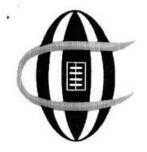
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ANNUAL REPORT 1970

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1970 OFFICE-BEARERS

PATRON: His Worship the Mayor of Woollahra, Alderman Burfitt-Williams.

PRESIDENT: G. W. Osborne.

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CLUB CAPTAIN: J. M. Jepsen.

- HON. SECRETARY: A. Ross.
- HON. TREASURER: B. P. Chanter.
 - REGISTRAR: T. Clifford.
- CLUB HOUSE MANAGER: R. Caldwell.

ASSISTANT CLUB HOUSE MANAGER: B. Donald.

COMMITTEE: P. Jurd, P. Karr, J. Noice, E. Radford.

HON. LIFE MEMBERS: A. Ball, L. J. F. Barraclough, M.L.A., J. Corlis, J. Herman, D. Higgins, K. McLean, C. Messenger, C. Noice.

DELEGATES TO METROPOLITAN

SUB-DISTRICT: J. M. Jepsen. P. Karr, J. Noice.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gentlemen,

In my annual report to you last year I expressed the view that your Club could confidently look forward to an even better record in 1970. It is my firm belief that this was achieved.

It is a matter of record that on the Rugby field the Club retained the Bruce Graham Club Championship Shield and regained the Kentwell Cup. The Burke Cup, Whiddon and Judd Cup teams were semifinalists in their divisions. More complete details of these achievements appear later in this report, but to every person who represented the Club in any team 1 extend my appreciation for your assistance in helping us achieve this wonderful record.

Once again I am very pleased to be able to report to you that your Club had a most energetic and hard-working Committee. Having been associated now with the Management Committee of this Club for quite a number of years, I feel no embarrassment in reporting to you that I have never experienced a group of men so determined to overcoming the odd disappointments that inevitably have to be faced and so successful in so doing.

To each member of the Committee I extend my personal thanks for their assistance.

On behalf of the Executive and Committee, I extend to all members our appreciation for your generous support of the various social activities of the Club.

It was pleasing to see such a marked increase of new faces in 1970, and it seems to me that they all found our Club worth while. Let's hope we can have an even larger increase in 1971.

May I conclude by saying that in my view you have every reason to be confident about the continued success and good fellowship which has always made this Club so worth while.

> GEORGE W. OSBORNE, President.

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

1970 was indeed a good year, as Colleagues launched themselves into the Seventies with the same gusto and enthusiasm that was born in the Thirties and has been carried through the intervening decades on the broad shoulders of those who are "rapt in Rugby" in the Colleagues' inimitable style.

After many years of effort and corresponding victory, Colleagues have established the recipe for success in the Club Championship — a great spirit, coupled with a curious mixture of a carefully balanced liquid and fat-free diet, accompanied by vigorous and earnest effort on the playing field during the training sessions of Thursday evenings and the games of Saturday afternoons.

By these means, Colleagues won the Bruce Graham Club Championip Shield for the seventh time in the decade.

Very few members of the Club have difficulty with this recipe. nd, as a result, every member contributed to our continued success 3 a Club in the Metropolitan Sub-district Rugby Union.

The points for the Club Championship came from:

The Kentwell Cup team, who were Minor Premiers and retrieved the Cup from Newington Old Boys, under the fine coaching of Eddie Radford and stand-in coach, John Corlis.

The Burke Cup team, coached unbeaten to their Minor Premiership by the wily George Osborne.

The Whiddon Cup team, runners-up in the Minor Premiership and winners of the "A" Division under the cool hand of coach Harold Baker.

The Judd Cup team, also Minor Premiers (with an enviable points for and against record), coached astutely by Alan Horsell.

The Barraclough Cup team contributed more players than points id proved a valuable nursery under the careful guidance, leadership id management of Bruce Diggle.

I would like to thank all the coaches and team captains for their eat efforts.

Colleagues were runners-up to Kings Old Boys in the Sub-district a-side competition, after a long and wearying struggle on the 'oollahra fields.

The Club was pleased to welcome into the ranks this year several ayers from our neighbouring Eastern Suburbs Club, along with new cruits of considerable promise from the district, and imports from anada, England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, South Africa and New ealand proved themselves valuable acquisitions to Colleagues.

Dances, darts, barbecues, balls, hot dogs and hamburgers were all rry enjoyable. They improved the social air of the Club and helped aintain a solid financial footing for the year.

