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

ANNUAL REPORT and BALANCE SHEET

Season

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FOREWORD

I feel honoured to have been asked to write this foreword at the completion of the 1978 season.

Having been a member of the "UMPIRES ASSOCIATION" for 25 years it gives me great pleasure to witness the continuous growth and solidarity being maintained by Office Bearers and Members.

We are looking forward to our Annual Life Members' Dinner whereby we can officially present the "LIFE MEMBERS PERPETUAL TROPHY" to a very worthy recipient, Lindsay Baguley, who was voted as the Outstanding Contributor to the "Umpires Association 1978" - well done Lindsay.

In conclusion may I wish the Umpires Association every success in the future.

LEN HURLEY (Life Member) WANFL UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

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OFFICE BEARERS 1978

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* Retire 1979

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Mr.	Brian COLLETT
Mr.	John DOLLING
Mr.	Len HURLEY
Mr.	Ray MONTGOMERY
	John SMITH-GANDER

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Mr. John DEVINE (Chairman) Mr. Trevor CANT (Social Secretary) Mr. David ASLETT Mr. Michael BALL Mr. Kevin FRAZER Mr. Ray HARTLAND Mr. Ray HARTREE Mr. Alan MIRABELLA

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ASSOCIATION OFFICE BEARERS SINCE 1953

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Fellow Members,

As I present my report for this year I look back on what has been another season where challenges have been met and overcome.

The unavilability of the W.A.C.A. caused several problems and I believe the W.A.N.F.L. will have to look closely at this situation before the commencement of 1979. Several options available appear to have merits.

We again received our fair share of criticism, very little constructive but mostly destructive, and some league coaches were the main offenders. Perhaps it is due for the League to take stronger action against officials publicly criticising umpires by increasing fines in line with those current in Victoria.

Much was said during the year on the Tribunal hearings. I have my own ideas and I guess all of you have yours, however as long as we do our job correctly on a Saturday or Sunday, then what the tribunal decide is purely none of our business. Once again only the League can change the set up, if they consider it necessary.

Our Secretary, PETER PUSTKUCHEN has completed his 9th consecutive year in that position and only those who have worked with him know the amount of time and energy PETER puts into ensuring the Association runs smoothly. His knowledge of all facets of the Association is invaluable and he is always available for advice, guidance or to hear complaints and whatever action or advice he gives, it is always with the Association in mind and for the benefit of all members. PETER has again been of great personal assistance to me and I often reflect on the problems that could have arisen, but for his quick and throughtful actions. Thank you PETER for another great contribution.

JOHN DEVINE returned to the administrative side of the Association this year and was immediately burdened with the responsibility of the Chairman of the Social Committee. JOHN'S previous experience with the Association and with outstanding assistance from TREVOR CANT, in particular, and other members of the SOCIAL COMMITTEE the season, socially, was a great success. Participation by members of the Association in some functions was again disappointing and I sincerely ask, particularly the "older" members to encourage many of the "new" members to our functions. They will not be sorry.

Our Treasurer DAVE ASLETT completed another year in that position and to his great credit he was again able to devote a tremendous deal of time and energy to the Association whilst at the same time was again able to umpire in his third Grand Final. I personally congratulate you DAVE on both achievements and thank you for a job well done.

To all the other members of all committees formed during the year thanks for your dedication, and in particular I pay a personal tribute to the work done by TERRY NEILSON over many years on the Management Committee and wish him continued success with South Suburban.

I am pleased to report that in 1979 W.A. will be host State to the N.F.L.U.A. and at the conclusion of 1979 we will be visited by umpiring executives from each State. In addition a contingent of Umpires from Victoria will also be visiting us, and I personally will be looking forward to renewing old acquaintances and I am sure those who visited Melbourne this year will also look forward to the visit. Before closing I would like to congratulate all those Umpires who umpired in all grades during the finals for a job well done.

To all those who assisted with the organising of both the Overseas and Interstate trips I sincerely congratulate you for all the time and energy spent on ensuring that all members participating benefited.

In conclusion I wish the in-coming committee every success in 1979 and ask that all members "new" and "old" support them to the utmost.

Ross CAPES President

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

MEETING ATTENDANCES

Meetings Held: 11

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

May I present for your consideration and information my Annual Report for 1978.

Once again our Association has continued to progress from success to success. The past season has again been a good one for all concerned. Our performances on the field have certainly contributed towards what has been a truly great year for Western Australian Football. Our Umpires, on occasions were blamed by Clubs for their own poor performances, but this escape route is one used too often by Coaches as an excuse for his team not winning. Overall, the performances of our panel members over the past year, has maintained the high level for which we have been known in the past.

Administratively, our Association has continued to grow and progress. The Management Committees tasks have grown enormously during the past ten years, and a glance at our financial report elsewhere will certainly give members an idea of the business side of the Association. Fortunately our Association has once again been served by a conscientious and diligent group on the Management Committee. This has ensured that the Association would continue to grow in strength.

The "Two Umpire System" continues to function efficiently and well. The N.F.L. adopted the system for their games during the past season, so it would seem that it is here to stay. Many Country Leagues are now showing However, the number of panel umpires available considerable interest. for country appointments would make this scheme impossible at the present It has been suggested that one panel umpire, plus a local umpire time. from the country district should be teamed up. This is probably the only way it will work, but obviously there are going to be many difficulties to overcome, as it will be impossible to provide country umpires with The success of the "Two Umpire System" adequate training and guidance. is basically good team work and consistent interpretations. One will readily agree that this does create problems with our own members, who train and attend lectures togther; so one can only see many problems where one of our members will be teaming with a country umpire. Furthermore a number of our panel country umpires will be first years, and as such will be battling to establish themselves in the umpiring world, and naturally will not have the experience or the expertise to carry a country As well, the country leagues are going to be faced with extra umpire. costs - both from umpiring fees and travelling. Many are already crying poverty, and blaming umpires for taking all their hard earned dollars. Thus the "Two Umpire System" in the country has its problems. Whethe Whether it will get off the ground in 1979 is hard to tell.

