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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This year without a doubt has been our most successful season for quite some time, highlighted by the appearance of the Waratah side in the 3rd grade grand final, and the wins of all three grades on four separate occasions. Unfortunately, we were not able to hold the 3rd grade premiership trophy aloft being beaten 10-0, however, all players gave their most and as a team proved more than worthy grand finalists.

Both 1st and 2nd Grade improved their standing on the competition table from last years. The Seconds finished 7th and proved to be a formidable combination whenever they took the field. First grade finished the competition in 9th position and but for a number of games lost by a handful of points would have finished a lot higher. Unfortunately their true form was only seen in the latter half of the second round with wins over Bowral (6-3), Port Kembla (9-6), Weerona (30-4), Shamrocks (10-3, 1980 Premiers), a draw with this years premiers Vikings (3-3), and a narrow loss to grand finalists Teachers College (8-6). If player strength can be maintained in '82 I am confident we will again field three strong sides, and with the taste of a grand final appearance this year, we will realise our potential as a premiership winning club.

The success of the club this year with no doubt lies on the shoulders of the three coaches, Paul Murray, Mick Wilkins and John Dawson. The skills imparted by these men, together with the unfailing determination of John Dawson to produce the fittest 'Tahs ever, proved the solid foundation on which this years pleasing results were based. Their dedication and winning attitude was reflected by all players, and was finally rewarded by the selection of six Waratahs in the Illawarra U/21 side.

My thanks to all members, especially Johnny Edwards (whose contacts seemed unlimited) who bolstered our playing strength this year by asking their mates to try rugby with the Waratahs. Remember, there are rugby players about, usually they just have to be introduced to a club — as members we form our own Waratah introduction agency.

The club executive was also particularly active this year, investigating various proposals for our own ground in the future. To this end a Special General Meeting was held midway through the year and it was decided to raise debentures of \$100 units to help secure our



JIM PETTIT

future. For years we have all dreamt of our own sporting complex, without putting the wheels in motion to make this dream a reality. Now we have the chance, it is up to us as members to "grab the bull by the horns" and work to reach this goal.

A number of positions were revamped at this years A.G.M. Both Ian Kent (Chairman of Match and Grounds) and John Hart (Chairman of Finance Committee) and their committees worked long and hard this season. My thanks to all sub-committees and the ladies in the canteen for their untiring efforts, without which the successful running of the Club would not be possible. My congratulations to all office bearers, especially Wayne Collard and Graeme Collinson-Smith, both of whom fulfilled district positions as Registrar and Junior Vice President respectively.

The social committee, capably led by Steve Creenaune, besides stocking the canteen every Saturday, organised our best Annual Ball for many years. Around 250 people attended with everybody having a top time (see Steve's report). Congratulations for a job well done.

Again the club extends its appreciation to Registrars Lou Whant and Wayne Collard, Gear Steward Tony Johnston, Medicos Ron Wessel and Mick Wilkins, Chairman of Selectors Peter Boyd, Water Man Johnny Palmer and all team managers and selectors for the excellent manner in which they carried out their duties. My special thanks to Bob Mackellor who as statistician made the selectors job that much easier, and Graeme Collinson-Smith for the publication of our regular newsletters and the editing and printing of the Year Book. It is through Graeme's determination that the 'Tahs performances were well publicised in all the local papers.

My special thanks to Treasurer Gary Graham and Secretary Brian Leo for the application and fervour in which they fulfilled their positions. I sincerely hope that both men will consider filling these positions again next year.

May I also extend the Club's appreciation to the Illawarra Master Builders Club and the Oxford Hotel for their continued patronage, to all our sponsors and subscribers for their continued support and to Lord Mayor Frank Arkell for his personal assistance and guidance throughout the year.

Finally, may I thank you for the honour of being President of the Waratah Rugby Club, and wish all members and their families a healthy and happy year ahead. Above all, let us build on the foundations laid this year, Red and Black can be winners, all we need is the belief in ourselves as winners.



"Oh Jim, that tickles."

## TREASURER'S REPORT

The Committee's aim was to make 1981 a year of financial consolidation for the Waratahs, to ensure a firm foundation for the future. I sincerely hope that everyone who contributed to the Club's finances during the year saw our efforts in that light.

I would like to thank every person who bought a 500 Club or Calcutta ticket, or even a ticket in a chook raffle, for supporting the red and blacks. I will be happy to present a full financial statement of the club's operations in 1981 at the Annual General Meeting in February.

My thanks to:

1. Our major sponsors, the Oxford Hotel and the Illawarra Master Builders Club.
2. All advertisers in the yearbook and in the monthly newsletters. Please support the business people who support the Waratahs.
3. My fellow Committee members, especially Jim and Bryan.
4. Steve Creenaune and his social committee for a first-class (and profitable) canteen operation.
5. Team managers Bob McKellar, Rod Coleshill and John Palmer with special thanks to John for his efforts as match day manager.

On reflection my initial year as Treasurer has at times been frustrating, but never dull. Now that I have some knowledge of what is required, I urge all players and supporters to assist in whatever way they can to run the club in 1982. Get involved. It can be very rewarding.

An item of late news:

As an example of the "rewards" mentioned above, I have now received an offer from Garry Vann to act as my assistant and collect all the money in 1982. Hmm . . .

GARY GRAHAM.



Treasurer's Assistant: Dennis Cadauro — youngest first grader (17 years).



GARY GRAHAM . . . Treasurer



A perfect scrum — tight, low and we are winning the ball.



Gary in action. Club Secretary Bryan Leo assisting?

## CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The 1981 season for the Waratahs was probably the most successful year the club has had. From wooden spooners in 1980 in two grades to 1981 grand finalists in third grade and firsts and seconds finishing well up the ladder in respective grades. Congratulations on a top effort.

The old Tah image of being known as purely a social club has gone and Waratahs now command respect from all Illawarra Clubs as a force to be reckoned with.

It is extremely encouraging to see the number of new faces we have this year, most of which are young and talented, and enthusiastic. It is these players that will make the backbone of the club in the future.

Now is the time for every player and supporter to do their individual best to attract new players and supporters for next season. See what happens when a Waratah side makes the Grand Final, the supporters come out of the woodwork. The stand at Dapto was practically full with Tah supporters.

The Club this year moved in another direction by advertising in a New Zealand Rugby magazine. As a result we gained the experience of Don Muir from the Christchurch New Brighton Club. This approach helps to build good spirit between clubs and also broadens our scope for future rugby players.

Behind every rugby player is a woman. They are the girls who support the club by helping with the canteen and various other duties. I would sincerely like to thank them for a job well done because a club is not just made up of rugby players, it is also the wives, girlfriends, children. Socially this year we did not have all that many functions, however, what we did have were a great success, i.e. the Ball, Lismore trip, wine bottling day, end of season barbecue, etc.

I am a firm believer in seeing the Tahs stick together in the off season whether it is drinking together, playing touch or swimming with the summer Whales. Whatever we do let's keep together and keep fit. The 1981 season is now history, let's look forward to an even better year for '82 — the year of the Tahs.

JOHN DAWSON.



John Dawson's team talk.



Wet Waratahs.



Grand Final crowd.

## FIRST GRADE REPORT

The 1981 season has seen many changes in the format of the players who made up the first grade side that ran onto the field over the past twenty competition games. Many new and experienced players involved themselves totally in the routines of training and the rigours of playing on Saturdays. These efforts finally began to pay dividends by raising the team from the bottom of the 1980 competition ladder to ninth in the 1981 competition.

A change by the Illawarra District Rugby Union to the 1981 competition meant that Waratahs played every club twice. This return to the original two round format proved valuable to our side. It boosted many of the players into the correct mental attitude that is needed for a first grade team to take the field and have a will to win.

Many teams that finished ahead of us on the pointscore table were defeated by us in the second round. Teams such as Port Kembla, Shamrocks, Bowral and Weerona all tumbled under the pressure of a Waratah side that wanted to win. Other teams that were placed in the top four also felt our scorn, with Vikings being held to a three-all draw. But still, even with these impressive games we were not up in the higher positions where it counts. This is a total task that we must set our sights on for next year.

At no stage throughout the season did first grade not field a full strength side. Those players who were called up from second grade to fill the position of first grade players who were injured proved that they had the ability to play first grade, but only lacked the opportunity. Many of these replacement players held their first grade positions for quite lengthy periods, thus enabling injured players full time to recover.

My thanks go to Mick Wilkins, the second grade coach who had his players to a very well drilled level and who accepted any changes that were made to his team in order to follow our club's policy of fielding the sides from first grade through to third grade.

An influx of new players of the calibre of Don Muir, Rob Reynolds, Kevin Everingham, Dennis Corduro, Trevor Davies and Costa Delamaharis all added renewed strength and vigour to the side. These players also made their presence felt both on and off the field with club activities.

A foundation has been laid this year for the coming years of Waratah's first grade side. Many of the players are young, and with dedication to one of the world's fastest growing team sports, and one of the best clubs that they could possibly hope to play for, then bigger and better things are to come in the near future.



PAUL MURRAY (Coach).

In any first grade side, there are behind the scene men, who without many difficulties would arise. These positions are pretty thankless ones, and I would just like to offer my thanks to: Rod Coleshill, manager; Tony Johnson and Johnny Palmer, gear stewards, and a special thanks to Dr. Bob Bartle, who without any sewing lessons in his career, did a great job on some of the boys. Once again, many thanks.

At this point I would like to express my appreciation to all club members, both players, officials and associates, who, over the past four years, have helped me in my job as coach. I have gained a great deal of satisfaction from the job, and I have seen our club come from one which had a very social attitude towards Rugby to one where Rugby comes first, then the socialising.

I look forward to playing next year where I'm sure with continued effort we will be able to achieve that task of being up in the top four, in fact to be number ONE.

