

1999

Annual Report & financial statements

GPS RUGBY



The Gallopers

*The GPS Club exists to promote and foster excellence and enjoyment in the "running game" of Rugby football
And, in so doing, assist the progress of members along the broader pathway of life.*

In pursuit of the mission, we will actively promote the following values: developing the whole person, respecting the individual, upholding the standards of a responsible community organisation and catering for the needs of players at all levels.

GPS Mission Statement

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GPS Honour Board

GPS Club Presidents

Sir Kenneth Fraser
A. Falk
C. McCarthy
W. Scott
R.A. Nicol 1950-57
H. Edwards
W. Boyd 1964-70
A. Flynn 1970-72
D. Lacy-Jones 1973-78
W. Bligh 1979-81
R.S. Roberts 1982-83
L.G. Jones 1984-86
A.R. Taylor 1987-89
R.J. Thomson 1990-98
P.J. McGahan 1999-

Australian Representatives

L.S. Lewis 1931/34/36
J.B.T. Doneley 1934
W.P.J. Ide 1938
B.D. Oxlade 1938
W.J. McLean 1939/46-48
J.R. McLean 1946
E.G. Broad 1947-49
K.C. Winning 1947-48/51
A. Ware 1949
D.I. McMillan 1950
P.D. Thompson 1950
C.J. Primmer 1951
G.G. Jones 1952-56
B.A. Wright 1955
A.F.M. Boyd 1958
O. F. Edwards 1961
P.D. Perrin 1962
D.S. Rathie 1971-72
C.M. Carberry 1973-76/81-82
D.W. Hillhouse 1975-76/83
G. G. Shambrook 1976
D. Codey 1984-86
A.G. Herbert 1987/89-93
R. Constable 1993-94
D. Herbert 1994-99
B. Tune 1996-99
M.J. Cockbain 1997-99

Queensland Representatives

1930-1949
J.O. East 1931/33/34
F.M. Nicholson 1931/33/35/36
L.S. Lewis 1932-37
J. Williams 1932
R. Gregory 1932
J.B. Doneley 1932-34
L.J. East 1933
J. Callaghan 1933
M.D. Cullen 1933
C.H. Smith 1933
M. Muller 1934
P.L. Dixon 1934-36
W.N. Douglas 1937
R.H. Bently 1937
C.R. Hockings 1937
W.J. Ide 1938/39
G. Denman 1938
W.M. McLean 1939/46/47
A. Ware 1945-47
R. Fay 1945
A.K. Winning 1945-47/50
J. Kirk 1946-47
J. McLean 1946-47
R. Proctor 1946
E.G. Broad 1947-49

J. Irwin 1947
P. Thompson 1948-50
I. McMillan 1949-50

1950-69

I. Nichol 1950
R. Colbert 1950-51
P. Robinson 1950-51/55
G.G. Jones 1951
J. Raff 1951
G. Marles 1951-52
B. Menkens 1952
B.R. Mills 1952-53
G.W. Horsley 1952-55
R. Freudenberg 1953
J. Greene 1953
B. Wright 1954-56/59-61
G. Newton 1955
F. Thompson 1955-56
R.M. Shaw 1956-57
K. Brasch 1956-57
J. Paskins 1956-57
J. R. Harris 1957
R. Swann 1957-58
J. Gilbert 1957
A. Boyd 1958-60
B.W. Boyd 1959
D. Rylance 1960
T. Carew 1960-64/66
J. Carson 1961
O. Edwards 1961-63/67
D.B. Clark 1961-64/66-69/71
P. Perrin 1962
B. Egan 1962
W. Gunn 1963-64
J.A. Dalglish 1960/63/65
J. Duff 1963
G. Golding 1963-64
D. Latter 1964-65
D. Whittle 1964
D. Taylor 1964
W. Reilly 1964
B.J. Munro 1964
E.A. Kann 1966-68
L.M. Nutt 1967
A. White 1969

1970-90

P. McBaron 1970
L.J. Graham 1970-74
I.D. Clark 1971-73/80
D. Rathie 1971-2/77
D. Withers 1971-73
M. Jack 1972-73
C.K. Smith 1972
P. Bissett 1973
G. Shambrook 1974-77
D. Hillhouse 1975-78/83
G. Brand 1975-80
J. Johanssen 1975
D. Regeling 1975-78
R. Hayes 1977
A. Austin 1981
C. Carberry 1981
M. Arnold 1982
T. Coker 1983-84
M. Phillips 1983-85
A. Dick 1984
D. Codey 1984-86
A. Herbert 1986-94
D. Phillips 1986-87
D. Reidy 1987
I. Siganiyavi 1989-90

1990-99

D. Herbert 1993-99
M. Ware 1994
R. Constable 1994-96
J. Reilly 1994-95
B. Tune 1995-99
C. Knapp 1995-98
M. Cockbain 1995-99
M. Flanagan 1996
A. Coombe 1996
B. Cockbain 1996-98
M. Murray 1996-99

500 Club Games

R.J. Thomson (713)

200 First Grade Games

D.B. Clark 1966
E.A. Kann 1970
I.D. Clark 1975
R.J. Thomson 1975
R. Nerichow 1977

200 Club Games

I.R. Colquhoun
D.J. Park
R. Mortimer
T. Jesser
D. Stevenson
J. Garde
L.G. Jones
R.S. Roberts
L.J. Graham
M. Arnold
K. Bolton

100 First Grade Games

T. Carew 1964
O.F. Edwards 1966
J.A. Dalglish 1967
D. Latter 1969
P. McBaron 1973
G. Brand 1979
A. Austin 1982
K. Bolton 1985
D. Phillips 1989
L. Tuqiri 1989
J. Taylor 1992
M. Jensen 1993
A. Herbert 1994
J. Reilly 1996

