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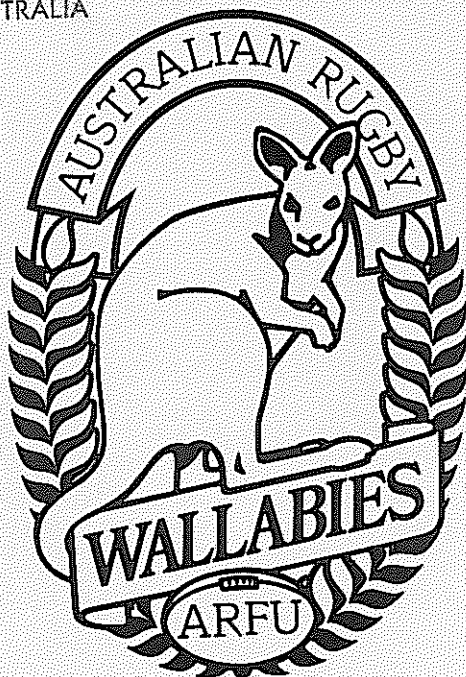


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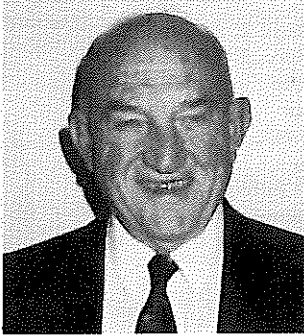
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AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD

Report from the President



In a year which involved domestic Internationals against England, Wales and back to back Tests with New Zealand, followed by World Cup games against Argentina, Western Samoa, Wales, Ireland (quarter final), New Zealand (semi final) and England (final), the only defeat suffered by the Wallabies was against the All Blacks in Auckland.

Except to record game results there is not much that hasn't been said about the playing success of the Australian Team.

Universally regarded as well merited World Champions, the Wallabies fully deserved all the accolades and media attention heaped upon them during the World Cup series and when they returned home.

The players and support staff will tell you that success was not achieved the easy way. The heart stopping games against Western Samoa, Ireland, New Zealand and England bear testimony to that.

The attention of the players to exacting training sessions, their willingness to fulfil their social engagements with good humour, their accessibility to the media and the general public and their exemplary behaviour off the field and sportsmanship on the field have been well chronicled.

The best all round equipped Wallaby team ever assembled has in one year constructed a solid foundation for administrators to capitalise and build upon and strengthen the code in all states and territories. For this the ARFU will be forever grateful.

There have been golden years before 1991 in the history of Australian Rugby — the Wallabies led by John Thornett during the sixties, the 1984 and 1986 Wallabies led by Andrew Slack — whose deeds although legendary pale into insignificance compared to the 1991 Wallabies.

They truly deserved the great honour of a tickertape parade through the streets of Sydney afforded them by the NSW Government and the Sydney City Council.

They were superbly led by Nick Farr-Jones, managed by John Breen, coached by Bob Dwyer and his assistants Bob Templeton and Jake Howard, medically attended to by Dr. John Moulton and Greg Craig (physiotherapist) and kept in unequalled physical shape by Brian Hopley.

The following players were awarded their first Australian cap during 1991 — John Eales, Bob Egerton, Marty Roebeck and David Nucifora.

Administratively, the year was made more than usually difficult for the office staff by the unique parallel tours of England and Wales. The experience and success of both tours has signalled to the Tours Committee that such a double event could again be possible in the future.

The ARFU has arranged for its domestic television rights to be programmed for the next three years by commercial Network TEN. There is every hope that such a change in direction will achieve more promotional opportunities for the code throughout the nation and also enhance sponsorship returns.

The Union managed its successful three year 1991 World Cup preparation on a shoestring budget. The next three year preparation for the 1995 World Cup will require more costly funding if the Wallabies in that year are to adequately defend their World Cup title. All countries have now recognised the World Cup as the ultimate Rugby prize and most have the resources available and will be prepared to financially expend to the limit in a bid to win the coveted crown.

The Union will need to plan, programme and assemble, its best available resources (including a vital ongoing talent identification scheme) so that in 1995, ARFU will have retained its edge over its major competitors.

Australia was again represented by Roger Vanderfield and Norbert Byrne on the International Rugby Football Board. Roger carried the heavy burden of Chairman of the IRFB during the World Cup and performed his onerous duties with distinction whilst Norbert again served Australia's interests on the Board's Tours and Amateurism Committees.

A sad feature of the year 1991 was the sudden death of Kerry Fitzgerald, the Queensland and National Panel referee, who excelled at International and World Cup level to such an extent that he was hailed as being without peer in World Rugby. Your condolences have been suitably conveyed to his surviving sisters, Elaine and Sharon.

Kerry's World Cup colleague, Sandy MacNeill, performed creditably during the series and Brian Kinsey added to his international tally, when he was appointed to referee England V Fiji in Suva.

The ARFU records its appreciation and thanks for the contributions of the following:

1. A hard working and talented Executive.
2. Vice Presidents and Council Members.
3. The Honorary Treasurer, Mr. John Howard, O.A.M.
4. The staff of the Secretariat at Kingsford, who continue to meet the challenges offered by our ever expanding game.
5. To Executive Director, Bob Fordham, I offer my thanks for another successful year.
6. To our many supporters from the corporate sphere, I extend the thanks of the Union, in particular to Castlemaine Perkins Ltd, Northwest Airlines, Australian Airlines, Australian Broadcasting Corporation, Canterbury International, Adidas, Driza-Bone Pty. Ltd., Mountarrow Wines, Rothmans, Gilbert Footballs, Southern Pacific Hotel Corporation, Federal Publishing and Playbill Pty. Ltd.
7. In registering our thanks to the contributions of our sponsors, I must also record my sincere thanks to the team at Sports Marketing & Management, for their very valuable effort in securing and maintaining sponsorship agreements and relations.
8. The very valuable contribution of the Australian Sports Commission and the Institute of Sport in allocating grants-in-aid to Australian Rugby at all levels is gratefully acknowledged. To the Executive Director of the Australian Sports Commission, Jim Ferguson, the Executive Director of the Australian Institute of Sport, Rob de Castella and the Union's Liaison Officer, Mr. Mark Garrity, go our thanks for continued support during 1991.
9. On the international television scene, Australian Rugby continues to attract keen interest, and I am pleased to acknowledge the valuable contribution of Mr. Mike Watt of CSI, in capitalising upon the substantial overseas interest in the Wallabies.
10. It is my pleasure to once again record the much appreciated contribution of the Rothman's Foundation to the Coaching and Development areas of the Union. To the Executive Director, Mr. Alan Davidson, A.M., M.B.E., I extend the Union's gratitude.

The year ahead, particularly being our first year of Commercial Television, will bring many administrative problems, not the least being interaction with the players in respect of suitable arrangements in dealing with their expectations. The challenge of the 1992 domestic games against Scotland and the All Blacks will need to be met with the same resolve as in 1991.

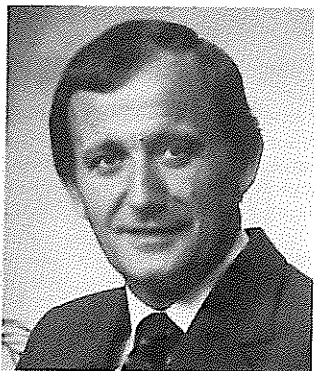
A possible short tour to South Africa plus a tour to Ireland and Wales makes the year 1992 nearly as demanding as 1991.

The ARFU will need to muster all its reserves and loyal dedication if it is to live up to and retain its current position in World Rugby but I am confident that with the co-operation of all Councillors, whatever difficulties we may be confronted with, will be overcome in a sensible and reasonable manner.

J. P. FRENCH, A.M.
President

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD

Report from the Executive Director



The Wallabies' triumph at Twickenham in the Rugby World Cup final on November 2, overshadowed all else in 1991, in what was the Australian Rugby Football Union's most successful ever season.

Set a demanding schedule by the Tours Committee in preparation for the road to Twickenham, the Wallabies recorded victories over Wales (twice), England (twice), New Zealand (twice), Argentina, Western Samoa and Ireland.

The only loss recorded by the Wallabies in 1991 was to New Zealand in Auckland in appalling conditions and in somewhat controversial circumstances.

The victory in the World Cup was achieved as a result of a genuine team effort in every respect. Apart from the magnificent performances of the players under the direction of Captain, Nick Farr-Jones, and Vice Captain Michael Lynagh, the team management provided excellent leadership.

Coach Bob Dwyer supported admirably by his coaching lieutenants, Bob Templeton, Jake Howard, and trainer Brian Hopley, worked diligently in preparing the Australian Team. Team

Manager, John Breen provided the administrative back up and much valued support was provided by Dr. John Moulton and Physiotherapist, Greg Craig.

Greg Craig's efforts in dealing with the knee injury to Nick Farr-Jones, ensuring his fitness to play in the key Wallaby games against New Zealand and England, is deserving of special mention.

Full details of Australia's performances during 1991 appear elsewhere in this report.

In the commercial arena, the Union was well served by marketing agents, Sports Marketing and Management, (SMAM), and in particular by Account Executive, Paul McClean.

It is regretted that Paul McClean has resigned his position with SMAM to return to the United Kingdom to further his career in marketing. I am certain that all in Rugby who knew Paul and who recognised his enthusiastic, pleasant and effective manner, will join with me in wishing him well in the future.

After a number of years of giving consideration to the appointment of Media and Public Relations Director, the Union finally agreed that such appointment would enhance the growing profile of the game.

Accordingly, Javelin Sales Promotion was appointed to carry out this function and initially Ian Hanson, and subsequently Greg Campbell, were appointed to handle the Rugby Account.

The significance of this appointment was immediately noted since it coincided with the visits of the Wales and England touring teams.

Unprecedented publicity was generated by Greg Campbell and the Javelin team, which had a large bearing in ensuring that successive Tests in Sydney were sold out for the first time.

As a consequence of this success, Greg Campbell was appointed an official member of the World Cup party and it should be recorded that he performed magnificently in handling the demanding media requirements of the team, particularly after the quarter final with Ireland, when attention focused so heavily on the Wallabies and their Management.

The sale of the ARFU overseas television rights was again successfully driven by Communication Services International (CSI) and I thank Michael Watt and his team for their efforts and for the dollars they generated, which are so important in terms of the short and long term future of the game.

After many years of association with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation, the Union has made a commercial decision not to renew their contract to televise domestic Rugby.

In recording this decision, I would like to thank David Salter, Geoff Barlow, Colin Rogers and Gordon Bray for their enthusiastic coverage of Rugby over the years, particularly during the World Cup.

At the same time, I welcome Network TEN as the official television broadcaster of Australian domestic Rugby. I feel very confident that the decision to become associated with TEN will be warmly received by the traditional Rugby audience, particularly when announcements in relation to the quality and the extent of the coverage are made public.

ARFU is confident, that the promotion of the game will be significantly enhanced by its association with a commercial network, leading to an expansion of the game at the grass roots level and increased numbers through the turnstiles.

Attention is drawn to Rob Bradley's Youth Development Report and in particular to the most encouraging 14.8% increase in junior registrations 1991 over 1990.

ARFU registrations were in a serious decline when Rob Bradley set up a National Youth Development Programme at the end of 1988, which makes the abovementioned result even more meritorious.

With 35 full time development officers now on board throughout Australia, Rugby is now in a much sounder position to capitalise on the expected growth in the game, which should follow the magnificent achievement of the Wallabies in winning the Rugby World Cup.

On a note of great sadness, I record the sudden passing of a great personal friend and referee colleague, Kerry Fitzgerald.

Kerry's contribution to Refereeing and Rugby in general has been well documented. He possessed marvellous man management qualities which enabled him to join in the true spirit of the game without compromise, whilst maintaining enormous respect from players throughout the Rugby world.

His performance in refereeing the difficult Rugby World Cup Semi Final between England and Scotland was a tournament highlight.

To his sisters, Elaine and Sharon and brother-in-law Malcolm, the Union expresses its deepest sympathy.

I would also like to record my sincere personal appreciation and thanks to our numerous sponsors, supporters and suppliers, all of which have been appropriately acknowledged by the President in his report.

