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PENRITH DISTRICT RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE
REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

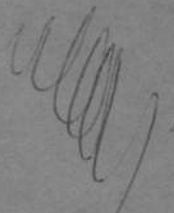
SIXTH
ANNUAL REPORT
AND
BALANCE SHEET
SEASON 1972

TO BE PRESENTED AT THE

ANNUAL MEETING

ON

FRIDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1973



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President

L. BRENNAN
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S. CAREY, C. WIGZELL

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H. CREIGHTON

Delegate to Junior League:

B. KANDELAS

Social Secretary:

T. MURPHY

Publicity Officer:

J. BISHOP

Social Committee:

H. CREIGHTON, T. DANKS, G. SAMS, B. KANDELAS,
K. PICKARD

Coaching Officer:

B. KANDELAS

Appointments Board:

R. KANDELAS, L. MANUEL, K. FRENCH, B. KENDALL,
J. TURNER, T. MURPHY, S. CALLAGHAN,
D. COURTS (Resigned), T. ELLIS (Resigned)

Auditors:

D. TANSEY, B. AYRES

Merit Award Committee:

J. TURNER, B. KANDELAS, D. COURTS, B. CAMERON

L. BRENNAN

Schools Committee:

B. CAMERON (Resigned), K. FRENCH

PENRITH DISTRICT RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

January, 1973.

Dear Sir,

The Annual Meeting of the Penrith District Rugby Football League Referees' Association will be held at St. Dominic's College, Parker Street, Penrith, on FRIDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1973, commencing at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

You are invited to be in attendance.

BUSINESS:

1. Minutes.
2. Correspondence.
3. Annual Report and Balance Sheet.
4. Election of Officers.
5. Election of Life Member.
6. Election of Appointments Board.
7. Election of Merit Award Committee.
8. Committee Reports.
9. General Business.

J. TURNER,
Hon. Secretary.

REPORT FROM THE PATRONS

Recent broadcasts and films of World Cup games overseas have been highlighted by fundamental mistakes in refereeing. Let us not be over-critical, as mistakes of **great importance** have occurred, as we say "in our own backyard". As Season 1973 dawns on us, let us resolve very firmly to make an effort to eliminate mistakes and to do our utmost to strive for the perfection that brings the admiration of players, spectators and officials and the complete satisfaction, that every efficient referee feels at the end of a game. Be at your **peak** of fitness when the trials **commence**. Study your rule book well and you'll be able to rule efficiently on points as they occur. Best wishes for a satisfactory Season in 1973. Congratulations to your Grade members for their service in 1972.

STEVE CAREY,
Patron.

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Another milestone has been added to the history of the Association in the passing season 1972, to which one can say added success to all concerned.

The administration of the Association was carried out in a most proficient manner by the officers of the Association, to which we must congratulate them.

To the active Referees we extend our sincere congratulations as to their various appointments throughout the year, and may we add that they go on to higher appointments in the future, but this can only be achieved by endeavouring to improve in their determination to carry on their duties as referees.

A very fine award was introduced for the benefit of all members of the Association, "The Jack Harris Merit Award" of which the conducting of this award is explained by the Secretary in his report. However, we must convey our sincere congratulations to Bob Kandelas for being first recipient of the award, and also the honour of having his name taking pride of place on the award.

In conclusion, may we all look forward to the coming season for continuing success for the Association in general.

C. E. WIGZELL,
Patron.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE SEASON 1972

Gentlemen,

In reviewing the past season you must look upon it as the most successful and gratifying we have had so far.

The example was set by our graded members, who proved to be the most consistent of the affiliated bodies, with Barry Barnes attaining 1st Grade honours, Merv Edwards and Mick Beacroft reaching 2nd Grade status, and Jack Turner doing the Second Division Grand Final touch. I was fortunate this season to witness many of you in action and was particularly pleased with standards shown in the Grand Finals. However, I feel that the style of our district is changing and there is a definite need for improvement in our positional refereeing which will add the polish required to have more of our members added to the graded ranks. With this problem checked and the passing on of experience gained by our graded members, all can look to the future with confidence.

