

# CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB



## Annual Report

*For the Year ended*

**30th April, 1971**

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## ANNUAL REPORT

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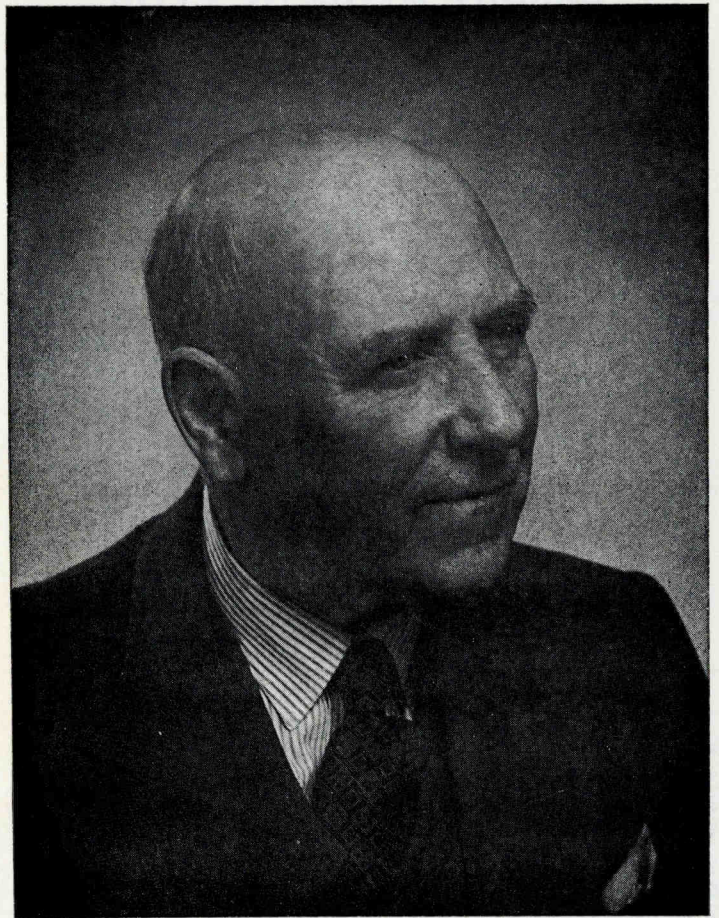


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AND 38031 (Sophia Gardens)

*General Secretary:* K. H. GEORGE



N. V. H. RICHES

President of the Cardiff Athletic Club

# CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

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N. V. H. RICHES

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Vice-Chairman : G. L. PORTER

\*N. V. H. RICHES                      \*K. H. INGLEDEW  
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Those marked \* are Trustees of the Club and as such are *ex-officio* members of the Committee.

To retire in 1971	To retire in 1972	To retire in 1973
P. COLLIER	F. P. DAVIES	G. CHUGG
W. J. EVANS	W. LEWIS, J.P.	B. MARK
W. N. FRANCIS	G. L. PORTER	T. PHILLIPS
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Of the above, each elected member holds office for three years and the co-opted members hold office for one year.

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Chairman: H. JOHNSON

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Club Captain: J. HICKEY

Captain Athletic XV : J. E. DAVIES

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Chairman: J. D. H. RICHES

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Captain of Club: K. D. WILLIAMS

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Captain Reserve XI : P. SWEETNAM

Captain Sunday XI : R. H. WILLIAMS

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*Vice-Captain:* D. H. PRINCE

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A. BOUND

B. M. EVANS

J. DESMOND

P. E. RIDD

D. S. DAVIES

G. ARTHUR (*past captain*)

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*Captain :* P. COLLIER

*Ladies' Captain:* Mrs. J. H. COLLIER

*Hon. Match Secretary :* E. HUDSON

D. COURT

Mrs. M. BLANCHFLOWER

G. CHUGG

Miss. J. HOWELLS

F. P. DAVIES

Miss J. PEXTON

C. WEST

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*Captain First XI:* J. COCKS