I also acknowledge the support of the following:

1. The President, Mr. J. P. French, A.M., who has overseen numerous changes in ARFU policy over the past three years, which have placed this Union in the forefront of World Rugby.
2. The Executive Committee, Council and Sub Committees of the Union, who have worked tirelessly towards ensuring the future of the game in Australia.
3. The members of the ARFU Staff, namely Wayne Erickson, Donna Wallis, Joan Forno, Rob Bradley, Rachael Kuscher, Rebecca Hancock, Gail Saunders and Patricia Hales.
4. Mr. Les Barlow for his much valued assistance to the ARFU staff during team assemblies.
5. The Honorary Managers, Coaches, Captains, Selectors, Medical Officers, Honorary Dental Officers, Physiotherapists, Liaison Officers and Baggage Masters associated with Australian and incoming touring teams.
6. Mr. Alfie Barros and the Management of the Hongkong Bank for their continued support of the Australian Sevens team, which represented Australia at the Cathay Pacific Hongkong Bank Invitation Sevens in 1991.
7. The Rothmans Foundation, National Sport Division and the Executive Director, Mr. Alan Davidson, A.M., M.B.E.
8. Mr. Dick Marks, National Director of Coaching.
9. Messrs. David Clark and Brian O'Shea, Co-coaches, AIS Rugby Unit.
10. The Confederation of Australian Sport and notably President, Greg Hartung and Executive Director, Mr. Dene Moore.
11. The Chairman of the Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust, Sir Nicholas Shehadie, A.C., O.B.E. and General Manager, Mr. Noel Neate, and their ever helpful and courteous staff.
12. Members of the Media, in particular for their outstanding support during the 1991 domestic tours and during the Rugby World Cup.
13. Mr. Roger Ruelle of Ambrosoli and Thompson, the official outfitters to the Australian team.
14. Mr. Ron Stracey and his staff, who assisted magnificently in the two Test matches at the Sydney Football Stadium.

As we go to press, I am delighted to report the following individual and team awards, in recognition of efforts made during 1991.

Wallaby World Cup Team

The Australia Day Council and Advance Australia Awards Committee have recognised the magnificent achievement of the Wallabies in winning the Rugby World Cup.

Coach Bob Dwyer and Simon Poidevin, OAM, received the Australia Day Award from the Prime Minister at Admiralty House, Kirribilli, on the morning of Australia Day 1992.

Bob Dwyer was joined by Phil Kearns to accept the Advance Australia Award, presented by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, Rear Admiral Peter Sinclair, AO, at Government House on Monday February 3, 1992.

Individual Honours

Congratulations are also extended to the following players, who have received individual recognition for their achievements during 1991.

Mr. N. C. Farr-Jones, who was invested as a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in the Australia Day Honours List.

Mr. S. P. Poidevin, OAM, who won the Yardley Gold Footballer of the Year Award, competing against representatives of the three major football codes. Mr. Poidevin was also inducted during 1991 into the Australian Hall of Fame.

Mr. D. I. Campese and Mr. N. C. Farr-Jones, AM, both of whom have been elected to the NSW Hall of Sporting Fame.

Conclusion

In concluding my 1990 report, I stated that the primary objective of the Secretariat would be towards giving full support to the World Cup Squad and its Management, with the objective of winning the Rugby World Cup.

This having been achieved, we will now be directing our support to the Wallabies as they accept the challenge of defending their proud record against Scotland, New Zealand, Ireland and Wales in 1992.

I am certain that the entire Rugby fraternity will give its full support to our National heroes in their quest to maintain their lofty position in World Rugby.

R. J. FORDHAM
Executive Director

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD

MATCH RESULTS

EMERGING WALLABIES TOUR OF EUROPE

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 1991

Team: M. Anderson, A. Cairns, P. Cornish, D. Crowley, B. Davies, G. Didier, D. Dix, J. Eales, T. Kava, T. Kelaheer, D. Knox, J. Little, G. Logan, R. McCartney, G. Morgan, C. Newman, D. Nucifora, W. Ofahengaue, M. Pini, J. Ross, M. Ryan, P. Slattery, J. Taylor, R. Tombs, W. Waugh, D. Williams, D. Wilson.

Management: J. Breen (Manager), R. Hitchcock (Coach), J. Howard (Ass. Coach), G. Backen (Physiotherapist).

Emerging Wallabies Vs England Students — 31 October, 1990 at Stratford
Won 22 points to 6.

Emerging Wallabies Vs England "B" — 4 November, 1990 at Wasps
Drew 12 points to 12.

Emerging Wallabies Vs French Provincial Selection — 7 November, 1990 at Bourg En Bresse.
Won 15 points to 14.

Emerging Wallabies Vs France "B" — 11 November, 1990 at Perpignan.
Won 22 points to 17.

Emerging Wallabies Vs Italian Selection — 14 November, 1990 at Treviso.
Lost 18 points to 19.

Emerging Wallabies Vs The Netherlands — 17 November, 1990 at Hilversum.
Won 32 points to 12.

Emerging Wallabies Vs Spanish President's XV — 21 November, 1990 at Barcelona.
Won 76 points to 3.

Emerging Wallabies Vs Spain — 25 November, 1990 at Madrid.
Won 36 points to 3.

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1991 DOMESTIC SEASON

1991 Cathay Pacific Hongkong Bank Invitational Sevens
23/24 March

Australian Squad: M. Lynagh (Captain), P. Carozza, T. Coker, J. Gardner, T. Gavin, T. Horan, D. Junea, J. Little, D. Wilson, J. Maxwell (Manager/Coach).

Australia Vs American Eagles
Australia 22 defeated American Eagles 0.

Australia Vs Papua New Guinea
Australia 30 defeated Papua New Guinea 10.

Australia Vs Barbarians
Barbarians 16 defeated Australia 6.

Wales Tour to Australia 1991

Wales Vs Western Australia — 30th June, 1991 at Perth.
Won 22 points to 6.

Wales Vs Queensland — 7 July, 1991 at Brisbane.
Lost 24 points to 35.

Wales Vs Australian Capital Territory — 10th July, 1991 at Canberra.
Won 7 points to 3.

Wales Vs New South Wales — 14 July, 1991 at Sydney
Lost 8 points to 71.

Wales Vs Queensland Country — 17 July, 1991 at Rockhampton.
Won 35 points to 7.

Australia Vs Wales 21 July, 1991 at Brisbane
Team: M. Roebuck, R. Egerton, J. Little, T. Horan, D. Campese, M. Lynagh, N. Farr-Jones (Captain), T. Gavin, W. Ofahengaue, J. Miller, R. McCall, J. Eales, E. McKenzie, P. Kearns, A. Daly.
Replacements: P. Slattery for N. Farr-Jones.
Australia 63 (Kearns 2, Gavin 2, Lynagh 2, Ofahengaue, Roebuck, Campese, Little, Horan, Egerton, tries: Lynagh 6 goals, pen goal) defeated **Wales** 6 (Thorburn pen goal, Davies field goal). Referee: F. Howard (England).

England Tour to Australia

England Vs New South Wales — 7 July, 1991 at Sydney

Lost 19 points to 21.

England Vs Victorian President's XV — 10 July, 1991 at Melbourne

Won 26 points to 9.

England Vs Queensland — 14 July, 1991 at Brisbane.

Lost 14 points to 20.

England Vs Emerging Wallabies — 23 July, 1991 at Gosford

Won 36 points to 3.

Australia Vs England — 27 July, 1991 at Sydney

Team: M. Roebuck, R. Egerton, J. Little, T. Horan, D. Campese, M. Lynagh, N. Farr-Jones (Captain), T. Gavin, S. Poidevin, W. Ofahengaue, J. Eales, R. McCall, E. McKenzie, P. Kearns, A. Daly.
Replacement P. Slattery for N. Farr-Jones.

Australia 40 (Campese 2, Ofahengaue 2, Roebuck tries; Lynagh 4 goals, 4 pen goals) defeated **England** 15 (J. Guscott try; Webb 1 goal, 3 pen goals). Referee: K. Lawrence (New Zealand).

New Zealand Tour to Australia

New Zealand Vs Australia B — 6 August, 1991 at Ballymore.

Won 21 points to 15.

Australia Vs New Zealand — 10 August, 1991 at Sydney.

Team: M. Roebuck, R. Egerton, J. Little, T. Horan, D. Campese, M. Lynagh, N. Farr-Jones (Captain), T. Gavin, W. Ofahengaue, S. Poidevin, R. McCall, J. Eales, E. McKenzie, P. Kearns, A. Daly.
Australia 21 (Egerton, Gavin tries; Lynagh 2 goals, 3 pen goals) defeated **New Zealand** 12 (I. Jones try; Fox 1 goal, 2 pen goals). Referee: R. Megson (Scotland).

Wallabies Tour of New Zealand

Australia Vs Counties — 20 August, 1991 at Pukekohe

Won 17 points to 12.

Australia Vs New Zealand — 24 August, 1991 at Auckland.

Team: M. Roebuck, R. Egerton, J. Little, T. Horan, D. Campese, M. Lynagh, N. Farr-Jones (Captain), T. Coker, W. Ofahengaue, S. Poidevin, J. Eales, R. McCall, E. McKenzie, P. Kearns, A. Daly.
New Zealand 6 (Fox 2 pen goals) defeated **Australia** 3 (Lynagh 1 pen goal). Referee: K. McCartney (Scotland).

1991 Australian AIS Under 21 Tour of New Zealand

Australia U21 Vs Wellington Colts — 4 August, 1991 at Athletic Park, Wellington.

Drew 16 points to 16.

Australia U21 Vs Canterbury Colts — 7 August, 1991 at Rugby Park, Christchurch.

Won 28 points to 21.

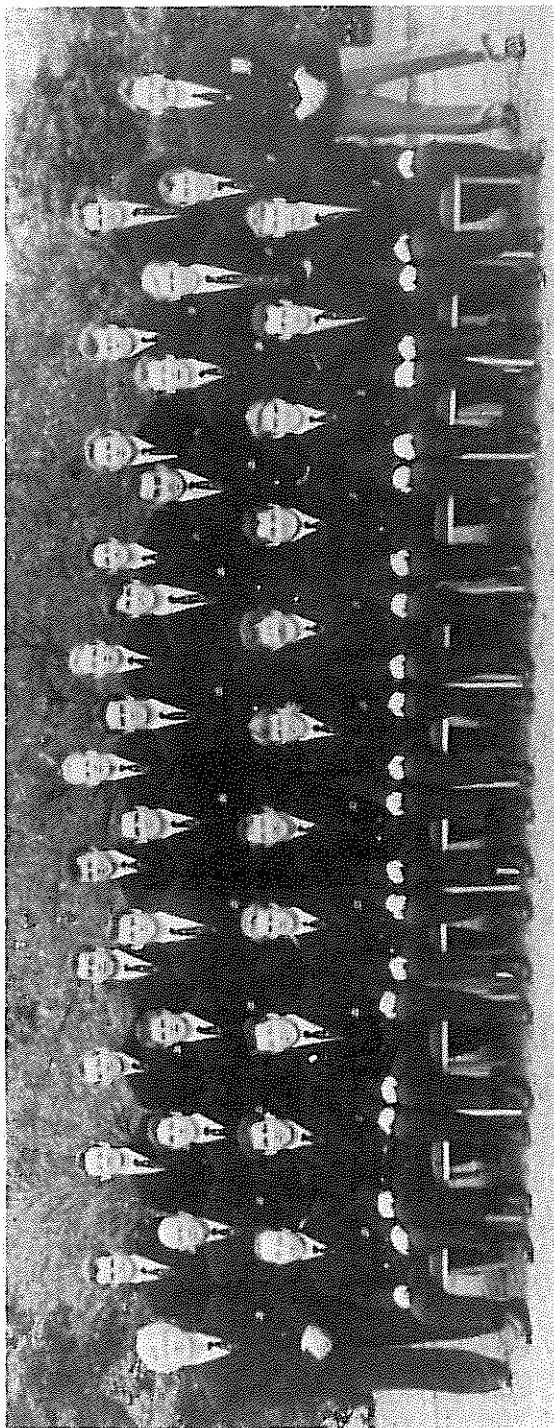
Australia U21 Vs New Zealand U21 — 11 August, 1991 at Rugby Park, Christchurch.

Team: C. Blades, D. Basha (Captain), D. Zammit, J. Welborn, C. Sweeny, S. Whyte, B. Robinson, G. Morgan, B. Johnstone, D. Emtage, D. Grimmond, J. Thelander, C. Wells, P. Jorgensen, M. Clements. Replacements: Brial for Sweeny, Maher for Wells.

New Zealand 61 defeated **Australia** 9 (Grimmond try, Emtage goal, pen goal).

WALLABIES

RUGBY WORLD CUP CHAMPIONS - 1991



Back Row: Adrian McDonald, Marty Roebuck, Rob Egerton, David Nucifora, Cameron Lillcrap, Jeff Miller, John Flett, Peter Slattery, Dan Crowley, Tony Daly, Brian Hopley (Exercise Physiologist).

Centre Row: Jake Howard (Technical Assistant), Bob Templeton (Assistant Coach), Richard Tombs, Anthony Herbert, Troy Coker, Rod McCall, Steve Cutler, John Eales, Willie O'fahengaue, Simon Poidevin, David Knox, John Moulton (Hon. Doctor), Keith Davies (Baggage Master).

Front Row: Greg Craig (Physiotherapist), Brendan Nasser, Phil Kearns, Michael Lynagh, John Breen (Manager), Nick Farr-Jones (Captain), Bob Dwyer (Coach), Ewen McKenzie, Tim Horan, David Campese, Jason Little.

