# WEST AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE UMPIRES ASSOCIATION (INC)

# 1987 YEARBOOK







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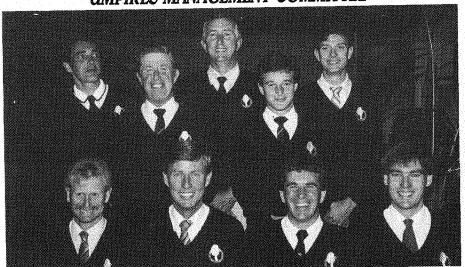
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L to R: Terry Nicholls, John McKay, Slim Sommervaille, Peter Putschuken, Bob Phillips, Ron Powell, Roy Becker, Barry McKenzie, Tony Holland.

#### UMPIRES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



L to R: Peter Tonti, Neville Lewis, Ron Poole, Clay Shimmon, Phil Nolan. Bottom Row: Len Cooper, Ron Buckey, Mike Ball, Mark Power. Absent: Rob Hendrie, Dom White.

#### **Association Office Bearers Since 1954**

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Asst. Secretary of Social Secretary
1954	L. Hurley	A. Glendinning	A. Glendinning	
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1956		L. Nathan	L. Nathan	
1957		L. Nathan	W. Carter	
1958		L. Nathan	W. Carter	
1959		L. Nathan	W. Carter	
1960		L. Nathan	W. Carter	
196		L. Nathan	D. Kemp	
1962		L. Nathan	D. Kemp	
1963		L. Nathan	B. Moore	
1964		L. Nathan	B. Moore	
1965		L. Nathan	B. Moore	
1966		G. McComish	B. Moore	W. Brown
1967		G. McComish	E. Martino	W. Brown
1968	8 C. Hills	G. McComish	E. Martino	W. Brown
1969		G. McComish	P. Pustkuchen	K. Cox
1970		P. Pustkuchen	B. Bidstrup	K. Cox
197	1 R. Whitfield	P. Pustkuchen	B. Williams	R. Stubberfield
197	2 R. Whitfield	P. Pustkuchen	B. Williams	R. Stubberfield
197	R. Whitfield	P. Pustkuchen	B. Williams	R. Stubberfield
1974		P. Pustkuchen	B. Collett	R. Stubberfield
197		P. Pustkuchen	B. Collett	R. Stubberfield
197		P. Pustkuchen	B. Collett	D. Wakenshaw
197		P. Pustkuchen	D. Aslett	D. Wakenshaw
1978		P. Pustkuchen	D. Aslett	T. Cant
197		P. Pustkuchen	D. Aslett	T. Cant
198		P. Pustkuchen	K. Holland	A. Mirabella
198		D. McComish	K. Holland	A. Mirabella
198		D. McComish	K. O'Driscoll	A. Mirabella
198		D. McComish	R. Hendrie	K. O'Driscoll
198		B. Appleby	R. Hendrie	D. Green
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1987	7 R. Buckey	L. Cooper	wi. rower	C, MINITERIOR

#### Management Committee Meeting Attendances

NAMES	MEETINGS		
	ATTENDED	APOLOGIES	POSSIBLE
Ron Buckey	8		8
Mike Ball	6	1	8
Len Cooper	7	1	8
Mark Power	8		8
Clay Shimmon	7		8
Rob Hendrie	7	1	8
Greg Sinclair	5	<del>-</del>	5
Dom White	2	2	4
Ron Poole	8		8
Neville Lewis	6	2	8
Peter Tonti	7	1	7
Phil Nolan	8		8
Others			
Barry McKenzie	1		

#### **ACTIVE MEMBERS 1987**

#### Field Umpires

George Andrijasevich Micheal Ball Brad Beitzel Adam Binks Mike Bow Gil Bishop Peter Britt Ron Buckey Neville Buckingham lason Buckley Kevin Castensen Mike Clarke Peter Colrain Len Cooper Peter Dawson Geoff Ferguson Trevor Garrett Neville Green

Barry Grimmond
Steve Grocott
Byron Hadjimihalakis
Simon Henderson
Dale Hosking
Don Jensen
David Johnson
Peter Karhu
Glenn Lee
Frank Lendich
Simon Lueing
Kevin McCabe
John Martin
Henry Micheal

Boyan Mihevc

Allan Mirabella

Peter Newbound

Basil Musca

Ken O'Driscoll Phil O'Reilly Geoff Pritchard Peter Quigley Tony Randazzo Trevor Rees Peter Repper Reg Salis Greg Sersop Mike Shutts Paul Smith **Greg Tippet** Peter Tonti Grant Vernon Mike Wilson Rob Woodward Ray Zoch

#### **Boundary Umpires**

Tig Bergensen Craig Curtis Graham Daniel Shane Dowsett Peter Frusher Trevor Gibb Trevor Henderson Neil Hull Brett Jago Steve Jones
Neil Letch
Darryl McCaw
Greg McDonald
Dave Metcalfe
Phil Nolan
Peter Nutchey
Mark Power
Leith Putland

Bernard Roberts Clay Shimmon Cameron Snow Greg Taylor Stewart Tempest Steve Timmings Alan Thomas Arthur Vernon Steve Walker Dom White

#### **Goal Umpires**

Gil Bishop Trevor Cant Frank Cetinich Jay Christensen Lester Cox Bill Cutler Robin Dalby Bob Davis John Hauswirth Robert Hendrie Colin Hughes Terry Keating Shaun Kelly Neville Lewis Bill McKune Alan Mirabrella Trevor Prescud Ron Poole Colin Raynor Graeme Ronthie Paul Smith Richard Stubberfield Nigel Tilley Terry Tomilinson

#### League Games By Members

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

Field Umpires	Year of entry	No. of seasons	League games 1987	Total league games
Mike Ball	1973	15	24	203
Ron Buckey	1973	15	11	238
Neville Bućkingham	1979	9	2	26
Len Cooper	1980	8	16	35
Trevor Garrett	1984	5	20	22
Dale Hosking	1977	11	4	4
David Johnson	1980	8	22	116
Glen Lee	1981	7	4	4
Frank Lendich	1974	14		27
Ken O'Driscoll	1981	7	22	49
Phil O'Reilly	1976	11	22	104
Trevor Rees	1981	6	4	9
Reg Salis	1976	12		53
Greg Sinclair	1981	7	<del></del>	12
Peter Tonti	1985	3	11	16
Grant Vernon	1985	3	25	45

<b>Boundary Umpires</b>	Year of entry	No. of seasons	League games 1987	Total League games
Tig Bergusen	1987	1	2	2
Craig Curtis	1983	5	22	86
Graham Daniel	1972	13	21	150
Denis Davis	1980	7	<u> </u>	55
Peter Frusher	1986	2	6	7
Trevor Henderson	1986	2	3	3
Greg McDonald	1977	11	22	216
Phil Nolan	1982	6	16	66
Peter Nutchey	1979	9	******	11
Mark Power	1982	6	12	73
Bernard Roberts	1984	4	7	7
Clay Shimmon	1982	6	25	105
Stewart Tempest	1981	7	23	85
Steve Timmings	1984	4	3	18
Steve Walker	1979	8	22	79
Dom White	1983	5	21	33

Goal Umpires	Year of entry	No. of seasons	League games 1987	Total League games
Trevor Cant	1970	18	23	208
Frank Cetinich	1985	3	3	3
Jay Christensen	1984	4	9	21
Lester Cox	1977	11	21	157
Robin Dalby	1972	16	23	199
Rob Davis	1974	12	9	9
Neville Lewis	1978	10	16	96
Ron Poole	1979	9	23	95
Colin Raynor	1979	9	19	140
Paul Smith	1981	7	16	69
Dick Stubberfield	1966	22	24	64
Terry Tomlinson	1984	4	16	29

N.B. Gill Bishop has officiated in 125 League games as a Boundary umpire. Robin Dalby has officiated in 89 League games as a Boundary umpire.



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#### BOB PHILLIP'S **REVIEW OF 1987**

The 1987 football season possibly saw the most significant changes ever likely to occur in the local competition. As a result of the entry of a Western Australian team into the VFL expanded competition there was an exodus of arguably the best thirty-five players in this state. This had a severe effect on club football in that the standard suffered and as a consequence public support for the game fell by approximately fifty per cent. Associated with the entry of the WA team in the VFL competition came the opportunity for WAFL panel umpires to participate. This commenced back in February, with three field umpires going to Melbourne to take part in pre-season training with the VFL umpires and also to officiate in pre-season scratch matches whilst there.



As a result of the enthusiasm shown by the WAFL umpiring panel to be involved in this competition, it was decided to as far as possible, develop uniformity with the VFL both from a law interpretation and on field operations aspect. This was seen as necessary to give our umpiring panel the best opportunity of officiating in VFL games.

