



**W.A.N.F.L.**  
**UMPIRE'S ASSOCIATION**

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**and**  
**BALANCE SHEET**

**SEASON 1975**



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FOREWORD

It has been my privilege to have again assisted the W.A.N.F.L. umpires to attain the high level of fitness required to officiate in Australian football. To have worked with such a dedicated and conscientious group of sportsmen has been a most rewarding and satisfying experience.

I have enjoyed too, over a number of years, the hospitality of the Association and the warm friendship of its members.

May I take this opportunity to thank past and present members of the W.A.N.F.L. Umpires' Association for the courtesy and co-operation, extended to me at all times, and to wish them every success for the future.

HAL SYMONS  
Training Supervisor  
W.A.N.F.L. Umpires'  
Association

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## OFFICE BEARERS 1975

President: MR. ROSS CAPES  
Snr. Vice President: MR. TERRY NEILSON  
Jnr. Vice President: MR. BARRY MCKENZIE  
Secretary: MR. PETER PUSTKUCHEN  
Social Secretary: MR. DICK STUBBERFIELD  
Treasurer: MR. BRIAN COLLETT  
Auditor: MR. TED BRUNTON

## COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

MR. TREVOR CANT  
\*MR. ILLIFFE DOVER  
MR. BRIAN HAIGH  
MR. TREVOR HAWORTH  
MR. GREG SOLIN  
MR. DON WAKENSHAW  
MR. STEVEN SPARKMAN

\*Resigned 20/1/75, replaced by Mr. Sparkman.

## SOCIAL COMMITTEE

MR. TERRY NEILSON (Chairman)  
MR. DICK STUBBERFIELD (Secretary)  
MR. BARRY MCKENZIE  
MR. BRIAN COLLETT  
MR. DON WAKENSHAW  
MR. EVAN DUNSTAN  
MR. RON POWELL  
MR. GREG SOLIN  
MR. TREVOR HAWORTH  
MR. PETER TROODE

## UMPIRES' ADVOCATES

MR. CLIVE HILLS  
MR. BASIL RIGG  
MR. RAY MONTGOMERY  
MR. JOHN SMITH-GANDER  
MR. JOHN DOLLING

## UMPIRES' TRAINERS

MR. RON HOLFORD (Head Trainer)  
MR. JIM O'CONNELL  
MR. WAYNE REYNOLDS  
MR. MAT DUFFY

## OUR LIFE MEMBERS

1957	A. CHAPMAN	1967	B. MOORE
1958	J. FERGUSON		F. WOODS
1960	L. HURLEY	1968	B. RIGG
	A. GIBB	1970	G. McCOMISH
	H. CLAIR		J. DOLLING
1962	L. NATHAN	1971	R. WHITFIELD
	E. CRISP		W. CARTER
1963	C. FITZPATRICK	1972	C. HILLS
	R. MONTGOMERY		*P. PUSTKUCHEN
1964	D. CUMMING (Deceased)	1973	*C. PRATT
	E. BRUNTON		*R. STUBBERFIELD
1965	L. McCOMISH	1974	*E. MARTINO
	J. CAMPBELL		G. MEIERS
1966	J. SMITH-GANDER		*Active members 1975.
	N. SHEPHERD		

## ASSOCIATION OFFICE BEARERS SINCE 1953

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Assist. Secretary or Social Secretary
1953	J. Ferguson	C. McMahon	C. McMahon	
1954	L. Hurley	A. Glendinning	A. Glendinning	
1955	H. Clair	L. Nathan	L. Nathan	
1956	H. Clair	L. Nathan	L. Nathan	
1957	H. Clair	L. Nathan	W. Carter	
1958	E. Crisp	L. Nathan	W. Carter	
1959	E. Crisp	L. Nathan	W. Carter	
1960	E. Crisp	L. Nathan	W. Carter	
1961	E. Crisp	L. Nathan	D. Kemp	
1962	E. Crisp	L. Nathan	D. Kemp	
1963	E. Crisp	L. Nathan	B. Moore	
1964	B. Rigg	L. Nathan	B. Moore	
1965	B. Rigg	L. Nathan	B. Moore	
1966	B. Rigg	G. McComish	B. Moore	W. Brown
1967	B. Rigg	G. McComish	E. Martino	W. Brown
1968	C. Hills	G. McComish	E. Martino	W. Brown
1969	J. Dolling	G. McComish	P. Pustkuchen	K. Cox
1970	R. Whitfield	P. Pustkuchen	B. Bidstrup	K. Cox
1971	R. Whitfield	P. Pustkuchen	B. Williams	R. Stubberfield
1972	R. Whitfield	P. Pustkuchen	B. Williams	R. Stubberfield
1973	R. Whitfield	P. Pustkuchen	B. Williams	R. Stubberfield
1974	R. Capes	P. Pustkuchen	B. Collett	R. Stubberfield
1975	R. Capes	P. Pustkuchen	B. Collett	R. Stubberfield



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

FELLOW MEMBERS,

Another football season has come and gone and once again the Association has had a highly successful year. My second term as President has also come to an end and I submit this report for your consideration.

