functions well attended.

Our first social function was held before the season kicked off. After one of our gruelling training sessions conducted by Ken Boothroyd, a sausage sizzle was held at the Police Academy. Many thanks to "slap and tickle" Fred West for providing the B.B.Q. utensils as a certain Social Secretary left his at home. The sizzle went over well with just about all the tucker consumed except for the half bag of oysters 'Bilko' provided. A few people were a little wary of them but Kevin reassured us they were O.K. by putting them away six to everyone else's one.

Before the year got too cold a Lamb on the Spit night was held at my home. As usual for most things I plan for outdoors the weather was up to its usual standard — 'pouring rain'. That didn't deter sixty people turning up and luckily the rain did ease off somewhat and it turned out to be a top night. The two lambs were delicious and those who hadn't tasted lamb cooked that way before realised what they had been missing and many fronted up for seconds. No doubt there would have been a few sore heads the next morning judging by the numerous empty bottles of "Croydon Valley Red" that were scattered around the yard.

The Annual Presentation Dinner was held at the Bankstown Paceway Function Centre in early August. Firstly, I must apologise for the band. When you hire function centres they always recommend "their band" which are an unknown quantity and I wasn't impressed with what we were stuck with. Getting away from that small problem, the night was successful with no cases of "food poisoning" reported as Parramatta Association had experienced earlier in the season. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of Life Membership to Ian McCall and Col Turnell. The high number of people attending the night showed the respect of these two members.

After a very quick General Meeting, held at Marrickville R.S.L. Club, the Life Members Convivial followed. The guest speaker Mike Stephenson added some entertainment to the evening with his colourful stories, but not to be outdone our own "Rosco" Hensley and his side-kick "Bomber" presented a few special awards. After the formalities were completed the night continued with a few diehards kicked out with the bumpers. At this stage I would like to thank Allan Shields, Secretary-Manager of Marrickville R.S.L. Club, for his help throughout the season.

Most of our convivals this year were held in the referees room at the S.C.G. as there were more representative fixtures than in the last couple of years. I think we might have to apply to the S.C.G. Trust for a bigger dressing room as many of the crowd was left in the hallway. Thanks to Chris Ward for the goodies supplied for S.C.G. convivals and Gordon Hattely of Central Coast Referees for prawns, oysters and crab legs he brought from Gosford.

Less General Meetings were held so only two convivals were held after meetings. Both were well attended.

There is no report about the Family Picnic because of the printing deadline for the Annual Report.

In conclusion I would like to thank Peter Longhurst for his assistance along with Turtle for his guiding help throughout the year.

**MICHAEL THOMPSON**  
Social Secretary

# NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

## TREASURER'S REPORT 1984

Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Association I submit for your perusal the financial statements of the Association for the 1984 season.

With the combination of a heavy expenditure year in 1983 (75th Anniversary Dinner) and the affect of fewer graded referees contributing to the load we experienced a difficult financial burden which was alleviated by the continued assistance of the TNT Group and the generosity of the N.S.W. Rugby League Limited. We are grateful to these two entities for their financial support during the 1984 season. With a change in the funding policies of the N.S.W. Rugby League in the future, I feel that we will need to adjust our attitudes towards expenditure and the manner in which certain functions have been funded in the past.

Although I have previously thanked the TNT Group of Companies for their financial assistance I would like to take this opportunity of conveying my special thanks to the representatives of TNT namely, Lindsay Plowes and Bill Petley for their keen contribution to the affairs of our Association.

I would also like to especially thank John Gocher for his assistance during the year and congratulate my two executive colleagues Col and Don on the manner in which they have conducted the affairs of the Association during the 1984 season. It has indeed been a pleasure to have a member of such a successful team as this.

**PETER J. LONGHURST**  
Treasurer

# NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st OCTOBER, 1984

CASH ON HAND		93
CASH AT BANK		
SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	4,624	
CHEQUE ACCOUNTS	<u>2,374</u>	
	6,998	
ASSETS AS AT 31st OCTOBER, 1984		<u>\$7,091</u>
Represented By:		
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
GENERAL ACCOUNT	2,411	
FEES ACCOUNT	95	
ASSURANCE ACCOUNT	3,526	
SOCIAL ACCOUNT	953	
SPECIAL ACCOUNT	<u>106</u>	
		<u>\$7,091</u>
SPECIAL ACCOUNT		
BALANCE — 1983 Season		99
ADD:		
INCOME		
Interest Received		7
BALANCE — 1984 Season		<u>\$106</u>



# NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

## SOCIAL FUND

BALANCE — 1983 Season

44

### ADD: INCOME

Grants — TNT 7,000  
Social Levy — Active Members 2,360  
Subs — Non Active Members 337  
Interest Received 1

9,698

9,742

### LESS: EXPENDITURE

Net Cost — Annual Presentation Night 4,767  
— Life Members Presentation Night 1,799  
— Family Picnic 907

7,473

Sundry Social Functions and Convivials 1,275  
Bank Charges 41

8,789

BALANCE — 1984 Season

\$ 953

# NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

## GENERAL ACCOUNT

BALANCE — 1983 Season

1,073

### ADD: INCOME

BALANCE — Fee Deductions 4,689  
GRANT — N.S.W. Rugby League Limited 2,500  
SUBS — Non Active Members 339  
AFFILIATIONS 65  
INTEREST RECEIVED 30  
SALES OF TIES etc., 25

7,648

8,721

### LESS: EXPENDITURE

HONORARIA 2,125  
POSTAGE, PRINTING & STATIONERY 947  
GOVERNMENT INSURANCE 925  
ENTERTAINMENT 629  
TELEPHONE 594  
FLORAL TRIBUTES & GIFTS 296  
LIFE MEMBERS' BLAZERS 280  
PURCHASE OF LAPEL BADGES 271  
TROPHY — Grand Final Referee 150  
BANK CHARGES 68  
SUNDRIES 25

6,310

BALANCE — 1984 Season

\$2,411

# NEW SOUTH WALES RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

## FEES ACCOUNT

BALANCE — 1983 Season

33

### ADD: INCOME

FEES RECEIVED — N.S.W. Rugby League  
INTEREST RECEIVED  
SUNDRY RECEIPT — M.B.H.

88,104  
682  
190

88,976

### LESS: EXPENDITURE

FEES PAID TO REFEREES  
TRANSFERRED TO GENERAL ACCOUNT  
— 5% deduction  
— Part Interest Received

81,354  
4,389  
300

89,009

SOCIAL LEVIES  
INSURANCE — City Mutual  
BANK CHARGES

4,689  
2,360  
300  
211

88,914

BALANCE — 1984 Season

\$ 95

## ASSURANCE ACCOUNT

BALANCE — 1983 Season  
ADD: INCOME  
Interest Received

3,240  
310

3,550

### LESS: EXPENDITURE

Bank Charges

24

BALANCE — 1984 Season

\$3,526

## AUDITORS' REPORT

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 TNT Sponsorship Agreement and have satisfied ourselves to its content.

Signed: J. M. Gocher  
Auditor

Signed: G. L. Robertson  
Auditor

# RESULTS OF ELECTIONS

Patron: .....

President: .....

Deputy Chairman: .....

Secretary: .....

Treasurer: .....

Assistant Secretary: .....

Delegate to N.S.W. R.L.: .....

Deputy Delegate: .....

Social Secretary: .....

Sponsorship Co-ordinator: .....

Judiciary Nominee: .....

Committee: .....

Sponsorship Committee: .....

Social Committee: .....

Auditors: .....