GPS Club Captains

J. Duff 1964
G.G. Whittle 1965-66
D.B. Clark 1967-69
E. Kann 1970-73
L.J. Graham 1974-75
R.J. Thomson 1976
G. Shambrook 1977
D. Burrows 1978
R. Nerichow 1979-80
B. Barnhill 1981
M. Oberhardt 1982
R.J. Thomson 1983
M. Phillips 1984
K. Bolton 1985-86
D. Phillips 1987
M. Frisby 1988
L. DiClemente 1989
A. Herbert 1990-92
G. Harris 1993-94
J. Reilly 1995-96
M. Murray 1997-98
T. Forno 1999-

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1999 OFFICE BEARERS

Patron:	Ron Park
President:	Paul McGahan
Honorary Vice Presidents:	Alan Taylor, Robin Thomson
Honorary Treasurer:	Luke Jacob (B.Bus Acc.)
Honorary Secretary:	Patricia Reid
Management Committee:	The President, Treasurer Secretary, Geraldine Barlow, Luigi DiClemente, Carla Hardy, Mark Harris, Paul McVerry, Anthony Ott. Player delegates: Brad Tronc, Bruce Young
General Manager:	Rod Torkington
Club Coaches:	1st Grade: Stephen Meehan/Damien Frawley 2nd Grade: Chris Wake 3rd Grade: Craig Elliott 4th Grade: Justin Steel/Rohan Fuller Women: Phil Langley Colts I: Andrew Scott/Tim Heenan Colts II: Joe Anderson/Scott Lavaring George Bickerstaff, Paul Green
Club Selectors:	Trent Forno
Club Captain:	C.J. Kaus, K. Percy, M.R. Williams, G.C. Jones, G.R. Horsley, I.R. Colquhoun, A. Flynn, R.J. Park, R.S. Roberts, D.J.A. Clark, R.J. Thomson, B. Loel, N.A. Burrows, W. Bligh, G. Bickerstaff, R. Torkington, A. Taylor
Life Members:	
Ground Life Members:	G. Walker, I.H. Fraser, R.A. Duus, D. Rylance, R.J. Thomson, A. Edwards, B. Loel, A.R. Roberts, R.W. Bligh, K.G. Aaron, R. Farquhar, L.G. Jones, I. Robertson, Dr K. Woodhead, B. Coombes, N.A. Burrows, D. O'Reilly, D. Stevenson, B.G.S. Schooley, R.A. Anderson, P.J. Short, R.S. Roberts, J. Madden, Judge B.M. McLoughlin, G.G. Shambrook, D. Withers, D.J. Boucher, G. Rylance, R.A. Bernays, Dr C.J. Osborne R. Mortimer, E.A. Kann, D. Squires, J.B. Young, A. Carew, G. Ferguson, B. Sakzewski, O. Maynes, I.D. Clark, C. Carberry, L.J. Graham, D. Dick, M. Arnold
QRU Office Bearers:	QRU Vice President: R. Thomson Delegates: W. Bligh, P. McGahan
Auditor:	J. Amos

President's Report

Friends, members, players: It is with some trepidation that I present for your consideration the 1999 Annual Report of the GPS Old Boys RUFC. After many years under the stewardship of the erudite Robin Thomson this honour falls to me, a relative virgin in the bordello of Senior Club Rugby.

1999 World Cup

We congratulate John Eales' Wallabies and in particular our own Matt Cockbain, Daniel Herbert and Ben Tune for their successful 'Bring back Bill' campaign.

Acknowledgments

May I commence this section by thanking Robin Thomson for his support, advice and good counsel and his incredible devotion to the betterment of this Club, its players and supporters throughout the year. His good humour in allowing his 'Roast' resulted in one of the most successful events held by the Club in some time, with many of "Buff's cronies" taking the opportunity to give him suitable and of course most deserved acclaim.

To our GM Rod Torkington whose job title has nothing to do with the role he performs for the Club, I thank him sincerely for his patience with me as we danced around one another in forming a working relationship that worked for the Club and us. As in all good relationships there has been healthy and friendly debate on many of the issues that confronted the Club during the year.

Pat Reid, the terrier at our heels, worked tirelessly and thanklessly in keeping our records, registrations and committee on track.

Gerry Barlow and Carla Hardy, new committee members for 1999 bought some balance to the committee and showed by example what hard work and determination could achieve.

Anthony Ott, Mark Harris and Luigi DiClemente worked on specialty events that were both a social and financial success.

Paul McVerry worked with Club stalwart Alby Taylor on one of our Licensed Club Projects and found many a dry gully in the process. Our congratulations go to Alby on his deserved election as a Life Member of the QRU, for many years of service to Rugby.

Club Treasurer, Luke Jacob, found the going difficult with many carryover issues to resolve. He kept us on track and will report to you a \$30,000 turnaround that will see us start Y2000 in the best position for some years. This result did not come without sacrifice (read: we didn't spend anything except for essential football expenses).

Our Club is still coming to grips with the 'professional' era. Club management does require a committee of dedicated and willing workers who double up by setting Club policy. The operative word though is 'WORK' and without this coming from all areas of the Club we will wither and die as the new Rugby world passes us by.

Junior Affiliates

Our junior affiliates have again been leaders in the world of Junior Rugby. Ashgrove – GPS was again the largest Junior Club by far and it is testimony to President Jim Barden and his team that this Club continues to set the pace in Junior Rugby administration and continues to be the innovator of many aspects of the direction of Junior Rugby in Australia. Albany Creek – GPS on the other hand is one of the smaller, albeit fastest growing, Junior Clubs in Brisbane and again this year received accolades for stepping into the breach at very short notice to run the Junior State Championships. Stewart Gibson and his crew are standouts when it comes to hard work and determination.

GPS Old Boys is further encouraging Albany Creek – GPS to move toward self sufficiency, with the new committee asked

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to represent us on the South Pine Sports Assn Board and to move to incorporate by the end of Y2000.

