



**WARATAH
RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

PREMIERSHIP

**YEAR BOOK
1986**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Waratah's - 1986 Premiers ! looks good in print, doesn't it ? It makes me feel good to see it in print, and I'm sure it makes every member of the Waratahs who have played a part over the last two years in dragging our Club from the bottom of the heap to the top of the world, feel good also.

The players who ran on in First Grade in 1986 deserve all the praise that they have been given. Their dedication, their faith in themselves and their coach, and their pride in the Club they represented resulted in the ultimate reward - to be a part of the Best Team in the Competition.

The individual efforts of each player are well documented elsewhere in this Yearbook, and I won't repeat them here. I would like to focus on their Coach - Bob Kerr.

Bob accepted our 1st Grade coach's job without much knowledge of our Club or the people in it. He didn't know what to expect. He wasted no time settling in, but immediately offered assistance in organising and fund raising, and, with Peter Darby, went on to secure valuable sponsorship agreements, and a string of match ball sponsors that were regularly seen on our sandwich board on Saturdays.

He placed great emphasis on the encouragement of the younger players, and they didn't let him down. He coached patiently and quietly - but always confidently. He made some surprise selections and weathered the criticism. He stuck by his selections, gave everyone a fair go, and the results are on the board to vindicate his judgement.

Bob came to us well credentialled as a player and a coach - but little did we know about the magnitude of the contribution he was to give.

On behalf of the Waratahs past, present and future. Bob, congratulations and thank you.

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The Club performance was generally high throughout 1986. This was illustrated by our second placing in the Club Championship, only four points behind Shamrocks.

Our 2nd Grade were the unluckiest side in the competition. One more win during the year would have secured the 5th spot, and at that time we were playing so well that we could have gone all the way. A string of three losses and a draw early in the year made the difference, and this emphasises the need to start early, and play enough trials to organise our teams, and give ourselves a fair chance.

Good old 3rd Grade surprised the critics by stringing together six wins before going down to Bowral in the Final. The 11-4 Final loss was a far cry from the 44-0 hiding we took in the first round, and this reflects credit on coach Don Muir and the positive attitude of the players.



A very strong nucleus of U18 players held the side together in 1986, but unfortunately they were let down by some of their team mates who were unreliable. They therefore played many of their games with insufficient numbers, and their 5th placing in the competition was a credit to the regular players. All these players will be together again in the new U19 competition, and with the addition of a few more regular players can look forward to a successful year. The Club owes thanks to the U18 coach Paul Murray for his assistance.

Our U14's also are proudly wearing Premiership jackets. Their Grand Final win was an historic occasion for the Waratahs, and a moment the boys will remember for a long time. Some very talented players emerged through the year, and if they are allowed to develop slowly, and enjoy their progress through the junior grades, then the Club will benefit greatly by their presence in the senior grades in years to come.

On the administration side, things weren't quite as successful. It was disappointing that the Thursday night raffles were allowed to lapse. These raffles were a valuable source of income, and must be resurrected next year.

The monthly Newsletter also lapsed because no one was prepared to compile it. Communication is an essential part of running a successful organisation, and the newsletter also must be reinstated next year.

With these failures in mind, the composition of the Club Management team will change for 1987. The new positions created have specific responsibilities and will hopefully solve our problems.

Our Clubmen of the Year, Ron Wessel and Gary Graham did a huge amount of work during the year. I think most people are aware of the terrible trouble the Club would be in without the contribution of Ron and Gary.

Our canteen was run very efficiently under extremely difficult circumstances during the year and I extend the Club's thanks to Kay Kent and the girls in the canteen for performing a difficult task well.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

The assistance given by Dennis and Nora Lawson's Figtree Hotel through their sponsorship was tremendous. We were the first club in Illawarra to capitalise on sponsorship opportunities to any degree. The badges on our gear, the banner at the ground and our regular attendance at the Figtree were our ways of repaying the cost. Dennis and Nora helped in many other ways too - nothing was too much trouble. On behalf of the Waratahs, Dennis and Nora thank you for your valuable assistance.

Thanks also to the Illawarra Master Builders Club for their continuing support. Secretary Manager Les Hickey retired during 1986, and as a gesture of our appreciation of his assistance over a large number of years, he was designated our first Honorary Vice President and presented with an embroidered Club jumper to mark the occasion. Thank you Les for your assistance, and the Club wishes you a long and happy retirement.

Thanks also to the assistance of our match ball sponsors. We hope you were happy with our match day sandwich board, and we look forward to a continuing relationship in 1987.

