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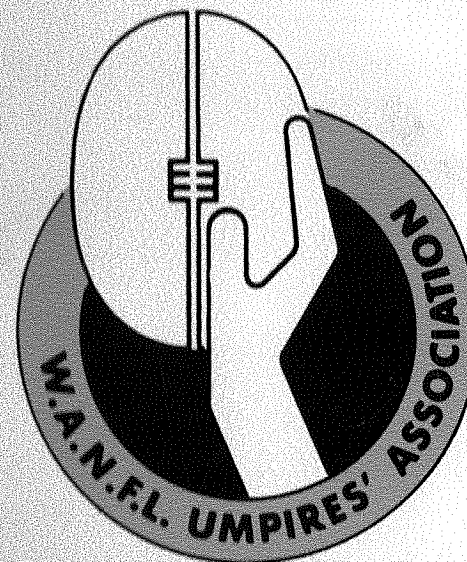
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1986

YEAR BOOK



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Association Office Bearers Since 1954

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Asst. Secretary or Social Secretary
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
1976	R. Capes	P. Pustkuchen	B. Collett	D. Wakenshaw
1977	R. Capes	P. Pustkuchen	D. Aslett	D. Wakenshaw
1978	R. Capes	P. Pustkuchen	D. Aslett	T. Cant
1979	R. Capes	P. Pustkuchen	D. Aslett	T. Cant
1980	J. Devine	P. Pustkuchen	K. Holland	A. Mirabella
1981	J. Devine	D. McComish	K. Holland	A. Mirabella
1982	J. Devine	D. McComish	K. O'Driscoll	A. Mirabella
1983	J. Morris	D. McComish	R. Hendrie	K. O'Driscoll
1984	J. Morris	B. Appleby	R. Hendrie	D. Green
1985	R. Buckey	R. Graffin	R. Hendrie	B. Grimmond
1986	R. Buckey	R. Graffin	R. Hendrie	G. Palmer

ACTIVE MEMBERS 1986

Field Umpires

George Andrijasevich
Richard Austin
Micheal Ball
Rod Bridge
Peter Britt
Ron Buckey
Neville Buckingham
Jason Buckley
Rob Cantrell
Kevin Castenes
Micheal Clarke
Len Cooper
Graeme Cornell
Peter Dawson
Fred Devine
Russell Fellows
Geoff Ferguson
Warren Forder
Trevor Garrett

Colin Shawcross
Ross Graffin
Byron Hadjimihalakis
Brian Hearne
Glenn Hooper
Dale Hosking
Don Jensen
David Johnson
Peter Karhu
Greg Kelly
Glenn Lee
Frank Lendich
Kevin McCabe
Paul Mannix
John Martin
Henry Michael
Boyan Mihevc
Gary Mort
Basil Musca

Gary Napier
Ken O'Driscoll
Phil O'Reilly
Geoff Palmer
Chris Reed
Trevor Rees
Reg Salis
Colin Shawcross
Greg Sinclair
Mike Schutts
Damian Shanks
John Tomala
Peter Tonti
Grant Vernon
Paul Wedd
Rob Woodward
Ray Zoch

Boundary Umpires

Brian Cobb
Craig Curtis
Denis Davis
Shane Dowsett
Peter Frusher
Trevor Henderson
Neil Hull
Graham Ivery
Stephen Jones
Simon Leunig

Tony Lucas
Jeff McArthur
Darryl McCaw
Greg McDonald
David Metcalfe
Charlie Moylan
Peter Nutchey
Mark Power
Bernard Roberts
Tony Saupold

Clay Shimmon
Cameron Snow
Wayne Sparkes
Greg Taylor
Stewart Tempest
Steve Timmings
Steve Walker
Dom White
Max White

Management Committee Meeting Attendances

NAMES	MEETINGS ATTENDED	APOLOGIES	POSSIBLE
Ron Buckey	10	—	10
Mike Ball	10	—	10
Ross Graffin	10	—	10
Rob Hendrie	10	—	10
Geoff Palmer	10	—	10
Greg Sinclair	9	1	10
Ron Poole	10	—	10
Neville Lewis	9	1	10
Clay Shimmon	7	2	10
Gil Bishop	9	1	10
Bill McKune	9	1	10

Goal Umpires

Gil Bishop
Trevor Cant
Frank Cetinich
Jay Christensen
David Colling
Lester Cox
William Cutler
Robin Dalby
Rob Davis

Garry Drew
Danny Fitzgerald
Peter Hall
John Hauswirth
Rob Hendrie
Colin Hughes
Terry Keating
Neville Lewis
Don McComish

William McKune
Alan Mirabella
Des Morgan
Ron Poole
Colin Raynor
Peter Sherwood
Paul Smith
Richard Stubberfield
Terry Tomlinson
Peter Vincent

League Games By Members

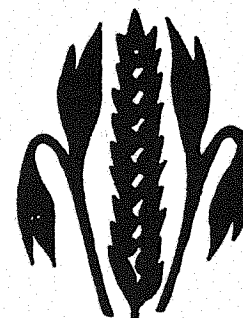
The following are the number of league games from official WAFL records at which our members have officiated.

Field Umpires	Year of entry	No. of seasons	League games 1986	Total league games
Richard Austin	1975	11	2	23
Mike Ball	1973	14	21	179
Ron Buckey	1973	14	19	227
Neville Buckingham	1979	8	8	24
Len Cooper	1980	7	12	19
Fred Devine	1972	15	0	4
Trevor Garrett	1983	4	2	2
Ross Graffin	1977	10	0	32
Brian Hearne	1970	17	5	81
Dave Johnson	1980	7	21	94
Frank Lendich	1974	13	0	27
Paul Mannix	1981	6	2	26
Ken O'Driscoll	1981	6	16	27
Phil O'Reilly	1976	10	22	83
Trevor Rees	1981	5	5	5
Reg Salis	1976	11	12	53
Colin Shawcross	1978	9	4	22
Greg Sinclair	1981	6	2	12
Peter Tonti	1985	2	5	5
Grant Vernon	1985	2	21	24

Boundary Umpires	Year of entry	No. of seasons	league Games 1986	Total League games
Brian Cobb	1980	7	4	4
Craig Curtis	1983	4	21	64
Denis Davis	1980	6	0	55
Peter Frusher	1986	1	1	1
Greg McDonald	1977	10	22	194
Charlie Moylan	1982	4	19	32
Phil Nolan	1982	5	12	50
Peter Nutchey	1979	8	0	11
Mark Power	1982	5	15	61
Clay Shimmon	1982	5	23	83
Stewart Tempest	1981	6	21	62
Steve Timmings	1984	3	15	15
Steve Walker	1979	7	13	57
Dom White	1983	4	12	12
Max White	1977	7	0	8

Goal Umpires	Year of entry	No. of seasons	League games 1986	Total League games
Trevor Cant	1970	17	16	185
Jay Christensen	1984	3	8	12
Dave Colling	1984	3	0	4
Lester Cox	1977	10	20	136
Robin Dalby	1972	15	17	176
Garry Drew	1985	2	4	4
Neville Lewis	1978	9	14	80
Don McComish	1981	6	11	49
Des Morgan	1985	2	2	2
Ron Poole	1979	8	18	72
Colin Raynor	1979	8	18	121
Peter Sherwood	1979	8	7	7
Paul Smith	1981	6	16	53
Richard Stubberfield	1966	21	16	40
Terry Tomlinson	1984	3	11	13