*Captain Second XI:* C. BROWN

*Captain Third XI:* J. S. GLENNY

*Captain Fourth XI:* J. HOSGOOD

*Hon. Secretary:* A. T. M. RHYS-JONES

*Hon. Team Secretary:* K. D. WILLIAMS

*Hon. Fixture Secretary:* P. B. SPARKES

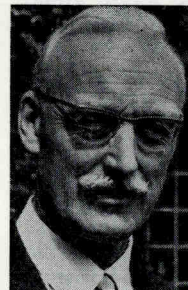
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## CLUB CAPTAINS



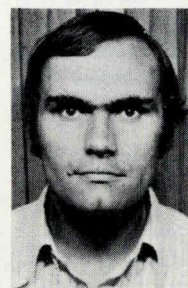
R. GOODING  
(Bowls)



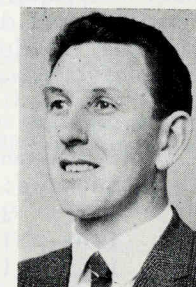
K. D. WILLIAMS  
(Cricket)



J. HICKEY  
(Rugby)



J. COCKS  
(Hockey)



P. I. COLLIER  
(Lawn Tennis)

# CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

## Chairman's Report for the Year ending 30th April, 1971

Dear Members,

In presenting the Financial accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1971, I once again have to state that although we are as usual going forward as a fine Sporting Athletic Club, we are going backwards in our Balance Sheets.

Now that the final accounts for the above period have been audited and finalised, I should like to comment on certain items therein and how they compare with the previous year. I am obliged to the General Secretary, Mr. Ken George for the following points :

I shall commence with those items which produce a surplus of revenue and in which most members participate :

	1970	1971	Increase
Bar Takings	£41,886	£46,039	£4,153
Gross Profits (28.6%)	£11,930	(28.9%) £13,345	£1,415

Whilst bar prices in certain cases have been increased it has been done mainly to cope with increased costs in supplies so that I consider increased takings of £4,153 can only be attributed to the Triple Crown win and the Fijian game.

### Fruit Machine account

The increase in profit amounting to £104 this year was most disappointing and the machines seemed to have lost a certain appeal during the last few months of the year. However, the House Committee will no doubt be discussing any possible changes necessary to improve the situation.

### Membership

Total membership has been declining over the past three years as follows :

1969	2,314
1970	1,993
1971	1,870

These figures are extremely disturbing and have an immense adverse effect on income.

## R.F.C. Income

In spite of the rise in cost to run the Rugby Football Section, there is an increase on last year of £1,186, but it must be remembered that the admission prices to the general public for the Enclosure and Stands were increased. Furthermore, 24 Home matches were played in the 1970-71 season as compared with 18 Home matches in season 1969-70.

The decrease in profit on programmes sales is mainly due to the fact that we received a substantial amount for the Cardiff v South Africa match on December 13th, 1969.

### Home Matches

The increased cost of £1,233 is mainly due to the following :

- The whole of the cost of the Opening President's XV game (approximately £904) has been charged under this heading.
- Catering for extra matches and bar supplies have accounted for the majority of the balance.

### Gatemen, Police and Firemen—Increase £495

Due to the extra matches and more staff, increased costs for gatemen have amounted to approximately £240 and the balance is due to increased costs for police and firemen.

### Share of Gates—Increase £275

The increased cost under this heading is £200 for Liverpool and £75 for St. Luke's College.

### General Notes on Expenditure

Salaries, Wages and S.E.T.—Increases £1,117.

Office Increases	£149	
J. Grubenman	£300	Wages irrecoverable from Develo'nt Fund
Gen. Secretary	£210	Additional charge as a full year's salary was not paid to Mr. D. G. Grant
Ground	£790	Including casual labour and overtime for sand slitting, releveling, fertilising new ground, etc.
	£1449	
Less Reduction	£332	
House Wages	£1117	

These increases would include increases in statutory payments for insurance stamps etc.



### Cleaning Services Clubhouse and Sophia Gardens

The increase of £1,084 should be reduced by the reduction in House Wages of £332 above as the payment was mainly paid for cleaning services although shown in Salaries in the previous year. Extra cleaning has arisen due to the opening of the Skittle Alley Bar.