The Management Committee worked hard and competently for e Club, and the year's rewards are a credit to the unflagging drive id enthusiasm of each member of the Committee.

Club members should take advantage of an opportunity to serve t our Committee to allow an appreciation for the effort that steers e Club towards a successful season.

The Annual Ball at the Argyle Bond Store was an enormous ccess, due in no small way to the efforts of Club Treasurer, Bruce nanter, and his organising.

Trophy Night — a Black Tie Dinner at the Astra Hotel, Bondi, th the committee of Eastern Suburbs as guests, and guest speaker trney Walsh, capped a very successful year for the Colleagues.

I hope we can do as well, if not better, in 1971.

MICHAEL JEPSEN

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Gentlemen.-

Competition Rugby:

We had an excellent season on the pitch, winning the Club Championship, Kentwell Cup and featuring in all other grades.

Congratulations are due to all team members and coaches.

Appreciation is due to the President and Committee of Metropolitan Sub-District Rugby Union, Eastern Suburbs District Rugby Union Football Club Limited, The S.R.U. Referees' Association and members, The St. John Ambulance Brigade, Woollahra Council and staff, our ball boys, all our Club supporters (including the ladies) and advisers, and the President and Committee of Colleagues Rugby Club.

Social Rugby:

We had our difficulties in Committee this year. However, in the main, they were overcome.

The Clubhouse was well run by Bob Caldwell, and in his enforced absence by Bruce Donald.

Peter Karr was a tower of strength at the barbecue.

John and Karen Noice did a fine job with the raffle.

The Annual Ball at the Argyle Bond Store Cellars was a great night, as was the trophy evening.

We made some money this year, and this is a direct reflection on our Treasurer, Bruce Chanter.

The Club Captain, Michael Jepsen, I am sure we all agree, did a mighty job.

Our President, George Osborne, led us all the way.

I would like to leave you with this thought: For Colleagues to remain on top we need workers, especially in the Committee.

How many are prepared to devote a little time to our Club next season so that all may enjoy Rugby both on and off the fields?

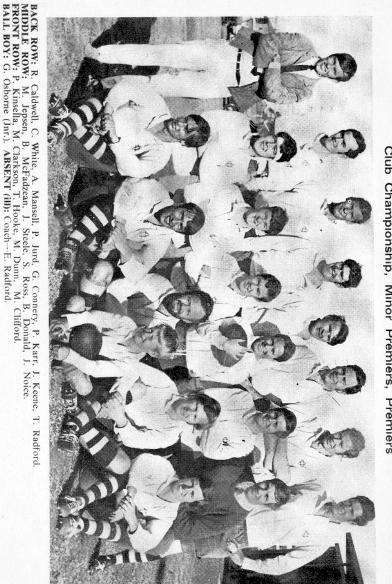
Vale 1970 — a great season.

SANDY ROSS

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gentlemen.

Once again the success of the Colleagues is a matter of record, and there can be no doubt that our Club offers "premiership" enjoyment in Rugby, enabling all members to wash the taste of victory down with a few "sherbets" nearly every week. It is, therefore, difficult to reconcile the "blood out of a stone" attitude I have encountered from some members in the payment of subscriptions, gear, 200 tickets and photographs.



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KENTWELL CUP

1970 - a season to remember. Whilst one hesitates to contradict many of the leading men of Rugby, and I for one most certainly endorse and enjoy all the benefits and comradeship that are engendered through this great game of ours. I feel that there is an extra "something" in winning. I believe to enjoy Rugby completely a player must strive to the utmost of his ability, and once a man has made this effort, second best is not as good as first.

The Kentwell Cup side for this season began with a fair percentage of last year's players, together with a few newcomers, and right from the start we hoped for a good season. The early games showed that our opposition appreciated the Colleagues' potential also, for we were faced with the problem of "stand-up" backline defence and extra men right from the outset. However, our back row came to the fore in these early games and, in fact, right through the season, and to a large extent helped to nullify the tactics employed against us. We were on most occasions able to enjoy a good margin in scrums, and, of course, great credit is due to hooker Gary Connerv and props John Keen and Peter Karr. The second-row positions were probably the most unsettled positions of the entire season, especially after Harvey Welman left to go overseas, and this is particularly reflected in the problems we had in winning effective ball from lineouts. However, in the latter part of the season Mick Jepsen and Bruce Donald developed an efficient combination and were particularly effective in general play.

