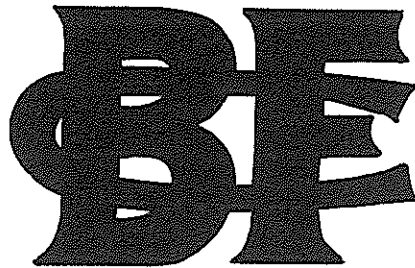


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ANNUAL REPORT
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COMMITTEE 1985

PRESIDENT	Ray Baguley
VICE-PRESIDENT	David Bennett
SECRETARY	Robin Maloney
TREASURER	Jordan Starkey
COMMITTEEMEN	Michael Burgess Michael Butler Robert Hall Peter Jonas Paul McQueen Michael Pledge Michael Price Harry Souter
SOLICITOR	Brian Martin and Sons
BANKERS	ANZ, Belconnen Mall
AUDITOR	Schroeter Davies-Graham
BAR MANAGER	Dave Rannard

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



At the Club's special general meeting held on 18 September 1985, members voted unanimously to amalgamate Belconnen's football operations with those of the West Canberra Club. The benefits of such an amalgamation are many. To incorporate all the football resources in the Belconnen district under one banner will greatly assist our endeavours to compete on the field with our traditionally strong opponents. In addition, the amalgamation will free both manpower and financial resources to improve our licensed club operations, and so further strengthen the football base. Of course, problems will arise. However, none of these should be insurmountable and I am sure that fair solutions will be found. Under the amalgamation Belconnen will retain its identity and we will all retain our individual friendships. And, of course, "All roads will still lead to the SHED".

Five members from each club form an interim committee under the chairmanship of John Molony and it is their task to set the amalgamation in progress. Many meetings have been held and much has been achieved. Norm Smith has been appointed Senior Coach and training has commenced. I am impressed with the goodwill that exists between the Clubs and this augurs well for the future of the amalgamated team. I urge all members and supporters to look beyond niggling problems to the future and offer this team the traditional Belconnen loyalty and spirit.

This year has been a difficult one for the Clubhouse. Although we have managed to meet our commitments as well as updating our poker machines and some facilities, we have not been able to achieve economic security. The decision to ban draw poker machines deprived the Club of substantial revenue (almost \$1,000 per week), severely tightening our cash position. Income from poker machines over the last six months has increased considerably and this trend should continue. This has resulted from the purchase of four new poker machines and the relocation of all machines in the lounge area and members should take heart from this result.

Overall, progress is steady but slow. The list of required improvements is long but available cash limited. Due to the amalgamation, extra resources will be able to be channelled into the licensed club, thus accelerating this rate of progress slightly. However, future committees should realise that our very small active membership can only do so much and that we must attract extra patronage.

On the football field, our lack of depth clearly showed. On few occasions were we competitive with the strong teams and lapses at critical times against this opposition cost us dearly. Undoubtedly, the highlight this year was our remarkable win against Ainslie after trailing by 50 points at half-time. Every player of that team is to be congratulated on providing themselves and our supporters with a truly memorable day. I applaud Ken Grigg, who coached our Club in fine style throughout the season. Never did he lose heart or enthusiasm for the job at hand. Players to make their debut this season were Rogan Sharp, Don Pyke, Brett Allison, Chris Stubbs, David Heitel, Don Lowe and the Molony brothers, Damien and Michael. I am sure these players, amongst others, have benefited from Ken's coaching and from playing alongside him.

Congratulations to Peter Taylor on winning the best and fairest first grade player award. Peter now joins one other Belconnen champion, Robert White, who has also won this award three times. Congratulations also to Gary Conn on winning the Canberra Building Society Player of the Year award and finishing fourth in the Mulrooney medal. This year an injury-free Conn has delighted Canberra spectators with his marking and general ball skills. Mal Manson again demonstrated his considerable goal kicking talents by winning the Kevin Neale award as the ACTAFL leading goalkicker with 81 goals.

Our Reserves were unlucky this season. A curious set of circumstances prevented them from participating in the finals. When at full strength, which did not occur often enough, they were a formidable team, capable of beating any in the competition. Congratulations to Rob Goddard on another excellent performance as coach and to Wes Maloney on winning the J. McNamara trophy from only seven games.

The Under 19s under Mick Burgess were the star performers for the season with an excellent finals series culminating in a Grand Final appearance. Although beaten by a better team on the day, the lads performed very well and are a credit to themselves, their Coach and their Club.

Rob Goddard and Mick Burgess have been elected life members in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the Club over a long period. This is our highest award and I join with you in offering Rob and Mick our warmest congratulations. (We also congratulate Ray on his life membership - Editor.)

I regret that I will not be seeking re-election as President next year. I feel that it is time for me to hand over this responsibility as I believe that one person should not remain as President for too long. It has been an enjoyable honour for me to be President these past four years and I wish my successor every success and offer him my full support. I wish to thank the members of my Committees, and all the coaches, players, team officials, members and supporters who have given freely of their time and loyalty. In particular, I wish to thank Ross Byrne, David Bennett, Mike Price, Robin Maloney and Bill Mahoney for their support, without which I would not have been able to perform the duties of President. Last, but not least, I thank Diane, my family and others who have at times provided me with the inspiration and determination to go on.

My last words: we all know that with the amalgamation Belconnen will not be the same, but if we work at it together, united in our approach, it will be better.

... RAY BAGULEY

TREASURERS' REPORTS



In presenting the report for the past year, there are two aspects to which I should draw members' attention. The first is that for this year two treasurers were appointed, one responsible for the financial operations of the licensed club (myself) and one responsible for finances associated with the football operations (Michael Price). The second is the fact that this is the first year that the report covers a full twelve months operations of the licensed club. Last year the report related to eleven months operation and the report prior to last year was for only one month's operations.

The Auditor's annual report, circulated separately, combines both accounts of the club, i.e. licensed club and football operations.

Licensed Club Operations

The financial statement shows that for the current year bar sales were \$164,500 compared with \$135,800 for the eleven months in the previous year. The gross profit from sales in the current year was approximately 52% compared with a gross profit of 50% in the preceding year. The profit from bar sales after allowing for associated expenses was approximately \$72,000, representing 44% of gross sales compared with 41% in the preceding period. Gross takings from poker machines this year were approximately \$76,000 compared with \$57,000 in the previous year. The withdrawal of draw card machines from the Club caused a substantial fall in gross revenue. In the previous year the gross revenue from this source amounted to \$28,400, which when combined with poker machines amounted to \$85,400 (approximately \$10,000 in excess of this year's poker machine revenue). This loss of revenue would no doubt have been considerably larger had the committee not decided to purchase new poker machines at a cost of \$23,232 during April. Further purchases of some newer machines during the forthcoming year could be necessary.

Some improvements have been made to the Club during the current year, notably new curtains and some internal painting. The revenue loss from the draw card machines has had considerable effect on the improvements that could be made. This year's expenditure on this aspect was only approximately \$3,000, compared with nearly \$6,000 last year.

The operation of the Club generally has fallen heavily on the Bar Manager, Dave Rannard, who has worked long hours in the interests of the Club. He has had full responsibility for organising rosters of employment, ordering supplies, organising for functions, promotions and serving at the bar. I personally have had considerable assistance from him in preparing money for banking and stocktaking, etc. I would also like to give thanks to Jack Hearn whose voluntary work in the administration of poker machines has been invaluable

to the Club operations and to me in the preparation of poker machine finance.

Finally, I once again must say that it is essential for all members to become actively involved in the Club. It is your Club and only by your use of it and its facilities can further facilities be added or improved.

... E. J. STARKEY
Treasurer
Licensed Club Operations

Football Operations

This report relates to the period from 1 October 1984 to 30 September 1985. This year's football fund-raising activities were successful in realising the budget target of \$40,000. This was made up of: functions (5%); Pot of Gold (16%); car raffles (50%); carnival (8%); catering and promotion goods (9%); raffles (3%); and other income (9%).

I must congratulate all those involved in raising these funds, in particular David Bennett, Peter Jonas, Noel O'Neill, Mick Pledge and those who assisted with catering.

Football expenditure was well controlled during the year to the extent of being some \$3,000 below budget. Special mention to Gary Schmidt who always maintains tight control over his expenditure allocation.

Efforts overall have allowed football operations to achieve the financial goal set at the commencement of the year to raise sufficient funds to cover football expenditure.

... MICHAEL PRICE
Treasurer
Football Operations

BAR MANAGER'S REPORT

The last year has seen only limited success. The Club has maintained its bar trading levels and has purchased new poker machines which lifted net profit on poker machine operations by approximately 50%. However, on the other side, I believe that there is room for us all to contribute more to the licensed Club activities. It is to be hoped that with the amalgamation of football operations with West Canberra, there will be more time for the Committee and members generally to be involved in licensed Club operations, leading to improvements in the facilities we have to offer to members and guests.

I would like to thank the staff for their support and a job well done, Jordan Starkey and Jack Hearn for their help and co-operation and, most importantly, those members and their families who have supported the staff and me over the last year. I wish all members and their families the very best for the coming festive season.

... DAVE RANNARD

CLUB ACTIVITIES



FUND-RAISING

The 1985 football fund-raising program was successful in achieving its target of \$40,000. This was a remarkable effort given the limited resources involved and the fact that combined profits from functions and the Pot of Gold fell short of budget by 40% (\$5,600).

As a result of the amalgamation with West Canberra, the amount Belconnen will be required to raise for football operations in 1986 is, by comparison to 1985, very small. However, fund-raising efforts will still be necessary to ensure the survival and expansion of the Club premises and the improvement of facilities for Club members.

Belconnen thanks all those involved in fund-raising during 1985 and looks forward to continued support in the area next year. In particular, the Club extends its sincere thanks to Michael Price for his efforts over several years in co-ordinating football fund-raising activities. Thanks also to Lil Price for her support and assistance.

Fund raising promotions conducted during the year included:

- . Pot of Gold - this year saw the ninth Pot of Gold promotion and another year of diminishing profits (\$8,000). Next year the Pot of Gold will be conducted by the amalgamated football committee which hopefully will be able to revitalise the Pot of Gold concept to ensure increased profits.

