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G.P.S. OLD BOYS' RUGBY UNION CLUB

48th Annual Report and Financial Statement

46TH ANNUAL REPORT - SEASON 1976

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Under 19 E. Kann

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Junior Grade D. Lacy-Jones

E. Kann

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HONORARY AUDITOR: G.R. Edmonds

46TH ANNUAL REPORT - 1976 SEASON

Gentlemen,

Your Executive has much pleasure in reporting upon those activities and highlights of the Club during the season recently concluded not already covered in the latest issue of "The Galloper's Gazette".

COMPETITION RESULTS

The 1976 Season (albeit 3 teams played in Grand Finals and we won none of them) was tremendously successful once more for our Club. The Competition Cups and Trophies won by our respective teams left only a couple for the other Clubs. The winning so well of the Club Premiership for the second successive year was the end result of really great joint efforts by the Players, Coaches, Selectors, Team Managers and the Trainer.

Our Fifth Graders did a great job in reaching the Grand Final and, hopefully, will win it and the elusive Col Kaus Cup (Col is a Club "older" Old Boy) in 1977.

Eddie Kann and his Under 19's through the season provided most entertaining and constructive football and made the Semis; Eddie's highly skilled coaching assisted by David Rathie, and the mental attitude of the players themselves, provided a classical example of what can be achieved in a single season even if quite a number of the players have to learn to play in positions to which they were not initially accustomed. The selection of Rob Hayes and Bruce Humphrys in the Queensland Under 19 Team which toured New Zealand so successfully (coached by our David Clark), and their own brilliant try-scoring games on that tour warrant special mention as performances very indicative of great Rugby futures for them. This year's Under 19's collectively and individually have been among the best club men, and all that that means, we have seen. Well done, under 19's.

The fact that nearly half of the team will still be eligible to play Under 19 next year, when added to the hoped-for big recruitment intake as the result of the intensive efforts of Eddie Kann and Peter Garbett in particular augurs well for 1977 and the years beyond.

Our Club is noted for its player depth and the basic way to maintain and develop that vital feature is successful Junior recruitment each year.

We are especially proud too of David Hillhouse and Greg Shambrook in their Wallaby selections in both the Fiji series and the current tour of France and Italy, and of Bob Templeton, the Wallaby Tour Coach. We have no doubt that each will acquit himself with distinction once more.

We reflect with pride too on our other State Representatives this season, Dugald Clark, Don Regeling, G.Brand in the Queensland Senior Team, and J.Johannson, G.Brand, D.Regeling and P.Sinden in the Queensland Colts (as under 23 side).

As was stated earlier in the Report, 1976 is a year in the Club's history of which we can be justifiably very proud.

CLUB HOUSE

Club members voted unanimously at a Special General Meeting in authorisation of the Committee to proceed in negotiations with Valley District Cricket Club towards a successful move of G.P.S. Club Headquarters to Ashgrove. These negotiations are proceeding satisfactorily and it is anticipated that G.P.S. will be established at Ashgrove before the 1977 training season commences.

The inter-club negotiation/agreement are of course subject to Brisbane City Council approval and also to that very important factor — finance. In this latter connection it is noted with pleasure and satisfaction that an active and workmanlike Finance Sub-Committee has been established and has

It is pleasing to report that the Club has sold its Finsbury Street house at a very satisfactory price, and the Club's thanks go to Dugald Clark as seller and Ross Mortimer as Honorary Solicitor for their valued efforts to this end.

THANKS

The Club is indebted to the following people and groups and expresses its appreciation for their valued assistance throughout the year:-

The Coaches and Selectors, Tony Roberts, John Small, Terry Levander, Kenny Aaron, Dick Farquhar, Eddie Kann, David Rathie, Ron Park and Wren Bligh.

Robin Thomson the Club Captain, the Team Captains, the Team Managers and those special indefatigable men Doug Forbes, Onus Maynes, Peter Marshall and Bill Alvers.

Ross Mortimer and Graham Edmonds in their highly competent respective capacities of Honorary Club Solicitor and Honorary Auditor.

Cam Osbourne as our Club Honorary Doctor.

Peter Jorgensen for his continued assistance and co-operation, the Club members who coached the boys in our affiliate Ascot—Clayfield Junior R.U. Club and the Ascot—Clayfield President, our Leslie Dodwell, one of the greatest supporters and workers for the two Clubs, and for Rugby, one could hope to meet.

The members who did the leg-work in selling Doubles and Raffles and worked in and around the Club House so willingly and often. We can never have too many of these boys, a vital part of the backbone of the Club. Great to see young members continuing to give their time and help.

The members and supporters who so generously billeted visitors and those who had functions in their homes.

The donors of the trophies at our Annual Presentation and the donors of liquid refreshments and cash, without whose spontaneous generosity we would not be able to function so well!

Jim Toohey and Barry Abrahams for their practical and valued assistance once more in regard to the Club premises.

The Club Registrar, for his dedication and meticulous care in recording and compiling the Club's records.

Rick Whitton for his valued assistance to the President in his efforts to establish without doubt the Foundation Year of the Club (as Past Grammars — currently believed to be 1885, but this subject to one more cross-check).

To Mrs. Dibdin, once more our warm thanks for her generosity in providing the establishment of the Arthur Dibdin Memorial Trophy Fund.

Max Roberts, Allan Weller, Kim Weller and Brian Weller for the use of their well-known hotels in our fund-raising activities.

Athol Flynn, Dudley Dick, Dick Farquhar and Billy Green for their great efforts in regard to the Wine and Spirits Hamper Raffle.

The Season's highly consistent supporters over all grades, Mrs. Bronwyn Clark, Ron and Mrs. Eileen Park, Barry and Mrs. Ann Abrahams, Tom and Mrs. Elma Abemethy, Guy and Mrs. Short, Bert and Mrs. Olive Lonie, Ann Nerichow and her mother, Mrs. Jan Myles, Joe and Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Jean Husband, Miss Sharon Keir, Hugh Mackay-Payne, Glen Walker, Frank and Mrs. Parkes, Mrs. Susan Mortimer, Noel and Mrs. Sinden, Mrs. Sandy Maynes, Mrs. Tonya Thiess, Mrs. Forbes and Robin (Mrs. Trevor Jesser), Mrs. Jane Boucher, Miss Debbie Masters, Dick and Mrs. Morrie Exton, Mrs. Danielle Small, Mrs. Krista Kann, "Bunny" Burrows Snr., V. Humphreys, Garth Shambrook.

A very formidable and knowledgeable cheer-squad. The Players can confirm how important your support on match days is to them and to the Club.

The Lord Foon and his great gang of helpers, notably: Bruce Pascoe, Jack Evans, L. Jones, R. Bernays, J. Haddern (O.C. Embassy Raffles), D. Boucher, R. Mortimer, R. Farquhar, D. Hillhouse, for their untiring efforts in the Clubhouse and in fund-raising. Lord Foon and Ian Fraser also as the Editors of "The Galloper's Gazette".

The Ladies Committee for the functions held throughout the year, their feeding of the hungry multitude and their very valued good fellowship and financial support.

Doug Forbes and Trevor Jesser for the great promotional novelties on Grand Finals Day. Brian Loel for his continued generosity in regard to laundering of the Club's jerseys and for his support generally of his Club.

Eddie Kann and David Abernethy for another excellent year with their editorship and production of "The Finsbury File", also Eddie's coaching of the Under 19's and his recruitment efforts among Schools.

Graham Lawrence for his continued donations of printing material and also as the organiser and bursar of the "10% for G.P.S." casket winnings stemming from "The Friday Gang" for their generous gift of liquid refreshments for the post Grand Final get-together.

Patron Frank Parkes for his promise of magnificent financial support in regard to Ashgrove. Don Hillhouse and John Goodwin of Hillhouse & Hillhouse for their very valued time and help in regard to plotting a No.2 Rugby Field at Ashgrove.