PAUL MURRAY,  
1981 Captain Coach.

### FIRST GRADE:

L. to R. (back): Steve Creenaune, Dennis Caduso, Ian Walker, Don Muir, Gary Vaan, Gene Ross, Kevin Everingham, Mark Hotchkiss, Mark McConnell.

L. to R. (front): Geoff Youll, Steve Vann, Paul Murray, Peter McKinnon, Ian Kent, Bill Barker.

Absent: John Edwards, Rob Reynolds, Brian Warnock, Rod Coleshill (manager).





Go Gazza, go.



"Oh rubbish, Muir."



"Don't forget the ball Yoully."



Rob's copybook tackle.



"Give me the ball, Mark."



Monty.



"He's yours, Derek."



Nearly caught him — Steve Vann.

## STATISTICS, 1981

These statistics were taken on 18 out of the 22 competition games unless otherwise specified.

### SCRUMS

(On average of 42 per game, about 930 in season.)

|               | Our Feed   |           |              |               | Overall    |            |              |
|---------------|------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|------------|------------|--------------|
|               | Won        | Lost      | Success Rate |               | Won        | Lost       | Success Rate |
| Round 1       | 175        | 48        | 78%          | Round 1       | 178        | 195        | 47%          |
| Round 2       | 189        | 35        | 84%          | Round 2       | 208        | 179        | 54%          |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>364</b> | <b>83</b> | <b>81%</b>   | <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>386</b> | <b>374</b> | <b>51%</b>   |

### LINEOUTS

(On average of 41 lineouts per game, about 902 in season.)

|               | Our Throw In |            |              |               | Overall    |            |              |
|---------------|--------------|------------|--------------|---------------|------------|------------|--------------|
|               | Won          | Lost       | Success Rate |               | Won        | Lost       | Success Rate |
| Round 1       | 82           | 100        | 45%          | Round 1       | 165        | 210        | 44%          |
| Round 2       | 89           | 66         | 57%          | Round 2       | 180        | 182        | 50%          |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>171</b>   | <b>166</b> | <b>51%</b>   | <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>345</b> | <b>392</b> | <b>47%</b>   |

### RUCKS AND MAULS

These are statistics for 16 games. Average of 35 rucks and mauls per game, i.e. where a result is achieved by either gaining or losing possession or gaining/losing advantage and having scrum set down.

|               | Won        | Lost       | Success Rate |
|---------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Round 1       | 118        | 138        | 46%          |
| Round 2       | 144        | 158        | 48%          |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>262</b> | <b>296</b> | <b>47%</b>   |

### POINTS

Round 2 saw a vast improvement in our scoring rate and also a decrease in the amount of points scored against us.

|               | For        | Against    |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| Round 1       | 48         | 132        |
| Round 2       | 90         | 123        |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>138</b> | <b>255</b> |

### PENALTIES

(average of 22 penalties in a game of which we get about 50%.)

|               | For        | Against     |
|---------------|------------|-------------|
| Round 1       | 97         | 96          |
| Round 2       | 100        | 96          |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>197</b> | <b>1192</b> |

### HOME GAMES

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|              | Won      | Drew     | Lost     | Won      | Drew     | Lost     |
|--------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Round 1      | 1        | 1        | 4        | 1        | —        | 4        |
| Round 2      | 2        | 1        | 2        | 2        | —        | 4        |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>8</b> |

Compiled by:  
Bob McKellar, club statistician.



Missed again!



"It's there somewhere — where's my glasses?"





Gene Ross — "Yours Bussy."



"I really did aim there" — Ian Walker,  
Ken Everingham.



Ian Kent — "Get off my bunion."



Three pewters and a mug.  
Gary Vann, Roger Edwards, Brian Warnock and  
Dave Middlebrook.



Phew Halftime.



Forwards don't kick.

## KIAMA SEVENS

(or Absailing Norfolk Pines) –

played on the 28th February in sun-basking weather. Results: Round 1 – vs. Bowral, lost 12-4 (Mick Shaw, try). Round 2 – vs. Dapto, won 19-0 (tries Gene Ross, Paul Murray, Bill Barker, Ross 2 conversions, 1 penalty goal. Round 3 – vs. St. George, lost 18-0.

A good effort as St. George went on to win the consolation final. It was a welcome fitness run for the players in the squad.

After the games the township of Kiama, including the constabulary, enjoyed watching a light hearted elevated frolic on the stately Norfolk Island Pines. The Waratah footpath entertainment troupe, much to the dismay and injury concern of a popular captain-coach, kept many of the visiting rugby teams amused with their aerobic routines. Trapeze performer Warnock still owes bookmaker Coleshill his \$10.00 bet. Will he pay or re-exhibit?

All the Tah players and supporters had an enjoyable day lapping up the late summer sun.



L. to R.: Roger Edwards, Mark McConnell, Mick Shaw, Brian Warnock, Gene Ross, Paul Murray, Bill Booker, Stu Baikie, Paul Ragnoli, Geoff Youll.

## TRIAL GAMES

v. TEACHERS COLLEGE, 21st March: Won 12-8 overall. Tries – Rob Reynolds, Ross Whiting, Dave Middlebrook. Goals – Dave Middlebrook (2 conversions).

v. TECH/NEPEAN, 28th March: 3rds won 20-4, 2nds won 20-3, 1sts won 16-6. Tries – Ron Wessel, Gary Graham, Ray Hol, Ross Whiting, Neil Warren, John Caren, Dave Middlebrook, Bruce Boulding, Geoff Youll, Rob Reynolds. Goals – Ross Whiting (2 conversions), Rob Reynolds (conversion), Dave Middlebrook (2 conversions, 2 penalty goals).



ILLAWARRA UNDER 21 REPS.

Geoff Youll, Gene Ross (Capt.), Roger Edwards, Bill Barker, John Kamarestsos.

Absent: Greg Reilly, Paul McCann (Coach), Roger Parrish (Manager), Doug Constable, Mark McConnell, Dennis Cadauro.



The boys and "Barney" – Lismore's Mayor. Trip away '81.

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Tony Johnstone — "Variation what?"



Larry, Curly and Reg.  
(John Kemaretsos, Greg Reilly, Kevin Everingham)

## SECOND GRADE REPORT

Before you read this report, refer back to your 1980 Yearbook and compare the 1980 2nd Grade side to the faces appearing in this year's team photo.

You will see that approximately two-thirds of this year's side were not only new players to the Club, but the vast majority of them were virtual newcomers to Rugby.

Given this, the seasons tally of 20 competition points from 9 wins and 2 draws from 22 games is a magnificent tribute to the determination of the 1981 2nd Grade side to knuckle down and learn the game, play team football and WIN GAMES.

A semi-final spot was a possibility from the first game when we downed a powerful Shoalhaven side 4-0. A number of quite serious injuries during the year to our own key players and some 1st Graders dimmed our chances in mid-season, we finished with some big wins, and rounded off the most successful season in the history of Waratah 2nd Grade.

One of the highlights of the 1st round was the steam-rolling of Kiama at Keira Oval. Gary Vann and Mark McConnell made welcome guest appearances and led the charge with great support from Mark Fisher and the rest of the pack. Kiama went backwards all day and our forwards never let up, paving the way for our backs to run at will and we beat them 7-0.

In our two defeats of Shamrocks, we rattled up scores of 28-0 and 22-0, giving us great glee against our old sparring partners.

We twice beat Weerona (24-0 and 9-0), and on both occasions thumped them in three grades!

However, life was not all wine and roses (or beer and Waratahs). We took a sadly depleted side to Goulburn, played them in the worst rain, sleet and wind seen in Goulburn for two years, played a powerful and free-running home team, and copped a 39-4 thrashing. Geoff Gavin, playing his first ever game at breakaway, scored our lone try.

The 2nd Grade side produced some Club characters, reminiscent (for the oldies) of the days of "Skulker and the Quick Retort."

Bus captain, 2nd Grade pack, dynamic and dedicated trainer, Mark Fisher, produced some remarkable versatility. After a settling-in period, he dominated opposition front rowers, dazzled us with his goal kicking (after Dave Middlebrook's recall to 3rd Grade), and climaxed his season with a faultless display at five-eighth in the final game at Camden. He also robs people on busus!!! Wade ("Bugsy") Davis and Roger Edwards (completing a trio of Waratah Edwards'), both at the ripe old age of 21, slotted into the front row and hooker spots like they'd been there all their lives.

Bob Corfield and Brad Anderson dominated the lineouts when they played together and with age and size on their side are destined for a big footballing future with the Waratahs.

At one stage, we had five loose forwards, all with 1st Grade potential, to fill three positions. A highly desirable but embarrassing position to be in. Eventually, Bill Barker cemented a spot in 1st Grade, and Paul Ragnoli and Jim Cla-bour played many top grade games also. Unfortunately, Mick O'Kane had to drop out for personal reasons but we hope to see you back next year, Mick. Peter McKinnon, John Hayward and Geoff Gavin also proved their worth at breakaway, with Peter gaining a regular spot and playing some great football before finishing the season in 1sts.

We used a number of halfbacks, all of which were highly skilled. Ian Walker (to 1st Grade) succeeded by Stu Baikie (injured) succeeded by Brent Edwards with Kosta Delamarhis filling in very capably a couple of times.



MICK WILKINS (Coach).

Greg Reilly's game at five-eighth improved considerably during the year, and "Reg" can look forward to yapping his way through an even more successful year in 1982. Our original centre combination of Peter Edgar and Neil Warren was a ripper until it was dispersed by injury to both players and subsequently to their 1st Grade counterparts. I'm looking forward to them getting going together in '82. At various times we had the pleasure of the company of Rob Reynolds and Kev Everingham — come back anytime, fellas.