PATH TO VICTORY 1. Argentina 32-19 • 2. Western Samoa 9-3 • 3. Wales 38-3 • Quarter Final Ireland 19-18 • Semi Final New Zealand 16-6 • Final England 12-6.

RUGBY WORLD CUP 1991

Australia V Argentina — Llanelli, Wales October 4, 1991

A. Daly, P. Kearns, E. McKenzie, T. Coker, R. McCall, W. Ofahengaue, S. Poidevin, J. Eales, N. Farr-Jones (C), M. Lynagh, D. Campese, T. Horan, J. Little, R. Egerton, M. Roebuck.
(D. Nucifora replaced P. Kearns)

Australia 32 (D. Campese 2, T. Horan 2, P. Kearns tries; M. Lynagh 2 penalty goals, 3 conversions) defeated Argentina 19 (M. Teran 2 tries; Arbuizu 2 field goals, Del Castillo 1 penalty goal).

Australia Vs Western Samoa — Pontypool, Wales, October 9, 1991.

E. McKenzie, P. Kearns, D. Crowley, T. Coker, S. Cutler, B. Nasser, J. Miller, J. Eales, N. Farr-Jones (C), M. Lynagh, D. Campese, T. Horan, A. Herbert, J. Flett, M. Roebuck.
(P. Slattery replaced N. Farr-Jones)

Australia 9 (M. Lynagh 3 penalty goals) defeated Western Samoa 3 (M. Vaca penalty goal)

Australia Vs Wales — Cardiff Arms Park, Wales, October 12, 1991

T. Daly, P. Kearns, E. McKenzie, J. Eales, R. McCall, J. Miller, S. Poidevin, W. Ofahengaue, P. Slattery, M. Lynagh (C), D. Campese, T. Horan, J. Little, R. Egerton, M. Roebuck.

Australia 38 (M. Roebuck 2, T. Horan, D. Campese, P. Slattery, M. Lynagh tries; M. Lynagh 4 conversions, 2 penalty goals) defeated Wales 3 (M. Ring penalty goal).

Australia Vs Ireland — Lansdowne Road, Ireland, October 20, 1991.

T. Daly, P. Kearns, E. McKenzie, J. Eales, R. McCall, J. Miller, S. Poidevin, W. Ofahengaue, N. Farr-Jones (C), M. Lynagh, D. Campese, T. Horan, J. Little, R. Egerton, M. Roebuck.
(P. Slattery replaced N. Farr-Jones)

Australia 19 (D. Campese 2, M. Lynagh tries; M. Lynagh 2 conversions, 1 penalty goal) defeated Ireland 18 (G. Hamilton 1 try; R. Keyes 1 conversion, 3 penalty goals).

Australia Vs New Zealand — Lansdowne Road, Ireland, October 27, 1991

T. Daly, P. Kearns, E. McKenzie, J. Eales, R. McCall, W. Ofahengaue, S. Poidevin, T. Coker, N. Farr-Jones (C), M. Lynagh, D. Campese, T. Horan, J. Little, R. Egerton, M. Roebuck.

Australia 16 (D. Campese, T. Horan tries; M. Lynagh 1 conversion, 2 penalty goals) defeated New Zealand (G. Fox 2 penalty goals).

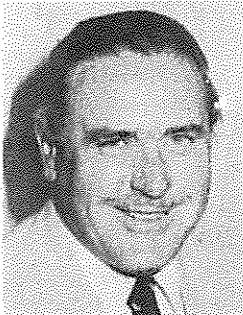
Australia Vs England — Twickenham, England, November 2, 1991

T. Daly, P. Kearns, E. McKenzie, J. Eales, R. McCall, W. Ofahengaue, S. Poidevin, T. Coker, N. Farr-Jones (C), M. Lynagh, D. Campese, T. Horan, J. Little, R. Egerton, M. Roebuck.

Australia 12 (T. Daly try, M. Lynagh 1 conversion, 2 penalty goals) defeated England 6 (J. Webb 2 penalty goals).

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD

Honorary Treasurer's Report



The Net Surplus for the Year ended 31st October, 1991 was \$77,882. The corresponding figure in 1990 was a deficit of \$74,213.

The format of the Accounts have been slightly altered to better reflect some changes in emphasis in internal presentations.

The final result was ahead of budget, and enabled us to maintain support in key areas of development, as well as contributing to Member Union's coaching programmes.

Support for the Australian Rugby World Cup Programme was a major expense; I estimate that all costs associated with the venture exceeded \$340,000. This does not include the residual of \$72,000 spent on the Emerging Wallabies Trip in the preceding year.

Strong support was once again received from the Australian Sports Commission — and the Australian Institute of Sport — both in cash, subsidised programmes, and facilities availability. This assistance enabled us to maintain and develop our successful Coaching and Development Programme. This money does not

magically appear, and a great deal of time is spent in preparing documents for the Government to support, or substantiate, our grants.

The Union's activities have meant a sustained high volume of material that needs to be processed and controlled. My thanks to Joan Forno for her herculean job, in maintaining control of it, and answering my many requests.

Your attention is directed to the Notes accompanying the Annual Accounts which form part of the presentation.

John Howard O.A.M., J.P., B.Ec., F.C.P.A.

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD

Directors' Report

Your directors present their report on the company for the year ended 31 October 1991.

1. The directors of the company at the date of this report together with their special responsibilities are:

- I. D. Ferrier — Executive Committee Member
- J. P. French, A.M. — President
- L. J. Howard, O.A.M. — Honorary Treasurer
- C. Rowlinson — Deputy Chairman
- R. B. McGruther, O.B.E. — Executive Committee Member
- R. W. Meagher — Executive Committee Member

All directors are experienced rugby administrators and have held or do hold principal positions in member Unions.

2. The principal activities of the company were the promotion of the efficiency, progress, development, and general control of the game of rugby union and no significant change in the nature of this activity has occurred during the year.

3. The results of the company for the year was an operating surplus of \$77,882 (1990: deficit \$74,213).

4. In the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report, no item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature has arisen that is likely, in the opinion of the directors, to affect substantially the results of the company's operations for the next succeeding financial year.

5. There has been no significant change in the company's state of affairs in the last financial year.

6. Since the end of the previous financial year, no director of the company has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the company, or a related corporation with a director or with a firm of which he is a member, or with a company in which he has a substantial financial interest.

By order of the Board

Sydney
February 1992

J. P. French, A.M.
Director
John Howard, O.A.M.
Director

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Australian Rugby Football Union Ltd

Scope

We have audited the financial statements of Australian Rugby Football Union Ltd. for the year ended 31 October 1991, consisting of balance sheet, profit and loss statement and accompanying notes as set out on pages 14 to 20. The company's directors are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements and the information they contain. We have performed an audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the company.

Our audit has been planned and performed in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide a reasonable level of assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Concepts and Standards and statutory requirements so as to present a view of the company which is consistent with our understanding of its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of Australian Rugby Football Union Ltd. are properly drawn up:

- (a) so as to give a true and fair view of:
 - i) the state of affairs of the company as at 31 October 1991 and of the result of the company for the year ended on that date; and
 - ii) the other matters required by Division 4 of Part 3.6 of the Corporations Law to be dealt with in the financial statements;
- (b) in accordance with the provisions of the Corporations Law; and
- (c) in accordance with Statements of Accounting Concepts and applicable Accounting Standards.

KPMG Peat Marwick
Chartered Accountants
L. J. Gulson
Partner

Sydney, February 1992

To be read in conjunction with the attached notes

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD.

Balance Sheet as at 31st October, 1991

	Notes	1991 \$	1990 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash		1,458	1,688
Receivables	7	613,073	604,449
Inventory		<u>74,297</u>	<u>79,860</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>688,828</u>	<u>685,997</u>
 NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Receivables	8	378,155	402,760
Property, plant and equipment	9	<u>704,095</u>	<u>738,766</u>
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,082,250</u>	<u>1,141,526</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>1,771,078</u>	<u>1,827,523</u>
 CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors and borrowings	10	323,799	448,324
Provisions	11	<u>33,057</u>	<u>26,402</u>
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>356,856</u>	<u>474,726</u>
 NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors and borrowings	12	<u>—</u>	<u>16,457</u>
TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>—</u>	<u>16,457</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>356,856</u>	<u>491,183</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>1,414,222</u>	<u>1,336,340</u>
 SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Accumulated Funds		<u>1,414,222</u>	<u>1,336,340</u>
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		<u>1,414,222</u>	<u>1,336,340</u>

To be read in conjunction with the attached notes

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD.

Income and Expenditure Statement

as at 31st October, 1991

	Notes	1991 \$	1990 \$
OPERATING REVENUE	3	<u>1,995,854</u>	<u>1,843,410</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		77,882	(74,213)
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u>1,336,340</u>	<u>1,410,553</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u>1,414,222</u>	<u>1,336,340</u>

To be read in conjunction with the attached notes.

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD

Notes to and forming part of the Accounts for the year ended 31 October 1991

1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(1) Accounting Basis

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting concepts, standards and disclosure requirements of the Australian accounting bodies, applicable Accounting Standards, the provisions of Schedule 5 to the Corporations Regulations, and the requirements of law. They have been prepared on the basis of historical costs and therefore do not reflect changing money values or, except where stated current valuations of non-current assets. The accounting policies have been consistently applied.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Schedule 5 for the first time. This has resulted in reclassification of certain comparative information.

(2) Property, Plant and Equipment

Motor vehicles, furniture and equipment are depreciated on a straight line basis so as to write off the cost of each fixed asset over its expected useful life. The Directors are satisfied that at the end of the anticipated useful life of the Company's freehold property, which is considered to be a composite asset, the net amount recovered would not be significantly less than the present carrying value shown in the accounts. Accordingly there is no depreciable amount and depreciation is therefore not considered necessary or would not be a material amount.

(3) Doubtful Debts

The provision for doubtful debts shown in note 6 is of a general nature to cover unforeseen eventualities. All known bad debts are written off.

(4) Government Grants

Grants are offered by the Australian Government in accordance with its financial year, i.e., year ending 30 June. The Government's accounting period therefore varies from that of the Australian Rugby Football Union Ltd. Amounts are taken to account by the Union as they are received.

- (5) **Management of Trust Funds**
Amounts of \$25,977 and \$82,614 are held on behalf of the Youth Development Scheme and the Insurance Welfare Fund respectively. These amounts have not been included in the company's accounts.
- (6) **Inventory**
Stocks of Ties, Pullovers and Jerseys have been valued at the lower cost of and net realisable value on a first in first out basis.
- (7) **Leases**
Assets of the company which are subject to finance leases are capitalised. The initial amount of the leased asset and corresponding lease liability is the present value of minimum lease payments. Leased assets are amortised over the life of the relevant lease, or where it is likely the group will obtain ownership of an asset, the life of the asset. The interest components of lease payments are charged against profits.
- (8) **Non-cash Sponsorships**
Non-cash items of a consumable nature received by way of sponsorship agreements are not recognised as income in the company's accounts.
2. **MEMBERS' LIABILITY**
In the event of the winding up of the company members may be required to contribute a maximum of \$100 each.

	1991	1990
	\$	\$
3. OPERATING REVENUE		
Affiliation fees — member unions	21,000	21,000
Interest received — member unions	7,175	17,393
Television fees and sponsorship (net of commissions and sponsorship expenses)	1,223,016	1,061,041
Government grants	353,000	411,000
Surplus on tours	367,526	322,132
Other income	24,137	10,844
	<u>1,995,854</u>	<u>1,843,410</u>

4. OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)

The operating surplus/(deficit) has been arrived at after charging:

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	26,805	27,462
Lease amortisation	7,816	7,816
Provision for — annual leave	6,655	16,092
Interest expense — other persons	61,828	72,286
Lease interest	2,926	3,652
Auditors' remuneration		
— Audit fees	5,000	5,000
— Other services	5,000	4,000
— Union reimbursements	170,500	214,750
Special Development and Coaching Grants		
— New South Wales Rugby Union	28,350	64,101
— Queensland Rugby Union	21,000	47,182
— Western Australian Rugby Union	3,150	7,122
— South Australian Rugby Union	3,150	7,122
— ACT Rugby Union	3,150	7,122
— Northern Territory Rugby Union	3,150	7,122
— Tasmanian Rugby Union	3,150	7,122
— Victorian Rugby Union	3,150	7,122
Part forgiveness of loan		
— Queensland Rugby Union	—	24,269

5. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

The Company is exempt from income tax under the terms of Section 23(g) of the Income Tax Assessment Act.

	1991 \$	1990 \$
CURRENT ASSETS		
6. RECEIVABLES		
Trade debtors	617,573	610,449
Provision for doubtful debts	<u>(4,500)</u>	<u>(6,000)</u>
	<u>613,073</u>	<u>604,449</u>

NON CURRENT ASSETS

7. RECEIVABLES

Loans to affiliated Unions		
New South Wales Rugby Union*	250,000	250,000
Western Australian Rugby Union	27,735	31,840
ACT Rugby Union	7,750	10,500
Northern Territory Rugby Union	6,670	13,420
Tasmanian Rugby Union	40,028	47,000
South Australian Rugby Union	<u>45,972</u>	<u>50,000</u>
	<u>378,155</u>	<u>402,760</u>

* Since 31 October 1991 the company has entered into an agreement to amortise the loan to New South Wales Rugby Union of \$250,000 over 20 years in exchange for the use of certain facilities at Concord Oval.