Noel Sinden in regard to the new scrum-machine.

Mark Williams always so willing and generous in lending his wide range of equipment.

Jim Graham and Bob Burnett in regard to the original discussions re Ashgrove.

The Referees for their much appreciated good fellowship and Rugby advice.

GENERAL.

Another year upon which we can all look back with satisfaction and simple pride. Once more, and very proudly, as your President I express my warmest thanks and admiration to Club members, Officials, Supporters and Members of the Committee for all they did to make it such a year.

D. Lacy Jones
For the Committee.

ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Sixteen Committee Meetings were held during the season and attendance at those meetings was as follows:-

| PLUMBER WILLS IN | | |
|------------------|--|----------|
| President: | D. Lacy Jones, Esq. | 16 |
| Hon. Secretary: | R.J. Thomson, Esq. | 15 |
| Hon. Treasurer: | R. Anderson, Esq. | 13 |
| Members: | R. Farquhar W. Green Peter Garbett | 15 15 |

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

The Club is proud to offer congratulations to the following players who represented Australia and Queensland during the year.

| Australia | Queensland Senior | Queensland Junior |
|------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| D. Hillhouse G. Shambrook | Dugald Clark D. Hillhouse G. Shambrook D. Brand D. Regeling | B. Humphrys B. Hays |

RUGBY ADMINISTRATION

The Club again recognises the strong part played by our Members in the administration of Rugby in Australia.

| J.R. Gibson, O.B.E. L.J. Charters, Esq. | President of the Qld. Rugby Union President of the Qld. Junior Rugby Union |
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| J.R. Harris, Esq. | Vice President Qld. Rugby Union |
| W. Bligh, David Clark, | . drag graph outou |
| D. Lacy Jones . | Who represented the Club at A.R.U. |
| D. I.a. v. | Council Council |
| D. Lacy Jones, Esq. | Patron, Qld. Junior Rugby Union. |
| I U Dodawali B | Patron, Ascot-Clayfield R.U.C. |
| L.H. Dodwell, Esq. | President Ascot-Clayfield Junior |
| | Rugby Union Club, Vice President - |
| D. Bassalissa B | Q.J.R.U. |
| D. Boucher, Esq. | Member, Management Committee Q.R.U. |
| D.M. Creagh, Esq. | Representative on O.R.U. Grades |

Committee

R. Templeton, Esq. David Clark, Esq.

Aust. Coach and Aust. Selector State Coach Queensland U 19 N.Z. Tour - Member State Coaching Panel.

HIGHEST TRY SCORERS - 1976 SEASON

| L. Mackay-Payne | 17 |
|-----------------|----|
| R. Bernays | 12 |
| S. Mowan | 12 |
| E. Fawkner | 12 |
| P. Renkert | 11 |
| D. Receling | 10 |

100 1ST GRADE GAMES - CURRENT POSITION

| I. | Whittle | 96 |
|----|-----------|----|
| R. | Nerichow | 82 |
| G. | Shambrook | 60 |
| Ρ. | Sinden | 55 |
| J. | Johannsen | 44 |
| P. | Bisset | 43 |

200 CLUB GAMES

| R. | Thomson | 217 |
|----|----------|-----|
| R. | Mortimer | 208 |

200 CLUB GAMES - CURRENT POSITION

| 1 | J. | Evans | 190 |
|----|-----|------------|-----|
| | | Park | 189 |
| 1 | Dug | gald Clark | 162 |
| 61 | I. | Fraser | 159 |
| 1 | J. | Garde | 152 |
| ~ | I. | Whittle | 146 |
| | L. | Graham | 141 |
| | R. | Bernays | 137 |
| | M. | Thies | 127 |
| | A. | Carew | 124 |
| | D. | Abernethy | 114 |
| | D. | Boucher | 112 |
| | Bob | Armstrong | 106 |
| | A. | Abrahams | 105 |

100 POINTS - 1976 SEASON

Dugald Clark 146 David Clarke 139

| DUGALD | CLARK'S | POINTS | SCORING | RECORD |
|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
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|-------|--------|-----------|------------|---------|-------|--------------|--------------|
| | 1 | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | TOTAL | 1ST TOTAL |
| 1968 | U19 | | | | | 100+ | |
| 1969 | 1ST | 3 | 5 | 2 | 2 | | 31 |
| | OTHER | 1 | 8 | 5 | _ | 34 | |
| 1970 | 1ST | 2 | 17 | 31 | 7 | | 154 |
| 1971 | 1ST | 2 | 20 | 19 | - | | 103 |
| 1972 | 1ST | 2 | 12 | 10 | 1 | | 65 |
| 1973 | 1ST | 2 | 13 | 21 | 2 | | 103 |
| | OTHER | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 - X | 12 | |
| 1974 | 1ST | 2 | 22 | 20 | 1 | | 115 |
| 1975 | 1ST | 4 | - 36 | 18 | 2 | | 148 |
| 1976 | 1ST | 5 | 29 | 24 | 2 | List Time? | 156 |
| | | 24 | 163 | 152 | 17 | 146 | 875 |
| TRIES | | 24 | | POINTS | . (| OTHER GRADES | 146 |
| CONVE | RSIONS | 163 | | | | 1ST GRADE | 875 |
| PENAL | TIES | 152 | | | | | - |
| FIELD | GOALS | 17 | | | | TOTAL | 1021 |
| | | | | | | | |

SEMI FINALS, FINALS, GRAND FINALS - 1976 SEASON

G.P.S. CLUB: Winners of the Doughty Shield for the Club Championship

1ST GRADE (Runners Up)

| Semi Final | V | Teachers | Lost 9 - 21 |
|-------------|---|----------|-------------|
| Final | V | Easts | Won 21 - 9 |
| Grand Final | V | Teachers | Lost 4 - 16 |

WINNERS OF:

The Vince Nichols Memorial Shield

Thomas Welsby Cup

Horsley Cup

Minor Premiership

Runners Up

1st Round Leaders 2nd Round Leaders

2ND GRADE: (Finalists)

Semi Final

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V University V Brothers

Lost 7 - 13

Lost 3 - 9

WINNERS OF:

T.L. Jones Shield

F.C. Lea Cup

1st Round Leaders 2nd Round Leaders

MINOR PREMIERSHIP:

3RD GRADE (Runners Up)

Semi Final

V Wests V University Lost 16 - 19 9 - 6Won

Final Grand Final V Wests

Lost 3 - 7

WINNERS OF:

Minor Premiership

4TH GRADE (Finalists)

Semi Final Semi Final

V Easts V University Lost 9 - 12 Won 29 - 12

Final

V Easts

Lost 3 - 12

5TH GRADE (Runners Up)

Semi Final

Final

V V

Souths Wests Won 18 - 6 Won 14 - 4

Grand Final

V University

Lost 0 -10

SUMMARY OF POINTS - ALL GRADES

FOR

1808

AGAINST

771

1ST GRADE

| April 4th | V Brothers | Won 37 - 0 | |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| April 10th | V QIT | Won 16 - 6 | |
| April 19th | V Easts | Lost 14 - 18 | |
| April 25th | V Wests | Won 19 - 13 | |
| May 2nd | BYE | BYE | 2.5 |
| May 9th | V Teachers | Lost 0 - 19 | |
| May 16th | V Souths | Lost 15 - 21 | |
| May 23rd | V University | Won 10 - 3 | |
| May 30th | V Souths | Won 41 - 3 | |
| June 5th | V QIT | Won 43 - 4 | |
| June 13th | V Teachers | Lost 18 - 22 | |
| June 20th | V Brothers | Won 21 - 6 | |
| June 27th | V University | Won 25 - 10 | |
| July 3rd | V QIT | Won 23 - 9 | |
| July 11th | V Wests | Won 17 - 13 | |
| July 18th | BYE | BYE | |
| July 25th | V University | Won 27 - 19 | |
| August 1st | V Easts | Won 23 - 12 | |
| August 8th | V Brothers | Drew 6 - 6 | |
| August 15th | V Wests | Won 38 - 6 | |
| August 22nd | V Souths | Lost 12 - 14 | |
| August 29th | V Teachers | Won 17 - 14 | |
| Sept. 12th | V Teachers | Lost 9 - 21 | (Semi Fir |
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| Sept. 12th | V Teachers | Lost 9 - 21 | (Semi Final) |
|------------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| Sept. 19th | V Easts | Won 21 - 9 | (Final) |
| Sept. 26th | V Teachers | Lost 4 - 16 | (Grand Final) |

