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NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

The 94th Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held in the Dining Room on the 2nd floor, of the NSW Leagues Club, Phillip Street Sydney on Wednesday 28th November 2001, commencing at 7.00pm.
You are cordially invited to attend.

The Order of Business will be:-

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

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President
Mr. T. Danks

Treasurer
Mr. P. Kalina

Secretary
Mr. L. Matthews

Deputy Chairman
Mr. D Spagarino

Assistant Secretary
Mr. T. Peet

Delegate to N.S.W.R.L.
Mr. D. Wintin

Deputy Delegate to N.S.W.R.L.
Mr. K. Roberts

Delegate to Metropolitan Cup
Mr. I. McCall

Deputy Delegate to Metropolitan Cup
Mr. B. Goldsworthy

Social Secretary
Mr. T. Healy

Sponsorship Co-ordinator
Mr. B. Gilchrist

Committee of Management
Messrs T. Danks, L. Matthews, P. Kalina, D. Spagarino, D. Wintin, T. Healy, B. Gilchrist, P. Cooley and G. West

Sponsorship Committee
Messrs T Danks, L. Matthews, P. Kalina, B. Gilchrist, P. Cooley and J. McCormack

Social Committee
Messrs, T. Danks, L. Matthews, P. Kalina, T. Healy, A Farlow and F Leonard

Hansen Memorial Trophy Committee
Messrs, T. Danks, L. Matthews, P. Kalina, T. Peet, T Healy, B. Ruttle, D. Spagarino, J. Griffiths and D Wintin

Seminar Committee
Messrs T. Danks, L. Matthews, P. Kalina, B. Gilchrist, B. Ruttle and M. Dunn

Fees Committee
Messrs T. Danks, L. Matthews, P Kalina, A. Farlow and T. Peet

Auditors
Messrs M. Dunn and P. Longhurst

ROLL OF HONOUR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTS

Mr. J. HOYLE and Mr. E. HOOPER	1908
Mr. E. HOOPER	1909 - 1912
Mr. T. McMAHON	1913 - 1915
Mr. A. BALLERUM	1916 - 1920
Mr. J. FAROUHAR	1921 - 1924
Mr. H. ROWLANDS	1925 - 1929
Mr. B. WALES	1930 - 1931
Mr. H. ROWLANDS	1932 - 1933
Mr. B. WALES	1934
Mr. A. DENNIS	1935 - 1942
Mr. J. GRIFFIN	1943 - 1951
Mr. C. WIGZELL	1952 - 1958
Mr. A. DAVIS	1959 - 1967
Mr. A. SHINER	1968 - 1977
Mr. L. BRUYERES	1978 - 1979
Mr. D. MacDONALD	1980 - 1984
Mr. I. McCALL	1985 - 2000
Mr. T. DANKS	2001

ASSOCIATION SECRETARIES

Mr. A. WELSH	1908
Mr. W. FINEGAN	1909 - 1912
Mr. H. ALCORN	1913 - 1914
Mr. A. FARROW	1915
Mr. A. THORNTON	1916 - 1922
Mr. F. DELANEY	1923 - 1937
Mr. T. BRENNAN	1938 - 1962
Mr. E. COX	1963 - 1977
Mr. F. WALSH	1978 - 1983
Mr. C. TURNELL	1984 - 1985
Mr. F. WALSH	1986 - 1989
Mr. L. MATTHEWS	1990 - 2001

ASSOCIATION TREASURERS

Mr. G. BOSS	1908
Mr. A. WELSH	1909
Mr. A. BALLERUM	1910 - 1912
Mr. A. FARROW	1913 - 1914
Mr. C. YARD	1915
Mr. B. YARD	1916
Mr. V. DICKINSON	1917 - 1922
Mr. H. MILLINGTON	1923 - 1941
Mr. H. MILLINGTON and Mr. C. WARD	1942
Mr. H. MILLINGTON	1943 - 1956
Mr. O. COHEN	1957 - 1978
Mr. J. GOCHER	1979 - 1983
Mr. P. LONGHURST	1984 - 1985
Mr. M. STONE	1986
Mr. G. LEE	1987 - 1989
Mr. P. FILLMER	1990 - 1998
Mr. P. KALINA	1999 - 2001

PATRON'S REPORT

Season 2001 saw some remarkable achievements. Bill Harrigan's appointment to the Grand Final meant he was the most successful referee in the games history, beating Darcy Lawler's record. The Referees association lost two sponsors in the one year (FAI and Ansett); we'd only ever managed one before that. Another was the emergence of a number of young referees who appear poised to go on to greater heights.

Season 2001 was also different in that the association had a new President. Ian McCall had occupied the position for so long that it was hard to imagine anyone else in the chair. The election of Tony Danks ushered in a new era in which he will stamp his own identity as he leads the Association through this troubled period.

To me, a highlight occurred at the Life Members night when Doug Winton was prominent in a "This is Your Life" promotion. During the interview, he was able to give an insight into his period of refereeing. As he said, things were much different then and must have been an "eye opener" to the young brigade. His recollection, punctuated with humorous episodes, established a link with today's referees. To emphasise the difference I've pinched a quote from one of Jack Gibson's books on his time as a player "-

"We'd train at night after tea,
Twice a week The coaching
consisted of going from one end
to the other, and they'd get you
behind the goal post. There you'd
have a two minute coaching lesson.
Then you'd go up the other end.
There was no such thing as a warm-up ...
You washed your own gear".

The referees were in the same boat except that initially there was no official training.
And you had to buy your own gear to wash.

We've come a long way in a related short time. What the future holds is unknown, but whatever it is, I wish everyone success.

This report would not be complete without my congratulations to the members and the executive for the efforts during the year.

Phil Elliss

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Becoming president of our Association after Ian McCall had held this position for sixteen years was not going to be easy, how true this statement is, Ian's effort in those years as president was absolutely magnificent knowing how much time and effort is needed for Association business. All members are extremely grateful to you, and we wish you well for the future.

The season started with a series of meetings between the NRL and ARL. Firstly over our grant for season 2001 which was approved. Then onto the ARLRA, our association has invested a large amount of money in this organisation. Discussions between the new president and CEO of the ARL as to the future budget allocation, reached an outcome that the ARLRA will have a limited budget allocated for season 2002.

The future of our association is in the role of development not just in Sydney but all of NSW and this year we started with 'Train The Trainer' at Narrabeen for your Sydney based coaches and two country seminars. Many thanks to Michael Stone for his time and effort; we are planning to expand on this concept for 2002.

The association continues to develop match officials of the highest quality. Congratulations to Bill Harrigan to his appointment to all three State of Origins and his eighth Grand Final. Phil Cooley Touch Judged in all three State of Origins. Paul Simpkins refereeing his first Test Match and Rod Lawrence refereeing the First Division Grand Final.

Congratulations to those members who were honoured during the season for their off field contributions to refereeing. In particular Ron Pearce on obtaining Life Membership of the association, Martin Ryan on being awarded the Hanson Memorial Trophy.

On behalf of all members I thank Geoff Carr (ARL), Chris Turner (NSWRL), Graham Ammesley, Michael Stone (NRL), John Coates and Martin Merridith (NSWRL) and Dennis Spagarino in his role of NSWRL Referees Coaching Coordinator for their assistance and support throughout the year.

Tom Healy as Social Secretary once again a tremendous job, with all our social events were extremely well organised and well supported. To his committee, of Frank Leonard and Alan Farlow, thank you for a great social year.

To my Committee and Office Bearers, I express my gratitude to you for your efforts and on behalf of the Association. Furthermore I wish to thank Les Matthews and Paul Kalina for their support throughout this difficult season. To all the members of their associations I wish you a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

Tony Danks
President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mr Chairman and Members,

It is with pleasure that I submit for your perusal and adoption, the 94th Annual Report and Financial Statement for season 2001.

At the start of the season the following members joined the NSW Rugby League graded ranks, Peter Castle (Canberra), Michael Jones (Balmann), Doug Keen (Canterbury-Bankstown) and Ken Mildwater (Parramatta).

From the Active Grade list of 2000, the following members retired, Steve Betts, Mogseen Jadwat, Paul Macinante, Luke Penfold and David Turvey, we wish them well and thank them for their efforts on behalf of the Association. Col White has been granted leave of absence.

The following members were Graded during the season, Brad Rye (Western Suburbs) and Gerard Sutton (Parramatta).

The ever dependable Trevor Davies, along with Ron and Donna looked after the fitness of the Sydney based graded referees and the Inter-District Representative Development Squad referees.

Members of the Association visited many District, Inter-State and Country Associations during the season and, as always, were well received.

The NSW Rugby League appointed Michael Ryan (1st Division) and Barry Goldsworthy (Metropolitan Cup) as Referees' coaches with Ian McCall (1st Division) and John Melville (Metropolitan Cup) appointed as Touch Judge coaches, to assist Dennis Spagarino with skills coaching and appointments of the NSWRL Referees.

Les Matthews, Max Dunn and Peter Bungate were appointed by the NSW Rugby League, to select, develop and appoint referees from the District Associations as members of the Inter-District Representative Development Squad. These members also visited junior and country league games to view the onfield performances of referees participating in those competitions.

The NSW Rugby League All Schools Carnival was once again held in the Western Suburbs district this year. On behalf of the Association, Barry Ruttle arranged dinner on the Monday evening for all referees who officiated at the carnival.

