



*Annual Report  
and  
Financial Statement*

*To be presented at  
Q.R.U. Ballymore  
21st November, 1979*

# QUEENSLAND RUGBY UNION REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

## EXECUTIVE & COMMITTEE 1979

President:	J. O'Connor
Vice-Presidents:	G. Sheehan N. Clark
Secretary:	A. Taylor
Treasurer:	I. Scotney
Assistant Secretary Treasurer:	C. Menzies
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Classification Committee:	K. Crowe R. Burnett C. Oxenford C. Waldron M. Macdonald D. Jowett
Examination Board:	C. Waldron G. Colditz A. Broad
Q.R.U. Judicial:	R. Hoskins
Grades Committee:	D. Gately
Q.R.U. Council:	D. Gately J. O'Connor
Aust. Rugby Referee:	K. Crowe
Publicity:	N. Clark
Q.J.R.U. Delegate:	C. Menzies
Lectures:	C. Oxenford K. Fitzgerald
Activities Committee:	P. Bechtel N. Clark P. Galloway
Sub Districts:	K. Fitzgerald

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**Year's activities:** The 1979 year was without doubt the Association's busiest ever.

**Convention:** The national convention of the Australian Society of Rugby Referees which we hosted in Surfers Paradise in May this year occupied the attention of the executive from early January until mid March with weekly meetings and of course additional planning and arrangements were being made continuously by the various committee members and their sub-committees throughout the whole period. I feel the convention was an outstanding success and we sustained a loss of only \$105.00. Many people must be mentioned as being directly linked with the success of the convention, chief among whom were Chris Oxenford and Kevin Crowe.

**On the Field:** We had a particularly busy football season I felt, with almost a record number of representative appointments. The Association's attempts to introduce new faces to the representative panel was again successful and we were happy with the manner in which both out experienced and more youthful representative referees discharged their obligations.

Apart from our representative games, we had our traditional grade and school appointments. This year saw a record number of referees doing first grade which is probably a reflection of the increased number of first grade teams. The executive was very happy with the overall standard of these appointments.

**Interchanges:** As well as our conventional exchanges with Hamilton in New Zealand and Sydney we had an exchange with the Downs referees and with the Canterbury referees in New Zealand, welcoming Test referee Alan Taylor and Hugh Catherwood from Canterbury and exchanging for them, Chris Oxenford, several weeks later. Unfortunately both of the New Zealand exchanges occurred through no fault of your committee's, on the same weekend which meant that we were not able to offer our visitors the spread of games that we normally do. Care must be taken in future to ensure that the exchanges take place over two weekends at different times so that the widest possible range and number of games can be offered to the visitors, who are here, after all, to referee football. I do hope both of these new exchanges will continue.

With respect to these exchanges, I do thank particularly Peter Galloway and John McCarthy and our secretary, Ian Scotney. Nigel Clarke was of course again active as far as the social arrangements were concerned.

Orchestrating all of these activities, was your committee, which met regularly from January to September, sometimes weekly and sometimes fortnightly. Attendance at the committee meetings was consistently good. I cannot think of any instance of any responsibility not being discharged well and promptly.

**General Meetings:** Attendance at our General Meetings was probably the best I can ever recall and it was a pity that the



lectures programme was not as good as it has been in previous years. The lectures sub-committee must give more attention to lectures, guest speakers, panel discussions and other activities for our General Meetings if the good attendances are to be maintained. I thank Bob Burnett for stepping in late in the season at short notice, and attempting to improve the lecture situation.

**Finance:** Financially, we have, needless to say, had a very busy year and we have not finished the season with the credit funds that we have in some previous years. This was a result of our reduction of the annual subscription, the loss we sustained at the convention and the fact that we have had no major fund raising activities this year. This in turn is probably a result of the other more demanding engagements in which we have been involved, to which I have referred earlier herein, but nevertheless, the fact remains that we must have a major fund raising effort very early in 1980, by which time we will probably have had to pay for new ties and pullovers, which are due before the end of the year. While discussing fund raising, I must not overlook the doubles sales which have taken place very regularly and which have probably been the biggest single factor in maintaining our financial position to at least some standard of respectability. The doubles sales were organised by Ian Scotney. Another factor which is relevant to our fund situation, is the fact that we have been having a couple of cartons of stubbies in the dressing sheds after each major game this year and these have been distributed free and needless to say attendances at these enjoyable after game functions have increased to a very "satisfying" level and there have been strangers in the shed as well as referees, so it is probable that in future, some charge will have to be made for these refreshments. The idea is a good one, however, and it should continue and be subsidised.