SUMMARY:

| Games: | Won 14 |
|--------------|--------|
| | Drew 1 |
| | Lost 5 |
| Semi Finals: | Won 1 |
| | Lost 1 |
| Grand Final: | Lost 1 |
| Points For: | 456 |

Points Against: 264

2ND GRADE

| April 4th | V Brothers | Lost 6 - 12 |
|------------|--------------|-------------|
| April 10th | BYE | BYE |
| April 19th | V Easts | Won 13 - 10 |
| April 25th | V Wests | Won 12 - 3 |
| May 2nd | V Surfers | Won 14 - 11 |
| May 9th | V Teachers | Won 12 - 6 |
| May 16th | V Surfers | Won 16 - 6 |
| May 23rd | V University | Won 8 - 7 |
| May 30th | V Souths | Won 6 - 0 |
| June 5th | BYE | BYE |
| June 13th | V Teachers | Won 16 - 15 |
| June 20th | V Ipswich | Won 15 - 4 |
| June 27th | V Redcliffe | Won 16 - 3 |
| July 3rd | V Gold Coast | Won 16 - 0 |
| July 10th | V Ipswich | Won 10 - 6 |
| July 18th | V Gold Coast | Won 26 - 6 |
| July 25th | V University | Won 18 - 6 |
| Aug. 1st | V Easts | Won 16 - 3 |
| Aug. 8th | V Brothers | Won 16 - 4 |
| Aug. 15th | V Wests | Won 23 - 3 |
| Aug. 22nd | V Souths | Won 16 - 3 |
| Aug. 29th | V Redcliffe | Won 22 - 3 |

| Sept. 12th | V University | | (Semi Final) |
|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| Sept. 19th | V Brothers | Lost 3 - 9 | (Final) |

SUMMARY:

| Games: | Won 19 | Semi Final: | Won 1 |
|--------|-------------|-------------------|--------|
| | Lost 1 | Final: | Lost 1 |
| | Points For: | 307 Points Agains | t: 133 |

, 3RD GRADE

| April 4th | V Brothers | Lost 6 - 10 |
|------------|--------------|-------------|
| April 10th | V QIT | Won 10 - 3 |
| April 19th | V Easts | Won 28 - 0 |
| April 25th | V Wests | Lost 6 - 29 |
| May 2nd | V Surfers | Won 28 - 3 |
| May 9th | V Teachers | Won 20 - 4 |
| May 16th | V Surfers | Won 47 - 4 |
| May 23rd | V University | Won 20 - 4 |
| May 30th | V Souths | Won 10 - 6 |

| June | 5th | V | QIT | Won | 29 | - | 3 |
|------|------|---|------------|------|-----|-----|----|
| June | 13th | V | Teachers | Lost | : 3 | - | 6 |
| June | 20th | V | Ipswich | Won | 35 | _ | 0 |
| June | 27th | V | Redcliffe | Won | 50 | _ | 0 |
| July | 3rd | V | Gold Coast | Won | 31 | - | 6 |
| Ju1y | 10th | V | Ipswich | Won | 32 | - | 0 |
| July | 18th | V | Gold Coast | Won | 27 | _ | 0 |
| July | 25th | V | University | Won | 16 | - | 11 |
| Aug. | lst | V | Easts | Won | 28 | - | 0 |
| Aug. | 8th | V | Brothers | Won | 14 | - | 8 |
| Aug. | 15th | V | Wests | Won | 15 | - | 3 |
| Aug. | 22nd | V | Souths | Won | 7 - | - 4 | |
| Aug. | 29th | V | Redcliffe | Won | 31 | - | 0 |
| | | | | | | | |

| Sept. 12th | V Wests | Lost 16 - 19 | (Semi Final) |
|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Sept. 19th | V University | Won 9 - 6 | (Final) |
| Sept. 26th | V Wests | Lost 3 - 7 | (Grand Final) |

SUMMARY:

| Games: | Won 19 |
|--------|--------|
| | Drew - |
| | Toot 3 |

Semi Finals: Lost 1

Final: Won 1

Grand Final: Lost 1

Points For: 521

Points Against: 136

4th GRADE

| April 4th | V Brothers | Lost 3 - 10 |
|------------|--------------|-------------|
| April 10th | V QIT | Won 49 - 0 |
| April 19th | V-Easts | Lost 0 - 16 |
| April 25th | V Wests | Won 14 - 7 |
| May 2nd | V Souths | Won 12 - 0 |
| May 9th | V Teachers | Won 27 - 16 |
| May 16th | BYE ' | BYE |
| May 23rd | V University | Won 22 - 4 |
| May 30th | V Souths | Won 10 - 0 |
| June 5th | V QIT | Won 22 - 9 |
| | | |

| _ | 10.1 | TT Manahama | Won 20 - 6 |
|------|------|--------------|--------------|
| June | 13th | V Teachers | |
| June | 20th | V Ipswich | Won 26 - 0 |
| June | 27th | V Wests | Lost 4 - 7 |
| July | 3rd | V University | Won 16 - 4 |
| | | V Ipswich | Won 46 - 0 |
| | 18th | BYE | BYE |
| | 25th | V University | Won 14 - 0 |
| Aug. | 1st | V Easts | Won 29 - 0 |
| | | V Brothers | Won 27 - 15 |
| | | V Wests | Won 35 - 4 |
| Aug. | 22nd | V Souths | Won 27 - 7 |
| _ | | V Brothers | Lost 12 - 17 |

RUNNERS UP MINOR PREMIERSHIP

| Sept. 5th | V Easts | Lost 9 - 12 | |
|------------|--------------|-------------|---------|
| Sept. 11th | V University | Won 29 - 12 | |
| Sept. 19th | V Easts | Lost 3 - 12 | (Final) |

SUMMARY:

Won 16 Games: Drew -Lost 4 Semi Final: Won 1 Lost 1 Final: Lost 1 Points For: 456 Points Against: 158

1ST GRADE POINT SCORERS TOTAL TRIES CON PEN FG 27 22 146 5 Dugald Clark 51 D. Regeling 1 10 48 12 S. Mowan P. Garbett 9 36 20 G. Shambrook 5 16 K. Silver 15 1 G. Clayphan 3 12 R. Bernays I. Whittle

| M. | Creagh | 2 | | | 8 |
|----|-----------|---|---|--|---|
| J. | Johannsen | 2 | | | 8 |
| D. | Blackford | 1 | 1 | | 6 |
| G. | Brand | 1 | | | 4 |
| P. | Sinden | 1 | | | 4 |
| Ρ. | Davenport | 1 | | | 4 |
| D. | Cornish | 1 | | | 4 |
| P. | Burrows | 1 | | | 4 |
| P. | Nordish | 1 | | | 4 |

| POINT SCORERS | - <u>2ND</u> | GRADE | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|-------|-----|----|-------|
| | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | TOTAL |
| P. Moore | 1 | 11 | 16 | | 74 |
| R. Bernays | 8 | | | | 32 |
| K. Silver | 4 | 2 | 3 | | 29 |
| Ray Armstrong | 5 | | | | 20 |
| E. Fawkner | 3 | | | | 12 |
| J. Garde | 3 | | | | 12 |
| I. Short | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 11 |
| T. Jesser | 1 | 3 | | | 10 |
| M. Creagh | 2 | | | | 8 |
| R. Mowan | 2 | | | | 8 |
| A. Austin | 2 | | | | 8 |
| J. Johannsen | 2 | | | | 8 |
| R. Thomson | 1 | | | | 4 |
| I. Fraser | 1 | | | | 4 |
| P. Sinden | 1 | | | | 4 |
| D. Boucher | 1 | | | | 4 |
| M. Oberhardt | 1 | | | | 4 |
| L. Jones | 1 | | | | 4 |
| J. Brand | 1 | | | | 4 |
| L. Mackay-Payne | e 1 | | | | 4 |
| D. Burrows | , | | | 1 | 3 |
| P. Burrows | , | | | 1 | 3 |
| A. Upson | | | | 1 | 3 |
| B. Mackay-Payne | 2 | , | - 1 | | 3 |

