



*Penrith District Rugby League  
Referees Association Inc.*

# ***29th ANNUAL REPORT***

# **1995**

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<b>Referee's Co-Ordinator:</b>	Steve Tibbetts
<b>Appointments Board:</b>	P. Browne, C. Williams, P. Kerr, N. Cahill
<b>Advisory Panel:</b>	S. McFarlane, P. Butler, J. Jordan, J. Lavin, Jason Robinson, John Robinson, K. French, G. Radford
<b>Coaching Directors:</b>	J. Jordan, J. Kelly
<b>Internal Auditors:</b>	P. Filmer, J. Jordan
<b>Life Members:</b>	Peter Butler
<b>Merit Award Committee:</b>	D. Courts, P. Kerr, J. Harris

# HONOUR ROLL

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## HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Steve Carey (dec)  
Frank Walsh (dec)  
Cyril Wigzell (dec)

## HONORARY MEMBERS

Rosemary Wilkinson  
Ian McCall  
Mavis Kandelas

## LIFE MEMBERS

Jack Harris O.A.M	Merv Edwards	Trevor Murphy	Joe Beacroft
Don Courts	Keith French	Herb Creighton	Les Brennan
Barry Kendell	Herb Reedy	Reg Newsome	Jack Turner
Phillip Sanders	Graeme King	Peter Filmer	Bob Kandelas
Noel Cahill	Len Manuel	Gary Haines	Peter Browne
Peter Kerr	Barry Beveridge	Peter Butler	

## BOB KANDELAS

1980	Barry Izzard	1988	Tom Peet
1981	Len Davies	1989	Tom Peet
1982	Keith Hogan	1990	Graeme Priest
1983	Peter Filmer	1991	Ken Evans
1984	Kevin Russell	1992	Ray Steele
1985	Michael Quinn	1993	Steve McFarlane
1986	Tony Butler	1994	Steve McFarlane
1987	Gary Haines	1995	Aaron Jones

## JACK HARRIS MERIT AWARD

1972	Bob Kandelas (dec)	1984	Brett Cowan
1973	Herb Creighton	1985	Peter Shaw
1974	Trevor Murphy	1986	Reg Newsome
1975	Arthur North	1987	Peter Butler
1976	Ron Beetson	1988	John Jordan
1977	Barry Beveridge	1989	Peter Browne
1978	Herb Reedy	1990	John Jordan
1979	John Bryant	1991	Gary Haines
1980	Reg Newsome	1992	John Skinner
1981	Graeme King	1993	John Mewett
1982	Brian Kidd	1994	Peter Browne
1983	John Skinner	1995	Trevor Sperring

## JOE BEACROFT MEMORIAL TROPHY

1989	Gary Haines	1993	Brett Lynch
1990	Gary Haines	1994	Brett Lynch
1991	Ken Evans	1995	Ray Steele
1992	Ken Evans		



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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The 1995 season has been one which may well be remembered for the battle for the control of the game rather than the achievements of clubs and individuals. Fortunately, at a district level we have not yet been affected by this issue.

The Association and its members are to be congratulated for their efforts during the season, both on and off the field. To the active referees, my compliments for your commitment, effort and contribution to a very successful year. In particular, I commend ALL members on the effort and camaraderie that was so evident at matches, meetings and social events.

Ray Steele fulfilled an ambition with his deserved appointment to the A Grade grand final and topped it off with a strong display in one of the toughest matches seen in the district for many years. I offer my congratulations to all members who officiated in the finals series.

To Steve Tibbetts and the Appointments Board, Advisory Panel and Development Panel members, your efforts this season were greatly appreciated by the Association. The appointment of referees is an onerous, time consuming and thankless task, and again, I say thanks on behalf of the members.

Peter Butler was rewarded with Life Membership at our Annual Ladies Night. Peter was a popular and deserving recipient which is not surprising due to the amount of time he has committed to the Association over many years.

Presentation Night had a new format this year which ensured a good attendance by members. To all the award winners - Lisa Natrass, Rebecca Lea, Ray Steele, Aaron Jones and Trevor Sperring - well done; your efforts only makes your colleagues strive that little harder!

Despite the dramas off the field, Penrith's graded members again performed with distinction on the field. Kevin Russell was appointed to State of Origin, the 1st Grade grand final and the Australian versus New Zealand test match; Tony Danks was appointed to State of Origin and City versus Country; and Tom Peet was an in-goal touch judge for the 1st Grade grand final. Brett Lynch had a great year refereeing Reserve Grade in his debut season.