**Social:** From the point of view of traditional social activities, they have had mixed attendances. The early season get together and welcome to new members and the grand final dinner were both very well attended. The mid-season function at the time of the visit of our New Zealand exchanges was extremely poorly attended and I personally think that we must return to the mixed social night for the whole Association once a year.

**Resignations:** A most disappointing feature of the season has been the number of resignations we have received and where we have not received and where we have not received resignations, there have been instances of people simply becoming inactive. These resignations have mostly been from the lower grades of our Association and must be a first priority for consideration by the incoming committee. I will refer to this in more detail later in my report.

**Uniform:** The Association's uniform is undergoing some changes at the present time and I hope that in 1980 we will have an approved short-sleeved jersey for use on the less formal occasions. Steps have been made in that direction already, but we did not this year settle upon the actual design of the lighter short-sleeved jersey and left it to member's discretion. I feel that

we should have a more definite policy in that regard. The maroon socks with white tops must be abandoned in the near future in favour of the dark blue or black socks worn by every other refereeing association in Australia. It is significant that the uniform was changed early in April to incorporate the darker socks, but during the course of my convalescence after hospitalisation in May, it seems that the maroon socks were re-introduced. The only people now wearing the dark navy blue socks are Messrs. Burnett and Forbes, which in itself is something worthy of comment. We will have an official Association pullover by the time of the Annual General Meeting and I think we will have to look towards an official blazer very soon.

**Executive Committees:** To deal briefly with the activities of our sub-committees, I must compliment first of all, all members of my executive committee for a very satisfying year's performance, and I have referred earlier herein to the executive's activities.

**Appointments Board:** The Appointments Board had a season of mixed success. The representative and grand final and first and second grade appointments were well and skilfully done and regular attention was given to observing and criticising these referees by John Forbes and his team. However, with respect to the lower second and third grade and novice referees, I felt they should have been given more attention and I feel that attention could have been given to the more skilful manipulation of their games. The Appointments Board did not organise the classifications committee to the extent that had been done in 1978 and I feel that some of the problems we experienced with the lower grade referees could have been overcome if the classifications committee's activities had been better organised by the Appointments Board. There was at least one instance when an exchange referee was not watched by our Appointments Board at a major game, which was unfortunate. I do not wish to sound critical of the Appointments Board members, however, their share in the Association's activities is like every other aspect of our activities, becoming more complicated and requiring more attention with frequent law changes, changes in the roles of touch judges and greater competitiveness from within the ranks of the Association by a more outspoken "electorate". I think the problem is an administrative one as distinct from the traditional watching role of the Appointments Board which I agree the Appointments Board did well in the upper level this year, however in future, the Appointments Board must call upon all the resources it has available to assist it, particularly with the second and third grade referees. I would like to see the card system used uniformly throughout the season in future, which was not done this year.

**Classification Committee:** The classification committee was again active and constructive this year, but its efforts were piecemeal and did not have the effectiveness which they would have had if they had been organised and concentrated more positively in conjunction with the Appointments Board.



**Activities:** The activities committee hosted our visitors and arranged social functions competently when requested.

**Examinations:** The examinations committee performed as efficiently as could be required.

**Junior Referees:** Finally, with respect to our Junior Referees Association, I think we have had a closer relationship than ever before with a formal joint meeting being held and several committee level discussions and I look forward to more joint meetings in 1980. A joint steering committee has been established to correlate the activities with respect to examinations, lecturing and joint meetings. Neither Association wants the integration of the two bodies, but greater liaison is a matter of urgency.

In conclusion I would like to make what I consider to be a most important observation: the fact that some new younger faces are appearing more consistently in our upper echelon appointments must not be interpreted by our long serving senior members as criticism in any way or as an indication that we wish to dispense with their services at that level. The executive feels that our prize appointments should be more equitably shared from the point of view of greater experience for more people and possibly greater competition might still bring out even greater talent among our more senior members. I cannot see any reason why age alone should be any barrier to advancement to the top rank of our Association.

I do thank sincerely all with whom I have worked this year and the members of our executive, Appointments Board classification committee and sub-committees must be congratulated on a busy and successful year's effort.

I have really enjoyed my three years as your president very much and hope that I have contributed in some way to the Association's continued growth and development.

JOHN O'CONNOR,  
President.

## AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF RUGBY REFEREES

As you are well aware, the Society held its 1979 Convention on the Gold Coast hosted by the Q.R.R.A.

The success of this Convention was mainly due to the untiring efforts of Chris Oxenford.