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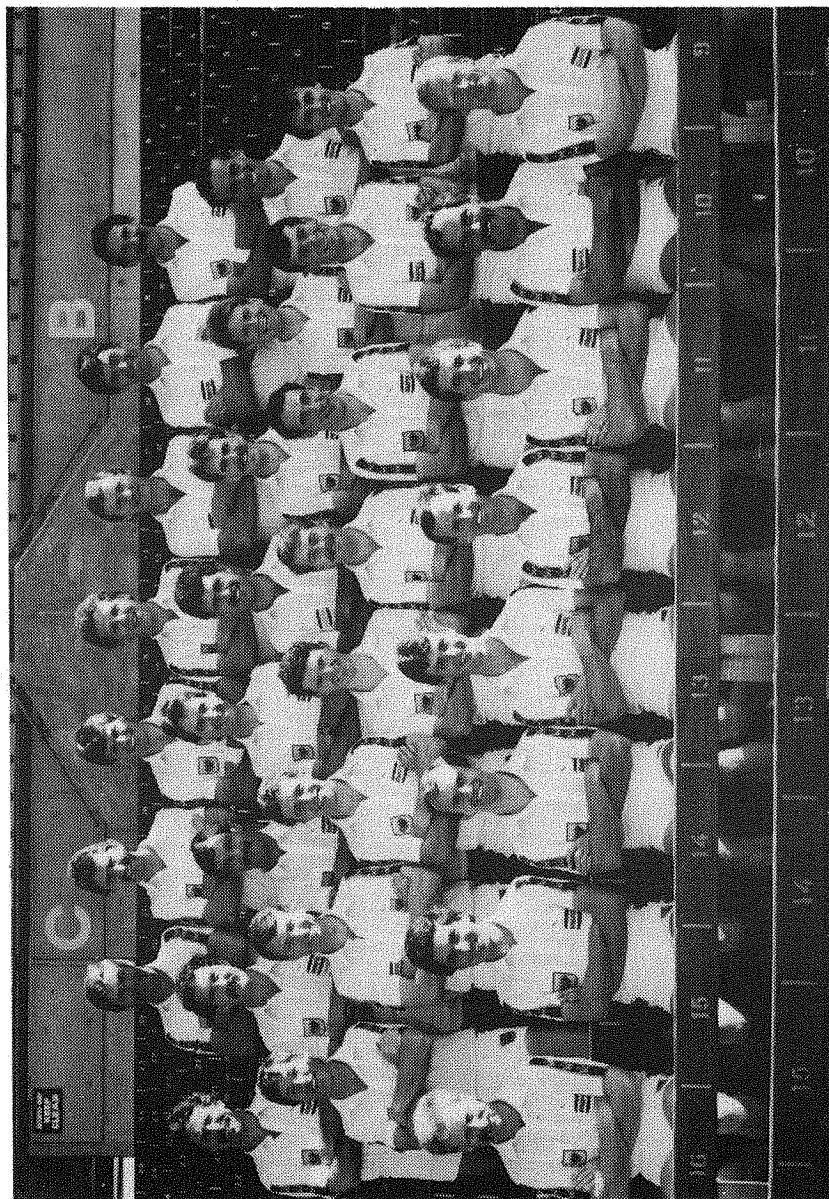
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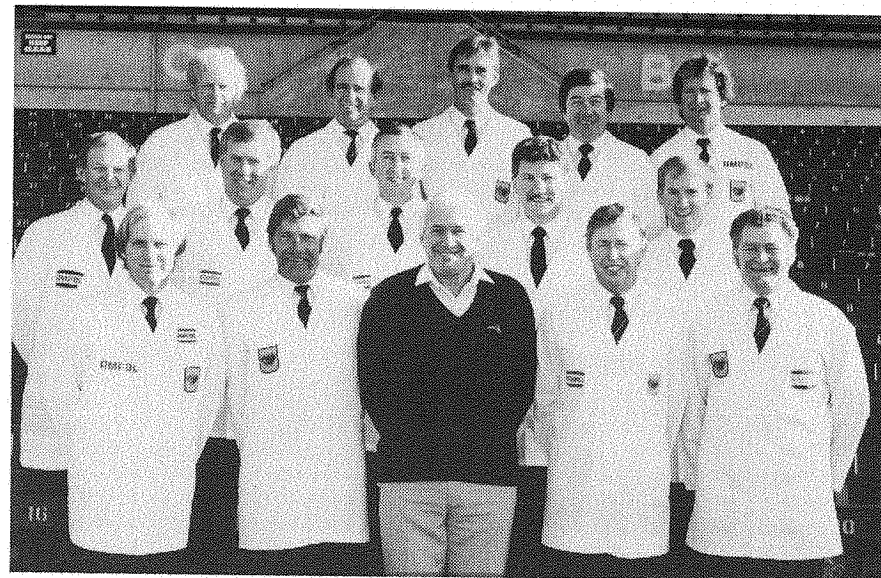
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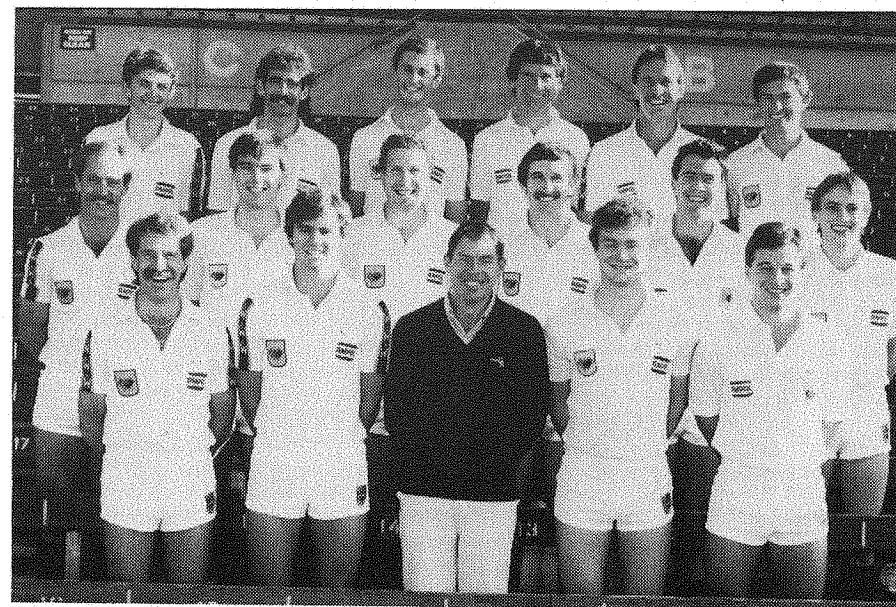
Field Umpires

BR — G. Bishop, R. Cantrell, M. Clarke, G. Palmer, R. Graffin, B. Hearne, R. Zoch.
 3R — K. Castensen, D. Jensen, P. O'Reilly, F. Lendich, B. Hadjimihalakis, K. O'Driscoll, D. Hosking, G. Cornell.
 2R — N. Buckingham, J. Martin, D. Johnson, G. Vernon, G. Ferguson, P. Tonti, K. McCabe, B. Mihevc.
 FR — L. Cooper, B. Musca, F. Devine, T. Garrett, T. Rees, M. Ball, G. Sinclair, P. Wedd.



Goal Umpires

Back L-R — A. Mirrabella, P. Sherwood, J. Hauswirth, T. Cant, J. Christensen.
 Middle — W. Cutler, C. Raynor, R. Poole, F. Cetinich, R. Davis.
 Front — R. Hendrie, G. Bishop, J. McKay (Goal Umpires Coach), N. Lewis, R. Stubberfield.



Boundary Umpires

BR — D. White, C. Curtis, S. Timmings, T. Henderson, T. Lucas, N. Hull.
 MR — P. Frusher, M. Power, D. McCaw, S. Tempest, S. Walker, S. Dowsett.
 FR — B. Cobb, B. Roberts, B. McKenzie (Asst. Boundary Umpires Coach), D. Metcalfe, C. Shimmon.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Fellow Umpires,

With the completion of the 1986 football season may I submit for your consideration my Annual Report, in what has been another good season for the Umpires' Association.

I would like to point out however, that the season has not been without its problems administratively, with disturbance before and during the season. These difficulties will be referred to later in this submission.

The year has been most rewarding for me and it has been a great honour to serve as your President of such a fine Association.

Team spirit within the Association waned this season due to an unfortunate dispute early. This had the effect of dividing the membership, with some unpleasant comments being exchanged. However, it is pleasing to report that in the latter part of the season a more harmonious feeling existed.

A consensus of opinion concurred that the generally pervasive feeling and pleasant atmosphere which prevailed at the Grand Final Dinner/Dance was of the highest standard. Each association member is now responsible to see that this feeling is carried on into the 1987 season. The management committee will play an important part in ensuring that team spirit and enjoyment returns to umpiring both on and off the field. Action will be taken against those members wishing to be disruptive.

The past season has seen the continuance of support in the push for the younger umpires. This was evident with the emergence of a young group of umpires in all categories. It is reassuring to see these ambitious people developing their umpiring careers. The opportunities are now readily available and it is now up to these younger umpires to consolidate and set achievable goals attained through distinctive qualities and the ability to enjoy hard work which will ultimately make a top class umpire who can readily accept criticism from his peers.

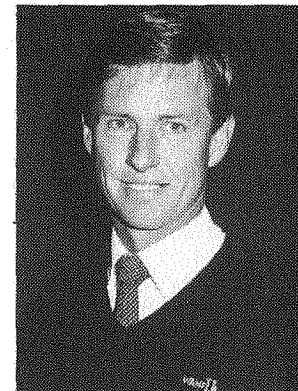
Umpiring continued to draw more than its fair share of criticism from all facets of the media. The umpires have been subjected, I believe, to some unfair and unwarranted outbursts by persons who are not in any position to pass assessment. This makes it difficult to attract new personnel to umpiring. Perhaps the WAFL and the Association should strive for a moratorium of all unnecessary comments by those people reporting or commenting on the Australian game. Nonetheless, freedom of the press is always hard to control, particularly when a person can see himself in bright shining lights. We should all endeavour to work hard in eliminating mistakes thus avoiding these analytical evaluations.

A dispute between the Umpires' Association and the WAFL over the proposed "Send-off" rule for Colts and Reserves nearly put the start to the 1986 season in jeopardy. As you are all fully aware, it is the Association's belief that the introduction of such a rule places greater pressure on umpires and more particularly, we are extremely concerned for the protection and welfare of our members should such an occasion arise as a direct result to the introduction of this rule. Several meetings were held on this matter and it was finally resolved that only extreme acts of violence would be sent from the field. However, the wording "extreme acts of violence" was never defined.

It is satisfying to note the action and support the WAFL and in particular the WAFL Tribunal gave to our umpires for reported offences when proven. We wish to encourage the Tribunal to continue with its hard stance in handing out harsh penalties to rid the game of those who wish to engage themselves in unnecessary violence. Well done WAFL.

The other disruption which occurred shortly after the commencement of the season, in what is now known as the O'Driscoll/Zoch Paper, involved a "Vote of No Confidence" in the WAFL administration.