The Association entertained senior members of the Association at the Appreciation Dinner held at the Sydney Cricket Ground, an enjoyable afternoon was had by all. Our thanks to Tom Healy for organising the day and the NRL for supplying complimentary tickets for members to attend the Quarter Final fixtures played on the day.

The Life Members Reunion Dinner was held this year at the Bowlers Club of NSW and was an outstanding success, thanks to all members, delegates and guests that attended.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Bill Harrigan on being appointed to the First Grade Grand Final of the NRL Competition;

To Shane Hayne and Steve Richards (Touch Judges), on their appointment to the NRL 1st Grade Grand Final;

To Bill Harrigan on his appointment to all 3 State of Origin Fixtures.

To Phil Cooley on his appointment to all 3 State of Origin Fixtures.

To Alan Fallah and Darrin Gocher on their appointments as State of Origin Touch Judges.

To Rod Lawrence on his appointment to the NSWRL 1st Division Grand Final.

To Martin Ryan, Col Jones (Touch Judges), Ken Midwater and Glenn Jackson (In Goal Judges), Phil Battin and Allan Farlow (Inter-Change), Stand-By referee Steve Carrall, on their appointment to the 1st Division Grand Final.

To Steve Lyons on his appointment to the Jersey Flegg Grand Final.

To Scott Portsmouth, Tom Peet (Touch Judges), Peter Castle and Scott Todd (In Goal Judges), Phil Battin and Allan Farlow (Interchange) Stand-By referee Steve Carrall, Stand-By Touch Judge Phil Battin, on their appointment to the Jersey Flegg Grand Final.

To all members appointed to Representative Fixtures.

To Eric Cox, Terry Williams and all clubs involved with the successful running of the Metropolitan Cup Competition, this competition keeps on improving each year. All your efforts showed up with the exceptionally high standard of Rugby League played during the Final Series.

To the Newcastle Knights Club for winning the 1st Grade NRL Grand Final, the St George-Illawarra Club on winning the NSW 1st Division Grand Final and Canterbury Bankstown on their success in the Jersey Flegg competition.

To the St Marys Club on winning the 1st Grade Metropolitan Cup Grand Final and the Cabramatta Club on winning the 2nd Grade Metropolitan Cup Grand Final.

HONOURS

Life Membership honours was bestowed on Tony Danks and Ron Pearce for their service to the Association. Their Life Membership blazers were presented to them at the Presentation Dinner.

The George and Amy Hansen Memorial Trophy for 2000 was awarded to Kevin Roberts and this years 2001 award to Martin Ryan, for his outstanding efforts during 2000-2001.

The Frank Walsh Memorial Trophy recipient this year was Brad Rye. This trophy is awarded annually to the District referee who is appointed to the highest Inter District Cup Final. Brad came into the squad from the Western Suburbs Referees' Association and was graded along with Gerard Sutton from the Parramatta Referees Association at the conclusion of the Inter-District Finals.

THANKS

To David Moffett, Colin Love, Geoff Carr, Chris Turner, Graeme Annesley, John Coates, Terry Williams and Martin Meredith, for your support and assistance throughout the year;

To Dennis Spagarino, congratulations on a job very well done;

To Peter Louis and Brian Grant, the NRL Referees' coaches;

To our Fitness Trainer, Trevor Davies, and his assistants, Ron and Donna, thanks you for your assistance given to members during the season;

To Chris Bowden and the Board of Directors of the N.S.W. Leagues Club, for your assistance and catering for our meetings throughout 2001.

To the staff of the NSW Rugby League Ltd for your assistance and courtesies extended to the Association during the year.

To all District Associations, Country Referees' Associations and Inter-State Referees' Associations who entertained our Executive and representatives during the year.

To the Executive Officers and members of affiliated Referees' Associations, for your support throughout the year.

To the masseurs, Stewart Ains, Andrew Alchin, Chris Bettiol, Bob Chilvers, Grant Clark, Jon Dawson, Ross Kidson, Ron Lavery, Pat McCudden, Sam Morgan, Tony O'Malley, Dennis Regan, Don Stuart, Ian Todd, Scott Urquhart, Peter Van Dijk and Keith Wakeley, thank for your effort and assistance to members throughout the year.

The Association offers its deepest sympathy and sincerest condolences to members who suffered sad losses during the year.

Vale

Tom Bellew OAM

Member of North Sydney District Referee's Association, Graded by NSWRL from 1947 to 1956. Made a Life Member of NSWRLA in 1961, International and First Grade Touch Judge.

To all Committee members, thank you for your valuable assistance and support during the year.

In conclusion, it has been a pleasure to serve you as secretary in 2001.

Les Matthews
Honary Secretary

NATIONAL RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' COACHES REPORT

We are pleased to be able to submit our second report to the NSWRLRA.

After quite a long off season our extended squad started their training campaign in October. The off – season training had a new focus with many referees lifting weights and spending time in the gym for the first time at the wonderful training facility provided by Riverview College. T – shirts quickly gave way to singlets as they tried to 'out do' each other (some with more success than others). All training sessions were under the careful eye of Trent who must be congratulated for the level of fitness of all squad members throughout the season.

A number of new recruits were rewarded for their efforts when our new squad was announced prior to the commencement of what promised to be a very long season. At the completion of our pre – season week – end and some 'White Water Rafting' it appeared that we might have had a few scratchings but when the pressure was on all turned up ready to start the season.

Prior to the commencement of the season the challenge was given to members of the squad who had been part of our new model i.e. officiating as touch judges the previous year. We are very pleased to report that this challenge was met throughout the season with five of these officials gaining NRL centre appointments for the first time. As well as that we had seven debutant touch judge officials and one video referee official. We hope that it has become very clear that excellence will be rewarded and that opportunity will be given to those officials who have the ability and desire to officiate at the top level.

Congratulations go to all our officials who were appointed to rep games throughout the year. The obvious highlight of the season was the appointment of Grand Final officials with Bill, Steve, Shayne, Chris, Michael, Paul & Steve being rewarded for their performances throughout the season and once again they performed with distinction on the night. For Bill this appointment was obviously a huge milestone, one that he achieved through many years of hard work & professionalism. For this achievement we congratulate and applaud him.

There were also a number of Test Match appointments throughout the year with Tim officiating in New Zealand & Paul being appointed to his first Test match in New Guinea. Bill has been appointed to officiate on the Kangaroo Tour & Tim is refereeing two Test Matches in Sth Africa v France. Well done to these officials.

We would like to thank Dennis and his coaching staff for the manner in which we were able to work together throughout the year. A number of face to face meetings prior to and throughout the season made any outstanding issues much easier to deal with. We look forward to a continued positive working relationship.

Members of the NSWRLRA social committee spent a number of evenings at North Sydney entertaining squad members with BBQ and drinks after training. We see this as a good opportunity for our squads to interact so we thank them for their efforts.

Once again we were fortunate to have AAMI, Fila & Ansett as sponsors throughout the season. We thank them for that. With the problems associated with F&I & Ansett, as well as sponsorship dollars getting harder to find, it should make us very aware of how valuable any sponsorship deal is and how we should do all we can to reciprocate the support of our sponsors.

A number of new (and some old) initiatives have been trialed and some have been put in place for coming seasons.

NRL referees Academy has been structured to enhance the transition of 'new talent' into the NRL squad. The academy will be run by the Full – Time NRL referees with the support of the NRL referees Co – ordinator.

A study to analyse and define officials mistake rate is on – going.
A time & motion study is being conducted by the University of Waikato.
'Interchange of Referees' and a 'Two Referee' system has been trialed in NRL games toward the end of the season. Both systems as well as other models will be evaluated and discussed further throughout the coming seasons.

Part – time and full – time referee structures will continue in the coming seasons.

At the completion of the season a long serving official Phil Cooley announced his retirement from on – field officialdom. Phil has been an invaluable and very successful member of our squad. We wish him well.

To all members we wish you a well earned rest and look forward to an even more successful year in 2002.

Peter Louis & Brian Grant
(NRL Referees Coaches)

NSWRL REFEREES' COACHING CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

Season 2001 has presented great challenges for the NSWRL refereeing ranks.

Following difficulties of season 2000, a number of issues had to be resolved with all the refereeing stakeholders. A number of meetings were held with Messrs Brian Grant and Peter Louis, NRL coaches, to discuss problems that were evident during season 2000. The purpose of the discussions were to put into place systems which would assist and allow referees to produce good on field performances.

Following those early successful meetings and the subsequent co-operation developed during the season between the NRL and the NSW Rugby League on refereeing issues it allowed the creation of a very good atmosphere between the two organisations. It also allowed both organisations to work in a forward direction that benefited everybody concerned with the active referees being the biggest benefactors.

Due to this co-operation it allowed the NSW Rugby League to supply ten (10) debutants into the NRL first grade. The ten were made up of four (4) central referees, five (5) touch judges and one (1) NRL touch judge and First Division referee. Unless somebody corrects me that must be a record not equalled at any stage since 1908.

I must strongly thank both Mr Louis and Mr Grant for having the foresight in creating and giving the opportunity to these referees. It also shows that both Mr Louis and Mr Grant have confidence in the system that I have in place in conjunction with the NSW Rugby League Referees' Association in developing and producing referees with the ability to tackle NRL first grade level.

For referees to be successful, there must be in place very good off field support and guidance. We, at the NSW Rugby League are blessed with the quality of personnel we have on the Advisory Board and as Coaches.