Once again, in 1978 many Field Umpires were faced with "Double Headers" each weekend. Each season the Umpires Appointment Board endeavours to appoint sufficient umpires to cover their requirements, but unfortunately this number does not materialize. The problem being that there are insufficient men interested in taking on umpiring. The number one deterrant would again appear to be country travelling. The many miles involved have few compensations, and as such fellows do not wish to make family sacrifices. Many people ask why more ex footballers don't turn to umpiring, but in the majority of cases, years of family sacrifices during their football careers have taken there toll, and fellows are not prepared to give up full weekends and a couple of training nights each week. It would appear that in this day and age, umpires are not prepared to travel hundreds of miles each weekend irrespective of the rewards involved. The country people rely very heavily on our umpiring panel. Although they are often very critical of members performances, they realize that through the city panel, is the only means of obtaining a satisfactory and reliable standard of umpiring. What then is the answer ? Really I don't think there is a satisfactory one. A number of country leagues like the South West; Lower South West; Upper Great Southern; Central Great Southern; Avon and Southern Districts this year started providing one umpire for their weekly fixtures. This met with varying degrees of success particularly in the South West where the umpiring performances of the locals, time and again outshone our umpires, in the eyes of their local critics.

The establishing of these local panels is encouraging. If they can grow in strength there is the possibility that they will be able to take over the umpiring in the further, out leagues. This will allow them to get away from the familiarity of being home town umpires in their local areas, where they have grown up, and often played all their football. This is an ambitious project, but with support of the WANFL and the Country Footbail League it may have possibilities for lightening the load carried by our panel.

To achieve this would need the appointment of a full time co-ordinator of Umpiring by the WANFL. His duty would be to take charge of all umpiring panels throughout the State, and act as a senior advisor to all Umpires Advisors, including the WANFL Umpires Advisor. The position would not only be for law interpretations, but for the promotion, recruitment and well being of all umpires. This is undoubtedly a very professional position, but I feel that the WANFL must look very seriously towards establishing such a position in the near future.

Towards the end of the 1977, our Association once again met the WANFL at a successful Deputation Meeting. The gains once again were possibly small to some members, but let me assure all that the WANFL, through the Board of Directors has certainly assisted umpires significantly more during the past few years, and we are no longer looked at as the completely necessary evil of football as we were in times gone by.

In the next few weeks we will once again be meeting with the WANFL in an endeavour to make umpiring that little more attractive and appealing to all. Important points on this year's agenda include - fee increases for all grades of football; service bonus; provident fund; league life pass for 15 years service; stewards; workers compensation cover for all umpires, and a number of other important issues, all of which we hope will be viewed sympathetically by the WANFL. It is sincerely hoped that we can continue to maintain the excellent relationship that has existed between our Association and the WANFL in recent years, and that we can continue to benefit from these meetings.

The real success off the field during the past two years must certainly be the fund raising and efforts of our Associations Second Overseas Touring Party. The mammoth total raised must surely assure every member of the party an enjoyable and memorable holiday. May I take the opportunity to record the Associations congratulations to the touring party on their wonderful achievement, and may I at the same time thank members of the Association who are not participating on the trip but assisted with fund raising, for their efforts really show what our Association is all about.

From the whole Associations viewpoint, we have had a very successful social year. All functions have been well attended, and this is particularly encouraging, considering the large amount of fund raising activities by The Overseas Touring Party. The social side of umpiring

is a very important one and its success from the Association viewpoint is dependent on the support provided by you the members. May I plea to all members, to once again give your Association your full support in 1979, for this will ensure added strength, which in turn will mean that we can only prosper and go on to bigger and better things for all umpires.

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

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Throughout 1978 our Association has once again been capably and expertly guided by our esteemed President, Ross Capes. Ross has now held the helm for five very successful seasons. During this time our Association has made tremendous progress, and this can be only attributed to Ross: Through his dedication to the Association and umpiring. He continues to be a very fine ambassador for our Association, through his travels where ever Australian Football is played throughout Australia. At the same time, he has continued to rank as one of our States top unpires, both at interstate and home. Later in the Annual General Meeting tonight, you the members will have the opportunity to confer on Ross a reward he so richly deserves for his efforts May I then at this time extend to Ross on behalf of to our Association. all Members our sincere thanks and appreciation to Ross for his untiring efforts, and may I say that its great to see him returned unopposed once again in 1979, when he will equal the longest standing term of any President of our Association. My own personal thanks are also extended to Ross for his assistance and counselling throughout the past season.

To our Two Vice Presidents - John Devine and John McKay thank you both for your contributions in 1978. John Devine as our Senior Vice President took charge of the Social Committee, and the success of the social year must stem from the very astute leadership provided. He was able to bring new ideas into the social scene, and undoubtedly our Association benefited John has also been the chief mover behind our Associations greatly from them. At the moment our plans have been stopped by a technical hitch, Incorporation. but John assures me that once this is overcome, we will be an Incorporated Body. John McKay as our Junior Vice President, likewise has left no stone unturned for the benefit of the Association. As our Public Relations man he has continually promoted the Association for our new and old members. He has fulfilled the role to the satisfaction of all; and may I say that our Association is fortunate in having two great stalwarts in the two Johns.

Financially our Association has been in the very capable hands of our popular Treasurer David Aslett. Through his astute planning and budgeting our Association has once again enjoyed a great year. Not only has David assisted the Management and Social Committees, he has acted as a signatory for the overseas and interstate trips. All planning by the Management Committee has been made easy by accurate and meticulous summaries of all financial transactions at each meeting, and one can only offer on behalf of all members our sincere thanks to Dave for a job well done.