These changes created some initial problems within each category of umpires but as the season progressed these problems were overcome and culminated with both a field and boundary umpire going to Melbourne to officiate in league matches there. This was in addition to the involvement of field, boundary and goal umpires being used in all locally-played VFL matches.

From the local competition viewpoint, the umpires' role became even more difficult. With the exodus of the better players, the consequential effect that had on the standard of local games together with the reduced crowd participating this increased the pressure on umpires to perform with maturity.

To your credit the standard of umpiring was most commendable when one takes account of these changes together with others resulting from our efforts to obtain uniformity with the VFL.

With the continued difficulty encountered in recruiting experienced umpires greater emphasis was placed on providing resources to enchance the development of the previously established cadet squad. This commenced with the appointment of Terry Nicholls who was given specific responsibility for expanding and developing this group.

It was pleasing to see the development of this squad and this resulted from sound coaching together with the opportunity to participate in Alcock Cup, C.I.G., High Schools and State Schoolboys matches which observers attended and provided umpires with reports on their performances. It was pleasing from my position to see that during the season we were able to promote two members of this group into the under 19s competition. There is no doubt still a considerable amount of work to be done in this area if this group is to provide the future league umpires for the WAFL. This should commence at the earliest opportunity by establishing this squad as a semi-autonomous group with a football competition of their own to umpire.

It was no doubt appreciated by all concerned that we were once again able to use the WACA ground for training. These facilities are excellent and provide us with ideal conditions. We can only hope that this ground will continue to be available for 1988 and future years and that we are not forced off the ground as a result of football clubs transferring there.

It continues to be disappointing that we have not been provided with video facilities which I see as being essential to improve the standard of umpiring. One can only hope that in 1988 this equipment will be available.

As for the future, no doubt 1988 will see further changes as the local competition continues its period of adjustment. One would also presume that WAFL umpires will make further inroads into the VFL competition and hopefully this will act as an incentive for umpires to perform at greater heights.

Finally I would like to thank each and every one of you for the continuing dedication you have shown and hopefully the coming season will provide you with opportunities not previously achieved.

Best wishes for the coming festive season.

#### **BOB PHILLIPS**

WAFL Umpires Coach

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

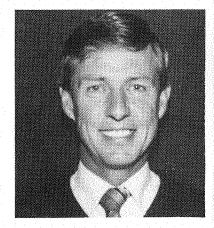
I take pleasure in presenting my annual report for your consideration. I will endeavour to reflect on events which have made the past year a successful year for the umpire's association.

The 1987 football season has seen a significant change to football as a direct result of the entry of a Western Australian side into the expanded VFL competition. It could also be indicative of what is likely to occur in the future years to the structure of the WA domestic competition.

In this "Year of Change", the Management Committee and umpires alike have appreciated the problems that the WAFL administration has faced.

West Australia could ill afford to lose an enormous number of skilled League footballers from the domestic competition to the VFL.

In all, some 55 players were recruited to join the VFL and SAFL, as well as for the local VFL side, the Eagles, leaving the WAFL with the hard task of trying to establish a top class competition in the absence of those players.



However, with the passing of time, new, young and exciting footballers will develop by the end of the 1988 season.

The impact of this large scale player drain has also been reflected in the slump in attendances at local fixtures, outweighing the decreases that the League were budgeting for. However, whilst the crowds were down at domestic matches, the WA football public emphasised their overall support for football through their patronage of Eagles home fixtures.

Whilst the Eagles have been a big draw card, it would appear that the WAFL Administration have rushed into the expanded competition one year too early without properly planning for the impact it would have both on the domestic competition, as well as at the VFL level.

This lack of planning was very noticeable in the fixturing of games locally, as well as the direct telecasts from Melbourne of VFL games. As a result the football public were confused about the times/days fixtures were supposed to be played, and preferred to sit home and watch VFL matches instead.

The appointment of a new Chief Executive to the WAFL who was then placed under extreme pressure trying to establish himself as well as pick up the strings left by the previous administration who had left to join IPL/Eagles, completes the picture of how much forward planning was done before the agreement to join the VFL was signed.

The umpires' Association would like to congratulate the WAFL's Chief Executive, Peter Cumminskey and his staff for the many hours they have given to domestic football in what has been an extremely difficult season.

I'm sure they would not have been happy with the results. However, we feel confident that when the year is reviewed, the WAFL will set down new guidelines and objectives to ensure the welfare of football, the game from which we have all derived so many hours of enjoyment.

The Umpires' Association at the end of the 1986 season had doubts as to what roll WA umpires would finally play in the extended VFL competition. Any doubts were quickly dispelled with a visit from the National Director of Umpiring, Mr Bill Dellar, who advised all umpires that Boundary and Goal umpires for Perth VFL fixtures would come from within the WAFL ranks. Field umpiring appointments were to be made using the best umpires available in Australia, who would travel to fixtures in whatever State.

As a result, three Field Umpires were appointed to attend an Umpires' seminar and camp on Victoria pre-season, and were requested to stay on for two weeks to enable them to umpire practice matches and train with the Victorians to enable assessments to be made on their performances. We congratulate Mike Ball, Ken O'Driscoll and Grant Vernon on their selections to attend the VFL camp. Their return also revealed to many WA umpires the expectations required of an Umpire in the VFL, particularly in the area of fitness.

We were fortunate to have Grant Vernon selected as our only field umpire to participate in the VFL competition in 1987. His efforts in umpiring seven League VFL games is a great achievement when one takes into account Grants age and experience. We congratulate him on his selection and for the way he performed during the games.

To all the Boundary and Goal umpires who were appointed to umpire in VFL games in Perth, your performances were of the highest standard equal to those of your counterparts in Victoria. I would like to also congratulate Boundary umpire Clay Shimmon on being selected to umpire a VFL match in Melbourne on the MCG, in a memorable drawn game.

So too, our special thanks must be extended to VFL President, Dr Ian Robinson, Secretary, Brian Hood and the VFLUA's membership for their exceptance of other outside umpiring States into what is at this stage an extended VFL competition. We are grateful for being given the opportunity to umpire in the "best football competition in Australia".

All umpires should now have in front of them in their umpiring careers, the added incentive of working hard in order to achieve the highest possible rewards football can offer. For those who are currently umpiring League football, a VFL appointment, to those working in the lower grades of the WAFL, A League WAFL appointment. It is now up to the individual to set up their objectives for the 1988 season.

During the season past, the Management Committee played its vital role extremely well, representing the members as required. To all the members, I thank you for your support and involvement.

Fellow umpires, namely Neville Lewis, retiring this year, will be missed for his involvement and commitment to the Association's well being. To Ron Poole, Peter Tonti, Phil Nolan and Dom White, who is also doing an excellent job in putting together this year's year book. I thank you all for the time and effort you have put into the Association this year.

To the Association Vice President, Mike Ball, I thank you for the great amount of assistance that you have given me throughout the season, it has been most appreciated.

It was indeed pleasing to see Len Cooper take on the most important position of Secretary with the Association. Len worked tirelessly for the Association, bringing forward new ideas. I look forward to his involvement in the future years.

Once again the finances of the Association have been carefully managed. Last year the Association lost a very capable and efficient Treasurer in Rob Hendrie, however, he has been replaced by an equally efficient and competent financier in Mark Power. Mark clearly demonstrated that he had the necessary skills required to manage the Association's finances with a truly professional approach. Always willing to express an opinion, working with unlimited energy, and possessing an eye for detail, Mark has truly served this Association with great diligence. Unfortunately Mark's stay on the Management Committee will be far too short as he will be taking on an overseas appointment in 1988 as a tennis coach in Spain. I know all members would like to wish Mark all the best in his chosen career, and thank him for the contribution that he has made to this Association.

Our Social Secretary, Clay Shimmon and that tireless worker, Elizabeth Ball, constructed a magnificent social calendar for this year, and it was a tribute to them that they were well supported by a majority of the members, and that the shows they put on were a great success. To them I would like to say thank you for another good season of social events. This position is undoubtedly one of the hardest roles on the social committee to fill, having to come up with new ideas in an endeavour to attract members and raise finances is hard. Clay adopted an excellent approach of having everyone involved and still making the functions as cheap as possible. (Hence "El-Cheapo" nights). This worked exceptionally well, and all who attended enjoyed themselves. The effort of Clay and Liz were finally well rewarded in another magnificent Grand Final Dinner Dance at the Sheraton Hotel. To Clay and Liz, and all who assisted them a big thank you for another great year.

One of the objectives that I have put forward to a number of seminars and at WAFL/Association meetings is the need for a truly recognised cadet squad. This year, finally, that realisation has been brought about mainly through the appointment of former WAFL field umpire, Terry Nicholls as assis-

tant coach responsible for the Cadet Squad. This has been a welcome addition to the WAFL umpiring scene which will help to provide the nucleus of our future League umpires. The League and the Umpires' Board is to be congratulated on the formation of this group and I look forward to watching their development in the years to come.

