

queensland  
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referees'  
association

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annual report  
and  
financial statement  
1972

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to be presented  
qru ballymore  
7.45 p.m.  
tuesday 14th november

# Queensland Rugby Union Referees Association

## NOTICES

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held at Ballymore on Tuesday, 14th November at 7.45 p.m.

Members are reminded that nominations for office, duly seconded, and assented to by the nominee are to be in the Hon. Secretary's hands no later than 48 hours prior to the advertised starting time of the meeting.

Officers elected by A.G.M. are:

President; Life Members; Vice-Presidents (2);  
Hon. Secretary; Hon. Treasurer; Managing Committee  
Members (2); Q.J.R.U. delegate; Sub-Districts  
delegate.

The cricket match against Q.R.U. is scheduled for Sunday 26th November at the Marist College Rosalie playing fields at Sprenger Street, FIG TREE POCKET. Wicket fees and refreshments \$2. Players should bring their own lunch. A 10 a.m. start will be made irrespective of weather. Those wishing to participate should contact Col Waldron (bus. 218989 home 563543) as soon as possible.  
First in, first accepted.



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE QUEENSLAND RUGBY UNION  
REFEREES ASSOCIATION HELD AT BALLYMORE ON 28TH FEBRUARY, 1972.

1. Present : Mr. J.R. Forbes (in the chair) and 39 members as in attendance book.
2. Apologies: C. Oxenford, J. Burkley, P. Gair, D. Duffell.
3. Minutes: of the 1971 A.G.M. were read and adopted on the motion of J. Broughton, seconded J. O'Connor.
4. Reports:
  - (a) President: Mr. Forbes stressed from the printed report which had been distributed the following points:
    - (i) the danger of interference of outside bodies in Association affairs - such interference would result in the loss of qualified and independent members.
    - (ii) the grading scheme must be protected.
    - (iii) the leaders of the Association would need to be firm and vigilant in defending its independence
    - (iv) the loss of the whole 1971 Appointments Board suggested that perhaps the rule regarding exclusion of Board members from representative appointments might have to be waived.
    - (v) the need for members to preserve a united front on matters affecting the Association.
  - (b) Appointments Board: Mr. Fielding referred to the spirit of cooperation experienced by the Board. He expressed appreciation of this spirit.
  - (c) Activities Committee: Mr. Douglas recommended that fund-raising for the new season begin early. He then drew attention to the danger for the Association in not bleeding referees in the top grades. The young members, he said, felt the grading scheme should be less rigid. The top G.P.S. games, for example, ought not to be regarded automatically as A Grade appointments.
  - (d) Laws: Mr. Crowe reported that he and G. Brittenden had attended the meeting of the Australian Laws Committee. The Australian Society had agreed to holding the Society's meeting in Brisbane in February, 1973.
  - (e) Darling Downs: Mr. McManus reported that the visits of the Springboks and Golden Bears had materially improved the standard of Downs rugby. He informed members that, owing to a shortage of two senior referees, the Downs might have to call on the QRURA to assist.
  - (f) Finance: Mr. Jowett reported a credit balance of \$34 for the year. An affiliation charge of \$50 by Q.R.U. was still in dispute. Travelling expenses had been higher than in the past. Stocks of badges and ties remained an asset.
5. Discussion: Mr. Fielding sought information regarding the reasons for the \$50 charge by Q.R.U. Mr. French said that the expansion of the Q.R.U. dictated the levying of an affiliation fee. Previously the Q.R.U. had subsidised the Referees Association but this subsidy was replaced by the provision of clerical services and the handling of postage.

Mr. Forbes apologised for the delay in replying to the Q.R.U.'s letter, but he felt the central issue was not one of money but one of an unwelcome intrusion on Association affairs.