1995 was the second year of our sponsorship with *Kevjohn Motors*. John Burns has been a great supporter of junior rugby league in the Penrith district for many years and we now have *Kevjohn Motors* for next season.

Don Feltis and the Board of the Penrith Junior Rugby League are to be congratulated for their work this year. The finals series for Saturday and Sunday football was outstanding - great weather, great football and of course, great refereeing. To don and his team my personal thanks for all their support.

The Junior Branch conducted its meetings efficiently and professionally this year. I congratulate all junior members for their commitment and trust you will be there again in 1996.

1996 is the Association's "birthday". It will be a year which will present a number of challenges for all members, least of all what may result from current court action. Importantly, we will focus on recruitment and the implementation of the National Referees' Accreditation Scheme (NRAS). I urge all members to be totally committed to this scheme and participate where and when you can.

The Executive encourages all members to submit ideas for changes to the way we do business. Remember, we are looking to the future and must move forward. Your thoughts are most welcome.

I offer my sincere thanks to my Executive colleagues who supported one another and worked tirelessly for the Association. My inaugural year as President was most enjoyable and I look forward to the challenges that lie ahead for the Association.

In closing I would like to extend to all members and their families best wishes for the festive season and for a prosperous 1996.

**GARY HAINES**  
**PRESIDENT**



## SECRETARY'S REPORT

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It is my privilege and pleasure to present for the consideration and adoption the 29th Annual Report of the Penrith District Rugby League Referees' Association inc.

In 1995, as in past years, the administration of an association such the size of Penrith involved an enormous amount of time. This has not changed this year and I must say that without the help of my fellow executive members the position of Secretary would have been very difficult and I thank them sincerely.

This year we say Steve Tibbetts take on the position of Referees' Co-Ordinator, and I think Steve will admit that this is a thankless job as you can not please all the active referees all the time - I can vouch for that. So on behalf o the active Referees' well done and thanks Steve.

To the Social Committee I extend, on behalf of the Association, a very big thank you for all your efforts this season and hope you will all back up again next year.

I would also like to thank Don Feltis and his staff for all their help this season, no problem was too big or too small.

To Ray Steele I would like to congratulate him on his A Grade Divn 1 appointment in the 1995 season.

Last but not least I would like to say a very big thanks to my wife Theresa and my two children Roxanne and Marc for without their help and understanding, both with my executive duties and my active refereeing, I do not think I could have lasted a full season both on and off the playing fields.

To our Life Member this year Mr Peter Butler congratulations on obtaining this the most prestigious award that can be bestowed on any member of any Association.

May I take this opportunity to wish all members and their families the very best for Christmas and the 1996 season.

**STEPHEN MCFARLANE**

# TREASURER'S REPORT

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It is with great pleasure that I have this opportunity to present my Treasurers' Report and the Association's financial statement for the 1995 season.

Having little knowledge of what to expect when taking on this task, I have enjoyed not only the challenge of learning, but have been able to improve the way in which the books are being maintained. For example: with the exception of two rounds all match invoices were issued to the respective clubs within seven days of the completion of each round.

In addition, the improved methods have proven to be more effective and accurate and the potential of allowing a fully computerised system to administer the books. This would provide an even more accurate facility which would not only be quick but would assist in the recovery of monies owed.

Speaking of recovery it is unfortunate that I have to disclose such a high amount owed to our Association by some of the district clubs. It should be noted that without the continued support and co-operation of Don Feltis and Steve McFarlane the existing financial position has improved since the balance date.

On a more lighter note I would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsor *KEVJOHN MOTORS* for their continued support in 1995 and look forward to having them as our sponsor next season.

Being the least experienced member on the executive committee I would like to thank my executive colleagues for (throwing me in at the deep end) their support and advice throughout the season. To Gary, Don, Steve and Peter - thanks guys!

Once again Peter Butler has excelled in his position as Social Secretary and needs to be congratulated for his outstanding efforts in organising the various convivals throughout the year and especially Ladies Night.

To our internal auditors John Jordon and Peter (I won't tell them if you don't) Filmer thank you for your invaluable advice throughout the season.

To the members of the Association thank you firstly for not questioning any of my Treasurers reports, but also for all your support after my unfortunate incident late in the season.