I would like to make special mention of the efforts of Bob Phillips and his selection committee this year. Bob as a coach had a difficult job this year of having to change over to the VFL style of the two umpire system which was achieved in a very successful manner through all grades of WAFL football. To the other Selection Committee Members, for their dedicated efforts throughout the year, I offer my sincere congratulations for a job well done. These gentlemen have devoted countless hours of work in what is largely a thankless task with little rewards. I'm sure that they would say they would be delighted with the way in which the members performed in Eagles games, State games and domestic fixtures, especially the finals round series.

Equally important in the necessary preparation of an umpire is the physical training requirement. At the pace at which VFL football is played, and the necessity to provide excellent running times to be able to qualify for selection, as well as to be in the right spot at the right time in a game, the importance of training is enormous. David John, our PT for this year is to be congratulated in providing new enthusiasm on the track, as well as ensuring umpires improved their fitness levels and times over the 4km run. He has also provided many umpires with pre-season programmes for next year which should see a greater degree of fitness over the previous season.

David has provided variation and maintained enthusiasm throughout a long and arduous season. We look forward to training with David in the same role next season.

To the Umpires' Board which once again has been very capably directed by its Chairman Mr Slim Sommervaille. He has provided an enormous amount of time for his position as Chairman in an effort to ensure that umpires' and umpiring continues to prosper in the correct manner. Well done 'Slim'.

Of all the supporting groups who assist umpires throughout the season, none are more appreciated than our training staff. A group of men, and a lovely lady, who devote hours of their own time to training sessions as well as to games to help umpires. They receive little reward and recognition for their services, nonetheless their advice, encouragement and humour are greatly appreciated by all umpires.

I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the continued support of our major sponsor, AMPOL. Despite what has happened to the domestic competition this year, they have continued to support umpiring in this State, by providing training uniforms in both summer and winter, in addition to the supply of trophies and a cash donation made for our presentation evening. At this evening they provided the surprise of the year by announcing the 'Umpire of the Year' in each category, Field, Boundary and Goal, by giving petrol vouchers to the value of \$500 (field), \$250 (Boundary and Goal). We sincerely thank Mr David Ash, State Manager of Ampol, and Mr Ross Benzie, Administration Manager, for the companies tremendous support during the 1987 season, and we hope that 1988 will see a continuance of their support.

My involvement in this position as President would not have been possible if it were not for the support of my wife Joan and our children Tonia, Jodie and Glenn. I sincerely thank all of them for their patience and understanding of my commitment.

The participation of all members will be closely watched in future years with a National Competition on our doorstep. I would like to take this opportunity to wish every active member every success, as there are tremendous rewards to be reaped from an umpiring career.

Thanks to all for their support in 1987. May I extend to all of your families a happy Christmas and to all, a successful and prosperous new year.

Gentlemen, Thankyou. Ron Buckey.

PRESIDENT WANFLUA.

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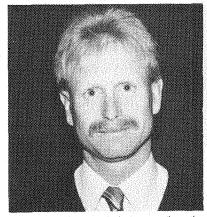
#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT 1987**

#### Gentlemen,

On behalf of your Management Committee I present for your consideration the Annual Report for 1987. This is my first year as secretary, and as such I shall follow the usual format, mainly as a precaution against leaving anyone out.

1987 In Retrospect

Despite the exhaustive procedures the committee went through in previous years, the old problem of salary clause appeared. After several periods of round table negotiations however, this problem was resolved. The commonsense approach adopted by the Committee over this issue established a good working relationship with the League for the rest of the year, and ensured an incident-free season.



This year saw very few new umpires break into League ranks, but several young umpires were given the opportunity to officiate in reserve and colts grade matches, including two umpires from the development squad. Overall, all umpires aquitted themselves exceptionally well in a year which was full of major changes in the overall structure of football and umpiring.

Part of the process of change to the structure of interstate football gave rise to the opportunity for some of our umpires to officiate in Eagles home games. Congratulations should be extended to them, as well as to Grant Vernon and Clay Shimmon who were also given the opportunity to umpire VFL games over in Melbourne.

#### Committee of 1987

I would like to thank Ron Buckey for the help he has offered me throughout the year, and look forward to serving alongside him next year.

Mike Ball as Vice President, has continued to show his ability for organisation at Committee level, and at the same time continue as WA's top field umpire.

Mark Power was as efficient a Treasurer as those who preceded him. His dedication to the position was as much a credit to him as the flair in which he handled the association's various accounts and cash flows. Unfortunately, Mark will not stand for re-election next year and so on behalf of the members, I would like to extend to him our thanks for his contribution.

Clay Shimmon took on what is, undoubtedly, the most thankless job on the committee, Social Secretary. Fortunately for us he and Liz Ball worked tirelessly to produce a magnificent social calendar which was enjoyed by all who were prepared to make the effort to support functions they arranged.

The thanks owed to Liz Ball for her valuable services to this association was justly rewarded by her selection for this year's Life Members Award. The amount of time she and Clay have put into this year's social scene has been enormous, as was reflected in the Grand Final Dinner Dance, which for a short period of time, looked in serious doubt. However, both Clay and Liz spent many hours canvassing various venues, eventually managing to snare the Golden Ballroom.

Members of the Committee included: Rob Henrie, Peter Tonti, Neville Lewis, Dom White, Phil Nolan and Ron Poole, and it was a great credit to them and their association that they applied themselves to the issues which confronted them throughout the year with such enthusiasm. To those members who are retiring, thank you, as I am very sure that very few appreciate the extra time you have spent on the Association's behalf. I would also like to offer a special thank you to Neville Lewis for making available to the committee the use of the Board room at the Australian Wheatboard for committee meetings.

**Umpire's Appointment Committee** 

After two years of administering umpires in this state, Bob Phillips can be well pleased with the approach umpires are taking towards their umpiring. Congratulations must be extended to the board for their selection of umpire throughout the year, as I feel sure that the board would be more than satisfied with the way the WAFL umpires performed throughout the year.

Bob has been well supported throughout the year by Slim Sommervaille as Chairman of the Umpires Appointment Board, Ron Powell, Peter Putskuchen, Tony Holland and Roy Becker as Boardmen. So too, John McKay must be congratulated for keeping the goalies on line all year, whilst Barry McKenzie attempted to do the same with the boundaries. Thanks must also go to our observers for the year.

**Training Supervisor** 

The 'new boy' David Johns performed an admirable job this year combining studies cricket training and umpires training into the one year. I'm sure that most members would have to agree that David did a tremendous job this year in keeping all umpires fit and happy.

**Umpire's Advocates** 

To Ross Capes, Charlie Pratt, Don McComish and Bill Brown, a special thankyou must be extended for the time that they have given up to attend tribunal hearings throughout the year. Your services are most appreciated.

**Training Staff** 

To those men responsible for keeping the umpires going with ice packs, cardiac massages, and magic potions, a big thankyou for your contributions throughout the course of the year. Those merry men were; Warren South, Harry Jardine, Dave Hackett, Tim Castle. Thanks also must go to Doctor Colin Hughes and Phillipa Stewart who provided their expert knowledge at training and at their practices.

Hal Symons Fitness Camp

This year saw a change in venue from the old Point Perron site down to Mandurah. The change of scenery worked very well. One of the aspects of the camp which always amazes and pleases me is the amount of assistance offered by past members of the umpiring fraternity towards the smooth running of the camp, whether it be in the kitchen or on the track. These people, along with Vinka, are the most important part of the weekend. To all concerned, thankyou. In 1988 it is planned that the camp will return to Point Perron.

**Appreciations** 

To all of our sponsors and helpers over the year I extended to you on behalf of the Association my sincere thanks. Your continued support of umpiring in this state continues to make umpiring a more enjoyable and worthwhile profession.

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John McKay and Family: For their generous donation of trophies for Reserve and Colts Grand Final Umpires.

Eric Hood Pty Ltd: For the donation of the Boundary Umpires Award. Saupold Family: For the donation of the Best First Year Umpire Trophy. Gil Bishop: For his continued help at the camp, with Stats, Grand Final Day.

Bob Davis: As this year's property man.

Peter Putskuchen: Returning officer for our election.

Dom White: As editor of the Annual Report and for drafting this report.

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Mark, Kerry and Wally at the W.A.C.A.

I would like to congratulate all umpires who achieved personal goals and offer commiserations to those who did not. Remember that next year is a new year.

Thankyou to the board who showed enough faith in my umpiring ability to select me in so many league fixtures.

To my wife and family for their tolerance and patience, sharing in my highs and lows, and the many friendships I have made. It has been most appreciated.

To all, the very best for the futures season, 1988.