It was a discussion document for the members of the Association providing background information to be brought forward at a Special General Meeting of the Association. Unfortunately, the paper was passed on to the wrong people by persons within the membership, eventually finding its way into the press. This caused extreme embarrassment to the WAFL and also caused



the Association problems in that the two umpires concerned were finally excluded from the WAFL Umpires' Panel.

The Association's Executive reacted immediately by taking action through the WA Industrial Commission alleging wrongful dismissal. At the Special General Meeting the "Vote of No Confidence" was defeated and after discussions between the Executive and the League's Chief Executive, the matter was finally resolved with both umpires being reinstated.

All parties concerned learnt from this experience by both identifying the correct channels of communication and from the contents of the document.

There are many people to thank. I take this opportunity to pay tribute to each member on the Association's Management Committee for their contribution towards the running of the Association.

I wish to pay a special tribute to Rob Hendrie, one of the most efficient and effective Treasurers this Association has been fortunate to have. Rob has decided to step down after four years and his excellent support and professional management skills will be sadly missed. Many thanks Rob.

Our Secretary, like Rob, has decided to call it a day due to a pending transfer in employment. Ross Graffin's contribution has been a very valuable one in the smooth running of the affairs of the members.

A special mention for the hard and tireless work carried out by our Social Secretary, Geoff Palmer, and his Committee. In a year when it was difficult to get support from the membership, they did an excellent job. It culminated in a marvellous Grand Final Dinner/Dance with excellent comments from members who attended. Well done Social Committee and to all those members who support them and the Association.

To Mike Ball, Vice President, for this valuable assistance to myself. Mike continues to gain experience and has proven to be an excellent addition to the Committee. His enthusiasm and concern for the welfare of the WANFLUA is very commendable.

Thanks must go to our Umpires' Coach, Mr Robert Phillips, for his dedicated efforts throughout Season 1986. It was not an easy introduction into his new role with all the disputes, however Bob acquitted himself very well and I look forward to working with him in 1987.

The Association is indebted to its official sponsor, Ampol, for its continued support. As in past years, they provided a trip for "Umpire of the Year", won by Mike Ball; cash incentives and trophies for our presentation evening. To Mr Tony Rapsom, State Manager and Mr Ross Benzie, Administration Manager, we are delighted with the sponsorship. Tony leaves Western Australia for Queensland and we wish him very success in his new State. To Tony and Ross, please pass on our thanks to the Ampol Company.

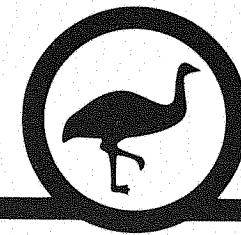
The Grand Final umpires along with our Interstate appointments, represented the members very successfully. Well done to all those selected.

Undoubtedly, we will see the best footballers available playing in this competition, which will be umpired by the best umpires available.

Umpires should now start setting new goals to gain selection in this expanded competition in 1987 which has the full support of the VFL Umpires' Association.

Finally, I wish to extend to all our members and their families a very happy break and wish all a happy Christmas and a very successful New Year.

Ron Buckey
President
W.A.N.F.L.U.A.



EMU EXPORT LAGER

The Right Stuff!

The Role of Umpires in Football Today — Mal Brown

I would like to thank the Umpire's Association for the opportunity to write an article in their Year Book.

As someone who is often seen to be an unreasonable critic of umpires, I point out that I hope that what I have to say is constructive.

One of the things I have enjoyed most in football over the years is that I have always voiced my opinion whether or not people have considered it to be detrimental to the state of the game. I strongly believe that even after the event, be it an hour, a day, or a week, one should still be able to meet these people and get on with the job at hand. I believe that the older umpires, the more seasoned, would see this as a fair assessment of my philosophy towards football.

Between 2.30 and 5.00 a coach plays to win, a team plays to win, an individual plays to beat his opponent in order that his team may win. But after that, nothing can be achieved through a breakdown in communication between clubs and umpires — they must continue to work together.

My philosophy towards umpires is very simple. I believe that they must follow the principle of 'when in doubt give it to the game' — i.e. call 'play on'. It has been most reassuring to see that the umpires have enforced a principle similar to that this year, as is highlighted by the sharp reduction in the number of free kicks allocated per club during the season.

I also feel that the greatest trait an umpire can possess is consistency, whether it be good or bad. The introduction of the two umpire system, however raises another problem — consistency between both umpires. One umpire's interpretation of holding the ball may be different to that of his partner. Umpiring 'teams' must be able to both give a consistent adjudication of the laws of the game for the complete duration of the game. This is obviously a problem which has faced many an umpire's advisor, and unfortunately there seems no solution to it.

My attitude to umpiring would be this:

1. Make every player earn a free kick.
2. Protect the player going in for the ball.
3. If a player is reknown for his ability to play for free kicks, then the umpire should ignore him and call to play on.
4. Umpires should avoid becoming overawed by big name players, and avoid giving them free kicks when they are in doubt.
5. Umpires should get to know, and use, players' names.
6. Talk to the players during the course of the game.
7. Join the players for a beer after the game.
8. Umpires should also endeavour to join the players in the clubhouse on each individual round, and if you are unwelcome, don't harbour a grudge but simply treat them as if nothing has happened. There are occasions where they are reading the members' or crowd's reaction towards you better than you, and are simply trying to prevent trouble. One should remember that if one wants peace, they should be prepared for war.
9. Umpires should show their authority without being pedantic. It often amuses me that umpires will run 65 yards to move a player one foot around on the mark.
10. Umpires should develop and use their own character. They must be seen to be individual in their own right.

So too, umpires have to be seen to be people — they should be prepared to accept

that they DO make mistakes. They should be tolerant if, for example, a player uses bad language or abuses an umpire, rather than immediately reporting the player. The best method to handle this sort of situation is to ignore it. However, if a player continues to carry on he should be warned by the umpire and, if the player chooses to ignore the warning he should be penalised.

As a person who has long been accountable for the actions I take whether it be on or off the field, I am concerned that the umpires have become a 'protected species'. I believe that ALL umpires should be just as accountable for their actions as coaches and players are. Part of an umpire's development should be that he learns to handle the pressure of media and other criticism so as to enable them to be able to handle the pressure of umpiring out in the centre.

If umpires are continually protected and are unable to cope with the pressure of the media, how well will they be equipped to handle the pressure of spectators or players who try to 'play' for free kicks? Umpires are only human, they make mistakes as do players and officials in football. Why should umpires not be accountable?

There will always be criticism of umpires because that is part of the game, and we should never try to disillusion ourselves that that will not always be the case. The umpire does not have to win the respect of the crowds, or the press, but if he fails to win the respect of the players, then he is not the 'good guy' that he should be. For ultimately an umpire is best assessed at the end of the day by the respect the players have for him, because you may fool everyone else, but you can't fool them.

MAL BROWN.

Our Life Members

1957	A. Chapman (Deceased)	1972 •	P. Pustkuchen
1958	J. Ferguson	1973	C. Pratt
1960	L. Hurley	1973 *	R. Stubberfield
1960	A. Gibb (Deceased)	1974	E. Martino
1960	H. Clair	1974	G. Meiers
1962	L. Nathan	1976	T. Neilson
1962	E. Crisp	1977	R. Scott
1963	C. Fitzpatrick	1977 *	B. McKenzie
1964	D. Cumming (Deceased)	1978	R. Capes
1964	E. Brunton	1978	B. Collett
1965	L. McComish (Deceased)	1979	H. Symons
1965	J. Campbell	1980 *	J. Devine
1966	J. Smith-Gander	1981	D. Aslett
1966	N. Shepherd	1981	J. McKay
1967	B. Moore	1981•	R. Becker
1967	F. Woods	1981	D. Wakenshaw
1968	B. Rigg	1982•	R. Powell
1970	G. McComish	1982	M. Hale
1970	J. Dolling	1983	W. Brown
1971	R. Whitfield	1984*	G. Bishop
1971	W. Carter (Deceased)	1985	B. Grimmond
1972	C. Hills		

* Active members '86 • Board Members

LIFE MEMBERS AWARD

Each year the Life members of the WANFLUA present this award to someone who is voted for by the current Management Committee in recognition for the services that he has donated to our Association. The trophy was sculpted by Ray Montgomery.

This year the award was presented to a more than worthy recipient in Ron Buckey. Ron's leadership both on and off the field have been an inspiration to all. As President, he has put in an enormous amount of time representing his fellow umpires, and this was highlighted by the exceptional way that he handled the O'Driscoll/Zoch affair earlier in the year.

In fact, his achievements with the whistle on the field have been more than matched by what he has achieved for his association.

Well done Ron!



SECRETARY'S REPORT — R.M. GRAFFIN

Gentlemen,

On behalf of your Management Committee I present for your consideration the Annual Report for 1986.

It seems only a short time ago I was working my first report for the Association, but oh how the tide has turned. For some 1986 will be remembered with fond memories of making the breaks in umpiring terms, but for myself it was the case of bad breaks after a fine year in 1985. Still as they say in the classics "can't help bad luck!"

This report will follow the usual format, mainly so I do not miss out anyone or organisation — the summary:

1986 in Retrospect

Despite the exhaustive procedures the committee went through the previous year, the wages clause came up again.