The highlights of the year were undoubtedly the gains achieved as a result of the talks between the Association Executive and League Director Mr. Merv Cowan and Peter Bowler. In particular the fee increases, whilst overdue, were well received generally and I can see no reason why further increases will be required in 1976. The one exception may be in the country appointments.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank MR. MERV COWAN and the other Directors for interest they showed in the Association and I'm sure Mr. Cowan's presence at the meeting was largely the reason for our gains this year. A special thanks to MR. JIM DAVIES League President who I know will support our Association in every way possible, whilst at the same time remaining firm and fair, which his position requires.

Once again the Association was very fortunate to have PETER PUSTKUCHEN as its Secretary for 1975. Peter is a tireless worker and his experience and guidance has been invaluable. I am very appreciative of the work and time Peter devotes to the Association and to him I extend my sincere thanks for another magnificent contribution during 1975.

Due to the efforts of TERRY NIELSON and MEMBERS OF THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE, the Association has enjoyed a great year socially. Their job has been made much more difficult due to the fund raising efforts for the proposed trip and I fully appreciate the problems which they have faced. Unfortunately they did not receive the full support of all the Association members on many occasions, however, due to their excellent organising abilities all functions held were most enjoyable. Thanks Terry for another wonderful year socially.

High praise is also due to BRIAN COLLETT our Treasurer who has again handled our Finances in a most capable manner. Brian does a great deal more for our Association than just look after our finances and my special thanks are extended to him.

The year has seen the retirement of one of our greatest umpiring ambassadors, boundary umpire CHARLIE PRATT.

Charlie's dedication to umpiring has been unprecedented in our Association and I extend to him my congratulations on his achievements over many years and for the service he has given to football in general.

Congratulations are also extended to another great boundary umpire in JOHN DEVINE who has recently been appointed Manager of the Esperance branch of the A.N.Z. Bank.

John has proved over the last five years that he has been one of the best boundary umpires produced in W.A. and I wish he and his family the best of luck in their future years in Esperance.

It was tremendous to have HALL SYMONS back again this year and I personally thank him for his efforts both on and off the field.

My congratulations are extended to our GRAND FINAL UMPIRES this year who as usual represented your Association most creditably.

The umpires were:- DON WAKENSHAW, PHIL CUNNINGHAM (Boundary Umpires), BRIAN HAIGH, JOHN MCKAY (Goal Umpires).

Thanks once again to those umpires who devoted their Saturday afternoons during the final round in the capacity of gold coat men. The contribution of those chaps to the Association is very highly thought of.

In conclusion I wish the incoming committee every success for 1976 and I remind all members that the Association's success in future years is dependant entirely of your efforts during each season.

ROSS CAPES,  
President.



## SECRETARY'S REPORT

May I present for your consideration and information my Annual Report for 1975.

The highlight of the past season has undoubtedly been the co-operation and consideration extended to us by the W.A.N.F.L., through their General Manager and the Board of Directors. I believe these Gentlemen have done everything within their power to improve the image of umpiring in Western Australia. This undoubtedly has contributed to yet another successful season for our great Association.

In my last Annual Report, I made mention of the W.A.N.F.L. Directors seeking a meeting with our Senior Executive. It is history now how successful this meeting was, but I feel it's worthwhile mentioning some of the gains we achieved:-

- (a) A dramatic rise in all umpiring fees
- (b) Further increase in subsidy payment for trainers.
- (c) Scratch Match Fees standardized and paid by the W.A.N.F.L.
- (d) Supply of Dressing Gowns for use at all League Grounds.
- (e) Payment of Emergency Umpire of full match fee for whichever umpire he replaces, irrespective of the time involved.
- (f) Ladies Passes to all Umpires officiating in League and Reserve Matches.

Without a doubt, a very impressive number of gains. It must make some of our retired members shudder to think that things they sought year after year, all come to fruition at one meeting. How times change.

May I take the opportunity to record on behalf of all Members our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the W.A.N.F.L.; their General Manager, Mr. Peter Bowler and the Directors for the efforts for our Association in 1975.

From our own Association viewpoint, the year has had its ups and downs. Support by you, the members has generally been forthcoming, but as is the case too often, there are always those that fail to contribute. Functions are arranged for the members; variety has certainly been evident on our social calendar this year, but again there were many faces not present. As I stress each year in this report, the enjoyment and satisfaction which you obtain from your Association, can only be achieved by your support. Thus in 1976, remember your Association needs you.

On the umpiring scene, the year has held its usual points of interest. Once again, the full requirement of Field Umpires was never attained, and as usual, many "Double Headers" were experienced. In the selected panel of 56; two umpires failed to front, and during the season retirements or forced retirements accounted for another eleven. This means, that in the situation where all the remaining umpires are fit and available, 43 are available for 60 appointments in anyone weekend - a very difficult assignment without doubling up.