The Club extends its appreciation to the support Clubs, especially West Canberra Football Club, and to all the individual ticket sellers for their efforts and support. Special mention to the following sellers for their outstanding efforts:

Michael Price	44	Max Johnston	29	Ray Baguley	20
Lesley Daw	41	Greg Watt	27	Michael Burgess	20
Paul McQueen	31	Michael Pledge	25	Neville Gill	19
Rob Baguley	29	Jim Calvert	23	Phil Hogan	19

Finally, many thanks to the organisers Michael Price and David Bennett.

- . Car raffles - in 1985 the Club conducted two successful raffles. Combined sales of 56,000 tickets realised a profit of some \$20,000. These raffles require minimal use of Club resources which makes the profit even more valuable. It is expected that profits from future raffles will go directly to the Club premises, providing much needed revenue for improvements and a possible extension. Thanks again to Michael Price for organising these raffles.
- . Pre-season Carnival - this was the third carnival conducted by the Club and proved to be the most successful to date. A significant sponsorship deal was arranged for the carnival enabling a \$3,000 profit to be achieved. The Club appreciates the efforts from those who assisted with activities on the day and extends a special thanks to David Bennett for organising and running the carnival.

- . Catering caravan - our sincere thanks to Lesley Daw and David Bennett for organising the catering during the year, and to all who assisted by working in the van or at the barbecue. Also, thanks to Mike Butler for co-ordinating beer sales at home games.
- . Promotional goods - Thanks again to Lesley Daw and David Bennett for their efforts in arranging the supply and sale of these quality goods.
- . Raffles - After-game raffles were arranged by Peter Jonas and made a valuable contribution to football finances. About \$1,200 was raised over the season. Thank you Peter.

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

This year saw quite a variety of functions appearing on the social calendar. Some of these were designed specifically with fund-raising in mind, others as purely social gatherings. It is hoped that those functions which are by nature large ventures, will be taken on and enhanced by the amalgamated social committee. Such events could include the ball, a sportsman's evening, the presentation dinner and a progressive dinner.

Another shot in the arm for the function organiser and for fund-raising in general, is the decision to play more Saturday football. This will remove the current severe limitations in finding suitable dates, and as a consequence appropriate venues, for the upcoming events.

The functions this year were well organised, generally well attended and always well received. Thanks must go to Mike Pledge, Peter Jonas, Noel O'Neill, Mick Burgess and Dave Rannard for the work they put in. Although we fell slightly short of budget, in terms of social get-togethers the year was very successful.

Functions conducted during the year included the following:

- . Sportsman's Evening - This show, held at the Club with guest speakers Peter 'Crackers' Keenan and Steve 'Rebel' Rixon, was put on at significant cost to the Club and, although it failed to come up to scratch in fund-raising terms, it was a very enjoyable evening.
- . Gentlemans' Evening - 150 people received very good value for money at this show held at the Charnwood Inn.
- . Blue and White Ball - A tremendously successful event held at the Canberra Worker's Club. It was attended by 180 people, most of whom made sure they got value from the all-inclusive price. This will certainly be retained as an annual event.
- . Presentation Dinner - This is always a good night and 1984's dinner was no exception. It was held at the Showground and was thoroughly enjoyed by the 140 people present.
- . Sunday Afternoon Bands at the Club - Mick Burgess introduced this idea last summer and they proved so successful that they are being continued this summer. The bands make it possible for us to enjoy the full potential of

the beer garden for which further thanks must also go to Mick. These shows have always gone off without a hitch, except for one notable misunderstanding between two cars, one driven by a patron of the Club, who shall remain nameless and blameless, which occurred just in front of the car park.

- . Progressive Dinner - This event was definitely one of the social highlights of the year. Our thanks to the households of Rich Street, Tillyard Drive and Griffiths Street. The bus driver, who was very understanding (he had to be), now knows the club song backwards.

Other functions worthy of a mention include the prawn and chicken lunches on the grand final days, and the Thursday Afternoon comedian.

The social committee looks forward to your continued support next year.

Belconnen also has a social golf club and competes in a social darts competition. The golfers play once a month at different venues and their annual golf trip this year was to Mollymook.

Thanks are extended to all those who supported these activities by playing or donating trophies. New players are always welcome and a good time is assured.

THANK YOU

The Committee sincerely thanks all those who contributed to the operation of the Club in 1985. Thank you in particular to the following:

- . Dave Rannard, our indefatigable Bar Manager;
- . donors of weekly player awards including Bo and Ken Harris (Aranda Supermarket), Reg Proctor, Dave Rannard and Bob Grigg;
- . the 1985 player patrons;
- . Peter Fricker and Peter Hannaford, the Club doctors;
- . Kathy Hocking for representing our Club as Ms Belconnen;
- . Pat McQueen, Sally McQueen, Anita Burgess and Bev Brazel for maintaining and laundering jumpers for the senior teams;
- . Judy Hynes, Bev and Pat Brazel, Les and Kay Scotland and Reg Proctor who provided inexpensive meals of a high standard after our senior games;
- . Joy Irwin, Helen Goddard and Tricia Hopkins for typing services during the year;
- . Dorothy Daw for the cover of this report; and
- . David Bennett and Reg Proctor for editing this report.

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT



Once again this year the juniors have proven to be the most reliable, inexpensive and best quality player resource for the seniors. It is with considerable personal pleasure that I have been involved with junior organisations that have so successfully ensured the continual supply of these high quality players. The regular achievement of such an excellent level of performance is a clear demonstration of the all-round professional attitude and skill (management and football) of everyone in the junior organisations. In particular, it is a tribute to the sound management and leadership of the junior Presidents, Norm Carrington and Les Scotland.

This year our Development Program had a slight change, that appeared to be very successful. To the more successful elements of the previous year's program was added a game video scheme for the older junior teams. Selected games were recorded by video camera, the video recordings being then replayed to those teams at specially arranged coaching sessions held at the Clubhouse. Coaches and managers all agreed that the venture was a success, the boys realising and appreciating many of their own mistakes when viewed with Club senior and assistant coaches Ken Grigg and Geoff Hocking. Parents were a little embarrassed at times when viewing their efforts on the tell-tale screen, but were quite keen to borrow the tapes.

The most successful activity this year has been again the occasional coaching sessions of junior teams by senior players. However, this is always the most difficult activity to organise. This difficulty will now be increased with the impending amalgamation with West Canberra, with the same number of senior players for about double the junior teams. However, it is a matter that must be addressed by the joint committee.

Once again I must thank all the junior officials and in particular Pat Brazel and Dave Rannard for their assistance this year. I wish the new junior committees headed by Les Scotland and John Williams continued success.

After some ten years of junior and senior committee work I have accepted a request to serve football elsewhere. May I wish all my Belconnen friends and the amalgamated body the best for the future.

... HARRY SOUTER

SERVICE AWARDS



LIFE MEMBERS

This year life membership of the BAFSC has been awarded to Ray Baguley, Michael Burgess and Robert Goddard. They all have many things in common. They each became involved with the Belconnen Football Club in its very early days; at the end of their First Grade careers they were all prepared to step down to provide experience in the Reserves; their hard work off the field has been of substantial long-term benefit to the Club and as family men they receive the active support of their wives in their endeavours.

RAY BAGULEY was one of the Club's original players who came from Turner in 1971. He played in First Grade regularly until 1977 and then in Reserve Grade until 1981 and held the Club record of 169 games (Firsts - 115, Reserves - 54) when he retired. Highlights were the Most Improved First Grade Player in 1971 and being a member of the successful Reserve Grade Grand Final side in 1978. After Ray coached the Under 19 team to a Semi-Final in 1971 he became the Club's main fund-raiser over a period of 10 years. His innovative ideas, including the Pot of Gold (with Ross Byrne), played a major part in keeping the football activities solvent. Ray has been President of this Club since 1982 and was the main negotiator in 1983 in the purchase of the licensed premises from the Receivers of the Belconnen National Football Club. Currently, he has been involved in the long and difficult negotiations in the amalgamation of the football activities of the Belconnen and West Canberra Clubs. He was appointed a life member of the BNFC in 1982. Ray received the Best Clubman Award in 1973 and shared it in 1981 and was one of the original recipients of this Club's Merit Award. In recognition of the time and effort that he has put into football over 15 years it is most fitting that the Club is able to award him its ultimate honour of life membership.

MICHAEL BURGESS came to Belconnen from Ainslie in 1972. He played regularly in First Grade until 1976 and then in Reserve Grade until he retired in 1983. He took the field again this year to complete 200 First and Reserve Grade matches (Firsts - 78, Reserves - 122). He played in the 1978 and 1979 Reserve Grade Grand Finals. His playing awards reflect his general attitude to football. They include the Best Teamman Award (1973) and the Most Determined Player (1976) in First Grade and the Coach's Trophy (1981) in Reserve Grade. He has brought this attitude to his coaching, first with a junior side which he improved markedly, and then with the Under 19 team. He took charge of the side in 1982 at a time of great difficulty and kept it together when it may well have collapsed. He has obtained improved performance from each subsequent team culminating in a Grand Final appearance this year. Although this is the first year that he has served on the Club Committee, he has never been found wanting in hard work, something that was recognised in the presentation of a Merit Award in 1982. His expertise as a landscape gardener has benefitted the Club in the upgrading of the surrounds of its premises and he has assisted in fund-raising and in the provision of short-term jobs for players. He is, and always has been, fiercely loyal and has always believed in actions rather than words. The awarding of life membership is due recognition of his contribution to the Club over 14 years.

ROBERT GODDARD played his junior football with Turner and was one of the original players at the inception of Belconnen in 1971. In his first season he played in First, Reserve and Under 19 Grades. He was a regular in First Grade from 1972-77 and played in Reserve Grade in 1978-79 when he was a member of the Grand Final sides. After missing 1980 he was Reserve Grade Captain in 1981 and Captain/Coach in 1982 when he retired to take a job on the Club Committee with special responsibility for publicity and media liaison. He put on his boots again, however, in 1983 when the Reserve Grade team was short of numbers and continued in 1984 and 1985 when, in both years, he was Captain/Coach. He holds the Club record of 226 First and Reserve games, recording 113 matches in each Grade together with an unknown number of Under 19 games in 1971. After winning the Coach's Trophy in First Grade in 1977 and a similar award in Reserve Grade in 1979, he won the Reserve Grade Best and Fairest in two consecutive years, 1981 and 1982. In three out of the last four years he has undertaken the difficult and often frustrating job of Reserve Grade coach. He has worked extremely hard to improve the standard in this Grade and takes the major share of the credit in getting the team to the Preliminary Final last year. Rob Goddard has been a quiet achiever, always present but never seeking the limelight. In 1982 the BNFC awarded him a life membership. That this Club is also making him a life member will give much satisfaction to all those who have appreciated his efforts over the last 15 years.