John Cauduro and John Caren began the trend of youthful but enthusiastic wingers, and when they left us (through promotion to 1sts and shifting camp to Newcastle, respectively), the trend continued with Tony Naulty and Chris Norris. All four of these players were 17 or 18 years old, and the development of their experience and confidence could be measured week by week. The knowledge and skills they acquired will enable them to look forward with even more enthusiasm to 1982.

Experience is what is required from fullbacks, and that we had in Dave Middlebrook, and later, Mick Greenhalgh. Both these blokes got us out of some tight spots, and when their experience was required by the rampaging 3rd Grade, Peter Edgar filled in admirably (if slightly reluctantly).

We had a few "guest" players during the year and my thanks to those fellows were expressed at the time and are echoed here. Particularly thanks, though, is due to Rod Thompson and John Kobek, who filled in a few times during the year, and Bob Fleming who took the field at Camden for us. These blokes were always available if we were short of numbers and their wholehearted efforts were very much appreciated. John Hayward filled in uncomplainingly anywhere from front row to breakaway, and played his usual tireless and vigorous game each time.

The task of choosing a Most Improved Player from the many contenders is bloody near impossible. The entire side improved dramatically — individual skills and team skills, attacking skills, tactical skills and knowledge of rules. Our greatest asset was our teamwork — and all this despite the fact that we didn't field the same team twice!

I won't name any contenders, for to name a few would be unfair to the many others.

The player that has won the award for 1981 had his initial 2nd Grade match in a "trial-by-fire" 39-4 debacle at Goulburn. He would be the first to admit that he was completely out of his depth at breakaway that

day. He bounced back, however, and developed his defensive skills quickly to become a very good and punishing tackler, and he cemented a 2nd Grade break-away spot. His attacking skills then began to emerge and he scored a spectacular 50 metre individual try at Keira Oval against Port Kembla. A 1st Grade spot became vacant and he grabbed the opportunity and held his spot for the remainder of the year in top grade.

From the obscurity of the 3rd Grade bench to regular 1st Grade — how much more improvement could be asked for? Who did it all? — Peter McKinnon. Most improved 2nd Grader, 1981.

And finally, what about the good ol' No. 8? Dropped

his usual quota of high balls this year, didn't he? Caught a couple, too, by Christ! Well, spilled bombs or not, winners are grinners and I had a lot of grinning to get through this year.

I was extremely fortunate that in my first year as coach, the Club had an abundance of players and a great bunch of young blokes in the 2nds.

I thoroughly enjoyed the season, and if all you fellows that played 2nds this year will come back next year, I'd be happy to nominate for the coach's job, and if we take up in '82 where we left off in '81, we'll be in those '82 semis, and from there we'll be unstoppable— WARA-TAHS, 1982 2ND GRADE PREMIERS!!!



SECOND GRADE (left to right): Tony Naulty, Mark Fisher, Bob Corfield, Greg Reilly, Wade Davis, Paul Ragnoli, Mick Wilkins, Peter McKinnon, Roger Edwards, Brad Anderson, Brent Edwards, Chris Norris, Tony Johnstone (ring-in), Jim Cla-Bour, John Kobek, Mick Greenhalgh (front). Absent — Neil Warren, Peter Edgar, Bruce Boulding, Stu Baikie, John Palmer (manager).



"Which way to the boatrace?"  
— Reg. Reilly.



Chris Norris — "Get me out of here."



Brad Anderson winning the ball. Fish watching.



"Where's the five eighth?" — Stu Baikie.

## THIRD GRADE REPORT

We almost did it in third grade in 1981, but "almost" is never good enough in Rugby.

The facts of the season speak for themselves. The side played 22 competition matches, winning 17 and drawing 1, to finish in second position. We beat Vikings in the major semi-final, had the week's break and then lost to Vikings 0-10 in the grand final at Dapto Showground. The side was unable to recover from a shock try by the opposition in the first minutes of the match. Enough said.

What needs to be emphasised is the spirit and effort displayed by the members of the team. For the first time in its history, the club was fortunate enough to have an abundance of players, which meant fierce and healthy competition for places, especially in third grade. The resulting extra effort at training and in games meant that the 'Tahs were able to field a strong side in a season in which the standard in third grade was very high.

The average age of the side was 29, with the forwards averaging out at 31.5. It speaks volumes for the spirit within the club that these fellows were still running around like youngsters of 28 at the end of the season. It was a side that combined the assurance of Middlebrook, the youthful ambition of Youll and Kamaretos, the flair and maturity of Davey and Delimihalis, the toughness and experience of Coleshill, Greenhalgh and Collinson-Smith, the inspiration of Whiting, the complementary loose and tight play of Milner and Graham, the lightning feet of Johnstone, the kamikaze charges of Ward and Gregory, and the seasoned approach of Wessel, Fairley and Leo. Not forgetting players like Bret Edwards, Gordon Green, Reg Riley, Paul Clarke, Geoff Gavin, John Heywood, Bob Fleming, Rodger Parrish, Steve Vann and Tony Naulty — all of whom had a hand in the team's success.

With the injuries to Rod Coleshill and myself, and the grand final loss, there were some disappointments in 1981 but I know that every player who took part in the Grand Final will be a better player for the experience, and that must auger well for the next year.



JOHN DAWSON (Coach).

I would like to thank all the players for their commitment during the year, with special thanks to the second graders and the third grade reserves, who contributed so much to the team's performance. Finally, may I express my appreciation to all other players, coaches, officials and supporters for the encouragement given to us. Next year for sure.

JOHN DAWSON.



### THIRD GRADE:

- L. to R. Standing: John Dawson (coach), Rod Coleshill, Trevor Davey, Greg Reilly, Bryan Leo, John Kamasetos, Dave Middlebrook, Phil Youll, Mark Ward, Gary Graham, Ron Wessel, Geoff Gavin, Ross Whiting, Brent Edwards, Ken Wilner, John Hayward, Gordon Green, John Fairley, Bob McKellar (manager).
- Front: Brendon Leo, Graeme Collinson-Smith (Capt.), Kosta Delimihalis, Mick Greenhalgh, Tony Johnstone, Tony Naulty, Allan Gregory.



Ross being lifted?



A grand Final lineout: In straight again?



Kamo's inside.



Rod Coleshill under pressure?



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## PRESENTATION NIGHT— 1981

A large number of members attended the 1980 Presentation Night at the I.M.B.C. during October. It was a relaxed evening of dining, trophy presenting and reminiscing the past rugby season.

Special guests included Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kelly (Chairman of the I.M.B.C. Sports Committee), Patrons Mr. John Wilson and wife (Oxford Hotel), Lord Mayor Frank Arkell, Vice Presidents Dr. Roger Parrish, Mr. Ken Fenton, Mr. and Mrs. Reg Whitton and Past President Mr. Peter Boyd.

The evening incorporated farewells to Rusty Swanson and Chris Nursey who were both transferred out of the area. Rusty had been with the Waratahs since the late 60's and big Chris will be greatly missed this season.

Disco music was provided by John and Brent Edwards. DJs — Ross and Worm (his apprentice) conveyed a trendy background to the formalities.

Ron Wessel presented the usual Club Captain awards that no one wants to receive. Stu Baikie became ill after winning so many trophies, and the regular occurrence of carrying the M.C. down the stairs and driving him home occurred.

The year's photos were on sale during the night and some high prices were paid for excellently blurred action shots.

Good food, pleasant company and ample refreshments were the order of a great night.

## CALCUTTA — 1980

Joe Browne with the assistance of many sellers conducted a successful 1980 Melbourne Cup Calcutta. The IMBC assisted with regular ticket sales in the club foyer thus enabling this Calcutta to be the best in the District.

The response to ticket sales by club members as a whole was no good and as with most activities a few contribute greatly so that all can benefit. Next year it is hoped each Waratah member will assist this enterprise more actively.

Vice President John Joseph generously donated the tickets to the club. His assistance to the Tahs and to sport in general is greatly appreciated. Ian King, another Vice President, once again was highly entertaining and effective in his auctioneering role. His support is also greatly appreciated.

The first prize was a massive \$2,000, second prize \$700, and third prize \$300.

A bonus was given for the last horse.

It can be hoped that next year this worthwhile fund raiser can continue and be as successful and as efficiently run as was the 1980 Calcutta.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It is a tribute to the Club that there was no difficulty in filling any of the vacant positions at the 1981 Annual General Meeting held on the 2nd February, at the Oxford Hotel. The only problem was convincing Gary Graham that he could count and could continue the fine job of past treasurer, Ron Robertson. Yet when told that he had control over the allocation of the club "free drinks" he quickly made up his mind.

Two new positions were created: Match and Grounds Chairman and Fund Raising Chairman. Ian Kent being appointed to the former and John Hart to the latter. Mark Hotchkiss, Pat Atkinson and Bryan Leo hid under the tables for most of the meeting, yet Leo was seen and promptly re-elected Secretary.

Patron John Wilson spoke on the Oxford Hotel support for the Waratahs during 1981, and of our obligation in return. This was well received as shown by the rush to the bar and by the drinking throughout the rest of the day. Reg Whitton organised a B.B.Q. plate and the

cooking, although most persons forget to bring meat and so visited the fish and chip shop instead. It was pleasing to see the Vice Presidents Reg, Bob and Ken in attendance and showing their support. A very successful A.G.M.

## BARBECUE

Once again Bob and Jan Bartle were hosts to a B.B.Q. on Sunday, 24th May. Although the weather was bitterly cold and wet, a large number of Waratahs attended and enjoyed themselves.

This event also coincided with the initial Trip Away Meeting. Bubs Creanaune and Ron Wessel acted as the social committee for the day and organised refreshments. First use was made of the new B.B.Q. donated by Mr. Reg. Whitton and the Club and all stomachs appreciate that gesture.