The assistance, advice and guidance given to me by the referees' coaching staff has been first class. I would like to personally thank on behalf of all referees and myself, Messrs. Ryan, Goldsworthy, McCall, Melville, Matthews, Bungate and Dunn for the effort and commitment they displayed all year. Also, a special thanks to Max Dunn, for his extra work and assistance to me on Mondays at the League.

Appointing and coaching referees always requires accurate information of each referee's performance. In this aspect, again the members of the Advisory Board performed extremely well. To all Advisory Board members a special thank you.

During season 2001 there were six (6) new members graded into the NSW Rugby League ranks. Congratulations on achieving the milestone of being graded to Messrs Rye, Sutton, Jones, Mildwater, Castle and Keen. A group of referees with a tremendous future.

During season 2001 we had some very good on field performances which culminated in Messrs. Lawrence, Jones, Ryan, Jackson and Millwater officiating the First Division Grand Final. Messrs Lyons, Peet, Portsmouth, Castle and Todd officiated the H Fliegge Cup Grand Final. The Metro Cup saw Messrs Jeffes, Jones, Ryan, Cafarelli and Flint officiate the First Grade Grand Final and Messrs Lawrence, Gilchrist, Battin, Hoffmann and Farlow officiating the Reserve Grade Grand Final.

Congratulations to all above officials for their appointments and to the way they performed and carried out their duties. All are a credit to themselves and to the NSW Rugby League Referees' Association.

The confidence Mr Chris Turner and his Board has shown to the NSW Rugby League referees squad was rewarded by the performance of all officials shown during both the semi-final and final series.

The NSW Rugby League Board continued for season 2001 with the policy of requiring NSW Rugby League graded referees who predominantly referee in First Division to be appointed to NSW Rugby League controlled Final Series. This policy again has shown the value it has by the performances and the continued development of referees it produces. Chris and his Board must be wholeheartedly supported on this issue because they have come under extreme scrutiny and pressure but they have maintained the foresight in keeping this policy in place.

The on field communication gear had problems during the year and changes will be made during the off season to bring it up to a level which is what referees should accept as satisfactory. The one very positive introduction this year with on field communication was the recording of the referees' communication on videotape.

This allowed referees to analyse their communication skills with players. It certainly made referees aware of a problem that at times they may have thought they did not have. It certainly allowed improved referees' performances as the season progressed. It also assisted all coaches to further assist referees with their communication skills.

Finally, I would like to thank all of the staff at the NSW Rugby League, particularly Jo Farr for being so understanding and helpful. Also a thank you to Sam Daldry, who has taken over a difficult position but has done a sterling job. I am sure next year will be a lot easier.

A special thank you to Chris Turner for his continued support. He has been a great friend and confidant.

The NSW Rugby League Referees' Association Executive has been very supportive and co-operated on all issues that have come up during the season. A special thank you to Messrs Danks, Matthews and Kalina.

The relationship that the NSW Rugby League and the NSW Rugby League Referees' Association have is very strong and productive however, I sincerely hope it does not get compromised by allowing certain issues come between the two organisations. It is a time when we require very cool heads to get together and resolve the issues. I am sure both organisations have the people to do just that.

One person who continues to be the calming light when difficult situations occur during the season and whose advice and guidance is second to none is Mr Michael Stone. Again, thank you for your assistance during the year.

My wife, Karen and my daughters, Deborah and Joanne deserve special mention for their support, understanding and patience.

In conclusion, it has been a very rewarding year. To see so much talent continuing to develop, makes one feel young and purposeful. A better bunch of people I have not met or worked with. God willing, I will continue to help and promote the NSW Rugby League referees to reach the highest level in Rugby League.

DENNIS SPAGARINO
NSWRL REFEREES' CO-ORDINATOR

NSWRL DELEGATES REPORT

Every year preparing the Delegates Report becomes that much more difficult a task. This year I can recollect only one general committee meeting held to discuss three minor constitutional changes which were debated and lost and the annual meeting last year generally to elect one or two committee members with all other positions uncontested. The Board still refuses to provide even abridged versions of their business meetings. Whilst it is fully appreciated that the NSWRL is in a way inconsequential no body wishes to discuss the subject, perhaps this is why meetings are becoming like bushfires in Antarctica.

The "Strategic Plan" for Rugby League which was hoped would resolve the farcical control mechanism of the game appears to have fallen into the mission impossible category and only remains a statement used when management faces hard questioning about the future. Luckily Rugby League has the ability to manage survival despite itself. It is clear due to general economic business restrictions gaining substantial sponsorship has become even more difficult. We all need, particularly the active members, to prepare for a bit of belt tightening which may come as somewhat of a shock compared to what has been a fairly comfortable lifestyle in refereeing.

Enough of the negative. The league I am certain appreciated the active member's professional approach with the resultant high quality performances on the field at all levels. The viewing public in particular showed their love for the game, good quality games, with record ratings both at State of Origin and at Final Series Levels. South Sydney's perseverance certainly dented the NRL's unconciliatory attitude and we can only hope they become more prepared to address the number of issues that our association members have due to their lack of dialogue and understanding when implementing change.

I wish you every success in your progression up the grade ranks and look forward to what is shaping up to be yet another very interesting season of competition.

Doug Wintin

SPONSORSHIP CO-ORDINATORS REPORT 2001

Members, it is with pleasure that I submit for your perusal a report on the sponsorship funding for season 2001 and details of activities undertaken by the by the Association with the funds provided.

Sponsorship is perhaps a misnomer, as following the conclusion of our contract with FAI in 1999, funding to the Association has been provided directly from the NRL. Last year the NSW Referees Association presented to the NRL a 3 year Business and Strategic Plan. The plan outlined details of the necessary funding required to develop refereeing on a national basis. The Association's business plan was placed on hold by the NRL pending the release of the NRL's own strategic plan.

As the NRL's strategic plan was again placed on hold, the NRL agreed to provide funding to the Association in the amount of \$350,000 which equated to the same level of funding for last year. \$35,000 was provided to allow for GST, thus resulting in a total funding of \$385,000. Funding was provided to the Association by the NRL during the year in three instalments.

Sponsorship funding was thrown into turmoil in the early part of the season following the collapse of our long time sponsor and now NRL sponsor, FAI Insurance. To their credit and much to our relief, the NRL gave to the Association a guarantee that funding would be provided irrespective of the collapse of FAI. The Association appreciated the support shown by the NRL during this difficult time in continuing funding and we welcome on board the NRL's new sponsor AAMI.

It has been extremely difficult this season to witness the collapse of our two long time sponsors in FAI Insurance and Ansett Australia. Whilst the Association no longer received funding directly from either company we still maintained close relationships with key personnel from both organisations. The support both these companies provided the Association over many years was invaluable and enabled us to develop rugby league refereeing to a new level. Australia wide, from the grass roots level through to the elite. We thank both companies for their long time support and wish their staff best wishes in this difficult time.

With the uncertainty of funding the 2001 sponsorship budget was very much a steady as you go budget. While cutbacks were made in certain areas of high extravagance like pre season weekend seminars, we ensured that the active members still received the highest level of quality in the areas of on and off field gear, training and coaching and the support of masseurs at training and on match days.

The Association did however increase funding in the extremely important area of coaching and development. The funding was directed principally at the junior level through our affiliated associations. Details of the redirected funding, to which the Sponsorship Committee is extremely proud to have supported are:

- Increased funding to our 13 Affiliated District Associations from \$1,000 to \$1,500 for both their Administration Grant and their Coaching and Development Grant. This resulted in an extra \$1,000 for each Association to continue the ongoing recruitment, training and coaching of referees at the district level. The funding also allows districts to provide the best in coaching techniques by the use of videos and on field electronic communication systems.
- Increased funding of \$13,750 to the Train the Trainer Program. Previously a pilot program, the Train the Trainer Program was extended this year with two courses again conducted in NSW Regional Centres and a course conducted at for our District Associations at Narrabeen. The program is conducted by Michael Stone from the NRL and assisted by the Coaches from our Association and directed at the coaches of referees at the district and regional level.

- Increased funding to the Queensland Rugby League Referees Board to \$20,000 to assist in the coaching and development of referees throughout the state.

To date the total expenditure for the season from sponsorship funds has amounted to \$331,560. Outstanding accounts at an estimated value of \$30,649 remain unpaid. These accounts principally relate to the payment of our Coaches and the Accreditation Manager. We await a refund from the NRL in the amount of \$31,220, being the NRL's portion of the masseur's fees. Upon payment of the outstanding accounts and the refund from the NRL, total expenditure will amount to \$330,989 out of a budget of \$385,000. This is an excellent result for the season given the uncertainty of funding and the extra expense required for the changing of logos mid season.

I provide below a full detail of sponsorship expenditure for the season:

DETAILS

1. Referees Uniforms

The provision of uniforms, on field, off field and training gear for referees participating in 1st Division and the Metropolitan Cup and the Junior Development Squad. On field gear is also supplied to referees in developing states including Victoria. Off Field attire is supplied to Advisory Board Members while the Trainers and Masseurs receive off field attire and training gear.

\$97,349

2001 EXPENDITURE

2. Commercial Exposure for Sponsors

Provision of sponsorship logos on all gear, on field, training gear and off field uniforms, ensuring maximum commercial exposure for all sponsors. Expenditure for 2001 includes the cost of changing logos mid season from FAI to AAMI.