Mr. J. O'Connor asked for the background to the loss of independence in representative appointments. Mr. Forbes replied that he and Mr. Duffell had spoken against the relevant motion in Council. The Council attendance was not great and the motion was carried by only one vote. He felt the action was a punishment inflicted on the Association because it refused to relinquish its independence. Mr. Douglas supported the payment of an affiliation fee in view of the statements already made regarding clerical services.
6. Elections: The elections were conducted under the chairmanship of Mr. Forbes. Messrs. Quinlivan and McPhail were appointed scrutineers.
  - (a) No life members were elected
  - (b) President - nominated : J.R. Forbes and R.T. Burnett  
elected : R.T. Burnett
  - (c) Hon. Secretary - nominated: C. Waldron and Bro. J. Vance  
elected : Bro. J. Vance



6. Elections (d) Managing Committee - nominated: C. Waldron, J. O'Connor,  
G. Sheehan, K. Crowe.  
elected : K. Crowe, C. Waldron.
7. Thanks Moved Mr. Burnett, seconded Mr. B. O'Connor that the thanks of the Association be extended to Mr. Forbes for his services as President and in particular for his noticeable influence in the improvement in the standard of grading and the conduct of meetings.  
Carried with acclamation.
8. Nominations: Mr. Forbes then called for nominations from the floor for the positions to be filled by election by the Managing Committee. The following nominations were received.
- (a) Delegates to Q.J.R.U. Messrs. Meehan, Menzies and Bro. Donatus
  - (b) Delegates to Sub-Districts Messrs. Menzies and Waldron
  - (c) Hon.Asst. Sec/Treas. Mr. J. O'Connor
  - (d) Appointments Board. Messrs. Gilmore, Forbes, Cowley, Dickinson.  
(Mr. Forbes ruled the nomination of J. Harris out of order on the basis of his not being financial and his remoteness from the Association)
- Mr. Forbes informed members that, were he elected to the Appointments Board, he would declare himself unavailable for appointment to representative matches.
- (e) Examinations Board: Messrs. Buckley, Crowe, Ollson, Burnett, B. O'Connor
  - (f) Q.R.U. Judiciary : Mr. Douglas
  - (g) Delegates to Council: Messrs. Burnett, Crowe, Jowett
  - (h) Delegate to A.S.R.R. Mr. Crowe
  - (i) Lectures Board : Messrs. Spranklin, Ollson
  - (j) Public Relations Officer - Mr. Brittenden.
9. Destruction of Ballots Moved D. Jowett, seconded B. O'Connor that the ballot papers be destroyed. Carried.
10. General Business: Mr. Brittenden, commenting on the difficulty of gauging the effectiveness of a referee's performances, suggested the establishment of a committee of referees to recommend gradings of referees and to provide information to referees.
- Mr. Forbes replied that, although he realised the Appointments Board operates under the direction of the Managing Committee, he agreed there was a need for some system of instruction and information for referees.
11. Closure: The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

# QUEENSLAND RUGBY UNION REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

## Principal Office-bearers for 1972

<i>President</i>	R.T. Burnett
<i>Vice-Presidents</i>	J.R. Forbes (Immed. Past Pres.) K.J. Crowe, A.K. Finlay
<i>Hon. Secretary</i>	J.E. Vance
<i>Hon. Treasurer</i>	D.W. Jowett
<i>Managing Committee</i>	R.T. Burnett (Chairman), K.J. Crowe, D.W. Jowett, J.E. Vance, C.A. Waldron
<i>Assistant Sec./Treas.</i>	J.M. O'Connor
<i>Appointments Board</i>	I. Gilmore (Chairman), K. Cowley, B. Dickinson
<i>Examinations Board and Lectures Board</i>	K.J. Crowe (Chairman), G. Brittenden R.T. Burnett, A.K. Finlay
<i>Activities Committee</i>	C.A. Waldron (Chairman), A. Broad, R.R. Douglas
<i>Finance Committee</i>	D.W. Jowett (Chairman), K. Cowley, J. Meehan, J.M. O'Connor
<i>Delegates to Q.R.U. Council</i>	K.J. Crowe, J.M. O'Connor
<i>Delegate to Q.J.R.U.</i>	C. Menzies
<i>Delegate to Sub-Districts Union</i>	G. Sheehan
<i>Delegate to Judicial Committee</i>	R.R. Douglas
<i>Delegate to A.S.R.R.</i>	K.J. Crowe



# ANNUAL REPORT

## QUEENSLAND RUGBY UNION REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I present for the 1972 Season the Annual Report of the Queensland Rugby Union Referees' Association. 1972 could best be described as a year of achievement and development. The highlights of the achievement and development were many; but, undoubtedly, the formation of the Queensland Rugby Union Junior Referees Association was the most significant. As a result mainly of the efforts of John Meehan (Chairman), Paul Gair, Cec Menzies and Graham Sheehan an idea grew into a reality. The climax of their work was the smooth and efficient manner in which their members performed their tasks on Junior Grand Final day — a performance which contributed greatly to the success of the day and was a credit to their Association. I believe that the future growth of our Association could derive largely from this body. I am delighted that a report from the Junior Association appears in the pages following.