Geoff Gavin looked splendid in his best coat as did Garry Vann in his white shoes. Jim Cla-Bour was finally able to thaw his steaks and cook them a la Warnock (raw). Ian Kent and Don Muir spent the day celebrating their Whales swimming victory of the morning, yet they failed to mention that they gave everyone else over three quarters of a length start.

Steve Vann again demonstrated his drinking ability with "Baileys", whilst Doc. Bob stayed on coffee as he was still recovering from his crowd stopping story telling stage performance of the previous night. Another enjoyable and successful Waratah social event.



Cooking at Third Grade Picnic at West Dapto, 27th September.  
Dawn Muir, Wayne Collard, Mark Hotchkiss, John Fairley, Brian Warnock.

## FLANNELLED FOOLS AT WOLLONGONG BOWLING CLUB

Yes, it was true. The grey haired Waratah veterans led by W. C. Collard and organised by V. P. Kuschert were sighted spending a glorious December Sunday — of all things — playing lawn bowls.

They were attending a social fund raising day at the invitations of the IMBC bowlers. Also in attendance was a group of Illawarra blind bowlers. The skill of the "young" Waratah bowlers dazzled the experts, and makes one wonder what rugby players really do in the off season.

Bowlers included W.C., Bobby Mac, Walrus, Kenty, Jimbo, Smithy, C-C, Phil the Skill, Keneth and Worm. The breaks between ends got longer as the day progressed, and so after two ends of the Tahs adjourned to the Club House to rejuvenate and recover from the pressure of the competition.

It was a worthwhile and enjoyable experience that we all hope is repeated — sometime. Practise is every Wednesday afternoon, although attendance is exclusively restricted — grey hair, baldness, or preferably both. An appetite for schooners is also desired. Ron Wessel is taking names and organising inspections.





Second Grade backs on the move.



Not now ref — it's coming out.



Can I play half lan?



Waratahs v Cooma.  
Tuross Heads K.O. semi-final.



Dropped it again Bubs?

YEAR BOOK FEATURE—

## Violence — Rugby's Origin

*"No other game if it is played in the highest company, equals Rugger in it's combined call on its players for Courage, Self-control, Stamina and Sticking-it; Why should this be so? Mainly, nay almost wholly, because of the man-to-man element in Rugger. To play Rugger well, you must play it fiercely, and at the same time, and all the time, remember that while doing so, that you are a gentleman."*

Such opinions occasionally emanate from the halls of the Rugby Union, where the words "gentleman" and "amateur" are breathed with almost religious reverence. But what of the origins — the roots of this game that 20th century society regards as one of the hardest, toughest, most dangerous and violent methods of disposing of one's "leisure" time.

Apparently, from a violence viewpoint, we are lucky to be participating in our sport in this century, and not some previous ones.

The history of ball sports is as ancient, almost, as sport itself. The Pharoahs, ancient Greeks and the Chinese ruling classes of 2,500 years ago developed various long-forgotten types of ball games. In Persia, teams of over 1,000 a side battled over a carved willow root, and in neighbouring Afghanistan mounted hill tribesmen played (as they still do today), "Buzkashi", which substituted a dead calf for the willow root, and resembled "a combination of polo, mounted football and unorganised mayhem".

The Roman sport of "Harpastrum", from the few passing references that have survived, would appear to be a primitive form of rugby or American gridiron. Goals were placed at either end of a confined area, and two teams attacked them with a ball roughly the size of a modern soccer ball. It was intensely physical game which relied heavily on tackling, and was widely used to toughen up the Roman Legions.

Although there is evidence that several forms of ball games were being played in Britain before the Roman conquest, it is likely that the inter-village brawls which came to wear the name "fote-ball" owed much to this Legionnaires game.

By 1170 "the ball game" had become an annual event in London, and amounted to no more than a running free-for-all through the streets by mobs of students and apprentices, or highlighting territorial rivalries — street against street, parish against parish, town against town. All of these battles, together with their counterparts up and down England and in Scotland and Ireland, were bruising affairs waged with few rules and even less restraint. Teams often numbered in the hundreds and usually fought all day, mowing down fences and hedges, trampling spectators and settling the score with an all-in brawl.

Death and injury became commonplace as the intensity of these encounters amplified. Personal vendettas, family feuds and Scottish clannish rivalries manifested themselves in village football. In London, the merchants were so up in arms — mainly because of the broken

windows and wrecked shop fronts caused by the mobs of apprentices surging through the narrow cobbled streets. In 1314, the merchants petitioned King Edward II to speak out against the game, which he duly did — thus:

*"For as much as there is great noise in the City caused by hustling over large balls from which evils might arise, which God forbade, we command and forbid, on pain of imprisonment, such games to be used in the city in future."*

Subsequent monarchs legislated against the game, and for the next five hundred years, football was an outlawed sport. The Puritans, suitably pious and mortified by the sport, had their sentiments reflected by the grim prophet of hellfire and damnation, Phillip Stubbes:

*"For as concerning football playing I protest unto you that it may rather be called a friendlie kinde of fyght than a play or recreation — a bloody and murdering practise than a felowly sport for pastime. For dooth not everyone lye in waight for his adversarie, seeking to overthrpw him and pick him on his nose, though it be hard stones . . . so that this means sometimes their necks are broken, sometimes their backs, sometimes their legs, sometimes their armes, sometimes their noses gush with blood, sometimes their eyes start out, and sometimes hurte in one place, sometimes in another . . . for they have the sleights to meet one betwixt two, to dash him under the short ribs with their griped fist, and with their knees to catch him on the hip and pick him on his neck, with a hundred such murdering devices."*

Despite Stubbes' righteous wrath and the threat of floggings and imprisonment, football survived the ensuing centuries and by the mid 1700's "mob" football had reached a peak. In the cities, overworked and underpaid apprentices were using football to flex their political muscle. In the provinces, the downtrodden peasants also used their sport to correct social imbalances. It was recorded in 1790 that "a Mach of Futtball was Cried at Kettering of five hundred men a side, but the design was to pull down lady Bety Jesmaine's Mills", which were apparently effectively dealt with during the course of the "mach".

It was the grimy hand of the Industrial Revolution which finally defused mob football. England's workers were used only as tools to be worked relentlessly, and leisure time was a thing of the past.

Ironically, the instrument to adopt, develop and preserve the game was the Public School System — the domain of the rich and titled, who had for centuries aligned themselves against the game. Indeed, a game that was rooted in disorder and mayhem was admirably suited to the public school system as it then stood. A former Charterhouse pupil described it as "a sort of hell on earth". Brutality was the order of the day, and was dealt out to pupils by both their masters and their peers.

In the 1820's the football played at school was exactly that of the common folk — violent, unorganised and dominated by the big and beefy. Eighty years later, following student riots and rebellions, with masters stoned and buildings set alight, the sight of a school football match involving hundreds of young men fighting and brawling without restraint must have terrified the authorities, who saw in it the possibilities of violent insurrection. Rugby's "bigside" matches of the early 1800's were truly awesome affairs which pitted one half of the school against the other, sometimes more than three hundred players, kicking and gouging to extricate the ball from the massive, heaving heap of humanity.

The ball, however (whenever it was sighted) was meant to be kicked. The popular belief as to the origin of modern Rugby is that during one of these "bigside" brawls in 1823, a student named William Webb Ellis — "a chap with fine disregard for the rules of football as played in his time", (as the plaque erected in his memory allegedly states), picked up the ball and ran with it. Sadly, the

1. From — 'Rugger — The Man's Game' by E. H. D. Sewell.

Ellis saga is blatant fiction, perpetuated by an overly loyal gathering of Rugby Old Boys more than half a century later. As Thomas Hughes (a noted poet and critic of his day) observed, to run with the ball in the 1820's would have been a shortcut to suicide.

Character and morality and manliness crept into the teachings of the time as the school system evolved, and at Rugby these sentiments were translated into sport.

Football became a tool of the "new education" and was fostered as an arena for playing out a life-or-damnation struggle amid the mud and blood, the guts and endless toil that faced a high school graduate preparing himself for life's battle.

By mid-century, football had become respectable, despite the fact that it was still a very much undisciplined rabble. The codes varied widely and some schools sought to regulate the more brutal aspects of the sport. Attitudes on the degree of allowable violence fluctuated. At Rugby, for instance, the only rules that were considered necessary were:

1. No hacking with the heel, unless below the knee;
2. No one wearing projecting nails or iron plates on his boots is allowed to play.

Eventually, two distinct codes emerged: that played by Rugby, Marlborough and Cheltenham — destined to become rugby — which allowed the ball to be passed by hand; and the "dribbling game" — soccer — played by Eton, Harrow, Westminster and Charterhouse, in which only the feet could be used.

Although football was growing tamer (throttling in the scrums had been outlawed in some schools), reformers were not sufficiently advanced to outlaw hacking — the practice of stopping an opponent by kicking his shins. A meeting in 1863, under the banner of the Football Association, was held to thrash out a common code. The meeting foundered, firstly on the matter of handling the ball, and secondly on the degree of body contact allowable. No agreement was reached, the meeting ended in a welter of ill-feeling — the two games were irreconcilably divided and were destined to remain so.

"Old Boys" clubs proliferated in both codes, made up

of high school graduates who wished to continue their sporting life in parallel with their business life. These clubs dominated the football scene until the 1870's, when the tycoons of British industry were forced to grant their overworked employees the luxury of a free Saturday, and the game once more reverted to the common man.

Although much of the violence had gone, the game was still played with a ferocity which was referred to as "controlled violence" — a term that has been recently coined by innovative coaches to describe the type of attitude towards the game that they require of their players.