The problem still seems to lie with the recruitment of Field Umpires. This will need to be looked at, especially with the thoughts of two Field Umpires being considered. Obviously, the main areas of recruitment must be through the Umpires School and Junior Councils. This season for instance, four members of the Umpires School were included on the Field Panel, and of these only two completed the season. Thus, the need appears to be for promotion of umpiring. Possibly, looking at Junior Councils, with the aim of encouraging promising umpires to join our Panel. The problem is a big one; and the solution will not be an easy one.



The turnover of umpires for 1975 was the lowest for many years. The Umpires Appointment Board once again gave most umpires the opportunity to show their ability in city ranks. This scheme certainly has merit, as it was only a few years ago that some umpires were never seen in the city even though they had been on the Panel for five or more years. However, as I mentioned last year, there is a need for more guidance and direction for young umpires, prior to their reaching city ranks. This can be achieved by these umpires being observed in the Alcock Cup Competition or near Country Leagues. This then would prepare the umpire more thoroughly with the required fundamentals and make his promotion to city ranks more justifiable.

Let me now turn to comments on the overall functioning of the Association during the season.

## MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Our President, ROSS CAPES has concluded his second year in this capacity. Once again Ross has proved a great ambassador for our Association both on and off the field. The success and smooth functioning of the season undoubtedly stems from Ross's dedication, guidance and direction, to all Association matters. Even with the pressure of Association matters and engagements, Ross has been able to maintain his place as the top umpire in the State, and certainly within the top bracket in Australia, which is certainly a tribute in itself. Full marks to Ross for his astute leadership, and may we look forward with confidence to 1976, with our very popular President at the reigns once again. To you Ross my personal thanks and sincere appreciation for your assistance and timely help throughout the season.

Our finances were once again in the expert hands of our popular Treasurer, BRIAN COLLETT. Each month Brian furnishes the Management Committee with an update report on all our financial commitments. His careful budgeting has enabled us to plan all functions, so as to come out on the correct side of the ledger. Brian, on behalf of all Members may I express our sincere gratitude for your efforts for our Association during the past season. They are truly appreciated by all concerned. Please also accept my personal thanks for your kind assistance and guidance in times of need.

The SOCIAL COMMITTEE has been looked after by two great stalwarts of the Association in TERRY NEILSON as Chairman, and DICK STUBBERFIELD as the Social Secretary. Once again all our functions have been thoroughly organized and planned. I feel that the variety of organized functions has been really tremendous, and full praise must go to these gentlemen and their Committee for their endeavours to satisfy all tastes. Once again the only disappointing feature has been the poor support, given by you the members. Fortunately we have been saved by a couple of our members having lots of friends. The Ladies Committee has continued to function, and their efforts for our Association have been nothing short of magnificent. To Terry and Dick, a great effort in 1975 - thanks again for your wonderful support and assistance. To the Social Committee, as a whole, a very big thank you for your very valuable time and effort in making 1975 such a big success off the field

Our Junior Vice President BARRY MCKENZIE deserves special mention here for his efforts for our Association. Barry has proved a very loyal and conscientious worker for our Association. His contributions include the Chairman of the Colour Steering Committee, and with his partner in crime DON WAKENSHAW the general up keep and improvement of conditions of our changerooms at the W.A.C.A.



Although, I have left them to last, it's certainly not for lack of effort, for our Management Committee have played a very significant role in the overall functioning of Association matters. Once again, their attendance has been excellent and at all times, they have been prepared to discuss and act on all matters which they feel will be for the betterment of umpiring. Thus I acknowledge with thanks the efforts of TREVOR CANT; ILLIFFE DOVER; BRIAN HAIGH; TREVOR HAWORTH; GREG SOLIN; STEVEN SPARKMAN and DON WAKENSHAW. May I also pay a special tribute to the wives who prepared supper for our Committee Meetings at individuals homes during the season - it was surely appreciated.

## UMPIRES' APPOINTMENT BOARD

Certainly, 1975 wouldn't have been an easy year for the Umpires Appointment Board. Once again their decisions published in each Thursday's "West Australian" bring glee to some, and woe to others. Their task is a thankless one, but at all times they carry out the selection policy to the best of their ability. As in any sport, Selectors, will be always criticised; naturally it would be a funny old world if everyone agreed with every decision that was made.

Mr. BRIAN PURSLOWE, the new Vice President of the W.A.N.F.L. was given the role of Chairman of the Umpires Appointment Board. The other members included Mr. RAY SLEETH; Mr. RAY SCOTT and Mr. LINDSAY JOHNSTON. Once again the Appointment Board endeavoured to view as many umpires as possible in City Games and at near Country Centres. This should certainly add to the encouragement of the younger umpires, and from an Association viewpoint, one would sincerely hope these fellows are prepared to use this assistance to the best possible advantage in the future.