The Management Committee decided to take the responsibilities of arranging this Convention out of the hands of the Elected Committee, and placed it under their direct supervision, which meant all energies of the Management Committee were channelled into making the Convention a success which it undoubtedly was.

For all the endless, boisterous, tiresome and respective meetings that you were all subjected to I thank you for your support.

Further information on the 1980 Convention will be forthcoming after the Australian Society Meeting in Sydney mid-October.

K. CROWE.

## **AUSTRALIAN LAWS COMMITTEE**

This committee met only once this year. That was to review the remits to the I.R.F.U. from all the International Rugby Board members for the A.R.U.

There seemed to be a reluctance to introduce any major law changes and as you know, the following changes and trial introductions were implemented.

1. The differential penalty became law with all the subsequent changes to the various support laws and recommendations.
2. Enter the touch judge began its trial period with all the sinister drama as to when and how it would operate.

Thank goodness there was a meeting of all senior referees earlier this season. This was discussed at length, aligned with the A.R.U.'s concern on foul play in recent test matches.

There are still sub-committees of the I.R.F.B. working furiously investigating what changes should be implemented into laws such as the line out law to improve our game as a spectacle.

It also gave us an opportunity to discuss a rather simple field layout which was suggested by Professor Tait of South Australia. This was a 20 metre grid layout. It was recommended that it should be discussed at the International Board Meeting to evaluate its good sense and perhaps next year to be introduced as a change in law.

K. CROWE.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Financial Membership was 59 this year compared to 51 in 1978. Funds at the bank presently total \$946.94, however, there is an outstanding account of \$698.94 to the Q.R.U. Club which represents Annual Dinner \$629.94 and \$69 for drinks in the referees rooms following the final matches.

This year saw a reduction in subscriptions to \$10. Loss of income from this source was \$190. Any future recommendation in this area will be left to the incoming treasurer.

The Convention at the Gold Coast incurred a loss of \$105.16 to this Association. In view of the success and prestige of the event, this is more than acceptable.

I would like to thank those who have assisted with doubles and raffles sales through the year particularly Greg Howard.

Whilst after paying all accounts this year, bank balance is considerably reduced, members have not been hit as hard financially and those who have attended functions and drinks in the referees rooms would more than have recouped their subs.

I do not propose to seek re-election as Treasurer this 1979-80 season and would like to take this opportunity to thank all members for their co-operation during my term.

IAN SCOTNEY,  
Treasurer.

# QUEENSLAND RUGBY REFEREES ASSOCIATION SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

for 12 months ended 30th September, 1979

1978		1979
\$		\$
3,844.93	Receipts .....	3,879.53
5,283.75	Payments .....	3,472.89
<u>1,738.82</u>	Surplus or deficiency for the year .....	<u>406.64</u>
1,954.68	Add cash at Bank at Beginning of Year	505.86
584.44	Metropolitan Permanent Building Society	34.44
100.00	1979 Convention A/C .....	—
<u>1,200.30</u>		<u>946.94</u>

## RECEIPTS

1978		1979
\$		\$
15.00	Affiliation fees (other Associations) .....	20.00
780.00	Annual Subscriptions .....	590.00
100.00	Donations .....	151.00
24.00	Sales Badges .....	92.00
277.48	Doubles .....	223.24
44.00	Ties .....	—
128.00	Publications .....	77.00
860.00	"Stubbie" Raffle .....	—
396.00	Receipts Annual Dinner .....	476.00
56.00	Other functions .....	119.00
405.00	Touch Football Refereeing .....	364.00
74.00	Q.R.U. Development Committee Subsidy	46.65
160.00	A.S.R.R. Convention (Canberra) .....	—
25.45	Interest General Account .....	10.00
500.00	Tfr. from M.P.B.S. ....	550.00
	Raffles at Meetings .....	80.45
	Transfer from Convention A/C .....	494.84
	Refund K. Crowe Air fare to Rockhampton	92.80
	Commission Quality Inns from Convention	470.55
	Sundry Income .....	22.00
<u>3,844.93</u>		<u>3,879.53</u>



# PAYMENTS

1978		1979
\$		\$
30.00	Affiliation Fees A.S.R.R. ....	50.00
1,497.37	Functions — Annual Dinner ....	—
548.25	Meetings and After Match Drinks ....	565.84
	Exchange Referee Functions ....	
90.00	Appointments Board Function ....	—
121.70	Executive Function ....	231.85
116.30	Purchases Badges ....	96.00
173.00	Publications ....	70.00
29.64	Presentation Minter Award ....	—
134.50	Postage, Stationery, Sundries ....	82.50
145.00	Donations Various ....	—
718.40	Travelling Expenses, Exchanges ....	411.45
40.00	Doubles ....	60.00
10.00	Audit Fees ....	—
401.55	Printing ....	686.50
48.00	Players Insurance ....	—
36.50	Honan Matting Referees Room ....	—
356.04	"Stubbie" Raffle ....	370.00
37.50	Rothmans Advance Course ....	60.00
150.00	Convention — Pres. Travel & Expenses ....	62.50
500.00	Deposit 1979 Convention Gold Coast ....	—
100.00	Transfer to 1979 Convention Account ....	470.55
<u>5,283.75</u>		<u>3,472.89</u>