Rugby's inherent toughness did little to inhibit its spread throughout the Empire; rather, the sports' zealous missionaries found a steady market for their sport in the frontier colonies of Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. Colonial players on their hard, sun-baked grounds learned their lesson well, and were soon more than a match for the best of those sent out from Mother England.

Recently, Australian Rugby players have established themselves as the best in the world, and the success gained at international level is reflected by an upsurge of interest in the game at club level.

The future of the sport is assured and this is largely due to the administrators who have eliminated international violence, and outlawed spontaneous violence to the extent that the game as it is played today is safer than an afternoon's drive on the freeway.

The game has progressed from "harpastum", a Roman Legionnaires' war game, to a scientific and skilful game that can teach a man the basic human elements of co-operation, consideration and compassion.

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MICK WILKINS.

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## CHRISTMAS PARTY



The unlikely lads –  
Brad Guy, Wayne Collard, Ron Wessel.

Inhibitions were thrown to the wind at the annual Xmas Party held on the 29th November. Many persons attended Bob and Lou Bartle's house to celebrate and hid their presence in various disguises so as not to be conspicuous and end up in the pool. But alas "Punk" Worm and "Vegemite" Wessel started firstly on Brian Warnock and finished with "Teddy Boy" Collard. "Loose Bruce" met his Waterloo in a tomato sauce gunfight and died dramatically much to the delights of the crowd, but to the dismay of Annette. Gene Ross and his lady friend did an exhibition of underwater dancing, whilst Bubsy constantly collected money for the night's entertainment. Delicious steaks were cooked by Mark Hotchkis and his apprentices. The girls on the social committee prepared a tasty salad, and all organisers and hosts are thanked for a pleasant but wet night.

Miss Piggy has by now given birth and is looking for the father (G. Vann) so that she can sue for maintenance. Kermit is also on the prowl.

Questions arising from the night:

1. What was Collard doing in "Worm's" shoes?
2. Who was the "Monster from the Deep" that scared the children?
3. Why did John Edwards fall through the fence?
4. Where did Kenty and Bob McKellar put their fancy dress?
5. Who took Wessel's form guide?
6. Who gave Gary Vann V.D.?
7. How did Brent Edwards get drunk?
8. Who operated on Barbara Hotchkis' neck?
9. Is Bob Bartle really that big or is he only inflated?
10. Why did Bubs leave early and head north?

\* Prize for getting all questions correct – a night out with a deflowered Miss Piggy.

## GOOD FRIDAY PICNIC

The annual I.M.B.C. and Waratah Easter picnic was held in perfect weather. An early morning training session at North Beach whetted the appetite for the 'Tahs, for what was once again a great day. Various games such as softball, kids races and soccer, as well as fine food and

ample liquor were the order of the day.

Thanks to Mr. Les Hickey, Larry Matthews, Vic Kuschert and all the Builders' staff for a successful and enjoyable day.

P.S. The Waratahs won the tug-of-war for the first time.



A Waratah Tug.

## SOCIAL REPORT

Games over, the pressure gone, injuries forgotten, but the social side of the football club continues on.

The Social Committee's main aim this year was to provide a situation to welcome all new players, their families and friends, and to provide a grounding atmosphere for the club to function as a whole both on and off the field. The committee unanimously agrees that this aim is being fulfilled at present and hopefully into the future.

The wine-bottling started the 1981 social season. The wine-bottling, primarily being a registration day, doubles quite successfully as a social gathering. The day saw the emergence of a lot of new Waratah faces, and also what we all thought was the start of an interesting relationship between Mark Fisher and the Hotchkis dog. Thanks to the "workers" who probably cost the club a few dozen bottles in adjusting the wine level in each bottle before corking.

Our commitment to the Oxford Hotel after home games provided a venue to which both new and existing members and their friends felt welcome. This was clearly visible by weekly good attendances. The Club's financial backing from the Oxford Hotel relies on our patronage, whenever possible, which tends to restrict the opportunities for alternative social functions. The same can be said for most other clubs, therefore it seems fair that we attend their after match function at whatever venue in the true Waratah Rugby spirit.

Our big social event for the year, the ball, was able to be brought forward into the football season, thanks to the co-operation of the Teachers - Uni. Rugby Club. The Ball this year was the best attended Ball in Waratah history, and from all reports was one of the most enjoyable. Several factors contributed to the Ball's resounding success, namely the growing spirit in the club, the earlier date, and the more refined atmosphere of the venue, and the absence of the eskies. The mode of dress at the Ball seemed to be varied and amazing to see the extent to which Black and Red can be utilised.

The end of season B.B.Q. on Fairley's Farm" proved to be an entertaining family day. Main activities for the day were of course the Sydney Grand Final, cricket stump carpentry, and a combined act of honey stealing from a beehive with a later strip tease to rid himself of the bees by the one and only Brian Warnock. . .

To fulfil the social calendar until next season starts we have the Bong Bong Picnic Races which no doubt will be another great day if last year gives any indication. A social game of cricket on 6th December against the Nomad Rugby Club from Sydney, and finally the Christmas Party which will finish 1981, and have us all ready to start 1982.

Last but by no means least a word on the canteen, which through a fair bit of hard work and better management has proved to be a very financial asset to the club. This financial gain by the club could not have come about without the help of the active members of the committee and the tremendous support of the ladies of the club. These ladies have worked every week without complaint even though at times some of the club members who benefit from their efforts don't seem to appreciate their help.

A final "thank you" to all members of the social committee, the ladies who work the canteen, and all the members who have helped — and to everyone who attended social functions throughout the year, thus providing a great social atmosphere on which plays a large part in the Waratah Club.

STEVE CREENAUNE.

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The boys at the Waratah Bar.

## RED AND BLACK BALL

By LOTTA CLASS

Darlings,

The social event of the season was without a doubt the glittering Red and Black Ball held at the International Centre (so-called because they let Kosta, Kamo, Rags and G. Youll in, rather than because any of the assembled had played for Australia) in August.

Simply everyone who is anyone was there, darlings, all looking divine in a varied assortment of red and black regalia. The upper echelon, President Lim and Lyn, Mr. Graeme C-Smith and Cheryl etc. were all there looking elegant, especially Mr. G. Graham who "cuts a mean rug".

Amongst the commoners, Mr. Phil Youll and his leggy escort (who walked on Mr. Ian Kent's tongue as they entered) made quite a hit, as did Mr. G. Vann (whose tastefully dyed red hair, ear baubles and black mini skirt highlighted his new slim figure) and Mr. B. Warnock whom someone said had a new vocation — pox doctors clerk.

Also in attendance was a mysterious masked gentleman (Zorro?) who looked swashbuckling and galant and a whole lot better because of the mask covering most of his face. He arrived with Mr. K. Everingham, who wore a simply wonderful pot pourri of red and black which I can't remember at all. There was also a very large red and black pregnant looking thing that on closer inspection proved to be the wonderfully witty (Bus) Captain Mark Fisher. Another "gentleman" to make a hit was a big red and black fairy who stuck his wand where it wasn't wanted and nearly sparked an international incident — boys will be boys.

Space and an alcoholically induced poor memory prevents me listing other notables in attendance although I must repeat everyone looked simply wonderful. The International Centre proved to be an excellent venue (although the bar staff seemed not to be able to equate the supply of alcohol with the thirst of the revellers) and this, combined with an excellent band named Vor-



Mr. Zorro Davey escorted by Miss Gerty Vann.

tex and exemplary (for the most part) behaviour from the young gentlemen (where was the "Worm"?) and their escorts, resulted in one of the best ever Red and Black Balls.

Indeed, after the official finction had run its course and the last dance had been danced in the wee smalls a few hardy individuals departed to Mr. J. Edward's for a Jug Band Jam.

For all this we must thank Mr. S. Crenaune ("Bubsy" — what sort of a name is that?) and his social committee, ourselves and a contingent of Teachers — Uni. guests.



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## COACH CAPTAIN'S REPORT

### NOWRA TRIP

"People who are late are often so much jollier than the people who have to wait for them." E. V. Lucas.

The expectation of the football, the prospect of a few quiet ales after the game and the headaches and stomach pains from the previous night's festivities culminated in a relatively incident free trip to Nowra.

Results: Firsts went down, Seconds won and the Thirsties just went down to their country colleagues.

The Ensign Club was the first port of call after the game. The Tahs were entertained with such convivial activities sculling schooners, playing snooker and table tennis. Other entertainments organised by the local club were collecting glasses (as we had exhausted supplies) and singing.

Paul "Rags", Ron Wessell, Peter McKinnon, Paul Clark and Bob McKellar were so disgusted with Bryan Leo's organising a non-co-operative bus driver that they decided to forego the bus trip and took the scenic railway trip home.

### GOULBURN TRIP

"I drink when I have occasion and sometimes when I have no occasion." S. Cervantes (1547-1616).

A freezing day, Wilkins whinging about the cost of the bus trip, a fit, well-drilled opposition and a relatively poor turn-up of Tahs culminating in a "considerate" bus driver who would not allow the boys to drown their sorrows, meant that the Tahs were not too impressed with the Goulburn trip.

Highlights of the trip were: the full-time whistle in second grade, third grade's win, Costa Del's first outing with the club and the "Barber Shop Trio" singing "Me and My Shadow" to Kev and Derek. The "Barber Shop Trio" was made up of Tony (the Barber) Johnstone, Wessell the Windswept and Wayne the Wiry Coloured.

Possibly the high point of the trip was arriving home.

### BOWRAL TRIP

"He travels safest in the dark night who travels lightest" —Hernando Cortez (1485 to 1547).

Obviously Mr. Cortez had experienced a similar bus to the one that our Mr. Leo organized. For the first trip of the season we had an understanding bus driver who appreciated the thirst that the lads can come by after the football game. Thanks, Charlie!