It seems that unless all meetings are rendered verbatim, memories become very cloudy when money is involved. I hope things can be sorted out better next year, but I would be doubtful of that if the past record is a consistent reminder.

Further troubles followed with a send off rule that wasn't a favourite with many people — including coaches, players and umpires, but then they don't administer the game! This was capped off by a now infamous case that has received more attention than was warranted and did a great deal of damage internally to our Association. Fortunately, through the efforts of many and a commonsense approach we finally started umpiring.

During the year many up and coming umpires were tried and all acquitted themselves with distinction. This should provide an ideal incentive for others, as well as for those that had a taste of higher levels in umpiring. Congratulations to all those achievers.

Committee of 1986

At this stage last year I was saying farewell to Ron Buckey, but thankfully he decided to lead us on the field instead of from the grandstand. The efforts of him are best described by the fact the Committee voted him the recipient of the Life Members Trophy.

Mike Ball as Vice President has become more Committee-orientated as the year progressed. It's pleasing to see Michael take this responsible attitude, and I'm sure his turn will come to be President. In the meantime his umpiring was showing a determination promised at the end of 1985. Congratulations on a personal best Michael.

Robert Hendrie was his efficient self as Treasurer. Rob will not be standing for Committee in 1987, so on your behalf I would like to sincerely thank him for his conscientious efforts over the last four years. I hope members appreciate his efforts.

Geoffrey Palmer has the unenviable task as Social Secretary. The old problems of getting members to attend functions, and setting functions to please them is a thankless task. Luckily for us Polly has a sense of humour that enabled him to overcome these setbacks. He had a willing sub-committee to help. These included Liz Ball, Jan Sinclair, Trevor Garrett and Les Leicester.

Geoff won't be acting as Social Secretary next year — perhaps this is an indication of the stresses involved in the job.



The Grand Final Dinner Dance was a huge success, and congratulations must go to Geoff and his committee. How many of us said "well done Geoff", or do we just expect these shows to be put on by the Social Committee, and be content to show up when it pleases us. Our most successful shows are those attended by the majority of members. Is there a message in that?

Other members of the Committee included Neville Lewis, Bill McKune, Gil Bishop, Greg Sinclair, Ron Poole and Clay Shimon. All had their duties, and regularly attended meetings. To those members, thank you for your tolerance during the year. For those retiring members a special thank you, as I'm sure very few appreciate the extra time spent on the Association's behalf.

I would like to thank Neville Lewis for arranging for the minutes and letters to be typed.

Umpires Appointment Board

Bob Phillips took control in 1986 of the Umpires, in what must be viewed as the most difficult job in the League, but he handled it with aplomb. His greatest moment must have been the performance in the Grand Final of the selected umpires. As with Subiaco, the Umpires reserved their best for the final game. Bob was ably supported by Slim Somervaille as Chairman of the Umpires Board, Ron Powell, Peter Pustkuchen, Tony Holland, Howard Manly and Roy Becker. John McKay assisted by Les Leicester kept the goalies in line with constant eye testing.

Helping out were the observers. Thanks are to be extended to Alan Clarke, Darryl Sinclair, Ted Philp, Ian Sutherland, Brian Fewster, John Nagel, P. Thompson, Chris Watts, Dennis Heaney, Graham Fogarty, Ernie Gravenell, Max Hale, Charles Curtis.

Training Supervisor

To John Devine, who had a difficult year in combining a new position in the Bank, marathon training and umpires training, a special thanks.

When you have to find a venue before you can think about training it makes life more difficult. To his offside, Barry McKenzie, many thanks also.

Hopefully next year the venue will be finally decided upon, and arrangements made permanent – not hearsay!

Umpires Advocates

What an interesting year! These people deserve a big thank you, because they get very little remuneration or recognition for putting our cases forward at the tribunals. These legal beagles included David Rowe, Charlie Pratt, Bill Brown, Don McComish.

Training Staff

I personally owe them many thanks for their efforts over the years and so do many other umpires. Warren South, Harry Jardine, Chris Stasev, Merv Schloss, and Doc Doherty (for a short time) deserve all the pittance they receive from the League, in view of the amount of time spent looking after the umpires. Doctor Colin Hughes provided expert knowledge at the training track and to him many thanks for making himself available for consultation during the year.

Hal Symons Fitness Camp

In view of Hal's efforts towards the Camp, it was decided to name the training camp after him, The Camp has become more professional over the last two years, and this year Brian Appleby used some of the time to further the Level 3 Course requirements. The League Directors also used some Camp time to gain our views on the send off rule – even if little notice was taken of them!

One of the most pleasing aspects of the Camp is the willing assistance given by the past members of the umpiring fraternity in the kitchen and running of the camp. They are important in setting a most favourable tone during the weekend.

To all those concerned in the camp – thanks!

Appreciations

To all our sponsors and helpers many thanks. Your contributions make umpiring a more worthwhile profession.

Ampol for the major trophies and rewards for umpiring excellence.

Bob Hayres or Parker Pens.

John McKay and family for trophies for the Reserve and Colts Grand Final Umpires.

Eric Hood Pty Ltd for the Boundary Umpires Award.

Sau Pold family for the Best First Year Umpire Award.

Gil Bishop for being Property Man, Camp Worker, Stats, etc.

Peter Pustkuchen returning officer for our elections.

Dominic White as editor of the Annual Report, which will be out on show this year –

come hell or high water!

All sponsors of the Year Book.

Neville Lewis and Bill McKune for organising sponsors.

Wally and Sue at the WACA.

Conclusion

For me, this is a difficult section to write as it is a conclusion to an experience of ten years. With the introduction of the expanded VFL competition it could be conclusion of the domestic competition as it has been known, but with it comes the excitement of our role in the new era. One very important point to make is that as an Association we must have a say and an input into that competition if we are to thrive. The WAFL fought to be included, and so must we, soon, or else we will be left leaning on the fence with only the threat of a strike to make our feelings felt, which results in fragmentation of the Association.

The League has opened the way for us through negotiation, and the Association must present a strong case so we are not put out as the "poor employees". I have confidence in Ron's ability to prevent that, but he needs the undivided support from all the members of this Umpires Association.

To all the friends I've made and acquaintances met, thank you for the good times had. Good luck for the future whichever direction it takes you.

Finally, to my wife Valerie, and the family, for their tolerance in sharing my lows and woes to experiencing the highs and friendships, a special thank you. It has been appreciated.

To all, the very best for the future season and 1987.



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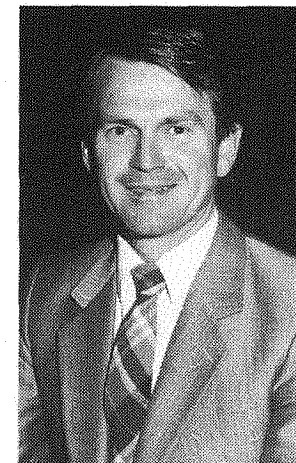
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Bob Phillips Review of 1986

With the 1986 Season now behind us all, I have had the opportunity to look back over the year and reflect on the progress made.

It was not an easy year in many respects, but then again I had never expected it to be so. Unfortunately prior to the official start of the season problems developed which I believe unsettled a great number of you. This situation was not helped when it became evident that we would not be able to use the WACA Ground as our training venue. Efforts were made to find an alternative ground and eventually Trinity College was selected. This ground proved totally inadequate for the training of a professional group of umpires and without the provision of lighting many umpires were not able to remain on the track after training to practice fundamentals they were deficient in. It is my intention and no doubt your association's to see that this matter is rectified well before the commencement of the 1987 season.



You were all no doubt aware upon my appointment that it was my intention given the right circumstances to broaden the base in each category of umpiring and to that degree I believe we had some success. A total of thirty seven field umpires were used during the season in league, reserves and under 19s football matches and many of you achieved personal goals by umpiring in grades not previously attained. The selection committee also saw fit to promote three field umpires into league football for the first time and this maintained the promotion rate of past years. When you then look at the boundary and goal umpiring categories the opportunities provided there undoubtedly surpassed previous years. It would be remiss of me not to say that overall the Selection Committee were reasonably happy with the level of performances achieved by most umpires and particularly during the finals series. Naturally we believe there is still room for considerable improvement and particularly relating to the consistency in performances.

I suppose that with any degree of success there are always disappointments and it personally concerned me during the year with the number of umpires who resigned as a result of not being prepared to accept the knocks so frequently evident in any competitive arena.

This showed to me that possibly those people did not possess the right character to succeed in a sport where there are many ups and downs. Another disappointing area was the continued decline in the West Australian Football League's ability to recruit sufficient umpires in all categories to fulfil their commitments and to allow for the continued development of umpires to provide that depth so necessary for the future. It is only hoped that 1987 will be different and with the development of the cadet squad umpires we may be in a position to start to reap the rewards of Brian Appleby's efforts.

There is no doubt in my mind that now is the time for all of you to reassess your own performances of the 1986 season, establish goals for 1987 and commence working towards achieving them. It is my personal belief that there is no substitute for hard work and this must be accompanied by developing an attitude which will enable you to be both physically and mentally prepared for the challenges associated with umpiring.