The first ever interchange of referees at club level took place this year when Barrie O'Connor and Col Waldron visited Sydney on an exchange basis to control fixtures. This Association welcomed John Howard and Grahame Davies of Sydney R.R.A. on a similar basis. The experience gained by Barrie and Col was far-reaching and it is hoped that this interchange will occur annually. Negotiations are at present under way with the Rugby Referees Association of Hamilton in New Zealand for a similar interchange.

Membership, to my knowledge, was the highest ever this season, but we were again faced with too few referees at the height of the season. I would recommend to the incoming management that serious thought be given to ways of increasing membership.

An official Registrar, John Meehan, was appointed this year and my thanks go to him for performing an exacting job most efficiently. Records of the number and type of games controlled by individual members will now be readily available. My congratulations go to Doug Paterson and Barrie O'Connor on their first appointments to representative matches.

I would like on your behalf, to thank the Appointments Board for their work during the year. Unfortunately a transfer with the Army forced the resignation of Ian Gilmore, and Basil Dickinson tendered his resignation when leaving for overseas. Ken Cowley continued his capable work and it is hoped he will be available next year. I must remind members that the task of the Appointments Board is even more thankless than refereeing, and whilst it is so easy to criticise, the criticism in most cases is quite unjustifiable. Appointments were made to a record 902 official fixtures. Fifty referees controlled five or more games — another record.

Don Jowett again performed his duties as Treasurer in a first-rate manner. His driving force behind fund-raising activities sees our Association in quite a healthy financial position even after considerable expenditure has been incurred on interstate visits and social activities.

Important among the social occasions was the most enjoyable evening when members and their ladies dined in the pleasant atmosphere of the Tom Jones Tavern. It was our first mixed gathering and, I hope, the fore-runner of many. The annual Wyllie Memorial Dinner had as guest speaker Dr. Charles Wilson, and the Association's social calendar was completed by the Annual Dinner which had the highest attendance on record.

This year, for the first time, the Association made a "Best and Fairest" Award. The recipient of this inaugural trophy was Pat Batch of University Club. Pat typifies the players we like and respect in our game.

This season's other award was the D.J. Minter Memorial Trophy, which this year was won by our Secretary, Brother John Vance. The members, to a man, were certainly appreciative of John's efficiency and enthusiasm and it was fitting that he should have the honour of the Award.

It is incumbent upon me to register the strong feeling of members that the penalties imposed on players dismissed from the field have been quite inadequate to serve as a deterrent. We all abhor foul, dangerous, and illegal actions in what is supposed to be, after all, a game. Such sentiments of abhorrence should by now have resulted in resolute action. The fact that they have not is a great disappointment to the Referees' Association and, indeed, to all who have the interests of Rugby at heart.

In presenting this report, I would urge members to give their Association all the support possible in its efforts to enlarge its membership and maintain and enhance its standards of refereeing.

I wish to thank publicly my fellow-members whose support during the year was most gratifying to me.

To my Committee go my heartiest thanks for their assistance which made my task as President much lighter.

*R.T. Burnett,  
President.*

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## ANNUAL REPORT

### QUEENSLAND RUGBY UNION JUNIOR REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

Gentlemen,

The 1972 Season saw the formation of this Association, and it was with pleasure that I accepted the position of inaugural President.

In years past it was the practice, in the Q.J.R.U. Competition, for the "home" team to supply the Referee. This practice has led, on some occasions, to claims of teams being cheated due to bias on the part of the Referee. It was obvious that this Association, in the first few years of its life at least, would have to rely heavily for its members on those gentlemen who had been refereeing Q.J.R.U. games in the past. It was also obvious that our members would still be officiating at home ground matches (due in part to the fact that most of them were club officials). I felt, therefore, that our first need was a concentrated course of instruction on the Laws of Rugby, and coaching in the art of refereeing, so that our members could attain a high standard.