Happenings of the trip were stories of Warnocke vs The Police; President Jim's new suede cap; injuries to Gary V., Mark Mc., Reg and Peter Edgar; Robertson's pies; G.C.S. (no relation to G.B.S.) having his final bus trip as a single man with his recital of Malcolm Frazer's farm at the Robertson Pub deserving a special mention.



Mark Fisher, will fish fillet.

### CAMDEN TRIP

"It is a kindness to lead the sober, a duty to lead the drunk." W. S. Landor (1775 to 1864).

The Bowral bus was painted for this trip and, happily for the bus travellers, Charlie was again the driver for our last bus trip of the season. Notable absences were G.C.S. and Bussy. However Bussy featured as "Fat Boy" in the headline of one of the Sydney papers following a holiday in Sydney.

High points of the day were: Leo (The Lion) rubbing cheeks with his ear-ringed prop. opponent, doing his thing to bridge the "Generation Gap"; Wilf (The Ref) being the most energetic person to take the field; Disco King "Double G" (Gary Graham) sipping port at Appin Hotel; Gary Vann, with one arm in sling, ironically ripping off a one-armed baddit; willingness of players to double up and Tony Johnstone's decorating of the Appin Hotel footpath.

Low point of the trip was Bussy's singing.

### LISMORE TRIP

"Rather than excite your judgement briefly than to inform it tediously." Francis Bacon (1558 to 1910).

The trip was . . . ineffable.

FISH,  
Coach Captain.

P.S. There is no truth in the rumour that a Camden forward asked if all Waratah five-eighths are "Fatboys".



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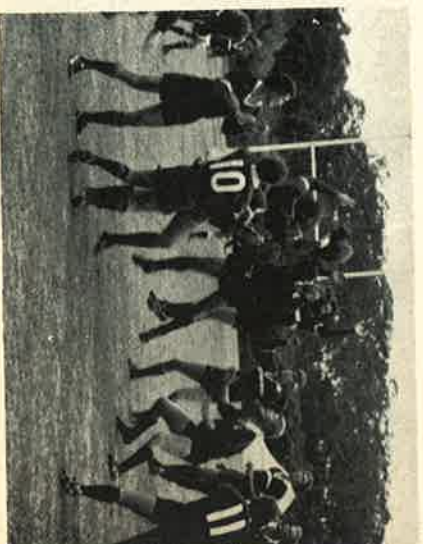
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Trevor Davey alone.



Paul Ragnoli — “I finally got one.”

## TRIP AWAY, 1981 – LISMORE

### TOUR PARTY

Brad Anderson, Bob Bartle, Jim Cla-Bour, Wayne Col-lard, Graeme Collinson-Smith, Trevor Davey, John Edwards, Roger Edwards, John Hayward, John Kam-aratos, Ian Kent, Don Muir, Tony Naulty, Jim Pettit, Greg Reilly, Rob Reynolds, Rod Thompson, Brian War-nock, Geoff Youll, Phil Youll.

### TOOTH'S CHALLENGE TROPHY MATCH

Waratah's 30 def. Combined Lismore 22. T. Naulty, R. Thompson, J. Cla-Bour, R. Reynolds (conv.), J. Pettit (conv.), G. Youll (conv.).

Second successive trip away victory and highest number of tries ever scored (J. Edwards also scored for Lismore.). The Gollan Hotel catered for the group. Tours were had to Southport, Lismore Council Chambers, Tooth's Brewery, Pool, Italian, Worker's and R.S.L. Clubs, as well as to numerous waterholes in the city. A great long week-end.

### NOTEABLES

No R's Reynolds and Reilly, Miss the Bus Tomo, Chi-cago Edwards, Adventure Island Monty, Friday Drunk Davey, Diarrhea Warrnock, Tex Bartle, Roll-call Hayward, Air Hostess Brad, Sleepy Youll and Conveyor Belt Muir—he was particularly helpful in collecting the end of tour baggage. So much so that he threw himself into the "job" to such an extent that he was positioned on the airport conveyor belt for approximately 3 revolutions, but alas he didn't claim himself.



TOOTHBRUSH.



"Let's swim breaststroke" — Ian Kent.



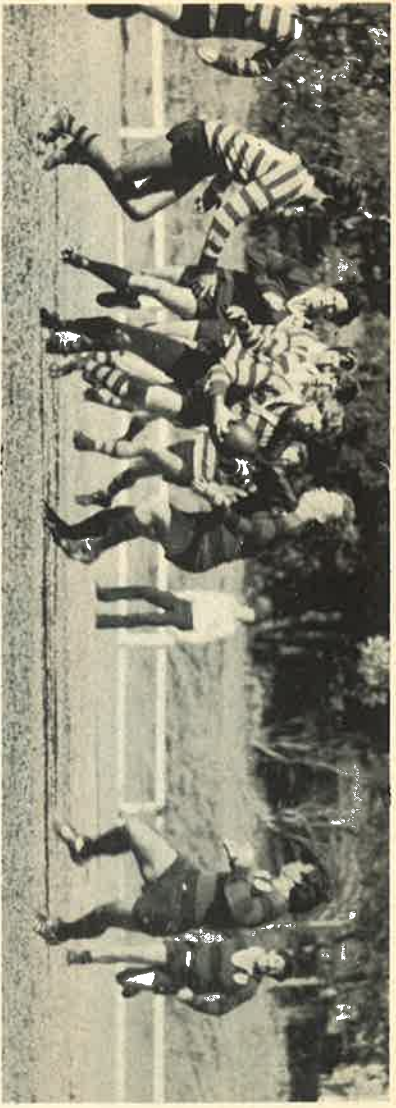
Civic reception party outside Mayor's office, Lismore.



Waratah's trip away — Water Olympians.



"Tooths Challenge Match" Rugby team, (won 30-22).



Neil Warren about to claim a victim.



Steve Creenaune clearing to Geoff Youll.

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### MOST IMPROVED

| FIRSTS                | SECONDS                  |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1969 ALLAN ELLIOTT    | 1969 D. DOWDELL          |
| 1970 MAL PEARSON      | 1970 HUGO CARLO          |
| 1971 GRAHAM DAL SANTO | 1971 M. HYAM/JOHN NAULTY |
| 1972 WARREN URQUART   | 1972 GEOFF THOMAS        |
| 1973 MARK HOTCHKIS    | 1973 GAVIN STEELE        |
| 1974 PETER HERRON     | 1974 ALEX BLAIR          |
| 1975 MICK FRASER      | 1975 DARRYL EASON        |
| 1976 MARK HOTCHKIS    | 1976 IAN KENT            |
| 1977 GARY WHEELER     | 1977 IAN McDONALD        |
| 1978 BRUCE BOULDING   | 1978 IAN McDONALD        |
| 1979 BILL BARKER      | 1979 LOU WHANT           |
| 1980 JOHN EDWARDS     | 1980 GREG REILLY         |

### THIRDS (Barney Lyons Shield)

|                       |
|-----------------------|
| 1968 KEVIN CALLAUGHAN |
| 1969 GEOFF THOMAS     |
| 1970 MAL GRAHAME      |
| 1971 GRAHAM COTTON    |
| 1972 JOHN MARTIN      |
| 1973 PAUL GLYNN       |
| 1974 STEVE CROWLEY    |
| 1975 BRUCE BOULDING   |
| 1976 JOHN PALMER      |
| 1977 GRAHAM DOUGHERTY |
| 1978 PAT ATKINSON     |
| 1979 PAUL RAGNOLI     |
| 1980 DON GRAHAM       |

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### C.W.A. TROPHY

|                       |
|-----------------------|
| 1975 ROD THOMPSON     |
| 1976 JOHN WHEELAHAN   |
| 1977 GEOFF WELLS      |
| 1978 BRIAN WARNOCK    |
| 1979 CHARLIE HOTCHKIS |
| 1980 GARY VANN        |
| 1981 BOB MCKELLAR     |

### CROSS COUNTRY TROPHY (Dave Walters Trophy)

|                     |
|---------------------|
| 1975 ADRIAN RUSSELL |
| 1976 BRIAN WARNOCK  |
| 1977 BRIAN WARNOCK  |
| 1978 MICK WILKINS   |
| 1979 MICK WILKINS   |

B. ANDERSON  
S. BAIKIE  
B. BARKER  
G. BATH  
B. BOULDING  
A. BLAIR  
J. CAREN  
D. CAUDURO  
J. CLA-BOUR  
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A. GREGORY  
G. GRAHAM  
B. GUY  
J. HAYWARD  
W. HEDLEY  
M. HOTCHKIS  
M. JAMES  
T. JOHNSTONE

I. KENT  
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J. KAMARETSOS  
B. LEO  
D. MUIR  
M. MCCONNELL  
B. MCKELLAR  
K. MILLNER  
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R. PARRISH  
J. PETTIT  
P. RAGNOLI

G. ROSS  
G. REILLY  
R. REYNOLDS  
R. THOMPSON  
G. VANN  
S. VANN  
I. WALKER  
M. WARD  
B. WARNOCK  
N. WARREN  
R. WESSEL  
J. WHEELAHAN  
R. WHITING  
N. WILKINS  
G. YOULL  
P. YOULL

TOTAL: 75



The long and the short —  
Ross Whiting and Kosta Delimihalis.