8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Freehold property		
At costs	<u>614,938</u>	<u>614,938</u>
Furniture, fittings and equipment		
At cost	217,251	217,301
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(133,305)</u>	<u>(106,500)</u>
	<u>83,946</u>	<u>110,801</u>
Leased motor vehicle		
At cost	31,265	31,265
Accumulated amortisation	<u>(26,054)</u>	<u>(18,238)</u>
	<u>5,211</u>	<u>13,027</u>
	<u>704,095</u>	<u>738,766</u>

CURRENT LIABILITIES

9. CREDITORS AND BORROWINGS

Bank overdraft — secured	181,879	372,519
Trade creditors	125,463	70,568
Lease liability	<u>16,457</u>	<u>5,237</u>
	<u>323,799</u>	<u>448,324</u>

The bank overdraft facility is security by a registered first mortgage over the company's freehold property.

	1991 \$	1990 \$
10. PROVISIONS		
Annual leave	<u>33,057</u>	<u>26,402</u>
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		
11. CREDITORS AND BORROWINGS		
Lease liability	<u>—</u>	<u>16,457</u>
12. FINANCE LEASE COMMITMENTS		
Lease commitments		
— not later than one year	17,948	8,163
— later than one year and less than two years	—	17,948
— later than two years and less than five years	—	—
— later than five years	—	—
Minimum Lease payments	17,948	26,111
Deduct: future finance charges	<u>1,491</u>	<u>4,417</u>
Lease liability	<u>16,457</u>	<u>21,694</u>
Current portion	16,457	5,237
Non current portion	<u>—</u>	<u>16,457</u>
	<u>16,457</u>	<u>21,694</u>

13. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Company administers the non-professional game of rugby union within Australia in accordance with the International Rugby Football Board regulations.

14. CONTINGENT LIABILITY

The Australian Rugby Football Union Ltd has indemnified the previous unincorporated body, the Australian Rugby Football Union and its office holders, who are presently defending a claim of undeterminable amount, for damages brought against it. The Australian Rugby Football Union Ltd has received a claim for damages of undeterminable amount. The Directors are confident no material losses will be incurred by the Company on resolution of these matters.

15. SUPERANNUATION

The Company has established a superannuation plan.

Benefits are based upon the accumulation of assets in the fund.

The members are required to contribute to the plan at a flat rate of five percent of the members' basic salary. The Company has a legally enforceable obligation to contribute at a rate equal to the members' contribution.

In the event of the fund's termination or voluntary or compulsory termination of employment of the member sufficient assets are available to meet all benefits payable.

16. COMMITMENTS

In the ordinary course of business the Company has entered into commitments and undertakings to support the coaching and development of the game of rugby union.

17. RELATED PARTIES

The Company conducts numerous transactions with member unions in the normal course of the national administration of the game of rugby union. Details of loans and grants to member unions and affiliation fees and interest received from member unions are disclosed in these financial statements.

The names of the Directors at the end of the year are I. D. Ferrier, J. P. French, L. J. Howard, C. Rowlinson, R. B. McGruther and R. W. Meagher. During the year E. A. N. Byrne and B. Cousins resigned as Directors and were replaced by I. D. Ferrier and R. W. Meagher.

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD.

Sources and Applications of Funds

as at 31st October, 1991

	Notes	1991 \$	1990 \$
SOURCES OF FUNDS			
Funds From Operations			
Inflows of funds from operations	3	1,945,854	1,843,410
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment		—	—
Less: outflows of funds from operations		<u>1,826,696</u>	<u>1,866,253</u>
		119,158	(22,843)
Reduction in Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash		231	2,990
Inventory		5,563	—
Non Current Assets			
Receivables		24,605	29,624
Increase in Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Creditors and borrowings		—	109,374
		<u>149,557</u>	<u>119,145</u>
APPLICATIONS OF FUNDS			
Increase in Assets			
Current Assets			
Receivables		8,624	49,927
Inventory		—	17,585
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		2,100	39,857
Reduction in Liabilities			
Current Liability			
Creditors and borrowings		124,526	—
Non Current Liability			
Creditors and borrowings		16,407	3,923
Payment from Provisions		—	7,853
		<u>149,557</u>	<u>119,145</u>
FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS			
The reconciliation of operating surplus/(deficit) to funds from operations is set out below;			
Operating Surplus		77,882	(74,213)
Add: Depreciation		26,805	27,462
Lease amortisation		7,816	7,816
Provision for annual leave		<u>6,655</u>	<u>16,092</u>
Funds from operations		<u>119,158</u>	<u>(22,843)</u>

Statement by Directors

1. In the opinion of the directors of Australian Rugby Football Union Ltd:
 - a. the accompanying income and expenditure statement is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the surplus of the company for the year ended 31 October 1991;
 - b. the accompanying balance sheet is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 October 1991;
 - c. as at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.
2. The company's accounts have been made out in accordance with Statements of Accounting Concepts and applicable Accounting Standards.

By order of the Board

J. P. French, AM
Director

SYDNEY February 1992

John Howard, O.A.M.
Director

DISCLAIMER

The additional financial data presented on the following page is in accordance with the books and records of the Australian Rugby Football Union Ltd which have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our statutory audit of the company for the year ended 31 October 1991. It will be appreciated that our statutory audit did not cover all details of the additional financial data. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on such financial data and no warranty of accuracy or reliability is given. Neither the firm nor any member or employee of the firm undertakes responsibility in any way whatsoever to any person (other than the company) in respect of such data, including any errors or omissions therein however caused.

KPMG PEAT MARWICK, Chartered Accountants
SYDNEY February 1992

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD.

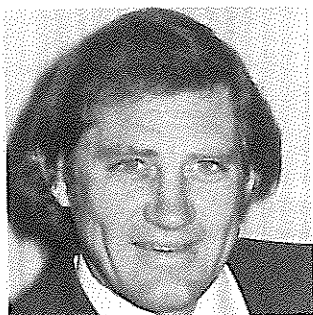
Detailed Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ended 31st October 1991

	1991 \$	1990 \$
INCOME:		
Affiliation fees — member unions	21,000	21,000
Interest received — member unions	7,175	17,393
Television fees and sponsorship (net of commissions and sponsorship expenses)	1,203,016	1,056,450
Government grants	353,000	411,000
Surplus on tours	367,526	322,132
Other income	44,137	50,844
	1,995,854	1,878,819
LESS: EXPENDITURE:		
Auditors' remuneration	10,000	9,000
Bank charges	7,637	2,465
Delegates' expenses	70,188	112,575
Depreciation	26,805	27,462
Development expenses	652,372	682,407
Forgiveness of loan QRU	—	24,269
General expenses	147,203	109,138
Interest paid	61,828	72,286
Insurance	618	1,765
Lease amortisation	7,816	7,816
Motor vehicle expenses	16,731	19,425
Printing and stationery	20,026	11,046
Postage and telephones	36,129	36,756
Property expenses	39,526	24,732
Provision for annual leave	6,655	16,092
Referees' appointment expenses	5,626	6,899
Salaries and wages	242,615	202,303
Selectors' expenses	21,956	14,049
Special development and coaching grants	68,250	154,318
Superannuation	15,836	7,368
Travel expenses	7,687	12,597
Team assembly*	269,584	176,944
Tie pins and plaques	12,384	6,570
Union reimbursements	170,500	214,750
	1,917,972	1,953,032
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	77,882	(74,213)

*includes all World Cup net expenditure

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD

Rothmans Foundation — National Sport Division



The contribution from the Foundation is now in its 17th year and it is very proud to see its National Coaching Scheme help to take Australia from the doldrums in 1973 to its World Champion Status in 1991. It is hoped that the current rash of government legislation will not force the withdrawal of this service. In relation to courses the ARFU National Coaching Committee (NCC) has reorganised the courses offered to coaches in order to increase the range of available courses and to bring Rugby into line with national accreditations in other sports.

Level '0'

This is a non-accreditation course which is 4-6 hours in duration. It is applicable to Walla Rugby only. Participants spend 2 hours on coaching principles and 2-4 hours of practical coaching of Walla.

Level I

The Level I Course in the past has been concerned with Mini Rugby. In 1992, participants can still gain this accreditation, but it will be specific to 15-a-side Rugby.

Once again, the course has been re-structured to NCAS/ACC requirements. From 1992 the course will be of 14.5 hours duration being made up as follows:

- a) 4 hours Beginner coaching General Principles.
- b) 7.5 hours Practical on-field instruction.
- c) 3 hours Research and evaluation.

The NCAS has also stipulated 30 hours of coaching practice.

This course would cater for all lower Grade and coaches of Under 19 teams. The course runs for one day with participants completing the research and evaluation in their own time. From 1993, the Level I course will be a pre-requisite to attending a Level II course.

Level 'S' — Schools

This is a non-accreditation course for one day, designed especially for school teachers. It is designed to satisfy the Department of School Education Sports Policy Document. It should be noted that the difference between this course and the Level I course is the research and evaluation component. Includes a multiple choice type examination.

Level II

From 1992 NCAS/ACC (National Coaching Accreditation Scheme/Australian Coaching Council) registration will be compulsory for Rugby in Australia. In the past, it has been left to successful participants to register with the NCAS/ACC. The accreditation is only valid for four (4) years. After this time coaches will be expected to attend Level II Update courses or re-sit Level II courses.

The NCAS and ACC have stipulated that Level II accreditation courses must contain 30 hours of coaching principles, 30 hours of practical coaching and 60 hours of coaching practice.

To stay on-line with other sports the ARFU National Coaching Committee has re-structured the Level II course to be a four day residential course. Further, participants will have to research two specified assignments and gain a Senior Rugby Referees Badge.

The NCC realises that this is a large variation to past years. The intention here is to accredit persons who are keen to coach at 1st/2nd grade or representative level.

In 1991 11 Level II courses were held in Australia with successful candidates being as follows:

Southport	— 11	Wollongong	— 36
Alexandra Headlands	— 60	Hawkesbury	— 121
Mt. Isa	— 21	Canberra	— 24
Army	— 60	Perth	— 57
Lennox Heads (NSW Country)	— 44	Adelaide	— 32
Darwin	— 7	Melbourne	— 14

Level II Update

For those coaches who have gained Level II accreditation, there will be a Level II Update course which will run for one day to bring participants up to date with the latest trends in Rugby.

Persons who participate in this course can gain NCAS validity after paying the registration fee. Coaches should be aware that NCAS/ACC accreditation lasts for only four years after which time coaches are required to participate in another course to stay current.

Advanced Coaching Course

This is a voluntary project instituted by some States and involves a 25 hour non-accreditation course for current Level II accredited coaches who wish to be Instructors for Level '0' and Level I courses. Applicants must be acceptable to the State Coaching Panel and apply in writing to them with a Curriculum Vitae attached.

Elite Coaching Seminar

This is a 15-25 hours course organised by the State Coaching Panels for recognised coaches to lift the Level of qualification of senior coaches. It is by invitation only but because the A.I.S. is involved with the funding, planning should include consultation with them.

Level III

This is a 12 month course beginning in November and involves a number of assemblies and special projects over the course of the year. Each candidate has his own syllabus according to his previous experience and this system is expected to provide our state and national referees and coaches of the future. There is a maximum intake of 20 per year and applications are made through member Unions of the ARFU.

My involvements with the National Team came mainly through the membership of the National Technical Committee which spent quite a lot of time researching the strengths and weaknesses of our test and World Cup opponents.

This resulted in very detailed documents being presented to the team management and our organisation of workshops at squad assemblies to discuss and understand the material.

Without denying that there were substantial other factors involved this added dimension on tactical planning no doubt helped the side at home to find new levels of excellence against Wales, England (the undefeated Five Nations champions) and traditional standard setters, New Zealand.

This work continued through the World Cup Tournament with weekly reports being prepared on all opposition teams. It was good that the National Coaching Scheme could play some role in the detailed planning of the World Cup operation.

Thanks again to the highly efficient ARFU Staff for its support and involvement in all national coaching initiatives.

Dick Marks
Rothmans National Director of Coaching

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The 1990-91 intake of forty nine under 21 players commenced their scholarship at an intensive Orientation Camp held in Canberra in November, 1990.

Each player was subjected to a thorough medical and biomechanical survey and tested for strength and fitness to determine their readiness to undertake a strenuous off season programme. They received personalised running and strength programmes from the AIS Rugby consultants and attended sessions on nutrition and sports psychology.

The biomechanical test and subsequent fitting of players with footwear most suitable for their running style has substantially reduced the incidence of over use injuries. This practice was adopted by the National Squad.