Finally, I would also like to send a special thank you to my newly wedded wife Casandra who, despite numerous arguments, has given me the most valued support and encouragement that anyone could receive.

AARON JONES



## RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS STATEMENT 1995

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Account 721396-81 @ 31.10.94

\$ 26,035.03

### ADD Income

Trial / Match Fees	94,015.00
Bank Interest	1,239.09
Grants	600.00
Sponsor	8,000.00
Social	4,660.40
O/S Debtor	3,139.00
Non Active Fees	90.00
Sundry	70.00
Debt Recovery	2,700.00

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**140,547.52**

### LESS EXPENDITURE

**110,266.17**

Refunds	323.50
Stationery	600.05
Postage	116.30
Insurance	911.70
Phone	946.03
Gear	5,502.27
Social	16,662.51
Trophies/Gifts	2,916.84
Match Fees	80,987.40
Bank Charges	296.82
Audit 1994	400.00
Other	602.75

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Account 721396-81 @ 31.10.95  
(\*\* Incl \$10,000.00 Term Deposit)

**\$ 30,281.35**



## Balance Sheet for Period ending 31 October 1995

<u>Assets</u>	\$	<u>Liabilities</u>	\$
Cash in Bank A/C 721396-81	20281.35	Retained Earnings	34093.71
Cash in Bank - Term Deposit	10000.00		
 <u>Sundry Debtors</u>			
- Blacktown City	1,201.50	Provision Against	
- Cambridge Park	2,655.50 ✓	Funds Received	9464.99
- Doonside	155.00		
- East Mt Druitt	258.50		
- Minchinbury	188.50		
- Mt Druitt City	211.50		
- Rooty Hill RSL	6.00 ✓		
- St Marys	248.50 ✓		
- West Mt Druitt	391.50		
- Penrith Dist JRL	640.00		
- Members	525.00		
 Other Debtor	6,795.85 ✓		
	<b>43,558.70</b>		<b>43558.70</b>

# AUDITOR'S REPORT

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## SCOPE

I have audited the attached accounts of Penrith District Rugby League Referees Association Inc. for the year ended 31 October 1995. The audit was conducted to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the accounts are free of material misstatement. My procedures were restricted to examination, on a test basis, of cash transactions.

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

## AUDIT OPINION

In my opinion the Receipts and Payments Statement and Balance Sheet of the Penrith District Rugby League Referees Association Inc. have been drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the Associations' state of affairs as at 31 October 1995.

DARREN KINGSFORD ACA  
9 November 1995



# SATURDAY FOOTBALL

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Weather conditions for the 1995 season allowed an almost uninterrupted competition.

As usual during trial matches a large number of members failed to submit availability sheets. This improved as the competition proper began and some former members were contacted.

With the new accreditation scheme and Under 15 matches reverting to Sunday football appointments were somewhat easier to organise even though the number of matches remained much the same as for 1994. The spread of matches and number of fields in use made it impossible to always appoint Touch Judges to all U14 matches. Newer referees often had to be concentrated on a small number of grounds because of the low number of Development Panel members available on a regular basis.

The Finals Series drew favourable comments from clubs and the senior league and a number of referees in the first season performed creditably.

John Jordan organised appointments for school matches and was able to meet most requests.

Many member officiated in the All Schools K.O. Competition hosted this year by Penrith and Troy Priest.

Ricky McFarlane and Melissa Yates deserve a special mention for their achievements.

Martin Duncan and Jason Osbourne participated in an exchange program with Parramatta Association and proved to be worthy ambassadors for Penrith.

Martin is also to be congratulated for his selection to referee at the Sydney Football Stadium during the Finals Series.

Assessment and Development of referees in Saturday football should be a priority for 1996. With further changes to the accreditation scheme more structure will need to be put in place to ensure an ever increasing number of matches.

To John Jordan, Jim Kelly and their assistants on the Coaching Panel - thank you for a job well done.

To those Development Panel members who worked tirelessly during the season, thank you on behalf of all.

**PETER BROWNE**

# **SOCIAL SECRETARY**

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The 1995 season has been an active one for the Social Committee yet again.

The major event of our social calendar was Ladies Night which was held again at the Stepping Out Restaurant and as usual Bob Scott and his team put on a fantastic show, the support shown by our members was good but I would like to see more members turn out at this function.