This year Trevor Cant took over the reigns of Social Secretary. Trevor is a dedicated person who has made sure that all our Social Functions have continued on the successful lines for which we have become familiar over the years. All functions have been well planned and organized, and Trevor is to be congratulated for his fine contribution to our Association in his first year as Social Secretary. To The Management Committee - as always a very dedicated bunch of fellows The attendance at the who have really had The Association at heart. All matters tabled have Management Committee meetings has been excellent. been discussed constructively and in the best interests of The Association To our retiring Committeemen - Brian Haigh; Terry Neilson and umpiring. and Dick Stubberfield - The first committeemen on our Association to serve the newly introduced two year term - Thanks for your efforts and contributions. Brian and Dick are seeking re-election for a further two year term, we wish Terry on the other hand has decided to call it a day. them well. This brings to an end a great era for our Association. Terry has always held The Association foremost in his thoughts - a fine ambassador; a Tireless worker, a dedicated and loyal member, who will certainly leave a large Well done Terry. hole to fill.

To our remaining Committeemen - Lindsay Baguley; Geoffrey Tipping and Barry Johnson thank you for your support and assistance during the past season.

The Deputation Committee Members - Chairman Dick Stubberfield; Lindsay Baguley; Peter Troode and Peter Pustkuchen, have prepared the 1978 submission for presentation to the WANFL. Many hours and thought went into the submission, and one can only hope that the WANFL Directors will once again view our requests sympathetically.

A special Sub Committee was also formed to look into Contract Work carried out by our Association. The findings of the Committee - Chairman Ross Capes; Lindsay Baguley; John Devine; Barry Davies and Don Wakenshaw will be tabled for your consideration and deliberation later tonight. Thanks are also extended to this committee for their efforts.

A special mention here to the wives of the committee for their understanding and patience for neglecting our homely chores through a call to Association duties and meetings. Your kind co-operation and assistance has been surely appreciated.

UMPIRES APPOINTMENT BOARD

Once again our Umpires Appointment Board has had an exacting year. Like all selection committees they have had considerable criticism levelled at them. However, those concerned have accepted the challenge, and I feel that even with criticisms from Clubs and the Press their decisions have been the right ones. Likewise, within our own Members the Umpires Appointment Board is always open to criticism. The important thing is whether the individual umpire is big enough in himself to accept the Board's decision. This is what umpiring is all about. Fortunately, and I commend our members for it, that the Umpires Appointment Board decisions are generally well received.

Once again this year The Umpires Appointment Board was led by League Vice President Mr. Brian Purslowe. The other members were Mr. Ray Scott; Mr. Ned Martino and Mr. Max Pinner. The new member this year being Max Pinner. Max has been observing and reporting on umpires for twelve years, and thus brought to the Board a great deal of experience in his observations on umpires.

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If one can level constructive criticism towards the Board, it must be the Field Umpiring appointments in The Colts competition. As I have mentioned before, that when an umpire is brought into Colts he should be fairly well equipped for umpiring. This is not the time and place to

learn the basic techniques of umpiring. The Umpires Appointment Board have had an excellent grounding area for prospective City Umpires this season with the Ex Scholars Competition. This then could become the proving ground for new umpires, and once they measure up they could then be elevated to Colts status. This in turn would then place more pressure on umpires in Reserve Games, and overall would result in a better standard of umpiring throughout the grades.

Once again, The Appointment Board was assisted by a number of Observers who have contributed their comprehensive reports on our officiating umpires, thus assisting in the overall lifting in umpiring standards. At this stage the Association would like to acknowledge the efforts and time put in by Mr. Bill Brown; Mr. George Hall; Mr. Graham Ashworth; Mr. Terry Neilson and Mr. John Islip.

UMPIRES ADVISER

Our new Life Member, Mr. Ray Scott continued his important role as Umpires Adviser again this season. Ray's devotion and dedication to his umpires and umpiring, have assured all of a successful season, in a very difficult assignment. His full appreciation of both the umpiring and playing facets of the game have been a great help to all umpires. Once again, Ray has been able to keep adverse criticism of umpires out of the press, and this is another factor which has contributed to the successful season. Ray's deputy has again been Ned Martino, and on behalf of all panel members may we record our congratulations to both gentlemen for their many hours of untiring duty in the promotion and improvement of umpiring in our State during the past season.

UMPIRES TRAINING SUPERVISOR

Training this year has once again been supervised by Ned Martino. At all times, Ned has approached his job in a most enthusiastic manner.

The year itself has been a disrupted one with our usual training venue at the WACA not being available to us this season. This has meant training at Haig or Langley Park. These venues are certainly not up to the standard of the WACA; but to the credit of all umpires, they have accepted the challenge and trained well in the difficult circumstances.

Once again attendance throughout the season has been excellent. This has ensured all umpires being fully fit for all their appointments, whether in Perth or in the country.

POINT PERON TRAINING CAMP

Our tenth annual pre season training camp at Point Peron was once again a resounding success. As we have become accustomed to over the years, this success undoubtedly stems from the very professional approach taken by our popular Camp Commander Hal Symons. Once again our praises go to Hal for excellent administration, organisation, planning and understanding which made it such a successful weekend for all concerned.

As usual, our stomachs were well catered for by the excellent cooking of the umpires friend Vinka Cukela. Thanks again Vinka, your efforts for all concerned were truly appreciated.

The experiment of bringing the camp forward a couple of weeks was undoubtedly a success. While cricket still drew some umpires back to Perth, the weekend certainly didn't clash with any scratch matches.

COUNTRY FOOTBALL

The past season has once again been a difficult one for obtaining adequate numbers for country appointments. Once again many umpires have been faced with double headers and full weekends away from home, wives and families, which does nothing for ones popularity. With Country Leagues now showing interest in the "Two Umpire System" the problem could become even greater in the future. It is one the WANFL must watch very carefully before making commitments for the 1979 season.