\$11,858

3. Referees Training

The employment of three trainers for weekly training sessions for all referees in 1st Division, Metropolitan Cup and the Development Squad. Expenditure allows for the hiring of various training venues including the State Sports Centre, the purchase of modern training equipment and general training expenses eg refreshments and ice etc.

\$12,731

4. Referees Coaching

The provision of two referee coaches and two touch judge coaches for graded members in the NSWRL competitions and three coaches for referees and touch judges in the Development Squad. Funding is provided for pre-season seminars for both the NSWRL referees and the development squad and for the undertaking of monthly coaching seminars held throughout the season in conjunction with association meetings. Funding for the Train the Trainer project as previously detailed is included.

\$62,063

5. Provision of Masseurs

Masseurs are provided for the assistance of all referees in the NRL, NSWRL, Inter District cup, organised training sessions and District Junior League Grand Finals. The Masseurs are provided with all the equipment necessary to carry out their duties, pre game, in the treatment of injuries and maintaining referees fluid levels during the game.

\$38,937

6. Affiliated Associations

Administration and Coaching & Development Grants to the 13 Affiliated District Associations as previously detailed. Grants are also provided to Emerging State Referees Associations, University Cup Referees Association and the NSW Police Referees Association.

\$42,941

7. Queensland Referees Board

Coaching and Development Grant to the Queensland Referees Board as previously detailed.

\$22,000

8. NSW Country Referees Association

Financial assistance for the NSW Country RA in the development of referees in country areas. Funding allows for an annual pre season seminar and the establishment and of Northern and Southern NSW development squads including mid season seminars. Two Development Officers are funded to oversee the selection, coaching and training of the development squad members.

\$30,000

9. Association Travel

Travel expenses for Executive Officers, Referees Coaches and leading active referees to country and interstate areas for the purpose of coaching referees and the promotion and administration of referees associations in remote areas. Funding is also provided for the leading Development Squad referees to travel interstate and referee at National Schoolboy Championships.

\$2,757

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - 2001

Members,

It gives me great pleasure to report on Social Functions held during the 2001 Season. The Annual Race Day scheduled for January had to be postponed to later in the year due to lack of members. Thankfully, numbers improved second time round in June, however, as we could not find enough participants on either occasion race day will not be held in the future.

As training seems to be getting tougher, it is pleasing to provide after training BBQ's throughout the year enabling all who attend the opportunity to unwind and relax.

A change of venue greeted our older members at this years Seniors Appreciation Lunch. Prior to the Sharks v. Bulldogs Semi-final, a light lunch and refreshments were held in the Members bar at the Sydney Cricket Ground. Phil Cooley once again provided each member with a memento of the day - thanks Phil. Observing the "Hallowed Turf" of the SCG brought back some great memories for these members as well as renewing old friendships and forming new ones. The success of this day shows what attending social functions is all about.

Life Members Reunion once again was held at the Bowlers Club of NSW. A bevy of food and drink was had and enjoyed by all who attended. Presentations were made to various referees for their achievements throughout the year.

Due to the late finish time of this years Grand Final it was decided no dinner would be held after the match this year.

Approximately 25 people made the pilgrimage to Brooklyn this year. The hot weather made sure that a good "bonding" session was had.

Our premier event of the year, Life Members' Presentation Dinner, was held at Oatlands House. This night is always a success and this time was no different. Congratulations to this years two recipients Tony Danks and Ron Pearce.

Speaking of Tony, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate him on his first year as President of this Association in what, at times, was a difficult year.

While I am on jobs well done, I feel it would be remiss of me if I did not thank a real stalwart of this Association, Ian McCall, who decided it was time to enjoy "life after football". Well-done Ian!

I would also like to thank Paul Kalina for his assistance and support. Trying to budget money that is dwindling away is never easy and although social events may be decreasing members should remember the associations' financial future comes first.

In conclusion I would like to point out a successful social committee requires committee members who are prepared to give 100%. In this regard, I feel I could not have had better support, help and assistance than from Allan Farlow and Frank Leonard. Having these two on the committee makes my job a breeze.

I would like to extend to all your families the very best for the Christmas Season and look forward to seeing you next year.

Tom Healy

10. National Referees Accreditation Scheme.

\$5,000

An allowance for the NSWRL Referees Association appointed State Manager for the National Accreditation Scheme. The State Manager oversees the implementation of the scheme throughout all areas of Sydney and works closely with the various district Associations.

11. Sponsorship Management

\$5,353

Expenses associated with the public relations and entertainment of sponsors, NRL and NSWRL Officials in an effort to create a closer working relationship. Expenses also include the costs associated with the administration of the Sponsorship Budget.

Total Expenditure

\$330,989

The year was certainly a difficult one in relation to sponsorship and funding from the various leagues and 2002 is shaping as being just as difficult. I would like to thank the Executive of the Association for their leadership, support and the assistance provided to me in undertaking my role as Sponsorship Coordinator. I would also like to thank Bob Styles for the guidance he provided me with at the start of the year following his 9 year reign in this position.

I would like to pay a special tribute to the Sponsorship Committee Members Phil Cooley and John McCormack. Phil in his role as gear steward not only once again provided the highest quality gear in a timely manner for the members but worked tirelessly following the collapse of FAI in attempting to gain a new sponsor, and then having to coordinate the rushed task of changing all on field logos to AAML. John this year took on the Role of Director of Rubbers. John was responsible for the coordination and appointments of all the masseurs, approving for payment their invoices and ensuring all masseurs met the qualification standards required. To both Phil and John I thank you for your support and assistance.

Finally I thank all members for their support in my first year as Sponsorship Coordinator. It has been a most enjoyable year and a pleasure to serve you. I wish all members and your families a Happy Christmas, an enjoyable off season and a prosperous 2002.

Bryan Gilchrist
Sponsorship Coordinator

NATIONAL REFEREES ACCREDITATION SCHEME NSWRLRA MANAGERS REPORT

It has been a quiet year once again on the NRAS front. Once again I have not been able to put a more centralized programme in place for Level 2 and Level 3 because of the uncertainty of available funds, but we will continue to try. One positive, was the associations decision to base the Junior Rep Squad Seminar, around the level 3 requirements.

I would like to thank the presenters for a job well done. Thanks must go to the Providers from the districts who continue to keep on keeping on, mostly under adverse conditions. Keep your heads up we need you.

All the best for you and yours in 2002, lets be positive and make it a good year.

Barry Ruttle

INTER-DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE DEVELOPMENT SQUAD REPORT

The 2001 pre season commenced with a seminar in which squad members took part in a number of discussion groups that left no doubt as to the commitment required "to make it" as a future referee.

Touch judges Ken Mildwater, Doug Keen, Peter Castle and Michael Jones were graded early in the season and since have set a very high standard impressing at Metro Cup level and then all being appointed during the final series in First Division.

Competition between referees became very intense vying for positions in the finals of the two cup competitions. Eventually, the final of the Matthews Cup was controlled by Gerard Sutton with Jared Maxwell and Mark Ward as touch judges. The Ball Cup final referee was Brad Rye with Gerard Bailey and Allan Shortall touch judges. All the appointed officials drew high praise for their performances during the final series. Both Brad and Gerard were subsequently graded. The afore mentioned achievements give weight to the success of our development system which lays a strong foundation to enable referees to progress to higher grades.

Congratulations to Cronulla and Newcastle for their success in the above competitions and Canterbury in winning the Flegg Final. Several associations have taken advantage of attending training and video skills nights to enable prospective referees to mix with other referees and experience part of the requirements first hand. Over many weeks we were busy identifying talent at district level for further development within our ranks.

Other highlights during the season were:

- The selection of Graig Macintosh to take part in the Australian U/18 championships in Western Australia.
- Daryn Lang's appointment to an U/18's NSW V's QLD schoolboy game along with the Police Rugby League Grand Final.
- Chris James refereed U/15's schoolboy final.
- Several referees and touch judges given opportunities to officiate in the tougher Metro Cup competition.
- The addition of audio on the referee's game video made them more aware of the importance of selective verbal techniques.

These achievements would not have been possible without the input from the new look Denis Spagarino who's dedication to referee development could only be matched by the satisfaction derived by his outstanding success this season.

Thanks to my co-coaches Max Dunn and Les Matthews who form a strong combination to ensure that every young developing referee fulfils their potential both on and off the field. This requires hours of behind the scene work in an ever-changing Rugby League world. Our squad could not operate without John Coates from the NSW Rugby League and Martin Merideth from the NSW Rugby League Academy for administering these games, and the NSW Referees Association for their ongoing support in the development of referees.

Finally, it has been a long season so enjoy your Christmas break and hope to see you all fighting fit in 2002.

