

W. A. N. F. L. U M P I R E S ' A S S O C I A T I O N

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P R E S I D E N T ' S R E P O R T

Gentlemen,

Another successful year has been completed by the Association both socially and financially.

On the social side of the activities, the highlights were the visit of the Victorian Umpires' Association members and our second Annual Ball.

Over the week the Victorians were in Perth, many functions were held and special thanks must be recorded to Ray Whitfield and Bob Smith for their untiring efforts in making the week a success.

A return trip to Victoria is now planned and every effort should be made to make it a reality.

The Ball was again very successful, and should now become a permanent feature of our social programme.

Financially, while only a small surplus is revealed, the Reserve Account has been refunded of the amount borrowed to pay previous honoraria. A special word of thanks is due to our Treasurer, Peter Pustkuchen.

The League was approached during the year on many points affecting umpires; they gave close consideration to the points raised, and the results, though possibly disappointing, have established the pattern for presentation of ideas to the League.

May I repeat my plea of last year that the care and concern for property and person on the Country Trips be continued because of the responsibilities between both driver and passengers.

I would like to record appreciation to the whole committee for its work during the year, in particular to the two retiring officers, Garry McComish (Secretary) and Bob Smith (Vice President). These two men have spared neither time nor energy in meeting the demands of the Association over the years, and can retire knowing that their job has been well done.

The Association is strong because of the support from members and all are urged to continue their support over the coming years.

In closing, may I wish all umpires on the panel for 1970 a successful season and many enjoyable hours of umpiring.

JOHN A. DOLLING

President

W.A.N.F.L. UMPIRES' ASSOCIATION

OFFICE BEARERS - 1969

PRESIDENT: Mr. J. Dolling

VICE PRESIDENTS: Mr. R. Whitfield  
Mr. R. Smith

HONORARY SECRETARY: Mr. G. McComish

ASSISTANT SECRETARY: Mr. K. Cox

TREASURER: Mr. P. Pustkuchen

AUDITOR: Mr. E. Brunton

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT: Messrs. R. Kelly,  
R. Montgomery,  
M. Hale,  
R. Stubberfield,  
G. Hewett,  
N. Pascoe.

LIFE MEMBERS:	A. Chapman	H. Clair	H. Gibb
	L. Hurley	J. Ferguson	E. Crisp
	L. Nathan	R. Montgomery	E. Brunton
	C. Fitzpatrick	D. Cumming	F. Woods
	B. Moore	L. McComish	J. Smith-Gander
	N. Shepherd	J. Campbell	B. Rigg

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting for your consideration, my Annual Report for the 1969 season.

Congratulations to all new umpires for making the panel this season. Unfortunately, we have lost from our ranks many experienced men, especially from the field and boundary categories. This trend is most marked and has continued for a number of years, bringing with it the obvious consequences of lack of depth and experience.

My appreciation to John Dolling, our President, who, with his usual tact and understanding, handled the executive decisions so well during the season. He was, of course, ably supported by his two Vice Presidents, Mr. R. Smith and Mr. R. Whitfield, and his Committee of Management.

UMPIRES' BOARD:

We have seen over the years a gradual increase in men being elected to the Board who have

had a wealth of umpiring experience, and we trust that this trend will continue. Our congratulations to John Dolling on his appointment for the 1970 season. We know from our dealings with him he will acquit himself very well indeed.

#### UMPIRES' ADVISERS:

Our thanks to George Meiers and Ted Brunton for their contribution and effort in imparting their knowledge of the game to us. Unfortunately, this year the W.A.N.F.L. saw fit not to have an Assistant Adviser, which I feel is a retrograde step.

#### COUNTRY FOOTBALL:

We continue to officiate at 13 country centres and remain well received by them. With these Country Leagues we should always endeavour to put our best foot forward, especially with regard to transport arrangements, pick-up points, etc.

#### FE MEMBERS:

Two members have been recommended this year - namely, John Dolling and the writer.