Probably the biggest innovation for the season was the introduction of plane travel for umpiring appointments in Albany. This certainly made light work of the 500 mile road journey. Leaving Perth at 11.a.m. and back home by 8.p.m. was truly fantastic. Costs of plane travel are certainly greater, but I feel that it is certainly the answer to some of our distant umpiring appointments.

Once again our relationships with our Country friends has been fairly good. Few problems were experienced and overall all umpires carried out their tasks in a most efficient and workmanlike manner. Our Association once again supplied umpires to fourteen country leagues on a regular basis each week. It was encouraging to see a number of country leagues endeavouring to lift their own standard of umpiring by supplying at least one umpire to officiate in their "A" grade fixtures each week. Certainly this is a step in the right direction.

Umpiring fees were again increased in 1978. Also we saw the introduction of an evening meal for Leagues beyond the 150 mile radius from Perth.

These are definite gains for our Association, but when one hears of umpires abusing such privileges, one wonders whether all the work and negotiation is worthwhile. Please remember meals are for umpires - not wives or friends.

We still face problems with country umpiring. May I again draw your attention to some thoughts which have some merit in overcoming some of these problems. Certainly the answer is not in any one item, but they all have some benefits:-

- (a) Reduction in the number of country leagues being served.
- (b) Greater recruitment.
- (c) Further fee increases.
- (d) Introduction of near city leagues onto the country roster.
- (e) Service bonus.
- (f) Plane travel.

If you have any ideas, please bring them to my attention. Any thoughts on making our task more attractive will certainly be appreciated.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The recommendations of the Management Committee will be presented for your approval during the Annual General Meeting.

FINANCE

Our Association has once again been able to keep the Members subscription fees the same as last season. Costs for most functions have risen but fortunately our Treasurer has been able to balance his books and most attendance costs for functions remained the same as 1977. However, through it all, our Treasurer Dave Aslett has budgeted us well and we have concluded another year on a successful financial note.

The increasing cost of the Grand Final Dinner Dances has been of some concern to the older members of our Association. When the Grand Final Dinner Dance was first introduced to the Social Calendar, it was planned to be an almost free night for members. Unfortunately, over the years, we have seen continual cost rises. This is understandable through inflation, but I feel that its high time our Association looked at possible avenues for reducing the costs. Even by using some of the Associations share of the Security Money. Personally I think members are entitled to that little bit extra.

As mentioned previously our Associations fund raising has probably felt the pinch of Trip Fund Raising again this year. Our members must be congratulated for their great support for both the Trip and Association functions.

As we are all aware, our Association's Trip Fund Raising ceased at the end of September. In their wisdom, The Management Committee decided to carry on with all Contract Work, with a decision to be made at the Annual General Meeting as to how the funds should be used. I think that if this Contract Work is going to be successful, Members must be given an incentive for which to strive. Whether, we decide on another trip or establishing our own headquarters is immaterial - our members need a definite project, and this must be decided at the Annual General Meeting otherwise our Contract Work will suffer.

The full financial report presented by our Treasurer appears elsewhere in this report for your information.

UMPIRES TRAINERS

This season our Training Staff have been supervised by Albie Scholten. All training duties have been well attended to; and game rosters adhered to. It is always difficult for a person to come into a job, which has been managed efficiently and well over many years by his predecessor. To Albie's credit, he was able to fit in well and be accepted by the members, and as such all work was carried out to the best of his ability. To his partners in crime. - Rick Kirkby; Lester Morris; Denis Bandy and Paul Weilmac, may we record our thanks and appreciation for the many hours of devoted duty given to our members throughout the past season.

It was disappointing to note the non attendance of training staff at very important games late in the season. I feel this lets the team down, and it is something that just should not happen.

Costs of medical gear showed a significant increase this season. This again may be attributed to depleted supplies and rising costs.

May we once again acknowledge the kind donation from the WANFL to assist us in subsidizing our Training Staff.

UMPIRES ADVOCATES

Our Umpires Advocates at Protest and Disputes Tribunal Hearings have experienced another very busy year, with their services being required right throughout the season. On the whole Tribunal Hearings were conducted on Monday evenings throughout the season, but some versatility was required late in the year. On behalf of all members, may we record our sincere thanks and appreciation to - Brian Collett; John Dolling; Len Hurley; Ray Montgomery and John Smith-Gander. Any umpire who had cause to call upon these gentlemen was well cared for by the excellent service offered. All cases were presented and handled in a most efficient and praiseworthy manner.

A number of umpires during the season have voiced their disapproval at the leniency of Tribunal decisions. In this respect, I can only support our Umpires Adviser who has clearly stressed that Tribunal decisions are no consequence of ours. Unfortunately in days to come when voilence does occur it will be the umpires fault not the Tribunals. As always our members will be bigger enough to take it.

SOCIALLY

Once again in 1978, our Members have been treated to excellent social functions. All shows have been fairly well supported by the members, and in practically all cases they have been financial successes as well. Whether this is always necessary is debatable, for I feel that every Association must be prepared to give something back to its members.

As I have mentioned in previous years - umpiring is a very demanding occupation, and it is through our Social Functions that we are able to relax and enjoy ourselves, and establish and develop greater comradeship, which in turn must be of only greater benefit for making our Association bigger and better for all concerned.

The Social Committee kept the number of Social Functions down this year so as to not over burden members who were also engaged with Trip Functions. Nights included - Barbecue Night at Ray Hartlands; Night at the Races; Cabaret at South Fremantle Football Club; Quiz Night; Grand Final Dinner and Dance and Players Teas. This provided all members with plenty of variety and an opportunity to enjoy themselves.