Peter Bungate

Liabilities & Equity

Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
GST Refunds	6,318.00
Tax Payable	
GST	
Tax Paid	-35,552.30
Tax Collected	37,484.36
Total GST	1,932.06
Total Tax Payable	1,932.06
Total Other Current Liabilities	8,250.06
Total Current Liabilities	8,250.06
Total Liabilities	8,250.06
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	187,353.25
Retained Earnings	-46,222.35
Net Income	-4,875.12
Total Equity	136,255.78
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	144,505.84

Profit and Loss Statement

New South Wales Rugby League Referee's Association Inc
ABN 87 737 845 335
1st October 1999 – 30th September 2001

	Oct'00 – Sep '01
Income	
Presentation Dinner	4,636.26
NRL Sponsorship Grant	334,478.90
Reimbursements	22,850.00
Bank Interest	2,372.70
Active Referees' Levy	10,372.73
Annual Subscriptions	387.93
Total Income	375,098.52
Expense	
Advertising	209.09
Trophies	3,218.68
Tickets	801.59
Honorariums	6,360.00
Depreciation – Video Recorder	124.99
Depreciation – Video Recorder(2)	120.00
Depreciation – Photocopier	930.00
Depreciation – Television	120.00
Auditors Fees	1,910.50
Bank Fees	467.11
Depreciation – Computer	653.00
Couriers	400.60
Flowers	653.61
Insurance	2,386.36
Legal	5,858.60
Life Members Jackets	806.36
Meeting Expenses	1,683.49
Parking Fees	135.73
Postage	719.42
Printing	1,051.00
Social	40,056.51
Sponsorship Allocation	302,736.15
Stationery	2,081.33
Telephone	6,489.52
Total Expense	379,973.64
Net Income	-4,875.12

Coulton Isaac Barber

New South Wales Rugby League Referees' Association Inc Independent Auditors' Report to the Members For The Year Ended 30 September 2001

Scope,

We have audited the financial statements, comprising of the receipts and payments statement, Income and expenditure statement and Balance Sheet of New South Wales Rugby League Referees' Association Inc. for the year ended 30 September 2001. The committee is responsible for the financial statements and have determined that the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of New South Wales Rugby League Referees' Association Inc. and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We have conducted an independent audit of those financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the New South Wales Rugby League Referees' Association Inc.

The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of the New South Wales Rugby League Referees' Association Inc. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements, and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with accounting standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements so as to present a view which is consistent with the understanding of the association's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

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

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the Financial Statements present fairly, in accordance with the applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements the financial position of New South Wales Rugby League Referees' Association Inc. as at 30 September 2001 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.

Coulton Isaac Barber
Chartered Accountants
George Isaac
Partner
Dated: 7th November 20001
Place: Paramatta

TRAINING REPORT

- TREVOR DAVIES



Our training programme this year saw most of you reach desired goals.

Referees require a finely tuned combination of muscular endurance, power, speed, agility and reaction time. Good judgement calls are indicative of knowing the rules, being physically fit and mentally alert. As such it is extremely important that decisions are not clouded by fatigue.

Fatigue has many signs some of which include:-

- Negative mood states - (such as loosing your temper with players).
- More hesitant to re-commence game. (such as not allowing the game to flow).
- Quality of work decrease.
- Altered attitudes are evident.
- Technique breakdowns.
- Complaints of stiffness or residual soreness from previous activities.
- A fatigued referee will rapidly decline in performance and attain lower standards.

Other signs of fatigue include things such as sore throats and discomfort or a feeling of ill being.

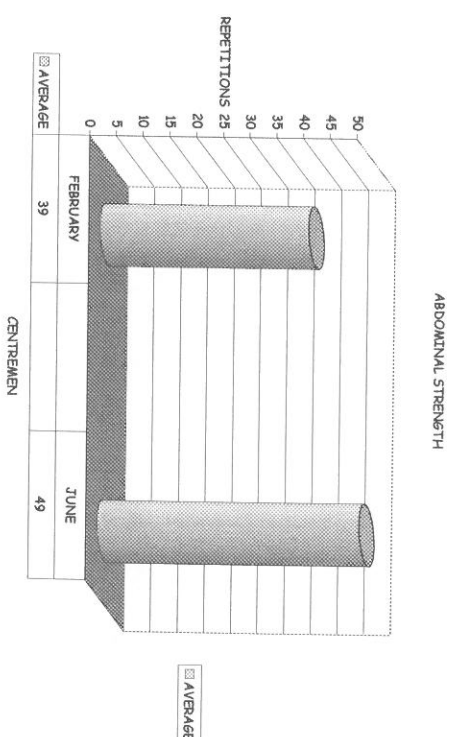
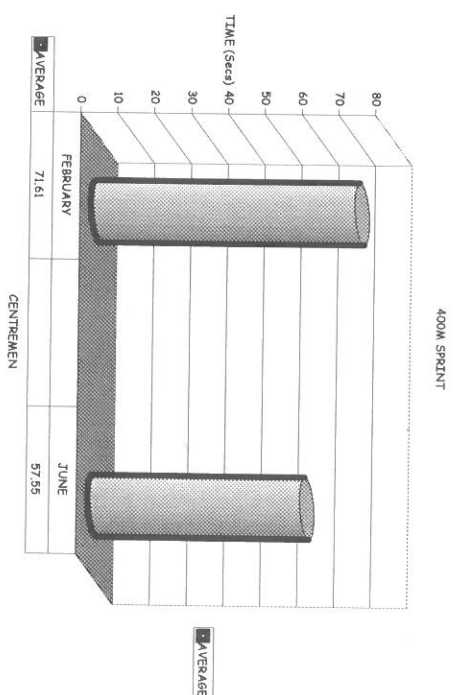
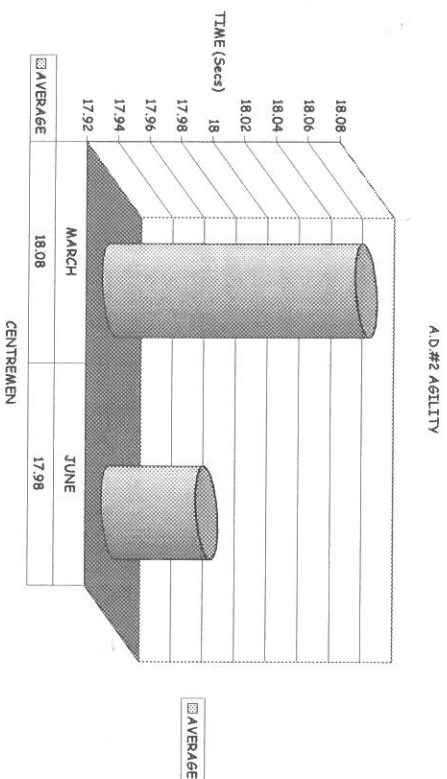
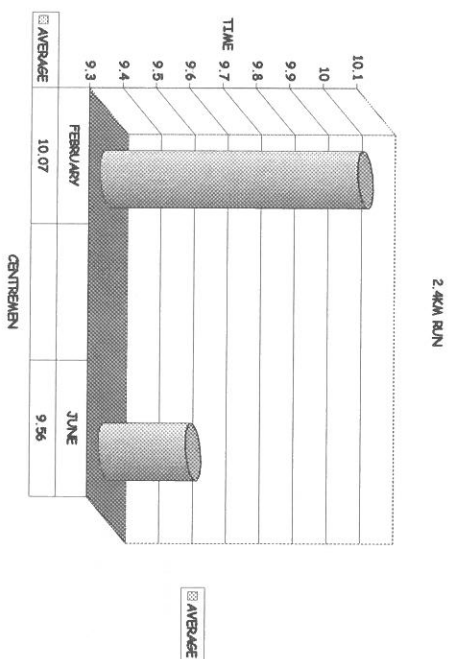
Fatigue is often associated with more serious complications such as muscle strains and tears, some of which may be more permanent. (During prolonged training sessions it is inevitable that associated fatigue problems will occur unless adequate recovery times are included).

In order to minimise on-field fatigue it is also important to embark into an appropriate training programme, that is, one that incorporates good training principles.

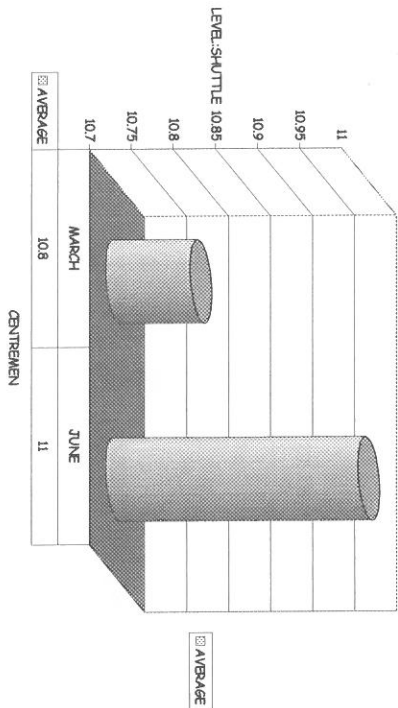
Over the past ten years rugby league has become an increasingly faster game. Over the next ten years, with further rule changes and more sophisticated training techniques rugby league will become even faster. As such it is imperative that referees embrace the concept of becoming physically and mentally equipped in order to meet these dynamic changes. Appropriate training sessions coupled with intermittent fitness assessments will allow training staff, referee coaches and yourself to ascertain whether or not desired goals are being met.

Fitness assessments throughout this year included tests that were specific to all referees. One of the goals as a referee is to obtain optimal levels of performance which include:- Endurance, Speed, Power and Agility. As such your annual training programme focused on these areas and were implemented in such a way that overtraining, inadequate training and inappropriate training was avoided, therefore we were able to increase fitness levels while at the same time minimise the risk of injuries.