Finally I would like to say that I have enjoyed working with all of you and thank you for the efforts put in during the season and trust that come January 1987 you will all be back keener than ever to improve on your 1986 achievements.

Best wishes for the coming festive season.

BOB PHILLIPS



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INTERSTATE UMPIRES 1986

W.A. vs Victoria July 8th

Field	Boundary	Goal
Dave Johnson	Craig Curtis	Dick Stubberfield
Ross Castle (Vic)	Charlie Moylan	Lester Cox
Emergencies — Phil O'Reilly (Field), Greg McDonald (Boundary)		



Western Australia vs South Australia
Field — Phil O'Reilly

Field
Mike Ball
John Russo (Vic)

Subiaco vs Hawthorn
Boundary
Stewart Tempest
Clay Shimmion

Goals
Lester Cox
Trevor Cant

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WAFL GRAND FINAL DAY

20th September 1986

GRAND FINALISTS

(East Fremantle versus Subiaco)

Field:

Mike Ball
Ken O'Driscoll

Boundary:

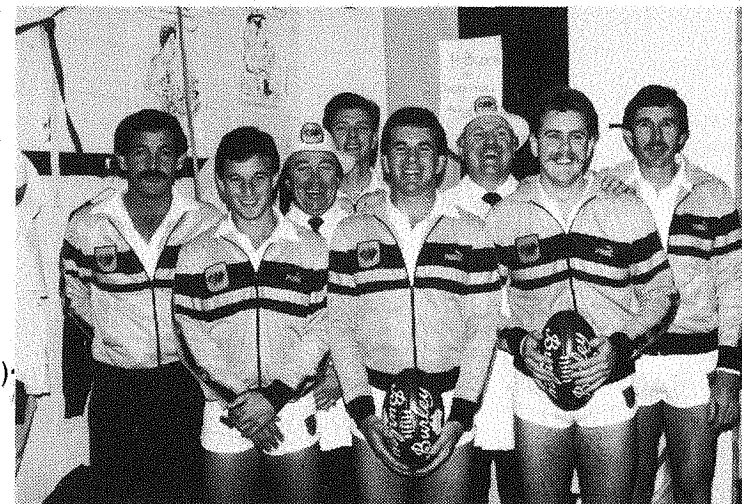
Clay Shimon
Stewart Tempest

Goals:

Lester Cox
Trevor Cant

Emergencies:

Phil O'Reilly (Field)
Phil Nolan
(Boundary)



GRAND FINALISTS

(South Fremantle versus East Perth)

Field:

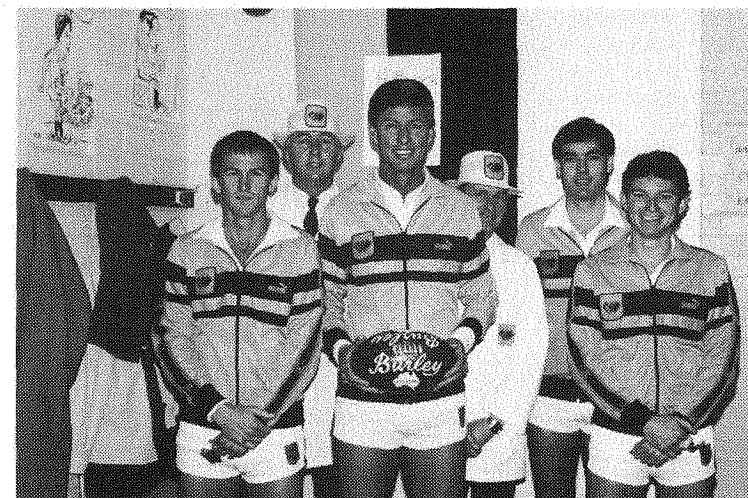
Ron Buckley
Grant Vernon

Boundary:

Mark Power
Greg McDonald

Goals:

Ron Poole
Robin Dalby



COLTS GRAND FINALISTS

(Claremont versus East Fremantle)

Field:

Len Cooper
Trevor Rees

Boundary:

Craig Curtis
Dom White

Goals:

Colin Raynor
Dick Stubberfield



WANFL UA TRAINERS 1986

Warren South
(Head Trainer),
Merv Schloss,
Harry Jardine,
Chris Stasev.
Absent:
"Doc" Doherty



Once again the Umpires Association was more than fortunate to have the expert services of Warren South and his band of merry men as our trainers for the year. Their friendly and helpful assistance before, during and after training and matches has been much appreciated by all members of the Association. We extend to them, as well as Colin 'Doc' Hughes, our sincere thanks for a job well done, and look forward to their help in '87.

GRAND FINAL UMPIRES SINCE 1954

Date	Field	Boundary	Goal
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 R. 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
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	D. Wakenshaw D. Aslett	B. Collett J. McKay
1977	R. Powell	D. Wakenshaw D. Aslett	R. Becker J. McKay
1978	R. Buckey	R. Dalby D. Aslett	R. Becker B. Haigh
1979	R. Capes	J. Devine G. McDonald	B. Haigh R. Lee
1980	J. Morris	J. Devine G. Daniel	R. Becker M. Hale
1981	R. Phillips	J. Devine D. Aslett	T. Cant C. Raynor
1982	R. Powell	D. Aslett G. Woodhouse	R. Becker L. Leicester
1983	D. Gillies	D. Davis D. Ross	M. Hale L. Leicester
1984	M. Ball	G. McDonald G. McDonald	N. Lewis R. Dalby
1985	D. Rowe	C. Shimmon C. Shimmon	R. Dalby R. Becker
1986	D. Johnson	G. McDonald C. Shimmon	T. Cant L. Cox
	P. O'Reilly	S. Tempest	
	M. Ball		
	K. O'Driscoll		

September 20th, 1986 — Grand Final Day



COUNTRY GRAND FINALS

League	Field	Goal
Avon	P. Tonti	
Carnarvon/Gascoyne	G. Lee	
Central Great Southern	K. Castensen	
	D. Jensen	
Central Midlands "A"	G. Sinclair	
	P. Karhu	
"B"	P. Wedd	
Central Wheatbelt "A"	G. Ferguson	W. Cutler
		P. Vincent
"B"	R. Cantrell	W. Cutler
		P. Vincent
Eastern Districts "A"	B. Hadjimihalakis	
"B"	D. Hosking	
Exmouth	D. Jensen	
Lower South West	L. Cooper	
Mortlock	T. Rees	
North Midlands "A"	B. Hearne	D. Fitzgerald
	D. Johnson	J. Hauswirth
"B"	M. Clarke	D. Fitzgerald
		J. Hauswirth
Upper Great Southern	C. Shawcross	
	K. Castensen	

1986 ERIC HOOD AWARD

This award, sponsored by Eric Hood & Co., Domestic and Industrial Painting Contractors, for whom ex-veteran boundary umpire, Don "Winky" Wakenshaw is the Kambalda operations manager, is awarded to the boundary umpire who is judged the most promising, but has not yet been selected for a League game.

This award was first introduced in 1981, and past recipients include Mark Power, Dom White, Steve Timmings and Dave Metcalfe. This year the award was presented to two young boundary umpires in Bernard Roberts and Greg Taylor. Both Greg and Bernard have shown that they have a large amount of ability, and were each rewarded for their performances this year with city finals.

Well done Greg and Bernard – stick with it and you'll soon earn a position amongst the League boundary umpires.

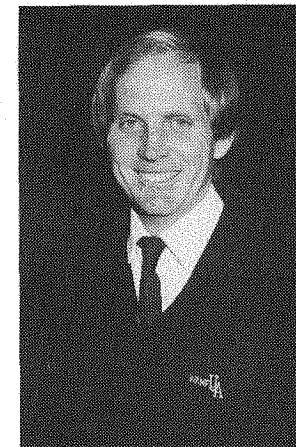
TREASURER'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the 1985/86 Treasurer's Report, which includes details of Income and Expenditure, Balance Sheet and Funds Position.

Plant and Equipment has been written down by an amount of \$290 resulting in a small deficit for the year of \$13.

The overall funds position remains healthy with the Redeemable Investment Account held in reserve gaining \$961 in interest which represents an annual return of 15.12%. At the 1985 Annual General Meeting a member raised the question of spending some of these funds on Gym Equipment and he was informed that the Committee would review that matter subject to suitable training rooms being available. As we are all aware the training rooms position went unresolved in 1986, however, I am sure the incoming committee will be mindful of the need for Gym Equipment in any new training rooms that are provided to us. Discussion did occur this year at Committee level on the possibility of some of these Reserve Funds being made available to subsidise the purchase of new jumpers for members next year.



Total Receipts for the 12 months was \$36,444 up \$2,670 the major part of which is attributable to a Book Raffle held in addition to the 200 Club.

Expenditure increased by \$4,172 to \$36,917 due mainly to legal fees for the new Constitution, subsidy of Presentation Night and the purchase of a short term investment costing \$4,133.

Socially, the Association was not supported by a great number of members, however, those who did take the time to participate, received the benefits, culminating in subsidies for cost of the Presentation Night and Grand Final Dinner Dance. Social Secretary Geoff Palmer and his committee did a fine job all year and deserve high praise. Perhaps some of those members who failed to attend any functions throughout the year should nominate for the Social Committee in the future.