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### WARATAHS I (Division 2)

Versus Corrimal Wines:  
Won 3-2 (Collard, Barker,  
Collinson-Smith)

Versus Wreck Air Wreckers:  
Lost 5-3 (Ross, Riley  
Pettit)

OVERALL 6th

### WARATAHS II (Division 9)

Versus Home Coaching:  
Won 4-2 (Greenhalgh,  
McKellar, Long,  
Collinson-Smith)

Versus Toongabbie Tigers:  
Lost 5-0

Versus Water Board II:  
Won 5-3 (Cesco 4, Wessel)

Versus Mercury:  
Lost 4-0

Versus University:  
Won 3-1 (Wessel 2,  
McConnell)

Versus John Dennis  
Motors:  
Draw 1-1 (Pettit)

Versus Byes:  
Lost 4-2 (Rielly, Ward)

Versus South Pacific:  
Won 3-1

Versus Vikings:  
Lost 5-4

Versus Toohay's Grand:  
Won 3-1 (Doug, Pettit,  
Collinson-Smith)

Versus Charcoal Tavern:  
Won 4-3

Versus ICC:  
Lost 4-3 (Pettit, Ross,  
Murray)

Versus IOTFT:  
Won 8-0

Versus Farkes Forest:  
Drew 3-3 (Macko 2,  
Johnstone)

Versus Shamrocks:  
Won—-forfeit

Versus B. B. O. Galore:  
Won 6-1 (McConnell 4)

OVERALL 3rd

### "ILLAWARRA DAILY MERCURY" RUGBY UNION POINTS (Final Tally)

- 12—MARK HOTCHKIS
- 7—GENE ROSS
- 5—IAN WALKER
- 4—KEVIN EVERINGHAM
- DON MUIR
- 3—BRIAN WARNOCK
- GARY VANN
- 2—STEVE CREENAUNE
- 1—STU BAIKIE
- JOHN EDWARDS
- ROB REYNOLDS

## HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATED

## DRIBBLERS (Basketball)

I was asked to do an article on the TAH's basketball team a few weeks back. It was like a gift from heaven as the team is buckling under us for the lack of a coach, perhaps I thought the article might inspire one of those "generous" Tah men to coach us!

TAH's goes back about eight or nine years when it was mentioned to Paul McCann — the then First Grade coach — that I was hoping to start a night basketball team. The next thing I knew there was a notice in the Waratah's newsletter saying that any Tah ladies interested to phone — thank goodness Bev Davis did and that was the inception of the TAH's Ladies International Basketball team.

We started out a mixed team—some Tah ladies and some friends of Tah ladies, training ourselves and entered the "E" Grade competition at the Beaton Park stadium. We did quite well in that grade usually making the Semi-Finals several times. We had acquired a coach for ourselves. Ian Barrow, who came to us not from the Waratah's, but was a friend, of a friend of a Waratah. We then got to the stage where Ian decided that he had taken us as far as he could and we should look further afield to newer ideas. This was just about the time that Tony Barnes got married to Dot, who was a Melbournean, who was interested in playing and also it was a good way to get to know some of the womenfolk. So we were grateful to Dot as we then got a coach in Tony Barnes. Some of the players at the time were Sharon Ryan, Bev Davis, Robyn Savage, Jos Fraser, Annette Bennis and Jane Bruce.

Tony was a hard taskmaster and we were keen, rising with the chooks and sun each Sunday morning — more often than not after a late Saturday night at the pub or some other Waratah function after a game — to be at the basketball stadium to start training at 8 a.m. to train hard and fast, no gossiping as Tony would not allow this for at least 2 hours. Penalties for being late were so awful (five extra laps around the two outside courts) that we all made sure that we were there before Tony and put our nose to the grind stone. But it all payed

off and we went from "E" grade to "C" grade and once again always made the semi-finals and finals and usually the Grand Final but always the top prize eluded us until Woe Woe Tony was transferred, Robyn moved away and we started trying to find other players and we had a succession of coaches and we finally made the No. 1 position in the first competition of this year.

Those of you older Tah's will probably remember some of those Sundays when we had mixed games with people like Mike Fraser and Doc who did not have a clue about basketball trying to dribble down the court, and getting baskets because of sheer manpower, or some of the ladies tackling the men in most "Union-like" but unlady-like fashion.

So we had to go on to newer pastures and hence we nominated for "A Reserve" and there we made the semi-finals and were beaten by Aztec's much to "Mum's" disgust as daughter Dominique Parrish now plays in the same competition and plays for Aztecs (my goodness there are Tah's everywhere).

We have now commenced the new competition, so far we have two losses and are playing straight "A" grade, still have no coach though Tim Morrissey does give us as many training sessions as he can manage and we have got a few new members to swell the team, but are in dire need of a coach who is willing to give up one hour each Friday night from 6-7 for training and Wednesday nights our game night.

So all you fellows out there, it would be a pity after nine years for TAH's to disintegrate. How about getting some of your ladies to take an interest and perhaps play with us and one of you gentlemen to take an interest or even pity and come out and coach us.

I will finish this article in saying that it is hoped that we will go on to greater and greater heights and perhaps under the next coach take out the first position in one of the "A" Grade competitions in 1982. Up the TAH's.

NOREEN PARRISH.

## REGISTRATION DAY & WINE BOTTLING

On the 22nd March a wine bottling was held at Keira Oval as a joint fund raising and social occasion. Early arrivals to assist were amazed at the complex system of syphons, corking machines and other paraphernalia delivered by our supplier and trusted mentor, Luipli.

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The wine tasting crowd.

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The day finished on a high note both socially and financially for the Club and is only a forerunner for more bottlings in the near future.

RON ROBERTSON.



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### 'AWARDS'

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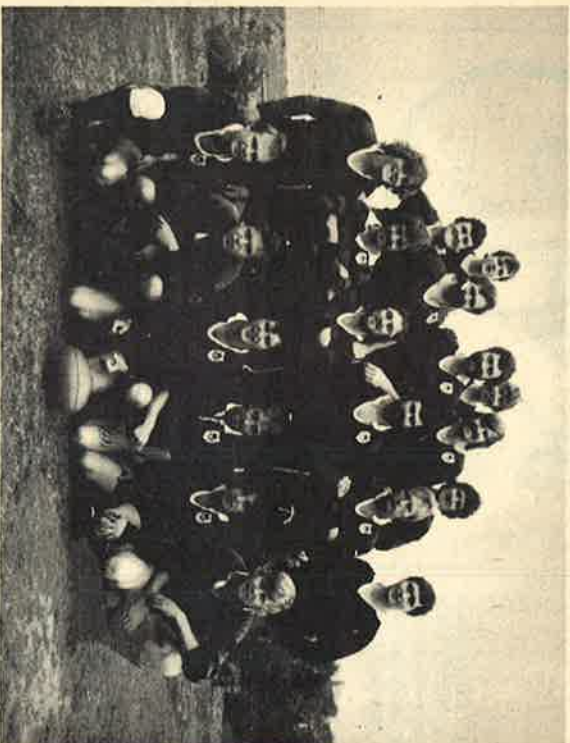
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## TRIP AWAY, 1980 – TASMANIA



L. to R. standing: Ron Romanovich, John Hayward, John Dawson, Steve Creanaune, Rod Thompson, Bob Mckellar, Ken Milner, Greg Reilly, Don Graham, Chris Nursey, Mark Hotchkis, Allan Elliot, Ron Robertson.  
Front: John Edwards, Gene Ross, Geoff Youll, Stu Baikie, Brad Guy, Brian Warnock.  
(Absent: The 13 Waratahs too drunk to play.)

Defeated Easts (Hobart) 19-0.

## FAR SOUTH COAST RUGBY KNOCK-OUT *Turross Heads (24th March)*

Waratahs vs. Cooma: (Win – 6-nil) Steve Yann (try), Gene Ross (Conv.).

Waratahs vs. Canberra Wests: (Lost – 22-0).

Grand Final: The Tahs played very well. Doug Constable, John Caren and Dennis Cauduro played their first game with the club abd all performed creditably. Gene Ross and Greg Reilly stood out with dashing dis-

plays. Captain-coach Mick Wilkins was also very pleased with former Victorian Colt and navy rep. Geoff Bath. As it was the first run of the season the team became very weary and sore after their first victory and this showed in the second match. Canberra's side was big and well drilled and fully tested the youthful Tah pack.  
Turross Heads were very hospitable over the week-end.

L. to R. standing: Brian Warnock, Doug Constable, Mark McConnell, Bill Barker, John Edwards, Mick Wilkins, Gene Ross, John Caren, Dennis Cauduro.

Front: Geoff Youll, Greg Riley, Roger Edwards, Geoff Bath, Bob Mckellar, Brad Guy, Ian Kent, Steve Yann.