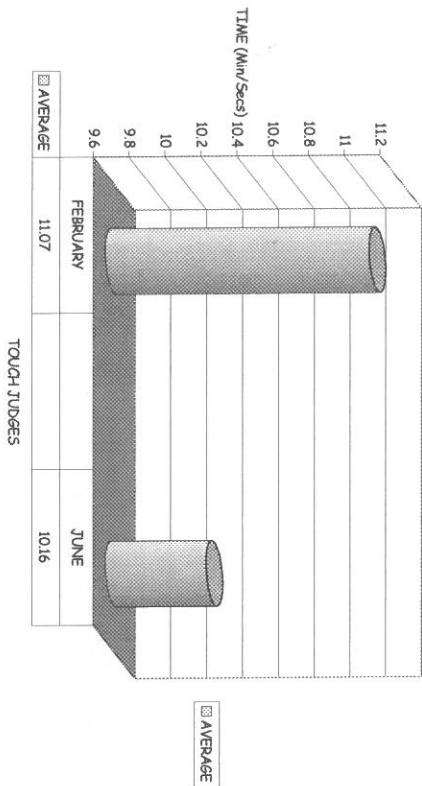
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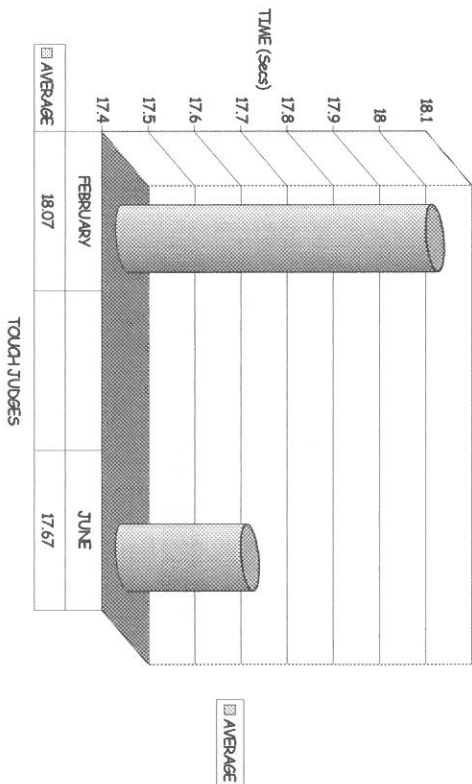
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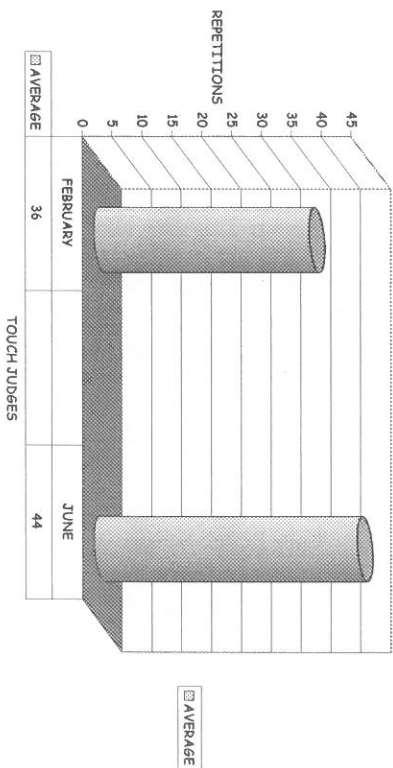
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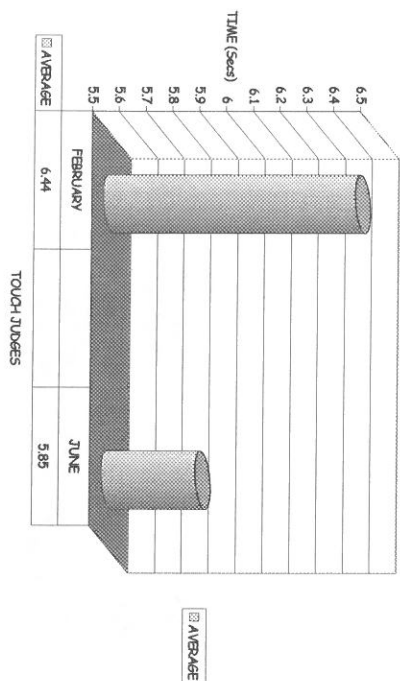
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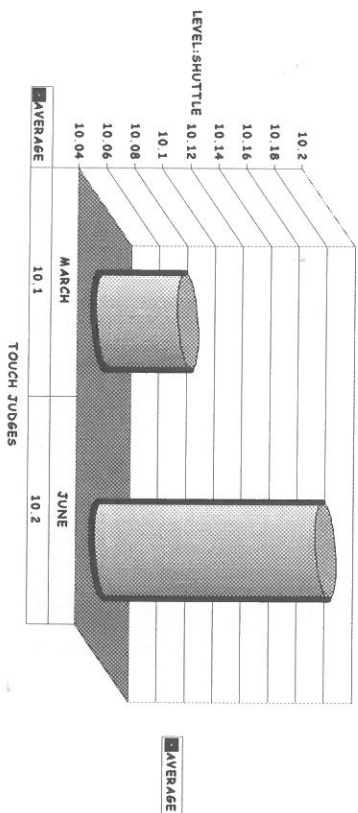


40M SPRINT



TOUCH JUDGES

BEEP TEST (VO2max)



TOUCH JUDGES

By now you should be performing some physical training in order to prepare yourself for next year. (Don't be left behind - remember training has no finish line).

The training staff would like to thank all of you for your co-operation throughout the year. A special thanks to the social committee for once again involving us in your social functions, they were great. We would also like to thank the Advisory Board Members for their continued support.

Donna, Ron and I wish your and your families all the very best over the Christmas period.....



Trevor Davies
Training Co-ordinator.

LIFE MEMBERS 2001 RECORD OF SERVICE

Tony Danks

Graded 1990 to 1999
Honorary Member 2000
Total Membership 11 years

1990	5 (7)	1994	4 (4)	1998	6 (6)
1991	6 (8)	1995	2 (4)	1999	6 (6)
1992	6 (8)	1996	4 (6)	2000	6 (6)
1993	7 (8)	1997	6 (6)		

Social Committee Member 1992 to 1993
Social Secretary 1994
Management Committee Member 1994
Fees Committee Member 1998-1999-2000

Ron Pearce

Graded 1978 to 1988
Honorary Member 1989 to 2000
Total Membership 23 years

1978	9 (14)	1986	8 (9)	1994	3 (4)
1979	17 (17)	1987	3 (8)	1995	4 (4)
1980	13 (17)	1988	7 (7)	1996	4 (6)
1981	10 (15)	1989	1 (7)	1997	4 (6)
1982	9 (16)	1990	6 (7)	1998	6 (6)
1983	10 (17)	1991	5 (8)	1999	4 (6)
1984	7 (10)	1992	4 (8)	2000	5 (6)
1985	5 (8)	1993	7 (8)		

Social Committee Member 1981 to 1984
Finance Committee Member 1982-1983
Video Camera Man appointed by NSW. R.L.R.A. 1993 to 1999
Advisory Board Member 1990 to 2000

LIFE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATIONS FOR 2002

The following members were nominated for Life Membership of the Association and the Life Members Committee's recommendation will be announced at the Annual General Meeting where a copy of the successful nominee's records will be distributed.

Messrs Leon Edney, Allan Farlow, Barry Goldsworthy, Tom Healy,
Michael Howell, Kelvin Jeffes and Col Jones