1986 saw us finish on top, and 1987 will be the year that we fight to stay on top. It was hard work to get there, and the work will be just as hard if we want to stay there.

MICK WILKINS

TREASURERS REPORT - 1986

This has been one of the most successful years for the Waratahs on the playing field that I can ever remember but with success we also found a slight strain on the finances of the Club with a few extra expenses being incurred that weren't budgeted for.

But for the tireless work of a few Club members plus sponsorships that were gained for the club by Bob Kerr and Peter Darby, we would have had a very difficult financial year.

I would like to personally thank Gary Graham, Ron Wessel, Kay Kent and Mick Wilkins for their assistance in collection and raising of funds throughout the year. It made my life as treasurer a lot easier plus kept our creditors off our backs.

Again subscriptions were a contentious issue with the bulk of the members meeting their commitments at the correct times, with a few paying small amounts and not paying their balance, plus the odd one or two responsible club members making life very hard when asked for their subs. All I can say is that the funds don't go into my pocket but into club coffers to meet expenses incurred when we put you the player on the field.

Once again thank you for having me as your honorary treasurer in 1986 and let's look ahead to a successful 1987.

PETER LEINER

Well it has been a tremendous year for the Waratah's in winning the 1st Grade Premiership, as well as the Under 14's Grand Final. Congratulations to all those who played a part in achieving these successes.

Such success is only possible because of the great efforts of many in the Club, particularly the President and 1st grade coach, who gave their all to get the Club to the position finally attained.

I look forward to the Waratah's maintaining their momentum and continuing the good work in 1987.

Joanne Erwin.

1ST GRADE COACHES REPORT

The Waratah Rugby Club - 1st Grade has just completed their most successful season in twenty seven years.

'ILLAWARRA DISTRICT RUGBY UNION"

GRAND FINAL

WOLLONGONG SHOWGROUND 27 SEPTEMBER 1986
WARATAHS 12 v KIAMA 3

I said earlier in the season that premierships are not easy to come by and I consider you need luck to go with all those other necessary attributes - fitness, skill, team spirit, strength, toughness, loyalty and believe it or not desperation. If you can come up with this combination and the right preparation: preparation is so important from the coaches and players point, well you will get to the showground and you will win premierships. We had basically a young team; once they believed that it wasn't easy and all that work was bearing fruits my job became somewhat easier though selection did cause problems as more and more wanted to be part of it and the pressure was on everyone of the incumbents. I was full of admiration for the manner in which this team went about it's task and lots of people contributed.

To our President, Mick Wilkins go my sincere thanks for his enthusiasm and the support I was given by him and his able committee.

To the other coaches and selectors, Henry, Don and Dawson - we had similar philosophies on the game and this helped but thank you for your support that was always there - it was great.

Managers have a thankless task - to Ian Kent and Peter Darby you both made it so much easier for me as a coach - to you both thanks.

The Waratah Rugby Club doesn't have big numbers and it is important that everyone gets in and helps - so many assisted and therefore contributed to our success but I would like to record by special thanks to a few who I know wouldn't like to see their name in print, as they consider that what they do is normal. So to Gary Graham, Ron Wessel, Dr Bob Bartle, Brian Simpson and John Kamaretsos, I thank you.

This review would not be complete without the real contributors; yes to me the contributors who made it all possible were the players so I think it fair to mention all.

BOB AUBIN - 2 Games.

Season interrupted by work commitments but free of these will figure prominently in next seasons effort.

BILL BARKER - 8 GAMES 1 TRY GRAND FINAL

Extremely valuable member of premiership pack and once he become attuned to blindside flanker there was no better in the competition.

BRAD BROWNE - 8 GAMES 1 TRY GRAND FINAL

Taken from Under 18's and impressed all with his skills immediately.

SEAN BURNHAM - 15 1/2 GAMES 1 TRY GRAND FINAL.

Potential still untapped but along with youthful centre partner Brad Browne will create havoc once he gets to full fitness.

RON CHITTICK 1 1/2 GAMES

Experience tight forward that always stood by for us

BRIAN COLBY 4 1/2 GAMES

Another eligible for U 18's who developed extremely well this year - will be the strength of the club one day if he trains and commits himself as he did.

WADE DAVIS - 1 GAME

Valuable club member who gave 110% to the team at all times

JOE EWART 1/2 GAME

At University in Sydney so only available in holidays which is a shame - heaps of ability.