The back-row positions were mainly shared between four players, Captain Sandy Ross, Alan Mansell, Tim Radford and Bob Caldwell. These positions were always closely contested, and whichever combination was on the field I felt was always more than a match for any other back row.

At half-back we had the services of two players. Tim Hook and Michael Clarkson. Tim, after being selected as captain of the Combined Sub-District Team, was not able to shake off the effects of a serious knee injury for some time and could not regain his position over Michael Clarkson, who not only played very well at half, but also gave tremendous service as an effective, if unorthodox, goal-kicker.

Five-eighth, Peter Kinsella, carried on from last year, and was an extremely valuable member, his play showing more maturity and discipline.

The centre positions were mainly filled by John Noice, Michael Dunn and Chris White, although Chris moved to the wing in the latter half of the season, and certainly proved an outstanding asset in that position. John Noice once again displayed his tremendous competitive spirit and will to win, and always attracted his fair share of attention from the opposition. Michael Dunn, a new player to Kentwell, showed great potential, and with this year's experience will be a player for the future.

Our other winger, Paul Jurd, was probably the most effective winger in the competition. Some of his stirring touchline runs will long be remembered; and on this note I must pass comment on Paul's confidence and ability in running so close to the touchline.

Vice-Captain John Steele, at full-back, gave many fine exhibitions in this position, not least of which was the semi-final against Normanhurst.

My congratulations to all the other players who gained selection in the Kentwell team, for you all played a part in this Premiershipwinning season.

Individual congratulations are due to certain players, namely, Gary Connery, winner of the "Best and Fairest" for the second year; Tim Hook, Garry Connery, John Noice and Peter Kinsella, for selection in the Combined Sub-District Team; Michael Clarkson, the club's leading point-scorer; Paul Jurd, equal leading try scorer.

The team, of course, was not without its problems. It was difficult to set up an effective defensive pattern for some time, although this was overcome in latter part of the season. We never really had an effective lineout, and one of the major problems was the number of potential captains. On this latter point, great praise must be given to Sandy Ross, for it was no mean effort to control this team on the field, and I have no hesitation in thanking Sandy for a job well done.

Finally, once again my thanks and congratulations to all who played in the team, and also to John Corlis, who stood in for me while I was ill. It was a pleasure to have been associated with you all, both on and off the field, throughout the year.

EDDIE RADFORD.

Coach.

BURKE CUP REPORT

The Burke Cup side went into the semi-finals with the best record of any side in the Club. Their record read 14 games, 13 wins, 1 draw, 230 points for and only 51 against.

Then we played two semi-finals, came second on each occasion; and the season finished there. We then saw our arch rivals, Lane Cove, get the best 15 they could muster walloped by a team from Bondi Surf Club — a very powerful combination and very worthy Premiers.

The year commenced well under the virile leadership of Michael Jepsen, who led the team to $5\frac{1}{2}$ straight victories. Midway through the Bank game he was sent off for inciting a riot, and the selectors were so impressed they kept him in Kentwell for the rest of the year.

The less-voluble, but equally keen, John Messenger assumed the captaincy, and took out the "Best-and-Fairest" award. Mike Primrose became vice-captain and drove the forwards hard. They included the Fitzgerald brothers, Jack Nelson, Ron Moss, Chris Egan, Brad Wiedersehn, Bruce Chanter, John Bunce. Geoff Person filled the hooker position capably, and with a bit more "know-how" to supple-

ment his fast striking, could go on to better things. Sheldon Pozniak also shared the hooking spot and added valuable points with his boot.

Frequently shoulder to shoulder with Sheldon (which is something he couldn't say himself) was that man of few words, Andy Alsopp. In addition to his football ability, he could sum up a situation with one or two well-chosen words.

The backs seemed to be hit more with injuries, and there was generally a forward or two out there; and in one game we had three back-rowers filling the inside-back positions. Those forwards who "migrated" included Dave O'Mara, Peter Doyle, Alan Mansell, and Barry McFadzean, whose position is probably best described as "rover". The half-back position was, as usual, occupied by Peter Ball, who this year added to his variety of floaters with a "reverse two-handed inswinger with pike". After the Whiddon Cup successfully negotiated for the transfer of Tony Clifford, the five-eighth position was filled by David Kohn, who, along with Craig Perry, Don James, Arthur Springall, Tony Glynn, Mick Dunn, Mike Clarkson and Mike Clifford, appeared most regularly in the backline.

This team had a wonderful spirit, and so were easy to coach. I hope 1971 brings them all more enjoyable Rugby, and I extend my thanks to everyone who played in the team this year for their support.