The GPS Club does not do enough in the simple things to cement the relationship between Senior and Junior arms of the GPS Family. I suppose this is relative to the problems we have in our own backyard, however this is no excuse for complacency. GPS more than any other Senior Club in Brisbane has its recruitment base in its junior affiliates and we must do everything we can to build a sense of belonging to the GPS Family from cradle to grave.

On The Field

After the success of our recruitment in terms of numbers in 1998 we took our eye off the ball in 1999 with the horrifying outcome that for the first time in memory GPS could not field a Colts 3 side, and while both Colts 1 and 2 made the finals series it does nothing for the development of the Club. It is particularly critical at this time with the Colts age being moved back to 19 years — we will have very few players still eligible for Colts in Y2000.

Notwithstanding this, congratulations go to Andrew Scott and Mick Heenan and the Colts 1 Team who again made it through to the Grand Final only to be again knocked off by Wests.

Joe Anderson again proved his calibre as a coach by taking Colts 2 to the Semi Finals. His assistant Scott Lavaring and Manager Richard Taylor were always there with expert guidance. Ben McGahan again showed his team management skills and the evidence was in the increasing groundswell of Club spirit amongst the Colts players. Damien Frawley stood down from the Head Coach role in 1999 due to the family and work commitments but we are grateful to him for remaining in the significant support role for Steve Meehan, who we threw into the deep end as 1st Grade Coach.

This is the last year we can use the excuse that the premier grade is very young and inexperienced, because even though they are a young side they have all had exposure at the top level. If they are going to produce the goods Y2000 would be a good time to show a significant improvement in final placing. To this end much work has gone into an off season 'GPS Development Squad' run along similar lines to the Reds Rugby College with 24 men and 6 women training under the guidance of Steve Meehan and Andrew Scott. The outcomes for the squad and for individuals so far are outstanding.

Reserve Grade got off to a shaky start with our appointed coach, Michael Beveridge, becoming very ill during the pre-season and unable to continue. (Michael is still very ill and we wish him a full and speedy recovery). It fell to Club leprechaun Chris Wake to fill the void and it looked as though for the first time in many years Reserve Grade would give the tree a shake, however injuries and other factors saw a fine start slip away. Chris has retired from active involvement for the time being. We thank him for his contribution to all facets of Club life during his playing and coaching years.

Craig Elliott's 3rd Grade did not have a good season on the field, however they kept up their spirits off the field and contributed well to Club life.

Justin Steel looked as if he had it in the bag after the first three rounds but the unfortunate 4th Grade draw with its many byes made it difficult to keep the troops together.

Fifth Grade was a — well ... 5th grade. Captain/coach Robin Thomson did his best to keep it together but in the end it became too hard with player reliability about as consistent as their registration payments.

Our Women's team also made it to the finals series. Phil Langley and his assistants juggled too many for one team and not quite enough for two each week to ensure that everyone got a fair go. The players' enthusiasm for the sport is overwhelming and their contribution to the camaraderie in the Club is legendary. The Women's team was by far the most consistent supporter of Club functions. Their reputation is spreading quickly so I expect an influx of new talent in Y2000.

Both Junior Clubs will be fielding girls' teams next year so there will be opportunities for our women to get involved in the coaching and development side of the sport as well.

Congratulations to those players who were selected for representative honours during 1999 and a special mention for Mark 'Muppet' Murray who captained Queensland several times during the season.

Sponsorship

Benevolent sponsors are a thing of the past. In this age of performance management every dollar spent must generate a return. We are indeed grateful to our sponsors for 1999. The Bank of Queensland and XXXX continue to support our sport in most generous proportions. Norris Motors joined us for the first time this year. The Gap Tavern was on board again and the relationship is mutually beneficial. Naturform and Brisbane Ice Sales weighed in with their usual support. We thank our members for supporting these valuable contributors to the Club.

The best and fairest sponsor scheme was particularly successful this year and we acknowledge the support of those individuals who contributed to the pool.

Y2000

There has been considerable work directed toward the 2000 season. A significant number of the coaching positions have been filled, but there are always positions for late applicants. Our senior players have been participating in a development programme that is aimed at lifting their fitness and skill levels. The 2000 season and competition format will be changed to separate those who aspire to a Rugby career from those who are interested in the recreational aspects of the sport. To this end the 1st Grade (Premier Grade) competition will start in the same week as the Super 12 with a bye before the finals series where three teams selected from the Brisbane Clubs will tour NZ to play NPC standard teams. Other divisions will be opened to any team affiliated with the QRU. The theory is that byes will be eliminated so that teams are not disrupted as our 4th Grade was in 1999. Other divisions will commence about the end of March.

Colts will be an Under 19 competition with all divisions open to whichever Club wishes to nominate a team. Division 1 will be limited to 12 teams in the first round with 4 teams relegated in the second round to Division 2.

The ARU is allocating funds to the Brisbane Clubs specifically to raise the standard and profile of the 1st Grade competition; to expand the base of Rugby support; and to support the volunteer effort that is the backbone of the amateur code. A strategy for the future of Queensland Rugby has been formulated where all Clubs and Sub-Unions have supported the premise that all Rugby below Super 12 level will be amateur and all bodies wishing to participate in Queensland Rugby will be asked to sign a partnership agreement. The strategy has the broad support of the Senior Clubs with a Brisbane Management Committee being delegated the responsibility of establishing the ground rules for the different levels of competition.

GPS has had significant input into the change process through Rod Torkington, Robin Thomson and myself and in general the changes proposed should benefit our sport even though some may upset long established patterns of behaviour.

Ground Development

Nothing other than essential maintenance of fields has occurred for two years. We must find the funds to do substantial refurbishment after this season or risk negating all the good work done some years ago in getting the fields out of the dustbowl category.

Extra lighting was installed on the third field to spread the traffic load on training nights but the standard of lighting is still well below an acceptable standard for night football. With the increasing popularity of night games it is essential to upgrade our main field lights this season.