Congratulations to Bob Kandelas on being the first winner of our merit award, a most popular and well deserved winner. The real winner, I feel, is the Association, by the comments passed by you, the members, as to the spirit the award will be competed for in the future years, the success of the Association is assured.

The Social Committee worked most efficiently under the guidance of the Social Secretary, Trevor Murphy. On your behalf I extend to these members our thanks, although I feel that their most just rewards could be more co-operation by the members in answering correspondence and attending functions.

With the Junior League and District Club we have had the fullest co-operation and support; the two most prominent points gained by the Association were the deletion of the appointments board as a sub-committee of the Junior League, and its constitution and election being under our control. The second point was the handling of finances, the first under control of the District Club, due to their co-operation with the Junior League enabled you to be paid for the first time at our final meeting. May the good will and co-operation between the three bodies continue in the common cause of propagating and promotion of the greatest game of all.

To conclude, behind a successful Association there has to be a solid committee. To these people whose dedication and work was the foundation to our success, thank you and may you enjoy the good health to carry on for many years to come.

Congratulations to all for the success of 1972, and best wishes towards your ambitions in 1973.

J. HARRIS,
President.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR THE SEASON 1972

Mr. Chairman and Fellow Members,

Submitted for your approval and adoption is your Annual Report and Balance Sheet for the Season 1972.

And what of 1972? For the Association and the members, a year of substantial progress both on and off the field. For most members a year of personal triumph whilst for others a year of possible disappointment. To those who enjoyed triumph and good fortune, I say "Well done!" as it was your success which helped the Association to reach and maintain the high standard of refereeing which exists within the Penrith District. To those who witnessed disappointment, I put forward this quotation "Above all, persevere, let your disappointment be incentive to try that much harder during 1973", because I am of the opinion that the margin which separated the successful from the unsuccessful was very small indeed.

The Association's first meeting in 1972 saw a good roll up of members, and possibly the biggest roll up of V.I.P.'s since the Association started.

From the Head Body came Ossie Cohen, Treasurer N.S.W.R.F.L.R.A. and Frank Walsh. From the District Club, Secretary Roger Cowan, and Committeeman Pat Cleary, for the Junior League, President Stan Morris and Secretary Tom Ellis. From the Schools Committee, President John Williams and Secretary Frank Ley, and of course our ever-green Patrons, Cyril Wiggell and Steve Carey. It was a pleasure to welcome so many people to the meeting, and we thank them all for their attendance. To HIGHLIGHT the evening, all the V.I.P.'s were entertained by the members at a convivial after the meeting concluded.

A significant step for all Associations during 1972 was the introduction of 18 year old referees into the senior ranks, and everyone will agree that all the young members of the PENRITH ASSOCIATION acquitted themselves very well. I feel that a special mention should go to Tony Danks, who, in his first year in the senior ranks, refereed A Reserve Grade, and I am sure that everyone will agree, a very notable performance indeed.

The Junior League, 1972. A truly great season and one upon which they should be congratulated. Their progress since the inaugural year has gone ahead in large leaps and bounds and has indeed kept the Referees' Association working to full capacity. Although whilst working well together during the season a few riffs did occur between us, but after getting together we were able to iron out these differences and set our sights upon the one common goal for which we were working, that being the betterment of Rugby League within the Penrith District.

1972 saw the District Club and the Referees' Association further cement their relationship with each other. They, the District Club, on several occasions, expressed their confidence in the Association in the manner in which they listened to our suggestions on matters concerning the Association and more important, Rugby League in general within the Penrith District and we, the Referees' Association, thank the District Club for their confidence, their understanding and their time.

We further hope that 1973 is the year of the Panther.