BEST CLUBMAN (Clair Jones Perpetual Trophy)

The 1985 Best Clubman, David Bennett, also received this award last year. David is the first person to be named Best Clubman in successive years. David is in his eleventh season with the Belconnen seniors, having begun his career with the Belconnen Under 14 side in 1971. He has now played 166 first grade games and 194 Club games, although missing many games this year through injury. Highlights of his football career include two junior League best and fairest trophies, the first grade best and fairest in 1980 and runner-up in 1977, 1981 and 1983. David represented the ACTAFL in 1979 and was first grade vice-captain from 1980-83. He has served on the Committee since 1982, this year as Vice-President. His activities in 1985 have extended over a range of Club activities - fund-raising, licensed Club operations and football activities. The year has been a difficult, though challenging, one for the Club and David has been strongly committed both as a player and an administrator, to achieving a sound base for future development. He has been outstandingly hardworking, and with his wife Lesley, has shown great loyalty to Belconnen, both this year and over a long period.

ACTAFL AWARDS

Robert ('Andy') Anderson and Reg Proctor, who were awarded life membership of the Club last year, were this year awarded the League's Certificate of Merit for their services to Australian football in the ACT over a long period as trainer and timekeeper respectively. The Club congratulates them both on these well-deserved awards.

MERIT AWARDS (for outstanding service to the Club)

1985 recipients of merit awards are:

- . Jordan Starkey - Jordan has been Club Treasurer for the last three years and has been responsible, with the bar manager, for financial records and for ensuring that the day-to-day operations of the licensed club run efficiently. He has tackled his tasks with a high degree of dedication and professionalism and through many hours of disciplined work.
- . Peter Taylor - 'Pup' is one of Belconnen's most decorated players. Over 11 seasons he has played 149 first grade games for Belconnen and 10 games for the ACT representative side (in 1980, 1982, 1984 and 1985). A courageous rover with great pace, he has been a consistently good performer throughout his career, winning the Club best and fairest three times (1979, 1982 and 1985) and being runner-up twice (1978 and 1984). In 1977 Peter won the Under 19 grade League best and fairest award. Peter has also served on various committees, particularly in the fund-raising and social areas.

BEST CLUBMAN (Clair Jones Perpetual Trophy)

As Turner Football Club:

1965 R. Matts
1966 R. Wise
1967 J. Nunn
1968 R. Henderson
1969 J. O'Connor
1970 (R. E. Brown
(J. Hourigan

As Belconnen Football Club:

1971 S. Lister	1979 R. Proctor
1972 C. Weatherill	1980 M. Kargas
1973 (F. Goddard	1981 (R.E. Brown
(R. Proctor	(R. Baguley
1974 R. Baguley	1982 R. Byrne
1975 W. Cameron	1983 M. Price
1976 T. Allison	1984 D. Bennett
1977 F. Goddard	1985 D. Bennett
1978 R. E. Brown	

MERIT AWARDS

1980 Robert Anderson, Ray Baguley, Reg Proctor, Jim Watt
1981 Max Johnston, Michael Price, Jim Watt, Robert White
1982 Michael Burgess, Robert Dawson, Brian Falconer, Robin Maloney, Gary Schmidt
1983 David Bennett, Jim Calvert, Lesley Daw, Harry Souter, Steve Taylor
1984 Pat Brazel, Judy Hynes, Peter Jonas, Paul McQueen, Noel O'Neill
1985 Jordan Starkey, Peter Taylor

TEAM OFFICIALS



MATCH COMMITTEE

Brian Backhouse (Chairman)
Barry Wight
Ken Grigg

FIRST GRADE

Captain-Coach
Assistant Coach
Runner
Statistics

Ken Grigg
Geoff Hocking
Steve Walding
Greg Watt

RESERVE GRADE

Captain-Coach

Robert Goddard

UNDER 19 GRADE

Coach
Captain
Team Co-ordinator

Michael Burgess
David Heitel
Reg Proctor

TEAM MANAGERS

Paul McQueen
Brian Burgess
Max Johnston
Shane Fallon

CLUB DOCTORS

Dr Peter Fricker
Dr Peter Hannaford

TRAINERS

Robert Anderson
Gary Schmidt
Kym Austin

TIMEKEEPERS

Reg Proctor
Harry Souter
Pat Brazel

CHAIRMAN OF SELECTORS



1985 was a very disappointing year for the firsts. The Club was lacking in depth and, as the season wore on, a distinct lack of dedication and will to win was evident in a number of the more experienced players. With eight wins for the season, six against West Canberra and Tuggeranong and only two against the sides above us on the ladder, the performance was certainly not there to expect to figure in the first grade finals.

No less than 40 players were used in the firsts throughout the year, with eight of these still eligible for the Under 19s. Generally the younger players in the side performed creditably later in the year and provided these players now move beyond the promising stage the Club will be able to look forward to a strong nucleus of talented players.

Congratulations to Geoff Hocking, Gary Conn, Peter Taylor, John Dess and Don Lowe on representing the ACT throughout the year. Also, congratulations to Sean Michelle and Mark Killer on being selected in the ACT Under 23 team. A special mention must also be made of Mal Manson who topped the ACT goal kicking for the season with 81 goals. It is to be hoped for the Club and ACT football in general that Mal plays again next season.

The amalgamation with West Canberra next season should solve the problem of lack of depth. But if an improved performance is expected, recruitment of key players will be required.

Thank you to the Coach, co-selectors, team managers, medical staff and all others involved in getting the side on the field each week.

I wish to new senior Coach, Norm Smith, success next season in his endeavour to raise the Club beyond the promising stage to competing in the finals.

... BRIAN BACKHOUSE

FIRST GRADE



Another disappointing year has passed us by without any success as far as a finals appearance was concerned. Starting the season with only one recognised recruit made it hard to succeed. Obviously recruiting will have to be looked at very hard, as other teams are leaving us behind in this area.

However, I must compliment the players that were promoted into the seniors for their first year, on the way they acquitted selves, namely, Rogan Sharp, Don Pyke, Brett Allison, Damien and Michael Molony, Chris Stubbs and Dave Heitel.

Without being too critical towards players, given that the monetary gains are small and the majority of players tried hard both on the training track and on the field, it must be said that there was a handful of players that let themselves and team mates down by poor attendance and punctuality at training. Oddly enough it was this type of player that had the most advice as to how training should be conducted, teams selected and match plans set. These players should have a good look at themselves over the off season, as with the acquisition of depth, through amalgamation, there will be a lot of competition for positions.

It is a must for the experienced players to set a good example for the younger players, as these players have graduated from successful junior sides and need to be nurtured along and shown that to be a winner requires a lot of hard work on the training track. The younger players look up to senior players and if they are not setting a good example it will reflect in the performances of the younger players.

On a brighter note, I would like to congratulate all players who represented the ACT, namely John Dess, Gary Conn, Geoff Hocking, Peter Taylor, Don Lowe, Mark Killer, Steve Bayer, Brett Allison and Sean Michelle.

I would like to thank wholeheartedly Brian Backhouse and Barry Wight for their invaluable support, also Rob Goddard and Mick Burgess for their hard work with the Seconds and Under 19s respectively.

I would also like sincerely to thank Steve Walding for help in fitness work and acting as runner on match days, Greg Watt for taking statistics, the three medicos Andy Anderson, Kym Austin and Gary Schmidt and Paul McQueen and Brian Burgess for their work as Team Managers.

... KEN GRIGG

RESERVE GRADE



THE YEAR OF THE FISH?

For Reserve Grade, 1985 wasn't the year of the fish but rather the year of the fisherman's tale - the one that got away. Most of us who watched Queanbeyan beat Manuka in the Grand Final were firm in the belief that we could have taken either side. By finishing the year fifth, and out of the finals, we didn't give ourselves a chance.

So what went wrong? The one word that springs to mind is commitment. In a year when the Club's very existence was on the line there should have been no shortage of this. But there was. There were too many nights when attendance at training was little better than 25 per cent; too many times when players were unavailable to play (although some had good reasons); too many times when injuries were incorrectly treated or not treated at all, thereby prolonging absences from the game.

I admit that there was an unusually large number of injuries to both First and Reserve Grade players this year. However, there is no doubt that the loss to Tuggeranong and the close encounters with Manuka (1 pt and 5 pt losses), Ainslie (8 pt loss) and Eastlake (8 pt loss) would have resulted in wins with a better attitude.

Whilst as a team results were disappointing, there were many outstanding individual performances. In particular I congratulate Wes Maloney for winning the McNamara Medal and Geoff Lyall, Grant Martin, Dennis Hopkins, Greg Gill and Peter Jonas for consistent performances throughout the year. I also thank the players for their support and Helen, Becky and Paul for their patience and understanding.

Next year it is going to be a bigger pond so the fish won't be any easier to catch. I hope that player depth in the new combined sides will strengthen the commitment of players so that, unlike this year, the team plays to its potential.

I wish all those continuing next year and the new coach, whoever that person may be, good luck in landing the big one.

... ROBERT GODDARD

UNDER 19 GRADE



The team finished fourth at the end of the home-and-away rounds and completed the season as losing Grand Finalists, the first time a Club team has reached this stage since 1979.

In the preliminary rounds the team won its first four games but achieved only five victories after that. It won only one match against teams that finished higher on the table. Its erratic performance was caused partly by injury problems and partly by the need of the senior selectors to make heavy calls on the Under 19 list. The latter was necessary due to the abnormal number of injuries sustained and representative calls. The team would not have continued to exist competitively without the willingness of players from the Under 17 (South) and Under 16 (North) teams to double up consistently at weekends.