POINT SCORERS - 3RD GRADE

| | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | TOTAL |
|----------------|-------|---------|-----|----|---------------|
| David Clark | 3 | 13 | 8 | | 62 |
| J. Evans | 1 | 11 | 11 | | 59 |
| H. Foxton | 7 | 6 | | | 40 |
| E. Fawkner | 9 | | | | 36 |
| D. Boucher | 8 | | | | 32 |
| T. Levander | 8 | | | | 32 |
| M. Oberhardt | 7 | | | | 28 |
| D. Burrows | 6 | | | | 24 |
| L. Graham | 3 | 4 | | | 20 |
| L. Mackay-Payn | e 5 | | | | 20 |
| S. Atkinson | 2 | 3 | | | 14 |
| R. Mowan | 3 | | | | 12 |
| A. Upson | 3 | | | | 12 |
| J. Sachsen | 2 | | | | 8 |
| H. Nalder | 2 | | | | 8 |
| D. Bains | 2 | | | | 8 |
| D. Newstead | 2 | | | | 8 |
| B. Rathie | 2 | | | | 8 |
| R. Whitten | 2 | | | | 8 |
| W. James | 2 | | | | 8 |
| J. Brand | 2 | | | | 8 |
| M. Asprey | 1 | | | | 4 |
| L. Jones | 1 | | | | 4 |
| K. Silver | 1 | | | | 4 |
| M. Thies | 1 | | | | 4 |
| P. Doumany | 1 | | | | 4 |
| R. Mortimer | 1 | | | | 4 |
| M. Creagh | 1 | | | | 4 |
| P. Marshall | | 1 | | | 2 |
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| POINT SCORERS | - 4TH | GRADE | | | |
| | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | TOTAL |
| David Clark | 2 | 18 | 10 | 1 | 77 |
| · R. Duus | 6 | 7 | 3 | | 47 |
| B. Mackay-Payr | ne 7 | 5 | 3 | | 47 |
| P. Renkert | 11 | | | | 44 |
| L. Mackay-Payr | ne 11 | | | | 44 |

| POINT SCORERS - | 4TH | GRADE | (Cont'd) |
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| PUINT SCURERS | - <u>4TH</u> | GRADE | (Cont | 'd) | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | | TOTAL |
| L. Graham | 3 | 2 | | | | 16 |
| J. Evans | 2 | 1 | | | | 10 |
| R. Whitten | 2 | | | | | 8 |
| A. Carew | 2 | | | | | 8 |
| M. Asprey | 2 | | | | | 8 |
| H. Foxton | 2 | | | | | 8 |
| J. Sheehan | 2 2 | | | | | 8 |
| P. Turner | 2 | | | | | 8 |
| D. Bains | 2 | | | | | 8 |
| R. Mortimer V. Rathie | 1 | | | | | 8 |
| J. Sachsen | 1 | | | | | 4 |
| W. Dunn | 1 | | | | | 4 4 |
| C. Smith | i | | | | | 4 |
| D. Park | i | | - 2 | | | 4 |
| C. Laing | i | | | | | 4 |
| C. Maskell | i | | | | | 4 |
| P. Watt | 1 | | | | | 4 |
| R. Bernays | i | | | | | 4 |
| C. Power | 1 | | | | | 4 |
| R. King | | | 1 | | | 3 |
| | | | | | | |
| POINT SCORERS | - 5TH | GRADE | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | | TOTAL |
| I. Short | | 5 | | | | 10 |
| D. Rauth | 2 | | | | | 8 |
| R. Farquhar | 1 | | | | | 4 |
| K. Burns | 1 | | | | | 4 |
| J. Sheehan | 1 | | | | | 4 |
| POINT SCORERS | - SEMI | FINAL | s, fi | NALS, | GRAND | FINALS |
| 1ST GRADE | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | | TOTAL |
| | - | | - | - | | |
| Dugald Clark D. Hillhouse | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | 10 |
| P. Garbett | 2 | | | | | 8 4 |
| I. Galbett | | | | | | 4 |

| D. Blackford D. Regeling Ray Armstrong | 1 1 1 | | | | 4 4 4 |
|--|-------------|-----|-----|----|------------------------|
| 2ND GRADE | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | TOTAL |
| K. Silver P. Burrows | 1 | | 2 | | 6 4 |
| 3RD GRADE | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | TOTAL |
| S. Atkinson R. Mowan | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 8 4 |
| 4TH GRADE | TRIES | CON | PEN | FG | TOTAL |
| David Clark L. Mackay-Payr P. Renkert B. Mackay-Payr D. Newstead | 2 | 4 | 3 | | 17 8 8 4 4 |