#### FINANCE:

We commence this season with a surplus of \$114.19. If you read our Treasurer's Report you will see that we are continually burdened with losses on the Cabaret and Christmas Tree. Therefore I suggest to the incoming committee that these functions be looked at from this standpoint. Perhaps a different venue other than Boans Rendezvous Room might ease the strain. Remember, we subsidise the Training Camp and extra training equipment such as batons, ray lamps and a stop watch are necessities. This is where the money should be spent.

#### TRAINING CAMP:

Our Training Supervisor, Mr. Hal Symons, organised a Training Camp at Point Peron which has now become an integral part of the pre-season programme. Hal is not with us this year, but his successor, Mr. Ken Armstrong, is proving his worth and is most popular with the panel.

#### FEES:

Some increases occurred. However, boundary and goal umpires I consider remain underpaid. The question of fees, both for League appointments and to Country Leagues, should be looked at more fully. Conferences between those bodies and our Association would clear up much misunderstanding.

#### SOCIAL:

Again very successful. We kicked off the season with cricket and tennis matches. The after training dinners were, as usual, well attended, and the Cabaret Ball was socially a great success.

The kids, of course, enjoyed the Christmas Tree, and the Christmas Barbecue held at Dick Stubberfield's home was well attended.

W. A. N. E. L. UMPIRES' ASSOCIATION  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS AS AT 31st MARCH, 1970

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	
Subscriptions	1997.50
Insurance	197.40
Raffles (Net)	188.46
Transfer from Reserve Account	200.00
National Fitness Weekend Camp	214.80
<u>Socials:</u>	
Players' Teas	348
Annual Cabaret	684.29
Victorian Umpires' Visit	106.00
Christmas Tree	69.35
Bank Interest	8.57
Excess of Payments over Receipts	2.99
	<u>\$3,017.76</u>

<u>PAYMENTS</u>	
<u>Honoraria:</u> (1968-1969) G. McComish	200.00
W. Brown	100.00
N. Martino	100.00
Insurance	197.40
Cheque Book	2.50
Transfer to Reserve Account	200.00
Secretary's Expenses (including payment 'Phone)	82.17
Assistant Secretary - Telephone Account	7.00
National Fitness Weekend Camp	265.22
Printing, etc.	59.76
Bereavement Notice - D. Montgomery	1.75
Trainer's Fees	70.00
Training Material	7.30
Training Footballs (1969 and 1970)	39.91
Training Notices	6.58
Presentation - R. Scott	12.00
Attendance Sportsman Show (President and Vice President)	8.00
<u>Socials:</u> Players' Teas	419.97
Cabaret	886.77
Christmas Tree	145.40
Victorian Umpires' Visit	170.03
W.A.C.A. Hire and Cleaning	24.00
Golf Day	12.00
	<u>1,658.17</u>
	<u>\$3,017.76</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH, 1970

<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Accumulated Funds	210.08
	<u>\$210.08</u>

<u>ASSETS</u>	
Bank Balance	112.69
Cash to be banked	1.50
Badges Unsold	22.90
Typewriter	70.00
Excess of Payments over Receipts	2.99
	<u>\$210.08</u>

<u>RESERVE ACCOUNT AS AT 31st MARCH, 1970</u>	
Bank Balance - 1969	569.48
Interest - 1969	20.47
	<u>\$589.95</u>

<u>TRAINING ACCOUNT AS AT 31st MARCH, 1970</u>	
Bank Balance - 1970	589.95
	<u>\$589.95</u>

Receipts	<u>\$87.14</u>
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Bank Balance - 1970	<u>\$87.14</u>
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I certify that the above Statements are a true record from the financial records examined by me.  
 (Sgd.) E.W. BRUNTON, A.A.S.A. (Prov.)