> GEORGE W. OSBORNE, Coach.

WHIDDON CUP

This year the Whiddon made the final, and up to half-time looked as though they could win. Unfortunately, Sydney High Old Boys were too good at the finish, and that team won the Grand Final. Full marks, however, to the team members, who I think performed consistently and well throughout the season, and with only that little extra could have pulled off the Cup.

My congratulations on a good season, particularly to the captain and "Best and Fairest", Peter Doyle, who gave his courageous best both on the field and at the team dinner and was a shining inspiration to the team.

Congratulations to both forwards and backs, who supported each other admirably, and to Tony Clifford, that canny kicker who boosted the score so often, and to Frazer East, who must be undoubtedly the most gifted full-back in the Cup.

My best wishes to half-back, Peter Marsh, who I am sure will go a long way with the Club.

My thanks to the team for a good, enjoyable season, and I wish them that Grand Final success for 1971.

HAROLD BAKER, Coach.

JUDD CUP REPORT

It's history now that the Judd were beaten 14-0 by Briars in the semi-final, climaxing what can only be described as an extremely successful season — a season which netted 13 wins from 14 competition games, a creditable performance when one considers that at no stage did we field the same fifteen on more than one occasion and also a spate of injuries, not only in our team, but right through the Club, left us wanting in the latter stages of the second round.

As is usual with all grades of Rugby, games are won up front, and this is where our strength lay, with forwards of the calibre of Don Wedlock, with his vast experience (not to mention his age), Mike Green, Ian Burns-Wood, Dick Pearson and Haydon Kelly, to mention a few, and these players formed the nucleus of a very efficient, if not too speedy, pack. Probably the most important member of any team is the goalkicker, and, although we weren't fortunate enough to be endowed with a Don Clarke, Claude Gauchat filled this role admirably, although a bit unlucky, with several vital kicks rebounding off the posts.

The backs unfortunately didn't have the opportunity to settle down and capitalize on the good lead-up work of the forwards owing to numerous changes around the scrum base throughout the season; however I was more than happy with the way they acquitted themselves, especially in defence, which was excellent throughout the whole team, as was indicated by the fact that we conceded only 36 points from 14 games, and this was by by far the best defensive record in the Club during 1970.

Dave Bourne, John Pollock, John White and later in the season Bayne Kelly and Peter Marsh all gave good service along with Doug (the Count) Sully, who actually caught a few well-timed passes around his ankles which resulted in some very fine tries.

To mention every player individually would be 'mpossible, but one couldn't finish without paying respect to our illustrious captain, Ron Harriden, "Won", as he is more affectionately known throughout the Club, began the season at five eighth, then moved to the centres, then to the wing and finally to full back, and it was in this position with his astute kicking, remarkable ball sense and driving head-on tackles, that he was able to secure enough points to share the best and fairest for the season with Don Wedlock, and my congratulations to both of these players.

The only disappointing feature of the season was the attitude of some members of the team towards training by not turning up at all. Premierships can't be won by training in the local hotel or boudoir on Thursday nights, and this began to show in the latter part of the season, when condition began to tell.

My thanks to all those players not mentioned for helping us to the Minor Premiership, and also to John Corlis for his co-operation in running the forwards, which was of great assistance to me in my first year as coach.

Although we couldn't match the Kentwell side in taking out the premiership, we did, I believe, create a new record, and that was to field the oldest front row ever in the history of Sub-District football, comprising Don Wedlock, Max Connery and George Osborne, whose total years would match the number of words I have written in this report.

1970 is gone, and I look forward to seeing four premiershipwinning sides in 1971 to remind other clubs of the strength and club spirit which we at Colleagues have had for such a long time.

> ALAN HORSELL, Coach.

BARRACLOUGH CUP REPORT

Gentlemen,

Looking at the past season. I see many fine examples of personal football achievement. In those achievements, I find many contributions made by members of the Barraclough Cup team.

In a fifths side, it is expected that a high turnover of players will occur throughout a season, and this season was no exception. Notwithstanding, we managed to find a strong team spirit and achieve an enjoyable standard of football, considering the strength of some clubs in the Barraclough competition.

To have a full side nearly all season when a team travels as far as Springwood for a game is a tribute both to Colleagues as a club and the players who supported Barraclough.

It is difficult to give thanks to a few when so many have helped throughout, but names such as Pollock, Primrose, Christie, Kerr and Sutherland cannot be forgotten.