NATIONAL FITNESS "7's" CARNIVAL - OVER 25 DIVISION

Lost 6 - 8 V Army V Redcliffe Lost 0 - 26

B. Mackay-Payne D. Park L. Jones
Bob Armstrong G. Kaskell J. Sheehan
J. Toohey I. Fraser

PLAYER APPEARANCES

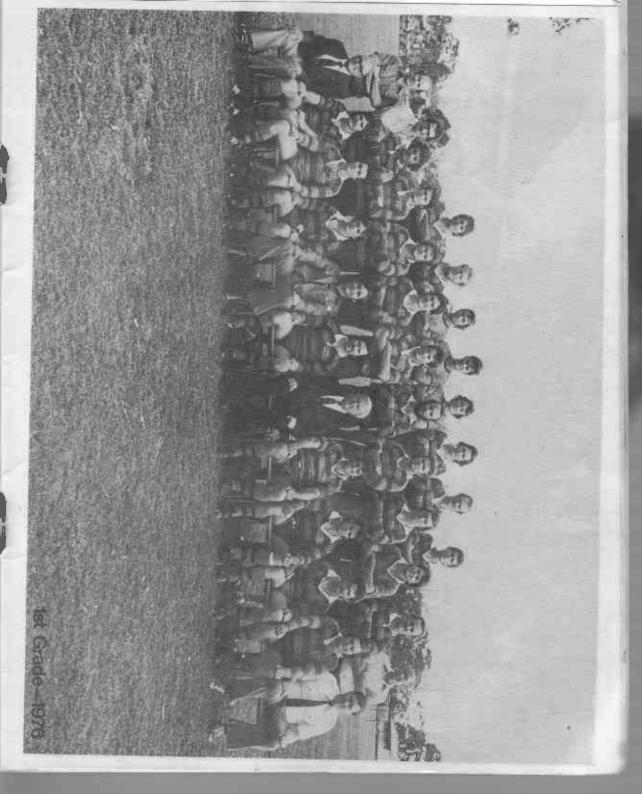
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| K. Aaron | X | | | | . 5 | 2 |
| D. Abernathy | 0 | | 9 | 7 | 2 | |
| A. Abrahams | 0 | | 16 | 8 | | |
| J. Allen | Х | | | | | 3 |
| R. Anderson | 0 | | | | | 1 |
| Bob Armstrong | * | | 2 | 6 | 7 | 1 |
| John Armstrong | X | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | |
| Ray Armstrong | X | 4 | 14 | | | |
| M. Asprey | 0 | | 1 | 4 | 8 | |
| S. Atkinson | X | | | 15 | 3 | |
| A. Austin | X | 5 | 14 | 2 | | |
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| <u>B</u> . | | | | | | |
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| D. Bains | 0 | | | 3 | 2 | |
| A. Bemrose | 0 | | | | - | 3 |
| R. Bernays | 0 | 13 | 12 | | 1 | |
| P. Bisset | 0 | 17 | 2 | 1 | | 1 |
| D. Blackford | 0 | 14 | 10 | | | |
| K. Bolton | 0 | | 7.25 | 11 | 2 | |
| D. Boucher | X | | 8 | 15 | | |
| G. Boyd | | | 1 | 8 | 2 | |
| G. Brand | X | 20 | | | | |
| J. Brand | X | | 2 | 14 | 6 | |
| K. Burns | | | | | | 2 |
| S. Burns | | | | | | 1 |
| <u>c</u> . | | | | | | |
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| A. Carew W. Chatterto | 0 | | | 2 | 8 | |
| David Clark | | | | | 4 | 1 |
| Dugald Clark | 0 | 20 | 2 | 6 | 13 | |
| C. Clayphan | X | 20 | | | | |
| D. Cornish | 0 | 4 | | | | |
| M. Creagh | X | 4 | 2 | 1 | | |
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| <u>D</u> . | | | | | | |
| J. Delahunty | | | | 1 | 7 | 4 |
| P. Devenport | | 19 | 3 | | | 7 |
| P. Doumany | X | | 5 | 11 | 4 | |
| P. Dowling | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| R. Duus | 0 | | | | 20 | 2 |
| W. Dunn | * | | | 2 | 15 | |
| <u>E</u> . | | | | | | |
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| D. Ethell | 0 | | 2 | 11 | 3 | |
| J. Evans | X | | | 13 | 2 | |
| F. | | | | | | |
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| R. Farquhar E. Fawkner | 0 | | 2 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| H. Foxton | 11 | | 3 2 | 14 | 24 | |
| P. Frame | 11 | | 4 | 9 | 3 | |
| I. Fraser | 11 | 2 | 14 | | | |
| R. Fraser | 11 | | 14 | | 1 | |
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| G'. | | | | | | | |
| P. J. E. A. | Garbett Garde Gibbon Glasby | 111 | 21 4 | 15 | | | 1 1 |
| L. <u>Н</u> . | Graham | Х | | | 3 | 3 | 76 |
| | Hillhouse Huxley | X | 16 2 | 13 | 3 | | |
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| R. | King | - | | | i | - | |
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| т. <u>м</u> . | Levander | | | | 9 | 1 | 1 |
| M. R. B. | MacAfee MacAfee Mackay-Payne | X X X | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 3 |
| L. D. P. | Mackay-Payne Markwell Marshall | X | 6 | 13 | 3 | 12 3 10 | 1 3 |



3rd Grade-1976





PLAYER APPEARANCES (Cont'd)

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| G. Maskell | * | -17 | | 1 | 11 | 1 - |
| P. Meares | * | 1 | | | mealise. | 2 |
| J. Miles | Х | | | 6 | 14 | |
| P. Moore | | 1 | 16 | 1 | | |
| J. Morris | | | | | | 1 |
| R. Mortimer | X | | | 5 | 7 | |
| R. Mowan | X | 1 | 9 | 12 | | |
| S. Mowan | X | 23 | | | | |
| J. Muir | | | | | | 1 |
| B. McDiarmid | 0 | | | | 1 | 1 |
| B. McLenehan | 0 | | | 12 | 8 | |
| C. McLeod | * | | | | | 1 |
| A. McPherson | | | | 3 | 4 | |
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| <u>N</u> . | | | | | | |
| H. Nalder | | | | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| R. Nerichow | * | 22 | | | Liver | |
| D. Newstead | X | | 2 | 12 | 4 | 1 |
| P. Nordish | | 11 | 12 | | | |
| <u>o</u> . | | | | | | |
| M. Oberhardt | 0 | 1 | | 10 | | |
| K. O'Brien | U | 1 | 6 | 18 | 1 | - |
| C. Osborne | х | | | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| | 11 | | | , | | |
| <u>P</u> . | | | | | | |
| D. Park | X | | | 2 | 11 | 3 |
| B. Pascoe | 0 | | | | 1 | |
| G. Power | 0 | | | | 2 | |
| <u>R</u> . | | | | | | |
| A. Rae | | | | | | 1 |
| F. Rae | | | | | | 3 |
| L. Raff | | | | | | 2 |
| B. Rathie | X | | 12 | 8 | 2 | |
| D. Rauth | | | 50,51 | 33/ +4 | OLD TO | 2 |
| D. Regeling | 111 | 15 | | | | |
| P. Renkert | * | | | 1 | 17 | 1 |

PLAYER APPEARANCES (Cont'd)

| s. | | | <u>1ST</u> | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | <u>5TH</u> |
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| J. G. J. K. P. G. G. | Sachsen Shambrook Sheehan Short Silver Sinclair Sinden Smith Spilsbury | - x o o | 16 8 14 | 1 2 9 | 6 1 2 2 2 2 | 1 10 3 1 2 7 | 2 3 |
| S. <u>T</u> . | | X | 1 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 1 |
| M. R. J. S. P. | Thies Thomson Toohey Trewin Turner | 0 | 9 | 13 | 2 | 1 6 2 | 4 |
| U. | | | | | | | |
| A. <u>W</u> . | Upson | Х | 3 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 1 |
| P. S. T. I. R. G. | Watt Walker Wheatley Whittle Whitten Willis | 0 0 0 X | 13 | 1 2 3 | 1 13 6 | 7 11 2 9 | 3 1 1 1 |

NOTES IN SUPPORT OF PLAYER APPEARANCES

O Denotes Attendance at BGS

¹¹ Denotes Attendance at BBC

¹¹¹ Denotes Attendance at BSHS

Denotes Attendance at TSS

⁼ Denotes Attendance at GT

^{*} Denotes Attendance Interstate or Overseas

NUMBER OF PLAYERS APPEARING IN EACH GRADE

| 1-ST | 34 |
|------|----|
| 2ND | 50 |
| | - |
| 3RD | 63 |
| 4TH | 65 |
| 5TH | 50 |

NUMBER OF PLAYERS WHO PLAYED IN FIVE GRADES

123

FIRST GRADE TONY ROBERTS

For the fourth successive year victory in the Grand Final eluded us. Perhaps critics can say that we are only good for coming second. In my opinion this is completely wrong. GPS can dominate the premiership competition and if and when we get that break there will be no stopping us. Don't forget that in those four years only three clubs have made the Grand Final — Teachers once, Brothers three times and GPS four times, and that seems to be a fair indication of the strength of the clubs. On top of that, also remember that we have been the Club Champions for two years in a row and the First Grade Minor Premiers for two years in a row.

In 1975 the 1st's lost their first and last games and one during the season, all to Brothers. This year we overcame that nemesis (beating Brothers 37-0, 23-6 and drawing with them 6 all), but ran into a new nemesis in Teachers Norths. We played them five times and won only once — the Horsley Cup in which game each team scored three tries. Our other three losses in 1976 were also at the hands of the "unorthodox underdogs" — twice to Souths and once to Easts.

We finished the season with a for and against margin in excess of 100 points better than the next team and that together with the Welsby Cup, the Horsley Cup and the Minor Premiership is certainly encouragement for next season. It is interesting to note that in the Grand Final seven of the First Fifteen played in the 1975 Second Grade Grand Final. This is a true indication of the strength and depth of the club and it's not just one group of good players putting GPS at the top each year. We therefore were able to blood some new players in First Grade such as Sean Mowan, Bunny Burrows and people like Andrew Austin and Bruce Huxley who together with fellows like Rob Hayes, Mick Bell and John Lynch from U/19s will again ensure that we have got real strength for next year.