Yours sincerely, Len. H. Cooper.



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#### 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 of the services they have donated to the Association. The award is a trophy which has been sculptured by Life Member, Ray Montgomery.

Whilst the award is traditionally given to an active member of the WANFLUA Association, this year the Management Committee voted unanimously to break that tradition and selected a person who has been associated with umpiring for a long time, but has not umpired a game in the WAFL competition.

Liz Ball was easily a popular and deserving winner of this year's award. The standing ovation she was given by members attending the Grand Final dinner dance was evidence enough of the amount of respect admiration and gratitude members of this Association have for the amount of time and effort Liz has put into the organisation of social functions, along with the various social secretaries.

Despite the fact that she has a young family to support, Liz has always found the time to offer her services to the Association to help plan and administer social functions, and this complemented by her tremendous outgoing personality and zest for fun which help to make every function a night to remember.

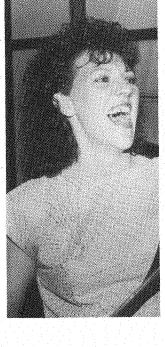
Congratulations Liz.

Note from Liz. Dear Life Members and Members,

May I take this opportunity to say how extremely proud and honoured I felt upon being awarded the Life Members Trophy at the Grand Final Ball. It was a very memorable evening for me, and one that I won't forget. The response I received from the members, their wives/girlfriends on the night was overwhelming and fulfilling in itself. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Howard Manly for holding me up, Ron Buckey for his handkerchief, and you the Members for your generosity.

#### **OUR LIFE MEMBERS**

1957	A. Chapman (Deceased)	1972	C. Hills
1958	J. Ferguson	• 1	P. Pustkuchen
1960	L. Hurley	*1973	R. Stubberfield
	A. Gibb (Deceased)	1973	C. Pratt
	H. Clair	1974	E. Martino
1962	L. Nathan		G. Meiers
	E. Crisp	1976	T. Neilson
1963	R. Montgomery	•1977	B. McKenzie
	C. Fitzpatrick		R. Scott
1964	D. Cumming (Deceased)	1978	R. Capes
	E. Brunton		B. Collett
1965	L. McComish (Deceased)	1979	H. Symons
1965	J. Campbell	1980	J. Devine
1966	J. Smith-Gander	1981	D. Aslett
.000	N. Shepherd	•	J. McKay
1967	B. Moore	•	R. Becker
	F. Woods		D.Wakenshaw
1968	B. Rigg	•1982	R. Powell
1970	G. McComish		M. Hale
	J. Dolling	1983	W. Brown
1971	R. Whitfield	*1984	G. Bishop
	W. Carter (Deceased)	1985	B. Grimmond



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#### OVER THE BOUNDARY LINE

B. McKenzie (Boundary Umpire's Coach)

With the 1987 season behind us, I have the opportunity to look back over the year and reflect on the progress made.

This year we had the services of a new training instructor in David John who provided a new method of training which brought about a higher level of fitness that we all benefited

from, pre-season right through to September.

This season has been a long and hard one with the advent of the Kresta Cup in early February which went through to the start of the season. At the same time we saw the Eagles go into the extended VFL competition, this gave us the opportunity to have six boundary umpires umpiring in the VFL competition. These six men gave a very good account of themselves throughout the season and the experience gained will hold them in good stead for 1988.

Another first this year occurred when Clay Shimmon was appointed to participate in a league game on the MCG. Congratulations Clay on a job well done. We all hope that many

more will be able to achieve the same honour.

In review of our members, we started with twenty-nine boundary umpires being appointed to the panel, with four resignations before the first round was completed. One wonders why they applied for the position in the first place. Ask yourself these important questions:

1. Have I the personality to accept constructive criticism.

2. Have I the desire to attain the highest level in Boundary Umpiring.

3. Have I the time to participate in training and attend lectures.

4. Have I the dedication to achieve the above, if so, success is yours.

Congratulations go to recognised achievers for the 1987 season.

Bernard Roberts as Boundary Umpire of the year. Graeme (Tig) Bergersen as the most promising Boundary Umpire and also as the best

first year umpire. Well done.

To the Grand Final Boundary Umpires in Clay Shimmon and Phil Nolan, Stewart Tempest and Craig Curtis, Dom White and Greg McDonald. Unfortunately for Grahame Daniel he injured his ankle on the last training session making the way for Dom to go into Under 19s.

All umpires approached the game with enthusiasm and desire to do well in every grade.

Congratulations to all.

What will happen in the future?

Will there be a Boundary Umpires' Coach next season? Let's all hope so. What a backward step it would be if it reverted back to the old system.

Will a National Football League be formed, with Umpires being called upon to officiate

in every state?

All efforts should be made by the league to recruit young and promising boundary umpires from Junior Councils and other associations to ensure a regular flow of talent coming through our ranks. Other associations should also be encouraged to submit names of promising youngsters.

In closing I would like to wish one and all a very Merry Festive Season.

Barry McKenzie **Boundary Umpires Advisor** 

P.S. Have you all commenced the "Off Season Program?"

#### ERIC HOOD AWARD

The award, sponsored by Eric Hood and Co. Domestic and Industrial Painting Contractors, for whom ex-veteran boundary umpire, Don "Winky" Wakenshaw is the Kambalda Operations Manager, is presented to the boundary umpire who is judged the most promising, but is yet to umpire a League game.

The award was first introduced in 1981, and past recipients include, Mark Power, Dom White, Steve Timmings, Dave Metcalfe, Bernard Roberts and Greg Taylor. This year the award was presented to a good friend of Dennis Cometti, Tig Bergensen.

Whilst by no means the youngest umpire on the panel, Tig's energy and determination to succeed have seen him rise rapidly through the year and even manage to get to League ranks before the end of the year. He was rewarded for his efforts this year with the Reserves first semi-final. Well done Tig! I hope you're going to give one pair of shoes to Dennis for his



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#### **STATE GAMES 1987**



#### WA vs VIC

L to R: Dick Stubberfield, Stewart Tempest, Grant Vernon, Ian Clayton (Vic), Ron Poole, Clay Shimmon.

#### WA vs SA

FIELD Mike Ball Boundary Steve Walker, Graham Daniels Goals:

#### 1st League Games 1987

Boundary:

Craig Curtis (VFL) Greg McDonald (VFL) Phil Nolan (VFL) Clay Shimmon (VFL) Stewart Tempest (VFL) Steve Walker (VFL)

#### Goal:

Trevor Cant (VFL) Lester Cox (VFL) Robin Dalby (VFL) Ron Poole (VFL) Richard Stubberfield (VFL)

Field: Dale Hosking Glenn Lee Grant Vernon (VFL)

Boundary: Tig Bergensen Trevor Henderson Bernard Roberts

Goals Frank Cetinich **Bob Davis** 

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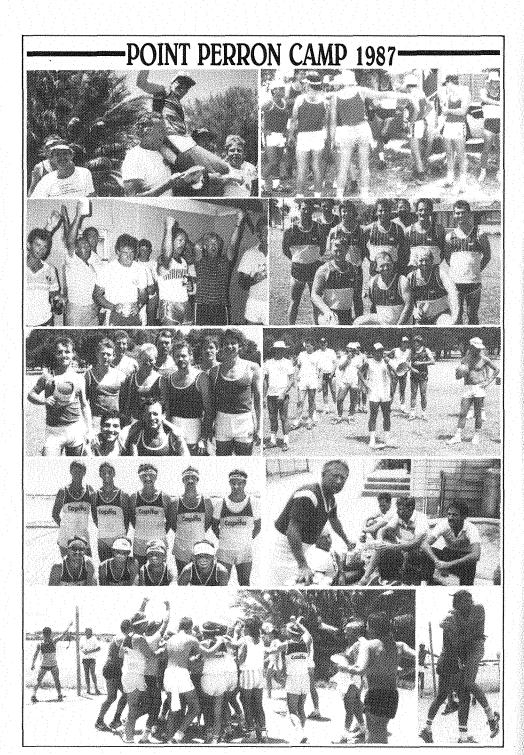




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#### Keeping Fit in 1987

#### D. Johns

The 1987 WAFL season began for the field and boundary umpires at the beginning of February at McGillivray Oval. A select group of masochistic umpires (and others) began what was to become nine months of intense pleasure. I remember well the smiling faces as they returned from gruelling runs to City Beach, Reabold Hill, Shenton Park and Wembley Golf Course. From the first session a competitive rivalry was established between several umpires (Tempest and Tig, Ball and O'Driscoll), and whilst I agree that the competition improved fitness levels, Dom White sometimes thought otherwise.



The 1987 football season was a season of change, and I, as the fitness co-ordinator, was determined to change some of the old, habitual training methods. And so, the umpires enjoyed the aerobic delights of Linley and Lisa, the introduction of new stretching procedures, and an emphasis on muscle strength and endurance.