On the disappointing side, one must be critical of the big number of umpires who failed to honour their commitments during the season. Some retired, others were unavailable for a number of weeks; others were out with sickness and injuries, all making the Appointment Board's task more difficult. I feel that most were legitimate excuses, but I sincerely believe that there were a few "fractured eye brows" amongst them. In the same way, the effect was felt by fellow umpires who had to fill in for those not available. It is important to remember, that if you accept the challenge to umpire; then give it 100%. Our Association is not judged on the individual, but by the members who make it up.

The Appointment Board this year was assisted by six independent observers, and at this stage may we acknowledge the efforts of RAY WHITFIELD; GEOFF HAVERCROFT; MAX PINNER; DON ALLEN; JERRY STOKES and NED MARTINO, in submitting their comprehensive reports, and at the same time contributing towards the improvement of umpiring standards.

## UMPIRES' ADVISER

Thanks and appreciation are extended to our Umpires' Adviser Mr. RAY SLEETH and his Assistant Mr. RAY SCOTT for the many hours of duty in promoting and improving umpiring in our State, during the past season.

## UMPIRES' TRAINING SUPERVISOR

This year saw the return of our very popular Training Supervisor in HAL SYMONS. Hal joined us at the Annual Training Camp at Point Peron in February, and on the track each Tuesday and Thursday night at the W.A.C.A. Once again

we record our sincere appreciation, for his time and efforts in building up and maintaining our top physical fitness. It was great to have you back on the track Hal. Any umpire whose fitness didn't measure up could only blame himself, for Hal provided us with every opportunity to be in top class condition.

One thing, though Hal that I noticed - when you first started training us, you used to run round with us - three years ago you would cut across the centre and catch us up - now you wait for us to come round each time - is this a sign of something?? Anyway Hal, we look forward to your assistance and guidance again in 1976 - thanks also for all the little extras for our Association.

## COUNTRY FOOTBALL

This season saw big fee increases for our country umpires, which was most welcome. However, the long travelling and the long hours still create problems. I don't feel that any reward can compensate for being away from families each Sunday, week after week. We can only hope that understanding can continue, and our Members will continue to serve our many Country Friends again in 1976.

Along with fee increases, we welcomed two new Associations to our Panel this year - Ongerup Football Association and Murray Districts Football Association, bringing our total to fourteen Country Districts regularly served by our umpires. This season saw the first overnight double/headers at Katanning. Feelings varied as to its popularity, but I would appreciate any comments or suggestions for next season.

Relationships with our Country Friends have been generally very good. Again a couple of non appearances and late arrivals marred a good year.

This year saw the introduction of a standard Workers' Compensation Cover for all Country Leagues administered by our Association, and arranged through the State Government Insurance Office. The Scheme was undoubtedly very successful, enabling our Association to submit all the required papers, without the time consuming interchange of correspondence with Country Leagues. Admittedly, it meant extra work on our part, but in the long run it saved many headaches.

Finally, a comment on the rumoured reduction in number of Country Leagues served by our Umpires in 1976. Personally, I feel this would be a backward step for Country Football and Umpiring in general. One now has to only look at the standard of umpiring in minor grades in the country. Furthermore, W.A.N.F.L. Panel Umpires have been serving Country Districts for over twenty years, and I can see no reason why this service should now be terminated. The only answer seems to be more umpires, which means more promotion in their recruitment by the W.A.N.F.L. Umpiring strength can only be maintained by one united band of umpires, and I feel this scheme will do little to improve the overall standard in Western Australia.

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The decision of the Management Committee will be given during the Annual General Meeting.



## FINANCE

Once again, we have managed to come out in front. However, the continual spiralling costs present problems, and make budgeting a difficult assignment. Unfortunately subscriptions and general costs will need to be reviewed in the coming season.

Even though, our resources have been doubly taxed with trip shows also eating into our pockets, I feel all members should be congratulated for their support, which prevented our Treasurer Brian Collett from going completely grey. Anyway Brian, thanks for your efforts in maintaining a healthy financial position in 1975.

## UMPIRES' TRAINERS

In 1975 your Management Committee appointed for the first time, a Head Trainer, in Mr. Ron Holford. The scheme worked very successfully, with Ron taking charge of all trainers, their rostering and problems. For the first time, we have trainers at all League Grounds most Saturdays as well as two present on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Once again the W.A.N.F.L. assisted us by subsidising our payments for the trainers.

May we record with gratitude, our thanks and appreciation to Ron and his merry men - namely JIMMY O'CONNELL, WAYNE REYNOLDS and MAT DUFFY for their time, interest and support, for the 'men in white'.

## SOCIALLY

Our Social Committee must be congratulated once again for the quality of the functions organized during the past season. Furthermore, along with the quality, came variety; where they endeavoured to cater for every possible interest. May I say they achieved their objectives, but unfortunately their efforts were not always rewarded by attendance.