ROB GREWAR - 13 GAMES 19 POINTS

Played very well at first five in the early stages of the season but the experience gained this year will stand him in good stead for next.

KEVIN JOHNSTONE - 1 GAME

Injured ribs in first game and took some while to get back, but when he did put all sorts of pressure on the incumbents.

GEORGE KENA - 5 GAMES

Trained well in off season and was rewarded with an Illawarra Representative Jersey only to have to withdraw due to work commitments.

DES KERR - 1 GAME

Experienced hooker who filled in admirable when club numbers were down late in the season.

BOB KERR - 5 GAMES

PAUL KILEY - 17 GAMES 6 TRIES GRAND FINAL

Valuable player who captained the team earlier until injuries; once confidence returned played very well.

JOHN KINNEAR - 12 1/2 GAMES 1 TRY GRAND FINAL

Another of the U 18's who was a treat to have in the team when available - NSW Schools should have been stepping stone to Australian Schoolboys team to tour New Zealand but someone didn't recognise talent.

SPIRO LOZENKOVSKI 22 GAMES GRAND FINAL

Second year player who was the cornerstone of our pack - played all games and will one day play representative rugby.

MARK McCONNELL 22 GAMES 43 POINTS GRAND FINAL

The years of holding the backline came to fruition this year and never played a bad one and showed class in attack and defence.

STEVE MCGILLIVRAY 5 1/2 GAMES 53 POINTS

Injuries hampered the progress of this talented player who has a good future in front of himself.

RORY McNEILL 11 1/2 GAMES 1 TRY

Outstanding winger whose enthusiasm was unparalleled and whose year was cut short by an horrific knee injury in second Weerona game.

JOHN MORRISON 11 1/2 GAMES 5 TRIES GRAND FINAL

England "B" and Bath RFC player whose contribution was immense - superb lineout jumper who would be welcome back anytime.

TONY NAULTY 14 GAMES 2 TRIES GRAND FINAL

Slow start to season but then took it by the scruff of the neck and was there was no happier man on Grand Final night. Tremendous natural ability.

CHRIS NORRIS 12 GAMES GRAND FINAL

Came in when John Kinnear unavailable but improvement was such that Grand Final game was a just reward for efforts and support.

MARK PERRY 7 1/2 GAMES 50 POINTS GRAND FINAL

Skilful player who contributed greatly when the tough got going - gave Port Kembla great service and us likewise.

ADAM PHILLIPS 13 1/2 GAMES

Illawarra representative player who came to us from Port Kembla and what a gain. Was to play Grand Final until hamstring injury sustained when doing extra training in last week - will be back.

PETER POWER 19 GAMES GRAND FINAL

Australia U17 player who cam to us from Shoalhaven U18's - commitment and ability gave him a year to remember. An Illawarra Representative jumper was well deserved.

BRETT RAMSAY 17 GAMES 7 TRIES GRAND FINAL

Youthful player who worked on his fitness to become integral member of team.

HENRY RARERE 3 1/2 GAMES GRAND FINAL

Second grade player coach who greatly assisted team and his few minutes as replacement in Grand Final was a just reward.

STEVE SHULTZ 18 GAMES GRAND FINAL

Experienced prop who captained Illawarra and played for NSW Country - big match player who excelled late in the season and gave us a big one in Grand Final.

ANDY SKEET 10 GAMES

Valuable member of team who gave all and was a little unfortunate with the arrival of Phillips and Morrison but continued to keep pressure on them to the end.

LES SPERRING 1 GAME

One game very early in season before work transfer took him from area.

NICK VATSELIAS 19 GAMES 10 TRIES GRAND FINAL

Captained team for the majority of season and led by example; showed control and discipline and was certainly a most valuable member of team.

PETER WILLIAMS 11 GAMES 73 POINTS GRAND FINAL

England and Orrell RFC player who in a limited time showed everyone that with fitness (superb trainer) and ability what a footballer can do. Best and Fairest certainly sums up his contribution and we hope he will return.

GEOFF YOULL 2 1/2 GAMES

Played his way into team only to be injured and put pressure on the others when he returned.

MARK ZANNON 7 1/2 GAMES

Out of U18's to make a very good impression early in the season until injury and university took it's toll. I am sure he will be available next year and this years experience certainly help then.

Well that sums up the contributors, a good year, a historic year but let us not sit idle - we need a commitment again from all, players, administrators and supporters to keep the Waratah Rugby Club a dominant force in Illawarra Rugby.