The team had a strong squad for the finals. Lacking the teamwork of its rivals, it had notable first victories against Ainslie and Queanbeyan by its ability to lift its game when the going got tough. Only Manuka Weston in the Grand Final was good enough to expose the side's weaknesses. Despite this, that same determination kept the team in touch until the last quarter even after key players were injured. The Grand Final appearance was an exceptional achievement and there should be no regrets.

The team was captained by David Heitel who, when he was unable to play, was always in support on the sideline. Guyon Gageldonk led the side in his absence.

Much of the credit for the team success must go to Coach Mick Burgess through his ability to impart his knowledge and lift the team to attainable targets. It is very pleasing to see him get some reward for four years of sheer hard work and determination. His loyal support team was Manager Shane Fallon, the Club's three dedicated Trainers (what a luxury!), Reg Proctor who handled some of the administrative work and shared the timekeeping duties with Harry Souter and Pat Brazel, Noel O'Neill who undertook the coaching duties for one match and Anita, Mick's wife, for her active background help and encouragement.

Of the awards, Rod Carter as Best and Fairest disproved the old theory that consistent goal scoring forwards go unnoticed by the voters; Rogan Sharp was Runner-up with a 120% effort in a limited number of games and deservedly but narrowly was named Player of the Finals; Brendan Scotland was Most Consistent Player for his above-average performances in the various key positions in a heavy playing season; Ben Devenish as Most Improved Player showed that hard work can turn a fringe player at the start of the season into an automatic selection for the Finals; and Damien and Michael Molony shared the Coach's Trophy for their dedication to training, their willingness to carry out on-field instructions, and their general high standard of play and attitude.

Finally, an appreciative 'thank you' is recorded to those parents, friends and open age players who consistently supported the team throughout the year and who made their vocal and enthusiastic presence felt in the Finals.

... REG PROCTOR

JUNIORS



Belconnen Juniors fielded 20 teams from both sides of the Lake this season. A team from the new Radford College also entered the ACTAFJL competition. The North Side Club is now making its presence felt with good recruiting throughout our North Zone, and will come of age next year with its own Under 17 team. Southside is still battling to fill its very junior teams, but has good representation in the older age groups.

Seven teams from the Zone played in Grand Finals (two against each other) with three premierships being won. The Club also did very well in representative football with players in all teams.

An innovation for 1985 was the Junior Pre-Season Lightning Premiership run by North Zone over two Saturdays and covering all teams in the Junior League from Under 11 to Under 17. It was highly successful and will be repeated in 1986.

The selection of three Colts in the Seniors this season was a great achievement by the players and the Junior coaches and managers for the work that they have put in to these juniors over the years.

Our thanks go to all the senior players who assisted with clinics and coaching sessions during the year and particularly to Harry Souter and Reg Proctor for their efforts in promoting Junior-Senior relations.

One area which desperately needs attention is in the schools of our zone. Hopefully with the new senior arrangements, funds can be provided to support someone in the senior scene to take on this important task.

Irrespective of the hopes that we all have for the success of our new image senior team, the role of the Junior Clubs will be just as, if not more, important to ensure that a good flow-on of skilful young home-grown players presses for selection in the seniors, bringing with them the support of local friends, businesses and relatives to ensure that the whole Belconnen Valley gets behind our team.

From the Junior administrations, parents and players, we wish you great success in 1986.

... N. CARRINGTON ... L. SCOTLAND
 Presidents
 North and South
 Belconnen Junior Football Clubs

CLUB RECORDS



1985 TROPHY WINNERS

FIRST GRADE

Best and Fairest (Cleve Weatherill Memorial Perpetual Trophy)	Peter Taylor
Runner-up Best and Fairest	Gary Conn
Most Consistent	Glenn Maguire
Most Improved	Brett Allison
Most Courageous (Neil Conlan Memorial Perpetual Trophy) Donated by the Conlan family	Steve Bayer
Coach's Trophy	Gary Conn
Best First Year Player (Neil Conlan Memorial Perpetual Trophy) Donated by Mutual Acceptance Ltd	Donald Pyke
ACTAFL Leading Goalkicker	Mal Manson

RESERVE GRADE

Best and Fairest (Oscar Washington Perpetual Trophy)	Geoff Lyall
Runner-up Best and Fairest	Grant Martin
Most Consistent	Dennis Hopkins
Most Improved	Greg Gill
Coach's Trophy	Peter Jonas

UNDER 19 GRADE

Best and Fairest (Reg Proctor Perpetual Trophy)	Rod Carter
Runner-up Best and Fairest	Rogan Sharp
Most Consistent	Brendan Scotland
Most Improved	Ben Devenish
Coach's Trophy	(Damien Molony (Michael Molony
Best Finals Player	Rogan Sharp

JUNIOR PREMIERSHIP COACHES

Under 13 South (Division 1)	Jim Hourigan
Under 14 South (Division 1)	Greg Watt
Under 14 North (Division 2)	Ossie Terron

1985 MILESTONES AND NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCES

PLAYER STATISTICS

269 ACTAFL Representative and First Grade matches	Ken Grigg
226 Club matches (record)	Robert Goddard
174 First Grade matches (record)	Steve Taylor
145 Reserve Grade matches (record)	Bob Burgess
150 ACTAFL Representative and First Grade matches	Mal Manson Peter Taylor
100 Reserve Grade matches	Robert Goddard
40 Under 19 Grade matches	Chris Clothier Andrew Smith
200 Club matches (all grades)	Mick Burgess Steve Taylor
150 Club matches	Mal Manson
50 Club matches	Steve Bayer Brian Karey Dave Kennedy Glenn O'Sullivan Andy Stuart

Robert Goddard extended his Club playing record to 226 matches, a tidy 113 games in each of First and Reserve Grades but excluding an unknown number of Under 19 matches in 1971. He was joined in the '200 Club' by Mick Burgess and Steve Taylor. Steve made it comfortably during the season, but Mick, after retiring at the end of 1983, donned his boots again and completed his 200th match in the last home-and-home game of the season - what a finale!

Whilst Bob Burgess retained the Reserve Grade record, Steve Taylor took the First Grade record from David Bennett who had an injury-ridden season - it happens to even the most durable of players.

Injury, in fact, was the cause of some important missed milestones. Noel O'Neill who played for Ainslie earlier in his career, missed the valued ACTAFL 200 Club by six games and 150 Club matches by three. David Bennett was six short of 200 Club matches and Peter Taylor one short of 150 First Grade Club matches. In consolation, Peter made this mark with the inclusion of his representative games as did Mal Manson. Rowan Falconer, who was sidelined for most of the season, missed his 100 games as did John Phillips, who seemed to be set to become the youngest Club player to reach this target until stopped by a broken jaw. It was one of those years!

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

Gary Conn, John Dess, Geoff Hocking and Peter Taylor all represented the ACT for the second year in a row and were joined by Don Lowe and Rogan Sharp. Rogan Sharp had the unique distinction of being selected for the Territory before he had played a First Grade match whilst Don Lowe (ex RMC) achieved his success in his first year at senior level.

Sean Michelle (for the second year), Brett Allison (who still qualified for the Under 17 competition), Steve Bayer and Mark Killer all played for the ACT Under 23 team.

At Junior level Chris Stubbs, who had a full season in First and Under 19 Grades, was vice-captain of the ACT Teal Cup (Under 17) team.

BEST AND FAIREST

Unlike 1984, umpires and Club voters had quite different opinions about best players.

In First Grade Gary Conn won the Canberra Building Society Player of the Year Award and was fourth in the Mulrooney Medal, but came only a distant second to Peter Taylor in Club voting. Peter polled 46 votes from only 12 matches to win by twelve and was equal ninth in the Mulrooney Medal. One other outstanding performance came from Michael Brazel. In an injury-hit season he polled 27 Club votes from only nine matches for fourth place, but his do-or-die style of play attracted no votes from the umpires!

In Reserve Grade, Wes Maloney, who last year was Club runner-up from only six matches, went one better this year to win the League's J. McNamara Trophy on countback from seven matches. Unluckiest player was Robert Goddard whose mid-season break through injury cost him dearly. He was equal third in the J. McNamara Trophy, one point behind Wes Maloney and lost the T. W. Sherrin Reserve Grade Player of the Year Award on countback. Back pocket player Geoff Lyall was the Club Best and Fairest. Although a difficult position from which to win the award, this is his second success, his first coming in the Under 19 Grade in 1982. Grant Martin, in his first season with the Club, was runner-up and also achieved a creditable equal ninth in the J. McNamara Trophy.

In Under 19 Grade, votes were well spread both at League and Club level. In the League, five players reached double figures with Brendan Scotland doing best in equal eleventh position. In the Club, a difference of four votes covered the first four positions with Rod Carter winning on 22 votes. Runner-up Rogan Sharp polled his 21 votes from six matches.

GOALKICKING

In First Grade, Mal Manson was the League's leading goalkicker with 81 from 18 matches and, despite the fact that he played at centre for four matches, improved on his previous best of 73 set last year. He kicked five goals or more at least once against each other side in the competition. His total has been passed only by Bill Quade (114 - 1978) and Noel O'Neill (86 - 1983) and he holds the Club First Grade career record of 472 goals in 143 matches at an average of 3.3 goals per game.

Rover Dave Kennedy, with 23 goals in 13 games, was the leader in Reserve Grade, which lacked a consistent goalkicker until Brian Hopkins recorded 22 goals in 6 matches late in the season.

Unlike Reserve Grade, Under 19 Grade had plenty of firepower with Rod Carter leading for the second year with a creditable 43 goals from 20 matches.

OTHER PERFORMANCES

The Under 17 team failed by one point to make it three premierships in a row, being beaten by a goal from a free kick after the final siren.

Brett Allison (Firsts and Under 19s) and Ben Devenish (Under 19s) are the first sons to follow in their fathers' footsteps. Tom Allison, ex-North Melbourne and Victoria, was the Club's first coach and had his final match in 1980 after a very successful First Grade and representative career. Bruce Devenish, after competing for Turner, played 1971-1973 with a highlight of the Reserve Grade Best and Fairest in 1971. He now coaches with the Belconnen South Juniors.

During the off season some players and ex-players excelled themselves on the cricket field. Jamie Pyke, after a season of impressive performances, had a highly successful tour of India and Sri Lanka with the Australian Under 19 team; Grant Woodbridge (playing in Sydney) was 12th Man for the Prime Minister's XI, and Mark Killer represented the ACT at senior level.