LIFE MEMBERSHIP HONOUR ROLL and ATTENDANCE

6 MEETINGS HELD

K Arnold	1971	0	J Farquhar	1929	D	J O'Brien	1952	D
L Baggett	1945	D	J Farrelly	1977	D	R O'Donnell	1965	0
A Ballerum	1917	D	A Farrow	1922	D	J O'Sullivan	1974	3
B Barry	1974	0	A Fifield	1947	D	A Oxford	1952	0
J Bates	1946	D	P Filmer	1995	0	K Page	1978	D
T Bellew O.A.M.	1961	D**	E Fletcher	1941	D	E Paine	1948	D
G Benson	1977	D	W Fry	1936	D	I Paraby	1996	1
S Betts	2000	5	R Garwood	1988	0	C Pearce	1960	0
G Bishop	1950	D	B Gately	1992	6	G Pearce	1953	D
N Bissett	2000	4	B Gilchrist	1998	6	R Pearce	2001	3
J Black	1928	D	C Gilchrist	1983	D	H Pierce	1963	D
B Bolton	1993	0	J Gocher	1983	3	H Poulton	1925	D
G Boyd	1918	D	M Godfrey	1979	0	K Roberts	1992	5
D Bratton	1953	D	T Grew	1958	D	L Rosen	1955	D
D Braybrook	1982	D	G Griffin	1951	D	H Rowlands	1928	D
T Brennan	1940	D	J Griffin	1939	D	B Ruttle	1999	5
R Brock	1967	D	R Hall	1939	D	M Ryan	1991	4
C Brown	1963	0	J Hansen	1925	D	P Ryan	1991	1
L Bruyeres	1972	0	J Harris O.A.M.	1980	3	L Samuelson	1973	0
J Buchanan	1924	D	A Holt	1966	D	C Schomberg	1972	D
E Buckley	1937	D	C Hudson	1975	1	H Schutema	1940	D
S Carey	1956	D	K Jeffes smr	1995	1	A Shiner O.A.M.	1955	D
J Clarke	1943	D	J Jewell	1988	D	A Shipway	1959	D
N Clement	1981	0	J Kelly	1954	D	R Smyth	1951	D
O Cohen	1948	D	J Kelly	1982	1	A Soane	1971	D
J Colenso	1989	D	W Kelly	1969	D	D Spagarino	1997	5
A Collins	1947	D	K Keough	1970	D	A Sparkie	1945	D
J Connor	1985	0	E Kerr	1938	D	M Stone	1989	5
P Cooley	1994	4	A Konecke	1968	0	R Styles	1994	4
T Costello	1936	D	D Lawler	1957	D	E Tinsley	1967	0
B Cowley	1969	D	P Lee	1942	D	M Tomsett	1979	1
E Cox	1970	2	T Leftler	1956	0	C Tumell	1984	1
W Cuke	1956	D	P Longhurst	1986	4	J Turner	1942	D
R Cummins	1966	D	D Macdonald	1976	D	B Wales smr	1935	D
T Danks	2001	6	M Maloney	1941	D	F Walsh	1965	D
J Davies	1954	D	J Martin	1968	D	C Ward	1990	1
A Davis	1950	D	L Matthews	1986	5	R Ward	1949	D
L Deane	1935	D	I McCall	1984	4	M Weekes	1997	0
F Delaney	1932	D	J McGauley	1944	D	A Welsh	1921	D
A Dennis	1936	D	T McMahon	1915	D	G West	1999	4
W Devine Smr	1949	D	H Millington	1934	D	C Wiggell B.E.M.	1938	D
R Dick	1976	D	J Montgomery	1973	0	L Williams	1957	0
T Dickenson	1921	D	J Moses B.E.M.	1944	D	D Winton	1981	6
R Drake	1937	D	T Murphy	1985	0	G Wirth	1939	D
M Dunn	1998	4	J Murray	1934	D	B Wiseman	1987	0
H Elliott	1929	D	W Neil	1946	D	C Yorke	1943	D
P Elliss	1978	2	A Neville	1987	1			
F Erickson	1964	0						

** Passed away since November 2000

GRADED REFEREES SEASON 2001 AND ATTENDANCE

6 MEETINGS HELD

D Abood	5	B Gilchrist	6	K Mildwater	1
D Adams	2	D Gocher	0	S Nash	1
D Alchin	3	S Hampstead	0	M Oaten	0
A Archer	2	M Harradine	2	J O'Brien	4
D Astill	2	W Harrigan	0	T Peet	6
G Badger	6	G Henderson	5	S Portsmouth	6
P Battin	1	M Hoffmann	5	P Reynolds	4
R Brown	5	P Holland	6	S Richards	0
A Caddy	0	G Jackson	6	Jason Robinson	6
M Cafarelli	6	M Jadwat	1	Jennifer Robinson	2
S Carrall	1	G Jankowski	5	M Ryan	6
P Castle	2	K Jeffes	2	B Rye	2**
M Cecchin	1	C Jones	5	P Scriberas	1
S Chiddy	0	M Jones	3	P Simpkins	0
S Clapson	6	P Kalina	6	G Sutton	3**
S Clark	1	D Keen	3	S Todd	2
P Cooley	4	R Lawrence	3	R Turner	4
R Cranston	0	M Lewis	3	J Walsh	5
T De Las Heras	0	W Loveday	6	J Weinstein	2
P Dorahy	4	B Lynch	6	C White	0
A Fallah	0	S Lyons	1	J Younis	6
A Farlow	6	T Mander	0		
R Flint	5	J McCormack	4		

Graded during season (May)**

HONORARY MEMBERS 2001 AND ATTENDANCE

6 MEETINGS HELD

A Aggett	0	W Grech	0	J Melville	1
K Allard	0	J Griffiths	4	P Moon	0
N Almond	0	G Haines	0	R Morris	0
B Apps	0	L Harrigan	0	P Murray	0
B Barnes	1	C Haynes	0	K Neale	1
M Beacraft	0	T Healy	6	G O'Donnell	0
J Belgre	0	G Heaton	0	M O'Malley	3
J Blomfield	0	G Hedger	0	W Pearson	0
B Bonnie	3	R Hensley	1	L Pentfold	2
P Bowen	1	M Hewitt	1	A Perry	0
R Bowman	0	P Hewitt	0	R Picard	0
D Bowron	0	K Holman MBE	0	M Presland	0
G. Boyd	0	K Howell	0	L Randle	0
P Bungate	3	M Howell	2	B Reedy	0
A Butler	0	R Humphreys	0	K Russell	0
M Cassidy	0	R Hunt	0	A See	0
N Cislowski	0	M Jadwat	1	A Sercombe	0
W Close	0	B Keenahan	6	R Sinclair	0
A Cole	0	G Kellahan	1	I Smith	0
G Cook	0	A Kelly	0	O Smith	0
B Cripps	0	P Kelly	0	D Sproule	0
B Cross	0	B Kendall	0	J Stewart	1
K Davis	0	R Kiddle	0	P Stuart	0
T Delaney	0	S Laws	0	M Taylor	0
P Digby	6	G Lee	0	M Thompson	0
C Dimon	0	F Leonard	5	J Turner	0
P Duncan	0	R Lewis	0	L Turner	1
L Edney	0	P Macinante	4	D Turvey	1
M Edwards	0	A Maksoud	0	B Wales	0
G Elias	0	D Manson	0	E Ward	0
P Field	0	P McBlane	5	R Warner	0
S Fielder	0	G McCallum	0	P Watkins	0
R Fielding	0	A McGilvray	0	J Whybrow	0
P Fitton	1	V McGuinness	0	R Williams	0
P Freeman	0	R McNosh	0	S Williams	0
R Freeman	0	R McInnett	0	A Willis	0
B Goldsworthy	6	D McLean	3	J Yard	0
B Grant	0	P McMahon	0		

HONORARY ASSOCIATE MEMBERS FOR LIFE

J. R. Drewes	D	H. Gillard	D	W. Petley D.F.C. Cade	D
W. Fallofield O.B.E.	D	P. Goerner	0	L. Plowes	3
K. Gardner	D				

AFFILIATED ASSOCIATION DELEGATES ATTENDANCES 2001

6 MEETINGS HELD

BALMAIN	L. Bugden	6	M Jones	1
CANBERRA	N. Bisset	4	G Henderson	5
CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN	S. Issa	4	C Bettiol	3
CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND	G. Jackson	6	J Maxwell	2
ILLAWARRA	B. Bonnie	3	M Crampton	1
MANLY-WARRINGAH	S. Charnan	6	N Hogan	5
NEWCASTLE	P. Digby	6	D Smith	1
N.S.W. COUNTRY	K. Riolo	0	N. Best	1
NSW POLICE	S. Wilson	3	D. Keen	1
NORFOLK ISLAND	L. Matthews	5		
NORTH SYDNEY	S. Watson	6	G Bailey	5
NORTHERN TERRITORY	D. Winin	6		
PARRAMATTA	A. Essey	5	G. Sutton	3
PENRITH	G. Yates	4		
PUBLIC SERVICE	T. Healy	6		
QUEENSLAND	D. Wunningham	0		
ST GEORGE	L. Willis	4		
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	I. McCall	6		
SOUTH SYDNEY	C. McIntosh	4		
TASMANIAN	P. Cooley	4		
UNIVERSITY CUP	P. Deprez	1	M. Dennis	1
VICTORIA	S. Todd	2		
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	P. Kalina	6		
WESTERN SUBURBS	M Ward	4	B. Rye	1

INTER-DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE DEVELOPMENT SQUAD 2001

Atkins	Grant	Penrith
Bailey	Gerard	North Sydney
Brownlow	Aaron	North Sydney
Bugden	Luke	Balmain
Butler	John	South Sydney
Callacher	Thomas	Balmain
Charnan	Shane	Manly Warringah
Cummins	Ben	Canberra
Daizli	Richard	Canterbury Bankstown
Deprez	Pascal	University Cup
Devcich	Adam	North Sydney
Eastwood	Daniel	Parramatta
Edwards	Craig	Newcastle
Elkins	Jayson	Manly Warringah
Fajolo	Mohamad	Canterbury Bankstown
Gallacher	Robert	Canberra
Gray	Jennifer	Cronulla Sutherland
Griffith	Robert	Western Suburbs
Haines	Phillip	Penrith
Hill	Nathan	Canberra
Hogan	Nathan	Manly Warringah
James	Chris	Western Suburbs
Jennett	Marcus	Illawarra
Jones	Craig	Illawarra
Kearney	Michael	Parramatta
Klein	Ashley	Parramatta
Kunicki	Johnathan	Canterbury Bankstown
Lang	Darryn	Manly Warringah
Laverly	Michael	Canberra
Maher	Vanessa	Balmain
Maxwell	Jared	Cronulla Sutherland
McCloskey	Josh	Western Suburbs
McFarlane	Luke	Western Suburbs
McHatten	Ricky	Penrith
McIntosh	Brenton	South Sydney
Muir	Craig	South Sydney
Murphy	Scott	Manly Warringah
Murphy	Kris	Cronulla Sutherland
O'Riordon	Scott	Illawarra
Potter	Cameron	North Sydney
Reynolds	Luke	Illawarra
Rye	Gavin	Parramatta
Sheldrick	Brad (Graded during season)	Western Suburbs
Shortall	Aaron	Canterbury Bankstown
Smith	Alan	Parramatta
	Daryn	Newcastle