Once again, a big thank you must go to the Ladies Committee who were responsible for the catering at our Players Teas. As always the food, quality and quantity was top class, which was a real tremendous effort. On behalf of all members, may we record a big thank you to all ladies who assisted - your efforts were surely appreciated.

In closing this section of the report may I pay a special tribute to the entire social committee - John Devine (Chairman); Trevor Cant (Social Secretary); Dave Aslett; Ray Hartree; Alan Mirabella; Michael Ball; Ray Hartland and Kevin Frazer, for a fine contribution in 1978.

A number of members have mentioned that its high time our Association held an Annual Ball again. Probably this is a great idea, but may I just strike a word of warning by saying such functions are very expensive to run, and their success is very dependent on members support. Anyway it is a suggestion for the new Social Committee.

Thus as always, my plea is for you the members to get behind the new Social Committee in 1979 and give our Social Functions your full support. The Social Committee Report appears elsewhere.

APPRECIATION IN 1978

The WANFL Umpires Association acknowledges with pleasure, the efforts of the following during the past season:-

LIFE MEMBERS - for the kind donation of their trophy to Lindsay Baguley for his outstanding contribution to Association affairs during the past year.

RAY MONIGOMERY - for once again providing his services for all our printing requirements on our Association Certificates.

ROSS CAPES - a true ambassador for our Association. His excellent leadership and guidance have assured our Association of moving from success to success.

DAVE ASLETT - has continued to keep a tight reign on all Association finances. His comprehensive financial reports to the Management Committee are of tremendous value in all planning ventures.

JOHN McKAY - for his efforts in promoting the Association to our members as our Public Relations Officer.

TED BRUNTON - for guidance; and as our honorary auditor.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - for many hours of deliberation and assistance, enabling our Association to once again complete a very successful year administratively.

HAL SYMONS - our Camp Commandant for his efforts in ensuring all members another successful and enjoyable weekend at Point Peron.

ALBIE SCHOLTEN AND HIS TRAINING STAFF - for your time and efforts in caring for our members in need of attention.

ROY ABBOTT AND STAFF AT W.A.C.A. - although we were unable to use the WACA Ground for training this year, we were permitted to use all other facilities, and we thank all concerned for their kind co-operation in this respect.

ADVOCATES - for the excellent and ready assistance rendered throughout the season.

PETER BOWLER AND THE LEAGUE DIRECTORS - once again we thank Mr. Peter Bowler and the League Directors for listening sympathetically to our requests and assisting us where possible. We are once again eagerly looking forward to another Deputation Meeting in the very near future.

NEIL JUDGE - Thanks again Neil for your assistance and help once again in 1978 from Secretary to Secretary.

DAVE JOHNSON - our new propertyman who has settled in well to this very important position.

JOE FITZGERALD - our honorary solicitor, who has willingly and obligingly assisted us with his expert advise whenever called upon during the season.

DICK AND ROSE STUBBERFIELD - for assisting with the preparation and mailing of all voting materials for our Annual Election.

TERRY NEILSON - our retiring committeeman for his services as a fine umpire and a dedicated member of our Association over many years.

DAVID ROWE - for his efforts with the Unbelieveable.

To all those members who have contributed to another successful year for our Association, but haven't been recognised in our honours list, may we record with gratitude a very big thank you.

CONCLUSION

Thus as I look back over 1978, in concluding my Ninth Association Annual Report; it is great to see another great year for umpires and our great

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Association. It is terrific to reflect over the years how much our Association has grown; and what a big business it has become. A few short years ago we were dealing with hundreds of dollars - now it is tens However, may I assure all, there is a lot more in an of thousands. Association than just money, and I feel sure all members can be really proud of the business way our Association is functioning. Once again I hope my contribution to the Association has been to your satisfaction. Unfortunately I feel that once a person has held the same position for a long period he runs out of ideas and becomes very routine oriented. Ι. feel this is happening to me especially when I look back over the Annual Reports - I hope you will forgive me. However, may I thank you once again for your continued confidence in my ability for yet returning me for another year as Secretary - rest assured I will continue to endeavour to do my best for all concerned.

1979 is now on the horizon. Sponsorship and Incorporation are very important issues which must be foremost in the Management Committees planning for the new season. Likewise there are many other improvements and gains for which we must strive, so I can assure all that 1979 will be as busy as ever.

I note in the nominations for the Management Committee that all the Senior Executive have been returned unopposed for a further term. There are seven members contesting the three vacancies on the Committee. While this undoubtedly reflects your confidence in the Management Committee's handling of Association affairs, I feel that it sometimes allows for some complacency to step in. Let me assure all members, this is not meant as a criticism of our present Committee, on the contrary these fellows have given excellent service, but I feel that if you the members apply pressure on our Committee, it will make us work that little bit harder. Thus may I take the opportunity of wishing our incoming Committee - good management in 1979.

As always in presenting a comprehensive report of this nature, one will always overlook some important thank you or feature - may I assure one and all that such an omission has been completely unintentional. Please accept my humble apologies.

Undoubtedly, 1978 will mean the end of an umpiring era for certain of our members. To those of you hanging up your boots, may I on behalf of the Association thank you for your services and contributions over the years and may we wish you well in your retirement. To these fellows, remember, you are always welcome as Social Members of our Association. To those of you with a few miles still in your boots - see you on the track in 79.

In closing - To all members, your wives and families on behalf of Della, Jay and myself - may we wish you the very best for the coming festive season, and may the New Year be both prosperous and rewarding for you all.

> PETER PUSTKUCHEN Secretary

BOUNDARY UMPIRES

To be a successful boundary umpire, a person must possess four important qualities. They are :-

- A the ability to run over a distance of up to 15 miles without unduly distressing the body,
- B the ability to be able to sprint,
- C the ability to be able to read the play, and
- D unlimited enthusiasm

To have any one of these abilities without the others is not good enough.