Thanks all
Bob Kerr.



2ND GRADE COACHES REPORT

As was the case last year I was again proud to be coach of the second grade side this year. My first objective was to ensure that the second grade team would remain competitive and worthy opponents' for their opposition, in doing so we ended the season finishing just two points out of the top five. It is my belief, along with many others, that this year's second grade team had the ability to go a lot further, but as we well know to get to the top you must have total commitment, discipline, with a strong willing desire to be successful. I would like to offer my thanks to all those players' who played second grade this year.

OBSERVATIONS IN '86

1. To Ron Chittick - thanks again for your support as Vice Captain and friend.
2. To Wade Davis - you have a rare attribute, that being, enthusiasm and a willingness to always train hard, I trust you will carry this on in future years with the Tah's.
3. To Gary Hart, Andy Skeet, Kevin Johnston, John O'Donnell, Mark Perry, Rob Auburn and Geoff Youll, thank you for sharing your experience of Rugby with both myself and the younger members of the team.
4. To Rob Grewar and Brian Colby - when playing Rugby don't try to do things that side line critics expect of you. Instead, just have confidence in your own ability.
5. To Gary Thompson - a player who slowly but surely learned the game and justifiably secured himself a permanent position on the wing.
6. To John Sutherland - who won the Best and Fairest trophy with a half season performance before being forced out because of injury. One can only imagine the potential of such a player.
7. To Craig Askam - the winner of the Most Improved trophy. Keep the off season training going and you will benefit from it in '87.
8. To Steve McGillivray - congratulations on once again being the Club's leading points scorer with over 100 points. It may have taken a full season but you silenced a lot of people with your performance in the last game.
But it must be remembered consistency is what wins games which in turn wins premierships.

The club will love to see you all again in '87.

I must give special mention to our manager "THE BOSS" Ron Wessel for his great support and encouragement to both myself and the team during the season. It was greatly appreciated. Thank you Ron.

Last of all I have enjoyed being a player coach but have decided that I would give coaching a rest for the time being and would like to thank my co-coaches Bob Kerr and Don Muir and the Waratah Club for your support. I have learned a great deal in the past two years and trust those persons I have had the pleasure of coaching have been able to benefit also.

Here's to an equally if not better season in 1987. Best of luck.

HENRY RARERE

3RD GRADE COACHES REPORT

The 1986 season for me was going to be a break from rugby, until no-one else wanted to coach 3rd grade. I thought why not and recruited Dawso as manager. After our first couple of training runs it didn't look as if we would win many games. As it turned out we became the draw specialists with 3 in 5 games.

Fielding a mixture of inexperience (Kleiny, Graeme Brake, Tim Ainsworth and a few other past and present under 18's) and veterans (myself, Gaza, Pearso, Tony Johnson) we started to accumulate a few points and settled in the top 4. A few more oldies got the urge (Hotchkiss, Hayward, and Bob) and our forward pack of 257 years began taking control in most games, and our backline, with Tony Johnson switching from hooker to half back, Kleiny controlling things at five eight and new recruits Haigh and Jonesy began to function.

At this stage we knocked off a few more fancied teams. From a coaches point of view it was pleasing to have players who started the season as permanent reserves finishing the season as permanent members of the team. So in a season where we went from a 44 point hiding at Bowral to beating Shoalhaven in the semis when no one gave us a chance, I can only say that it was a very rewarding season form myself, Dawso who I couldn't have done without and the 35 odd guys who played 3rd grade during the 1986 season.

My thanks to Bob and "H" when selections were critical to our chances of making the top 5, and to the 1st graders who filled in when we were "short" against Camden, to the reserves who understood, to the Dapto Mafia, and to Kleiny who kept us in a lot of games with the "Boot".

DON MUIR

UNDER 18 YEARS

The Under 18 years team performed creditably throughout the season. They just missed a place in the semi finals on the last game of the season. The team had the potential to win the competition when at full strength, but unfortunately lost easy games because of playing understrength. Injuries to Graeme Brake, Gary Forster and Troy Phipps also depleted the team.