Smith	Nathan	North Sydney
Stone	Jonathan	North Sydney
Sutton	Gerard (Graded during season)	Parramatta
Tamline	John	Canterbury-Bankstown
Toland	Glen	Cronulla Sutherland
Veigel	Mathew	Canterbury-Bankstown
Ward	Mark	Western Suburbs
Wilson	Chris	Canberra
Wilson	Steve	Balmain
Wood	Daniel	Newcastle
Yates	Greg	Penrith

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Management Committee of the Association makes the following recommendations for 2002, to be considered at the Annual General Meeting:

1. That members Subscription shall be five dollars (\$5.00) or one dollar (\$1.00) for a pensioner.
2. That Affiliated Associations shall pay an Affiliation Subscription of ten dollars (\$10.00).
3. That in 2002 the Association will hold five (5) General Meetings commencing at 7.45 pm. venue of meetings to be determined at the A G M:-

13 th	March
1 st	May
12 th	June
24 th	July
4 th	September

GEORGE AND AMY HANSEN MEMORIAL TROPHY RECIPIENTS

1975	F.O. Cohen	1984	P. Longhurst	1993	K. Jeffes Sur
1976	C.E. Wigzell	1985	B. Wiseman	1994	T. Danks
1977	F.W. Walsh	1986	L. Matthews	1995	B. Gilchrist
1978	A. Shiner	1987	L. Williams	1996	J. Griffiths
1979	D. Wintin	1988	M. Ryan	1997	D. Spagarino
1980	J. Gocher	1989	M. Stone	1998	B. Ruttle
1981	D. Braybrook	1990	I. Pamaby	1999	T. Healy
1982	I. McCall	1991	P. Cooley	2000	K. Roberts
1983	C. Gilchrist	1992	R. Styles	2001	Martin Ryan

FRANK WALSH MEMORIAL TROPHY

<u>Year</u>	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>District Association</u>
1990	Michael Lewis	Parramatta
1991	Sean Fielder	South Sydney
1992	Craig Tracey	Eastern Suburbs
1993	Darren Gocher	Cronulla Sutherland
1994	Brett Lynch	Penrith
1995	Rod Lawrence	South Sydney
1996	Jason O'Brien	South Sydney
1997	Jason Weinstien	Western Suburbs
1998	Jeffrey Younis	Balmain
1999	Jason Robinson	Penrith
2000	Jennifer Robinson	Penrith
2000	Brad Rye	Western Suburbs

REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS 2001 REFEREE & TOUCH JUDGES

STATE OF ORIGIN

<u>New South Wales V Queensland</u>	<u>1st Brisbane</u>	Referee W Harrigan	Touch Judges P Cooley A Fallah
2 nd Sydney	Referee W Harrigan	Touch Judges P Cooley A Fallah	Inter-Change T Peet S Portsmouth
3 rd Brisbane	Referee W Harrigan	Touch Judges P Cooley D Gocher	
Sydney Origin V N.S.W. Country Origin	Referee P Simkins	Touch Judges S Chiddy D Gocher	Inter-Change S Clapson S Villa
NSW Country Firsts V Combined First Division	Referee S Hayne (Cen Coast) Stand By Referee A Foster (Group 6)	Touch Judges S Clapson S Villa (Illawarra)	
<u>U/17's</u> New South Wales V Queensland	Referee R Lawrence	Touch Judges T Peet S Portsmouth	
	Stand By Referee G Badger	Inter-Change B Flint A Farlow	
Sydney Metros V Brisbane Capitals	Referee R Lawrence Stand By Referee G Badger	Touch Judges C Jones M Ryan	Inter-Change S Portsmouth
Sydney Metros V Auckland Residents	Referee G Sutton	Touch Judges W Loveday B Lynch	
North Shore Maori Invitation V Auckland Residents	Referee A Shortall	Touch Judges A Klein N Hogan	

1st GRADE NRL GRAND FINAL

Newcastle V Parramatta	Referee W Harrigan	Touch Judges S Hayne S Richards
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1st DIVISION GRAND FINAL

Parramatta V St George Illawarra	Referee R Lawrence	Touch Judges M Ryan C Jones
		In-Goal Judges K Milwater G Jackson
	Stand-By Referee S Carrall	Stand-By Touch Judge P Battin
		Inter-Change P Battin A Farlow

JERSEY FLEGG GRAND FINAL

Canterbury-Bulldogs V Cronulla Sharks	Referee S Lyons	Touch Judges S Portsmouth T Peet
		In-Goal Judges P Castle S Todd
	Stand-By Referee S Carrall	Stand-By Touch Judge P Battin
		Inter-Change P Battin A Farlow

2GB METROPOLITAN CUP GRAND FINALS

<u>1st Grade</u> Sydney Bulls V St Marys	Referee K Jeffes	Touch Judges C Jones M Ryan
		In-Goal Judges B Flint M Catarelli
	Stand-By Referee R Cranston	Inter-Change S Clapson R Brown
<u>Reserve Grade</u> Cabramatta V Wentworthville	Referee R Lawrence	Touch Judges B Gilchrist P Battin
		In-Goal Judges A Farlow J O'Brien
	Stand-By Referee R Cranston	Inter-Change S Clapson R Brown

NUTRI-GRAIN CUP

FINAL
Palm Beach Currumbi V
St Gregory's College,
Campbelltown

Referee
G Badger

Touch Judges
M Jones J O'Brien
In-Goal Judges
D Adams P Castle

N.R.L. 1st GRADE REFEREES 2001

T. Archer
S. Carrall
S. Clark
M. Cecchin

S. Hampstead
W. Harrigan
S. Haynes
S. Lyons

T. Mander
M. Oaten
S. Richards
P. Simpkins

**INTER-DISTRICT JUNIOR
REPRESENTATIVE FINALS**

S.G. Ball Cup

Newcastle V Penrith

Referee
Brad Rye (Western Suburbs)
Stand-By Referee
Gerard Sutton (Parramatta)

Touch Judges
Gerard Bailey (N/ Sydney) A Shortall (Parramatta)
Stand By Touch Judge
Daniel Eastwood (Parramatta)

Harold Matthews Cup

Referee
Gerard Sutton (Parramatta)

Penrith V Cronulla
Touch Judges
Mark Ward (West/Suburbs) Jared Maxwell (Cron/Sutherland)

Stand-By Referee
Craig McIntosh (South Sydney)

**POSITIONS HELD BY MEMBERS WITH THE AUSTRALIAN R.L.
& N.S.W. RUGBY LEAGUES LTD**

VICE PRESIDENTS

Messrs E Cox and R O'Donnell

GENERAL COMMITTEE

Messrs L Matthews and D Wintin

NSW RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES COACHING CO-ORDINATOR

Mr D Spagarino

CHAIRMAN METROPOLITAN CUP POLICY COMMITTEE

Mr E Cox

METROPOLITAN CUP POLICY COMMITTEE

Messrs I McCall, B. Goldsworthy and R McIntosh

REFEREES ADVISORY BOARD

Messrs N Almond, B Barnes, S Betts, P Bungate, B Bonnie, J Connor, P Digby, M Dunn,
P Elliss, B Goldsworthy, J Griffiths, Healy, T Kelly, F Leonard, L Matthews,
P McBlane, I McCall, J Melville, M O'Malley, K Roberts, M Ryan,
P Ryan, D Spagarino, M Tomsett, S. Watson

NATIONAL REFEREEING ACREDITATION SCHEME COMMITTEE

Messrs, T Danks and L Matthews.

NATIONAL REFEREEING ACREDITATION SCHEME

NSWR/LRA MANAGER

Mr, B Ruttle,

CO-ORDINATOR INTER-DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE REFEREES

DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

Mr L Matthews

COACHING COUNCIL

Mr K Holman, M.B.E

DIRECTOR OF THE N.S.W. LEAGUES CLUB.

Mr E Cox

POSITIONS HELD BY MEMBERS WITH THE N.R.L

ASSISTANT REFEREES COACH

Mr B Grant

REFEREES DEVELOPMENT CO-ORDINATOR

Mr M Stone

REFEREES COACH & VIDEO REFEREES

Messrs, P Filmer, J Gocher, I Parnaby, M Stone, C Ward
E. Ward, G West

GROUND MANAGER

Mr E Cox

COMMITTEE MEETINGS ATTENDANCE RECORD

Committee Member	Number of Meetings Held	Attendance
T Danks	8	8
L Matthews	8	7
P Kalina	8	7
T Healy	8	7
D Spagarino	8	7
P Cooley	8	8
G West	8	7
D Wintin	8	7
B Gilchrist	8	8
T. Peet (Assistant Secretary)	8	8

Apologies were received from D Wintin, P Kalina, L Matthews, G West and D Spagarino for their non attendance at one meeting each.

RESULTS OF ELECTIONS

Patron:.....

President:.....

Secretary:.....

Treasurer:.....

Deputy Chairman:

Assistant Secretary:.....

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

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

Social Secretary:.....

Sponsorship Coordinator:.....

Committee:.....

Sponsorship Committee:

Social Committee:

Metropolitan Cup Delegates (2)

George & Army Hansen Memorial Trophy Committee:

Seminar Committee:

Fees Committee:

Auditors:.....