While we are mentioning players' names three players should receive a special mention, namely Sean Mowan, who was the only player to play every game this season, Roy Nerichow, who missed one, and Peter Devenport who missed a couple. The unfortunate side of the story is that it was necessary to use 34 players throughout the year in first grade. In my opinion it should be possible to work a season inside a 23-25 player limit.

Nest season has all the earmarks of perhaps the most successful season ever. The move to Ashgrove will probably be one of the most significant moves in the club's history when we will have available to us fully lighted playing fields capable of coping with the demands of five open and three underage teams. For the first time in the history of all present playing members of the club there will be adequate training space and there is no doubt at all that this will give the desired results during the season. As well as this the excellent club facilities will allow us to again enjoy and partake in proper social activities. Unfortunately it has to be said that the facilities that we left at Finsbury became inadequate some time ago and this was reflected in the poor attendances at after match functions.

The not too encouraging results of the Australian Wallaby tour in France have again given us a clear indication that we are not a top rating rugby country and it is evident that not only Australian rugby but Queensland and Brisbane club rugby must improve and change its style of football. We will certainly be investigating every avenue to ensure that GPS lead the field in this regard in 1977.

There are many social pleasures in life — the ability and opportunity to play rugby is one of them. The time span for the others is from age 17 to 70. For open rugby it is from age 19 to, usually, 27. So I feel that all rugby players should put the other pleasures second, get serious about their football because sure enough if you don't it will be one thing you will regret for the rest of your life.

SECONDS REPORT

When the past season's results are looked at, I suppose more than a few of our supporters will be disappointed. Well, I can assure you no one will feel more disappointment than each member of this year's Second Grade side. The failure to take out the major premiership is magnified by the fact that we came through the season as No. 1 team in the competition; we put more work into the season than any other Second Grade team, and we had the talent and desire to win.

However, for the sake of our disappointed supporters, let us have a closer look at the season. The major priority is surely to enjoy football, and this not only comes through winning, but through putting a bit more than 100% into the game, and being a part of a strong Club. Other clubs may boast of winning one Premiership, but no other club got all four teams to the Semis, let alone Preliminary Final stage and remember we also played the Grand Final of the 5th Grade! We won three Minor Premierships including the Seconds and took all the mid-season trophies in the Ones and Twos and above all we bolted in with the Club Championship. Surely this is a record of which to be proud. I just hope so many of those so-called Club Supporters who have been noteable by their absence from Finsbury so often and yet have been so critical of the Club in so many ways, will appreciate the efforts of their Club and come to Ashgrove with some regularity.

The Two's this year featured some of the best leadership I have known in football. John Garde led the side up to his well-deserved promotion to the Firsts with all his fire, dedication and example, then Ian Fraser took over in no uncertain terms and proved very fast what ability as a Captain he had. They were both well supported in the Forwards by Derick Markwell — one of the most knowledgeable footballers around, and a great fellow to work with, and in the backs by Trevor Jesser. "T.J." is surely one of the most under-rated footballers around. He played at least half the season right out of position at fly-half yet handled the job with consumate ease. His defense was devastating, his attack cool and controlled and despite the big claims laid by such as Gardey, Fras, Coon, Pinocchio and Blackey, he was a worthy winner of the "Best & Fairest" award. Best forward went to Ray Armstrong, who finally got his just deserts by making the Ones. Again Gardey and others were unlucky, but I believe Ray produced his best football during this season and most of it in the second half of the season. At last he seems to realise there is more fun to be had in the close-in action than in "sea-gulling" and next year he will be dynamic.

Andy Austin deservedly won the "Best Back" award. At fly-half and at full-back he was exciting to watch, he showed his courage coming back for the Finals from a badly broken nose and he will be one of the future stars.

Our own team award, judged on each player's ability to influence a game, over the last half-dozen games, was won by David Blackford, another who I believed produced his best football ever towards the end of this season. He was unlucky not to have had more First-Grade games.

So they were the official trophy winners. They would not have their trophies if it were not for all the others who put their sweat and talent into this season. People like Buff who won't believe it when he finally (and if ever) turns the whole thing in; Nord who handled prop, second-row, first grade and second grade all with good humour and great ability; Pat Moore who saved our skins so many times with his own peculiar yet wondrous brand of magic; "Hip-Ho" who played a shocker after being dropped, then turned on his brilliance for the rest of the season; Boonga, who had to contract some loathsome disease just when his own best season was looming; Drew, who earned more friends and respect this season than all his others with the Club; O.A.P., who despite all his protestations, played out of position in second-row when we were desperate and looked like he enjoyed it so much he is going for prop. next season; Professor, who was a great help to me with statistics, as a sounding-board and to the team as what he is, a great club man; and of course to

SECOND GRADE (Cont'd.)

Doug Forbes who is always such a great help; to all these people and the many others not mentioned, I thank you for a good season and I know all supporters will welcome seeing you all in action next year.

G.P.S. Second Grade 1976 - Record:

Played 24 Won 21 Lost 3 Points For Points Against Honours Won: F.C. Lea Cup

THIRD GRADE TERRY LEVANDER

From the first trial of the season it became fairly obvious that our backs could match the quality and strength of the forwards. Herein was the key to the season — the forwards, particularly the loose forwards with Mark Oberhardt as M.V.P. were good and they were more than adequately supported by backs who were only too pleased to score tries when the forwards gained possession. The overall results speak for themselves.

We lost two early games and in both the lessons learnt through our mistakes and bad play proved invaluable during the competition. It was in this learning and working area that the team was most impressive. Enthusiasm, hard work and a very strong "esprit de corps" characterised the team.

As the season progressed, players became totally dedicated to their training especially Drew Abrahams and Rory Mowan. A willingness to listen and learn made my task an easy one. Cooperation and support I received from Denis Boucher, Jack Evans and David Abernathy as Captains made the 1976 season a very enjoyable one.

The season produced many fine young players in David Burrows, John Boyd, Eric Fawkner and Paul Doumany. Coupled with them we had the experience of John Brand, Jack Evans, David Abernathy, Denis Boucher and Mike Thiess to give us a balanced side which took us to the grand final.

My thanks go to the selection committee, to David Clark and John Madden, to our noon supporters, and to all the sixty-five players who played for the "Thirsty Thirds".

FOURTH GRADE

G.P.S. again proved that the Club has strength right through to fourth grade, as was shown by their performance in 1976. Twenty-one games were played up to the semi-finals and seventeen were won. The fourths entered the semi-finals with every chance of becoming Grand Final winners. However, after beating University 29-12 in the semi, they went into the Final a little bit too confident, and found that a spirited side with nothing to lose is a hard side to beat. Easts beat them 12-3 and Easts went on to win the Grand Final. It is a pity that the spirit we had during the year, disappeared when it was most needed.

FOURTH GRADE (Cont'd.)

As the Coach, I wish to thank the two Captains during the year, Ross Mortimer and Bruce Mackay-Payne for their help and leadership. It was a great pity that we lost Ross with an injury mid-way through the season, however we look forward to his return to the field in 1977. Congratulations to Ross in achieving 200 games for his Club.

May a special thanks go to David Clark for his help during the year, and we all know that David will always help in any way he can, whether it be first or Under 19.

On the night of the Annual Presentation, players who excelled themselves during the year were rewarded for their efforts. Ross Duus with twenty games for the season, won the Best and Fairest and was followed by Bruce Mackay-Payne as the best forward and his brother Lou as the best back. Lou with only 9 fixture games, managed to score eleven tries, which was a fine effort. May I also thank Lou and Bruce's father Hugh, for his support from the side-line throughout the season. Raincoat also scored 11 tries during the season and who will forget his fine try in the semi-final against University, which turned the game in our direction.

Other leading players during the season were, David Clark (10 games), John Miles (11 games), Warren Dunn (12 games), Tim Wheatley (10 games). A special thanks also to Allen Carew for his help in the first seven games of the season, and he is one player who could have been a great asset later in the season, had work commitments not forced him out of football early in the season.