Our first move was to arrange a course of four lectures for prospective members, as a lead-up to a written examination. In this regard we are indebted to Graham Sheehan, John Forbes, Bob Burnett and Kev Crowe for giving up their time, and passing on to us the benefit of their years of experience. Those members who were able to attend the lectures undoubtedly gained a great deal from them, and on their behalf, and on behalf of the whole Association, I thank all four gentlemen for their efforts.



Our initial examination was held in the Murrayfield Room, and a large number of candidates grappled with what has been described as a fair but testing paper. Other supplementary examinations have since been held, and our membership has risen to fifty six referees.

Our first test, as an Association, came on the Queen's Birthday week-end, when, at short notice, we were asked to provide Referees for the Under 13 and Under 15 Carnival. Due to some excellent work by our Honorary Secretary, we were able to successfully meet this challenge.

Our major test came with the Semi-Finals, Finals and Grand Finals of the Q.J.R.U. Competition. On the first week-end we were required to supply Referees for fifty matches to be played on six different grounds. The following week-end saw twenty-eight Finals played — again on six different grounds. Finally, on Grand Final day, thirty matches were played (twenty-seven at Ballymore and three at Normanby) and this Association supplied Referees for twenty-seven of these, and touch judges for all thirty games. I endeavoured to see as many members as possible in action on that day, and I was most impressed by the standard of refereeing and appearance of all concerned. We have since received many favourable comments and remarks of appreciation for our efforts over the three week-ends, and I think all members should feel justly proud of our performances in our first season.

We must not, of course, become complacent. If this Association is to eventually take over the task of appointing Referees to all Q.J.R.U. matches (admittedly a long term aim), then we must have many more Referees. Whilst I am not expecting any large influx of new members, although I remain ever optimistic, I think that with a little effort on the part of all our current members our numbers will show a steady and satisfying increase.

My thanks go to the following people whose support and assistance have made our foundation year the success it has been. Firstly, our guest speakers, who have already been mentioned in this report; John Barber for his able work as Honorary Treasurer, and all fellow members (especially those who have consistently attended our fortnightly meetings) who by their keenness, application and co-operation have helped to make the 1972 Season such a memorable one. Finally, my very special thanks to our Honorary Secretary, Paul Gair, for the incredible amount of time and effort he has put into the affairs of the Association. We have been extremely fortunate to have had someone with his energy and ability in this demanding position.

This Season has been a very satisfying one for me, and I feel honoured to have been a part of establishing this Association. I look forward with much pleasure to the 1973 Season.

*John Meehan,  
President.*



# APPOINTMENT BOARD REPORT FOR THE PLAYING YEAR OF 1972

At the Annual General Meeting after nominations had been presented, Messrs. I. Gilmore, B. Dickinson and K. Cowley were elected to the Appointments Board with the former as Chairman and the latter as Secretary of point of control. The Board intended to meet each Sunday at Ballymore with a view to making appointments for the following week to ensure an earlier game notification to all active members.

During the latter part of July and August, promotion and transfer of Brigadier Ian Gilmore to Puckapunyal and the Olympic Games visit by Basil Dickinson considerably reduced the ranks of the working board, their positions being filled by Messrs. Bob Burnett and John Forbes.

With the sole aim of improving an active members standard of refereeing, the assistance of senior referees was sought to offer any constructive criticism as regards appearance, fitness, positioning, law interpretation to nominated active members who would be under the care of these members. Reports were then given by these "mentors" to the Appointments Boards.

It was intended to foster country referees as much as possible in so far as requests were made to country associations to advise availability of their members for appointment to matches in the Brisbane area.

Wherever possible, a reserve list of referees was nominated each week to help out in the case of the unavailability of a free selected referee. Non availability was to be advised 8 days prior to the prescribed appointment but like quite a few other things, this did not work out — a case in point — of 62 scheduled appointments for one playing Saturday, 28 alterations to referees had to be made and mostly in the 24 hours prior to the first playing day.

As possibly mentioned in other reports, opportunities were given to blood some old and newly arrived members and this was effected as quickly as possible.

In all fifty-seven active referees participated in 902 games throughout the official season, and I feel the numbers of games would have been closer to the 1000 mark if all practice games were taken into account.

Whilst official records show only certain numbers of games as refereed by those appointed, sicknesses, injuries, etc. necessitated the doubling, trebling or more "ling" up of more than one nominated game and it was quite feasible for some of the work horses to have refereed 40—50 games for the entire season.