## BALANCE SHEET 1979 Q.R.R.A. CONVENTION

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Registrations .....	3,855.00	Printing .....	475.20
Int. Dept. to A/C.			
from Q.R.R.A. ....	100.00	Refund Initial Dep. ....	100.00
Sponsorship .....	500.00	Bus to Airport .....	80.00
Bus to Airport .....	80.00	Postages .....	4.00
Sale of T-shirts .....	279.57	T-shirts .....	280.00
Bank Int. ....	1.84	Iluka Function .....	2,446.40
Don. from Q.R.U. ....	100.00	Hotel Cecil .....	805.20
Com. from Apollo ....	470.55	Apollo .....	1,402.30
	<u>5,386.96</u>		<u>5,593.10</u>
Loss on Convention	206.14		
	<u>5,593.10</u>		<u>5,593.10</u>
Q.R.R.A. still to be re-imbursed for Deposit Apollo			500.00
(paid May 16, 1978)			
Less Balance of 1979 Q.R.R.A. 1979 Convention A/C			293.84
Loss on Convention .....			206.16
Q.R.R.A. to be re-imbursed for D. Miller Accommod.			101.00
Actual loss by Q.R.R.A. ....			<u>105.16</u>

## APPOINTMENTS BOARD REPORT

In the past twenty seasons the most senior appointments have been handled by a small number of able members, some of whom are fortunately still active. In 1979 it was time to find others to assist, and eventually to replace them. It was desirable that the process of promotion and replacement should be careful and gradual, not left too late and then perhaps done without a fair trial of all candidates. Consequential adjustments are needed in lower grades. The Board will continue the process in 1980, given continuity of membership and policy. There might be more emphasis on consolidation, but the lists are certainly not closed.

Appendix "C" to this Report shows that 12 members controlled a substantial number of first grade matches (five or more) in 1979. Considering the position outlined in the preceding paragraph, and taking into account the number of first grade matches which were *de facto* reserve grade fixtures (chiefly because of State players' frequent absences), this pattern is in our view entirely appropriate. In succeeding seasons we might make Appendix "C" a little more selective. It is not surprising that our (double) grand finalist Colin Waldron heads the numerical list of first grade appointees, and also appears high on the "workers' list", Appendix "D". We are pleased that relatively recent first graders such as Graeme Colditz, Kerry Fitzgerald and Ian Scotney are prominent in list "C". John McCarthy, a loyal and able member since the 1960s is another happy inclusion. Marcus McManus (Toowoomba) and Chris Oxenford (Southport) were tireless travellers to meetings as well as matches. Each stands high in the "total appointments" list.

Appendix "B" reveals that as many as 25 members (more than 50% of active membership) did semi-finals and above. Some names appear more than once, below grand-final level. This reflects the needs of particular matches, availability, and the wish to keep senior grand-final "prospects" in form while others had their turn. We were well satisfied with the efforts of all members on list "B", particularly the senior grade grand finalists. The cool, highly competent and entirely impartial performance of Colin Waldron in the historic "double" grand final between University and Brothers first grade sides thoroughly justifies his selection and the Board's policy. Records disclose that Colin is the only member outside a select group of very senior referees who has handled a Brisbane first grade grand final in the last 20 years. We may not see his record of two such appointments in one year equalled in our time. He was supported by "reserve referee" Kevin Crowe, in a spirit which does the Association a power of good. We trust that the success of several "younger" members will create a breakthrough for them, and for others in 1980. If a separate "representative appointments Board" (with the Association in a minority role) must persist, let us hope that the successes of 1979 will increase the practical influence of our representatives on that panel. In that way our regular gradings, coaching and policies will be more accurately reflected in higher appointments.



It is hardly appropriate to have a full-time, qualified Board for club appointments, and a part-time, less qualified committee to choose referees for more important matches.