May I finally thank my co-selectors Ron Park and W. Bligh for their assistance in selection throughout the season and if any member wants to find out the commitment a selector must make throughout the season please speak to either of these gentlemen before you seek nomination.

To all the members of our club who played in the fourths this season, may I thank you all for your loyalty to myself as coach and from your Club G.P.S.

FIFTH GRADE REPORT

Six Clubs entered teams in the competition last year, but owing to the inability of Clubs (including ours) to field teams each week, most of the "games" were won or lost on forfeit. We didn't even play against Brothers or Easts throughout the season. Of the seven games played, we won five and lost two, one of the losses being to University in the Grand Final by a creditable score of 10-0.

A perusal of the registrar's statistics indicates that a total of 51 persons played in the team during the year. This would appear to indicate that plenty of players were available throughout the season. However that was not the case, as many of the players became available once we had reached the finals (in fourth position) and came down to support the regulars such as Beef, MacAfee, Ferrett Aaron, Della, Jim Toohey and Tony Bemrose.

My thanks to all those players through whose efforst we were able to defeat Souths and Wests in the finals to reach the Grand final.

It is to be hoped that next season we shall see more support for the Fifth Grade in all Clubs and particularly ours under their new Coach, Beef.

UNDER 19 SIDE – 1976

The season got off to a bad start when we had three players turn up for the first training session. It was this lack of numbers during the year which contributed to our failure to win a Grand Final in this competition. The lack of numbers resulted in our fielding only one side in the Under 19 competition and resulted in players being forced out of position, eg., our hooker is naturally a breakaway, our half-back is naturally a five-eight, our centre is naturally a breakaway, our full-back is naturally a breakaway.

Our first three matches produced crushing defeats at the hands of University 26-9, Wests 17-0, Brothers 38-3. But to the credit of the side they took stock of themselves and as the season progressed we started to build a combination and the side went on to record five victories in the remaining nine matches unluckily losing to Wests 3-0 and to Brothers 16-13, which in itself is a remarkable reversion of the earlier catastrophies.

As the season developed so too did the side but the organisation of the Junior competition did not allow a side to blossom to its full capacity. It has been mentioned in previous articles this year that there were only twelve competition matches scheduled over two rounds which approximated one bye for every two matches which is hardly the sort of competition which lends itself to development of a team combination.

What the side may have lacked in quantity and quality it certainly did not lack spirit, determination, and guts. There was a willingness to have a go and it was this willingness that covered up a lot of our shortcomings, so much so that the side scraped into the fourth spot for the Semi-finals but met a better side in University and were defeated 14-4, University subsequently going through to the Grand Final.

We had two State representatives in centre, Robert Hays and wing Bruce Humphrys. Both played for the Queensland Under 19 side against the New South Wales colts side in Brisbane and were selected for the Queensland touring side which toured New Zealand in September. Both acquitted themselves very well in a victorious touring side. We offer our congratulations to these two players, which we hope will be a stepping stone to further representative success.

It is hard to single out individuals in a side which relied heavily on a team effort, and the effort came not only from the above two players but also from Captain John Lynch, and stalwarts like Andy Milne, Ed Given and Richard Lyne, and players like Hugh Fraser, Lex Raff, Michael Castrisos, and Warren Edwards who were prepared to play out of position, all of which contributed to a great team effort. If players like Michael Bell, and Bruce Begbie had come to training earlier they may have gone further and the team may not have suffered the early losses that it did. We cannot forget also the support of players such as David Buck, and Greg Bevis who continued to turn up for training and matches with knowledge that at any one time we could only run fifteen players on the field and there was no certainty of their getting a game.

It was a tremendously interesting season which I as a coach enjoyed thoroughly and I feel that the Club has from this year's Under 19 side a group of men who will be fine club men and who will be back next year playing Under 19 in some cases and senior football in the rest. I was proud to be associated with the 1976 G.P.S. Under 19 side and I would like to thank them for their support during the season.

TROPHIES 1976 SEASON

| Humphrey Bere Memorial Trophy | -Club Captain | R.J. Thomson |
|---|---|--|
| L.J. Charters Trophy C.H. O'Reilly | -100 points for Season | Dugald Clark David Clark |
| K. Bevis K. Bevis Trophy Walter H. Boyd Memorial Trophy | -Highest Try Scorer -Best Colt -Best Club Man | L. Mackay-Payne A. Austin P. Marshall |
| M. Williams | -200 Club Games | R.H. Mortimer R.J. Thomson |
| | -100 Club Games | D. Boucher Bob Armstrong L. Jones A. Abrahams D. Abernethy |
| D.G. Forbes P. Jorgensen | -50 'A' Grade Games | I. Fraser A. Carew. |
| 1ST GRADE | | |
| The A.C. Dibdin Memorial Trophy | -Best & Fairest | S. Mowan |
| The President's Trophy D. Lacy Jones | -Best Forward | R. Nerichow |
| A.H. Flynn Esq. Trophy | -Best Back | Dugald Clark |
| R.A. Nicol Esq. Trophy 2ND GRADE | -Most Improved | P. Davenport |
| R.S. Roberts Trophy | -Best & Fairest | T. Jesser |
| A. Dickerstaff | -Best Forward | R. Armstrong |
| G.D. Rylance Trophy | -Best Back | A. Austin |
| 3RD GRADE | | |
| T. Levander | -Best & Fairest | M. Oberhardt |
| H. Noble Trophy T.M. Osborne Trophy | -Best Forward -Best Back | J. Brand D. Burrows |
| T.M. OSCOTHE Trophy | -Dest Dack | D. Darrows |

4TH GRADE

G.E. Lawrence -Best & Fairest Ross Duus
Bill Browns Sports Store -Best Forward B. Mackay-Payne
R. Anderson -Best Back L. Mackay-Payne

5TH GRADE

D. Boucher -Best & Fairest J. Toohey
D. Nutter Trophy -Most Consistent M. McAfee

U19 GRADE

Ascot-Clayfield Club -Best & Fairest R. Hays
Trophy

J.R. Harris -Best Forward A. Raff
I.R. Colquhoun Trophy -Best Back M. Castrisos

Bill Alvers Trophy -Best Junior G. Bevis
Club Man

TREASURER'S REPORT

R.A. Anderson

I present for your consideration and adoption the Club's audited Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ended 31st October, 1976.

The Club again suffered severely from major increases in many costs during the year. These increased added considerably to the expenses of providing and maintaining the Clubhouse and considerable expenditure not previously undertaken was entered into by the Club during the year. This expenditure further stretched the Club's resources.

The main categories are as follows:-

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| Training films | 288.00 | | |
| Scrum Machine | 415.00 | | |
| Other Training | | | |
| Equipment | 287.00 | | |
| Trainer's Fees | ,040.00 | | |
| Air fares - invited | | | |
| Coaches | 334.00 | | |

The collection of members subscriptions was again difficult, although the efforts of the Junior players and Coach are much improved on previous years.

This is extremely important in 1977 year as substantial funds will be required for the proposed move to Ashgrove Park.

Fortunately a surplus of \$6,321.00 received from the sale of 52 Finsbury Street has given the Club a good start for this major and ambitious project. However, subscriptions are intended for the running of the Club and these will require even greater expenditure during 1977 year.

The Club is well financed, but not generously so, for these projects.