### Overall Deficiency in Revenue Surplus

Whilst the Income and Expenditure Account only reveals a deficit of £3,381, the true drop in revenue surplus is revealed as follows :

	1970	1971
Profit Development Account (Sweep)	3,450	1,602
Profit Development Account (200 Club)	1,091	619
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	4,541	2,221
Less Income and Expenditure Account deficit	2,732	3,381
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	£1,809	£1,160 (Loss)

### Capital Expenditure (Present and Projected)

Whilst one might say that the loss of income from the Development Funds is not so disastrous, as accumulated funds amount to approximately £29,000, it must be appreciated by members that approximately £17,200 out of these funds is now due for payment for :

- (a) Tip up Seats
- (b) Floodlights.
- (c) Alterations to Committee Boxes, Trainers Box and Score Box.
- (d) Kitchen extension and sundries.
- (e) Laying of tarmacadam surface on ash area at rear of tennis courts.

After paying the aforementioned capital and other expenses amounting in all to approximately £17,200, it means that we shall have £11,800 available in cash from investments.

### Future Increases in Expenditure

Since the date of this Balance Sheet we have also paid £1,000 more in the first two months of this current year compared with last year representing redecoration to the Clubhouse and Groundsman's Flat, and the repainting of the Tennis Courts.

Insurances will increase by approximately £400 per annum for insurance of the Rugby Stands, and the rating assessment of the Clubhouse and grounds will also substantially increase.

From the Balance Sheet prepared you will observe that our Current Assets more or less are covered by our Current Liabilities viz. approximately £13,000.

You will realise by the above Report that the future requires more members, more support generally, and some very hard thinking in relation to the costs of running the Club.

We can hope for a larger revenue from car parking and the possibility of the allowing of advertisements on the rugby ground, regrettable as that may be in the eyes of the purists.

It would be of great assistance if the members were able to support the Lottery and 200 Club to a much greater extent to say nothing of another Membership Drive.

The New Ground is now settling down as the Cardiff Rugby Club's home. Most of the finishing touches have been completed—I hope to the satisfaction of members and public,—and with the completion of the Skittle Alley, the promises made in the last Annual Report are mostly kept, such as side sheets to stand, plant and equipment store-room and the floodlighting, have now been completed.

The playing surface has exceeded expectations and more matches will be played in the coming season, including most Athletic games.

The opening of the new ground was celebrated by a match which proved a very happy and worthy occasion, which has been commented on in the Rugby Report. Many important guests were present, including eighteen Past Captains of the Club and many well wishers of the Athletic Club.

Friday night matches, all things being equal, have proved successful as extra games and as a source of income.

It has been decided to plant conifers on the west bank to give a pleasant background to the ground. This will take place during September and October, 1971. I anticipate help from some members to complete the venture at very little cost to the Club.

### Car Parking

This, as always envisaged in the new Scheme, is now beginning to make its presence felt in the income of the Club and, with further organisation, it should prove one of the much needed future incomes of the Club. The Committee is in negotiation with outside bodies to rent off a portion of the parking areas which will, in no way, interfere with the parking amenities for members, unless the membership should increase to a very desirable number.

### Committees

I would like on your behalf, and of course, my own, to once again repeat the remarks I have so often made, that this Club owes a great deal to the Honorary Officers and Committee of the various Sections. They devote a great deal of their leisure time, allied with their ability and experience, on behalf of the Club they so willingly serve.

From the President, Mr. N. V. H. Riches, Standing Committee Chairmen, Messrs. J. R. Thomas (Finance), G. L. Porter (House), and L. M. Spence (Ground), right through to the newest elected Committee member, you are assured of their service and loyalty.

My appreciation of the work and support of my Vice-Chairman, Mr. G. L. Porter, who, at all times, has been available to assist.

Our thanks and appreciation to that great Club stalwart, our Honorary Solicitor, Mr. Ewan G. Davies, for his ever ready and welcome advice during the many times we are in need of it.

Our thanks to Mr. Ken George, the General Secretary, who is now settling in to combat all the troubles and tribulations that beset any General Secretary of such a complex Club as ours. He has many meetings to attend apart from normal duties and the problem of pleasing all concerned is a difficult one. All strength to his elbow.