## 1981 MATCH STATISTICS

| Opposing Clubs           | 1st GRADE |   | 2nd GRADE |        |               | 3rd GRADE |               |  |    |
|--------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|--------|---------------|-----------|---------------|--|----|
|                          | W/L/D     | Points  | W/L/D     | Points | W/L/D         | Points    | W/L/D         | Points                                 |    |
| SHOALHAVEN.....          | Lost      | 6   | 13        | Won    | 4             | 0         | Lost          | 0                                      | 7  |
| VIKINGS .....            | Lost      | 0   | 19        | Lost   | 3             | 18        | Lost          | 0                                      | 7  |
| KIAMA.....               | Lost      | 0   | 21        | Won    | 7             | 0         | Drew          | 0                                      | 0  |
| TECH.....                | Lost      | 8   | 19        | Lost   | 3             | 10        | Won           | 7                                      | 0  |
| GOULBURN .....           | Lost      | 0   | 14        | Lost   | 4             | 39        | Won           | 6                                      | 3  |
| BOWRAL.....              | Won       | 10  | 0         | Lost   | 3             | 8         | Lost          | 0                                      | 8  |
| PORT KEMBLA/DAPTO        | Lost      | 7   | 4         | Won    | 14            | 4         | Won           | 11                                     | 0  |
| TEACHERS/UNI.....        | Lost      | 4   | 26        | Won    | 4             | 19        | Won           | 22                                     | 3  |
| SHAMROCKS.....           | Drew      | 3   | 3         | Won    | 15            | 0         | Lost          | 9                                      | 10 |
| WEERONA .....            | Won       | 9   | 0         | Won    | 24            | 0         | Won           | 15                                     | 0  |
| CAMDEN .....             | Lost      | 0   | 10        | Won    | 7             | 0         | Won           | 16                                     | 0  |
| SHOALHAVEN.....          | Lost      | 6   | 22        | Lost   | 3             | 8         | Won           | 12                                     | 0  |
| VIKINGS .....            | Drew      | 3   | 3         | Lost   | 4             | 12        | Won           | 3                                      | 0  |
| KIAMA.....               | Lost      | 4   | 26        | Lost   | 4             | 8         | Won           | 7                                      | 0  |
| TECH.....                | Lost      | 3   | 30        | Lost   | 0             | 20        | Won           | 7                                      | 0  |
| GOULBURN .....           | Lost      | 10  | 6         | Lost   | 3             | 14        | Won           | 15                                     | 8  |
| BOWRAL .....             | Won       | 6   | 3         | Lost   | 0             | 29        | Won           | 6                                      | 0  |
| PORT KEMBLA/DAPTO        | Won       | 9   | 6         | Won    | 16            | 12        | Won           | 8                                      | 6  |
| TEACHERS/UNI.....        | Lost      | 6   | 8         | Drew   | 9             | 9         | Won - forfeit | 10                                     | 4  |
| shamrocks.....           | Won       | 10  | 3         | Won    | 22            | 0         | Won           | 3                                      | 0  |
| WEERONA .....            | Won       | 30  | 4         | Won    | 9             | 0         | Won           | 3                                      | 0  |
| CAMDEN .....             | Won       | 3   | 12        | Drew   | 0             | 0         | Won           | 14                                     | 0  |
| TOTAL.....               |           | 137   | 257       |        | 158           | 215       |               | 170                                    | 55 |
| Comp Points.....         |           | 14  |           |        | 20            |           |               | 35                                     |    |
| Position .....           |           | Ninth   |           |        | Seventh (eq.) |           |               | Second                                 |    |
| Highest Point Scorers... |           | Gene Ross   | 53        |        | Mark Fisher   | 24        |               | Ross Whiting                           | 65 |
| Most Tries .....         |           | Steve Creenaune   | 4         |        | Peter Edgar   | 3         |               | Ross Whiting                           | 7  |
| Weekly Pewter Winner ..  |           | Bill Barker<br>Don Muir<br>Paul Murray<br>Mark Hotchkis | 4         |        | Mick Wilkins  | 4         |               | R. Coleshill                           | 4  |
| Major Semi-Final .....   |           |   |           |        |               |           |               | Def. Vikings 6-3                       |    |
| Grand Final .....        |           |   |           |        |               |           |               | Lost Vikings 0-10                      |    |
| Club Championship .....  |           |   |           |        |               |           |               | Seventh out of fourteen clubs overall. |    |

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# AWARDS FOR 1981

## BEST AND FAIREST

1st GRADE . . . . . Paul Murray and Mark Hotchkis  
 2nd GRADE . . . . . Mick Wilkins  
 3rd GRADE . . . . . Ron Wessel

## HIGHEST POINT SCORER

Ross Whiting (65)

## MOST IMPROVED

1st . . . . . Gene Ross and Bill Barker  
 2nd . . . . . Peter McKinnon  
 3rd . . . . . Gary Graham

## MOST CONSISTENT

Kosta Delimahalis

## BEST CLUBMAN

Graeme Collinson-Smith

## BEST AND FAIREST PLAYER – A GRADE

(IMBC Trophy)

Previously presented to—

|   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| 1963 . . . . . John Steele                          | 1968 . . . . . Kevin Callaghan  |
| 1964 . . . . . Ted McMillan                         | 1969 . . . . . Geoff Thomas     |
| 1965 . . . . . Reg Piper                            | 1970 . . . . . Malcolm Graham   |
| 1966 . . . . . Alan Elliott                         | 1971 . . . . . Graham Cotton    |
| 1967 . . . . . Alan Bateman and Terry Churchin      | 1972 . . . . . John Martin      |
| 1968 . . . . . Kerry Medway                         | 1973 . . . . . Barry Doyle      |
| 1969 . . . . . Mick Twemlow                         | 1974 . . . . . Paul McCann      |
| 1970 . . . . . Dave Johnston                        | 1975 . . . . . Graham Smith     |
| 1971 . . . . . Ron Brady                            | 1976 . . . . . Martin Ryan      |
| 1972 . . . . . Tim Young                            | 1977 . . . . . Bryan Leo        |
| 1973 . . . . . Tim Young and Graeme Collinson-Smith | 1978 . . . . . Bryan Leo        |
| 1974 . . . . . Mark Hotchkis                        | 1979 . . . . . Dave Middlebrook |
| 1975 . . . . . Len Barker                           | 1980 . . . . . Stuart Baikie    |
| 1976 . . . . . Mark Hotchkis                        |                                 |
| 1977 . . . . . Graeme Collinson-Smith               |                                 |
| 1978 . . . . . Ron Wessel                           |                                 |
| 1979 . . . . . Mark Hotchkis and Paul Murray        |                                 |
| 1980 . . . . . Paul Murray                          |                                 |

## C GRADE (IMBC Trophy)

|                                |                                 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1968 . . . . . Kevin Callaghan | 1973 . . . . . Barry Doyle      |
| 1969 . . . . . Geoff Thomas    | 1974 . . . . . Paul McCann      |
| 1970 . . . . . Malcolm Graham  | 1975 . . . . . Graham Smith     |
| 1971 . . . . . Graham Cotton   | 1976 . . . . . Martin Ryan      |
| 1972 . . . . . John Martin     | 1977 . . . . . Bryan Leo        |
| 1973 . . . . . Barry Doyle     | 1978 . . . . . Bryan Leo        |
| 1974 . . . . . Paul McCann     | 1979 . . . . . Dave Middlebrook |
| 1975 . . . . . Graham Smith    | 1980 . . . . . Stuart Baikie    |

## B GRADE

(Jack Cooper Trophy)

|                                 |                               |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1969 . . . . . Rick Daem        | 1964 . . . . . Peter Head     |
| 1970 . . . . . Stuart Baikie    | 1965 . . . . . Reg Freeves    |
| 1971 . . . . . Dennis Barnes    | 1966 . . . . . Geoff Wells    |
| 1972 . . . . . Pat O'Shaa       | 1967 . . . . . John Millar    |
| 1973 . . . . . Phil Tindall     | 1968 . . . . . Chris Tyrrell  |
| 1974 . . . . . Barry Doyle      | 1969 . . . . . Doug Roser     |
| 1975 . . . . . Joe Browne       | 1970 . . . . . Adrian Russell |
| 1976 . . . . . John Hayward     | 1971 . . . . . Bruce Carr     |
| 1977 . . . . . Geoff Wells      | 1972 . . . . . John McDerrick |
| 1978 . . . . . Jim Harpley      | 1973 . . . . . Neil Tew       |
| 1979 . . . . . Ian Kent         | 1974 . . . . . Gavin Steele   |
| 1980 . . . . . Dave Middlebrook | 1975 . . . . . Mick Wilkins   |

## BEST CLUBMAN (Bill Kench Trophy)

Previously presented to—

|                               |                                |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1964 . . . . . Peter Head     | 1973 . . . . . Neil Tew        |
| 1965 . . . . . Reg Freeves    | 1974 . . . . . Gavin Steele    |
| 1966 . . . . . Geoff Wells    | 1975 . . . . . Mick Wilkins    |
| 1967 . . . . . John Millar    | 1976 . . . . . Mick Fraser     |
| 1968 . . . . . Chris Tyrrell  | 1977 . . . . . Mick Greenhalgh |
| 1969 . . . . . Doug Roser     | 1978 . . . . . Mick Wilkins    |
| 1970 . . . . . Adrian Russell | 1979 . . . . . Paul Murray     |
| 1971 . . . . . Bruce Carr     | 1980 . . . . . Steve Creanaune |
| 1972 . . . . . John McDerrick |                                |

## MOST CONSISTENT (Wales Bank Trophy)

|                                 |                             |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1977 . . . . . Graham Dougherty | 1972 . . . . . John Hayward |
| 1978 . . . . . Brian Warnock    | 1973 . . . . . Geoff Wells  |
| 1979 . . . . . Bill Barker      | 1974 . . . . . Jim Harpley  |
| 1980 . . . . . Tony Johnstone   | 1975 . . . . . Ian Kent     |

## HIGHEST POINT SCORER (Frank Arkell Trophy)

|                               |                               |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1976 . . . . . Ron Gordon     | 1971 . . . . . Bruce Carr     |
| 1977 . . . . . John Cedauro   | 1972 . . . . . John McDerrick |
| 1978 . . . . . Brian Silver   | 1973 . . . . . Neil Tew       |
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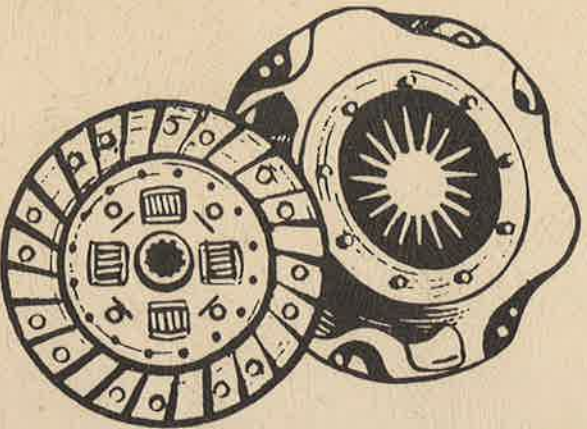
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