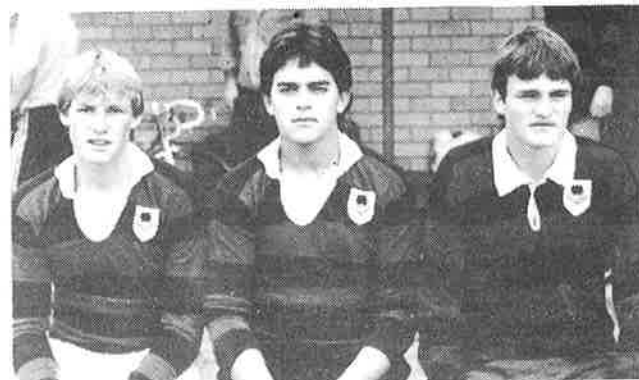
Coach Paul Murray devoted a lot of time and effort with the team and all the players are grateful for the wealth of Rugby knowledge that he shared. Paul was also coach of Illawarra U18 and that team with some Waratah reps, won the N.S.W. Country Championship.

Captain Brian Colby proved an inspiration to the team and led by example, especially after playing a hard first or second grade game the day before. All the boys show great Rugby potential and it is hoped that they all continue in the game with the Club either at Junior or Senior level. John Keener and Brad Browne both played in the First Grade Grand Final. Michael Weine, Doug Paddon, Gary Forster, Greg Newman, Jay Haigh and Graeme Brake also experienced grade throughout the season. It is now hoped that all the players now recruit their mates in the off season and come together again in 1987 for a premiership winning Under 19 team.

GRAEME COLLINSON-SMITH



MARK KINEAR



MARK GALLAGHER STEVEN GAJIC ANTHONY IDLE

Representative Players.

Illawarra U18 :
----- Brian Colby, Mark Gallagher,
Troy Phipps.

Southern N.S.W. Combined High Schools:

Mark Gallagher, Troy Phipps

Southern Schools:Troy Phipps, John
-----Kinnear, Gary Forster

N.S.W. Country Schools : John Kinnear

N.S.W. Schools: John Kinnear.

1986 RESULTS:

Played 11 Won 6 Lost 5
Points for 85 Points Against 93
Competition Points 12 Placing : 5th

Best & Fairest : Brian Colby

Most Improved : Anthony Idle

Highest Point Scorers :

Guy Anderson (26)
Steven Gajic (18)
Brad Browne (12)

1986 Players:

AYRE BRETT	HAIGH JAY
ANDERSON GUY	IDLE ANTHONY
BRAKE GRAEME	KEARNS JAMES
BROWNE ADAM	KINNEAR JOHN
BROWNE BRADLEY	KINNEAR MARK
BROWNE SIMON	LOZENKOVSKI JOHN
COLBY BRIAN	NEWMAN GREG
COOK JAMIE	PADDON DOUG
COUGLAN BILL	PHIPPS TROY
FORSTER GARY	SIMON GARY
GALLAGHER MARK	WEINE MICHAEL
GAJIC STEVEN	WEINE STEPHEN

U14 Players Who Helped Out -

CLARK DUANE
LAKALAKA SOANE
MUIR SIMON
SZYMANSKI PETER
MUIR CALY

ILLAWARRA PLAYERS

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DUANE CLARK
BEN DARBY
NICK KING
GRAEME LAWSON
SIMON MUIR
PETER SZYMANSKI
ANDREW TODD

ILLAWARRA PLAYERS
SEVEN A SIDE

SHANE BRYANT
DUANE CLARK
SOANE LAKALAKA
GRAEME LAWSON

BEST AND FAIREST

CALY MUIR

MOST IMPROVED

SHANE BRYANT, DUANE CLARKE


HIGHEST POINTSCORERS

SOANE LAKALAKA (32)
DUANE CLARKE (30)
SHANE BRYANT (28)

L I S T O F P L A Y E R S

1 9 8 6 (U / 14)

Glen Anderson	Soane Lakalaka
Shane Bryant	Kevin Laming
Duane Clark	Graeme Lawson
Ben Darby	Caly Muir
Paul Davis	Simon Muir
Grant Dowd	Adam Phipps
Shane Foster	Vincent Plunkett
Andrew Grimes	Edward Safadi
Heath Hancock	Leon Stegwell
Michael Hopp	Peter Szymanski
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UNDER 14 COACHES REPORT

The 1986 season has ended and what a great year it has been. The club's first premiership and many of the under 14's making the Illawarra team were highlights, but most important of all was that the players enjoyed their rugby. The season started slowly with only five players but by the end of the year 30 kids had played for Waratahs Under 14's.