The Schools Committee once again proved their worth by the manner in which they conducted school boy Rugby League Football within the Penrith District, and should the N.S.W. Rugby League discontinue the 6 to 11 year age group football within Junior League and it surely looks that way, the Schools Committee's task must surely become greater, to ensure that the younger boys within their schools maintain their interest in this great game of Rugby League, and not be lost to other codes.

The School Boys' Knockout Competition, as in the past, went off without a hitch and proved to be the biggest and best yet. Also during the 1972 season several rounds of University Shield were conducted by the Schools Committee, the highlight being the two quarter-finals played at Penrith Park later during the season. The Referees' Association was very happy to be able to assist in staging these important matches and hope to be able to continue the support during 1973.

1972 saw the first award of the Jack Harris Trophy. This trophy was introduced for the first time this season and is conducted along the following lines: Any member in the Association, who, in the opinion of the Merit Awards Committee, having carried out outstanding and meritorious service within the Association during the current Rugby League Season, becomes eligible for the Merit Award. Each member is awarded points for various acts, such as attendance at meetings, standing and working in the various Association positions and on Committees, attendance at social functions, refereeing ability, dress and bearing. All these points are added together to help to determine the winner. Our first winner in the initial year of the award was decided after several hard thoughtful meetings, and went to the ever popular and hard working member, Bob Kandelas. Congratulations, Bob, on behalf of the members and myself. The Executive Committee hopes to see some of the younger brigade strive to win this award as it is recognised, second only to the Life Membership Honour.

Of our five nominations for the inter-district competitions, four were successful and appointed to officiate during the season. Those successful were Barry Kendall, Keith French, Noel McCallister and Trevor Murphy. All these members are to be congratulated upon the efficient way they carried out their appointment. Our graded numbers increased by one during the season, Bob Kandelas gaining the honour of our other graded members. Barry Barnes has refereed First Grade and has made every post

a winner. Merv Edwards and Mick Beacroft were appointed to Reserve Grade, whilst our newest member, Bob Kandelas, performed creditably during his first year. Of the other two graded members not mentioned so far, I suppose you could call them the old brigade (JOHN BEING THE OLDEST), all I can say is that both of us have wholeheartedly enjoyed our year of football.

The social activities of the Association under the guidance of Trevor Murphy and his Committee, again proved successful, although one must admit to a little disappointment at the manner in which some members replied, or should I say, did not reply to circulars sent out regarding the social calendar. Remember, fellas, to ensure that the functions continue to be successful your co-operation is needed, both in replying to the circulars, so that arrangements can be made to ensure you enjoy yourselves, and of course your continuing attendance at the functions arranged.

Our first ever nominations night proved to be a big success, with almost every position within the Association being contested. With this keen interest shown by you, the members, the future of the Association is really assured.

Members, before we let our memories of 1972 pass, let us pause in remembrance of the late George Bishop. "Bisho" as we all knew him, will be sadly missed by us all.

Once again our Coaching Officer, Bob Kandelas, and his small band of helpers, worked to full capacity throughout the year. Classes were once again conducted at two centres, St. Dominic's College and St. Pat's School. Of the 10 senior members who were coached for their ticket, 7 were successful, and of the 25 school boys, 21 were successful. The members of the Association thank Bob and his small group for a job well done.

Gentlemen, upon concluding, I must point out that I have not been able to cover all the important points that enabled the Association to flourish as it did during 1972, nor have I been able to mention all those members who did that little extra to ensure the Association profited, but to those members I express my wholehearted thanks. Further, I would like to thank my fellow executives for their assistance throughout the past year, but much more important, I must thank you, my fellow members, for the trust and co-operation I received during 1972.

It has been my pleasure to serve you.

JACK TURNER,
Hon. Secretary.

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT, 1972

Gentlemen,

I submit this report of the social activities for the season 1972, for your perusal.

The support for social functions held this year was a big improvement on last season and was much appreciated by your Social Committee. It was mainly a year of "thank you's."