The Annual Ball, which is always one of our calendar highlights, although almost breaking even was not as successful attendance wise as in the past. Possibly, the increased charge may have influenced some to stay away, but when one considers our charge with comparable functions, ours is the more reasonable. Thus I feel, our newly elected Social Committee may have to look closely at holding a Ball in 1976, if they cannot be assured of its success.

May I compliment the Social Committee, namely TERRY NEILSON; DICK STUBBERFIELD; BARRY MCKENZIE; DON WAKENSHAW; BRIAN COLLETT; EVAN DUNSTAN; RON POWELL; GREG SOLIN; TREVOR HAWORTH and PETER TROODE, plus wives for their efforts. The Social Committee Report is covered by Terry and Dick, elsewhere in this report.

## APPRECIATION

The W.A.N.F.L. UMPIRES ASSOCIATION acknowledges with pleasure, the efforts of the following rendered during the past season:-

RAY MONTGOMERY, for his artistic efforts in respect to our proposed uniform, and printing on the various certificates.

ROSS CAPES, our esteemed leader both on and off the field, for his continued guidance and sound administration, which have carried us through a tremendously successful year.

BRIAN COLLETT, for his meticulous attention to our financial matters.

TED BRUNTON, as our honorary auditor.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, for their meeting attendance, and careful deliberation over vital matters concerning our Association.

RON HOLFORD, MAT DUFFY, JIM O'CONNELL and WAYNE REYNOLDS, our popular Trainers, for their efforts in keeping the men in white functioning.

ROY ABBOTT AND STAFF AT THE W.A.C.A., for their understanding and co-operation while using their wonderful facilities on training nights.

TUESDAY NIGHT GANG - CLIVE HILLS; BASIL RIGG; RAY MONTGOMERY; JOHN DOLLING and JOHN SMITH-GANDER - thanks for your time and efforts in ensuring justice was done.

PETER BOWLER and the LEAGUE DIRECTORS, for satisfying our wants and needs. A terrific contribution to our Association in 1975 - our sincere thanks.

NEIL JUDGE - from Secretary to Secretary - thanks for putting up with my continual barrage of queries - also for your efforts and support throughout the season.

TREVOR HAWORTH, for his efforts with the "Unbelievable".

BARRY MCKENZIE, DON WAKENSHAW and their ASSISTANTS for the upgrading of our Changeroom accommodation at the W.A.C.A. Well done fellas!

HAL SYMONS, for pushing us along each Tuesday and Thursday and for being a wonderful supporter of our Association.

## CONCLUSION

So endeth my sixth report as your Secretary. From my viewpoint it has been yet another successful one. I sincerely hope my contribution has been to your satisfaction; and at this time may I take the opportunity to express my appreciation for your continued confidence in returning me unopposed for another year. May I take the opportunity to record my thanks to members for the assistance and co-operation, which for the most part have made my job that little bit easier.

Next season now looms closely. Our Association must not rest on its laurels, as we still have much to gain. The new Committee has the job in front of them, and it's very pleasing to note a record number of nominations for positions. Four applicants for two vice president positions and eighteen applicants for six positions on the committee, should ensure a keen vote, and if this enthusiasm amongst the members remains, then our Association can only prosper in 1976.

Thus in closing may I apologize if in this report I have overlooked someone or something - I may assure you it has been completely unintentional.

To those umpires contemplating retirement, thanks for your services, and all the best for the future. To those with a few more miles left - see you in the new year.

To all Umpires, their wives and families, on behalf of Della and myself, may we wish you the very best for the coming Festive Season and may the New Year be both prosperous, as well as successful.

PETER PUSTKUCHEN  
SECRETARY.



# COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEETING ATTENDANCES

MEETINGS HELD: 10

Name	Attended	Apologies	Possible
Ross Capes	10		10
Terry Neilson	10		10
Barry McKenzie	10		10
Dick Stubberfield	9	1	10
Brian Collett	10		10
Trevor Cant	9	1	10
Illiffe Dover	3		3
Brian Haigh	9	1	10
Trevor Haworth	8	2	10
Greg Solin	10		10
Don Wakenshaw	9	1	10
Steven Sparkman	7	1	8
Peter Pustkuchen	10		10

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

Our achievements over the last twelve months have been satisfactory and are due to the hard working efforts of your Management and Social Committees, together with your co-operation and the results are shown in the Statement of Affairs accompanying this report.

Our Reserve Account has a balance of \$2,283.62 and the Current Account has a balance of \$218.07. The total funds have therefore, increased by \$404.01.

This result was most pleasing considering the substantial increase in administration costs, honoraria and trainers fees. Even though the financial results of our Annual Ball and River Trip were most disappointing, the results achieved in the balance of our Social Functions were such, that we were able to absorb these additional costs. Also, the interest obtained from our Reserve Account contributed handsomely to our overall result.

I am delighted to report that 100% subscriptions were collected in this last year and I would like to express my appreciation for your co-operation in this area.