### Staff

It is understandable that many members are not aware of the names of our present staff at this time at the end of our year, so may I introduce :

Mr. Ken George ( <i>Gen. Secretary</i> )	HOUSE
OFFICE STAFF	Miss Babs Filer, <i>Stewardess</i>
Miss Anne Davies <i>Chief Clerk</i>	Mrs. Edith Bussey
Miss Susan Allen <i>Typist/Clerk</i>	Mrs. Violet Dacey
Miss Vanessa Liddell, <i>Junior</i>	Mrs. Gwen Lisle
DEVELOPMENT FUND	Mrs. Elaine Larametts
Mr. John Grubenman	Mr. Tom Osborne
<i>Ground Security Officer</i>	Mr. Pinnell, <i>Doorman</i>
	Plus part-time staff

GROUND	CAR PARK
Bill Hardiman <i>Headgroundsman</i>	W. J. Payne
Bill Relf	E. Tilley
John Owens	W. Finlayson
Tom Edwards	F. Quick
Plus two A.N.Others	D. Cullihane
	S. Taylor

They are all giving good service to the Club and the leading lights in Office, Miss Davies, Lottery Organiser Mr. John Grubenman, House, Miss Filer, Ground, Bill Hardiman, are as ever, giving their loyalty and energy. By the time you read this Report, if you do, there will I believe be some worthy additions.

### Sophia Gardens

Sophia Gardens is now settling down to the ground it was designed for and I trust that the Cricket and Hockey Sections are finding it satisfactory.

The Rugby Club, however, has been having difficulty in satisfying its requirements on the pitch owing to the need for intensive training and the playing of Athletic and Junior matches on the one small area. Remedial work took place after the end of the rugby season and with many Athletic games to be played on Cardiff Arms Park this coming season, it is hoped the Sophia Gardens rugby pitch will not have to take such punishment.



## Male Voice Choir

*Chairman:* I. Price

*Hon. Secretary:* R. Rees

*Hon. Treasurer:* R. W. Davies

*Hon. Conductor:* J. Davies

*Accompanist:* J. Beynon

*Committee:* J. Elsen, W. Dunscombe, J. Howells,  
G. Evans, I. Jones.

The Choir, as usual, made their presence felt in the life of the Club and during the season held three very successful social evenings in the Club Lounge which were complete 'sell-outs'.

They also performed at an outstanding engagement at Caedelyn School when they sang at the end of term Teachers' Dance.

They have been consolidating their training and have the nucleus of a very good choir for the future.

Like all organisations that require keen enthusiastic participants, they would welcome new members in their ranks to enjoy the great camaraderie they possess at this moment.

I understand that they are not expecting to win next Year's Eisteddfod, they are "only here for the beer."

## Entertainments Committee

*Chairman:* G. B. Jones

*Hon. Secretary:* Miss Jennifer Howells

*Committee:* E. Nurton, M. Braithwaite, D. Davies,  
J. Elsen, P. Horsfield, D. Herbert, G. Stone.

The Entertainments Committee is now in its second year of existence and kept on plugging away in the hope that they may have been able to attract more support from members, in their efforts to promote entertainments within the Club.

During the past twelve months we held five Discotheque Evenings in response to popular demand from our younger members and, in fairness, our thanks are due to the young members for their support at these "do's". There have also been two straightforward Dances which received a fair measure of support and the cash register was kept ringing. The most successful event was the New Year's Eve Dance which was an overwhelming success and, it is hoped, will become a permanent feature of our Club life. On Sunday afternoon, 3rd January, 1971, we held our first Children's Xmas Party for children of members of all Sections, and the function was voted a "wow" by both children and parents. Another fixture we should like to see on the Social Calendar of the Club.

On the 23rd April, 1971 we organised a Smokers' Concert and engaged Ryan and Ronnie (B.B.C.) as the main entertainers. The entertainment was first class but the older members of the Club did not support our effort in the manner we had hoped for. However, nothing ventured, nothing gained. We shall benefit from the experience. During the Winter months, an effort was made to introduce a Bridge School on Tuesday nights in the upstairs lounge, but without success. We also introduced a "Snowball" with a draw being made each Tuesday night, but the venture did not receive the support we had hoped for.