One event on the umpires' calendar which received a major change was the annual camp. Firstly, the location was transferred from Point Peron to Mandurah. Secondly, the format was changed, the traditional run was held on Saturday morning, the traditional beach work on Saturday after lunch, and, the traditional drinking held at the Peninsula, The Atrium, the Brighton, etc.

Unfortunately the Stars and Stripes team was defeated in controversial circumstances, but it was good to see that the player with the most skill in their group won the award for overal sportsman at the camp. Well done Barry.

Our stay at McGillivray ended with an entertaining athletics meeting against the Subiaco Football Club. The umpires competed admirably well against younger and faster opponents, especially young Bernie Roberts. And so with the promise of the WACA surface and new change rooms, we marched into town only to be given the old change rooms and Trinity Oval! However, we saw very little of Trinity Oval, and a lot more of the Kings Park landscape, South Perth foreshore, and Mounts Bay Road. The distances we ran grew and grew, as did the number and size of the umpires, mainly due to the fact that it was at this point in time that we were joined by the goal umpires.

Actually, I found the goal umpires to be a willing bunch, willing to run, willing to stretch but above all, willing to whinge.

Finally, we moved onto the WACA surface in conjunction with the beginning of the WAFL season. The intensity of training increased whilst the time spent on the track remained the same. As a result the fitness levels of all umpires improved considerable over the season. The amount of improvement was a reflection of your professionalism as athletes to endure heavy workloads placed upon you at training. However, there were a also a few who could not endure the workload and were subsequently injured. However, there were always the capable hands of Phillipa, Warren and Harry to massage, advise and ice the many strained heart muscles.

As the season progressed, training became a little disjointed because there seemed to be a football match on every day except Saturday! It wasn't until the final six weeks that normal training was resumed. The eminance of finals was felt by everybody, on and off the training track, and consequently the quality of training became better and better.

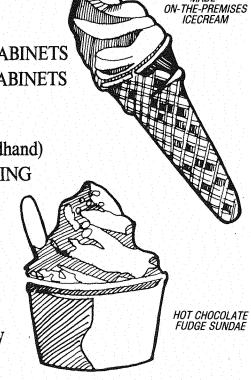
In reflection, I found the 1987 season to be a very long and yet enjoyable experience, and I derived great satisfaction from some performances. I would like to congratulate not only all finals umpires, but also those who showed considerable improvement throughout the year. Thanks to those who supported me both on and off the training track. I hope the 1988 season sees as much improvement and professionalism shown by all umpires as this year. (Enjoy your FOUR-WEEK break!)



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# STRAIGHT THROUGH THE MIDDLE

#### JOHN McKAY GOAL UMPIRES COACH

It has been a long season for those of us who commenced training in January this year, though I must thank you all for the dedication of trying to do your best, which is all a coach can ask for.

I have enjoyed this year of changes with the introduction of the VFL competition to our State, although it has put a greater demand on the coaching administrators in terms of hours, which puts a greater stress on one's personal life at times.

There is no doubt that it will provide bigger goals to aim for to those who may wish to seek them at the highest level of goal umpiring in Australia.

I sincerely believe what was said at lectures this year, and I believe that you guys are great. We are learning to take the knocks as well as the highs, and that includes yours truly. Who knows what is around the corner for us? It does not really matter in general, but it is your performance on the field that all observers judge you on. I suppose it is fair to say all coaches look for excellence in any code of sport, and it is not easy to achieve without dedication and hard work.

I believe that we as a group should aim to get together more often, whether it is at training or at social events, there appears to be a lack of understanding between umpires, even with the efforts of Ron Buckey and his committee. In all fairness, we have also introduced more new umpires this season, and understandably they may have felt like they were intruding, which you and I know is not entirely true.

One last thing I must do is to wish all umpires who participated in this year the best of luck in 1988.

JOHN McKAY GOAL UMPIRES COACH.

#### SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

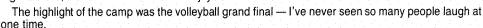
The aim of the Social Committee for 1987 has been to reduce the cost and increase the numbers at social functions. I believe that this has been achieved, and the credit must go to you, the members, for your attendance at functions throughout the year. It is hoped that the remaining members still not pulling their weight will endeavour to do so next year.

Social functions for 1987 included:

#### The annual Hal Symons fitness camp

This year the camp was held at Mandurah for the first time, and although the accommodation wasn't exactly ideal, the variation in scenery provided a welcome change.

David John gave us an early example of what to expect for the rest of the year, however, despite his sadistic training methods, the fellows were able to enjoy themselves.



A special thanks must go to Vinka and all the workers who helped in the kitchen.

#### Family Day at the Putlands

A great day was had by all who attended this function — the kids had a fabulous time in the pool. A special thanks must go to Carol and Leith for offering their place for us all to enjoy. Putts is one of the best blokes I have been associated with, and has been a tremendous asset to the social committee. Apart from this day, Leith has provided cheap beer and drinking glasses for several functions, and has kept us all laughing with his impersonations. Not bad for a bloke who is in his first year with the association.

P.S. Ask Craig Curtis how many beans there are in Leith's water bean bag.-Ed.

#### Panel night & presentation night

Both nights were held at the Heritage in Charles Reception Centre as in previous years. The video organised by Ken O'Driscoll, Ray Zoch and Cameron Woods was well received by the members on Panel Night. (I'm sure John McKay is not going to forget it for a while!) The presentation was well supported by our Life Members, and it was nice to see them again.

#### El Cheap Nights

The first El Cheapo Night was very successful, the second was slightly disappointing. However, the people who stayed on to the end would have seen Dom White dance into the chairs and walls, and Steve Timmings chat up every woman insight. (Nothing wrong with that Rowdy!) Thanks must go to the ladies who helped Liz Ball at the first El Cheapo Night, and to Hadji, Johnsy Gil Bishop, Ron Poole, Phil Nolan, and everyone else who helped serve behind the bar. Thanks must also go to Barry McKenzie for his services as DJ at the first El Cheapo Night.

#### **Wembley Dinner Dance**

Held at the Wembley Lodge, over 150 people attended, and all enjoyed our DJ Peter "Russel-Clarke". Brad Bitzel rolled up with a very nice young lady (whatever happened to her Brad?), and Johnsy gave his second worst display for the year (ask Brian Collett about his worst).

#### Movie Night and Harry's Gourmet

The movie night was a great success with 80 members rolling up to watch the new Eddie Murphy film, "Beverley Hills Cop 2", and enjoy a mild laugh with their mates.

Once again Harry Jardine and his lovely wife May provided a wonderful spread on Preliminary Final Night. It is a tribute to both Harry's cooking, as well as his personality that so many members and Life members flood to this function every year. Thanks must also go to John Devine and the staff of the Celtic Club for once again providing the venue for this function, as well as for looking after the Umpires on Saturday nights during the last half of the season.

#### **Grand Final Ball**

Our one expensive evening for the year was this year held at the Golden Ballroom in the Sheraton Hotel. It was great to see so many members take the effort to dress up for the occasion. The best dressed man was a dead heat between Harry Jardine and Warren South. The best dressed woman? — All of them.

Rudest behaviour of the night was a run away victory to Barry McKenzie for ringing me up three times at 3am in the morning while I was on the nest.

In closing, I would like to thank Mark Power and Dom White for their services at most functions. Mark in particular has always given up his time to collect the monies for each function, and has been an outstanding Treasurer whose services will be greatly missed by this Association next year.

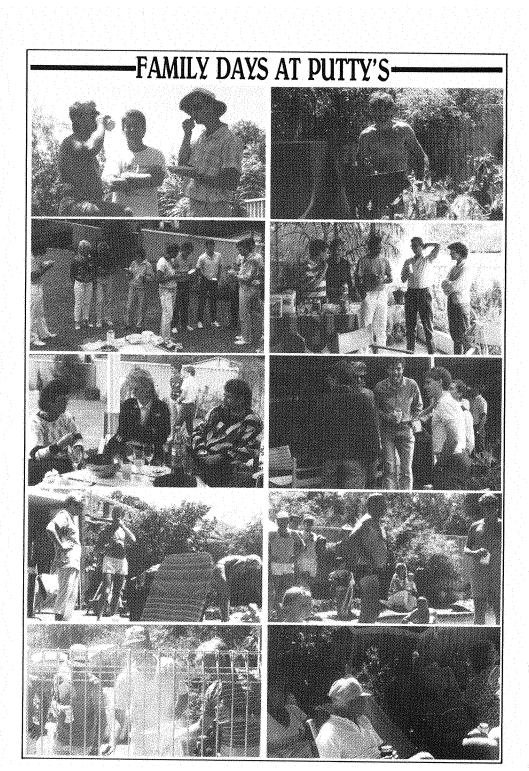
To be truthful, I haven't got the words to thank Liz Ball. However, the emotions shown by other members of our Association when Liz received the Life Members award would perhaps best sum up the gratitude this Association owes to Liz for her untiring efforts. I can assure every member of the Association that Liz is worth TWO Life Members Trophies.