Ainslie had to unnailed the Cock of the North Trophy, which made a brief visit to our trophy cabinet, for the first time since 1979.

Finally, in the Juniors, Brendan Scotland was the first Club player ever to pass 200 Under Age matches and was closely followed by Owen Gregory whose father, Winston, holds the Club's Reserve Grade goalkicking record.



REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVES

Australian Schoolboys (U.16) Team

Rogan Sharp	1983
D. Pyke	1984

Australian Teal Cup (U.17) Team

Rogan Sharp	1984
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Australian Super Rules (Over 35) Team

M. Johnston	1983
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ACTAFL SENIOR TEAMS

Coach T. Allison 1973, 1974

Players

T. Allison	1971, 1973, 1974
D. Bennett	1979
M. Chinnick	1972, 1974, 1975
G. Conn	1984, 1985
J. Dess	1984, 1985
C. Graham	1979
G. Hocking	1983, 1984, 1985
R. Koehne	1971, 1972
P. Johnson	1975
I. Low	1983, 1984
D. Lowe	1985

J. Manson	1978-80 (inc.)
M. Manson	1976-80 (inc.)
L. Moloney	1979
W. Quade	1976, 1979, 1980
R. Randall	1978
P. Searle	1979
Rogan Sharp	1985
P. Taylor	1980, 1982, 1984, 1985
R. White	1975, 1978, 1981
S. Widera	1976-79 (inc.)

ACTAFL UNDER 23 TEAMS

B. Allison	1985
S. Bayer	1985
J. Dess	1983
D. Falconer	1982
M. Killer	1985

J. Lawson	1982
S. Michelle	1984, 1985
J. Pyke	1984
D. Scotland	1984



COACHES AND CAPTAINS

	<u>First Grade</u>	<u>Reserve Grade</u>	<u>Under 19 Grade</u>
Coach	1971 T. Allison	J. Hourigan	R. Baguley
Captain	T. Allison	J. Hourigan	J. Talikka
	1972 T. Allison	J. Hourigan	J. O'Connor
	T. Allison	J. Hourigan	M. Drekovic
	1973 T. Allison	B. Falconer	John O'Dea
	T. Allison	B. Devenish	T. Fardell
	1974 T. Allison	(L. Pickering	W. Cameron
		(C. Weatherill	
	T. Allison	L. Pickering	W. Sleeman
	1975 P. Johnson	C. Weatherill	J. Stankevicius
	P. Johnson		
	1976 C. Weatherill	B. Wight	W. Cameron
	J. Calvert	P. Sheedy	(P. Falconer
			(B. Lowes
	1977 K. Hassett	W. Gregory	D. Macilwain
	J. Calvert	P. Sheedy	(P. Taylor
			(R. Wylucki
	1978(K. Hassett to 22.5.78		
	(N. Conlan to 24.7.78	B. Sheridan	D. Macilwain
	(M. Gibbs		
	M. Chinnick to 1.6.78	P. Sheedy	D. Tompsett
	L. Moloney		
	1979 N. Smith	B. Sheridan	R. Green
	N. Smith	S. Whennan	C. Althaus
	1980 R. White	K. Tucker	N. O'Neill
	R. White	K. Tucker	M. Walding
	1981 L. Moloney	B. Sheridan	N. O'Neill
	L. Moloney	Robert Goddard	P. Bradley
	1982 L. Moloney	Robert Goddard	M. Burgess
	L. Moloney	Robert Goddard	J. Phillips
	1983 I. Low	G. Rebecca	M. Burgess
	I. Low	G. Rebecca	(M. Nicholson
			(G. O'Sullivan
	1984 I. Low	Robert Goddard	M. Burgess
	I. Low	Robert Goddard	Rogan Sharp
	1985 K. Grigg	Robert Goddard	M. Burgess
	K. Grigg	Robert Goddard	D. Heitel

CLUB BEST AND FAIREST

WINNERS AND RUNNERS-UP

First Grade (from 1977 Cleve Weatherill Memorial Perpetual Trophy)

1971	T. Allison	B. Jones
1972	M. Chinnick	R. Koehne
1973	P. Bateman	B. Prendergast
1974	R. White	M. Lawn
1975	R. White	S. Widera
1976	T. Allison	R. Koehne
1977	J. Manson	D. Bennett
1978	S. Widera	P. Taylor
1979	P. Taylor	D. Tompsett
1980	D. Bennett	L. Moloney
1981	R. White	D. Bennett
1982	P. Taylor	D. Falconer
1983	G. Hocking	D. Bennett
1984	G. Hocking	P. Taylor
1985	P. Taylor	G. Conn

Reserve Grade (Oscar Washington Perpetual Trophy)

1971	B. Devenish	J. Hourigan
1972	A. Richards	J. Hourigan
1973	L. Pickering	G. Moss
1974	Rob Baguley	P. Sheedy
1975	J. Talikka	M. Wigley
1976	P. Sheedy	S. Whennan
1977	P. Stubbs	G. Burgess
1978	P. Butterworth	D. O'Malley
1979	B. Slade	R. Lipp
1980	R. Lipp	W. Sleeman
1981	Robert Goddard	F. Southwell
1982	Robert Goddard	(A. Stuart
		(S. Taylor
1983	F. Southwell	H. Daw
1984	F. Southwell	W. Maloney
1985	G. Lyall	G. Martin

Under 19 Grade (from 1975 Reg Proctor Perpetual Trophy)

1971	J. Talikka	
1972	M. Drekovic	M. Sawa
1973		
1974	J. Manson	M. Manson
1975	P. Taylor	T. Hughes
1976	F. Southwell	P. Falconer
1977	Ross Goddard	F. Southwell
1978	D. Tompsett	W. Agnew
1979	W. Maloney	A. Brown
1980	D. Falconer	M. Dunne
1981	D. Kennedy	H. Daw
1982	G. Lyall	B. Burke
1983	S. Michelle	S. Jones
1984	Rogan Sharp	D. Heitel
1985	R. Carter	Rogan Sharp

1985 VOTING

First Grade (Cleve Weatherill Memorial Perpetual Trophy)

P. Taylor	46 (12)	D. Pyke	19 (14)
G. Conn	34 (15)	S. Michelle	16 (18)
G. Hocking	31 (15)	D. Lowe	14 (14)
M. Brazel	27 (9)	J. Dess	12 (14)
M. Manson	24 (18)	P. Buchan	8 (13)
G. Maguire	22 (17)	J. Smith	4 (6)
S. Bayer	21 (15)	N. O'Neill	3 (6)
B. Allison	20 (7)	K. Grigg	2 (13)
M. Killer	19 (17)	M. Molony	2 (4)

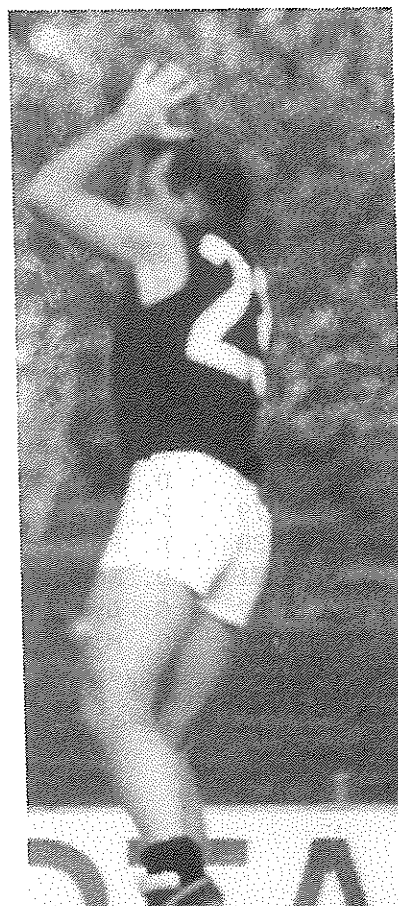
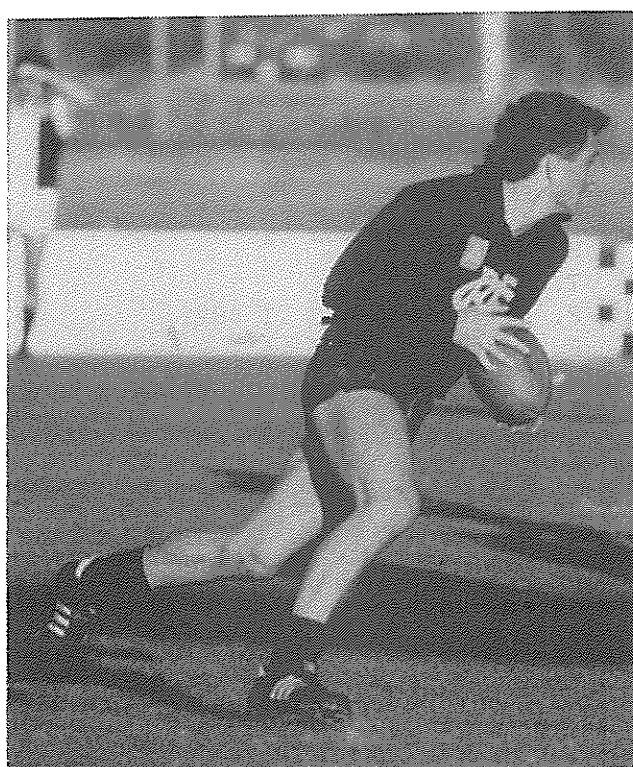
Reserve Grade (Oscar Washington Perpetual Trophy)

Individual voting figures are not available as some records were lost.