Here is a short run-down of the social activities:—

Our first function, the supper dance at Blacktown Workers Club, on the 5th May, was well attended and enjoyed.

Once again we catered for the School Boys' Knock-Out Competition, and many referees pitched in to lend a hand.

Following that came our first family ten-pin bowling night, which proved to be an outstanding success, and I hope will become a regular social event.

On the 11th August we had our "Social Event" of the year — the Annual Ladies' Night, held once again at the Blacktown Bowling Club. This year, our Secretary, Jack Turner, was presented with his Life Membership Blazer. For a change we had Mr. Bill Bailey with his magic act, to entertain members and guests, and this was well received. The barn dance proved to be the success of the night, with M.C. Herb Creighton "ad-libbing" us into all sorts of situations to win some great prizes. So we danced till the early hours, keeping in mind our refereeing duties on the following day (?). The Social Committee worked hard to help make this night the success it was and I give them a big thank you once again. Also to Mrs. Kendall, and all the little Kendalls, who made a great swag of decorations for the hall, and her husband (you know who) who made the flags. Not to be forgotten, Mrs. Sams and Mrs. Reedy for the floral decorations.

The Family Sports Day - Barbecue, held at the Workers' Ground, had a good roll up. It is hoped to have a few more games in future such days, following this, our first attempt.

The cricket match with St. George became a victim of the wet spell and was cancelled, much to the disappointment of our cricketing referees.

The Golf Day on the 5th November, with St. George, was fine, with a good roll up from Penrith (14 in all) and was much appreciated by St. George. Barry Kendall won the Bradman prize, with 135 not out! and Barry (Burglar) Barnes took out the visitor's first prize. Next year he might use a ball.

Next came our Annual Xmas Picnic, again held at our hideaway at Yarramundi. The drizzly, overcast conditions held us up to a late start

**PENRITH DISTRICT RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE
REFEREES' ASSOCIATION**

BALANCE SHEET

INCOME

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Bank Balance, 1971	670.45
Membership Fees	119.00
Social Fees	195.00
Social Levies	1,661.10
Annual Ladies' Night	416.00
Junior - Senior Socials	426.00
Insurance	131.50
J. L. and Club Fees	14,297.50
Miscellaneous	139.60
Donations	25.00
 Total	 <u>18,081.15</u>

EXPENDITURE

	\$ c
Affiliations — N.S.W.R.A.	5.00
Printing, Postage, etc.	290.51
Phone	282.48
Floral Tributes	36.20
Donations, Presentations	60.98
Insurance	127.70
Referees' Fees	13,892.60
Junior - Senior Socials	544.66
Annual Ladies' Night	608.18
Xmas Tree Picnic, 1972	821.33
Outstanding Account, Toys, 1971	547.41
Sundry Miscellaneous	163.00
Badges	60.00
Life Membership Blazer	40.00
Bank Charges	41.70
 Bank Balance	 <u>17,521.75</u> 559.40
Total	<u>18,081.15</u>

This is to certify that we have examined the Accounts of the Penrith District Rugby Football League Referees' Association, and in our opinion they disclose a true statement of the affairs of the Association.

D. TANSEY, B. AYRES, Honorary Auditors.

on the races, but when things got under way, there was keen competition in all novelty events and races. As an extra treat for the kids, we invited our magician from the Ladies' Night, who really had them wanting more — and some of the "big kids" too!

The coveted trophies for Senior and Junior 100 metres were keenly contested, with the Junior race going to B. Hamilton. The Senior Final proved very exciting — a very close race going to Vern Hough by inches. Minor placings went to Keith Bridger and Hilton Beauchamp. Santa drew the spectators away from the track when he arrived in fine style to despatch his pile of goodies to the kiddies. Santa also received much appreciation from the ladies. Prizes of a giant stocking and a jar of nuts went to Mrs. Cahill and Mrs. Reedy. So, after a full day, we packed up and went home.