List "A" (representative appointments) carries its own distinction. All those referees did a first class job. If this Board made the appointments itself (as it used to do, and as its counterparts do elsewhere) the list of appointees to major games would be longer. As the list shows, many quite minor fixtures, for appointment purposes, are classified with international and interstate matches, thus removing them from the Association's control. It would be a welcome and very moderate reform if this trend was reversed. It is very pleasing to note that Kevin Crowe and Bob Burnett had important matches in Sydney, but we regret that none of three Tests played in Australia last season was awarded to one of our members. The curious local idea that almost anyone in Rugby is qualified for Appointments Board work (particularly where the most important matches are concerned) probably has a deal to do with this unfortunate omission. It is, we suggest, essential to see that Queensland is regularly represented on the A.R.U. Appointments Board by a person with an unquestionable background in refereeing, substantial experience as a coach and selector of referees, and close, current contact with the local Association.

The worthy leader of list "D" (total appointments) is John Nolan, ever ready to fill the breach, in any grade, and on the shortest notice. We must not forget Cec Menzies, who acted as first-grade touch judge on many occasions. It is fair to add that some members, through work commitments, ill health and other causes, were unable to take as many matches as they would have liked. The list does not include such semi-official appointments as inter-varsity matches and mid-week school games. In passing, it is interesting to note that, while competitions continue to grow, and (in mid-season at least) we never have all the members we would wish, referees of 1979 do not carry quite the "case loads" which ruled in yesteryear. In the 1970 report, for example, we read: "J. Forbes 36 matches, R. Burnett 33, D. Jowett 33, C. Waldron 29, K. Crowe 28 . . .". Plainly there is less "doubling up" on a weekend than there used to be.

Lower grade referees suffered at times from matches of unreasonably low standard, and from late cancellations of which they were not duly advised. Games which exist on paper only, or which occur between teams badly short of players and basic organisation do not assist us to recruit and encourage referees. We sympathise sincerely with members affected by this problem, which is beyond the control of the Board or of the Association. It would be quite unacceptable to try to meet it by destroying the already flexible grading system, or abandoning the concept of "apprenticeship". In the circumstances wastage of membership was slight, and we gained some valuable new members from other centres, including Tony Duffy, a 1979 A.R.U. appointee from Canberra. Long-standing member Laurie Quinlivan was welcomed back after a season in Victoria.



Several "exchanges" took place. Chris Oxenford visited Christchurch, and New Zealand Test referee Alan Taylor was a most welcome visitor here. He informed us that no more than 10% of Canterbury referees hold first-grade status at one time — something to remember during periodic movements to dismantle the modest grading system here. Ian Scotney went to Hamilton (N.Z.), while Denis Gately and John Forbes did grade matches in Sydney in June. Some of these arrangements could do with "fine tuning". At this end, it is desirable that the G.P.S. season be on, and that the "grade round" be a good one, with leading teams at Ballymore. Perhaps final arrangements might be left to the respective Appointments Boards. It is a pity if an expensive and otherwise well-organised exchange brings a senior referee here from Sydney, or elsewhere, on a weekend when the school First XVs are in recess, and the club draw is uninteresting. It should not be assumed that the "foreign" Board is as familiar with our members' records as we are. It is vital that the relevant information should go, in detail, to the other Board, and not trickle away in some less influential part of the "foreign" administration.

We were invited to attend the Country Carnival at Surfers Paradise in April to watch referees from the Downs and the North. Greg Messiter of Mackay was selected for city experience and further coaching. He made two visits to Brisbane in July/August, and did an excellent job on the England Schools versus Queensland Country Schools match at Rockhampton in September. We thank Jim Lucey and the Q.R.U. Development Committee for their help and encouragement in this matter. If one or two referees are chosen in this way each year, we shall soon have a cadre of well-known and experienced country referees available for representative matches.

The Board is well satisfied with the overall standard of refereeing in Brisbane. It is at least equal to the standard of the matches offering. Progress was made this year in reducing infringements which not only offend the letter of the law, but which discourage skills and spoil the game, e.g. "killing" of rucks and mauls. In strict accordance with local lore, reports of foul play and misconduct received more support in pre-season precept than in actual practice. But generally the attitude to referees seemed more constructive than in some years past. The Q.R.U.'s new rules which allow touch judges to assist referees in the control of dangerous play are excellent in principle, and merit the strongest support of all members.

We thank President John O'Connor, his Management Committee, and all members for their friendly co-operation in 1979. For my part, I am grateful for the good counsel and excellent attendance at Board meetings of my colleagues Alan Finlay, Murray McNae and John Meehan. It was a most harmonious Board, all members participating in full, not least in the important decisions towards the season's close.