Following are the number of League Games at which members (1969) have officiated:

FIELD UMPIRES:

G. Becker	-	29	R. Whitfield	-	130	9
B. Carbon	-	15	J. Fuhrman	-	26	13
L. Johnston	-	49	9	R. Smith	-	5
G. McComish	-	5	T. Nielson	-	1	
E. Martino	-	20	M. Randall	-	1	
R. Montgomery	-	266	12	D. Hinton	-	7
R. Scott	-	123	18	W. Brown	-	23 + 7
<i>Manalke</i>		<i>16</i>	<i>C Hallund</i>		<i>2</i>	

BOUNDARY UMPIRES:

C. Pratt	-	162	10	B. Dickie	-	55	
J. Dolling	-	85		K. Venning	-	19	
M. James	-	1	10	R. Pearse	-	44	9
D. Wakenshaw	-	6	12	J. Waddell	-	10	
R. Walsh	-	6	9	J. Fuhrman	-	7	
R. Bond	-	10	5	P. Bruce	-	52	12
W. Friday	-	10		J. Devine	-	38	
K. Clarke	-	10	3	B. McKenzie	-	33	10
J. Pratley	-	57		K. Durtnall	-	21	
R. Dawbarn	-	20		N. Miliauskas	-	33	12
P. Imms	-	37	5	D. Clair	-	21	11
R. Skeggs	-	26		G. Feutrell	-	23	11
P. Snow	-	38		<i>T Smith</i>		<i>1</i>	

GOAL UMPIRES:

P. Pustkuchen	-	60	P. Katavatis	-	14		
G. Hall	-	9	10	D. Allan	-	20 - 9	
W. Johnson	65	11	(123) (1969 only)	V. Clair	-	23 - 8	
L. Bromley	-	12		H. Nettleton	-	61	10
M. Hale	-	12	9	D. Gardner	-	181	10
W. Carter	-	190	10	N. Shove	-	81	12
J. Dolling	-	40		R. O'Connor	-	68	
R. Montgomery	-	29		O. Kelly	-	22	
L. Chapman	-	77		D. Skipworth	-	21	11

*Robbins 9*  
*Katavatis 10*  
*Taylor 9*  
*Pearce 9*  
*Giles 7*  
*Downey 11*  
*George 1*  
*Low 4*

#### VICTORIAN UMPIRES' TRIP:

The successful tour of our visitors was aided in part by the attentions of our Association. Two particular members, Ray Whitfield and Bob Smith, availed of their time and their transport to look after our visitors, and without their assistance our Association would not have been in any position to accord our usual hospitality to visitors. Our thanks, Ray and Bob.

#### APPRECIATION:

- \*To John Dolling for his able administration of the office of President.
- \*To Kevin Cox, our popular Assistant, for his assistance to me.
- \*To Peter Pustkuchen for his handling of our financial matters.
- \*To the Committee of Management for their wise counsel and attendance at meetings.
- \*To Ted Brunton for the auditing of our books.
- \*To 'Togga' Tognolini, our Trainer, who carried on throughout the season without any assistance.
- \*To Ray and Gloria Whitfield, Dick and Rose Stubberfield for the use of their homes for barbecues.
- \*To W.A.N.F.L. executive especially Harry Wade and Barney Giles, for their attention to our requirements.

GARRY McCOMISH  
Honorary Secretary

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#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

Financially our Association has enjoyed a very successful year. Unfortunately, at the beginning of the year our Committee found it necessary to borrow \$200 from the Reserve Account to meet some of last season's commitments. It is now pleasing to note that this money has been returned to the Reserve Account; all financial commitments for the past season have been met, and our Association has a credit balance to begin the new season of \$114.19.

Functions on the whole throughout the year have been well attended. However, losses on the Cabaret (over \$200) and Christmas Tree (approximately \$80) do give reason for some concern, and your Committee would welcome suggestions for placing these on a more even keel. Remember, of course, that our Association, under our new Training Supervisor, could well do with extra training equipment, an area where our money could be well used. Just a thought!

My thanks to the Committee; Ted Brunton, our Honorary Auditor, and all members for their support and co-operation throughout the past season.

May all members, new and old, enjoy a most successful season.

PETER PUSTKUCHEN  
Honorary Treasurer

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