In closing, my report would not be complete without my sincere thanks to my out-going Social Committee. Their assistance was more than I could ask. Also my thanks must go to the Executive for all their willing help and all other members who helped in their own way, not to mention the Social Committee's wives who lent us their homes for our meetings.

T. MURPHY,
Social Secretary.



REFEREES' APPOINTMENT BOARD REPORT FOR 1972

Members: Bob Kandelas (Secretary), Len Manuel, Barry Kendall, Keith French, Jack Turner, Stan Callaghan, Trevor Murphy.

Season 1972 proved to be the busiest and most hectic ever for the Board. Lack of available referees, particularly for the Saturday competition, was our biggest problem. This, coupled with the fact that we were restricted to ten juniors, concerned us most of all.

During the year, an average of fifty referees were available on any one weekend, and with one hundred and twenty-five games spread over twenty-four grounds each Saturday, turned the Appointments Board into a logistics support group. Sunday proved somewhat easier, with thirty-six games on seventeen grounds.

Members of the Board covered sixty-three referees and submitted seven hundred reports. For the eighteen week season, this meant that each referee was reported on eleven times.

Withdrawals and alterations to appointments totalled one hundred and thirty-six.

Appreciation goes to:—

Those dedicated referees who made themselves available for trials, social games and inter-district fixtures, for which their only remuneration was the experience gained and the knowledge that they were assisting Rugby League in the Penrith District. Especially the members of the Junior branch.

Messrs. Jack Harris, Mick Beacroft and Don Courts for their co-opted assistance in the field.

Mr. Les Brennan, whose activities with the Junior Branch produced some outstanding results.

To all those associated with the compilation of draws for both Junior League and School Fixtures, for their co-operation and assistance.

My personal congratulations go to those referees who officiated in the Grand Finals. The standard of refereeing was indeed first class.

Last but not least, I would like to take this opportunity and thank the members of the Board for their support and dedication to the tremendous task they faced and sincerely hope that the experience gained and the lessons learnt in 1972, will be of assistance to, not only themselves and fellow referees, but to Rugby League in the Penrith District.

BOB KANDELAS,
Secretary.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Gentlemen,

The Executive Committee have much pleasure in placing before you the records of those members who were nominated and are eligible for Life Membership of the Association.

B. BARNES — Obtained ticket May, 1965. Active member of Parramatta Association 1965-1966. Active member Penrith 1967-69. Graded 1970. Active graded member 1970 until present time.

Attendance at meetings of Penrith Association.

1967	14 (16)	1970	11 (16)
1968	12 (15)	1971	12 (14)
1969	14 (15)	1972	11 (14)

Positions held:—

Parramatta Association:

Nil

Penrith Association:

Junior League Delegate, 1967.
Assistant Treasurer, 1968.
Assistant Secretary, 1969.
Assistant Treasurer, 1970.
Vice President and Appointments Board, 1971.
Vice President, 1972.

Total Years Membership: 7.

M. BEACROFT — Obtained ticket May, 1966. Active member of Parramatta Association, 1966. Active member of Penrith 1967 to 1970. Graded 1971. Active graded member 1971 until present time.

Attendance at meetings of Penrith Association.

1967	11 (16)	1970	15 (16)
1968	15 (15)	1971	13 (14)
1969	15 (15)	1972	13 (14)

Positions held:—

Parramatta Association:

Nil

Penrith Association:

Social Committee, 1967.
Assistant Treasurer and Social Committee, 1968.
Assistant Treasurer and Social Committee, 1969.
Assistant Secretary, 1970.
Assistant Secretary, 1971.
Assistant Secretary, 1972.

Total Years Membership: 7.

D. COURTS — Obtained ticket March, 1963. Active member Parramatta Association 1963-1966. Active member of Penrith 1967 to present time.

Attendance at meetings of Penrith Association.