J. R. FORBES,  
Chairman for the Board.

## Appendix "A"

### REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS

#### APRIL

- 5 Central Qld. v. Southland — Rockhampton — C. Oxenford
- 8 Sydney v. Victoria — Sydney — J. Forbes (A.R.U. Appt.)  
Queensland v. Southland — Brisbane — R. Burnett
- 10 Gold Coast v. Southland — Southport — I. Scotney
- 18 Darling Downs v. Manawatu — Dalby — G. Colditz
- 20 Gold Coast v. Manawatu — Southport — M. McManus
- 22 Queensland v. Manawatu — Brisbane — K. Crowe
- 25 Sydney v. Barbarians — Syd. — K. Crowe (A.R.U. Appt.)
- 29 Queensland v. Sydney — Brisbane — C. Waldron

#### MAY

- 10 Qld. Country 'B' v. A.C.T. — Surfers — D. Finlay
- 13 Brisbane v. Qld. Country — Brisbane — J. Forbes  
Queensland v. A.C.T. — Brisbane — K. Fitzgerald  
N.S.W. v. Maoris — Sydney — R. Burnett (A.R.U. Appt.)
- 15 Qld. Country v. A.C.T. — Brisbane — J. Forbes
- 20 Queensland v. N.S.W. — Brisbane — K. Crowe

#### JUNE

- 3 Queensland v. N.S.W. Under 23 — Brisbane — C. Oxenford  
N.S.W. S./Dist. v. Qld. S./Dist. — Bris. — M. McManus

#### JULY

- 17 Qld. 'B' v. Aust. Universities — Brisbane — C. Waldron
- 22 Queensland v. Wellington (N.Z.) — Brisbane — R. Burnett  
Qld. U-18 v. N.S.W. U-18 — Brisbane — B. Fienberg
- 24 Qld. 'B' v. N.Z. — Brisbane — R. Burnett (A.R.U. Appt.)  
President's XV v. Aust. Services — Brisbane — C. Oxenford

#### AUGUST

- 15 Qld. Schools v. England — Toowoomba — J. Forbes

#### SEPTEMBER

- 5 Qld. Country Schools v. England — Rockhampton  
— G. Messiter (Mackay)
- 9 Qld. Schools v. Auckland — Brisbane — G. Colditz  
Aust. Schools v. Eng. — Bris. — K. Crowe (A.R.U. Appt.)

**NOTE:** Visiting referees controlled the following matches in Brisbane under A.R.U. appointments: Qld. v. Maoris 6/5/79 R. Byres (N.S.W.), Qld. v. Ireland 29/5/79 A. Garling (N.S.W.), Australia v. Ireland 3/6/79 R. Byres (N.S.W.).

## Appendix "B"

**Grand Final, Final and Semi-Final Appointments: — All Grades**

### GRAND FINALS

- 1st grade — C. Waldron (Replay — C. Waldron)
- 2nd grade — K. Fitzgerald
- 3rd grade — M. McManus
- 4th grade — G. Sheehan
- Sub-District 1st — J. Nolan
- Sub-District 2nd — N. Clark
- Under 19, 1st — R. Burnett



Under 19, 2nd — J. McCarthy  
Under 18 — B. Fienberg

## **FINALS**

1st grade — K. Crowe  
2nd grade — G. Colditz  
3rd grade — A. Broad  
4th grade — P. Bechtel  
Sub-District 1st — C. Waldron  
Sub-District 2nd — D. Gately  
Under 19, 1st — C. Waldron  
Under 19, 2nd — C. Oxenford  
Under 18 — P. Bechtel

## **SEMI-FINALS**

1st grade: C. Waldron, C. Oxenford, K. Fitzgerald, R. Burnett.  
2nd grade: J. McCarthy, D. Gately, M. McManus, L. Quinlivan.  
3rd grade: P. Bechtel, F. Meek, G. Sheehan, G. Howard.  
4th grade: M. Hanley, P. Galloway, P. Miller, B. Byrne.  
Sub-District 1st: J. McCarthy, M. McManus.  
Sub-District 2nd: G. Sheehan, P. Bechtel.  
Under 19, 1st: A. Duffy, K. Fitzgerald.  
Under 19, 2nd: I. Scotney, A. Broad.  
Under 18: M. McManus, B. Leask.