In the later stage of the season, many of our early stalwarts were making names for themselves in other grades, but their moral support was never in doubt, and this helped a great deal in keeping the team going.

To close, all I have are wonderful memories of a most enjoyable season.

BRUCE DIGGLE, Coach.

TEAM RESULTS

KENTWELL CUP

						First Round	Second Round
ν.	Lindfield					Won 22-11	Lost 9-12
v.	Normanhurst					Drew 6- 6	Lost 11-20
v.	Briars				Aug	Won 12- 9	Won 17- 9
v.	Newington					Won 12- 0	Drew 20-20
v.	Trinity					Won 14- 9	Won 27- 6
v.	Bank N.S.W.					Won 9-0	Won 40- 6
v.	Lane Cove					Won 9-0	Won 14- 9
	Semi-F	inal	v.]	Norn	ianhu	rst O.B. Won	23- 6
Grand Final v. Newington W							22- 6

BURKE CUP "A"

			First Round	Second Round
v. Lindfield			Won 16- 8	Won 12- 8
v. Normanhurst			Won 14- 6	Won 8-3
v. Briars			Won 24- 3	Won 15- 3
v. Newington			Won 22- 0	Won 19- 0
v. Trinity			Won 37- 0	Won 31- 3
v. Bank N.S.W.			Won 17- 9	Won 6-0
v. Lane Cove	esita entrai		Won 6-5	Drew 3-3
Quarter-Fi	nal v. La	ne Cov	e Lost	3-17
Semi-Final	v. Briars	s	Lost	14-16

WHIDDON CUP

		First Round	Second Round
v. Lindfield		Won 12- 5	Won 19- 3
v. Normanhurst	Longer Longer	Lost 9-14	Won 3-0
v. Briars		Won 6-3	Won 19- 3
v. Newington O.B.		Won 16- 0	Won 15- 0
v. Trinity		Won 27- 6	Won 16- 6
v. Bank N.S.W.		Won 21- 9	Won 21- 3
v. Lane Cove		Lost 0-6	Drew 0- 0
Quarter-Final v	. Lindfield	Won	3-0
Semi-Final v. L	ane Cove	Won	9-6
Final v. S.H.O.	В.	Lost	3-14

JUDD CUP

	First Round	Second Round
v. Lindfield	Won 12- 3	Won 3-0
v. Normanhurst	Won 6-0	Won 9-3
v. Briars	Won 6-5	Won 11- 5
v. Newington O.B.	Wor. 3- 0	Lost 0-9
v. Trinity	Won Forfeit	Won 8-0
v. Bank N.S.W.	Won 11- 5	Won 6-0
v. Lane Cove	Won 6-3	Won 5-3
Quarter-Final v. Newingt	on O.B. Won	6-3
Semi-Final v. Briars	Lost	0-14

PREMIERS, 1970

Kentwell: Colleagues; Burke: Bondi L.S.; Whiddon: S.H.O.B. Judd: Christian Bros. O.B.; Barraclough: Westmead.

COMPETITION POINTS FOR 1970 SEASON

KENTWELL CUP

BURKE CUP "A"

	Р.	F.	А.		Ρ.	F.	A.
Colleagues	22	217	120	Colleagues	27	219	51
Norm'hurst O.B.	21	238	.177	Lane Cove	25	182	47
Lindfield	20	236	134	B.N.S.W.	15	116	102
Newington O.B.	20	182	130	Briars	15	111	111
Lane Cove	11	165	165	Lindfield	14	127	99
Briars	10	151	184	Newington O.B.	- 9	68	179
B.N.S.W.	6	108	231	Norm'hurst O.B.	7	80	129
Trinity O.B.	2	80	234	Trinity O.B.	0	39	219

WHIDDON CUP "A"

JUDD CUP "A"

	Ρ.	F.	A.		Ρ.	F.	A.
Lane Cove	24	177	57	Colleagues	26	83	33
Colleagues	23	193	67	Lane Cove	20	126	29
Lindfield	17	118	105	Briars	19	102	82
Norm'hurst O.B.	14	87	93	Newington O.B.	17	127	69
B.N.S. W.	13	98	124	Lindfield	12	70	106
Briars	12	- 92	113	Norm'hurst O.B.	- 9	69	115
Trinity O.B.	7	69	158	Bank N.S.W.	8	48	97
Newington O.B.	2	43	160	Trinity O.B.	1	44	155

BARRACLOUGH CUP "B"

	Р.	Ρ.	А.
Roseville C.C.	33	261	36
A.M.P.	28	159	36
Blue Mts.	28	182	63
Newport	18	78	99
Collaroy P.	18	104	143
St. Patricks O.B.	16	86	131
Ilan	15	74	158
Barker O.B.	11	55	230
St. Leo's O.B.	13	70	143
Colleagues	So	cial	

1970 CLUB TROPHY WINNERS

Honour Cap: John Noice.