Close monitoring of the programmes during the next three months prepared the players for the Rugby Skills Camp conducted at AIS Canberra during February. At this second camp, the AIS coaches and network coaches spent six days refining skills for the season ahead.

Each State now has a Talent Identification Programme which supplements our system and allows our selection process to be screened closely. The States are responsible for staffing and managing such a programme, assisted by grants made from the AIS Rugby budget.

The AIS Rugby coaching network consists of coaches in each State who supervise our programmes. These coaches are invited to camps in Canberra to observe the preparation of elite players. In addition, they attend a weekend with representative coaches and managers from all around Australia who are devoted to squad management.

In this way we are ensuring that squad members in the various State are receiving supervision which is consistent with the methods and standards set by the AIS coaches.

As part of the responsibility to improve the standards of elite coaching, the AIS coaches have been involved with the development of a Level III Accreditation Course for Rugby coaches. This Rugby Academy is supervised by the principal Satellite Coach, Mr. Bob Hitchcock, and it is closely associated with the AIS Rugby programme.

AIS coaches again assembled a Combined U21 team from the minor rugby States and played against Queensland, NSW and ACT. The cost of this initiative is shared between the States and AIS Rugby. The annual Under 21 match between Australia and New Zealand resulted in our worst loss in twelve years of this fixture. A number of recommendations for organisational change have been made in an attempt to tighten up the organisation and preparation of this important team.

Both AIS Rugby coaches, together with the National Director of Coaching, form the Technical Advisory Committee working for both the National Team and World Cup Squad.

During the year the total number of scholarship holders who played for the Wallabies rose to twelve. Tim Horan, Jason Little and John Eales were members of the victorious World Cup team, together with former scholarship holders Phil Kearns and Richard Tombs.

Brian O'Shea and Bob Hitchcock presented segments at the International Coaching Symposium in England during the World Cup.

The Rugby programme is principally funded by contributions from the Australian Sports Commission and from the Australian Rugby Football Union. This is supplemented by smaller but important grants from the Queensland and NSW Department of Sport and Recreation.

The State grants are partly in kind for Sports Science services and partly in cash. The NSW Department of Sport and Recreation cash grant of \$15,000 is used to provide an administration office and accommodation at Kingsford and to supplement the salary of a part time office assistant.

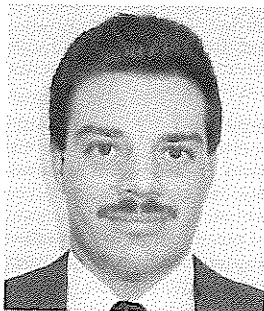
Finally, AIS Rugby wishes to thank the Australian Rugby Football Union and Australian Sports Commission staff for their assistance throughout the year. We also extend our thanks to the network of consulting psychologists, physiotherapists, strength trainers, dietitians and exercise physiologists — without whom our programme could not operate throughout Australia.

David Clark
Head Coach - AIS Rugby

Brian O'Shea
Senior Coach - AIS Rugby

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National Youth Development Officer's Report



As the third year of the National Youth Development programme, 1991 saw a number of new initiatives implemented, as well as the consolidation of the initial progress made in 1989-90.

Despite a tightening of finances due to the depressed economic climate the Australian Rugby Football Union continued to provide substantial support for Youth Development by allocating a budget approaching \$100,000 for 1991.

The general atmosphere within Rugby, and of Youth Development in particular, is full of enthusiasm and optimism with most areas throughout Australia attaining excellent results. The success of the Wallabies both domestically and in winning the Rugby World Cup will provide a catalyst for Youth Rugby to "take off" dramatically in the coming years.

The fact that the number of full-time Coaching and Youth Development personnel employed at State, Regional and Club level has risen from less than ten to 35 during the past three years, further emphasises the explosion of interest in Youth Rugby.

EVALUATION OF 1991 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

The 1991 Youth Development Plan outlined a number of projects that would be undertaken as part of the national strategy for developing youth rugby.

National Youth Development Survey

After the third National Player Survey was completed in October this year, the ARFU now has a far more accurate and complete picture of the overall Youth Development situation.

These figures, along with those compiled in 1990, will act as a benchmark and will enable an accurate measure of progress in years to come.

There are now over 77,000 young players involved in our great game throughout Australia.

This represents a 14.8% increase over 1990.

Schools	—	49497
Junior	—	15911
Walla Rugby	—	11602
		<u>77010</u>

ARFU Under 19 Laws

The ARFU Under 19 Laws once again proved most successful in terms of safety. After seven full seasons there has not been one serious neck injury in matches played using the Under 19 Laws.

To support the Under 19 Law message resource materials in the form of:

- ★ Videos (1,200)
- ★ Brochures (8,000)
- ★ Posters (2,500)
- ★ Safety Directive Charts (6,000)

were distributed to 700 Rugby playing Secondary and Junior Schools, 150 Junior Clubs, 35 Youth Development personnel and to Referees Associations throughout Australia.

In addition, some fifteen "Rugby — Safety in Contact" Seminars were held in Schools throughout Australia. These 90 minute presentations feature leading technical and medical personnel and targeted the parents, coaches and referees involved in School and Junior Rugby. The most successful of these seminars captured audiences in excess of 400, with an average attendance of over 150 people.

Promotional Resource Material

Australian Rugby now has a number of excellent promotional items available for distribution to our young players through the Youth Development and Coaching network.

The poster series "World Cup Wallabies" featuring leading members of the successful 1991 team, has proved extremely popular with Rugby supporters young and old alike. Almost 40,000 of these poster are currently in circulation.

The brochure "Rugby Union", produced to educate those new to Rugby, has also proved a useful promotional tool. The brochure outlines the qualities and benefits of playing Rugby, as well as providing information on Safety, coaching programmes, resources and the representative structure of the game. Some 20,000 brochures have been produced for distribution through the Youth Development and Coaching network.

The fourteen minute promotional video "Rugby - The Game They Play In Heaven" also continues to prove most successful as a vehicle for introducing the game to youngsters.

Walla Rugby

The Walla Rugby programme continues to make great strides as Australia's fastest growing "Aussie Sport". In only its third year of operation there are now almost 400 Primary Schools (11,000 players) involved in the game throughout Australia.

Walla Rugby is also becoming an important part of the National "Aussie Sport" programme being included in Staff Development Days and Aussie Sport Expos.

The Walla Rugby Resource Kit is also creating great interest with over 500 kits distributed during 1991 through the ARFU office.

The scope of Walla Rugby further broadened during 1991 with its use through:

- ★ Off-Season Competitions (planned for Qld. and ACT)
- ★ Inter-School Primary Competition (Qld.)
- ★ Introduction to Junior Rugby (SA and WA)

The Schools Liaison Program (SLOP) has again met with mixed success, being extremely popular where Senior Clubs were willing to make an effort to support their local Schools Rugby community. It is interesting to note that more and more Senior Clubs are becoming involved in Youth Development and Coaching programmes in their local areas.

Coaching Accreditation Courses

To cater for the increasing number of young players, State Development personnel have been engaged in accrediting coaches at Levels I, S and II under the ARFU National Coaching Programme.

In the twelve months to October 1991 some 1,500 coaches were accredited, approximately 1,000 at Level I and S and 500 at Level II.

Coaching Resource Materials

The interest in Rugby Coaching Resources has also exploded with over \$7,600 worth of orders for coaching videos, manuals and Walla Rugby material received during 1991. In addition, over \$70,000 worth of materials was provided at no cost to State and Regional Youth Development and Coaching personnel.

Australian Rugby Golden Oldies Skills and Coaching Camps

The Australian Rugby Golden Oldies Association, in conjunction with the ARFU, made available \$20,000 to State Unions to hold Youth Rugby Skills and Coaching Camps during 1991.

These three-day residential Coaching Camps were once again a great favourite with our young players and will continue as an important part of State development programmes.

Australian Sports Commission Programmes

Australian Rugby became involved in two excellent ASC initiated programmes during 1991.

- ★ CAPS (Challenge, Achievement and Pathways in Sport) is a Leadership Award Scheme designed to promote involvement by young people in Administration, Coaching, Refereeing and Sports Science
CAPS is a long term programme which will undoubtedly interest a large number of young participants in the coming years.
- ★ Aussie Sportsfun — is a programme designed to cater for Primary School children after school hours. Twelve Walla Rugby lesson plans were produced for inclusion in the Aussie Sportsfun Manual which will be available for 1992.

Administrative Assistance To The Australian Rugby Football Schools Union

Administrative assistance to the ARFSU once again constituted a large proportion of the National Youth Development Officer's time.

ARFSU activities included general administrative tasks as well as the organisation of various specific projects.

- ★ ARFSU Newsletter — sent 4-5 times per year to 700 rugby playing schools and rugby administrators throughout Australia.
- ★ ARFSU Meetings — preparation and follow-up of Executive and Committee meetings.
- ★ Organisation of Events
 - Schools Coaching Camps
 - Schools National Championships, Hobart (September)
 - Australian Schools Tour to UK (December 1990 - January 1991)
 - New Zealand Schools Tour (September 1991)

Liaison With Australian Junior Rugby Football Union

The further cementing of the good working relationship with the AJRFU was achieved during 1991.

Specific assistance to AJRFU includes:

- ★ **Minute Secretary** at AJRFU Board of Directors meetings.
- ★ **Chairman of AJRFU Development Committee** formed to establish a broader role for the AJRFU in terms of the promotion and development of Junior Rugby.

This committee produced the Five-Year-Plan "Junior Rugby In Australia - The Renaissance" which will form the blueprint for the development of Junior Rugby during the coming years.

Conclusion

As "Year Three" of the ARFU Youth Development Programme, 1991 was extremely successful, with real and tangible results being recorded in most areas of the game throughout Australia.

There is now a national awareness of the importance of fostering Youth Rugby and a new enthusiasm towards the task from most quarters.

The challenge for 1992 and beyond is to capitalise on the successes already achieved and to maximise the growing surge of interest in rugby created by the sensational results of our 1991 World Cup Wallabies.

The growing network of Coaching and Youth Development personnel will be tested to the limit as they work towards our goal of re-establishing Rugby as the **Number One** Youth Sport in Australia.

Once again I would like to thank Bob Fordham, Br. Bob Wallace and John Howard for their guidance and support and to Dick Marks, Brian O'Shea and David Clark for their encouragement and advice.

I hereby submit the ARFU Youth Development Report for 1991.

Robert A. Bradley
National Youth Development Officer

Office Bearers of Member Unions for 1991

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Review of Member Unions for 1991

NSW Rugby Union Limited

With all the work done in 1990 to consolidate our strengths and build for the future, we began the 1991 season with confidence. How well-founded did that confidence prove to be. New South Wales Rugby achieved outstanding success at all levels in 1991, with our Senior Team showing the lead by an amazing unbeaten 10 match series, including beating England (European Grand Slam Champions), a record win against Wales, and two wins against Queensland.

The season began well with a very successful training camp at Narrabeen for Senior, Under 21 and Under 19 players. Representative players have been available for their clubs in early competition rounds, and our selection programme of North Harbour v South Harbour, Country Week, and City v Country (origin) Games. The new coaching and selection format proved to be a great success and produced consistency and planned achievement. The NSW Senior Team's trip to Argentina, the first NSW tour for many years, was the foundation for their outstanding performance this year. We congratulate Rod Macqueen and his coaching and management team, and above all, we congratulate Nick Farr-Jones and our players for their outstanding dedication, playing ability, and team-work.

Our 1991 Senior record was kept intact by the President's XV win against ACT in a mid-week game in Canberra, and I thank coach Jeff Sayle and all invited players for working hard to ensure that success.

Down through all levels of NSW Rugby, further great achievements occurred. Our Under 21's defeated Queensland, Combined States and ACT, while the Under 19's were successful in the Trans Tasman Tournament with three wins, one draw and no defeats. Our future looks bright.

The Union congratulates the NSW Schools on winning the Caltex Shield, the Champion State Rugby Team. We thank all those involved in school rugby for an excellent effort and outstanding success. These victories combined with the convincing wins by NSW Subbies and NSW U17 over Queensland, produced a clean sweep for all NSW Teams at all levels.

The success of Waratah Rugby is the result of the dedication of coaches, officials, and players, and the rugby people of NSW are very much indebted to all of the above for the fine season we have witnessed.

This has also been greatly enhanced by our Youth Coaching Director, Warren Robilliard, and the Sydney Rugby Union Development Officers, who have done an enormous amount of work with instruction, camps and further development activities. The hours and enthusiasm they have applied have been far beyond the call of duty.

The offices of the Union have been successfully moved from the city to the Waratah Rugby Stadium at Concord this year, and this has resulted in far better services to our members and the public, especially with ticketing and organisation of match days. The staff structure has been strengthened by the appointment of Peter Challenger as General Manager and Matt Carroll as Rugby Manager, both young men still being involved with rugby, and the organisation of duties and responsibilities under Chief Executive Officer Gary Pearse has been geared to take us on to bigger and better things in 1992 and beyond. The Sydney Rugby Union and the NSW Rugby Union have had a very successful merger of staff in the move to Concord.