Under 19 Grade (Reg Proctor Perpetual Trophy)

R. Carter	22 (18)	L. Carne	6 (16)
Rogan Sharp	21 (6)	B. Allison	5 (6)
D. Molony	20 (10)	G. Gageldonk	4 (18)
M. Cosgrave	19 (13)	P. Hynes	4 (17)
D. Heitel	15 (8)	A. Ongania	4 (13)
B. Scotland	14 (12)	T. Xirakis	4 (13)
J. Smith	13 (5)	G. Carne	3 (9)
M. Molony	12 (14)	R. Walker	3 (13)
G. Conway	9 (16)	B. Devenish	2 (17)
A. Monaghan	9 (9)	A. Smith	2 (18)
C. Clothier	8 (15)	A. Nicholson	1 (7)
J. Hynes	8 (11)	W. Wodrow	1 (10)
C. Stubbs	7 (6)		

() indicates matches played



OTHER PERPETUAL TROPHIES

MOST COURAGEOUS FIRST GRADE PLAYER (Neil Conlan Memorial Perpetual Trophy) Donated by the Conlan Family

1979	P. Taylor	1983	P. Taylor
1980	R. White	1984	M. Pledge
1981	R. White	1985	S. Bayer
1982	D. Bennett		

BEST FIRST YEAR FIRST GRADE PLAYER (Neil Conlan Memorial Perpetual Trophy) Donated by Mutual Acceptance Ltd

1979	B. Eagles	1983	S. Bayer
1980	M. Dwyer	1984	J. Smith
1981	D. Falconer	1985	D. Pyke
1982	D. Scotland		

LEAGUE BEST AND FAIREST

CLUB WINNERS

MULROONEY MEDAL (First Grade)

As Turner Football Club:

1948	H. Maddigan
1952	J. Gleeson
1964	K. Mitchell

As Belconnen Football Club:

1975	R. White
1984	G. Hocking

J. McNAMARA TROPHY (Reserve Grade)

As Turner Football Club:

1970	L. Pickering (tie)
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As Belconnen Football Club:

1981	F. Southwell
1985	W. Maloney

T. A. WHARTON TROPHY (Under 19 Grade)

1974	M. Manson
1975	D. Bennett

1977	P. Taylor (tie)
1984	Rogan Sharp

ACTAFL TROPHIES

1973 Under 17 J. Manson

1974 Under 17 (Div 2) D. Bennett

1985 VOTING

MULROONEY MEDAL (First Grade)

G. Conn	18 (15) (4th)
D. Lowe	16 (14) (=7th)
P. Taylor	14 (12) (=9th)
G. Hocking	10 (15)
M. Killer	10 (17)
D. Pyke	9 (14)
J. Dess	6 (14)

G. Maguire	5 (17)
J. Smith	4 (6)
S. Bayer	2 (15)
S. Michelle	2 (18)
M. Pledge	2 (16)
K. Grigg	1 (13)
M. Manson	1 (18)

J. McNAMARA TROPHY (Reserve Grade)

W. Maloney	20	(7)	(1st)
R. Goddard	19	(15)	(=3rd)
G. Martin	13	(14)	(=9th)
N. Burton	8	(16)	
D. Kennedy	8	(13)	
M. Spring	7	(7)	
D. Bennett	6	(4)	
D. Hopkins	6	(18)	
M. Johnston	6	(12)	
F. Southwell	6	(14)	

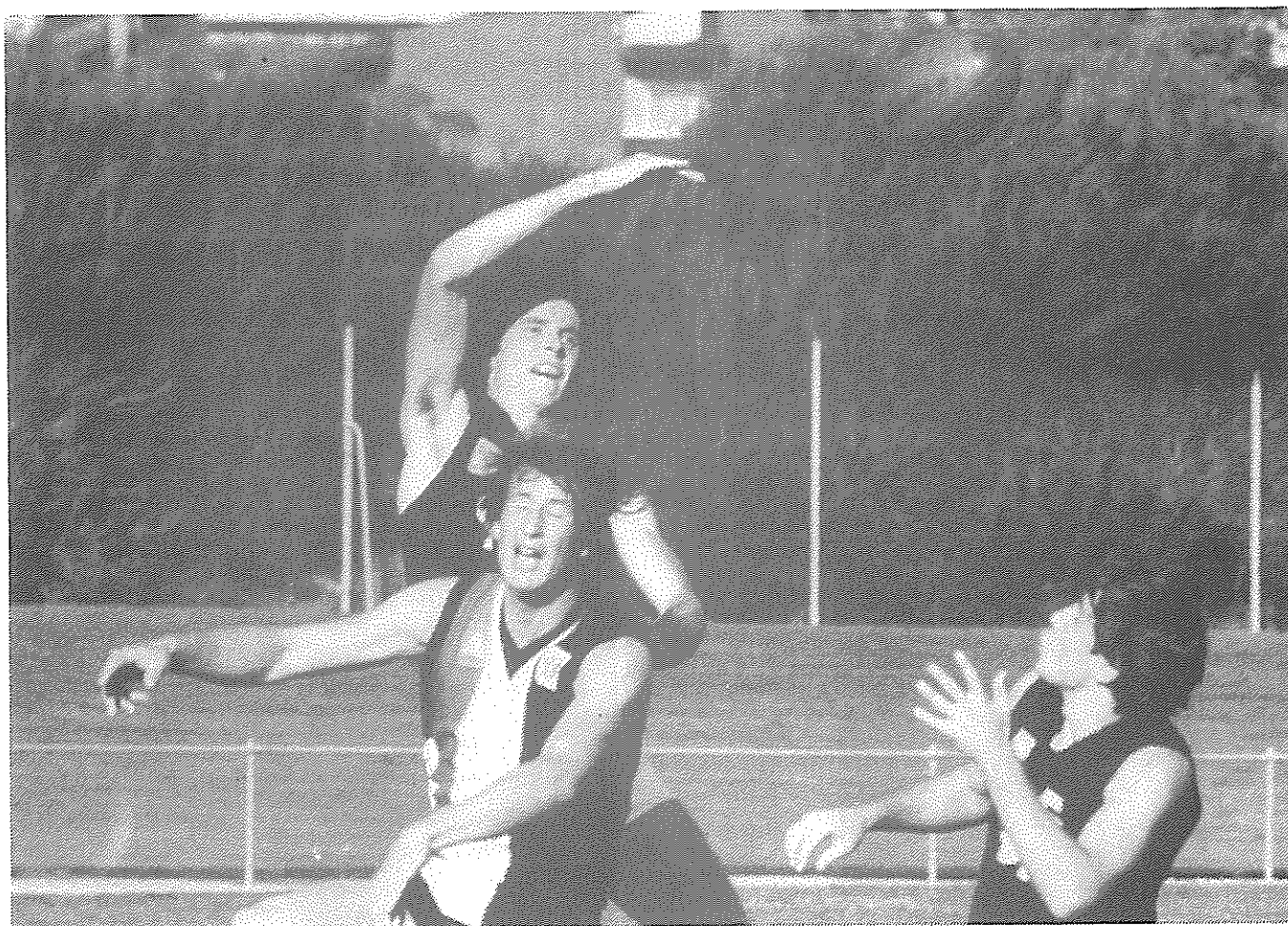
M. McQueen	5	(17)
D. Heitel	4	(1)
G. Lyall	3	(14)
T. Monaghan	3	(8)
M. Burgess	2	(10)
B. Hopkins	2	(6)
B. McMillan	2	(10)
B. Karey	1	(6)
J. Towers	1	(12)

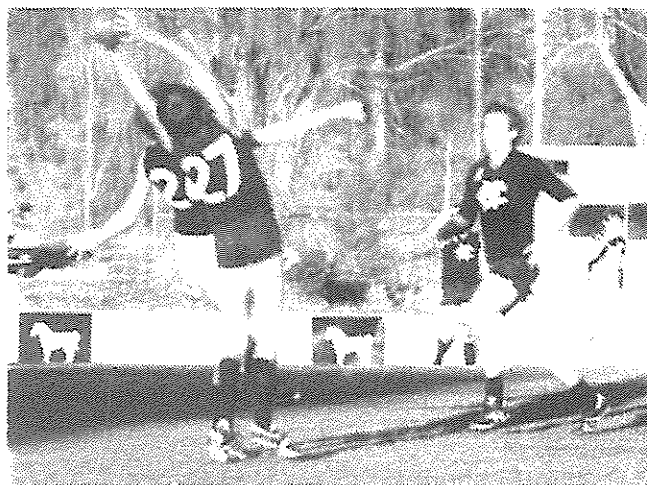
T. A. WHARTON TROPHY (Under 19 Grade)

B. Scotland	16	(12)	(=11th)
C. Stubbs	14	(6)	
G. Gageldonk	13	(18)	
R. Carter	12	(18)	
D. Heitel	11	(8)	
P. Hynes	9	(17)	
R. Sharp	7	(6)	

B. Allison	6	(6)
M. Cosgrave	6	(13)
J. Smith	5	(5)
T. Xirakis	4	(13)
D. Molony	2	(10)
M. Molony	2	(14)
R. Walker	2	(13)

() indicates matches played





MATCH RECORDS AND GOALKICKING

ACTAFL PREMIERSHIPS

1972 Under 17 (Champions)
 1973 Under 17
 1974 Under 19
 1974 Under 17 (Division 2)

1978 Reserve Grade
 1983 Under 17 (Division 1)
 1984 Under 17 (Division 1)

CONSECUTIVE WINS

First Grade	10 in 1979
Reserve Grade	13 in 1979
Under 19 Grade	7 in 1974

HIGHEST SCORE

First Grade	39.24 (258) to 10.12(72) v Sutherland	1979
Reserve Grade	36.21 (237) to 2. 2(14) v ANU	1979
Under 19 Grade	37.23 (245) to 2. 4(16) v Queanbeyan	1974

GOALKICKING RECORDS

Single Match

First Grade	W. Quade	15.6	v West Canberra	1979
Reserve Grade	P. Dean	13.3	v Sutherland	1981
Under 19 Grade	C. Brown	14.4	v Eastlake	1983

Season

First Grade	W. Quade	114 from 22 matches	1979
Reserve Grade	W. Gregory	52 from 21 matches	1977
Under 19 Grade	C. Brown	54 from 15 matches	1983

Career

First Grade	M. Manson	472 from 143 matches	1972 to 1985
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LEADING GOALKICKER (First Grade)

1971	M. Read	52		
1972	M. Read	46		
1973	T. Allison/M. Read	20		
1974	M. Manson	49		
1975	W. Quade	61		
1976	M. Manson	53		
1977	M. Manson	41		
1978	C. Bowman	46		
1979	W. Quade	114 (League Highest)		
1980	W. Quade	56		
1981	W. Quade	55		
1982	N. O'Neill	77		
1983	N. O'Neill	86 (League Highest)		
1984	M. Manson	73		
1985	M. Manson	81 (League Highest)		