A higher standard of refereeing had been achieved during the entire season and this comment is based on enthusiasm, appearance, fitness, a better attendance at meetings to hear guest speakers, coaches and players and also the fact that more participation, both socially and law- and lecture-wise was given to newer members.

A completely detailed list of active members and total appointments made is included later on but I feel further mention should be made to players who have really been blooded.

1. a. Graham Sheehan — elevated to 1st grade.  
b. A record score of 102-Nil.
2. Barrie O'Connor — elevated to Interstate Level.

Q. R. U. R. A.

INFORMATION CARD (for intending  
new members)

SURNAME .....

CHRISTIAN NAMES .....

HOME ADDRESS .....  
.....

PHONES home ..... business .....

PASSED ORAL EXAM ..... DATE .....  
(signature Chairman Exams Board)

PASSED FIELD TEST ..... DATE .....  
(signature Chairman Appointments Bd)

ACCEPTED FOR MEMBERSHIP ..... DATE .....  
(signature Hon. Secretary)

PAID MEMBERSHIP FEES ..... DATE .....  
(signature Hon. Treasurer)

~~RESERVED FOR CURRENT MEMBERS OF OTHER REFEREE ASSOCIATIONS~~

(for use by current members of  
other Referees Associations)

NAME OF ASSOCIATION .....

CURRENT GRADING .....

LETTER OF INTRODUCTION RECEIVED ..... DATE .....  
(signature Hon. Secretary)



## THE QUEENSLAND RUGBY UNION REFEREES ASSOCIATION.

Uniform: Boots, Socks Maroon with two white bands (available from Robinson's Sports Store), white shorts, white jersey (or appropriate colour when team plays in white), official badge of the Association (available from Hon. Treasurer).

Meetings: General meetings are normally held at Ballymore in the T.V. room on alternate Wednesdays during the season at 7.45 p.m.

### Procedures for Intending New Members:

- (1) The enquirer is directed to the Hon. Secretary who issues an information card and keeps a duplicate.
- (2) The Secretary also issues a copy of this information brochure which includes instructions for using the card.  
/ A current member of other Referees' Associations wishing to join this Association omits steps 3 and 4. All that is required from him is a letter of introduction from the Association involved. The letter should state the Grade in which he was last regularly appointed.
- (3) The candidate arranges an oral exam with the Chairman of the Examinations Board who will sign the card if the candidate is successful.
- (4) The candidate requests from the Secretary Appointments Board an appointment which will serve as a field test. If the test is successful, the Chairman Appointments Board will sign the card.
- (5) The Chairman Examinations Board proposes the candidate for membership. On his acceptance, the card is signed by the Hon. Secretary.
- (6) On acceptance the new member pays his subscription and the card is signed by the Hon. Treasurer.
- (7) The new member notifies the Secretary Appointments Board of his availability for appointment.
- (8) The Hon. Secretary places the new member on the mailing list.

3. Barry O'Connor and Col Waldron were selected on the interchange basis to referee games in Sydney — excellent reports were received on their conduct both on and off the field.
4. To all appointees to finals, grand finals, interstate and international games, to other members, who did not participate in these named events, but who carried on in the true spirit of rugby, a word of thanks must be given for doing an unpaid, unthanked but positive job.

*K. Cowley,  
Secretary.*

## **EXAMINATIONS BOARD:**

A total of eight (8) new members were examined for senior badges in the metropolitan area, plus two (2) new members from Mount Isa.

The standard of new members was very high. The number of new members is very encouraging and if we can maintain this influx over the next few years and maintain our present numbers, this situation is the best it has been for years.

The G.P.S./T.A.S. school roster worked well. All schools visited increased the number of associate members and the usual interest was shown by first fifteen players.

I wish to thank all the people who made themselves available to sit on the examination board and schools' lecture team.

## **LECTURES COMMITTEE:**

Lectures continued throughout the season on meeting nights; also lectures were given to junior referee association members. The amount of response and the amount of discussion we got out of these lectures was rewarding to the people who participated.

I thank the people who went to so much trouble preparing subject matter and the method in which it was delivered.

## **AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF REFEREES:**

It was decided at the meeting of the society in February of this year that seminars be held every two years and to eliminate the annual meetings which have been held over the last five years. This will allow people to prepare both financially and be selective in material presented. The meeting in February was attended by myself and G.B. Brittenden as an observer.