We have again seen tremendous support from the Rugby Club Limited and I want to ensure that President Peter Maxwell, Secretary-Manager Neil Ward, the Committee, and all members of the Rugby Club realise how much we appreciate their support to NSW Rugby, and particularly this year to our champion Waratah Team.

A further cornerstone of Waratah Rugby in 1991 has been the tremendous work done by the Executives of NSW Rugby Union, the Sydney Rugby Union, NSW Suburban Rugby Union, the Juniors and Schools, and a particularly strong effort by the Referees in NSW. All of these groups have made great contributions to our year and to the new moves we are making for the future, and I thank them one and all.

The Rugby public have also responded wonderfully in 1991 and this support is a big help to all teams in lifting their performance. Waratah Rugby is now alive and well, and we are achieving an excellent response to our programme of inviting the public to become members of Waratah Rugby.

Our expressions of appreciation conclude with heartfelt thanks to the sponsors who have been so vital to our success in 1991. Apart from funds and equipment we enjoy the personal interest of the people involved and it has been my great privilege to get to know so many wonderful Rugby enthusiasts. All Rugby supporters honour our sponsors:

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In addition to these commercial sponsors, we are very grateful to the NSW Premier, The Hon. Nick Greiner, MP and to the Minister for Sport and Tourism, The Hon. George Souris, MP for the support received from the NSW Government generally, and in particular from the Department of Sport and Recreation.

In turning to the future, we have come to the moment of truth in embracing the Restructure of the Union. Following last year's approval in principle of the Coopers & Lybrand report, this year has seen a great deal of discussion and adjustment so that the final Restructure proposal seems to meet with general approval. At the time of writing this report we will be shortly putting this issue to our members at a Special General Meeting. With success in mind, it is envisaged that the new Board and Committees will be well equipped to handling the complex issues facing Rugby today and in the future.

Finally, I could not close this report without reference to Australia's success in winning the World Cup. We congratulate Bob Dwyer, Nick Farr-Jones, the management and support group, and all the players in our World Cup Squad for their memorable achievement. I think we can justifiably say that the return of NSW to a position of strength in Australian Rugby has been a big part of this success, and so I particularly congratulate and thank our NSW players who were in the Wallaby World Cup Squad and also thanks to Tim Gavin and Warwick Waugh for their contribution, with our sympathy for their injuries robbing them of their places in the Australian team.

Queensland Rugby Union

The Queensland Rugby Union's promotional slogan for the 1991 season, 'the Year of the Dragon' lived up to expectations in providing Rugby that slayed the public.

The Reds' season started in December 1990 with a visit to the World Provincial Championships in Toulouse, which saw Queensland playing the tournament final against the hosts and culminated in July with two historic victories over Wales and England.

In 19 games across the season, the Reds scored 502 points for and 277 against. A particular highlight of the season was a visit to Japan in April to open the new stadium in Saitama.

Cameron Lillicrap, Rod McCall, Sam Scott-Young and Anthony Herbert also attained their 50 game caps.

Queensland B and Queensland U21 had mixed success and the Queensland U19 side performed impressively in the Trans Tasman Tournament at North Harbour (N.Z.) in July.

Queensland Country of Origin appeared for the first time against Wales in Rockhampton and the Country side made their first appearance at the 'Other States' Carnival in Adelaide.

Brisbane successfully defended the M.I.M. State Colts Championship. Peninsula (Cairns) won the Mazda Schools Regional Championship and Downlands College defeated Rockhampton Grammar School.

Brothers defended Norths to win the Rothmans State Challenge Final and Souths triumphed over Wests in the National Mutual Grand Final. University won the Coca-Cola Bottlers Colts I and Colts III Finals with Brothers winning Colts II.

Brothers won the inaugural U21 Premiership with Souths winning two of the three minor grade premierships.

Eight Queenslanders were capped in the domestic season Tests against Wales, England and New Zealand and thirteen were selected in the World Champion Wallaby World Cup Team.

Despite difficult economic times, corporate support continued to grow, and returned in excess of \$2 million to the Union in 1991. Particular appreciation is due to major sponsors Castlemaine Perkins, Rothmans, Mazda, National Mutual, the Bank of Queensland, Coca-Cola Bottlers, Metway Bank, Nashua, Canterbury, Australian Airlines, Hastings Deering, Prime Computer, Telecom Mobiles, Mt Isa Mines and I.B.M., along with new sponsors QTV and Rugby Products of Australia.

All in Queensland Rugby look forward to capitalising on the success of the XXXX Wallabies in maintaining the high profile the game currently enjoys. The upgrading of Ballymore with the construction of a new 5,200 seat eastern stand to be built in the off season and with the Ten Network's gaining rights to Rugby will both go a long way to maintaining the momentum.

Australian Capital Territory Rugby Union Inc.

1991 saw the Canberra Kookaburras embark on their most challenging representative programme ever. The eleven fixtures included matches against three New Zealand provincial sides (including No 1 ranked Otago), English County champions London Division, three international outfits in Wales, Western Samoa and Fiji as well as Queensland and NSW 'B'. The spoils were evenly shared and ranged from the highs of resounding victories over London and Western Samoa to the lows of a humiliating loss to Queensland and a throwaway result against Otago.

ACT were successful in having Geoff Didier, Paul Cornish, Chris Newman and Ashe Goodwin selected for Australian 'B' or Emerging Wallabies teams. One of the great tragedies of the season for ACT Rugby was the neck injury suffered by Paul Cornish against New Zealand 'B' in Brisbane. We are pleased to report though, that Paul's recovery is progressing according to plan.

The 1991 representative programme also provided opportunities for the development of our own emerging Kookaburras. A five match programme was enjoyed by our Under 21 XV which culminated in Craig Sweeny and Dean Zammit being selected for the national team. Similar programmes were conducted for Monaro Division and the "Griffins" or senior B XV. Probably the highlight of the year for ACT Rugby was the performance of the Griffins at the National Championship in Adelaide. The side overcame all odds of a low budget tour to return the result of narrow and creditable runners-up.

The ACT Schools had a good year with an uplift in the profile of the game in the government colleges and the establishment of a talent identification programme resulting in a better performance at the national carnival plus three Australian reps. The Juniors reported increased registrations plus a NSW Championship victory by the U18's. The U16's were runners-up nationally and had seven players chosen in an Australian XV.

On the development side, the ACT Rugby College had another fruitful year. The College is a talent development squad for the 19-21 yrs age-group and it was successful in introducing participants to a range of sports sciences and services as well as being given extra coaching and tuition. It also encompassed a successful U19 representative programme. Another development initiative was the convening of an advanced coaching seminar to complement the regular Level 2 course.

The Club competitions reflected increased registrations in 1991 in both Senior and Monaro divisions. A record 67 grade teams were fielded over nine grade competitions in two divisions. A very successful Colts (U20) grade was introduced in 1991 with the aim of increasing school-leaver recruitment and providing an opportunity for this age group to adopt and learn the senior law differences whilst competing among their peers.

In 1991 the ACTRU adopted Manuka Oval as their premier fixture headquarters. Manuka is an excellent facility and is well managed by the ACT Cricket Association. All representatives and final series matches were staged there. Rugby Park is still heavily used but does not have the spectator facilities for major matches. The ACTRU is currently signing a new 25 year lease on Rugby Park and has negotiated a Government Grant to improve the lighting for rep team training and night fixtures.

Like many others, the tough financial times produced a loss for the ACTRU in 1991. The Union has sought to refinance its accumulated debt situation and has already embarked on a five year programme that will see rugby in the Canberra region re-establish itself on a strong financial platform. Despite the current economic circumstances, we are pleased to report that sponsorship support remained at a similar level to that achieved in 1990. In particular, we acknowledge our major benefactors Tooheys, Capital Television, CSR Readymix, FAI Insurance Group, Airport International Motor Inn, Schweppes, ACT Health Promotion Fund and of course, The ACT Rugby Union Club.

Finally, my thanks to all those who gave their time to ACT rugby in 1991. The Board of Management, Staff, Honorary Officials, Rep team Management and Referees — all are worthy of mention for their efforts in supporting the players' endeavours. Our thanks also to the ARFU for their support and assistance.

See you all in Canberra for the seminar and sevens next March.

South Australian Rugby Union Inc.

The highlight of the 1991 season was the very successful National Championships held during early June. We were honoured by the presence of Messrs. Joe French and Bob Fordham, President and Executive Director of the Australian Rugby Football Union for the Final, which was won by New South Wales Country. This was the first occasion on which representative teams from all states competed.

Prior to the Championships the State and U/21 Teams journeyed to Melbourne to play Victoria, and an early season match was also played against a very strong New Zealand Divisional Fifteen. The results were mixed but the opportunity for our players at all levels to travel and compete against other teams at a high standard allows them to develop a competitiveness that can only improve the standard of Rugby in South Australia.

The emphasis placed on Junior Development the past several years in beginning to show the expected benefits with successful tours to Rockhampton and North Auckland by our Under/16 Representative Team.

The Schoolboy Championships were held in Hobart and although South Australia were not as successful as other years, four players were selected in the Australian Division II Team.

Walla Rugby continues to advance in South Australia under the guidance of our Development Officer, Mr. Neil Charter, with an increase in primary school participation. An exhibition game was held prior to the Division I Grand Final and this was well received by the spectators.

Negotiations are currently underway for a Level I Course to become an annual part of the students curriculum at the University of South Australia Underdale Campus. This follows on from another successful course held in 1991.

On the National scene we were honoured to have Mr. Kevin Phelps appointed Liaison Officer for the England tour of Australia and Mr. Peter Jones, Manager of the Australian Schoolboys for their undefeated tour of the British Isles. Mr. Glen Millar was appointed Coach of the Australian Institute of Sport Southern States U/21 Team and Rob Benger and Keith Ramsay, holders of A.I.S. Scholarships were selected in the Australian Institute of Sport Southern States U/21 Team.

The death of distinguished Life Member, Mr. Philip Campbell severed yet another link with the establishment of Rugby in South Australia. Player, Referee, Secretary, Groundsman and Senior Life Member, Phil was certainly a Rugby man extraordinaire. To Phil, Rugby was not a game but a way of life. South Australia mourns the passing of a fine Rugby man.

During the latter part of 1991, the Union established a Steering Group to recommend strategies to promote and develop the game in South Australia and more importantly, to determine the means to implement the strategies. The endeavour of this group has already been evidenced by the success of the inaugural edition of the South Australian Rugby Union News. Regular editions of the News are planned for 1992. Another forward step of this Group is the formation of the "Rugby Club of South Australia". The object of this Club is to provide a social base for the Rugby fraternity within South Australia. Regular luncheons are planned with various guest speakers from interstate.

The ultimate achievement of the Wallabies in winning the World Cup and the extensive media coverage promoted Rugby well in South Australia this year. It is strongly believed that Unions and Clubs should actively further foster this promotion — even many diehard "Aussie" Rules followers are now far more inquiring of the code.

With a visit by the New Zealand "All Blacks", participation in the Under-21 Championships in Darwin and a visit from Victoria, 1992 promises to be an interesting year for Rugby in South Australia.

Victorian Rugby Union Inc.

The Interclub Competition was contested by 23 Clubs, an increase of one over 1990, with eight in First Division and fifteen in Second Division. The Second Division was restructured to consist of three grades, one more than 1990. Footscray was the only Club to take the opportunity to field a team in each of the three grades. In all, 68 teams competed in eight grades of competition, five more than in 1990. The home and away season ran over 21 weeks, and 16 of the 23 Clubs (70%) contested the various Finals Series in September.

Highlights of the season included:

- The visit of England in July.
- The continued involvement of "Walla Rugby" in the VicHealth Aussie Sports Expo Programme.
- The very successful Seven-a-Side competition conducted jointly by the Kiwi-Hawthorn and Power House Clubs.
- The performance of the Representative Teams on regaining the Griff Hunt Trophy in Adelaide.

Congratulations are extended to:

- Moorabbin for their success as Premiers in 1/1 and Colts, and in winning the Club Championship and Most Tries award.
- Footscray for winning the 2/1 and 2/2 Premierships.
- Harlequin Club for winning the 1/3 Premiership and the Sevens Trophy and Plate.
- Power House for winning the 1/2 Premiership.
- Bendigo for winning the 2/3 Premiership.
- Peter Matthews on his appointment as Team Physiotherapist to the Emerging Wallabies.
- Cameron Frater (Captain), Andrew Fortey, Andrew Coombe, Marc L'Huillier, Nick McCreery, Donald Mackinnon, Allister Brown, Nathan Keating on their selection in the AIS Combined Southern States Under 21 touring team.
- Broadmeadows Club for their very successful first year with Victorian Rugby in being Minor Premiers in 2/3.

Western Australian Rugby Union Inc.