Sponsorship for the 1985 Year Book to the tune of \$930 was received and this was quite obviously a bonus towards overall costs with most of budgeted expenditure being able to be retained in working funds. Well done Melville Lewis and Bill McKune – sponsorship committee.

To Denis Heaney our Honorary Auditor for 1986, thank you for your efforts and your time which are very much appreciated.

Ross Graffin stepped into the position of Secretary two years ago, perhaps reluctantly, however, he has performed his duties admirably. Best wishes Ross.

The professional approach of our President, Ron Buckey has once again shone through strongly and with his leadership and commitment to our Association we have all benefitted in one way or another. Ron's appetite for work is amazing and I am sure that whilst he continues as our President we can all be assured of progress. Thank you Ron for the experience of working with you during the past two years on the Executive Committee.

Finally, after four years serving as your Treasurer I have decided, mainly due to work commitments, not to seek re-election for next year. I have thoroughly enjoyed my term as Association Treasurer and the different committees that I have worked with in that time have certainly made it worthwhile and an interesting learning curve. I am proud to have had the opportunity to serve the members of this Association.

To my successor – best wishes and don't let those moths get away.

Hoping to see you all on the track again next year.

ROB HENDRIE
HONORARY TREASURER

Funds Position As At 15th October 1986

1985 \$	\$		1986 \$	\$
		Cheque Account		
1,246		Cash Balance Forward	2,275	
33,774		Cash Receipts	36,444	
35,020			38,719	
32,745		Less Cash Payments	36,917	
	2,275	Cash Balance 15th October		1,802
		RESERVE ACCOUNTS		
		Investment Account		
5,000		Balance Forward	6,356	
650		Reimbursements	—	
5,650			6,356	
706		Interest	961	
	6,356	Balance 15th October		7,317
		Passbook Account		
114		Balance Forward	122	
8		Interest	8	
	122	Balance 15th October		130
		Everyday Savings Account		
165		Balance Forward	264	
150		Deposits	—	
315			264	
4		Interest	20	
319			284	
55		Less Transfers to Working Account	239	
	264	Balance 15th October		45
		TOTAL FUNDS 15TH OCTOBER		\$9,294
	\$9,017			

Income and Expenditure Statement For 12 Months Ended 15th October 1986

1985 \$	INCOME	1986 \$	\$
650	Investment Account — Reimbursement		—
804	Interest — Investments		1,167
3,840	Subscriptions		3,820
281	Casual Raffles		454
	Raffle Books	2,040	
—	Less Prizes, Printing, etc	585	1,455
	200 Club	4,020	
—	Less Prizes, Printing, etc	2,520	1,500
2,889	Tipping Tickets		—
250	Film Nights		355
	Point Peron Camp	1,067	
513	Less Payments	573	494
20	Gym Equipment Hire		40
	Association Bags	60	
45	Less Expenditure	54	6
	Association Jumpers	210	
—	Less Expenditure	210	—
	State Game Tickets	2,000	
—	Less Cost	2,000	—
	Finals Series Tickets	5,000	
—	Less Cost	5,000	—
739	Quiz Night		721
—	Re-Union Dinner	2,003	
	Less Payments	1,941	62
—	Family Day Picnic		28
—	Grand Final Day Refreshments — 1985		16
	Grand Final Day Refreshments — 1986	142	
—	Less Payments	132	10
150	Donation — Eric Hood Pty Ltd		—
285	Social Functions — Other	—	—
10,466			10,128
—	Excess Expenditure Over Income		13
\$10,466			\$10,141

1985	EXPENDITURE	1986	
\$		\$	\$
—	Donations		200
750	Honorarium		1,100
	Printing and Stationery	1,823	
667	Less 1985 Year Book Sponsorship	930	893
214	Postage and Telephone		411
62	AGM Drinks		252
6	Bereavements		4
285	Trophies		542
85	Legal Fees		967
445	NFLUA Conference Expenses		503
85	NFLUA Affiliation Fees		85
71	Bank Charges & Fees		101
	Committee Entertainment	156	
490	Less Receipts	15	141
84	Insurance		84
—	Association Shirts — Screening		16
119	Kevin Cox Memorial Grant 1986 and 1987		100
59	Training Requisites		8
36	Films and Proofs		188
	Point Peron Camp 1987	50	
	Less Reimbursements	50	—
	Umpires Teas — Panel Night	2,530	
144	Less Receipts	2,163	367
	Presentation Night	2,288	
522	Less Receipts	1,271	1,017
	WACA — Night	526	
	Less Receipts	384	142
	Harry's Gourmet	246	
31	Less Receipts	190	56
67	Grand Final Day Refreshments		—
	Whitby Falls	100	
	Less Reimbursement	100	—
	Children's Christmas Party		100
	E.F.F.C. Tennis Day		46
	Life Members' Dinner — Drinks		50
	Subiaco Oval B.B.Q.		345
	"P" Night Cabaret	180	
	Less Receipts	82	98
	Sunday Football League — Drinks		50
	South Australian Dinner		59
	Grand Final Dinner Dance	6,356	
3,030	Less Receipts	4,477	1,879
	Group Photos	302	
	Less Receipts	255	47

2,245	Equipment Written Off	290
142	States School Carnival	
7	Association Jumpers	
573	Other Expenditure — Functions, etc	
10,219	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	10,141
247	Excess Income over Expenditure	—
\$10,466		\$10,141

Balance Sheet As At 15th October, 1986

1985		1986	
\$	\$	\$	\$
	ASSETS		
	2,275 Cash at Bank	1,802	
	6,356 Investment Account — T&C	7,317	
			Redeemable Account
	122 Passbook Account — T&C	130	
	264 Everyday Savings Account — NAB	45	
9,627	610 Plant and Equipment	320	9,614
—	Less Liabilities		—
9,627			9,614
	ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
	9,380 Balance as at 15th October, 1985	9,627	
	(247) Less Excess Expenditure over Income	13	
\$9,627			\$9,614

Auditor's Statement

I have examined the books, records and vouchers of the Western Australian National Football League Umpire's Association (Inc). The records are in order and any explanations that have been required were provided by the Association's Treasurer.

In my opinion the Financial Accounts are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the Association's affairs for the period 16 October 1985 to 15 October 1986.

Denis F. Heaney AASA
Registered Company Auditor

NATIONAL FOOTBALL — WHAT IT MAY MEAN

By Ross Capes

Much has been written and spoken about the proposed National Competition, but at the time of preparing this article no official view has been expressed concerning umpires. It begs the following questions:

1. Will our umpires officiate in the National Competition?
2. If so, could it just be field umpires?
3. If not, will the VFL only provide field umpires to travel interstate?
4. If so, would our Association be prepared to have boundary and goal umpires umpire with VFL field umpires?
5. Should only VFL umpires officiate in WA, what support would the Association provide?
6. If WA umpires officiated, under whose interpretations or instructions would they be bound?
7. Who would select the umpires?
8. Who would report on them?
9. Could selected umpires get time off work to travel interstate on a regular basis?
10. Under whose pay structure would they be bound?

These questions are just a few which need to be answered. My own views are that WA umpires will not be permitted to officiate in a National or expanded VFL competition unless the competition comes under the NFL banner.

The VFL, and its umpires jealously guard against any intrusion into their competition by outside umpires. In their view, other state umpires are not up to the standard required by the VFL. An illusion, for a time long held.

Support for any change to this cannot be relied upon from the WAFL, as it would rank very low in their priorities.

Club support would be minimal in view of the composite nature of the team. The standard of football in this state has been dropping for many years and will no doubt decline further to a second rate competition, not a pleasant outlook for the time, hard work and dedication umpires put into their chosen 'second job'.

So too, spare a thought for the present Umpires Administration. No longer will the league have to employ so many people to be involved with umpiring. Hooray you say, but who will step in to replace those people? Perhaps the devil you know is better than the devil you don't know.

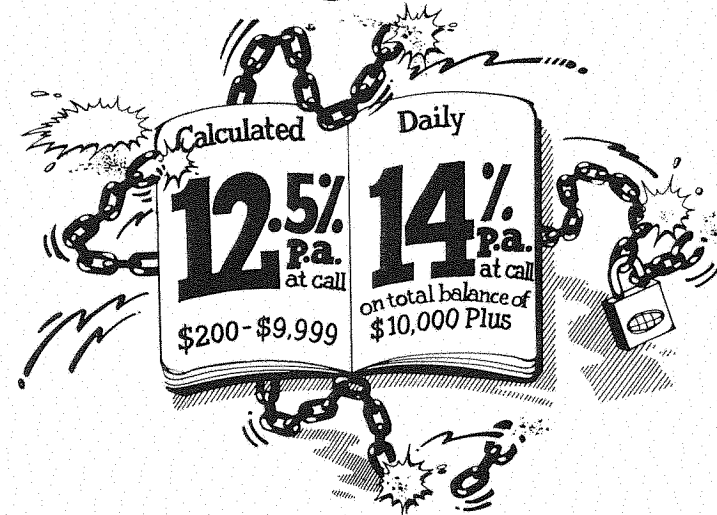
Which ever way you look at it, 1987 is going to bring many changes and all umpires are going to have to completely review their plans and goals for the future.

And what of the local competition? Despite reduced incentives, umpiring numbers continue to fall, and although marvellous work put into umpiring by people such as Brian Appleby and Peter Sherwood has helped, the future remains bleak.