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Lloyd "Fat Fullback" Graham said the Buffoon in a ruck or maul conjured up the image of a frog in a sock and said it was little wonder he played 335 consecutive games without injury, as he always played 60 minutes of the game on his knees.

Lloyd recalled the infamous 1976 beer strike in Brisbane, and how Robin would drive his station wagon down to Moree in northern NSW, load it up with all the beer he could buy, then drive back in time for the game so everyone had something to drink that night.

"For this alone, Robin would have deserved life membership of Jeeps, let alone all the other things he has done. Nobody in the history of the club is likely to achieve the things Robin Thomson has done".

Lloyd said he was often asked why Jeeps had won only three premierships in the modern era.

"I ask you: with players having nicknames like Knucklehead (Newstead), Ferret (Aaron), Buzzard (Brand), Hector (Hillhouse), One Tree (Hillhouse), Bench (Evans), Fat Jack (Evans), Porpoise (Lonie), Loophole (McDiarmid), Number 8 (Jones), Monthly (Daley), Jelly (Davies), Bung (Park), Boonga (Abernethy), SGIO Building (Asprey), Country (Stanton), Membrane (Armstrong), Raincoat (Renkert), Professor (Marshall), Mouth (Boucher), Whale (Bligh), Sauce (Bernays), Cracker Man (Kann), Woggy (Harris), Baldy (Baldwin), Muppet (Murray), Puller (Maskell), Clicker (Clark) and Buffoon (Thomson), How'd we ever win three premierships?"

After hearing a congratulatory message from Sports Minister Bob Gibbs, the man himself was given the right of reply in a passionate son et lumiere address that defies transcription. You had to be there. And in recompense for the bagging, he was presented with a framed "Australian Legends" jersey, as befits a legend of the game at the level where most play it, the club.

The dedication read:

"Presented to Robin (Buff) Thomson, 'a true legend of the game', by the Australian Rugby Legends, an organisation dedicated to recognising and promoting the contribution of all those whose dedication to and passion for the game of rugby - all it stands for and all it brings - who by their commitment, strength of purpose, opinion, status or stance, stand as the bulwark that is needed to protect and preserve the unique qualities of the rugby ethos from the posturing and status seeking that has come with the age of professionalism, of all those whatever shape or size, whatever colour or creed and from whatever walk of life who under the blanket of a rugby jersey, crest or club, commit to stand together for 80 minutes and as a consequence spend the rest of their lives talking about it.

"The rugby legend does not need to have donned the green and gold or state colours because he can carry the colour of his club with equal pride and commitment both on field and off over a lifetime.

"He can contribute to the wider activities of rugby both at club level and higher.

"He is a rugby man through and through -- he is Buff Thomson - he is a rugby legend."

VALE

The GPS Club mourned the passing
in 1999 of the following
friends of the club:

John Greene, Tess Hammond, Lorraine
Moynihan, Reuben Nicol
& Bob Templeton

First Grade Report

Initially I was asked to assist Damien Frawley in 1999 but due to circumstances beyond anyone's control Damien could not commit fully and our roles were reversed.

At first it may be thought not to be the ideal way of becoming the club's 1st Grade Coach, however, I believe this baptism of fire may prove ultimately to be the making of us.

It took me the best part of the season to come to terms with exactly what is required to have a team play competitively at this level. The season began comfortably enough. Our fitness level was very good, thanks mainly to fitness coach Andrew Scott and his programmes. We were always competitive and there seemed no reason for concern.

The first competition game bought those feelings to an abrupt halt when we failed to get out of first gear against a more composed and experienced Sunnybank.

We recovered well enough to draw with Brothers (the best 1st Grade result since 96), a match we should have won, and beat Norths.

A loss to Easts at home was followed by a poor performance against Wests that earned the players a ferocious blast from Frawls. We recovered reasonably well, a draw against Souths, 27-all, another match that got away.

We then lost to University in a match that never reached any great heights and then finished off the round poorly when we lost to Gold Coast at home.

Our greatest problem through the first round was consistency, and being able to perform consistently requires a degree of experience, something we were sadly lacking this year.

A general bye was followed by our club bye and as a result our return to the competition was flat and uninspiring.

We were beaten badly by Sunnybank and if not for two converted tries scored by Tim Atkinson (Best and Fairest) the score-line would have been very embarrassing.

The training session which followed was the most brutal I have ever dished out to a team. We improved immediately and played a very good first half against Brothers, unfortunately due to the previous week's training, some poor decision making and questionable refereeing we faded badly and Brothers finished strongly.

The following week we played well with Mark Murray (who this year captained Queensland) instrumental in lifting us to a good win a home over Norths. This match also heralded the return to form of promising youngster Donovan Slade (Queensland Under 21's).

A competitive match against eventual Premiers Easts was followed by a disappointing loss to Wests at home, another match we should have won.

The following week we were outclassed by Souths in the wet but followed that with a tremendous performance against University at home. We won 34 to 27 scoring four tries in the process and showing all the Ashgrove regulars what we were capable of. Not surprisingly, those in their first season of 1st grade, Joel Boogers (Combined States Under 21's), Chris Wright, Donovan Slade, Tom McVerry (Queensland Under 19's) and Cameron Adams all played well, and are keen to show that sort of form throughout the 2000 season.

Unfortunately we lost our final match of the year by a point (a familiar feeling for those of us from the 98 colts) to Gold Coast, even though we did score two tries to one.

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Of all the regular performers in 99 only Trent Forno (captain and Best and Fairest), Paul Farmer (vice-captain), Daniel MacFarlane and Jason Air had experienced more than two full seasons of 1st Grade.

Players such as Damian Briais (Players' player), Adams, Brad Tronc (Combined States Under 21's), McVerry, Couper, Atkinson, Wright, Slade, Charlie Holland and Boogers will benefit greatly from this year's experience and will all mature into very good, if not sensational footballers. and provide this club with a tremendous base to build upon.