May I pass on my sincere vote of thanks, on behalf of our Committees, to the members who donated their 1974 "Gold Coat" payments to the Association. As promised, these funds have been used to improve the training facilities enjoyed by all of us. Improvement to the showers have been made, the purchase of rubber matting and the vibrator, still leave a credit of \$129.71 in this Fund. Together with the 1975 contributions our programme of improvement will continue and any suggestions that you, the members may have in this area, will be welcomed.

In conclusion, we can look forward to the 1976 Season with a good deal of confidence and I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the Management and Social Committees and to you the members, for the support given to me during the past twelve months.



# RESERVE A/C 1754472

		\$			\$
Cash Balance	4/10/74	2,054.91	To Current A/c	11/3/75	150.00
Interest	1/1/75	102.72	S.G.I.O.	15/4/75	1,151.47
Eastern Districts	2/5/75	96.56	S.G.I.O.	4/7/75	99.11
Central Wheatbelt	2/5/75	96.65	To Current A/c	30/9/75	500.00
Lower South West	9/5/75	149.97	Cash Balance	3/10/75	2,283.62
Mortlock	16/5/75	103.97			
Ex Current A/c	16/5/75	150.00			
Upper Gt Southern	23/5/75	118.34			
North Midlands	23/5/75	102.54			
Central Midlands	12/6/75	74.27			
South West	20/6/75	150.45			
Interest	1/7/75	90.16			
Lake Grace & Kulin	2/7/75	111.10			
Southern Districts	2/7/75	82.46			
Ex Current A/c	16/7/75	500.00			
Central Gt Southern	23/7/75	93.99			
Murray Districts	23/7/75	37.47			
Ongerup	13/8/75	68.64			
		<u>\$4,184.20</u>			<u>\$4,184.20</u>

In addition the Association owns:

	\$
1 Typewriter purchased 1968 .....	70.00
1 Typewriter purchased 1974 .....	25.00
1 Refrigerator purchased 1974 .....	20.00
1 Temprite purchased 1975 .....	40.00
30 Lapel Badges @ 75¢ .....	22.50
20 Pocket Emblems @ \$2.00 .....	40.00
25 Cuff Links @ \$3.50 .....	87.50
59 Tee Shirts @ \$3.50 .....	206.50
17 Tee Shirts @ \$3.20 .....	54.40

## AUDITOR'S STATEMENT:

I have examined the above records. In my opinion they are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the Association's affairs.

E.W. BRUNTON, A.A.S.A.  
Hon. Auditor.



## SOCIAL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

Well another season is behind us and it was probably one of the hardest financially to get through.

As you realize, my position is to plan and run an organized Social Programme, compact enough to help cover our outing needs as well as producing profits to satisfy our Treasurer.

This task, as you would appreciate, is made easier by your willingness to patronize our shows and from this, we can personally say thank you by keeping the cost of the Grand Final Dinner Dance to a minimum.

I do appreciate the fact that we may have had too many shows during the year, but you must admit there was an excellent variety to hold your interest. However, to you, the members, may I say thank you for your support throughout the year.

To my Committee, namely Richard Stubberfield, Brian Collett, Barry McKenzie, Don Wakenshaw, Ron Powell, Peter Troode, Evan Dunstan, Trevor Haworth and Greg Solin whose support and effort throughout the year was tremendous. I would like to personally say to these nine Committee members, thank you sincerely for a job well.

If I may, I would also like to praise the efforts of two members in Don Wakenshaw and Barry McKenzie for their excellent effort in producing and directing our variety night - well done.

To my wife Lorraine, and all the other wonderful ladies, Rose Stubberfield, Val Collett, Janine McKenzie, Noreen Capes, Maureen Wakenshaw, Della Pustkuchen, Margaret Haworth, June Powell, Lyn Troode, Paula Dunstan, Linda Solin, Beryl Haigh, Muriel Cant, Dorothy Hartree and Helen Hartland, who put in a lot of hard work for our teas and other shows, please accept my sincere thanks for your time and effort.

To Ross, Peter, Brian and Dick, thank you gentlemen for your personal help that certainly made my job a lot less worrying.

Once again to all, I'm grateful.

TERRY NEILSON  
Social Chairman.

## SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

It gives me great pleasure to submit this report for the 1975 season.

I would like to praise the Social Committee, T. Neilson, Chairman, B. Collett, Treasurer, D. Wakenshaw, E. Dunston, B. McKenzie, P. Troode, T. Haworth, R. Powell, G. Solin for their enthusiasm and hard work, which went into the social calendar, and all social events throughout this season.

I would personally like to thank the lovely ladies who for the second year have participated on our social committee. These ladies got behind the association, attended meetings, organised and catered for all our players teas. I am sure you all agree with me that these functions were catered for in excellent style and appreciated by all who attended. Thank you girls for a tremendous effort.



Our Annual Ball held at the Pagoda Ballroom for the second year, was a success for those who attended. If members would only realise the hard work that goes into organising these functions they would attend more, and help the association.