It was also decided at this February meeting to accept Queensland application to hold the next seminar at Ballymore in February of 1973.

The incoming management committee will have this as their major objective for the early part of next year.

The society also held a Black Tie dinner last February to mark the 10th anniversary of the society. This was attended by delegates from the A.R.U., N.S.W. and S.R.U. bodies.

We would appreciate as much assistance as possible to make the forthcoming seminar worthy of us and as successful as the previous seminars I have attended.

*K.J. Crowe*



## Referees appointed to five or more games were:

R. Burnett 28; J. Forbes 28; J. Nolan 28; M. Lalor 27; C. Waldron 27; N. Clark 25; G. Cavanagh 24; D. Paterson 24; C. Stubbings 24; T. Wiber 23; J. Broughton 22; R. Hilder 22; D. Jowett 22; R. Croft 21; G. Hogan 21; B. O'Connor 21; J. O'Connor 21; I. Beames 20; K. Crowe 20; C. Menzies 20; C. Oxenford 20; L. Quinlivan 20; J. Quinn 20; Bro. Donatus 19; F. Brown 18; R. Carrdl 18; R. Douglas 18; J. Doyle 17; M. McGovern 17; J. Meehan 17; G. Sheehan 17; J. O'Neill 16; I. Scotney 16; P. Will 16; K. Donald 15; A. Broad 14; B. Short 14; J. Vance 14; P. Gair 13; J. Moffat 13; P. Spranklin 13; K. Cowley 10; D. Wilson 10; T. Henry 9; G. Brittenden 8; M. Clark 8; P. Roberts 8; G. Bradford 7; E. Chitam 5; C. Gilmour 5.

## Major Appointments:

I. Beames:	U. 19 Sydney v Qld. country.
R. Burnett:	Qld. v France; Qld. v J.A.B.; Brisbane v J.A.B.; Country II v City II; Grand Final Ballymore Sevens.
G. Cavanagh:	Grand Final 4th Grade.
K. Crowe:	Qld. v N.S.W. (Sydney); Qld. v N.S.W. Country; Qld. Country v J.A.B.; Grand Final 1st Grade.
J. Forbes:	J.A.B. v Rockhampton.
R. Hilder:	Brisbane Combined Reserve Grade v Sth. Qld. Combined Army.
D. Jowett:	J.A.B. v Darling Downs; U. 19 Brisbane v Canberra.
J. Nolan:	Grand Final Sub-Districts 3rd Grade.
B. O'Connor:	Qld. v. A.C.T.; Qld. v Rest.
C. Oxenford:	Brisbane v Qld. Country; Darling Downs v Townsville; U. 19 Grand Final.
D. Paterson:	Qld. v Combined Services; City I v City II; U.18 Qld. v N.S.W.; Grand Final Reserve Grade
G. Sheehan:	Brisbane Combined Reserve Grade v Combined Army; Grand Final 3rd Grade.
C. Stubbings:	Grand Final Sub-Districts Second Grade.
J. Vance:	Grand Final Sub-Districts First Grade.
C. Waldron:	U. 18 Qld. v N.S.W.; U. 18 Grand Final. Grand Final Sub-Districts Reserve Grade

It is a disappointment to Referees — as indeed it must be to administrators and players who wish to see Rugby played as a **game** and not fought as a battle — that so many players sent from the field received either no suspension at all or a very lenient one. There is a general feeling against illegal and foul play which it would be most injudicious to ignore.

## SOCIAL REPORT

A Coaches Evening saw the commencement of the referees social calendar for the year. This was a highly successful evening and the committee feel that such evenings in the future will be beneficial to both coaches and referees. A recommendation to the incoming social committee would be to commence planning this function early in the season, as the only criticism received was the lack of numbers. This was because there was only 2 weeks available for organisation and consequently some clubs did not receive their invitation in time.

The referees social highlight of the season is the "Wyllie Memorial Dinner" and this year was no exception. The members enjoyed Dr. Charles Wilson's talk on his past experiences, his views on Rugby and in particular, referees. All those present enjoyed the evening thoroughly, however, once again the number attending was disappointing at 26. I would like to encourage all members to make a special effort to attend in future seasons.