My thanks to those who helped me through the year. Damian Frawley, who nearly always kept it under control. Paul Green who seems to have a limitless supply of passion for the place. George Bickerstaff, the club's independent selector, who never seems to run out of names, our managers Paul Cramsie and Simon (Spic) Mammino who spent a lot of time dealing with my frustration. The club's medical staff, Dr. Pauline Smith and Physiotherapist Geoff Clark. Both do a fantastic and sometimes thankless job. I'm sure Geoff spends more time with and knows some of the players more intimately than their wives and girlfriends.

My thanks to Paul McGahan and his committee who supported me and tried to help wherever they could. Thanks to those who work tirelessly around the place without the majority knowing. like Buff. the Tavlors and Paul Reid who will

Thanks must go to Steely and Rohan for being so tolerant at letting players come up from 4th Grade. Towards the end of the season some players were having two games and it was hard work.

The exodus of players to Reserve Grade became so constant that Chris would send different messengers to collect players.

The 'magnificent seven' captains also deserve thanks. Tim, Sean, Scott Moran, Ryan, Brad, Stuart, and Scott Edge did a fine job, with all except Edgey, progressing to Reserve Grade.

Highlight of the season would have been the victory over Wests. This showed great potential for the team. All players contributed well to the team with Liufau "Kiko" Sevele receiving the Best and Fairest Award and Takeshi "Tucky" Oyama receiving the Phar Lap Award in recognition of his dedication and enthusiasm.

From a coaching perspective the season was a good learning experience. The players would have liked better results but you don't always get what you want. The players have great potential inside and through goal setting their dreams will be realised.

Thanks must also go to George, Rod, Paul, and all those who assisted through the year. Thanks also to supporters, families, and friends. The game is for the players, so thank

My apologies to those who I have missed but I would encourage anyone who has a spare moment and can assist in any way to do so. Running a football club is hard work and we need all the help we can get. My thanks also to all the other coaches. Every time we had to find a replacement player it had an impact all the way through all the grades or the colts and this can make planning difficult.

the team and club grow.

Craig Elliott
3rd Grade Coach 1999

Fourth Grade Report

The 1999 4th Grade was the team that "should have, could have" but ultimately did not. A combination of factors

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However, due to many factors the 10s competition did not proceed in 1999. It is my understanding however, that the competition has been given approval for the 2000 season.

The standard of football being played by the GPS Women's team continues to improve. 1999 saw GPS draw a game against Brothers (a feat never before achieved) and score their first ever try against University Women. Spectators at that day thought that we had won, given the excited screaming coming from the field.

So, for the second year running, the GPS women finished in the top four. Unfortunately, GPS ended their season in the semi-finals, losing to the Brothers women. The GPS women should be proud of their achievements and status as one of the top four teams in Brisbane.

A notable mention for the women's team was the selection of Winsoe Coe in the 1999 Queensland Women's team that competed in the National Championships held in Perth in July. This was Winson's first year playing women's rugby so this was quite a feat. Winson also scored on debut with her first touch of the football.

One of the strengths of the women's teams is the support and camaraderie given by the rest of the GPS club. Thank you to all who have shown interest and appreciation in women's rugby. Thanks also to the coaches of the grades and colts, who have been patient in allowing us to practice live drills against their teams.

Thanks also to Philip Langley. Philip has been coaching the girls for three years now and has decided to take a break. Without Philip's enthusiasm and passion for the game, I am

confident that the GPS team would not have achieved its current level of success. Philip, we wish you well and hope to continue to see you here at GPS for many years to come.

Finally, the success and development of women's rugby has been dependent on so few people. I would like to encourage everyone to be involved in all aspects of the women's game as it is just as rewarding and enjoyable as men's rugby.

Carla Hardy
1999 GPS Women's Manager

Colts II Report

Colts II had a very successful year reaching the major semi-finals but going down to eventual Premiers, Wests. We had some very good personal achievements throughout the season, including Tim Wolf taking out Best & Fairest, and Mick Porter, our most consistent player. Also, Dave Huxtable for his commendable efforts in the backs. All players made a great effort every game, considering there was no Colts III side to draw upon after the first few rounds.

I would like to thank Richard Taylor for a job well done as Colts II manager in 1999.

In finishing, I would like to also thank my Assistant coach, Scott Lavaring for his efforts and expertise in coaching the backs.

Joe Anderson
Colts II Coach

2nd Grade & Colts I Reports unavailable at time of printing

The 1999 Trophy List

	Presented By	Presented To
Top Try Scorer	Owen Edwards	Brad Jarro
100 Points for the Season	Ken Aaron	Glen Kuhn
	Peter McBaron	Paul Farmer
Best & Fairest 1 st Grade	Wren Bligh	Tim Atkinson
Best & Fairest 1 st Grade	Paul Treacy	Trent Forno
1 st Grade "Players' Player"	Lloyd Graham	Damien Brias
Best & Fairest 2 nd Grade	Ken Bolton	Darryl Jover
2 nd Grade MVP	Brad Butten	Paul Biddulph
Best & Fairest 3 rd Grade	David Abernethy	Liufau Sevele
3 rd Grade Phar Lap award	Bob Armstrong	Takeshi Oyama
Best & Fairest 4 th Grader	Robin Thomson	Scott Edge
4 th Grade MVP	Kelvin Boys	Darren Hines
Best & Fairest Women's	Cr Geraldine Knapp	Amanda Young
Women's MVP	The friends of	Fiona Hines
	Lorraine Moynihan	
Contribution to Juniors	Ashgrove-GPS	Alan & Margaret Taylor
Best & Fairest Colts I	Alan Taylor	Tim Heenan
Colts I "Players' Player"	Neil Hatherly	Luke Wilkes
Best & Fairest Colts II	George Bickerstaff	Tim Wolf
Colts II Most Consistent	Joe Anderson	Michael Porter
Best & Fairest Colt		
Best Junior Clubman	Robert Burrows Memorial Trophy	Tom McVerry
Best Clubman	David Burrows Memorial Trophy	Pat Hobday
Club Captain	Walter H. Boyd Memorial Trophy	Joe Anderson
	Humphrey Bere Memorial Trophy	Trent Forno