Presentation Night was held at Howell Oval - this night was slightly different to our usual night, congratulations to all the winners of the various awards presented on this night. Next year I would like, with your support, Presentation Night returned to its usual format, however, all members have to put their support behind this and attend this function.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Social Committee members for their support and help in season 1995 and a special thanks to my wife Dot who helped out and put up with me not being home a lot of the time.

Members do not forget the Christmas tree.

Wishing all members a happy and safe Christmas and a happy New Year.

**PETER BUTLER**



# CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

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Straight off I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people for their help and support this season, the Appointment Board of Peter Browne, Peter Kerr, Col Williams and Noel Cahill, Association Executive Development and Advisory Panels and a special mention to Yvonne Purtell from the Junior League.

To the families of all our referees I thank you for your support during the year. In doing so I would like to pay a special thank you to Sue who made it possible for me to fulfil my commitments to this position.

At the start of the season, and with an increase in Junior League teams in 1995, our ranks were once again stretched to the limit. I would like to thank all referees, Juniors and Seniors, who made life easy for the Appointment Board by fulfilling all extra appointments.

The Junior Branch can feel very proud of their efforts in 1995, their performances, attitude and dress, along with significant representations in both Saturday and Sunday Finals Series are aspects that reflect very well upon them. Congratulations to Martin Duncan on being number one Junior in refereeing the Under 12 Division 1 Grand Final and to Miss Jenny Yates on her performance in the Under 14 Division 1 Grand Final - well done.

The Senior Branch and I offer my thanks for their support throughout the season to all referees who officiated in the Final series. Congratulations on a job well done. A special congratulations to Ray Steele on his appointment to the A Grade Division 1 Grand Final and to Russell Turner to the A Grade Division 2 Grand Final.

On training a special thanks to our trainer Noel Cahill who's commitment to fitness of all referees reflected on their performances leading up to and including the final series. A thank you to Steve McFarlane, Jack Harris, Aaron Jones and George Jankowski for their assistance on various occasions at training during the year.

In closing I would like to take this opportunity to wish all members and their families a happy and safe Christmas and a prosperous 1996 and hope to see you all next year.

Yours in Sport

**STEVE TIBBETTS**

# COACHING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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The 1995 season was the first full season for the National Refereeing Accreditation Scheme.

Under the Scheme the coaching staff were responsible for:-

1. Training candidates to a sufficient standard to initially obtain their Preliminary Badges and to later become Level One Referees.
2. Co-Ordinate the on field assessments and other reports given on the candidates as part of their training.

During the season 12 candidates became preliminary referees and of these 6 went on to gain their Level One Badges. Of the remainder 4 candidates who gained their Level One Badges late in the season have indicated that they will continue with the scheme in 1996 to obtain their Level One qualification.

It would appear that the remaining 2 candidates have lost interest in continuing with the scheme.

One existing member was successful in obtaining a Senior International Ticket during the season.

We wish to thank:-

- ▶ The principal of St Dominics for making two classrooms available during the season to enable the classes to be conducted.
- ▶ All those persons who assisted us in the conduct of the classes during the season.

JOHN JORDAN  
JIM KELLY



**PENRITH DISTRICT REFEREE'S ASSOCIATION**  
**NOTICE OF MOTION TO AMEND CONSTITUTION**  
**THE BOB KANDELAS REFEREES' REFEREE**  
**TROPHY**

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It is proposed to amend section 20 of the constitution by deleting Clauses 20.8, 20.9 and 20.10 and replace them with the following Clauses 20.8 and 20.9.

- 20.7 The trophy shall be presented to a member of the Association annually at the Presentation Night.
- 20.8 The Appointments Board shall be responsible to give the most senior non-active member of the Executive at least three, but not more than six, names of referees that it feels best meets the criteria to receive the Bob Kandelas Referee's Trophy.
- 20.9 Each financial member of the Association shall be eligible to cast their vote on a ballot form. Such a ballot to be the responsibility of the most senior non-active member of the Executive who shall count the votes cast and arrange for the collection of the perpetual trophy, the purchase of the replica and the required engraving.

**CRITERIA** (To be used by Appointment Board in Selecting members)  
(Not included in the constitution)

1. Member must be an active referee
2. Member must attend at least 85% training
3. Member has a high standard of dress to games and judiciary
4. Member conducts themselves in a manner that brings credit to the Association at all games.
5. Member shows improvement in the standard of their refereeing.