## **Appendix "C"**

### **First Grade and G.P.S. Appointments 31/3/79 to 30/9/79**

16 C. Waldron  
14 C. Oxenford  
13 G. Colditz  
12 R. Burnett  
10 J. Forbes  
9 K. Crowe, K. Fitzgerald, I. Scotney  
8 L. Quinlivan  
7 J. McCarthy, M. McManus  
5 J. Nolan  
4 C. Stubbings  
2 A. Bromley, A. Duffy, D. Finlay, D. Gately, G. Messiter  
(Mackay), R. Pring  
1 B. Buckley (A.C.T.), N. Clark, D. Lindsay (N.S.W.), D. Moore  
(Sth. Aust.), A. Taylor (C'bury, N.Z.), B. Walden

## **Appendix "D"**

### **Members' Totals — Matches Refereed under Q.R.R.A. or Q.R.U. Appointments 31/3/79 to 30/9/79**

26 J. Nolan  
25 C. Waldron  
24 J. McCarthy  
23 P. Galloway  
20 M. McManus, A. Taylor  
19 P. Bechtel, A. Broad, G. Colditz, K. Fitzgerald, A. Gough,  
R. Hoskins, C. Oxenford, J. Waetford



- 18 R. Bendeich, B. Fienberg, G. Howard, B. Leask, F. Meek, L. Quinlivan
- 17 R. Burnett
- 16 J. Forbes, D. Gately, I. Scotney
- 15 N. Clark, P. Miller, R. Pring
- 14 K. Crowe, R. Obren, G. Sheehan
- 13 M. Hanley, A. Homes, S. Johnston, B. Walden
- 12 B. Cahill, P. Roush, C. Stubbings
- 11 A. Bromley, B. Byrne, A. Frisby, D. Hansen, W. Tynan
- 10 N. Jans, K. Pratt, P. Ransom
- 9 I. Worrell
- 8 J. Dalgleish
- 7 D. Finlay, D. Stapleton
- 6 A. Duffy, F. Wright
- 5 M. Lalor, B. Rissell
- 3 M. Abel, P. McManus, G. Messiter (Mackay)
- 2 C. Miller, J. O'Connor, J. Rivett (T'ville), D. Weir, S. Wright (Hamilton, N.Z.)
- 1 G. Anderson (Waikato N.Z.), J. Bagnall (N.S.W.), B. Buckley (A.C.T.), H. Catherwood (N.Z.), I. Fair-Jones (Gold Coast), B. Fitzgerald (N.Z.), M. Grant-Taylor, P. Johnson, D. Lindsay (N.S.W.), G. McIntyre (T'ba), B. Maughan (Gold Coast), J. Middleton (N.S.W.), D. Moore (Sth. Aust.), R. Murray (Vic.), J. Quinn, A. Taylor (C'bury, N.Z.), P. Vincent, H. Waters (Rhodesia).

## EXAMINATION BOARD REPORT

1979 saw a very active year for the members of the Board. Examinations were carried out and lectures given in Mt. Isa, Townsville and Rockhampton. Quite a number of country referees were observed and coached at the Gold Coast Country Carnival, and some potentially excellent referees were unearthed.

During the year, 64 Associate level examinations were conducted, being mainly for school teachers and pupils. This healthy interest from the schools in Rugby and its laws is very encouraging. There were 11 successful candidates at the senior level. Unfortunately, quite a few of these are only refereeing casually, however, four have become reliable and valuable referees.

During the year, the Board has reviewed the examination paper and as a result a new paper will be prepared for 1980. The major differences will be the inclusion of some questions concerning new laws recently introduced, e.g. free kick and touch judge responsibilities, and the elimination of some ambiguous questions.

For their constructive and diligent work, I would like to thank fellow Board members, Ashley Broad, Graham Colditz, and Marcus McManus. Also I would like to express the Board's appreciation of the support given by John O'Connor and his management committee.

COLIN WALDRON,  
Chairman.

# Q.J.R.A. — 1979 ADMINISTRATION

## MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

PRESIDENT .....	F. J. Crawford
SECRETARY .....	R. M. Bendeich
TREASURER .....	C. J. Menzies
COMMITTEE MEMBERS .....	P. F. Miller
	M. J. Ball

## APPOINTMENTS BOARD:

CHAIRMAN .....	B. J. Leask
MEMBERS .....	J. J. Meehan
	L. J. Ivers
	B. W. McMackin
	B. J. Meehan

## LECTURES AND EXAMINATIONS BOARD:

CHAIRMAN .....	C. J. Menzies
MEMBERS .....	G. E. Paulsen
	J. M. Nolan
	G. W. Lawson

Q.J.R.U. DELEGATE .....	P. F. Miller
Q.R.A. DELEGATE .....	G. J. Sheehan
TOUCH FOOTBALL DELEGATE .....	P. F. Miller
JUDICIARY .....	F. J. Crawford

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

It is with great pleasure that I present the Annual Report for the 1979 season.