So too, when putting together functions, good comperes are very hard to come by. This year the Association has been very fortunate to have had the services of Don McComish and Howard Manley, whose efforts on the Panel Night, and the Presentation Night, were nothing short of sensational.

Finally, I would like to thank the favourite woman in my life — my wife Sue. Although sometimes she gets a little fed up with the time involved in training and running social functions, Sue has attended nearly every function, and given me wonderful support in a very demanding year. Thanks Suzie.

#### Clay Shimmon

Social Secretary.





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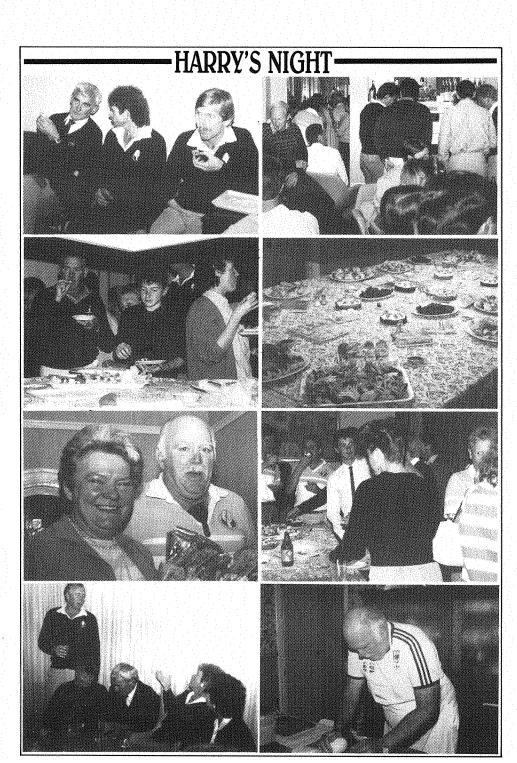
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#### WAFL GRAND FINAL UMPIRES

September 19th 1987

#### League Grand Finalists



Field: Phil O'Reilly, Grant Vernon Boundary: Clay Shimmon, Phil Nolan

Goals: Robin Dalby, Paul Smith Emergencies: Mike Ball (Field), Mark Power (Boundary)

#### **Reserve Grand Finalists**



Field: Ken O'Driscoll, Dave Johnson

Boundary: Stewart Tempest, Craig Curtis

Goal: Trevor Cant, Lester Cox **Emergency:** Peter Tonti

#### **Colts Grand Finalists**



Field: Glen Le, Len Cooper Boundary: Greg McDonald, Dom White Goals: Terry Tomlinson, Ron

Poole

**Emergency: Peter Tonti** 

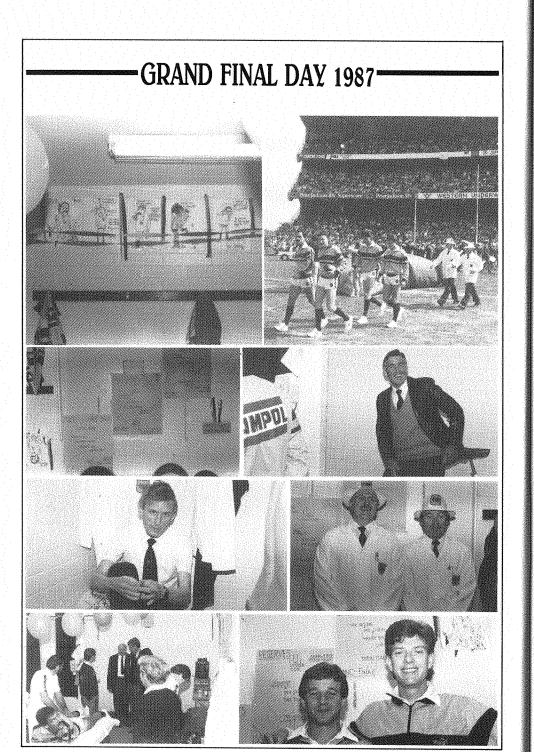
#### **Umpires' Trainers**



Warren South (Head Trainer) Harry Jardine

**Dave Hackett** Tim Castle (Absent)

As always, the Umpires Association is greatly indebted to our trainers for the amount of time and assistance they have given all members over the season past. To Warren, Harry, Dave, Tim, Phillipa and Doc' Collin Hughes we extend a heartfelt thankyou for your time before, during and after training and matches throughout the year. We can assure you that your efforts have been deeply appreciated and look forward to your services in the year/s to come.





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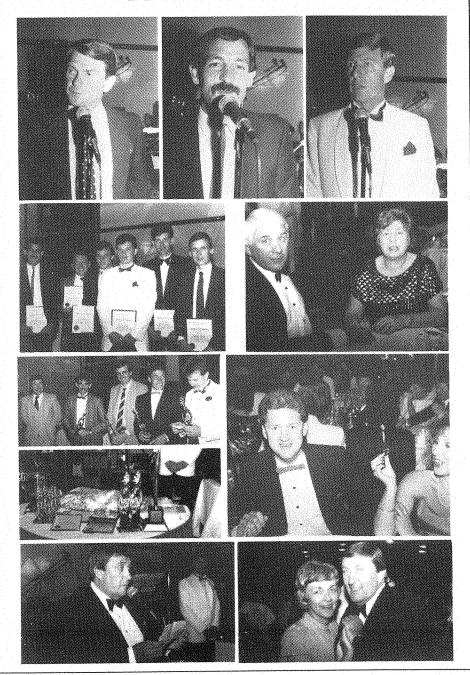
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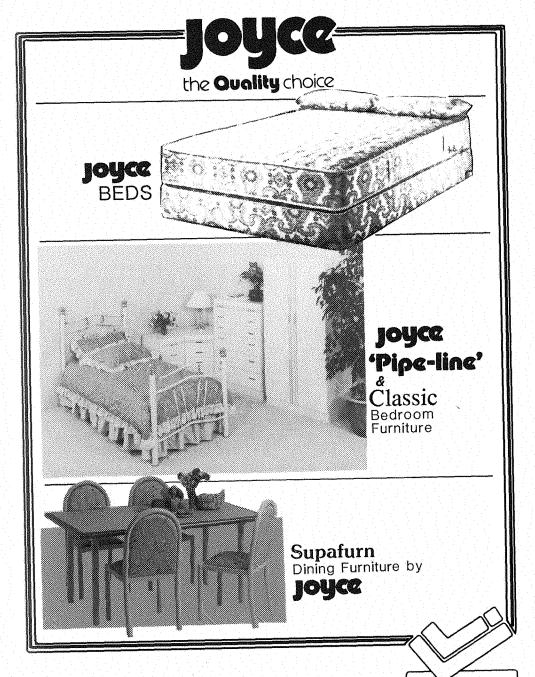
# GRAND FINAL-

#### -DINNER DANCE 1987—



#### **GRAND FINAL UNPIRES SINCE 1955**

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Date	Field	Boundary	Goal
1955	J. Green	J. Dolling	M. Rose
		F. Pimm	W. Carter
1956	L. Gardner	R. Colby W. Shorthill	M. Rose W. Carter
1957	C. Fitzpatrick	R. Hall	M. Rose
		R. Whitfield	W. Carter
1958	L. Gardner	R. Hall	M. Rose
1959	R. Montgomery	R. Whitfield R. Hall	W. Carter M. Rose
1935	ic. Montgomery	D. Skipworth	W. Carter
1960	L. Gardner	R. Hall	M. Rose
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1962	B. Feld	D. de Gruchy	M. Rose
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1963	R. Scott	B. Bidstrup F. Naylor	M. Rose W. Carter
1964	R. Montgomery	B. Carbon	M. Rose
		K. Hart	W. Carter
1965	Fred Woods	D. Hansen T. Lewis	R. Parkhouse P. Pustkuchen
1966	R. Montgomery	K. Hart	R. Parkhouse
		D. de Gruchy	P. Pustkuchen
1967	R. Scott	A. Hocking	R. Parkhouse
1968	R. Scott	P. Snow J. Devine	P. Pustkuchen J. Dolling
1300	W. Scott	P. Bruce	R. (Dick) Montgomer
1969	R. Montgomery	P. Bruce	J. Dolling
1970	R. Montgomery	J. Devine D. Clair	L. Bromley W. Carter
1370	it. Montgomery	C. Feutrill	G. Hall
1971	L. Johnston	P. Bruce	R. Hartland
1972	J. Fuhrmann	J. Devine P. Bruce	B. Collett D. Allen
1972	J. i Griffilatin	I. Devine	M. Hale
1973	R. Capes	D. Wakenshaw	J. McKay
1074	0. 6	G. Tipping J. Devine	R. Hartland B. Collett
1974	R. Capes	G. Tipping	B. Haigh
1975	R. Capes	D. Wakenshaw	B. Haigh
1076	5.6	P. Cunningham	J. McKay B. Collett
1976	R. Capes R. Powell	D. Wakenshaw D. Aslett	J. McKay
1977	R. Capes	D. Wakenshaw	R. Becker
	R. Powell	D. Aslett	J. McKay
1978	R. Buckey R. Capes	R. Dalby D. Aslett	R. Becker B. Haigh
1979	R. Capes	J. Devine	B. Haigh
	J. Morris	G. McDonald	R. Lee
1980	J. Morris	J. Devine G. Daniel	R. Becker M. Hale
1981	R. Phillips R. Capes	I. Devine	T. Cant
	R. Powell	D. Aslett	C. Raynor
1982	R. Phillips	G. Woodhouse D. Davis	R. Becker L. Leicester
1983	D. Gillies M. Ball	D. Ross	M. Hale
	D. Rowe	G. McDonald	L. Leicester
1984	D. Johnson	G. McDonald	R. Dalby
1985	M. Ball D. Johnson	C. Shimmon C. Shimmon	N. Lewis R. Dalby
1,703	P. O'Reilly	G. McDonald	R. Becker
1986	M. Ball	C. Shimmon	T.Cant
1007	K. O'Driscoll	S. Tempest	L. Cox