The Grand Final Dinner Dance although the price is a little higher than last year, is still a terrific night and I am sure those who attended had a good night.

In closing I would like to thank all members for their co-operation throughout the 1975 season.

R.A. STUBBERFIELD  
SOCIAL SECRETARY.

## PROPOSED OVERSEAS TRIP

Season 1975 saw the formulation of plans for an overseas trip, hopefully to South East Asia in late 1976.

Interest at the initial general meeting was magnificent and it was unanimously decided that this trip would include wives and girl friends. Response was such that 112 persons submitted their names and although a few have had to withdraw the total still stands at 100 persons.

A committee was formed comprising Ross Capes, Chairman; Dick Stubberfield, Trip Manager; John Devine, Treasurer-Secretary; Ron Buckey, Ron Powell, Peter Snow and John McKay. Unfortunately, Dick had to withdraw and Ron Buckey took over the position of Trip Manager, with Arthur Hall being added to the committee. The ladies also formed their own committee to assist with fund raising.

At this stage a final destination for the trip has not been agreed upon and a decision in this regard is expected in early 1976 in the light of numbers still participating and the success of fund raising ventures.

During the course of the year several fund raising functions were held and on the whole proved satisfactory. Present funds total approx. \$12,500 of which \$6,880 represents deposits paid by members. The ladies have also raised in excess of \$1,000 and in addition have purchased a colour TV set to be used as a raffle prize - an excellent result.

However, as all trip members appreciate we still have a long way to go in raising the required funds (approx. \$50,000) and your continued support is essential, particularly over the coming summer months. We are confident that with your support this trip will become a reality in late 1976.

TRIP COMMITTEE

## CHARLES PRATT

The season 1975 saw the retirement of veteran boundary umpire Charlie Pratt.

During a very colourful career which ran for 21 years from 1955 to 1975, Charlie ran the boundary in a record 236 league games plus many hundred reserves and colts games.

Two of the many highlights in his career were his participation in the Victoria versus South Australia carnival game in 1972 and his 200th league game at Lathlain Park between Perth and Swan Districts in 1973. Strangely though, he was never given the opportunity of running in a league grand final, an honour which he must have been very close to on many occasions.

Charlie was well respected amongst his umpiring colleagues and he was a perfect example of how to apply oneself whether training or playing.

A rather controversial character, he figured in a number of incidents which made the sporting headlines, but Charlie was one who called a spade a spade and his honesty was beyond reproach.

He was made a life member of the W.A.N.F.L. Umpires Association in 1973 and his record of 236 league games on the boundary is one that will stand for a long time.

Well done Charlie.

## LEAGUE GAMES BY MEMBERS

The following are the number of League Games, from official W.A.N.F.L. records, at which our Members (1975) have officiated:-

### FIELD UMPIRES

F. Abbott .....	1	J. Morris .....	11
G. Ashworth .....	2	R. Phillips .....	40
R. Buckey .....	29	R. Powell .....	43
R. Capes .....	100	R. Scott .....	141
D. Gillies .....	12	P. Snow .....	2
T. Holland .....	3	R. Stubberfield .....	4
E. Martino .....	21	R. Wade .....	34

### BOUNDARY UMPIRES

D. Aslett .....	46	B. McKenzie .....	132
G. Bishop .....	17	I. Miller .....	8
P. Cunningham .....	81	C. Pratt .....	236
G. Daniel .....	23	G. Solin .....	48
R. Dalby .....	5	G. Tipping .....	78
J. Devine .....	124	W. Veaneay .....	7
B. Grimmond .....	6	D. Wakenshaw .....	109
A. Hall .....	68		

### GOAL UMPIRES

R. Becker .....	12	M. Hale .....	96
T. Cant .....	34	G. Hall .....	80
B. Collett .....	87	T. Haworth .....	2
C. Cowan .....	2	J. Islip .....	46
K. Cross .....	67	D. Kemp .....	20
B. Fewster .....	13	R. Lee .....	18
B. Haigh .....	39	J. McKay .....	78
R. Hartland .....	48	A. Nettleton .....	75
		J. Robbins .....	85

## W.A.N.F.L. GRAND FINAL UMPIRES 1975

	Field:	Boundary:	Goals:
LEAGUE:	Ross Capes	Don Wakenshaw Phil Cunningham	Brian Haigh John McKay
RESERVES:	Ron Buckey	Grahame Daniel Geoff Tipping	Brian Collett John Islip
COLTS:	Lindsay Baguley	Gil Bishop Wayne Veaneay	Don Kemp Bill McKune