100 Games: B. Donald, A. Clifford, D. Wedlock.

Most Improved Player in the Club: C. Egan.

Leading Point Scorer: M. Clarkson (88).

Leading Try Scorers: D. James, P. Jurd (13 tries each).

Challenge Transport Trophy: Kentwell, Burke (44 tries each).

Oldest and Boldest: D. James.

Best and Fairest-

Kentwell: G. Connery. Burke: J. Messenger, Whiddon: P. Doyle. Judd: R. Harriden, D. Wedlock. Barraclough: B. Diggle. Club: A. Mansell.

Team Captains-

Kentwell: Sandy Ross. Burke: John Messenger. Whiddon: Peter Doyle. Judd: Ron Harriden. Barraclough: Bruce Diggle.

Cricket Trophies-

1st XI Batting: Don James. Bowling: Chris White.

CRICKET REPORT

Colleagues began the 1969/70 season by fielding two teams, one in the City and Suburban Competition and one in the Woollahra District Competition. However, the side in the Woollahra comp. was disbanded at Christmas owing to the lack of numbers.

The C. & S. side made a successful debut into that competition. We started badly by losing the first two matches, but then won 19 of the next 20.

Much of the credit for our success must go to the two opening bowlers, Chris White and Keith Musgrave, and to the captaincy of Gil Whelan in playing attacking cricket all the season. Keith and Chris must have formed the best opening attack in the competition! They both bowled intelligently all season, attacking the stumps all the time, and giving very little away to the opposition. Keith was rewarded with the fine figures of 75 wickets at an average of 9.4, and took the hat trick against Lane Cove. Chris finished with 55 wickets at an average of 8.75.

The remainder of the bowling was mainly shared by Alan Horsell, Don James and Len Minshall, all of whom secured a few wickets apiece.

The type of cricket played in C. & S., namely 25 overs each, the highest score winning regardless of wickets lost, calls for a different batting approach to what is normally accepted. Big hitting and fast run-getting being essential. On eight occasions during the season we scored more than 200 runs in the 25 overs.

Don James, Chris White and Gil Whelan were the most consistent run-getters, followed closely by Glen Riddell, Wal Corlis, Keith Musgrave, Brian Duck, John Steele and Frazer East also had good scores on occasions.

The fielding was always of a high standard and many good catches were taken.

Wal Corlis, custodian of the stumps, kept well all season, but his job was not always made easy by some of the bowlers.

Many thanks to all the players who turned out for us and a special mention to Chris White for the energy he put into organising the team and carrying out the duties of secretary and treasurer.

Trophies were awarded to: Don James-batting: Chris Whitebowling; Keith Musgrave-hat-trick.

DON JAMES.

SQUASH REPORT

For the first time in many years Colleagues failed to reach the semi-finals of the squash competition. This was most unfortunate, as I feel we would have made a very fair showing in the finals.

The team finished equal fourth in the competition and unfortunately a fourth position tie is broken by countback and not by play-off.

Colleagues will again be the only sub-district side entered in the forthcoming competition. Our team includes the familiar faces of John Steele, Don James and the invincible Norm Palmer. With the keenness shown by these and other Colleagues, I feel we will make a good showing in the next competition.

DAVID HICKIE.

DARTS REPORT

"Who's in, who's in?" was the baying cry announcing another evening of "Five Star".

This cry heralded a most successful darts season.

During the year a number of regular players purchased their own set of flights and as a result the general standard of play improved.

It was encouraging to see, even late into the night, that the game was played for its own sake rather than for large stakes, as has often been the case in past seasons.

It can fairly be said that all games were played in the best of spirits.

Regular players included Bob Caldwell, Tony Clifford, Bruce Diggle, Bruce Donald, Ron Harriden, Alan Horsell, Tom Kerr, George Osborne, John Messenger, Dick Pearson, Eddie Radford, Ian Sutherland and Chris White.

All enthusiasts keenly look forward to the 1971 season.

AN OBSERVER.