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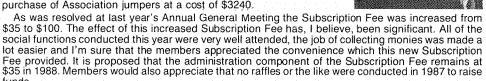
#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the 1986/87 Treasurer's Report, which includes details of Income and Expenditure, Balance Sheet and Funds Position.

The Association commenced the year in a very sound financial position and this was further strengthened during this year by income exceeding expenditure by \$215.

Total receipts for the 12 months was \$44,581, an increase of \$8137 (22 per cent) on 1986. Total payments during 1987 increased by \$7069 from \$36,917 to \$43,986. Accumulated Funds increased from \$9614 to \$9829, despite the Management Committee's decision to subsidise the purchase of Association jumpers at a cost of \$3240.



I am disappointed to report to members that a number of umpires who officiated in 1987 WAFL matches and who subsequently 'retired' during the season, refused to pay any portion of the Subscription Fee despite a written request to do so by our President, Ron Buckey. These umpires were Greg Sinclair, Denis Davis, Peter Sherwood, Peter Vincent and Des Morgan.

During the year, the Association received commission from two sources. Firstly, from the National Australia Bank for the 'Direct Payment of Salary Accounts'. Commission received was at the rate of 75 cents per \$100 deposited for which the Association received \$809.

Secondly, the Association received commission from the WAFL for selling state game tickets and finals series tickets to members. The commission received from these sources was \$133.

Sponsorship for the 1986 Year Book amounted to \$1010 which offset to a large degree the cost of printing the 1986 Year Book which was \$1208. To date the Association has received sponsorship of \$430 towards meeting the cost of printing the 1987 Year Book. The work done by Dom White, Neville Lewis and Phil Nolan in coordinating the sponsorship and publication of the 1986 and 1987 Year Books has been substantial. My thanks to the sponsors of the Year Book whose continued support of the Association is appreciated.

On the social scene it was a refreshing change to see all of the functions well attended by members. In particular, the El-Cheapo nights, the June Dinner Dance and the Grand Final Dinner Dance will remain our social highlight of the year. The success of the functions was due to the outstanding efforts of Clay Shimmon and Liz Ball, whose untiring efforts were appreciated by one and all.

Personally, 1987 has been a very rewarding year as Treasurer. I have had the opportunity of working with 10 other members of the Association whose sole desire it has been to satisfy the needs of the members of this Association. The Association has been very ably led by Ron Buckey, whom I admire not only for his achievements as an umpire on the field but equally for his ongoing commitment to the future of umpiring in WA and particularly to our participation in the VFL. To you Ron, I thank you for your active encouragement during the year and for giving me the opportunity of serving the Association as Treasurer.

I am indebted to Rob Hendrie, our former Treasurer, who has provided me with every assistance and encouragement throughout the year. I have benefited greatly from Rob's experience and my task made a lot easier by the very high standard of bookkeeping which Rob employed. My personal thanks

To Mike, Len, Phil, Ron, Neville, Peter, Clay and Dom — members of the Management Committee, I thank you for your efforts in making my job all the easier and in doing so, contributing to what has been financially, a very good year.

Last, but by no means least, to Denis Heaney, our Honorary Auditor for 1987, your efforts in auditing the accounts in an efficient and professional manner have once again been appreciated.

Best wishes to all members.

Mark Power Honorary Treasurer

#### Funds Position as at 15th October, 1986

1986 \$	\$		1987 \$	\$
2275 36,444		Cheque Account Cash Balance Forward Cash Receipts	1802 44,581	
36,917		Cash Receipts	46,383	
36,917		Less Cash Payments	43,986	
	1802	Cash Balance 15th October		2397
6356		RESERVE ACCOUNTS Investment Account Balance Forward	7317	
		Deposits	6000	
6356 961		Interest	13,317 1170	
7317			14,487	
		Less Transfers to Working Account	7800	
	7317	Balance 15th October		6687
122 8		Passbook Account Balance Forward Interest	130 8	
130			138	
		Less Transfers to Working Account	60	
	130	Balance 15th October	proportion for the first section of the section of	78
264		Everyday Savings Account Balance Forward Deposits	45 335	
264			380	
20		Interest	19	
284			399	
239		Less Transfers to Working Account	32	
	45	Balance 15th October		367
	\$9294	TOTAL FUNDS 15TH OCTOBER		\$9529

Income and	d Evnanditura Statement for 12 months and a design	h Ostobou 1007	1986	Expenditure	1987 \$
1986	d Expenditure Statement for 12 months ended 15th Income	1987		Donation — David Horne Appeal Less Receipts	366 166
\$ 1107		\$	1100	Honorarium	
1167 3820	Interests – Investments		197	Printing and Stationery	1315
3020	Subscriptions Film Night		980 893	Less 1986 Year Book Sponsorship	1010
355	Less Payments	380	411	Postage and Telephone	
333		380	252	AGM Drinks	
404	Mandurah Camp	1609	4	Bereavements	
494	Less Payments	the same of the sa	690 542 967	Trophies	
	Association Shirts	3582		Legal Fees	
_	Less Payments	3344	238 503	NFLUA Conference Expenses	
	State Game Tickets	1227	85	NFLUA Affiliation Fees	
<del>-</del>	Less Cost	1180	47 101	Bank Charges and Fees	767
	Finals Series Tickets	2346		Committee Entertainment	767
_	Less Cost	2300	46	Less Receipts	280
	Grand Final Relay Prizemoney	2300	04	Insurance	
	Pre-Season Barbecue	207	50 188	Films and Proofs	322
	Less Payments	397 317	80	Point Peron Camp 1988	180
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	00 _	Less Reimbursement	180
	El-Cheapo Nights (2)	1662	16	Umpires Teas – Panel Night	2712
T	Less Payments	1647	15 367	Less Receipts	225
	Harry's Gourmet	450		Umpires Teas – Presentation Night	2736
-	Less Payments	218	232 1017	Less Receipts (Ampol \$2000)	2050
	1987 Year Book Sponsorship		430	Grand Final Dinner Dance	8300
(manual)	Commission Received – NAB		809 1879	Less Receipts	5795
<del>-</del>	Donation - Umpires Trip Fund		360	Grand Final Day Refreshments	86
4 = 4	Donation — Eric Hood Pty Ltd Casual Raffles		335	Less Receipts	10
454	Casual Kattles				
1455	Raffle Books			Pre-Season Athletic Meet	286
1500	200 Club			Less Receipts	281
40 6	Gym Equipment Hire Association Bags			June Dinner Dance	3619
721	Quiz Night			Less Receipts	3274
62	Re-Union Dinner			Associaton Jumpers	
28	Family Day Picnic			Pre-Season Expense Reimbursement –	
16	Grand Final Day Refreshments – 1985			W.South	
10	Grand Final Day Refreshments – 1986		50	Sunday Football League – Drinks South Australian Dinner	
			59	South Australian Dinner	
420			16	Association Shirts — Screening	
),128		14,	509 100	Kevin Cox Memorial Grant 1986 and	
<u>13</u>	Excess Expenditure Over Income			1987	
			8	Training Requisites	
			142	WACA Night	
			<u> </u>	Harry's Gourmet	
,141		\$14,5	100	Whitby Falls Children's Christmas Party	
			$=$ 1 $^{100}$	E.F.F.C. Tennis Day	
			50	Life Members' Dinner – Drinks	
			345	Subiaco Oval BBQ	
			98	'P' Night Cabaret	
			47	Group Photos	
			290	Equipment Written Off	
			200	Donations	
			10,141	Total Expenditure Excess Income Over Expenditure	
			\$10,141		