As to the suggestion that former players be introduced into umpiring, one can only wonder how people can be so naive as to presume that umpiring would hold sufficient incentives to attract the number of umpires required. Either way, the Association has a lot of lobbying to do over the summer months or umpiring will be set back 20 years on the introduction of an expanded VFL competition.

ROSS CAPES

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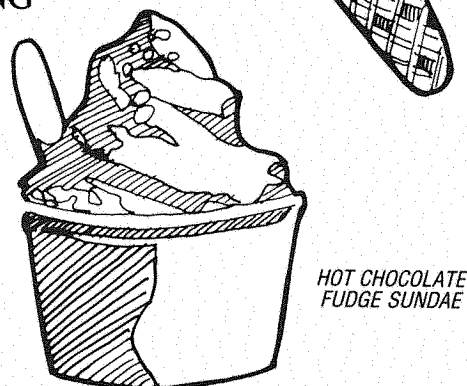
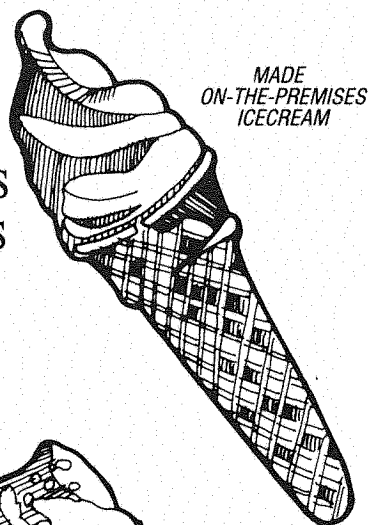
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SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Socially, 1986 has been a little disappointing.

The Social Committee first met in early December to map out a Social Calendar for the year which would hopefully cater for everyone's enjoyment. But, as in previous years, attendances to most functions were well down. Thank God we have the "regulars" who support the Association.

The first function for 1986 was the Annual Hal Symon's Fitness Camp at Point Peron. Once again, the Camp was a good success thanks to the dedicated work of Hal, John Devine, Vinka and those tireless workers who help out as kitchen hands.

The Annual Panel and Presentation Nights were both held at the popular "Heritage on Charles". These evenings were successful and well supported by past and present members. A special thanks goes to Les Leicester for organising the venue.

For our first mixed social function, we instigated a change this year away from the usual evening barbecue and opted for a Car Rally/Family Day so members could involve their families. We were very appreciative of the large roll up for the day. Much to everyone's dismay, 'Disco' and Glen Lee took out first prize in the Car Rally; but, apart from that, everyone enjoyed a successful day.

As usual, the Movie Night attracted a lot of interest and was a financial success. Although everyone was kept rivited to their seats and thoroughly enjoyed "The Jewel of the Nile", there was much interest in seeing "Crocodile Dundee", so we also organised a discounted viewing, thanks to Les Leicester.

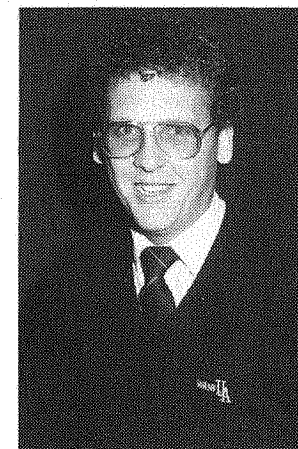
Saturday, June 14th had been set aside for an Umpire's Reunion. Due to a disappointing response from former umpires, the evening had to be cancelled. In its place, a Carvery Night was held at the WACA. It was attended by the few past umpires who showed interest in the reunion, and by only just over 30 present members. The food was very enjoyable, but the dance floor was left sadly vacant as everyone sat and reminisced about old times.

To boost Association funds we organised another Quiz Night which was, once again, held at the "Entertainment Centre". This was a financial success, even though we were lacking in numbers from last year. We had a great response from donors and most people went home with at least one prize. We'd like to thank all of those companies for their kind donations. Special thanks must go to Trevor Garrett for supporting the Association by paying over \$100 for an autographed State football. Well done, Trevor!!

The 'P' Night Cabarat was one of our most enjoyable nights, even though we had an attendance of only about 40 people. It was great to see that everyone made an effort and dressed up for the occasion. The most popular characters were "Pros" and "Pimps" — I wonder if this is a reflection on our members!! The floor show for the evening was a title fight between 'Rocky' Sinclair (Pugilist) and 'Gorgeous' Garrett (Punk). The most original costume, though, must go to the pumpkin, Daryl Sinclair. Special thanks to Peter Hall for the great music.

We'd like to express our heartfelt thanks to Harry and his lovely wife, May, for the wonderful spread they put on for Preliminary Final Night. This was especially great to see this year, because of the difficulties Harry overcame due to his recent illness. Thanks, Harry!!

The culmination of our Social year was, once again, our Grand Final Dinner. In an at-



tempt to formalize this evening we made a change of venue and opted for the "Kings Ambassador Hotel". This proved to be a popular change as everyone joined in the formal mood and stepped out in their 'glad rags'. The decision to revert back to a band also proved to be well received as the dancing began early and finished late. Much of the success of the evening must also be due to the floor show, comedian Peter Dee, who really had them standing in the aisles; and, I think he enjoyed us as much as we enjoyed him. Special thanks to the Executive Committee for agreeing to subsidize the evening with monies received from the '200 Club' and the 'Trip to Broome' Raffle.

Before I close, I'd like to extend a thank you to John Devine and his friends for looking after us so well at the Celtic Club on Saturday nights.

In closing, I would like to thank the people who made my job easier, my Social Committee. These people have put in many hours of hard and dedicated work for the Association and I know how disappointed they felt at the attendances to some of the functions. To Les Leicester, Trevor Garrett, Liz Ball and Jan Sinclair, my sincere thanks for a tremendous job.