As Coach the highlights of the year were -

- winning the Club's first premiership

-winning the first game at Shoalhaven with only 13 players

- having seven players selected in the Illawarra team to play in the state championship

- the improvement shown by all players

- seeing the players each week watching and supporting the senior teams

The support shown by Club members and supporters at each game helped in the running of the team. To Ron Wessel and Gary Graham my thanks for all their help during the year. But special thanks to Graeme Collinson-Smith for organising and transporting many of the players, without Graeme there would be no Waratah junior teams.

BILL BARKER



BEFORE

BACK ROW: RON WESSELL, GARY GRAHAM, EDWARD SAFADI, LEON STEGWELL, PETER SZYMANSKI, DUANE CLARK, SOANE LAKALAKA, GRAEME LAWSON, ANDREW TODD, GLEN ANDERSON, MICHAEL HOPP, BILL BARKER.
FRONT ROW: ANDREW GRIMES, KEVIN LAMING, ADAM PHIPPS, SHANE BRYANT, CALY MUIR, SIMON MUIR, BEN DARBY, SHAUN JOHNS, NICK TRIKKIS, NICK KING,
Absent: HEATH HANCOCK, PAUL DAVIS.



AFTER



● Triumphant Waratahs coach Bob Kerr and skipper Nick Vatselios with the trophy the 'Tahs have waited so long to win.

A VINTAGE YEAR FOR WARATAHS

For 27 years Waratahs have been also-rans. But as the sun set on Wollongong Showground last Saturday after their 12-3 grand final win over Kiama they were kings.

The year 1986 belongs to Waratahs. It was then that they came of age as an Illawarra District Rugby Union club by winning the first grade premiership, a title so richly deserved.

In one of the closest and most keenly contested IDRU seasons on record, Waratahs went about their task in a methodical way. Their preparation left nothing to chance.

Success was built on the cornerstone of a big, powerful pack containing those prime ingredients of raw youthful keenness with a measure of hard headed experience, fitness and technique.

The backline also had its share of young and willing workers coupled with mature control.

They reaped the rewards last Saturday. The chanting of their loyal supporters — "Tahs, Tahs, Tahs" — the creation of history, personal satisfaction and knowledge that they have been part of setting the club's course for the future.

The Waratahs notes in the grand final official program say it all:

"If somebody had suggested 18 months ago that Waratahs would be contesting the 1986 first grade grand final, he would have been sympathetically assisted to the nearest medical help.

"Even the most optimistic Waratah official could not have predicted the rate of progress in the club since the wooden spoon of 1984.

"The progress can be attributed to a wholehearted club effort. Steps were taken through a series of objectives, and as each was surpassed, new objectives were set.

"The club is very proud of the first grade squad wearing the red and black today. They have applied themselves this year under the guidance of coach Bob Kerr with persistence and determination, despite very poor training facilities due to the redevelopment of the cricket wicket which occupies the centre of Keira Oval.

"The club has placed great emphasis on the encouragement of young players. Four of the grand final squad have very recently emerged from our under 18 team. The average age of the grand final team is only 22.

"One of these players, breakaway John Kinnear, advanced through the schoolboy representative ranks to represent NSW Combined Schools at the Interstate Schools Carnival in Adelaide.

"1986 has been a record year for Waratahs — an under 14 premiership; third grade finalists; only four points from winning the club championship; and a first grade grand final.

"Over the last few weeks we have set one final objective for 1986. Today is the day we will achieve it."

And they did just that. Well done, Waratahs.

GRAND FINAL ACTION



NICK VATSELIOS caught by the jumper



More clear ball from JOHN MORRISON



BILL BAKER looks for support assisted by PETER POWER, SPIRO LOZENKOVSKI, JOHN KINNEAR and JOHN MORRISON while STEVE SCHULTZ runs block.



PETER WILLIAMS about to go between them



CHRIS MORRIS takes clear ball at the back with support moving in.

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The rugby season of 1986 was one which both old and new players and supporters will remember always, finishing first grade premiers and second in the club championship only four points behind Shamrocks.

It was a great thrill to see first grade win our first premiership. The team had a combination of youth and experience which was strengthened by English Internationals Peter Williams and John Morrison, along with new players Peter Power, Adam Phillips and Mark Perry. It was also great to see six of our Under 18's filling positions in the team. The team was expertly coached by Bob Kerr who, despite his critics from time to time, did a tremendous job.

Second grade was coached by Henry Rarere who, as usual, strived for perfection from his team. He must have been disappointed by it's performance at times, when chances slipped away in crucial games. It was good to see young players like Craig Askam, Brian Colby, Gary Thompson and John Sutherland have big years. I'm sure that with the experience gained 1987 will be a different year for this team.