1985 LEADING GOALKICKERS (More than 5 goals)

First Grade (18 matches)

M. Manson	81 (18)	S. Michelle	10 (18)
J. Dess	21 (14)	G. Conn	9 (15)
N. O'Neill	21 (6)	B. Allison	8 (7)
D. Lowe	19 (14)	A. Stuart	8 (9)
G. Hocking	18 (15)	C. Stubbs	8 (7)
P. Taylor	18 (12)	J. Phillips	7 (9)
M. Pledge	15 (16)	D. Heitel	6 (5)
D. Pyke	15 (14)	S. Taylor	6 (17)
S. Bayer	11 (15)		

Reserve Grade (18 matches)

D. Kennedy	23 (13)	W. Maloney	12 (7)
B. Hopkins	22 (6)	M. Johnston	10 (12)
T. Monaghan	18 (8)	M. Burgess	9 (10)
Robert Goddard	17 (15)	F. Southwell	7 (14)
D. Hopkins	16 (18)	J. Towers	7 (12)
G. Martin	15 (14)	P. Trye	7 (11)

Under 19 Grade (21 matches)

R. Carter	43 (20)	J. Smith	12 (8)
D. Heitel	28 (11)	T. Xirakis	12 (16)
B. Allison	25 (9)	L. Carne	11 (19)
B. Scotland	21 (15)	J. Hynes	9 (11)
R. Walker	19 (14)	C. Clothier	7 (18)
G. Gageldonk	15 (21)	D. Molony	6 (13)
A. Smith	12 (20)		

() indicates matches played



PLAYER STATISTICS

ACTAFL MATCHES (Representative and First Grade)

K. Grigg	269	(Rep. 4, Manuka 234, Belconnen 31)
D. Hopkins	211	(Rep. 2, Queanbeyan 158, Belconnen 51)
N. O'Neill	194	(Ainslie 58, Belconnen 136)
S. Taylor	174	(All Belconnen)
D. Bennett	168	(Rep. 2, Belconnen 166)
P. Taylor	159	(Rep. 10, Belconnen 149)
M. Manson	155	(Rep. 12, Belconnen 143)

CLUB MATCHES

100 CLUB

First Grade

S. Taylor	174
D. Bennett	166
P. Taylor	149
M. Manson	143
N. O'Neill	136
R. Dawson	128
Ray Baguley	115
Robert Goddard	113
J. Manson	111
T. Allison	106
W. Quade	104
M. Price	103

Reserve Grade

R. Burgess	145
F. Southwell	139
M. Burgess	122
P. Sheedy	118
Robert Goddard	113

40 CLUB

Under 19 Grade

C. Brown	49
A. Brown	43
M. Rayner	43
H. Daw	42
W. Agnew	41
C. Althaus	41
B. Burke	41
A. McGee	41
J. Phillips	41
S. Jones	40
C. Clothier	40
A. Smith	40

100 MATCHES - All Grades

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Firsts</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Under 19</u>
Robert Goddard (1971-85)	226	113	113	*
S. Taylor (1973-85)	211	174	23	14
M. Burgess (1972-85)	200	78	122	-
D. Bennett (1975-85)	194	166	15	13
F. Southwell (1975-85)	186	14	139	33
P. Taylor (1975-85)	181	149	1	31
Ray Baguley (1971-81)	169	115	54	-
M. Manson (1972-85)	163	143	8	12
P. Stubbs (1972-81)	152	82	70	-
N. O'Neill (1977-85)	147	136	11	-
R. Burgess (1972-85)	145	-	145	-
R. Dawson (1976-85)	134	128	6	-
P. Sheedy (1972-79)	134	16	118	-
S. Lewis (1974-81)	130	46	72	12
J. Manson (1972-81)	129	111	4	14
M. Johnston (1978-85)	126	54	72	-
T. Grant (1971-80)	115	74	41	*
M. Suidgeest (1972-79)	114	56	58	-
S. Walding (1971-83)	111	58	40	13*
T. Allison (1971-80)	110	106	4	-
W. Quade (1975-81)	109	104	5	-
M. Price (1976-81)	108	103	5	-
J. Calvert (1972-79)	105	94	11	-
S. Widera (1972-81)	105	91	5	9
P. Bradley (1979-84)	101	8	60	33

* 3rd Grade records for 1971 not available.

50 MATCHES - All Grades (Under 19 Grade Players)

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Firsts</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Under 19</u>
J. Phillips (1980-83)	67	14	12	41
S. Walding (1971-74)	62	48	1	13
H. Daw (1979-82)	59	15	2	42
D. Falconer (1979-82)	58	31	-	27
A. Brown (1978-80)	56	6	7	43
C. Brown (1979-83)	55	-	6	49
F. Southwell (1975-77)	55	7	15	33
B. Burke (1979-82)	54	6	7	41
D. Scotland (1981-84)	54	40	-	14
M. Killer (1981-84)	53	26	4	23
M. Brazel (1981-84)	52	39	1	12
S. Michelle (1981-83)	52	17	12	23
Greg Watt (1979-81)	51	15	6	30

YEARS OF PLAYING SERVICE (At least three games per season)

<u>14 Years</u>	<u>8 Years</u>	<u>6 Years</u>	<u>5 Years</u>
Robert Goddard	T. Allison	W. Agnew	
	P. Culnane	C. Brown	P. Bradley
<u>13 Years</u>	T. Grant	B. Burke	M. Brazel
M. Burgess	S. Lewis	R. Byrne	A. Brown
S. Taylor	J. Manson	L. Calvert	P. Buchan
	P. Sheedy	H. Daw	M. Chinnick
<u>11 Years</u>	S. Widera	M. Drekovic	G. Coggins
Ray Baguley		P. Jonas	D. Hopkins
D. Bennett	<u>7 Years</u>	A. Lyall	M. Horan
R. Burgess	J. Calvert	W. Maloney	M. Killer
M. Manson	J. Dess	G. Moss	G. Lyall
F. Southwell	R. Falconer	J. Phillips	S. Michelle
P. Taylor	M. Johnston	M. Price	L. Moloney
	John O'Dea	W. Sleeman	M. Pledge
<u>9 Years</u>	W. Quade	D. Tompsett	M. Read
R. Dawson	M. Suidgeest	R. Watson	P. Trye
N. O'Neill	J. Talikka	S. Whennan	Greg Watt
P. Stubbs		R. White	
S. Walding			

LONGEST PLAYING SEQUENCE

First Grade	D. Bennett	109 consecutive matches
Club	D. Bennett	135 consecutive matches

YOUNGEST PLAYER

First Grade	S. Walding	15 years 263 days v Eastlake	27.3.71
Reserve Grade	S. Widera	14 years 292 days v Manuka	22.7.72
Under 19 Grade	D. Falconer	14 years 180 days v Queanbeyan	22.4.79

NOTE - an examination of old records has required some adjustments to the record of player statistics as published in previous reports.

HOW BELCONNEN TEAMS FINISHED IN 1985

<u>First Grade</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Bye</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Agst</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Ainslie	18	14	-	4	3	2564	1732	148.0	68
Queanbeyan	18	14	-	4	3	2270	1621	140.0	68
Eastlake	18	11	-	7	3	2191	1713	127.9	56
Manuka Weston	18	11	-	7	3	1972	1611	122.4	56
BELCONNEN	18	8	-	10	3	2107	2135	98.7	44
Tuggeranong	18	4	-	14	3	1728	2380	72.6	28
West Canberra	18	1	-	17	3	1247	2887	43.2	16

Reserve Grade

Manuka Weston	18	17	-	1	3	1999	1005	198.9	80
Queanbeyan	18	14	-	4	3	1812	1292	140.3	68
Ainslie	18	10	1	7	3	1659	1354	122.5	54
Eastlake	18	8	1	9	3	1404	1399	100.4	46
BELCONNEN	18	6	1	11	3	1404	1441	97.4	38
Tuggeranong	18	3	1	14	3	1068	1916	55.7	26
West Canberra	18	2	-	16	3	1021	1960	52.1	20

Under 19 Grade

Manuka Weston	18	15	1	2	3	2192	924	237.2	74
Queanbeyan	18	15	1	2	3	1703	969	175.8	74
Ainslie	18	11	-	7	3	1959	1225	159.9	56
BELCONNEN	18	9	-	9	3	1650	1558	105.9	48
Eastlake	18	6	-	12	3	1251	1661	75.3	36
Tuggeranong	18	4	-	14	3	805	1913	42.1	28
West Canberra	18	1	-	17	3	706	2016	35.0	16

First Semi-Final: BELCONNEN 8-6 (54) Ainslie 6-5 (41)
Preliminary Final: BELCONNEN 13-13 (91) Queanbeyan 11-6 (72)
Grand Final: Manuka Weston 16-19 (115) BELCONNEN 11-8 (74)

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

	<u>Firsts</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Under 19</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Queanbeyan	136	68	74	278
Manuka Weston	112	80	74	266
Ainslie	136	54	56	246
Eastlake	112	46	36	194
BELCONNEN	88	38	48	174
Tuggeranong	56	26	24	106
West Canberra	32	20	16	68

BELCONNEN ARISTOCRAT PRE-SEASON CARNIVAL

<u>Group A</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Agst</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Eastlake	2	2	-	130	47	276.6	4
Tuggeranong	2	2	-	88	73	120.6	4
BELCONNEN	2	-	2	64	113	56.6	-
West Canberra	2	-	2	56	105	53.3	-

Group B

Ainslie	2	2	-	71	54	131.5	4
Queanbeyan	2	1	1	129	39	330.8	2
Manuka Weston	2	1	1	83	57	145.6	2
East Wagga	2	1	1	84	88	95.5	2
ANU	2	-	2	34	163	20.9	-

FINAL - Eastlake 6-7(43) Ainslie 3-4(22)

COCK OF THE NORTH TROPHY (between Belconnen and Ainslie)