MOVED by

Brett Lynch

SECONDED by

Don Courts

## MERIT AWARD

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The aim of the Merit Award Committee was to select the best person for the award having regard to the nature of the duties performed, the standard of the work performed and the personal qualities of all those who were under consideration. The year, as in the past years, meant that several people were under close consideration.

The Jack Harris Merit Award winner this year has displayed admirably all of the qualities needed to receive this most prestigious award. He is a "Quiet Achiever" who has assisted numerous members, both senior and junior, to attain their goals, both on and off the field.

Congratulations to **TREVOR SPERRING** on achieving this award. You have given us your time, expertise and encouragement and we express our appreciation for your efforts.

**DON COURTS, JACK HARRIS, PETER KERR**  
Merit Award Committee



# LIFE MEMBERSHIP

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Life membership is the highest and most prestigious honour that can be bestowed upon a referee. To be awarded Life Membership, it is necessary to have attained a minimum of ten years continuous membership.

Listed below are the members who are eligible and have accepted their nomination.

## JOHN JORDAN

John joined the Association in 1985. In this time he has been closely involved in the development of referees, particularly in his work as Coaching Director and Advisory Panel Member.

▶ Assistant Social Secretary	1988
▶ Social Committee Member	1988/89/90
▶ Coaching Director	1988 to 1995
▶ Jack Harris Merit Aware Winner	1988, 1990
▶ Assistant Secretary	1989
▶ Advisory Panel Member	1991/92/93/94/95
▶ Development Panel Member	1994/95
▶ Internal Auditor	1994/95

## RAY STEELE

Ray joined the Association in 1980, he has refereed all grades from U/6's - A Grade Division 1 Grand Final.

▶ Development Panel Member	1992/92/94/95
▶ Appointments Board Member	5 years
▶ Advisory Panel Member	4 years
▶ Social Committee Member	2 years
▶ Junior League Delegate	1 year
▶ Gear Steward	1 year
▶ Bob Kandelas Trophy Winner	1992

## BILL LOVELL

Bill joined the Association in 1985, in this time he has been closely involved with school football.

▶ Schools Committee Member	1989/90/91
▶ Development Panel Member	1992/93/94

# DOWN THROUGH THE YEARS

## EXECUTIVE MEMBERS SINCE 1967

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YEAR	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
1967	J. Harris	M. Edwards	L. Brennan
1968	J. Harris	M. Edwards	L. Brennan
1969	J. Harris	M. Edwards	L. Brennan
1970	E. Mitchell	M. Edwards	L. Brennan
1971	J. Harris	M. Edwards	L. Brennan
1972	J. Harris	J. Turner	L. Brennan
1973	J. Harris	J. Turner	L. Brennan
1974	D. Courts	J. Turner	H. Creighton
1975	D. Courts	B. Kendall	H. Creighton
1976	D. Courts	B. Kendall	H. Creighton
1977	B. Kandelas	B. Kendall	H. Creighton
1978	J. Harris	H. Reedy	H. Creighton
1979	K. French	H. Reedy	H. Creighton
1980	K. French	H. Reedy	H. Creighton
1981	H. Reedy	J. Turner	H. Creighton
1982	H. Reedy	S. Tyrrell	H. Creighton
1983	J. Harris	P. Filmer	S. Tyrrell
1984	J. Harris	P. Filmer	S. Tyrrell
1985	N. Cahill	G. Haines	B. Cowan
1986	D. Courts	G. Haines	P. Filmer
1987	D. Courts	M. Lynch	P. Filmer
1988	D. Courts	G. Haines	P. Filmer
1989	D. Courts	G. Haines	P. Filmer
1990	A. Danks	G. Haines	M. Lynch
1991	A. Danks	G. Haines	M. Kerr
1992	A. Danks	G. Haines	M. Kerr
1993	A. Danks	G. Haines	G. Haines
1994	A. Danks	A. Butler/C. Williams	S. McFarlane
1995	G. Haines	S. McFarlane	A. Jones

### A GRADE GRAND FINAL REFEREES

1967	D. Courts	1977	B. Izzard	1987	G. Haines
1968	D. Courts	1978	K. Hogan	1988	G. Haines
1969	D. Courts	1979	B. Izzard	1989	G. Haines
1970	M. Beacroft	1980	K. Hogan	1990	G. Haines
1971	B. Kandelas	1981	K. Hogan	1991	K. Evans
1972	B. Kendall	1982	J. Mewett	1992	K. Evans
1973	K. French	1983	M. Bunnage	1993	B. Lynch
1974	K. French	1984	P. Filmer	1994	B. Lynch
1975	N. Cahill	1985	A. Butler	1995	R. Steele
1976	T. Murphy	1986	M. Bunnage		