Top Try Scorers 1999

Brad Jarro (Colts)	13
Andrew Farquharson (Colts)	12
Tarquin Leaver (Colts)	9
Michael Porter (Colts)	8
John Cox (Colts)	7
Tom McVerry (Colts/Grades)	6
Glen Kuhn (Colts)	6
Jody Fauth (Colts)	6
Megan Oliver (Women)	5
Joel Boogers (Grades)	5
Tim Atkinson (Grades)	5

Top Points Scorers 1999

Glen Kuhn (Colts)	119
Paul Farmer (Grades)	102
Brad Jarro (Colts)	65
Andrew Farquharson (Colts)	62
Nathan Canniffe (Grades)	55
Tarquin Leaver (Colts)	45
Michael Porter (Colts)	40
John Cox (Colts)	35
Nathan Murray (Colts)	35
Gerard Steel (Colts)	34

Grades 1999

Name	I	II	III	IV	1 st /All	T	C	P	G	Pts
Adams Cameron	12	8			12/20	2		1		13
Affleck Stuart		3	12	4	0/19	2				10
Air Jason	9	2			47/54	1				5
Amani Clement		5	4	1	10/25					
Atkinson Andrew		9	3	1	0/13	3				15
Atkinson Tim	15				35/35	5				25
Barlow Richard		11	4		0/15	1				5
Bensley Stewart	1	12			1/41					
Biddulph Paul	4	14			7/88					
Boogers Joel	14				16/16	5				25
Briais Damien	14	2			32/35					
Canniffe Nathan	4	12	1		4/36	2	6	11		55
Coulter Shaun		9	6		0/15					
Couper James	5				35/36					
Donald Wade			1		0/1					
Edge Scott		1	5	10	0/38					
Elliott Craig			1		0/1					
Fanning Timothy	2	5	6		24/78	1				5
Faragher Andrew			1		0/1					
Farley Andrew	1				3/3					
Farmer Paul	15				49/49	3	15	19		102
Farquharson Andrew	1				1/1					
Fordham Simon				1	1/1	1				5
Forno Trent	15				73/116					
Fox Russell		2	14	2	0/23					
Germena Dante		1	1		0/27	1				5
Gilai Jason	4	9			19/32					
Gilchrist Owen		1	5	1	0/24		1	4		14
Gleeson Michael	4	4	1	2	10/23					
Gordon Ryan		14	1		0/40					
Hagley Matthew			1	6	0/69	1				5
Heenan Timothy	5				5/5					
Hiley Brent		5	6	3	0/71	3				15
Hines Darren			3	6	0/9					
Holland Brad		1	3	6	0/29	1				5
Holland Charlie	14				19/20	1				5
Isshiki Naohiko		5	2	0/7	1				5	
Jackson James	3	11	3		0/55	2				10
Jacob Anthony	10	2			16/24	3				15
Jacob Luke			4	5	0/30	1				5
Jover Darryl	7	11			7/31	2				10
Kimiya Kazuhiro		10	2	0/12						
L'Estrange Ben	15				20/33	2				10
MacFarlane Daniel	16	1			40/55					
McGahan David	14			0/26	1				5	
McGahan Michael			4	5	0/9					
McLellan Scott		14			0/47	2				10
McVerry Tom	10				10/10					
Moore Jeremy	8				0/52	1				5
Moran Scott		10	8		0/35					
Mortimer Duncan			2	3	0/16					
Murray Mark	7				84/85					
Nixon Brad		6	13	1	0/36					
O'Kelly Michael				2	0/2					
Ogg Daniel	1	11			15/45					
Oyama Takeshi		4	12	1	0/31	4				20

Peverill Dermot			4	8	0/13				
Phillips Ian			2	8	0/35				
Rasmussen David			8	11	0/19				
Sasaki Nobuyoshi			13	5	0/18				
Sergiacomi Christian	5	2			15/41				
Sevele Liufau		1	10		0/11	1			5
Sheppard Paul		1	6		0/9				
Slade Donovan	15				22/22	4			20
Steel Justin				5	10/114				
Stewart Andrew				2	0/2				
Thallon Benjamin			12	1	0/27		1	1	5
Thies Sam	3				3/3				
Thomson Robin			1	6	200+/713*				
Valentine David			6	10	0/109	2			10
Ware Michael				3	36/76				
Webster Ryan			1	2	0/3				
Webster Sean		9	6		0/15				
Westwood Adrian			4		0/4				
Wright Chris	16				17/18	1			5
Yadlosky Jeffrey			7		0/20				
Young Bruce	10	6			11/34	1			5

* includes 5th Grade games

Women's Team 1999

Name	Games/Total**	T	C	P	G	Pts
Anderson Carmen	12/12					
Butler Lisa	12/22	1				5
Clark Samantha	10/10	3				15
Coe Winson	10/10	4				20
Cox Kathleen	10/10	1				5
Cox Sarah	12/22					
Diplock Jenny	6/21	3				15
Dumesny Chevonne	12/18					
Ferguson Orla	12/12					
Hines Fiona	11/24					
Jones Louise	10/10	2				10
Jones Rebecca	13/13	1	8	1		24
Kleeman Angie	12/26	3				15
Lindsay Tewes Gillian	10/41					
Marsh Jane	11/42	1	1			7
Mays Louella	10/10					
Oliver Megan	11/33	5				25
Phillips Nancy	9/9	1				5
Phillips Pamela	10/25					
Sparks Julianne	10/10					
Stone Carolyn	1/1					
Stone Jaclyn	1/1					
Taylor Kate	1/22					
Tilse Rebecca	4/4					
Vaevaemaki Anita	8/8	2				10
Vaevaemaki Karina	11/11	3				15
Weiss Megan	13/50					
Yates Shannon	1/1					
Young Amanda	11/48	3				15