The year started dramatically with the resignation through illness of the President Elect, Frank Muggeridge, who now appears to have fully recovered. The season and the Association has progressed soundly during the year with all commitments being met with a minimum of fuss.

Membership has remained fairly static at 70 an increase of 15 from the previous year. The finances have continued in a healthy state due to a successful 'Stubbie' raffle and the dedication of the Touch Football Referees. My sincere thanks to the organizers, ticket sellers and night time referees. The new look Appointments Board has successfully implemented a policy of encouragement and promotion of the younger referees, thanks for a job well done.

This year the interchange with the Eastwood Association continued with our Association hosting Frank Murray and Peter Woodward over the Queen's Birthday Weekend, and John Meehan being the Association's unanimous choice as the reciprocate. I must once again express my appreciation to those members who provided transport, accommodation and hospitality to the visitors.



The Q.J.R.U. has this year maintained their policy of a Touring Referee to the U-16 Carnival, with Bernie Fienberg being the lucky appointment to Perth.

Major refereeing events were the U-13 and U-15 State Championships on the Queen's Birthday, the School and Club Finals and the visit of the Fukuoka Kusagae Young Ruggers Club from Japan. All games were successfully catered for with a high standard of refereeing being displayed.

During the year two joint meetings were held with the Senior Association which effectively demonstrated the strength of this Association. An effective liaison has been maintained through those members holding dual membership of each Association.

I must again express my appreciation of the Q.J.R.U. Management Committee and Council for its help, sponsorships and co-operation during the 1979 football season. My thanks and appreciation go also to the Q.R.U. for its support in providing meeting venues.

On the social front, a barbecue was held at the beginning of the year, which could best be described as a disaster. However, there was a marked turn up with 30 members and their wives attending the Queen's Birthday function at Lennons. The high point of the year was reached with an exceptional dinner, with some 60 members attending. This will be a hard act to follow. My thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Dann for their efforts and use of their home.

This year saw the successful introduction of the lapel badges and special lapel badges were struck for the Life Members. The range of pennants were extended to include the State Carnival Referees and miniatures were presented to the holders of the R. M. Bendeich Trophy.

It is with great pleasure that I report on the election of the grand old man of Junior Rugby, Ces. Menzies to Life Membership. He has now joined a very select and illustrious band, my sincere congratulation Ces.

This year the R. M. Bendeich Trophy for the senior Grand Final was won by Bryan Meehan and deservedly so for a job well done.

The Trevor Henry Memorial Trophy, awarded for outstanding service and devotion to the Association, was not presented for 1979 because the Management Committee considered that the requirements had not been fulfilled by any particular member this year.

Miss Kathy Miller represented our Association as an entrant in the Miss Q.J.R.U. Quest and ably supported and helped us whenever she could. We thought we had the quest won. This event provides our Association with some valuable exposure and liaison, both socially and on a more informal note, with Club officials and parents.



One of the disturbing features of the year was a lack of attendance at meetings in spite of thought provoking notices. It is essential that attendance be maintained as this is the major method of communication which provides uniformity of standards. Further, I must report a lack of success in my dealings with the Senior Association regarding the appointment of Junior members to U-18 and U-19 games.

A brief look into the future, I feel the Association should actively pursue the following course of action.

Firstly, a series of lectures be given to the Club Members who control the U-8 to U-10 games to ensure uniformity of interpretation and some standard of dress. Secondly, an active recruiting campaign be implemented, aimed specifically at School leavers, and thirdly the Association should look at the merits of combining with the Senior Association, the Lectures and Examination activities, with the possibility of the Junior Association taking over all the training of referees, and finally expansion of our refereeing activities into the higher grades of the T.A.S. competition.

In conclusion, I would like to say that the Association has come of age and the success of the past season is due in no small way to the efforts put in by the Management Committee, Appointments Board, Lectures and Examinations Committee and the members, please accept my sincere thanks.

F. CRAWFORD,  
President.

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Burnett  
 Golditz  
 Crouse  
 Duffy  
 Finlay \*  
 Fitzgerald  
 McManus  
 Overford  
 Scotney  
 Waldron

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Bechtel  
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 Bromiley \*  
 Galloway  
 Gately  
 Howard  
 Leask  
 McCarthy  
 Overlison  
 Stubbings

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Byrne  
 Cadell  
 Polgleish  
 Finley  
 Hanley  
 Hansen  
 Hoskins  
 Jans  
 Labor  
 Miller  
 Olsen  
 Pratt  
 Ransom  
 Russell  
 Rousch  
 Stapleton  
 Taylor  
 Tyrone  
 Watford  
 Walder

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