1967	15 (16)	1970	14 (16)
1968	15 (15)	1971	11 (14)
1969	13 (15)	1972	13 (14)

Positions held:—

Parramatta Association:

Nil

Penrith Association:

Inaugural year, Deputy Junior League Delegate, 1966.
Vice President and Appointments Board, 1967.
Vice President and Appointments Board, 1968.
Vice President and Appointments Board, 1969.
Vice President, 1970.
Senior Vice President, 1971.
Senior Vice President, 1972.

Total Years Membership: 9.

M. EDWARDS — Obtained ticket June, 1963. Active member of Parramatta Association 1963-1966. Graded 1967. Active graded member 1967 until present time.

Attendance at meetings of Penrith Association.

1967	14 (16)	1970	15 (16)
1968	15 (15)	1971	5 (15)
1969	14 (15)	1972	11 (14)

Positions held:—

Parramatta Association:

Social Committee, 1964.
Social Committee, 1965.
Assistant Secretary, 1966.

Penrith Association:

Inaugural year, Secretary, 1966.
Secretary and Appointments Board, 1967.
Secretary and Appointments Board, 1968.
Secretary and Appointments Board, 1969.
Secretary and Appointments Board, 1970.

Total Years Membership: 9.

K. FRENCH — Obtained ticket January, 1960. Active member of Parramatta Association 1961-1966. Active member of Penrith 1967 to present time.

Attendance at meetings of Penrith Association.

1967	12 (16)	1970	13 (16)
1968	14 (15)	1971	13 (14)
1969	13 (15)	1972	12 (14)

Positions held:—

Parramatta Association:

Junior League Delegate, 1962.
Junior League Delegate, 1965.

Penrith Association:

Junior League Delegate Proxy,
1967.
Appointments Board, 1970.
Appointments Board, 1971.
Schools Committee Delegate and
Appointments Board, 1972.

Total Years Membership: 11.

**PENRITH DISTRICT REFEREES' GRAND FINALS
APPOINTMENTS, 1972.**

Grade	Referee	Touch Judges
A Grade	B. Kendall	T. Oxley - T. Murphy.
A Reserve Grade	K. French	N. Cahill - H. Reedy.
C Grade	W. McCallister	G. Sams - K. Pickard.
D Grade	K. Bridger	P. Sanders - Bro. B. Murphy.
D Res. Grade (Div 1)	T. Murphy	
D Res. Grade (Div. 2)	H. Reedy	
E Grade (Div. 1)	L. Brennan	
E Grade (Div. 2)	D. Courts	
E Grade (Div. 3)	K. Pickard	

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To all Members and their Families
who suffered sad losses during 1972,
we offer our deepest sympathy.

NEWS OF INTEREST

Appreciations to —

1. All those wives of the different Committees who offered their homes for the meetings held during 1972 and the suppers provided.
2. The Principal, Bro. Kirwan, of St. Dominic's College, and Bro. Murphy for their assistance and the use of the classrooms and facilities for our meetings.

3. Mr. M. Cartwright of St. Marys Florist, for the floral donations throughout 1972.
4. To Herb Creighton for his services at our Christmas Tree.
5. To all those members who offered the use of their vehicles to get the picnic wares to the picnic ground.
6. To Gordon Sams and his wife, Noel McCallister and his wife, for representing the Association at Club functions at very short notice.

CONGRATULATIONS:

To all those members and their wives who had additions to their families during 1972.

STOP PRESS: It would seem that Referees do make enemies. One prominent member of our Association (J.H.) tells this tale: Twice in as many days irate supporters drove their cars into his, one hitting him in the front and the other hitting him in the rear. But to cap it all our prominent referee (J.H.) continues that after finally being driven to riding a bike to work, some fool supporter run him into the gutter in Parramatta's main street where his wheel caught in a storm water grate. No imagination is needed to visualise the results.