G.P.S. OLD BOYS' RUGBY UNION CLUB

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST OCTOBER, 1976

| 1975 | | \$ | ş |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------|
| | MEMBERS FUNDS | Miles Man | |
| - - - 17,584 | A.C. Dibdin Perpetual Trophy Ashgrove Park Tour General | 300 387 225 24,108 | |
| 17,584 | which contains the party of the | | 25,020 |
| | represented by | | |
| | NON-CURRENT ASSETS | | |
| 9,212 500 600 17,590 | Clubhouse - Finsbury Park Training Equipment Ballymore Life Membership Property - 52 Finsbury Street | 9,419 1,203 600 | |
| 27,812 | CURRENT ASSETS | | 11,222 |
| 1,776 2,180 769 789 1,980 | Bank - Working Account Investment Account Cash on Hand Sundry Debtors Stocks | 1,557 2,278 160 9,520 2,332 | Mar off resolution |
| 7,494 | and a second control of | 15,847 | |
| | CURRENT LIABILITIES | 50 1101 | |
| 2,344 | Sundry Creditors Security Deposits | 1,899 | |
| 2,574 | | 2,049 | |
| 4,920 | NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES | | 13,798 |
| 15,148 | Bank - Mortgage Loan Account | | |
| 17,584 | | | \$25,020 |
| - | | | |

G.P.S. OLD BOYS' RUGBY UNION CLUB

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED

| | 31ST OCTOBER, 1976 | | |
|--------|--|-------|----------|
| 1975 | | | |
| \$ | | \$ | \$ |
| | COME | | |
| 10,912 | Sales | 9,925 | |
| 8,302 | Less Cost of Sales | 9,228 | 697 |
| 2,610 | Hotel Raffles: | | |
| 5,345 | Gross Proceeds | 5,053 | |
| 2,418 | Less Expenses | 2,221 | 2,832 |
| | | 2,221 | 2,032 |
| 2,927 | Functions: | | |
| 3,505 | Gross Proceeds | 3,958 | |
| 3,335 | Less Expenses | 3,741 | 217 |
| 169 | La company of the com | 4.50 | |
| 11100 | Clothing & Equipment: | | |
| 2,100 | Sales | 739 | |
| 2,589 | Less Cost of Sales | 650 | 229 |
| (483) | Subscriptions: | | |
| 1,108 | Senior | 1 /75 | |
| 15 | Junior | 1,475 | 1 550 |
| | J di l'Ol | 77 | 1,552 |
| 1,123 | IN THE PARTY OF TH | | |
| 900 | Ladies Committee | | |
| 185 | Silver Circle | | |
| 209 | Donations | | 151 |
| 1,923 | Doubles | | 3,104 |
| 180 | Interest | | 98 |
| 1,023 | Rent - Finsbury Park | | 1,014 |
| 2,068 | - 52 Finsbury Street | | 1,881 |
| 68 | Sundry Income | | 14 |
| 12,902 | | | \$11,789 |
| | | | |

| 1975 | | \$ | \$ |
|-----------|------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| \$ | | | - 4 |
| E. | XPENSES | | |
| 42 | Advertising | 22 | |
| 32 | Bank Charges | 65 | |
| 227 | Cleaning | 480 | |
| 150 | Insurance | 303 | |
| 1,888 | Interest | 1,554 | |
| 697 | Electricity | 377 | |
| 402 | Football Expenses | 342 | |
| 459 | Jerseys | 121 | |
| 194 | Jersey Repairs | 220 | |
| 2,760 | Postage, Printing & Stationery | 2,507 | |
| | Queensland Rugby Union - | -,50. | |
| 900 | Affiliation Fees | 850 | |
| | Match Fees | 200 | |
| | Fines and Levies | 140 | |
| 300 | Donations and Honorarium | 250 | |
| 140 | Plaques | | |
| 882 | Repairs & Maintenance (Clubhouse) | 307 | |
| 456 | Expenses - 52 Finsbury Street | 655 | |
| 200 | Rent - Finsbury Park | 200 | |
| 460 | Posters | _ | |
| 168 | Trophies (less donations) | 291 | |
| | Juke Box Hire | 201 | |
| | Trainers Fees | 1,040 | |
| | Tallebudgera Camp | 95 | |
| | Air fares | 334. | |
| | Film and Videotape Hire | 91 | |
| | Traffic cones and tackling bags | 287 | |
| 392 | Sundry Expenses | 654 | |
| 10,749 | | 054 | 11,586 |
| | SURPLUS FOR YEAR | | 11,500 |
| 2,153 | | | 203 |
| | Extraordinary Item - Surplus on Sa | 11e | |
| | of property - 32 Finsbury St., | | 6,321 |
| | Telephone washing at a | | 6,524 |
| 15,431 | Add Accumulated Funds as at 1/11/7 | 75 | 17,584 |
| \$17,584 | | | |
| | | | \$24,108 |
| estation. | | | |

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

This Committee, a Sub-Committee of the Management Committee has been set up for the purposes of organising and conducting fund raising activities to assist the Club in meeting its committments to Valleys Cricket Club.

It seems appropriate at this stage, to provide a brief summary of the Clubs mention as far as Ashgrove is concerned, to point out to members the tasks confronting this Committee in the future. The position is as follows:-

| Our 50% Share of Clubhouse | \$46,250.00 |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Estimated expenditure on | |
| lighting and fencing | 12,000.00 |
| | |
| Funds required | 58,250.00 |

| & lights at Finsbury | 10,000.00 | 20,250.00 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Estimated proceeds of Clubhous | e | |
| Net proceeds on sale of house | | |
| Cash at Bank | 2,250.00 | |
| Funds available | | |
| | | |

| Funds required | \$38,000.00 |
|----------------|-------------|
|----------------|-------------|

The timing and terms of repayments to Valleys have not as yet been determined but it is clear from these figures that this Committee and the Club will need the support of members, past and present, and supporters to raise this sum in the near future. To start the ball rolling, our Patron Mr. Frank Parkes, has generously offered to donate the sum of \$5,000.00, on the condition that a similar amount be raised by the Club by means other than its normal fund raising activities. This in itself if motivation for all of us to get up and do something.

The first meeting of the Committee was held on 13th October, 1976 and was attended by the following persons - Libby Roberts and Jan Boucher (representing Ladies Committee), Lloyd Graham, Ross Duus, John Miles, Dudley Dick, Keith Veavis and myself. Les Dodwell attended briefly to outline figures he had obtained regarding a proposed car raffle.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT (Cont'd)

Suggestions too numerous to mention here were discussed by the Committee and it was decided that the following activities should be undertaken as soon as possible -

- (a) Car Raffle. Provided all tickets are sold a profit of approximately \$5,500.00 should be made. 1,000 tickets of \$10.00 each have been printed and the Committee will be seeking assistance particularly from past players and supporters to distribute these tickets. It is planned to draw the raffle at a function to be held at Mayne Australian Rules Club, Windsor on 4th February, 1977.
- (b) 100 Stubbie Raffle. 4,000 tickets of 50¢ have been printed and some have already been distributed. This raffle, should raise approximately \$1,000 and will be drawn before Christmas.

The advantages and facilities to be enjoyed by members at Ashgrove are well known and it is therefor hoped that this Committee will receive support from all members when called upon.

R. FARQUHAR.

FILM LIBRARY

| | Receipts | \$235.00 |
|---|---------------|----------|
| * | Disbursements | \$136.97 |
| | Balance held | \$ 99.03 |

* \$136.97 was expended in the purchase of a film Wales v France 1975 and 24 film clips of test tries as scored from set moves (line out, scrums, touch points, counter attacks).

The library therefore consists of the following films:
All Blacks v Barbarians 1972

Wales v Ireland 1975

Wales v France 1975

24 film clips

FILM LIBRARY (Cont'd)

It is recommended that the Play Rugby Series of ten 25-minute black and white sound films be purchased, together with the film of the Wales v France test to be held in February 1977, should the standard of that game reach expectations.

It is anticipated that a wider library under the responsibility of one person concerned with no other matters could be beneficial to both the club (regular film nights) and the coffers (by hiring).

In an endeavour to boost the rank of the Juniors for 1977 the film was shown at the following schools without charge:

B.G.S.

C.E.G.S.

B.S.H.S.

Terrace

T.S.S.

Rosalie

St. Columbans

Church of England, Bald Hills

Brothers Clareveaux