# PENRITH REFEREES ASSOCIATION

## JUNIOR BRANCH

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### H O N O U R   R O L L

#### MICHAEL GRADY MERIT AWARD

1976 Steve Tyrrell  
1977 John Birrell  
1978 Brad McGarry  
1979 Dean Parkin  
1980 Peter Sutherland  
1981 Paul Quinn  
1982 Tom Peot  
1983 Tony Crane  
1984 Chris Kolkman  
1985 Brett Wright  
1986 David Quinn  
1987 Jason Robinson  
1988 John McDonald  
1989 Russell Turner  
1990 Jason Robinson  
1991 Greg Banks  
1992 Matthew Brennan  
1993 Paul Carter  
1994 Shannen Lewis  
1995 Lisa Nattress

#### REG NEWSOME TROPHY

1982 Chris Green  
1983 Paul Blunt  
1984 David Quinn  
1985 Brett Wright  
1986 David Bonham  
1987 Jason Robinson  
1988 Sarelle Woodward  
1989 Brett Gainsford  
1990 Greg Banks  
1991 Brendan Egan  
1992 Troy Priest  
1993 Ricky McFarlane  
1994 Brett Harding  
1995 Rebecca Lea

### OFFICE BEARERS 1995

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<b>Patrons:</b>	Jason Robinson, Malcolm Brown
<b>President:</b>	Nigel Mills
<b>Vice President:</b>	Greg Yates
<b>Secretary:</b>	Ricky McFarlane
<b>Assistant Secretary:</b>	David Butler
<b>Snr Branch Delegate:</b>	Melissa Yates
<b>Merit Award Committee:</b>	Nigel Mills, Melissa Yates, Greg Yates

## MICHAEL GRADY MERIT AWARD

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The 1995 season was a very good one for the Junior Branch and the selection of a winner of the Michael Grady Merit Award was a very difficult task indeed. The task was not made any easier by the large increase in numbers during the year.

The members of the Committee took into account several factors in determining the winner for 1995. It was essential to consider the member's contribution to the promotion of the Junior Branch, commitment to refereeing and, most importantly pride in being a member of the Association.

Several members came into consideration for the Merit Award and any one of three or four members would have been deserving winners for 1995. After a lot of consultation, consideration and deliberation, the Committee decided a fitting recipient would be **LISA NATTRESS**.

Lisa attended meetings, refereed on Saturdays and Sundays and was rewarded with appointment to the Under 7 Division 5 Grand Final.

She is a good listener and received many favourable reports for her performances during the season. Most importantly her manner both on and off the field is a credit to the Junior Branch and the Association.

Congratulations Lisa and to all juniors - the rewards are certainly there if you are prepared to put in the effort.

MELISSA YATES   NIGEL MILLS   GREG YATES  
THE MICHAEL GRADY MERIT AWARD COMMITTEE



## PATRONS REPORT JUNIOR BRANCH

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It gives me great pleasure to introduce the Junior Report as patron for 1995. I was very proud that the Junior members chose two ex-juniors as their patrons this year.

Being a Junior Referee and a member of the Junior Branch is more than just being a member of the Association who is under the age of eighteen. It is the opportunity for you, as young adults, to have an active role in the running of your association and things that affect you in your refereeing career. The Junior executive one year, may be the executive of the Association in years to come.

The friendships and rivalries gained as a Junior member are also things to be treasured. The competition and mateship among all juniors will lead the way for you to become better referees. Knowing that you must perform so that your mate won't catch you only improves the standard across the Junior Branch and through the Association as a whole.

Possibly the most important reason that the Junior Branch exists is to foster the younger and newer referees. I can thank the fact that I was nurtured as a Junior Referee and that is why I am able to referee at the level I am at. To make any junior a better referee the seniors must take an active role in advising the new referees. The "older" and more experienced juniors need to lead the example and the new referee needs to heed advice and strive to become better. This will make us all a stronger and more professional team.