Congratulations to the Committee and Officers for having stuck to their task and it is hoped that their efforts will meet with the success they deserve. It is up to the members to give full support to this Committee and its efforts.

I am obliged to Mr. G. B. Jones, Chairman for the foregoing, to which it would be superfluous to add anything further, except to say on behalf of the Cardiff Athletic Club a big thank you, to Chairman, G. B. Jones, Hon. Secretary, Jennifer Howells and Committee.

## Golfing Society

*Captain:* A. J. Priday

*Hon. Secretary:* A. Evans

The Society had a very successful year under the Captaincy of Alun Priday with Ken Osment as Vice Captain.

The Annual Dinner was a very happy occasion when the principal guests were Mr. Bill Clement of the Welsh Rugby Union and Mr. Dewi Griffiths of the B.B.C.

The Competitions were well attended and the innovation of inviting guests had the result of increased attendances, a particular feature of this year's competitions was the added attraction of additional prizes for various feature scores.

The results of the Competitions :

The Spring Meeting at St. Mellons for Gwyn Nichols Rose Bowl was won by John Allison and the runner-up Stan Hughes.

At the Cardiff Golf Club for the Captain's Day, The Founders Foursome was won by Phil Darby and Morris Simons.

The Summer Meeting was held at the Llanishen Golf Club and the Rhys T. Gabe Cup was won by W. J. Rees with John Coleman as runner-up.

Thank you, Arthur Evans for this report.

#### Obituaries

During the year a number of great club stalwarts have passed away, among them, Messrs Gwyn Walters and Doug Morris; Life members, W. F. Gibson, J. Rogers, T. E. Williams and H. Woodley.

May I, on behalf of the Club, thank Mr. Frank Somers for once again compiling this Report so efficiently and willingly; also to all those, too numerous to mention, who have worked so well in the background to further the progress of the Cardiff Athletic Club, and to you loyal members so often to be seen in the Club—we need you more than ever.

In conclusion, may I say that "there is no depression in the Club and the possibility of defeat does not exist." This coming year is a great testing time for hard work, hard thinking and hard determination to place the finances of this great Club firmly on the road to success for the sake of the great amateur sporting organisation it has always proved to be.

HUBERT JOHNSON

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# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

1970	EXPENDITURE	£	£
13,059	To Salaries, Wages and S.E.T. ... ..		14,176
2,976	" Upkeep of grounds and clubhouse ... ..		2,365
2,927	" Football—away match expenses ... ..		2,188
555	" Football players' out of pocket expenses ... ..		520
1,093	" Football—home match expenses ... ..		2,926
484	" Football—Junior XV expenses ... ..		660
1,322	" Stationery, Telephone and Postages ... ..		1,708
250	" Cost of Annual Report and postages ... ..	243	
63	Less: Advertising in Annual Report ... ..	25	
			218
187	" Advertising, Season Tickets, etc. ... ..		860
670	" Share of gates ... ..		625
350	" Gatekeepers, Police and Firemen ... ..		1,143
648	" Rent and Rates ... ..		1,729
1,116	" Rent and rates—Sophia Gardens ... ..		1,121
1,142	" Water, Light and Heat ... ..		3,688
3,017	" Sundry items ... ..		75
543	" Laundry ... ..		398
305	" Cleaning Services—Clubhouse ... ..		2,195
1,540	" Cleaning materials and window cleaning ... ..		717
288	" Dinner, Dance, Ladies' Night, Photographs and Awards ... ..		317
407	" Football Equipment ... ..		1,012
876	" Audit Fee ... ..		105
105	" Insurances ... ..		949
754	" Football Insurance Fund ... ..		200
200	" Medical Expenses ... ..		320
324	" Donations ... ..		16
11	" Plant Repairs, Petrol and Oil ... ..		1,042
706	" Sectional Expenses ... ..		577
416	" Depreciation—Motor Roller, Mowers, etc. ... ..		319
263			
36,884			42,169
	" Bar Purchases ... ..		
1,659	" Opening Stock ... ..	2,364	
28,435	" Purchases ... ..	30,882	
			33,246
30,094	Less: Closing Stock ... ..	2,523	
2,364			30,723
27,730	" Bar Purchases—Sophia Gardens ... ..		1,971
2,226	" Catering Purchases ... ..		5,126
5,078	" Bar Wages, S.E.T., Equipment, Renewals & Expenses ... ..		9,064
9,057	" Depreciation—Furniture, Fittings and Equipment ... ..		147
102	" Depreciation—Furniture, Fittings & Equipment—Sophia Gard. ... ..		120
119			
44,312			
£81,196			£89,320