## COUNTRY GRAND FINALS "A" GRADE

	Field	Boundary	Goals
Avon	Ron Powell		Brian Haigh Max Hale
Central Great Southern	Terry Neilson		
Central Midlands	Graham Ashworth		
Central Wheatbelt	Graham Ashworth		
Eastern Districts	Lindsay Baguley		
Esperance	Graham Ashworth		
Fortesque	Ron Buckey		
Goldfields	Ron Buckey		
Great Northern	Russell Wade		
Lake Grace/Kulin	Peter Imms		
Lower South West	Peter Pustkuchen		
Mortlock	Bob Phillips		
Murray	Peter Troode		
Newman	Ron Powell		
North Midlands	Dick Stubberfield	Brian Mooney Peter Karhu	Ray Becker Ray Hartree
Ongerup	Henry Michael		
Southern Districts	Tony Holland		
South West	Darryl Gillies		
Upper Great Southern	John Morris		

## COUNTRY GRAND FINALS "B" GRADE

Central Midlands	Peter Pustkuchen
Central Wheatbelt	Fred Abbott
Lake Grace/Kulin	Evan Dunstan
Lower South West	Michael Ball
Mortlock	Tony Ewing
North Midlands	Peter Pustkuchen



## CONGRATULATIONS 1975

### FIRST LEAGUE GAMES (FIELD)

Darryl Gillies  
John Morris

### FIRST LEAGUE GAMES (BOUNDARY)

Barry Grimmond  
Ian Miller  
Wayne Veaney

### FIRST LEAGUE GAMES (GOAL)

Roy Becker  
Brian Fewster  
Trevor Haworth

### INTERSTATE UMPIRE

Ross Capes (Australian Knockout Carnival Vic. v. S.A. - Adelaide)

### MILESTONES IN UMPIRING

#### Field

Ross Capes - 100 League Games

#### Boundary

Don Wakenshaw - 100 League Games

#### Goal & Boundary

Brian Collett - 100 League Games

### OUR GRAND FINAL UMPIRES

Field: Ross Capes  
Boundary: Don Wakenshaw; Phil Cunningham  
Goal: Brian Haigh; John McKay

### TROPHY WINNERS 1975

#### Most Improved Field Umpire

Darryle Gillies

#### Most Improved Boundary Umpire

Gil Bishop

#### Most Improved Goal Umpire

Tony Bishop

### AUSTRALIAN PREMIERSHIP CARNIVAL

Ross Capes

# GRAND FINAL UMPIRES SINCE 1953

	Field	Boundary	Goal
1953	F. (Smokey) Woods	W. Edgar T. Reeves	J. Duckwood E. Crisp
1954	F. (Smokey) Woods	R. Colby W. Shorthill	J. Clayton H. Clair
1955	J. Green	J. Dolling F. Pimm	M. Rose W. Carter
1956	L. Gardner	R. Colby W. Shorthill	M. Rose W. Carter
1957	C. Fitzpatrick	R. Hall R. Whitfield	M. Rose W. Carter
1958	L. Gardner	R. Hall R. Whitfield	M. Rose W. Carter
1959	R. Montgomery	R. Hall D. Skipworth	M. Rose W. Carter
1960	L. Gardner	R. Hall D. Skipworth	M. Rose W. Carter
1961	L. Gardner	D. de Gruchy B. Bidstrup	M. Rose W. Carter
1962	B. Feld	D. de Gruchy B. Bidstrup	M. Rose W. Carter
1963	R. Scott	B. Bidstrup F. Naylor	M. Rose W. Carter
1964	R. Montgomery	B. Carbon K. Hart	M. Rose W. Carter
1965	Fred Woods	D. Hansen T. Lewis	R. Parkhouse P. Pustkuchen
1966	R. Montgomery	K. Hart D. de Gruchy	R. Parkhouse P. Pustkuchen
1967	R. Scott	A. Hocking P. Snow	R. Parkhouse P. Pustkuchen
1968	R. Scott	J. Devine P. Bruce	J. Dolling R. (Dick) Montgomery
1969	R. Montgomery	P. Bruce J. Devine	J. Dolling L. Bromley

	Field	Boundary	Goal
1970	R. Montgomery	D. Clair G. Feutrill	W. Carter G. Hall
1971	L. Johnston	P. Bruce J. Devine	R. Hartland B. Collett
1972	J. Fuhrmann	P. Bruce J. Devine	D. Allen M. Hale
1973	R. Capes	D. Wakenshaw G. Tipping	J. McKay R. Hartland
1974	R. Capes	J. Devine G. Tipping	B. Collett B. Haigh
1975	R. Capes	D. Wakenshaw P. Cunningham	B. Haigh J. McKay



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER, 1975

### AGENDA

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting.
3. Correspondence.
4. President's Report
5. Secretary's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Announce Results of Election of Office Bearers for 1976.
8. Election of Auditor.
9. Notice of Motion - Moved Mr. McKenzie, seconded Mr. Collett - the present accepted colours of black and gold of the Association Blazer be replaced with the colours of brown and gold, as per specimen 3; with these colours to stand for a minimum of five years.
10. General Business
  - (a) Association Subscription Fees for 1976.
  - (b) Life Membership.
  - (c) Umpires Advocates.