Once the Junior Branch got off the ground this year you were a strong team. Congratulations to your Executive and other committee holders. Nigel Mills (President), Greg Yates (Vice President), Ricky McFarlane (Secretary) and David Butler (Assistant Secretary) all did a great job in running the Junior Branch. To my knowledge none of them had held a position on the Executive Committee prior to this year but they still performed very professionally.

Congratulations also to Melissa Yates whose concise, very concise, delegates reports kept the Juniors that bit better informed.

An enormous congratulations must go to the recipients of the two Junior Awards and Lisa Natrass (Junior Merit Award Winner) worked hard to improve her refereeing all through the year. When I first saw Lisa referee she had a little bit of talent but lacked lots of confidence. She trained hard all year, attended the Junior meetings and took any advice that was offered. When I saw her referee during the Saturday Grand Finals Lisa had lots of confidence and a great deal of talent. Lisa is a most worthy recipient of the award and is a credit to the Junior Branch and herself.

Likewise, Rebecca Lea (Junior Merit Award Winner) was a very hard worker. I saw Rebecca improve game after game and would go forward in leaps and bounds after every bit of help she was offered. Rebecca enjoyed her refereeing so much this year that she let her Grand Final go into extra time. That's dedication.

Both Rebecca and Lisa have so much to offer in the future as referees, and for them to receive these awards in a predominantly male dominated sport, should make all referees strive to improve themselves.

As the Junior Branch was resurrected this year so too was the infamous Senior vs Junior Rugby League Match. Thanks to Greg Yates who was the Junior Representative on "The Committee". Led by Ricky "Captain Courageous" McFarlane, the Juniors played hard but fair football. I can't say that we were out classed but the Juniors went down gallantly to a much, much, much older senior team. Thanks to everyone who turned up to make the day a success and played in the best spirit. Hopefully the tradition will continue for years to come. Special thanks also to Melissa, Jenny and Yvonne who "officiated ?" on the day. You're lucky the appointments board wasn't there.

1995 saw a very strong, very talented Junior Branch. Hopefully next year the Junior Branch will continue to grow so that we gain more and more talented, young referees. With the support of the seniors and the commitment of the Juniors this can happen. Most, if not all, of the Juniors officiated in some capacity during the Saturday Grand Finals. That achievement gives everyone something to work hard for next season.

In closing a big thanks to all the parents. Without your support we couldn't have a successful Junior Branch but most of all congratulations and thank you to the Junior Members. You made it work, now you have to keep it going.

Thanking you for the proud opportunity to serve as Junior Patron.

Yours in Sport,

**JASON ROBINSON**



# 1995 GRAND FINAL APPOINTMENTS

## SATURDAY GRAND FINALS

GRADE	DIVN	REFEREE	TOUCH JUDGES
Under 6	1	T Sperring	Y Steele / N Mills
Under 6	2	S Lewis	Y Steele / L Nattress
Under 6	3	M Pritchard	J Kearnes / V Namouski
Under 6	4	Y Steele	T Sperring / L Nattress
Under 6	5	J Kearnes	M Pritchard / A Tretton
Under 7	1	J Cunningham	P Lea / R Lea
Under 7	2	B Beveridge	J Edwards / P Browne
Under 7	3	C Dury	P Lea / R Lea
Under 7	4	P Browne	J Edwards / J Jordon
Under 7	5	L Nattress	T Sperring / Y Steele
Under 8	1	A Denegate	S Cook / J Cunningham
Under 8	2	B Cooper	P Dumas / J Jordon
Under 8	3	S Cook	A Denegate / C Dury
Under 8	4	P Lea	J Edwards / D Butler
Under 8	5	R Lea	D Reynolds / C Dury
Under 8	6	J Jordon	J Edwards / B Cooper
Under 9	1	P Dumas	D Wouters / D Reynolds
Under 9	2	D Butler	B Dickinson / B Beveridge
Under 9	3	D Reynolds	D Wouters / A Denegate
Under 9	4	B Dickinson	J Jordon / D Butler
Under 9	5	D Wouters	A Denegate / J Cunningham
Under 9	6	P Browne	D Butler / S Cook
Under 10	1	B Harding	G Bond / C Wouters
Under 10	2	B Lovell	G Bond / G Priest
Under 10	3	G Devine	M Yates / R Moffit
Under 10	4	G Bond	B Lovell / B Harding
Under 10	5	M Yates	G Devine / M Ryan
Under 11	1	J Osborne	S Fellon / R Moffit
Under 11	2	S Fallon	G Devine / M Ryan
Under 11	3	J Maggio	M Ryan / J Osborne
Under 11	4	R Moffit	J Maggio / R Steele
Under 11	5	R Steele	J Osborne / G Devine
Under 11	6	M Ryan	S Fallon / J Maggio
Under 12	1	M Duncan	G Yates / R McFarlane
Under 12	2	G Yates	B Harding / G Priest
Under 12	3	R McFarlane	M Duncan / C Wouters
Under 12	4	G Priest	G Yates / M Duncan
Under 12	5	C Wouters	B Harding / B Lovell
Under 13	1	T Priest	C Heinemeyer / P Williamson
Under 13	2	C Heinemeyer	T Priest / P Williamson
Under 13	3	P Williamson	V Naumouski / M Pritchard
Under 13	4	V Noumouski	T Priest / A Tretton
Under 13	5	A Tretton	J Emms / J Kearnes
Under 14	1	J Yates	G Faltore / S Lewis
Under 14	2	S Lewis	G Flatore / N Mills
Under 14	3	N Mills	G Flatore / J Yates
Under 14	4	J Emms	S Lewis / J Yates