I have enlarged on these qualities as follows:-

- A You must have a certain amount of natural running ability. This ability will be improved by regular and constant training. You must be prepared to put in at least 3 one hour running sessions per week. Supervised training takes place twice a week but if you wish to reach league standard and stay there then one extra session on your own is a must.
- B Included in these training sessions will be sprint work over distances from 40 metres to 200 metres. This is necessary so that the ball can be relayed to field umpires as quickly as possible after goals have been scored and so that you can cover varying distances around the ground as smartly as is required.

Physical fitness is measured not only by your ability to run but by your capacity to recover quickly from an exertion. Fitness in boundary umpires should be such that you are able to run just as strongly in the last quarter as you were able to do in the first quarter. This is relatively easy to do in the winter months but can be very difficult during the hot weather of March and April when football sides seem to move the ball around the ground with blinding speed.

- C Combined with the two qualities mentioned so far must be an ability to read the play. It is well and good to be able to run fast but a football kicked by a footballer will always beat the fastest runner. Multiply the times a football is kicked in a passage of play, from one end of the ground to the other and then maybe back again, no human would be able to keep up. Therefore it is essential to be able to read the play so that you can be in the right position at the right time. The ability to concentrate is of paramount importance.
- D Possession of all these requirements so far would be all to no avail if you did not have enthusiasm. Enthusiasm to want to run, enthusiasm to overcome the pain barrier and the enthusiasm to hit back after being trodden on. If you are desperately keen to be a top league boundary umpire your enthusiasm must be strong enough to withstand the many disappointments which are ever present in any sport where participation depends, in the final analysis, on a selection committee.

In conclusion, boundary umpiring is hard work, but providing your attitude is right it can give a very satisfying feeling to those who master it, as well as all the side benefits such as good health and the comradeship of other umpires.

P. Cunningham

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SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Well the first year of my service as social secretary has come to a conlcusion and I would firstly like to thank John Devine for helping me get this far. Without John's guidance and assistance 1978 would have been a non-event.

My sincere thanks are also extended to our Treasurer, Dave Aslett, without whose advice regarding our financial standing, I can assure everyone that our social functions would have been a great deal more expensive. Also, Dave was always one of the first to offer his services in the organisation of all our functions.

To the rest of the social committee, Ray Hartland, Kevin Frazer, Alan Mirabella, Ray Hartree, Mick Ball thanks for all your help during what, in my opinion, was a very successful social season.

Words fail me when it comes to thanking the ladies who helped cater for our Umpire Teas. All I can say on behalf of our members is a great big THANK YOU.

I would also like to acknowledge our many donors and helpers at the functions held, namely the Xmas Tree, the Barbecue at the Hartlands, our night at the Races, the Cabaret at South Fremantle Football Club (I never thought we would get there), the Quiz Night and finally our Grand Final Dinner and Dance. The last function was an indication of the increased attendance at our social functions and I hope the trend is carried over into 1979.

Finally I would like to thank my wife, Muriel, for putting up with me during the past year and I look forward to serving our association during 1979, the year of our 150th Birthday Celebrations. Any suggestions for social outings will be greatly appreciated.

> T. Cant. Social Secretary

1978 OVERSEAS TRIP

Well, after two years it is finally happening ; the Association's Second Overseas Tour. And what a great show it will be. Following on from the 1976 Tour to Hong Kong and Thailand we leave on 6th October for another 16 full day tour of South East Asia including 6 days in Penang and 8 in Hong Kong.

All in all, the members of the Association have worked magnificently to raise a mammoth total of \$55,725 from a variety of activities and this was enough to take the whole tour party (including wives and girl friends) away <u>COMPLETELY FREE</u> - an incredible feat in itself and one which far surpassed our expectations at the commencement of the 1977

Season when the idea of the trip first arose.' Congratulations to everybody concerned. You all deserve a wonderful holiday abroad to reap the reward of your fine efforts over the last two years.

There are just too many "Thank you's" to record in this short note, but to everybody who assisted us in any way to promote the Second Overseas Tour, and especially to all those who have supported our functions over the past two seasons we put our hearts out to you. Without you all, the Tour would have been an impossibility, and the 39 Umpires together with their wives and friends who comprise the 71 strong tour party are deeply indebted to you all.

The only disappointing feature of the last two years is that not everybody in the Association is able to join us and be part of the tour group. But don't despair! The idea of tours is with us to stay and if the current feeling continues, we should all have a chance to organise another trip in the near future.

Let's hope so. But for the moment the current tour party is proudly representing the Umpires' Association abroad and we will be thinking of you all.

Thank you again everybody.

LINDSAY BAGULEY (TOUR MANAGER)

LEAGUE GAMES BY MEMBERS

The following are the number of League Games from official WANFL records at which our Members (1978) have officiated.

FIELD UMPIRES		NO. OF SEASONS	LEAGUE GAMES 1978	TOTAL LEAGUE GAMES
Lindsay BAGULEY	1973	6	9	27
Michael BALL	1973	6	6	23
Ron BUCKEY	1973	6	25	95
Ross CAPES	1967	12	26	175
Ray CHINNERY	1976	3	12	12
Terry DORRINGTON	1968	7	~	3
Darryl GILLIES	1974	5	18	64
Brian HEARNE	1970	9	4	23
Tony HOLLAND	1964	15	-	3
Ron McBRIDE	1969	6	3	10
John MORRIS	1972	7	15	55
Bob PHILLIPS	1967	11	23	93
Ron POWELL	1970	9 '	22	112
David ROWE	1975	4	16	31
Peter SNOW	1965	12	2	4
Dick STUBBERFIELD	1966	13	-	4
Peter TROODE	1974	5	2	5