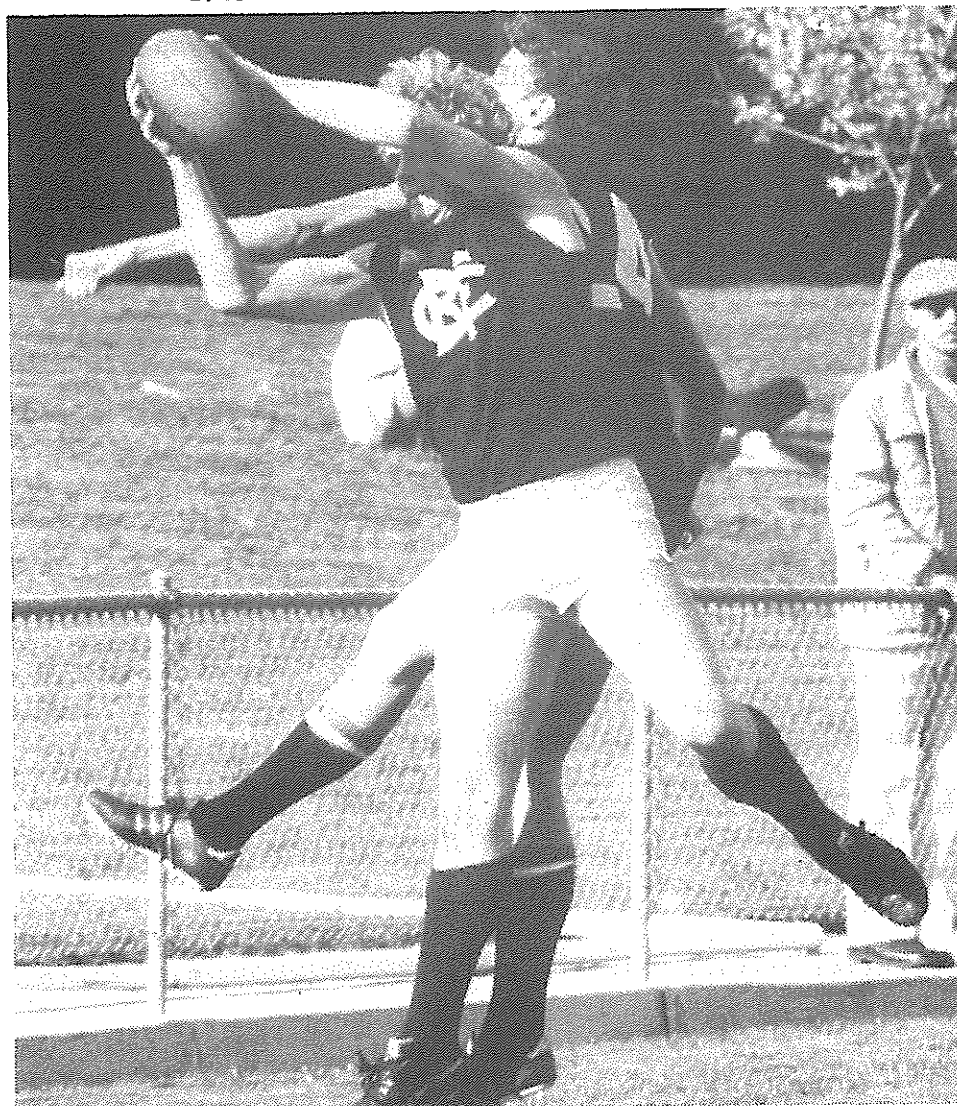
28 April won by Ainslie 21-25(151) to 11-12(78)
16 June won by Belconnen 15-20(110) to 14-15(99)
11 August won by Ainslie 27-22(184) to 14-14(98)

NEIL CONLAN MEMORIAL TROPHY (between Belconnen and Manuka Weston)

7 April won by Manuka Weston 19-23(137) to 16-16(112)
26 May won by Manuka Weston 17-18(120) to 13- 8 (86)
14 July won by Manuka Weston 26-21(177) to 12- 9 (81)

HOW BELCONNEN FINISHED 1971-1985

	<u>Firsts</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Under 19</u>
1971	5th	6th	4th
1972	4th	5th	5th
1973	8th	6th	5th
1974	5th	5th	Premiers
1975	5th	3rd	4th
1976	5th	5th	4th
1977	4th	3rd	4th
1978	3rd	Premiers	5th
1979	2nd	2nd	4th
1980	6th	6th	5th
1981	5th	3rd	5th
1982	5th	5th	7th
1983	5th	5th	4th
1984	5th	3rd	4th
1985	5th	5th	2nd



1985 SENIOR PLAYERS - GAMES PLAYED

PLAYER	TOTAL			1985			Pre-1985			AGE 31.8.85	FIRST YEAR
	1st	2nd	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd		
ALLISON, B.	7		9	7		9				17	1985
BAYER, S.	51			15			36			21	1983
BELLCHAMBERS, S.			16			2			14	18	1984
BENNETT, D.	166	15	13	7	4		159	11	13	28	1975
BOULTON, S.			4			3			1	17	1984
BOYD, P.		4			4					21	1985
BRAZEL, M.	48	2	12	9	1		39	1	12	20	1981
BUCHAN, P.	78	5		13			65	5		24	1981
BURGESS, M.	78	122			10		78	112		35	1972
BURGESS, R.		145			11			134		33	1972
BURKE, B.	7	31	41		1		7	30	41	22	1979
BURTON, N.		16			16					25	1985
CAIN, D.			5			3			2	18	1982
CAMPBELL, W.	4	26	16		12		4	14	16	28	1972
CARNE, G.			11			10			1	18	1984
CARNE, L.		1	19			19		1		17	1983
CARTER, R.			37			20			17	18	1984
CLOTHIER, C.			40			18			22	19	1983
CONN, G.	23			15			8			27	1984
CONWAY, G.			37			19			18	19	1984
COSGRAVE, M.			15			15				18	1985
CROUCH, G.			1			1				17	1985
DAWSON, R.	128	6			2		128	4		34	1976
DESS, J.	68	15	8	14			54	15	8	26	1978
DEVENISH, Ben			20			20				18	1985
FALCONER, R.	23	46	26		3		23	43	26	24	1978
GAGELDONK, G.			36			21			15	18	1984
GARDINER, J.		30			4			26		29	1982
GILL, G.	1	26			16		1	10		22	1983
GODDARD, Rob	113	113	*		15		113	98	*	32	1971
GRIGG, K.	31			13			18			33	1984
HANSEN, P.			1			1				18	1985
HARPER, A.	1	8	5		7		1	1	5	21	1983
HAYDEN, B.	13	15		13	3			12		20	1984
HEITEL, D.	5	1	28	5	1	11			17	19	1984
HOCKING, G.	49			15			34			26	1983
HOPKINS, B.		12			6			6		29	1984
HOPKINS, D.	51	37			18		51	19		32	1981
HYNES, J.			11			11				19	1985
HYNES, P.			19			19				17	1985
JARMAN, S.			4			4				18	1985
JOHNSON, S.		1			1					25	1985
JOHNSTON, M.	54	72			12		54	60		39	1978
JONAS, P.		93			16			77		28	1979
JONES, Bernie	5	1		5	1					24	1985
KAREY, B.		50			6			44		23	1982
KENNEDY, D.		23	31		13			10	31	22	1979
KERR, D.			17			4			13	17	1984
KILLER, M.	43	4	23	17			26	4	23	20	1981
KORDA, D.		28			2			26		24	1983

PLAYER	TOTAL			1985			Pre-1985			AGE 31.8.85	FIRST YEAR
	1st	2nd	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd		
LAWSON, C.		6			6					26	1985
LOUGHHEAD, P.			1			1				15	1985
LOWE, D.	14	1		14	1					21	1985
LYALL, A.	5	28	31		1		5	27	31	23	1979
LYALL, G.	3	35	34	3	14			21	34	21	1981
MACILWAIN, W.			6			6				17	1985
McMILLAN, B.	8	33	4	4	10		4	23	4	21	1983
McPHERSON, J.		16			1			15		21	1984
McQUEEN, M.		28			17			11		25	1984
MAGUIRE, G.	31	1		17			14	1		29	1984
MALONEY, W.	47	18	26		7		47	11	26	24	1979
MANSON, M.	143	8	12	18			125	8	12	29	1972
MARTIN, G.	1	14		1	14					21	1985
MICHELLE, S.	49	15	23	18			31	15	23	21	1981
MOLONY, D.	8		13	8		13				19	1985
MOLONY, M.	4		17	4		17				17	1985
MONAGHAN, A.			12			12				15	1985
MONAGHAN, P.		6			6					23	1985
MONAGHAN, T.	2	8		2	8					22	1985
MORRIS, James			1			1				19	1985
NICHOLSON, A.			9			9				17	1985
O'NEILL, N.	136	11		6			130	11		29	1977
ONGANIA, A.			34			20			14	19	1984
OSBORNE, M.		3			3					22	1985
O'SULLIVAN, G.		22	30		12			10	30	21	1982
PENNEY, D.		6			6					25	1985
PHILLIPS, J.	30	21	41	9			21	21	41	21	1980
PLEDGE, M.	81	4		16	1		65	3		26	1981
PYKE, D.	14		1	14					1	16	1984
SALOM, M.			1			1				16	1985
SARAH, M.			2			2				18	1985
SCOTLAND, B.			16			15			1	17	1984
SHARP, Rogan	8		27	8		9			18	18	1984
SMITH, A.			40			20			20	19	1983
SMITH, J.	16	1	18	6	1	8	10		10	19	1983
SOUTHWELL, D.			16			3			13	19	1984
SOUTHWELL, F.	14	139	33	2	14		12	125	33	27	1975
SPRING, M.		12			7			5		21	1984
STEELE, J.			2			2				17	1985
STUART, A.	17	45		9	8		8	37		24	1982
STUART, D.		5			5					19	1985
STUBBS, A.	26	1	13	11	1	3	15		10	19	1982
STUBBS, C.	7		10	7		9			1	17	1984
SURKITT, D.		3			3					24	1985
SUTTON, G.			1			1				17	1985
TAYLOR, P.	149	1	31	12			137	1	31	27	1975
TAYLOR, S.	174	23	14	17			157	23	14	29	1972
TOWERS, J.		12			12					27	1985
TRYE, P.		61			11			50		26	1981
WALKER, R.			15			14			1	17	1984
WHYTCROSS, G.	6	4		6	4					23	1985
WILKINSON, A.		3	35		2			1	35	19	1981
WODROW, W.			10			10				18	1985
XIRAKIS, T.			17			16			1	18	1984

* No record of 1971 3rd Grade games

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