The 1991 season has been one which has catered for all rugby enthusiasts.

The year began with interest focusing on the World Golden Oldies Festival which attracted over 5,000 fun seeking participants to Perth. Congratulations to Peter Bailey and his organising committee for a wonderful festival culminating in the biggest sit down dinner ever organised in the Southern Hemisphere.

Visiting tourists to Western Australia this year were, London Division which defeated the W.A. Team by 31 — 9 and Wales which started its Australian tour by beating the hosts 22 — 6. Between the aforementioned matches the State Team visited Adelaide to participate in the Australian Interstate Championships. A narrow loss to ACT in the first game by 10 — 15, followed by convincing victories over Northern Territory (72 — 6), Victoria (46 — 9), and South Australia (49 — 3) saw W.A. retain the Southern States trophy and finish third overall. My thanks go to Viv Booker (coach), Peter Roberts (captain), Andy Todd (manager) and all the players who represented Western Australia this season. The dedication shown by all concerned was second to none and the Western Australian rugby community can be justifiably proud of the State Team's efforts.

At the under 21 level, nine Western Australian players were selected in the combined Southern States Team which toured in New South Wales and Queensland. The team was managed by Brian French from the WARU. While all players played creditably, the highlight was the selection of John Welborn in the Australian U21 side which played New Zealand Colts in the Test match. Congratulations on his achievement.

Alistair Box and Trefor Thomas were the winners of the Singapore Airlines Scholarship for 1991 and will spend the northern winter playing with the Watsonians Club in Edinburgh. At the time of writing it has been reported that Trefor Thomas broke his ankle in his first match and has been forced to return to Perth. Best wishes to Trefor for a speedy recovery.

In the seven grand finals contested this year no fewer than nine clubs were represented which indicates a healthy spread of talent at all levels. It was gratifying to see a second division colts and fifth grade competition added to the normal structure.

In a tightly contested first grade grand final, Palmyra beat Nedlands, which had been undefeated in the GIO Australia Minor Premiership, by 9 — 0.

I extend my thanks to the Referees' Association for providing officials at all finals and throughout the season.

At the P.G. Hampshire awards evening held at the Langley Plaza Hotel the following major awards were made:

P.G. Hampshire Trophy for the State's best player — Nudge Edwards (Nedlands); 2nd place — Graeme Holmes (Nedlands); 3rd place — Jack McLennan (Western Suburbs).

FAI Club Champions for 1991 — University Club.

Marlow Trophy for the most improved colts team — Cottesloe.

George Newstead Trophy for the most outstanding colts player — Bart Hart (Associates).

Laurie de la Hunt Trophy for the most improved player in 1st grade — Trefor Thomas (Kalamunda).

The top try scorer in 1991 — James Austin (Nedlands).

Best WA player in an international match — Mike Ryburn.

Best WA player at the Australian Interstate Championships — Brett Ellison.

President's Trophy for an outstanding contribution to Rugby — Jack Bleakley.

At the conclusion of my first year as President I express my thanks to the following people who have assisted and supported me through a busy year of administration — Geoff Stooke & all members of the Executive Committee, Ian King, the Executive Director, Dominic O'Connell, the Development Co-Ordinator and my wife who has shown tolerance above and beyond what could reasonably be expected.

On behalf of the rugby community I also thank George Newstead for his efforts as Registrar and gatekeeper, the Ladies of RULA who assist us in keeping the calorific count up, and despite a current conflict of opinion, of the R.U. Club for the operation of the premises at Perry Lakes.

Last, but certainly not least, I must offer my sincere appreciation to the sponsors of the Union who have continued to give support in cash and kind during very difficult economic times. I ask all rugby followers to support the HOME Building Society, FAI Insurance, BP Australia, DowElanco, GIO Australia, Schweppes Drinks, Singapore Airlines, Wang Australia, & Wesfarmers Limited.

Tasmanian Rugby Union Inc.

The Union during 1991 continued its progress in strengthening its financial and administration areas and it is pleasing to report that its affiliated organisations have given both support and encouragement in this regard.

The Union's headquarters at Rugby Park in Hobart has provided a focal point which has caught the imagination and acceptance of the State's rugby population. Pressures on the fine facilities have been such that the Union now has a full liquor licence to meet demand for social events, and although the treasury is not yet overflowing the future looks distinctly brighter.

No one has worked harder at HQ than our Referee's Association President, John Bellette, who has virtually run the place on an honorary basis and delegated duties to all and sundry who showed interest — and even to those who didn't!

A most important and successful change in the activities of the Union took place during the year under review with the administration of the Schools Union becoming monitored closely by the TRU. Greg Sawyer, the Board's representative got through a tremendous amount of work in this regard and despite the odd hiccup the junior season ran smoothly with a marked increase in participation compared with 1990. Much remains to be done as we are all well aware.

A particularly low point of the rugby year in Tasmania was the passing of our much-esteemed Patron George Wilson. George's valuable contribution to the game in Tasmania cannot be overstated. From the late 1930's George was player, team manager, coach, superb administrator, a life member of both the University Club (which he loved dearly) and the State Union. It was he who almost single-handedly got Rugby Union into the Primary schools of Hobart and George will be sadly missed.

Northern Territory Rugby Union

This coming season will be a watershed in the history of Rugby Union in the Northern Territory marked as it will be by the first stage of the long awaited Grandstand at Rugby Park and by our First International Rugby Board Game. These two factors represent an increasing maturity and experience for our Union, a coming of age if you like.

Stage one of the Grandstand project will begin in May 1992 and take twelve weeks to complete. Currently there is no financial commitment from Government to complete the project but with ongoing lobbying and good Executive management I do not believe my optimism is misplaced in saying I think the full one thousand seat stand will be complete by 1994.

The Scotland game against a Northern Territory Invitation team is a great first for our Union and it is very important that the NTRU receives a maximum support from clubs and individuals during the planning and execution phases of the Scotland visit. Incidentally the Scottish side will be in Darwin for three whole days so there will be a good opportunity for those who care to interlate with our famous visitors.

This year sees the first U21 Championship at National level to be held in Darwin and again a great effort will be required from many individuals and clubs to make this carnival a success. I cannot stress enough how important these various games and strategies are to our ongoing growth as a Union we really cannot afford to make any mistakes!

I look forward to an excellent season of good quality domestic rugby. Certainly the early tournaments suggest that the competitive spirit has not waned in the off season. In addition you will be seeing a number of initiatives from the Executive designed to foster excellence in all facets of our game and to lift the image of Rugby Union in the Northern Territory.

Review of Affiliated Unions for 1991

Australian Rugby Football Schools' Union

The past twelve months has seen the Australian Schoolboys Team Tour the U.K. and Ireland undefeated for the fourth successive time.

The team faced a number of particular difficulties for this tour:

- the last minute demand by England and Scotland for a change in the previously agreed age limit. This meant two different age limits had to be observed during the tour.
- because this meant some loss of games, late arrangements with Club or Youth teams led to games being played against much older opposition (e.g. U21 in one case).
- the most consistently bad weather conditions for any of our tours. Other tours had bad patches, but this team faced adverse conditions throughout.

Thus the undefeated results are of particular significance and merit.

The tour cost a total of approximately \$185,000. It is worth noting that of this \$30,000 came by way of a grant from the Commonwealth Government. The remaining \$155,000 was raised from sponsorship obtained by the A.R.F.S.U. and the Schools' Rugby Foundation, with approximately \$80,000 being raised by the boys, their schools, clubs and families.

Results

V Netherlands	46	—	0
V West Wales	32	—	7
V East Wales	32	—	7
V Wales	44	—	0
V Leinster	23	—	13
V Ireland	13	—	9
V Munster	14	—	9
V Scotland	17	—	12
V South England	20	—	4
V Harlequins	6	—	3
V England	8	—	3

Total points for 275

Total points against 77

Number of tries scored 51

1991 Tour of New Zealand

In September, the 1991 Australian Schoolboys Team toured New Zealand, winning two out of three games. The game with New Zealand Schools was lost against a heavier and older team, in pouring rain which militated against our attacking opportunities.

Results

VS Wellington Schools won	24	—	19
VS Wanganui Schools won	15	—	13
VS New Zealand Schools lost	3	—	16

Development

A major innovation was the increased funding for development activities in each State resulting from a grant from the Schools Rugby Foundation.

Foundation

Fund raising for the Foundation was slower in 1991, the major effort being a successful raffle run by Mr. John Dedrick and his Committee.

During the year Sir Clyde Kennedy, one of the original Trustees, died. He was replaced by another original Trustee who has been overseas recently, Mr. Vernon Brink.

Publications

Play Rugby Skillfully — was published early in the year, this was assisted financially by the A.R.F.U. Youth Development programme.

Annual Handbook — was published in its usual format. Unfortunately the generous supporter who has financed this for over twelve years can no longer do so. Its future publication will be dependent upon the obtaining of adequate advertising revenue.

Calendar — for 1991/92 was sent to all schools, for distribution to coaches and senior students playing Rugby.

Newsletter — now produced 4/5 times each year. It is sent to every school playing rugby.

Championships

These were held in Hobart and run efficiently and successfully by the Tasmanian Schools Rugby Union, well supported by local Clubs and the T.R.U.

The Caltex Shield for Division 1 was won by New South Wales, with Queensland 2 a very close second.

The Charles Blunt Cup for Division 2 was won by Victoria, with West Australia a close second.

Division 2

From the less strong Rugby states, a representative team is picked each year to play a game. This year they played the Tasmanian U.21 Team.

Investigations are being made into a possible tour to Japan in December 1992 for the Division 2 team.

Liaison

The Australian Schools Rugby Union is affiliated with and represented on — the Australian School Sports Council and the Australian Rugby Football Union.

These two links ensure contact is kept with the senior body of Rugby, and the wider schools sporting organisation in Australia.

A.J.R.F.U. — the Executive now meet annually with the Australian Junion Rugby Football Union to discuss mutual concerns, share ideas and coordinate activities.

N.Z. Schools Rugby — joint meetings have been held in 1990 and 1991 with our New Zealand counterparts to plan and coordinate our tours and activities.

Home Unions — meetings were held in January 1991 with England, Ireland and Wales about problems arising from differing age limits in the two hemispheres, plus scheduling of future tours.

Future Tours

Planning for these is difficult at present because of the differing timing of Rugby Seasons in schools.

Until these come into the same patterns, it will be difficult for us to invite countries here from the northern hemisphere.

Ireland, England, Wales and France have all expressed interest in touring Australia. Hopefully, some changes being discussed in various school groups will lead to a solution of this problem.

Australian Society of Rugby Referees Inc.

1991 has been an eventful year for the Rugby World. This has been so not only for the players but for the referees.

Obviously, the euphoria of having won the World Cup will continue, one hopes, for many years to come. One also hopes that it has a beneficial impact on the exposure of rugby in Australia with more players playing the game and more people wishing to become referees.

The year has been an eventful one and a productive one for the referees' fraternity in Australia. Obviously, congratulations to both Kerry Fitzgerald and Sandy MacNeill on their Appointments to the 1991 World Cup and to Brian Kinsey as the Reserve Referee. I am sure all will join with me in congratulating both Kerry and Sandy on their fine refereeing performances in the Northern Hemisphere during October. I feel sure that we should all be proud of their standard of refereeing, particularly in light of the many comments made about referees during the tournament.

The ASRR has been busy organising the 1992 Referees' Convention which is to occur at Salamander Bay in New South Wales. Programme details and bookings are well in hand for this Convention, which is now taking place every four years. It is an ideal opportunity for referees throughout Australia to get together in a convivial atmosphere, discuss refereeing techniques and approaches as well as setting consistent standards in refereeing to be hopefully adopted throughout the country.

During 1991, there was continued strong relationship and discussions with the ARFU and our sincere thanks are extended to Bob Fordham and his team for their efforts during the year. On a personal note, it is always difficult to take over a position half-way through the year and I thank Bob for his patience, particularly when items were raised on a number of occasions.

The Society's interests at the ARFU Council meetings were served again by John Miner. John's commitment to the society and to rugby in Australia can never be understated and we thank John for his continued support of the Society.

The Australian panel for 1991 comprised the following referees:

M. Keogh (ACT);
B. Kinsey, A. MacNeill, P. Marshall, P. Thomas and F. Westhuizen (NSW);
A. Cole, B. Fienberg, K. Fitzgerald, B. Leask and M. Powell (QLD).

The Society congratulates the above referees on their appointments and the way they have represented the Society.

During the year, the Society again hosted visiting referees to Australia. It was pleasing to again welcome Keith Lawrence from New Zealand who refereed the Australia -v- England game, Ray Megson from Scotland who refereed the Australia -v- New Zealand match and Fred Howard from England who refereed the Australia -v- Wales match. Unfortunately, due to the effects of the economy, the Society was unable to conduct an interchange to France in 1991. We trust that in the future such an interchange will take place.

1992 will be an exciting year for rugby in Australia. The Society is proud that it will play a vital part in that excitement.