GEOFF PALMER
SOCIAL SECRETARY



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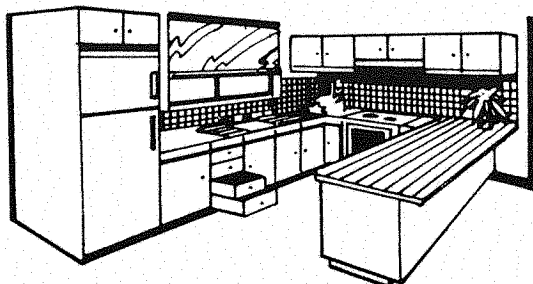
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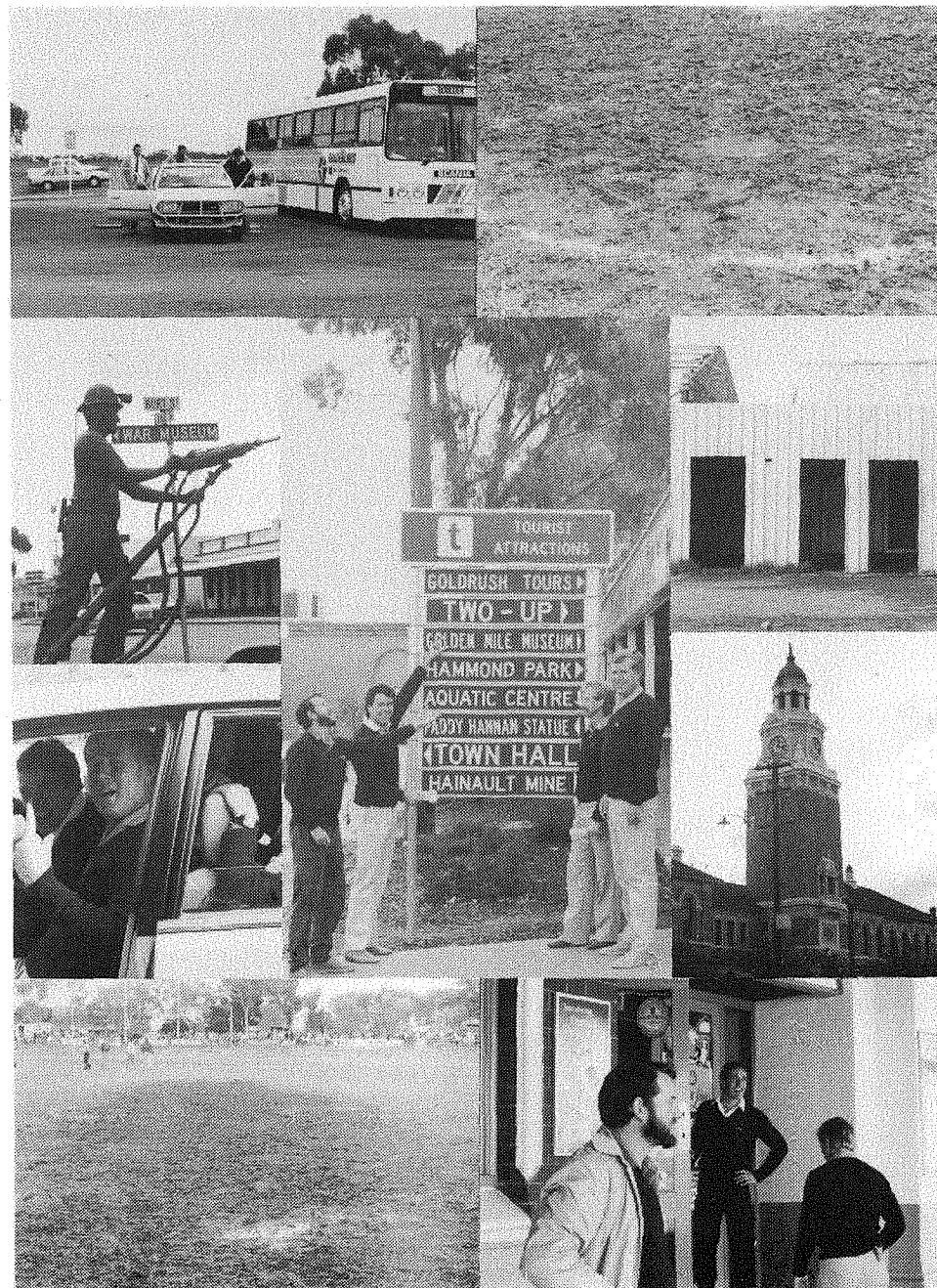
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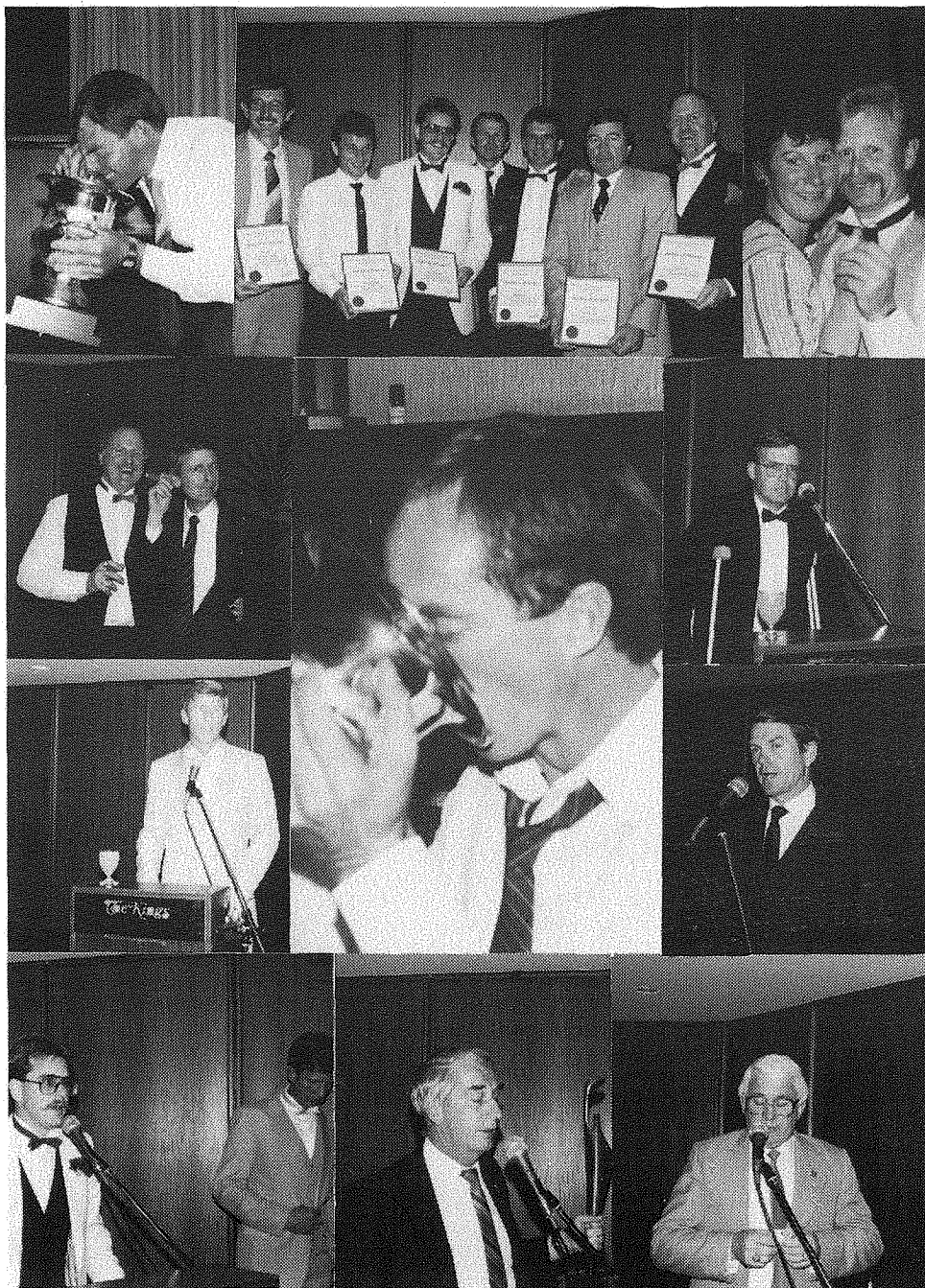
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Grand Final Dinner Dance



AMPOL AWARDS

Field: 1st — Mile Ball, 2nd — Grant Vernon

Most Improved: Grant Vernon

Boundary: 1st — Clay Shimmon, 2nd — Stewart Tempest, 3rd — Greg McDonald

Goal: 1st — Lester Cox, 2nd — Trevor Cant, 3rd — Ron Poole

Series Winners: 1st Series — Mike Ball, 2nd Series — Ron Buckey, 3rd Series — Mike Ball

SERVICE MILESTONES

10 Years Service: Greg McDonald, Paul Smith, Ross Graffin, Garry Mort.

50 Games: Reg Salis (Field), Craig Curtis (Boundary), Clay Shimmon (Boundary), Stewart Tempest (Boundary), Steve Walker (Boundary), Phil Nolan (Boundary), Paul Smith (Goals), Mark Power (Boundary)

State Games: Phil O'Reilly, Dave Johnson, Charlie Moylan, Craig Curtis, Lester Cox, Richard Stubberfield

"Associations Awards"

Most Promising Boundary Umpire: Greg Taylor and Bernard Roberts

Most Dedicated: Clay Shimmon

Most Improved Umpires: Goals — Terry Tomlinson, Boundary — Dom White, Field — Grant Vernon

Best First Year Umpire: Peter Frusher

First League Games 1986

Field Umpires: Trevor Garrett — 16th August, Trevor Rees — 5th July, Peter Tonti — 12th April

Boundary Umpires: Brian Cobb — 3rd May, Peter Frusher — 23rd August, Steve Timmings — 31st March, Dom White — 12th April

Goal Umpires: Garry Drew — 14th June, Des Morgan — 5th April, Peter Sherwood — 3rd May

UMPIRES DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Brian Appleby

The 1986 season has seen a consolidation of initiatives implemented in 1985, and others introduced. As in the previous year the WAFL combined with the WA Country Football League to conduct umpiring courses in regional centres. As many country leagues now boast their own umpiring groups, these courses are of great value to those in attendance. For the first time, members of the WAFL participated in a Level Two seminar. The interaction and participation by those present at both venues, Pt Peron and league headquarters, ensured the success of the seminar. This will be repeated in 1987 with different material.

The most pleasing development of the 1986 season was the use of country umpires at the Wesfarmers Country Championships. Six of those involved were invited to participate as part of their Level Two accreditation which they successfully completed.

Other noteworthy activities include:

- * Residential seminar for umpires advisors from local and country associations was held at Noalimba Reception Centre.

- * Members of the Cadet Squad officiated in Allock Cup matches and finals of the Interdistrict Championships.

- * Involvement of the WAFL umpires at lecture and training sessions with schools and junior councils.

- * Successful implementation of training programmes with the WAFL goal umpires. (A great bunch of guys).

Although the future of WA football is uncertain, one that is certain is the continuing need for umpires at all levels. The next two years are going to be demanding and challenging. Recruitment of umpires is the major priority — all members of this Association are requested to act as promotion and recruiting officers in an endeavour to increase the depth of umpires. Also, all umpires should evaluate their 1986 performances in relation to their pre-season goals. Umpires Development is concerned with recruitment, Education, and Retention. These last two concern you — the education process is going on — you never stop learning — your retention in umpiring is essential for the overall development of football.

I would like to thank members of the WAFL panel for their interest and assistance and leave you with this thought; Hard work reaps rewards.

Brian Appleby — Umpires Development Officer.

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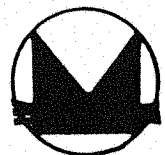
The first ever International Football match to be played on Australian soil was conducted at the WACA ground on Saturday, 11th October, between Australia and Ireland.

The match was also the first to be played under the new lighting at the cricket ground and proved to be quite a spectacle.

Our association was represented in the First Test by Linesman Mark Power and Steve Timmings and by Goal Umpires, Neville Lewis, Don McComish, Colin Raynor and Terry Tomlinson together with Rowan Sawers (VFL) and Paddy Collins (GAA Ireland) officiating as central referees. The members of our association all adapted to the changes of rules and signals very well and represented the association in a professional manner on the International scene.

The association has been proud to be part of this inaugural match which was arranged by the NFL and hope that future tours can be made to allow more of our members the chance to represent their country at umpiring.

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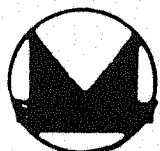
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