BOUNDARY UMPIRES	•	YEAR OF ENTRY	NO. OF SEASONS	LEAGUE GAMES	TOTAL LEAGUE GAMES
David ASLETT Gil BISHOP Garry BRANCHE Phil CUNNINGHAM Robin DALBY Graham DANIEL John DEVINE Barry GRIMMOND Kevin HOLLAND Barry JOHNSON Greg McDONALD Russell MILLER Brian MOONEY Max SCHNEIDER Greg SOLIN Garry WOODHOUSE	ē	1973 1971 1978 1970 1972 1972 1966 1973 1976 1976 1977 1977 1977 1974 1977 1969 1975	6 8 1 9 7 6 12 6 3 3 2 2 5 2 10 4	22 12 1 18 24 5 7 6 10 14 3 - 22 17 21	114 59 1 135 66 42 153/ 30 6 1/5 14 3 10 22 98 59
GOAL UMPIRES					
Roy BECKER Trevor CANT Lester COX Ken CROSS Brian FEWSTER Brian HAIGH Ray HARTLAND Ray HARTREE Max HALE Bob LEE Doug LEICESTER Les LEICESTER John McKAY Jim ROBBINS	-	1974 1970 1977 1970 1973 1973 1973 1970 1974 1968 1971 1976 1975 1970 1960	5 9 2 9 6 6 8 5 11 8 3 4 9 17	17 11 8 17 8 24 20 - 14 19 14 10 18 2	68 69 8 120 47 103 93 3 144 73 24 11 140 88

W.A.N.F.L. GRAND FINAL UMPIRES 1978

	FIELD	BOUNDARY	GOAL
LEAGUE	Ron BUCKEY	Robin DALBY	Roy BECKER
	Ross CAPES	David ASLETT	Brian HAIGH
RESERVES	Ron POWELL	Garry WOODHOUSE	Max HALE 🧖
	John MORRIS	Greg McDONALD	Ray HARTLAND
COLTS	Michael BALL	Gil BISHOP Graham DANIEL	Doug LEICESTER John McKAY

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STATE OF ORIGIN GAME

SUBIACO OVAL - SATURDAY, 7TH OCTOBER 1978.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA V VICTORIA

FIELD

Ron BUCKEY Bill DELLER (Victoria)

BOUNDARY

Robin DALBY

GOAL

Roy BECKER Brian HAIGH

COUNTRY GRAND FINALS - 1978

"A" GRADE

LEAGUE AVON	FIELD Ron POWELL	BOUNDARY	<u>GOAL</u> Bob LEE
CARNARVON/GASCOYNE	Peter PUSTKUCHEN		Max HALE
CENTRAL GREAT SOUTHERN	Peter SNOW	0	
CENTRAL MIDLANDS	Dick STUBBERFIELD		
CENTRAL WHEATBELT	Graham FOGARTY	8	
EASTERN DISTRICTS	Peter TROODE		
ESPERANCE	Richard AUSTIN		
EX-SCHOLARS	David ROWE	Barry JOHNSON John GRIFFITHS	Bob LEE Ray HARTREE
GOLDFIELDS *	Ray CHINNERY Goldfields Umpire		
GREAT NORTHERN	Darryl GILLIES		
HIGH SCHOOLS	Bob CLARK		
LAKE GRACE/KULIN	Brian HEARNE		19
LOWER SOUTH WEST	Brian HEARNE	12	
MORTLOCK	Milton PARRY	Garry BRANCHE Robin DALBY	Len HARDINGHAM Bill McKUNE
MURRAY	John MORRIS	Kevin HOLLAND	Roy BECKER

Les LEICESTER

Barry JOHNSON

NEWMAN	* Peter ZAIKOS Tony HOLLAND	× 1	
NORTH MIDLANDS	Peter ZAIKOS	Gil BISHOP Barry GRIMMOND	Ken CROSS Jim ROBBINS
ONGERUP	Paul WEDD		
SERVICES (Mid Week) Ray CHINNERY		
SOUTHERN DISTRICTS	Tony HOLLAND		
SOUTH WEST	Michael BALL		
UPPER GREAT SOUTHE	RN Ron McBRIDE	2	
* Two Umpire Syste	m.		
	"B" GRADE		
AVON			Bob LEE Max HALE
CENTRAL WHEATBELT	Reg SALIS		
LAKE GRACE/KULIN	Henry MICHAEL		Θ

MORTLOCK	Ross GRAFFIN	David JOHNSON Barry JOHNSON	Len HAR Bill Mc
NORTH MIDLANDS	Paul WEDD	×	Ken CRO

CONGRATULATIONS 1978

FIRST LEAGUE GAMES

FIELD Ray CHINNERY

BOUNDARY

Garry BRANCHE Kevin HOLLAND Greg McDONALD Russell MILLER Max SCHNEIDER

GOAL Lester COX

INTER STATE UMPIRES

Victoria V. Western Australia - Melbourne 10/6/1978 - Ross CAPES

South Australia V. Western Australia - Adelaide 17/7/1978 - Ross CAPES

RDINGHAM CKUNE

OSS Jim ROBBINS

N.F.L. GAMES

Perth V.	West Adelaide - Subiaco 25/4/1978
Field -	Ron POWELL ; Bob PHILLIPS
Boundary	- David ASLETT ; Robin DALBY
Goals	- Ken CROSS ; Ray HARTLAND
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Perth ['] V.	Norwood - Subiaco 13/6/1978
Field	- Ron BUCKEY ; Darryl GILLIES
Boundary	- Phil CUNNINGHAM ; Max SCHNEIDER
Goals	- Les LEICESTER ; Brian HAIGH

MILESTONES IN UMPIRING - LEAGUE

FIELD -	Ross CAPES	150 Games
	Ron POWELL	100 Games
	Darryl GILLIES	50 Games
	John MORRIS	50 Games
BOUNDARY -	John DEVINE	150 Games
	David ASLETT	100 Games
	Gil BISHOP Robin DALBY Garry WOODHOUSE	50 Games 50 Games 50 Games
GOAL -	Brian HAIGH	100 Games

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MOST IMPROVED UMPIRES

FIELD	-	Ray CHINNERY
BOUNDARY	-	Greg McDONALD
GOAL	-	Len HARDINGHAM

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GRAND FINAL UMPIRES SINCE 1953

Date	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
1970	R. Montgomery	D. Clair C. Feutrill	W. Carter G. Hall

GRAND FINAL UMPIRES contd.