Australian Services Rugby Union

Summary of Achievements

In 1991 ASRU achieved the following:

- * conducted the national Inter-Service championships in Sydney.
- * as a consequence of the revoking of the invitation for the senior team to compete in the Australian Inter-State championships in Adelaide, ASRU conducted a limited domestic tour in June 1991;
- * In preparation for the Australian U21 Inter-State championships in Darwin in 1992, ASRU conducted a training and development camp in July 1991, culminating in a match against a Victoria XV;
- * Navy conducted a successful tour of New Zealand, defeating their Kiwi counterparts for the first time ever at home;
- * with the liberalism of ADF policy in regard to the scope for utilisation of commercial sponsorship, ASRU was able to significantly reduce its reliance on player fund raising activities for the provision of non-public funds;
- * the ASRU Constitution was rewritten; and
- * the formalised ASRU Development Plan was adopted.

1991 National Championships

Army hosted the 1991 championships, which were conducted at Victoria Barracks in Sydney. Navy's dominance of the championship came to an end with the emergence of a revitalised Army side and a doggedly committed Air Force combination. Match results were:

- * Army 30 defeated Navy 0;
- * Air Force 12 defeated Navy 4; and
- * Army 27 defeated Air Force 21.

The 1991 championships were a far superior contest than the previous year, although Navy suffered this year from the lack of availability of several key players. While the resultant ASRU representative squad was markedly stronger than in 1990, several key players were unavailable due to commitments to their civilian club sides. Our aim is to raise the ASRU profile to the level whereby civilian coaches see obvious merit in their players representing ASRU.

Senior Representative Tour 1991

A tour involving matches in Sydney, Newcastle and Wollongong was conducted from 31 May to 10 June 1991, using Randwick Barracks as a tour base. Match results were;

- * 5 June — Sydney Metropolitan 17 defeated ASRU 16 at Victoria Barracks;
- * 9 June — ASRU 7 defeated Newcastle 3 at the National Sports Ground;
- * 11 June — ASRU vs Illawarra at Wollongong — washed out.

In the match against Sydney Metropolitan, for the Wheatley VC Trophy, Services appeared to have the game won, but lost intensity in the last twenty minutes allowing the opposition back into the game for the narrowest of victories. The score in the Newcastle match did not reflect the dominance of the ASRU side particularly in the forwards. Atrocious weather limited the opportunities for the backs to become more involved in the match. The wash-out of the Illawarra match was a major disappointment to all, especially those players anticipating their first ASRU cap. However, overall the tour was a success with ASRU fielding one of the strongest teams in recent years; we can only speculate how the team might have performed in Adelaide had the invitation to the Inter-State Championships not been revoked. The tour ended on a positive note with players displaying a re-emerging belief in the aims and objectives of ASRU.

1991 U20 Development Squad

In preparation for the U21 championships in 1992 a selection camp was conducted at HMAS CERBERUS, at Western Port in Victoria, over the weekend 6/7 July 1991. From the forty four players assessed, a train on squad of twenty four was selected. A match against a Victorian XV was played under lights at Olympic Park, Melbourne, as a curtain raiser to the England vs Victorian President's XV fixture on 10 July. Victoria won the encounter 25-0, but the ASRU side was not disgraced and showed plenty of potential for the future.

RAN Tour of New Zealand

The RAN Rugby Union toured New Zealand during the period 21 September to 7 October, playing four matches, including two "tests" against the Royal New Zealand Navy. A win in the final "test" resulted in the RAN regaining the Lou Smith Cup, the symbol of trans-Tasman Naval rugby supremacy. Results were;

- * 25 September — RNZN 15 defeated RANRU 9 at Athletic Park Wellington;
- * 29 September — RANRU 13 drew with an Army/district composite team 13 at Walouru;
- * 2 October — Combined Northern Military District 21 defeated RANRU 7 at Whenuapai;
- * 6 October — RANRU 12 defeated RNZN 9 at Ngataringa Sports Complex in Auckland.

Summary

Through commercial sponsorship, ASRU has been able to increase the funds available to it. More importantly, these additional funds enabled ASRU to significantly reduce its historical reliance on player fund-raising activities. Reinstatement of the ARFU grant enabled ASRU to continue a program of coaching and referee development. The way ahead for ASRU has been formally charted with the adoption of a Five Year Development Plan. ASRU has identified attendance at both the senior and U21 State Championships as important for its future development and in being able to achieve the aim of recognition as a Level 2 Representative Union.

AJRFU Annual Report

It is with great pleasure, a report of the activities of the AJRFU Ltd for 1991 is presented.

Heartfelt thanks are extended to very many individuals, organisations and Junior Unions who supported Australian Junior Rugby during the past year and particularly —

- * to all parents, billets and officials for their outstanding efforts during the past year.
- * to Mrs. Joan Forno, Wayne Erickson and Les Barlow of the ARFU Ltd. for outfitting the Australian U17 team prior to its departure to New Zealand on Friday, 28th June 1991.
- * to all parents and supporters in Rockhampton and surrounding districts where the 1991 Under Sixteen Championships were played, for billeting all players competing.

The Central Queensland Junior and Schools Rugby Union staged the Championships magnificently. Sincerest thanks are also extended to Arthur Butler for his efforts in this major undertaking.

• Special thanks must also be given to Roy Elmer and Paul McGahan and their organising committee for the presentation of Australia's premier Junior Rugby Event.

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 17 TEAM TO NEW ZEALAND

The tour was conducted from 28th June to 14th July 1991. As in previous visits, five (5) matches were played including a Test match in Hamilton.

Results of matches played and the venues are as follows:-

- Vs. North Auckland — Whangerei — lost 20 points to 13
- Vs. Auckland — Auckland — won 17 points to 16
- Vs. Counties — Pukekohe — lost 10 points to 9
- Vs. King Country — Te Kuiti — won 16 points to 3
- Vs. New Zealand — Hamilton — lost 25 points to 0.

Tour officials were Roger Rudduck (Team Manager), Geoff Richards (Assistant Manager/Coach) and John O'Keefe (Physio).

Members of the Australian Under 17 team were:-

From Sydney: Stephen Busbridge, Glen Emerson, Criag Haidley, Greg Highfield, Dominic Manago, Andrew Mills, Chris Thorpe.

From W.A.: Daniel Bishop, Adam Crane, Michael Fic, Dirk Cleghorn.

From Qld.: (Metropolitan) Andrew Brady, Tom Halliweli, Lloyd Penrose, Anthony Pentecost.

From N.S.W.: (Country) John Kinniburgh, David Lubans, Matthew Traill, Paul Webster.

From A.C.T.: Brett Foster, Paul Harnett, Pierre Lee.

From Qld.: (Country) Anthony Fowler.

Due to the change in age dates, this was the last Australian U17 touring team to represent the AJRFU Ltd. In future international matches will be played at age under sixteen (16).

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1991 National U16 Championships were held in Rockhampton (Qld) during the period July 2 to July 7 1991. The format and competition draw were altered from previous years. This resulted in the Championships being conducted over a shorter period of time with less time for billets required. It proved a resounding success and no doubt will be instituted in the future.

Competing teams represented were — A.C.T., Sydney, N.S.W. (C), Qld. (C), Qld. (M), South Australia, Western Australia, Victoria, Northern Territory and Tasmania.

The results of the Championships:-

The Curry Shield (Div.I) — Sydney defeated A.C.T — 15 — 9.

The Leon J. Charters Shield (Div.II) — Western Australia.

Sydney again won the Curry Shield for the eleventh time since 1971 and must be congratulated on their fine calibre Rugby, thrilling the crowd. The skills displayed by both teams were excellent.

Following the directive from the AJRFU Ltd. to the National Selectors, an Australian U16 team (non-playing) was selected and presented with a team photograph and Australian Strip.

The following players were chosen —

From Sydney Scott Webster, Daniel Dixon, Matt White, Chris Mandalidis, Pat Cogan, Michael Chromanski, Duncan Thom, Dannie Bell.

From A.C.T. Ben Dare, Andrew Fraser, Justin Small, Adam Doyle, Joe Roff, Gavin Mansfield, Phil Yuen

From Queensland (Country) Darren Gaffney, Hayden Heta, Darryl Callaghan, Lee Wilkes, Dan Felu

From W.A. Brad Fraser.

AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD. — Record of Officials

	PRESIDENT	DEPUTY CHAIRMAN	HONORARY TREASURER	SECRETARY	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
1949	Justice L. J. Herron	T. C. Blue	C. D. A. Kennedy	A. E. Marks	
1950	Justice L. J. Herron	R. Fraser-Dodds	L. D. Evans	A. E. Marks	
1951	Justice L. J. Herron	T. C. Blue	L. D. Evans	D. McGregor	
1952	Judge A. E. Rainbow	R. Fraser-Dodds	L. D. Evans	J. H. O'Neill	
1953	Judge A. E. Rainbow	J. E. Ross	T. H. McClenaghan	J. H. O'Neill	
1954	Judge A. E. Rainbow	J. E. Ross	T. H. McClenaghan	H. E. Roberts	
1955	T. McCormack	J. Parry	C. W. Blunt	H. E. Roberts	
1956	J. W. Brocknidge	Dr. A. W. Young	C. W. Blunt		
1957	T. McCormack	J. G. Blackwood	C. W. Blunt	H. E. Roberts	
1958	T. McCormack M.B.E.		C. W. Blunt	F. R. Cooper	
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1962	T. McCormack M.B.E.		C. W. Blunt	F. R. Cooper	
1963	G. W. Ramsden		C. W. Blunt	F. R. Cooper	
1964	G. W. Ramsden		C. W. Blunt	F. R. Cooper	
1965	G. W. Ramsden		C. W. Blunt	F. R. Cooper	
1966	G. W. Ramsden		C. W. Blunt	F. R. Cooper	
1967	G. W. Ramsden		C. W. Blunt	F. R. Cooper	
1968	G. W. Ramsden		C. W. Blunt	F. R. Cooper	
1969	C. W. Blunt		C. W. Blunt	F. R. Cooper	
1970	C. W. Blunt	B. M. Ffrench	W. R. McManis	F. R. Cooper	
1971	C. W. Blunt M.B.E.	B. M. Ffrench	W. R. McManis	F. R. Cooper	
1972	A. F. Henry	B. M. Ffrench	D. D. Fraser	C. B. Stribley	
1973	RE.M. McLaughlin	G. G. Hunt M.B.E., T.D.	D. D. Fraser	C. B. Stribley	
1974	RE.M. McLaughlin	G. G. Hunt M.B.E., T.D.	D. D. Fraser	W. W. McQueen	
1975	RE.M. McLaughlin	B. M. Ffrench	D. D. Fraser	W. W. McQueen	
1976	RE.M. McLaughlin M.B.E.	B. M. Ffrench	D. D. Fraser	J. D. Dedrick	
1977	RE.M. McLaughlin M.B.E.	P. R. A. Falk	L. J. Howard B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	
1978	RE.M. McLaughlin M.B.E.	P. R. A. Falk	L. J. Howard B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	
1979	RE.M. McLaughlin M.B.E.	P. R. A. Falk	L. J. Howard B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	
1980	RE.M. McLaughlin M.B.E.	P. R. A. Falk	L. J. Howard B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	
1981	Sir Nicholas Shehadie O.B.E.	P. R. A. Falk	L. J. Howard B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	J. D. Dedrick
1982	Sir Nicholas Shehadie O.B.E.	P. R. A. Falk	L. J. Howard B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	J. D. Dedrick
1983	Sir Nicholas Shehadie O.B.E.	P. R. A. Falk	L. J. Howard B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	J. D. Dedrick
1984	Sir Nicholas Shehadie O.B.E.	P. R. A. Falk	L. J. Howard B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	J. D. Dedrick
1985	Sir Nicholas Shehadie O.B.E.	P. R. A. Falk	L. J. Howard B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	J. D. Dedrick
1986	Sir Nicholas Shehadie O.B.E.	R. V. Turnbull	L. J. Howard O.A.M., B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	J. D. Dedrick
1987	Sir Nicholas Shehadie O.B.E.	R. V. Turnbull	L. J. Howard O.A.M., B.E., F.C.P.A.	J. D. Dedrick	J. D. Dedrick
1988	J. P. French A.M.	R. V. Turnbull	L. J. Howard O.A.M., B.E., F.C.P.A.	R. J. Fordham O.A.M.	J. D. Dedrick O.A.M.
1989	J. P. French A.M.	A. D. Murray	L. J. Howard O.A.M., B.E., F.C.P.A.	R. J. Fordham (from 1-8-88)	R. J. Fordham
1990	J. P. French A.M.	A. D. Murray (until 18-7-90)	L. J. Howard O.A.M., B.E., F.C.P.A.	R. J. Fordham	R. J. Fordham
1991	J. P. French A.M.	C. Rowlinson	L. J. Howard O.A.M., B.E., F.C.P.A.	R. J. Fordham	R. J. Fordham