What can one say about the thirsty third's performance to finish in the Final only to be beaten by Bowral. Capably lead by the experience of Captain Coach Don Muir, John Dawson, Bob Kerr, Tony Johnson and Gary Graham, the youth and ability of the Dapto connection of Paul Klein, Jay Haigh and Brett Jones further strengthened the side.

To the players who achieved representative honours and club awards congratulations. Finally to our President Mick Wilkins, his committee and supporters, on behalf of the players thank you for your tremendous effort and support which made 1986 a year to remember. It is now with much enthusiasm we look to a successful year in 1987.

RON (BUSHY) CHITTICK

CLUB CAPTAIN'S AWARDS

GOLDEN SPONGE AWARD	RICHARD PEARSON
HUSH PUPPIES AWARD	JOHN KINNEAR
DRUNK OF THE YEAR	RON WESSEL
WISHFUL THINKERS AWARD	GARY GRAHAM
DR. FULLA KRAPP AWARD	BRIAN SIMPSON
LOVER OF THE YEAR	PETER WILLIAMS
FLASHER OF THE YEAR	ADAM PHILLIPS

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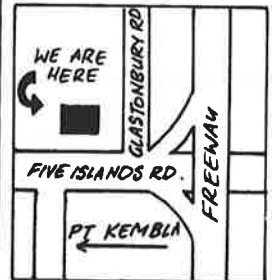
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1966	Alan Elliott
1967	Alan Bateman and Terry Churchin
1968	Kerry Medway
1969	Mick Twemlow
1970	Dave Johnston
1971	Ron Brady
1972	Tim Young
1973	Tim Young and Graeme Collinson-Smith
1974	Mark Hotchkis
1975	Len Barker
1976	Mark Hotchkis
1977	Graeme Collinson-Smith
1978	Ron Wessel
1979	Mark Hotchkis and Paul Murray
1980	Paul Murray
1981	Mark Hotchkis and Paul Murray
1982	Mark Hotchkis
1983	Mark Hotchkis
1984	Bill Barker
1985	Nick Vatselios

3rd. GRADE (I.M.B.C. Trophy)

1963	A.C. Smithers
1964	A.C. Smithers
1965	C. McClintock
1966	F. Isaac
1967	R. McAlpine
1968	Dave Johnston
1969	Kevin Callaghan
1970	J. Miller
1971	Doug Webb
1972	Doug Webb
1973	Barry Doyle
1974	Paul McCann
1975	Graham Smith
1976	Martin Ryan
1977	Bryan Leo
1978	Bryan Leo
1979	Dave Middlebrook
1980	Stuart Baikie
1981	Ron Wessel
1982	Graeme Collinson-Smith
1983	Tony Arnold/Tony Naulty
1984	Ron Wessel
1985	Cliff Sullivan

2nd. GRADE (Jack Cooper trophy)

1969	Rick Deem
1970	Stuart Baikie
1971	Dennis Barnes
1972	Pat O'Shea
1973	Phil Tindall
1974	Barry Doyle
1975	Joe Browne
1976	John Hayward
1977	Geoff Wells
1978	Jim Harpley
1979	Ian Kent
1980	Dave Middlebrook
1981	Mick Wilkins
1982	Jim Cla-Bour
1983	Colin Steele
1984	Brett Ramsey
1985	Spiro Lozenkovski

MOST CONSISTENT (Wales Bank trophy)

1977	Graham Dougherty
1978	Brian Warnock
1979	Bill Barker
1980	Tony Johnstone
1981	Kosta Delimahalis
1982	Glen Beckford
1983	Rob Grewar
1984	Peter Darby
1985	Brian Colby

BEST TRAINER

1979	Mick Wilkins
1980	Mark McConnell
1981	Ian Kent
1982	Mick Wilkins
1983	Wade Davis
1984	Gary Graham
1985	Ron Chittick

BEST CLUBMAN (Bill Kench Trophy)

Previously presented to –	
1964	Peter Head
1965	Reg Reeves
1966	Geoff Wells
1967	John Millar
1968	Chris Tyrrell
1969	Doug Roser
1970	Adrian Russell
1971	Bruce Carr
1972	John McGoldrick
1973	Neil Tew
1974	Gavin Steele
1975	Mick Wilkins
1976	Mick Fraser
1977	Mick Greenhaigh
1978	Mick Wilkins
1979	Paul Murray
1980	Steve Greenaune
1981	Graeme Collinson-Smith
1982	Gary Graham
1983	John & Donna O'Donnell
1984	Ron Wright
1985	Graeme Collinson-Smith