Probably our most successful function for the season was the mixed dinner at the Tom Jones Tavern. This was one of the first mixed functions held by the Association and judging by the numbers attending and their comments, it will be the 1st of many to come. As the evening coincided with the departure of Ian Gilmour, the Association presented him with a farewell gift as a token of our appreciation for the many hours he has given the Association in his years of membership. We would like to wish him well at his new posting.

The end-of-season Function capped off a very enjoyable season. It was heartening to see the excellent attendance by members, guests from the clubs and the other codes. The Referees Best and Fairest Award was presented to Pat Batch of University, and the Grand Final appointments were announced. The committee would like to congratulate the members concerned.

Finally, I would like to thank members for their support and urge greater interest in social activities next season.

*C. Waldron*



QUEENSLAND RUGBY UNION REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS  
FOR 9 MONTHS ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1972.

1971		1972
<u>\$880</u>	Receipts (Schedule 1)	<u>\$1478</u>
846	Payments (Schedule 2)	1267
<u>\$ 34</u>	Surplus for year	<u>\$ 211</u>
	<i>Add:</i> Cash at bank at beginning of year	
113	— General Fund	\$147
200	— Term Deposit	200
		347
<u>\$347</u>	Cash at bank at end of year	<u>\$ 558</u>
	Comprising:	
147	General Fund	\$358
200	Term Deposit	200
<u>\$347</u>		<u>\$558</u>

**NOTE:** In addition to the cash at bank and on deposit  
a number of badges and ties are held for sale.

Brisbane,  
10th October, 1972.

# SCHEDULE 1

## QUEENSLAND RUGBY UNION REFEREES ASSOCIATION

### SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS

FOR 9 MONTHS ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1972.

1971		1972
\$ —	Affiliation Fees — Downs R.R.A.	\$ 5
218	Annual Subscriptions	275
25	Donations — Queensland G.P.S. Assn.	—
—	Sundry Subscriptions	487
10	Donations — Arthur Andersen & Co.	—
60	Australian Society of Referees (travel fund)	30
—	Queensland Associated Schools	50
—	Downlands College	20
15	Interest	23
110	Sales — Badges and Rule Books	75
27	— Ties	6
160	Sale of Doubles	173
90	Receipts from — Members' Dinner	129
131	Receipts from — Wyllie Memorial Dinner	70
20	Christmas Function	—
14	Annual Meeting	—
—	Tom Jones	135
<u>\$880</u>	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<u>\$1478</u>



## QUEENSLAND RUGBY UNION REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

## SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

FOR 9 MONTHS ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1972.

<u>1971</u>		<u>1972</u>
\$ 10	Audit Fees	—
—	Cost of Functions — Tom Jones evening	\$147
258	Members' Dinner	174
126	Wyllie Memorial Dinner	188
36	Christmas Function	—
36	Annual Meeting	—
—	Coaches Evening	80
—	Visiting Referees	39
—	Donations — Q.R.U.	25
—	Qld. Junior Referees' Association	25
58	Double Prizes	40
10	Matting for Changing Room	—
—	Presentation I. Gilmore	6
—	J. Minter Trophy	11
—	Best and Fairest Trophy	14
69	Postages, Printing and Stationery, Telephone Calls and Sundries	205
132	Purchases — Badges and Rule Books	203
21	Subscriptions — Australian Society of Referees	—
90	Travelling Expenses	110
<u>\$846</u>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<u>\$1267</u>

## TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial statement for nine months ended 30th September, 1972, shows a surplus for the year of \$211. Cash at the Bank now shows at \$358.00 with \$200 on fixed deposit.

Costs of administration rose quite substantially during the year, while the costs of functions conducted in the season had to be heavily subsidised from funds. It is a matter of much regret that the Wyllie Memorial Dinner was not better attended, as this function was a heavy drain on the Association's funds.

In all other activities during the year the costs were as budgeted for by the Committee.

It should be noted that a stock of ties and badges with a sale value in excess of \$300 is currently held by the Association.

*D.W. Jowett,  
Treasurer.*

## AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of

Queensland Rugby Union Referees' Association:

We have examined the summary of receipts and payments of the Queensland Rugby Union Referees' Association and the supporting schedules of receipts and of payments for the nine months ended 30th September, 1972. Our examination included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary and supporting schedules give a true and fair view of the cash transactions of the Association for the nine months ended 30th September, 1972.

*Arthur Andersen & Co.,  
Chartered Accountants.*

Brisbane,  
16th October, 1972.