Our prominent referees advice for the year:

1. Keep one eye on the rear vision mirror.
2. One eye on the road.
3. The other on the gutters.

**WHAT SOME OF OUR REFEREES ARE DOING DURING THE
OFF SEASON**

Don Courts: Studying hard for his B.Sc. and trying to talk his wife Barbie into letting him go on the Appointments Board.

Ray Manuel: Enjoying his stay in the Armed Forces. Ray states that he has learned several useful jobs for when he gets out, the most important being how to wash dishes. Useful when he gets married.

Mick Beacroft: Looks after 80 or so 9-year-old boys at the mini-athletics Saturday mornings. Oh, good luck, Mick.

Bob Kandelas: Swimming a couple of miles a week to stay fit, although I think he is secretly trying to keep up with his daughter, Allison.

Jim Bishop: Working hard at his business and secretly training in the hope of getting the U6 Grand Final touch for 1973.

Barry Kendall: Trimming off a few pounds in weight under the watchful eye of his best critic, his good wife.

Keith Bridger: Established himself in his new home and looks after his new Club.

Jack Harris: Taking lessons in dodge-em cars and push-bike riding.

PENRITH DISTRICT RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

Junior Branch

OFFICIALS FOR 1972

Patrons: Mr. L. MANUEL, Mr. B. KANDELAS, Mr. R. MULOCK,
Mr. R. COWAN

President:	Senior Vice-President:	Secretary:
M. SOOKEE	A. MANUEL	G. MANUEL

Junior Vice-President:	Assistant Secretary:
W. DILLWORTH	P. NEWTON

JUNIOR BRANCH REPORT

Gentlemen,

It is with great pleasure I submit this my first report.

We of the Junior Branch can look back with pride on the 1972 season.

Our immediate past Secretary on joining the senior ranks, covered himself with renown. After refereeing top "C" grades he then progressed to a regular "A" Reserve referee. Congratulations, Tony.

In 1972 we achieved the distinction of having 10 of our members promoted to regular Junior League appointments, including E Grade, with some running touches in higher grades. This is the first factual indication of our members being appointed on their ability a change from being the early Saturday morning risers.

Again our members figured in Junior League semi-finals and finals, namely W. Dillworth, P. Hancock, B. Hart, G. Manuel, G. Haines, M. Sookee, P. Newton, I. Foote, W. Hamilton.

In Penrith v. Ipswich Tests, G. Haines, P. Newton, A. Manuel, M. Sookee.

To those who were not fortunate enough to achieve these honours, commiserations; keep trying and the reward will be yours.

As in the past, members participated with success in the Convent Competition, "Our Training School" for the past six years.

One must not lose sight of the fact that the record of achievements of our members only reflects the amount of hard work put in by the Appointments Board since our inception. To them my personal thanks.

The attendance of our patron and members of the senior branch at the monthly meetings was very pleasing and deeply appreciated. Attendance at meetings by members is very important even though ignored in some appointments for finals.

I feel mention must be made of the social functions arranged for our members during the season; they were most enjoyable.

Our thanks to T. Radonikis for his visit, though in future more thought could be given to dates, to avoid clashing with previously arranged district functions.

To my fellow officers my appreciation for your help and assistance during 1972.

May all members, junior and senior, have a pleasant and successful year in 1973.

G. MANUEL,

Hon. Secretary.

For and on behalf of the Junior Branch.



RESULTS OF BALLOT, 1973

Life Member: *Coats*

Patrons: *Cohen Cullen Coey Wiggan*

President:

Senior Vice-President:

Secretary:

Treasurer:

Vice-Presidents:

Assistant Secretary:

Assistant Treasurer:

N.S.W.R.F.L. Referees' Association Delegates:

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Proxy

Junior League Delegates: 1

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Social Secretary: *J. Murphy*

Social Committee:

Schools Committee Delegates:

Merit Award Committee

Auditors:

Publicity Officer:

Coaching Officer:

Appointments Board