** No records available for 1994 & 1995 seasons

Colts 1999

Name	I	II	III	Tot	T	C	P	G	Pts
Barden Ben	8	10	1	19	3				15
Clayton John	2	14		16	3	4			23
Cox John	15			15	7				35
Cozzi-Delaney Shamus			5	5		3			6
Cross Simon		1		1					0
Donald Wade		7	4	11	1				5
Eldridge Andrew			4	4					0
Erven Mark			5	5	2				10
Farley Andrew	7			7					0
Farquharson Andrew	11			11	12	1			62
Fauth Jody	1	15		16	6				30
Garbett Andrew			5	5	1	1			7
Golightly Alasdair	7	13		20	2				10
Gwynne James		11	4	15	2				10
Hammond Xavier	14	2		16	1				5
Hanson Lucas		12	5	17	2				10
Heenan Timothy	13			13	2				10
Hobday Jason	9	4		13					0
Hobday Patrick	17			17	1				5
Hogan Mathew	7	9	1	17	3				15
Hoysted Timothy	4	12	2	18	4	3			26
Huxtable David		12		12					0
Jarro Brad	17			17	13				65
Jesser Ryan		7	4	11			1		3
Kuhn Glen	16			16	6	34	7		119
Leaver Tarquin	16			16	9				45
Mathison Anthony	12			12	3				15
McCulloch Andrew	1	11	1	13	1	8	2		27
McVerry Tom	10			10	6				30
Murray Nathan	1	15		16	2	5	3		35
Oliva Santiago		3		3					0
Porter Michael	7	12		19	8				40
Proctor Terry		9	1	10	3				15
Scott Benjamin	5	4		9	2				10
Sexton Luke		8	5	13					0
Steel Gerard	17			17	4	4	1	1	34
Stirling Clifford		5	1	6	2				10
Thies Sam	16			16	3				15
Train Michael		10	2	12					0
Wilkes Luke	17			17	3				15
Williams Matt		5	4	9	1				5
Wolf Tim	2	15	2	19	4				20
Zeller Damien	16			16	3				15

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Treasurer's Report

Preamble

It should be noted that differences between reporting of the accounts have occurred within the financial statements. The main difference in reporting is that in 1998, the accounts were reported in a netted state. This is prevalent when observing the negative balances in the Income of the Profit and Loss Statement.

Operating Profit

I present for members' consideration the Club's Financial Statements for the year ended 30th September, 1999.

The Club gained an operating profit of \$12,656.68 for the 1999 financial year. This needs to be placed with last year's loss of \$11,576.93.

The major reasons for this turnaround was the sale of Ballymore seating, and successful functions organised by Robin Thomson, Peter Marshall, Rod Torkington, Mark Harris, Luigi DiClemente and Geraldine Barlow.

Trading Outlook

The club again faced difficult times in terms of sponsorship, subscriptions and retail sales. This attributed to a decrease in income of \$34,053.91.

Conclusion

1999 was therefore a very critical year financially for the Club. With the support of the committee working together, the Club was able to support its members and to provide the quality of service that members have been accustomed with.

Special thanks to the committee and players for their support. And special thanks to Rod Torkington for showing the way.

Luke Jacob (B.Bus Acc.)
Honorary Treasurer

**GPS OLD BOYS RUGBY CLUB INC.
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1999**

INCOME	\$
Subscriptions	
Player	17,140.00
Member	3,520.00
Team Contributions	
'A' Grade	610.00
Colts 1	939.15
Colts 2	1,002.00
Colts 3	225.00
Reserve Grade	803.80
3rd Grade	725.00
4th Grade	632.95
Womens Team	1,083.00
Functions & Fundraising	
Raffles & Doubles	2,358.05
Annual Dinner	4,846.95
Black Tie Dinner/Lunch	3,957.50
Seven's Trips	2,115.00
Golf Day	9,390.00
Buffet Roast	24,879.98
Breakfast Tattersall's	955.00
Retail Sales	
Bar	34,777.12
Food	6,039.01
Merchandise	5,818.60
Donations & Sponsorships	
Donation - General	345.00
- Trophies	580.00
Sponsors - Associate Major	24,542.00
- Grades & Colts	2,580.00
- Other	7,091.95
Parking & Admission	10,960.30
Prizemoney	600.00
QRU Grants	27,500.00
Miscellaneous Income	241.00
Health Insurance Refund	757.50
Albany Creek Income	
Subscriptions	3,060.00
Jersey/Socks Sales	1,140.00
Profit on Sale of Fixed Asset	11,700.00
TOTAL INCOME	212,915.86
Cost of Sales	
Opening Stock	
Bar	411.50
Merchandise	5,496.05
Purchases	
Bar	22,216.96
Merchandise	174.85
Food	4,837.57
Closing Stock	
Bar	(48.65)
Merchandise	(3,990.00)
Total Cost of Sales	29,098.28
Gross Profit	183,817.58