# 1995 GRAND FINAL APPOINTMENTS

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## SUNDAY GRAND FINALS

GRADE	DIVN	REFEREE	TOUCH JUDGES
Under 15	1	C Radford	S Lewis / G Yates
Under 15	2	C Heinemeyer	S Gillett / Y Steele
Under 16	1	W Tricker	A Tretton / M Duncan
Under 16	2	J Lavin	N Mills / T Priest
Under 18	1	A Jones	J Yates / J Emms
Under 18	2	S McFarlane	P Scibberas / D Camilleri
A/Res	1	J Robinson (jnr)	A Shillito / J Negle
A/Res	2	M Brown	J Robinson / P Williamson
A Grade	1	R Steele	G Priest / G Jankowski
A Grade	2	R Turner	F Lucas / D Toby



## MEETING ATTENDANCE 1995

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G. Banks	2
B. Beveridge	8
M. Brown	5
P. Browne	9
P. Butler	8

D. Camilleri	1
P. Carter	5
N. Cahill	9
D. Courts	9

T. Danks	3
B. Davies	3
A. Dengate	1
B. Dickenson	7

J. Emms	5
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K. French	8
P. Filmer	2
S. Fallon	2

G. Haines	9
J. Hammonds	2
J. Harris	8
G. Heinemeyer	5

G. Jankowski	8
A. Jones	8
J. Jordan	9

J. Kearnes	9
J. Kelly	8
P. Kerr	7

J. Lavin	5
S. Lewis	9
W. Lovell	1
F. Lucas	5
B. Lynch	5

J. Maggio	3
L. Manuel	9
R. Manuel	1
S. McFarlane	9
R. McFarlane	2
A. Moran	3
R. Moffit	4
C. Morrissey	7

L. Natrass	6
V. Naumovski	7
R. Newsome	1

G. Priest	3
T. Priest	1
M. Prowse	2

C. Radford	2
D. Reynolds	6
Jason Robinson	8
John Robinson	8
M. Ryan	5

P. Sanders	8
A. Shillito	4
J. Skinner	6
T. Sperring	9
R. Steele	3
Y. Steele	3
S. Tibbetts	9
D. Toby	9
R. Turner	2

M. Warnock	2
C. Williams	5
M. Williams	1
P. Williamson	4
B. Woodhead	1
C. Wouters	7
D. Wouters	5

G. Yates	7
J. Yates	8
M. Yates	6
T. Yates	2



## THE 1996 REFEREES' DIARY

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The dates listed below are subject to ratification by the Annual General Meeting. All meetings to be held at Howell Oval unless otherwise advised, Junior meetings commence 7.00pm, Senior meetings at 7.30pm.

March 11	Adjourned Annual General Meeting Junior Branch Annual General Meeting
April	Saturday Competition Begins
April	Sunday Competition Begins
April 8	General Meeting
May 13	General Meeting
June 10	General Meeting
July 8	General Meeting
August 2	Ladies Night
August 12	General Meeting
August	Saturday Grand Finals
Sept 9	General Meeting
Sept	Sunday Divn 1 Grand Finals
Oct 14	Presentation Night / General Meeting
Nov 25	Annual General Meeting
Dec	Christmas Tree