Date	Field	Boundary	Goal
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
1976*	R. Capes R. Powell	D. Wakenshaw D. Aslett	B. Collett J. McKay
1977*	R. Capes R. Powell	D. Wakenshaw D. Aslett	R. Becker J. McKay
1978*	R. Buckey R. Capes	R. Dalby D. Aslett	R. Becker B. Haigh

* Two Umpire System

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6TH OCTOBER 1978

CURRENT ACCOUNT'

RECEIPTS

PAYMENTS

Opening Balance	2738.22	Honoraria	
Transferred ex Reserve A/C	5700 00	D. Durathurahara	250 00
(5.10.77)	5700.00	P. Pustkuchen	350.00
Subscriptions	1850.00	D. Aslett	125.00
Trainers Subsidy Raffles Door	610.00	T. Cant	125.00
Raffles Book	280.50 733.80	Social Activition	
Association Ties (Gold)	22.80	Social Activities	
Association Ties (Black)	4.00	Okker Night	390.61
Pocket Badges	159.00	Players Teas	933.64
Lapel Badges	11.25	Night at Races	750.01
Cuff Links	10.50	Cabaret (S.F.C)	140.00
Central Wheat Belt F'Ball League		Grand Final Dinner & Dance	3616.44
Adelaide Trip Contributions &	111.50	Quiz Night	17.18
Bond	199.00	Christmas Tree 1977	134.66
Trainers Supplies	43.75	W.P.F.C. Football Match	30.00
Trainers Refund	200.00	Presentations	240.95
Affiliation Fee (Timekeepers)	2.00	Ladies Basketball Team	120.00
Donations	70.00	Interstate Umpires	34.00
Bank Interest	45.25	Finals Entertainment	21.20
Point Peron 1979 (WANFL)	191.78	Emblems & Ties	140.00
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Social Activities		Adelaide Trip	929.65
		Adelaide Trip Air Tickets	7310.00
Okker Night	475.54	Match Payments	111.50
Players Teas	984.10		
Night at Races	1133.95	Training Activities	
Cabaret (S.F.F.C)	167.00		
Grand Final Dinner Dance	1786.00	Point Peron Camp	566.91
Quiz Night	100.00	Point Peron Camp 1979	211.78
Christmas Tree 1977	94.70	Squash, Hygiene & Trainers Req.	728.24
Grand Final Breakfast 1977	180.00	New Exercise Bike	133.24
		Trainers Fees	1135.00
Training Activities		Golf Donation (77 & 78)	50.00
Point Peron Camp	478.26	Administration	
Transfer Ex Reserve A/C 6.10.78	1500.00	Printing & Stationery	279.14
		Postal, Telephone & Telegrams	163.80
		Advertising	11.28
		Bank Charges	8.00
		N.F.L.U.A. (Meetings)	317.00
		Public Liabilities Policy	142.00
		Life Members	46.00
		Sports Equipment to Mission	80.00
		A.N.F.L.U.A. (Affiliation Fee)	20.00
		Floral Wreath	15.00
		Committee Entertainment	94.80
		Cash at Bank	60.87
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	R	ESERVE ACCOUNT		
Opening Balance Interest Concert Hall Monies	7054.40 272.34 732.60		Transfer to Working Account Balance	7200.00 859.34
	\$8059.34	ONCERT ACCOUNT	· .	\$8059.34
		UNCERT ACCOUNT		
Opening Balance Concert Hall Income Interest	507.95 9533.10 82.14 \$10123.19		Reserve Account Overseas Fund Balance	732.60 9155.75 234.84 \$10123.19
		SUMMARY		
	Balance of W Balance Rese Concert Hall		60.87 859.34 248.27	
			\$1168.48	
IN ADDITION THE ASSOCIATION OWNS			SPORTS EQUIPMENT	
1 Typewriter purchased 1974 1 " " 1976 1 Refrigerator " 1974 1 Temprite " 1975 13 Cuff Links @ \$3.50 41 Pocket Badges @ \$3.00 47 Association Ties @ \$5.70 23 Goal Umpires Ties @ \$4.00	25.00 70.00 20.00 40.00 45.50 123.00 267.90 92.00		 Volley Ball Nets " " Stands " " Balls Cricket Bats Set of Wickets Set of Aluminium Batons Brass Air Pumps Basketballs 	
3 Rub Down Tables (1977) 1 Metal Locker (1977) 1 Exercise Bike (1978)	92.00 160.00 62.00 133.00		6 Tennis Balls 6 Medicine Balls 13 Footballs 3 Stop Watches	
			1 Set of Coits	300.00

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AUDITORS 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 affairs.

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

TREASURERS REPORT

Gentlemen,

Our achievements over the last 12 months have been reasonably gratifying although an increase of payments in some departments has placed a considerable burden on our overall results.

I feel that although the social functions have been relatively successful we still need additional support from all members to make the efforts of our social committee a real success.

Extra burden on the association funds to cover the increasing costs has resulted in a decrease in funds from \$1807.97 to \$1168.48, this reduction can be attributed to the increased cost of our Grand Final Dinner and Dance up \$516.00 on 1977 and trainers medical supplies up \$375.00 on 1977.

In conclusion I would like to take this opportunity in thanking the management and social committees for their support throughout the 1978 season and look forward to 1979.

Once again thanks members for your contribution to the overall result.

Dave Aslett Treasurer

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