The accompanying notes form part of this financial report

**GPS OLD BOYS RUGBY CLUB INC.
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1999**

\$

EXPENDITURE

Audit & Accounting Fees	3,969.50
Advertising	1,429.30
Printing/Photocopying	
General	1,107.20
Newsletter	799.26
Postage	
General	436.55
Newsletter	1,178.26
Stationery	451.60
Typing	460.30
Desktop Publishing (Newsletter)	110.00
Couriers	548.35
Administration	124.00
Computer Expenses	57.95
Ladies Day Expenses	143.10
Affiliations	2,880.00
Bank Charges	1,796.28
Clothing - Jerseys	5,203.50
Fees & Permits	452.25
Albany Creek Expenses	9,399.27
Ashgrove Ground & Building Expenses	
Telephones - Other	1,578.15
- Office	3,939.91
Ground Maintenance - No. 1	403.34
- No. 2	2,173.33
- No. 3	73.33
Rates - No. 1	38.80
Rent - No. 1	676.25
- No. 2	460.00
Electricity - No. 1	1,835.48
- No. 2	639.32
- Small Clubhouse	67.15
Gas	665.09
Repair & Maint - Small Clubhouse	1,483.35
- Big Clubhouse	392.40
Cleaning & Waste Disposal	2,157.10
Signage	120.00
Linemarking	210.30
Corner Posts	181.90
Football Expenses	
Sevens Expenses	3,287.50
Home Games Expenses	1,508.40
Video	210.89
Footballs	1,173.61
Equipment	2,283.77
Travel & Tour	789.00
Coaches Education	780.00
Colts Expenses	180.00
Prize Money	1,000.00
Photos	358.00
Rehydration Expenses	1,962.50
Strapping/Medical	2,350.90
Recruitment Expenses	1,975.00

**GPS OLD BOYS RUGBY CLUB INC.
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1999**

	\$
Laundry	2,057.00
Juke Box Hire	150.00
Fencing Home Games	200.00
Cleaning Home Games	40.00
Repairs - equipment	1,248.33
Hire Equipment	5,168.02
Insurance	
General	1,050.55
Player	7,415.62
Interest	613.20
Leased Equipment	3,180.00
Raffles & Doubles Expenses	130.00
Annual Dinner Expenses	3,857.85
Best & Fairest Night	141.50
Golf Day Expenses	4,204.65
Buffet Roast	9,011.80
Gold Coast Race Day Expenses	50.00
Rugby Fest	135.00
Tattersalls Breakfasts	810.00
License Fee	330.00
Fundraising General Expenses	60.00
Motor Vehicle Expenses	9,447.06
Player Import Expenses	1,675.00
Security	2,464.90
Sponsorship Costs	426.00
Subscriptions	359.40
Employment Expenses	
Superannuation	4,133.74
Wages - Executives	35,730.04
- Bar	2,577.50
- Other	8,543.99
Workers Compensation	(50.65)
Water	3,141.99
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>173,803.93</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) from ordinary activities	<u>10013.65</u>

GPS OLD BOYS RUGBY CLUB INC.
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1999

ASSETS	\$
Current Assets	
Cash at Bank	
CBA - Colleges Rugby Club	27.71
Bank of Qld Albany Creek	2,355.89
D Burrows Memorial Fund	1,123.90
Total Cash at Bank	3,507.50
Bank of Qld General Account	(4,661.23)
Total Current Assets	<u>(1,153.73)</u>
Debtors	
Ashgrove Junior Debtor	4,949.99
Valleys Cricket Club Debtor	10,479.34
Total Debtors	<u>15,429.33</u>
Savings Funds	
Trade Debtors	2,963.00
Stock on Hand	
Bar	48.65
Merchandise	3,990.00
Total Savings Funds	<u>7,001.65</u>
Other Assets	
Deposits Paid	1,210.00
Ballymore Life Membership	300.00
Total Other Assets	<u>1,510.00</u>
Property & Equipment	
Clubhouse	
Office Unit (Portable)	6,595.00
Main Clubhouse (1/2 Share)	44,714.00
Small Clubhouse Facilities	56,596.30
Field No. 3 Development	1,799.00
Improvements Albany Creek	14,325.00
Total Clubhouse	<u>124,029.30</u>
Equipment	
Plant & Equipment	27,126.41
Field Lights No. 1 Oval	12,265.00
Field Lights No. 2 Oval	12,841.76
Weights Apparatus	8,126.00
Irrigation Oval No. 1	6,479.50
Irrigation Oval No. 2	2,823.50
Field Lights No. 3 & Car Park	1,692.62
Total Equipment	<u>71,354.79</u>
Total Property & Equipment	<u>195,384.09</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>218,171.34</u></u>

**GPS OLD BOYS RUGBY CLUB INC.
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1999**

	\$
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Trade Creditors	19,820.45
PAYE Tax Payable	3,904.89
Loan B of Qld re: Portable Office	6,479.46
Other Current Liabilities	3,250.00
Total Current Liabilities	<u>33,454.80</u>
Non-Current Liabilities	
Loan - Albany Creek Grounds	19,250.00
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>19,250.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>52,704.80</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>165,466.54</u>
MEMBER'S FUNDS	
Member's Equity	
A C Dibdin Trophy	300.00
J R Harris Perpetual Trophy	300.00
Retained Members Funds	154,852.89
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)	10,013.65
TOTAL MEMBER'S FUNDS	<u>165,466.54</u>

**GPS OLD BOYS RUGBY CLUB INC.
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1999**

NOTE 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AAS 3 Accounting for Income Tax
AAS 5 Materiality
AAS 8 Events Occurring After Reporting Date
AAS 17 Accounting for Leases

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report is prepared, on a cash basis whereby items are brought into account as money is paid or received, from the records of the association.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(a) Fixed Assets

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets are depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

**GPS OLD BOYS RUGBY CLUB INC.
INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
GPS OLD BOYS RUGBY CLUB INC.**

Scope

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of GPS Old Boys Rugby Club Inc. for the year ended 30 September 1999 as set out on pages 1 to 5. The committee is responsible for the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of the financial report, are appropriate to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We have conducted an independent audit of this financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of GPS Old Boys Rugby Club Inc. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report and the evaluation of significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Association's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

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

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial position of GPS Old Boys Rugby Club Inc. as at 30 September 1999 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

ERIC C. BUTLER & CO.



JOHN L. AMOS
Chartered Accountant

3rd May 2002

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