#### Balance Sheet As at 15th October 1987

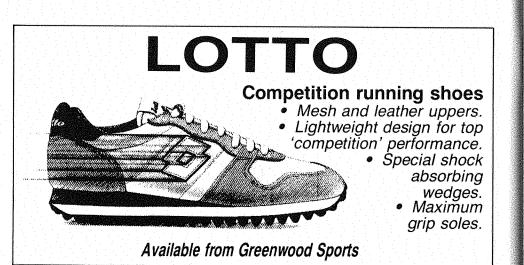
1986			1987	
\$	\$	Assets	\$	
	1802	Cash at Bank	2397	
	7317	Investment Account — T&C		
	400	Redeemable Account	6687	
	130	Passbook Account – T&C	78	
0644	45	Everyday Savings Account – NAB	367	
9614	320	Plant and Equipment	300	9829
		Less Liabilities		
9614				0000
7017				9829
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		Accumulated Funds		
	9627	Balance as at 15th October, 1986	9614	
	(13)	Excess Income Over Expenditure	215	
		- Experience	417	
\$9614			-	\$9829
				J7049

**Auditor's Report** 

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 16th October 1986, to 15th October 1987.

Denis F. Heaney AASA Registered Company Auditor



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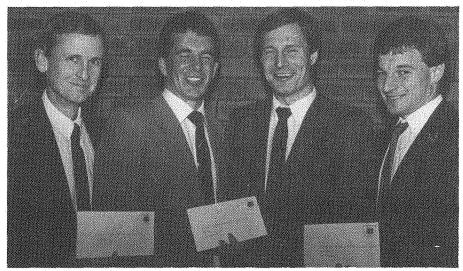
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# AMPOL AWARDS UMPIRES OF THE YEAR



L to R: Robin Dalby (Goals), Mike Ball (Field), David Ash (Ampol), Clay Shimmon (Boundary).

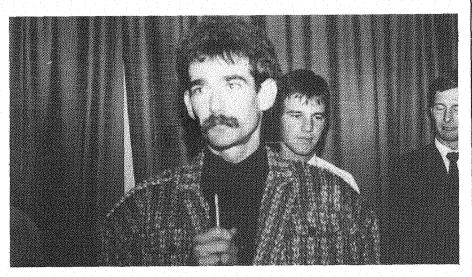
#### **MOST IMPROVED**



L to R: Bernard Roberts (Boundary), Bob Davis (Goals), David Ash (Ampol), Trevor Garrett (Field).

#### MOST DEDICATED 1987-

**Craig Curtis** 



#### BEST FIRST YEAR UMPIRE-

Tig Bergensen



# HUMOUROUS AWARDS FERGUSON OPTICAL AWARD

This award is presented to the umpire who makes the loudest "clanger" during the course of the year. This year there were several candidates nominated for this prestigious award, however, the judges finally agreed on Robin Dalby's "It's a point, no it's a goal" decision in the Eagles vs Essendon match at the WACA. The ball was in the Eagles goal square when it was rammed into the point post by a pack of players. However, Robin, unsighted, allowed play to go on, and a quick-thinking Eagles player swooped on the ball and put it straight through the middle. The result?

— A goal.

#### BROWN NOSE AWARD

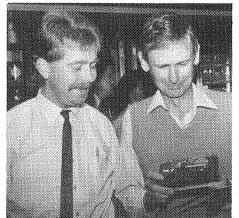
One of the more prestigious Goal Umpires awards, this is dedicated to the goal umpire who is adjudged to have indulged in the biggest amount of behind the scenes PR work with the goal umpires coach. This year it was the extra curricular work of Nigel Tilley which saw him become a runaway winner of the 1987 award. My sources tell me that whenever Nigel was not on the training track he spent a lot of time in discussion with John McKay. As a result the other goal umpires became extremely suspicious and decided that he should be the unanimous winner of the Brown Nose award

#### STIRRERS AWARD

This particular award seems very strange to me. I mean as all other Field and Boundary umpires know. the whole panel of Goal umpires are stirrers, so how they could single out one of their flock as the stirrer of the year seems very odd indeed. However, the selection committee came to a unanimous decision on who was the most deserving recipient of this year's award. Rumour has it that Ron Poole was the runaway winner of this year's award, however his suspension for failing to report made him ineligible to be declared winner. This meant that Trevor Prescud was declared the winner of the award, in only his first year on the WAFL panel. The selection panel felt that Trevor's incredible stirring performance this year more than justified his selection as 'Stirrer of the Year' for 1987. (Must have been a chook raffle really). Bad luck Trevor, Next time you may be fortunate enough to get a position on the selection committee and become immune from selec-

#### **DUMMY SPITTERS AWARD**

Poor old Rob Hendrie. Thought things were really going his way when he was given the reins of power over the goalies training run one night. Little did he know that mutiny was being planned amongst the ranks, and so it was that when he tried to direct training over there in McCallum Park, nobody was particularly interested in what Rob had to say. Poor old Rob. His aspirations to be Goal umpires coach someday were shattered. And there, right where all goal umpires could see, Rob spat the dummy and relinquished his control of training. As a result, Rob easily took out the 1987 Dummy Spitters award and gratefully accepted his prize.







#### NFLUA CONFERENCE 1987 MELBOURNE

The meeting was declared open by the President of the NFLUA, Mr Ron Buckey, and all States were in attendance.

John Lancer, QC from NSW was given the task in 1986 to draw up a constitution to replace the one which the NFLUA is currently bound by. He presented the draft copy to the meeting, and after going through the major contentious areas, a resolution was put to the conference to accept the draft constitution in its present form with each State being given the task of persuing the draft copy with their respective management committees, returning their draft copies to the National Secretary by no later than November 30th 1987 accompanied by signatures of approval from at least two executive members. A secondary resolution in conjunction with the above was also presented to the committee and passed unanimously by all States and Territories in attendance. It read along the lines that "the present constitution was outdated and does not include the VFLUA".

Following discussion on the formation of a new NFLUA constitution, each State was given ten minutes to present their State report to the conference and elaborate on items which they saw as major points of interest to the conference delegates. These reports produced several major points: f30 (1) The impact of the VFL competition in WA, NSW and Queensland. Lengthy discussion took place with WA, NSW and Queensland approving of the introduction of the competition and of the great relations which have been established with the VFLUA and the VFL.

(2) Workers compensation in Tasmania and the National competition. The VFLUA was nominated to negotiate the fees and conditions at the present point in time, although the NFLUA would have some say when the game goes national. SANFUA expressed their concern at being excluded from active participation in the extended VFL Competition at the present time, seeing that umpires from other States and Territories were already involved. They received support from all States and Territories to pursue the inclusion of their umpires in the 1988 season. The reports from WA, NSW and Queensland gave the South Australians a more positive view about joining the expanded competition, as well as on the importance of the competition to the future of umpiring in Australia.

The South Australian umpiring magazine, Ball Up, was designated as the official forum for communication between umpires across the country. All States and Territories were encouraged to ensure that they make regular contributions to the Ball Up magazine so that it would become an effective National umpires magazine. A levy will be set upon each member State and Territory so that the South Australians can send ten copies of the magazine to every affiliated Association each month.

The conference also held elections for office bearers for the upcoming year, and the results of those elections are listed below.

President — Ron Buckey (WA)
Vice President — W. Box (Queensland)
Secretary/Treasurer — Brian Hood (Victoria)

Overall, the National Conference was a resounding success, which emphasizes the point that all States and Territories should work more closely to set up the structure of umpiring for a National Competition. The National Competition received unanimous support from all delegates, and also the VFLUA for the way in which they have negotiated fees and conditions for all umpires who participate in that competition.

It has given me great pleasure to have been able to present this report to you the members, as well as to have represented you at the National Conference. The format of the conference, and the way in which it was administered is a great tribute to our President, Ron Buckey. His professional approach to the task of administering the Umpire's Association is a credit to himself and umpiring in general. His popularity amongst umpires across Australia, as well as the invaluable service and knowledge he has to offer, is best respected through his re-election as National President.

Mike D. Ball

# -ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS-

SMALL PRINT — For the artwork, typesetting and printing of this year's book.

BARRY McKENZIE — For his photographic expertise.

GIL BISHOP — For compiling statistics for the year.

PHIL NOLAN AND NEVILLE LEWIS — For compiling year book sponsorship.

AMPOL PTY LTD — For their continued sponsorship of umpires in this state.

A very special thankyou is also extended to all our other year book sponsors.

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