HIGHEST POINT SCORER (Frank Arkell trophy)

1975	Ron Gordon (74)
1976	Ron Gordon (57)
1977	John Cadauro (64)
1978	Brian Silver (65)
1979	Jim Pettit (76)
1980	Mark McConnell (61)
1981	Ross Whiting (65)
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1984	Gavin Steele (34)
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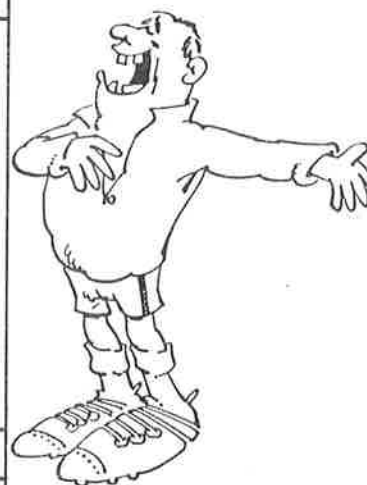
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PORT KEMBLA	Forfeit	Won 4 - 3	Won 19 - 6
KIAMA	Drew 0 - 0	Won 9 - 7	Won 6 - 3
SHOALHAVEN	Lost 4 - 16	Lost 3 - 11	Won 16 - 14
SHAMROCKS	Drew 3 - 3	Lost 0 - 21	Lost 3 - 16
VIKINGS	Lost 6 - 9	Drew 0 - 0	Won 6 - 0
BOWRAL	Lost 0 - 44	Lost 4 - 13	Lost 9 - 15
TECH COLLEGE	Won 4 - 0	Won 4 - 0	Won 12 - 3
WEERONA	Won 17 - 10	Won 4 - 0	Lost 13 - 18
UNIVERSITY	Drew 6 - 6	Won 13 - 3	Won 10 - 7
GOULBURN	Won 15 - 0	Lost 3 - 9	Drew 10 - 10
DAPTO	Won 13 - 4	Won 54 - 0	Won 48 - 3
WEERONA	Won 13 - 3	Won 18 - 0	Won 3 - 0
TROJANS	Won 12 - 6	Won 13 - 0	Won 14 - 10
CAMDEN	Lost 6 - 32	Won 12 - 0	Won 21 - 6
SHOALHAVEN	Lost 0 - 11	Lost 3 - 10	Won 28 - 6
VIKINGS	Won 19 - 9	Lost 9 - 12	Won 12 - 3
DAPTO	Won 10 - 0	Won 22 - 3	Won 74 - 0
TROJANS	Won 9 - 7	Won 28 - 3	Won 40 - 6
CAMDEN	Won 16 - 7	Won 12 - 10	Won 20 - 8
MINOR QUALIFYING - TROJANS	Won 10 - 9		
MAJOR QUALIFYING - KIAMA			Won 7 - 6
MINOR SEMI-FINAL - SHOALHAVEN	Won 13 - 10		
MAJOR SEMI-FINAL - SHAMROCKS			Won 18 - 0
FINAL - BOWRAL	Lost 11 - 4		
GRAND FINAL - KIAMA			Won 12 - 3
TOTAL BEFORE FINALS	152 - 167	221 - 102	345 - 128
COMPETITION POINTS	25	25	31
POSITION	5th.	6th.	2nd.
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	2nd. OUT OF 14 CLUBS ON 280 POINTS		

OPPOSING CLUB	UNDER 14's	UNDER 18's
SHOALHAVEN	Lost 12 - 18 Won 16 - 4	Won 10 - 0 Lost 0 - 16
SHAMROCKS		Won 13 - 3
VIKINGS		Lost 4 - 6
BOWRAL	Drew 20 - 20 Lost 0 - 14 Won 22 - 10	Won 10 - 4
TECH COLLEGE	Lost 8 - 30 Won 20 - 4 Lost 6 - 12	Lost 3 - 7
TROJANS		Lost 6 - 13
SHOALHAVEN	Won 10 - 4	Lost 0 - 26
VIKINGS		Won 20 - 6
TROJANS		Won 19 - 12
MAJOR SEMI - FINAL - SHOALHAVEN	Won 10 - 6	
GRAND FINAL - BOWRAL	Won 12 - 0	
TOTAL BEFORE FINALS	146	85 - 93
COMPETITION POINTS	11	12
POSITION	1st.	5th.





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