# for the Year ended 30th April, 1971

1970	INCOME	£	£
6,512	By Football Gates ... ..		9,938
1,790	" Season Tickets ... ..		1,931
			11,869
8,302	" Snelling "Seven-a-side" Tournament ... ..		450
350			
1,205	" Profit on Sale of Programmes ... ..	436	
50	Less: Donation to Cardiff & District Rugby Union ... ..	50	
			386
1,155	" Share of Gates ... ..		215
200			
10,007	" Members' Subscriptions ... ..		12,920
13,126	" Ground Earnings ... ..		12,059
720			721
1,587	" Car Park Receipts ... ..	3,616	
543	Less: Attendants' Wages and S.E.T. ... ..	1,805	
			1,811
1,044	" Broadcasting fees ... ..		676
272	" Catering concession ... ..		20
25			
	INVESTMENT INCOME:		
	Dividends: Arms Park (Cardiff) ... ..		
59	Greyhound Racing Co., (1956) Ltd. ... ..	92	
84	" Target Preference Share Fund ... ..	47	
	INTEREST:		
598	Local Authority Loans ... ..	862	
26	3% Savings Bonds ... ..	26	
319	S. Wales (East) & Mon. Trustee Savings Bank ... ..	337	
356	Lloyds Bank Limited ... ..	140	
456	Income Tax Refund ... ..	715	
			2,219
1,898			
27,092			30,426
38,775	" Bar Takings ... ..		43,261
3,111	" Bar Takings—Sophia Gardens ... ..		2,778
7,089	" Catering Takings ... ..		6,921
2,584	" Fruit Machine Takings ... ..	2,698	
400	Less: Licence Fees ... ..	410	
			2,288
2,184	" Hire of Rooms ... ..		190
164	" Profit on sale of Club Ties... ..		75
49	" Excess of Expenditure over Income ... ..		3,381
2,732			
£81,196			£89,320

# BALANCE SHEET

1970 £	LIABILITIES	£	£
1,125	<b>Football Insurance Fund</b> ... ..		1,279
	<b>Creditors</b>		
2,560	Subscriptions Prepaid ... ..	2,720	
7,779	Accrued Expenses ... ..	7,837	
			10,557
	<b>Lloyd's Bank Limited</b>		
157	Bank Accounts Overdrawn ... ..		2,670
	<b>Development Fund</b>		
21,424	Balance as at 1st May, 1970 ... ..	24,308	
3,450	Add Net Income for year ended 30th April, 1971 ... ..	1,602	
		25,910	
24,874	Less Capital Expenditure		
566	New Mower ... ..		
	Part Cost of Floodlights ... ..	1,206	
			24,704
24,308			
	<b>Club Rugby Ground Development Fund</b>		
1,546	Balance as at 1st May, 1970 ... ..	2,637	
1,091	Profit on "200" Club—year ended 30th April, 1971 ... ..	619	
			3,256
2,637			
	<b>Income and Expenditure Account</b> ...		
27,759	Balance as at 1st May, 1970 ... ..	25,027	
2,732	Less Excess of Expenditure over Income for year ended		
	30th April, 1971 ... ..	3,381	
			21,646
25,027			

## NOTE :

There are items of capital expenditure which have yet to be quantified, for which no reserve has been made in these accounts. These items include the provision of floodlighting, the additional cost of providing seating at Cardiff Arms Park and the extension made to the Clubhouse.

## TO THE MEMBERS OF CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

We, the undersigned, having had access to all the Books, and Accounts, Funds and Effects of the Cardiff Athletic Club and examined the foregoing Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account, and verified same with the Accounts and Vouchers relating thereto, hereby sign the same as being correct, duly vouched and in accordance with the Club Rules.

HARVEY PREEN & CO.  
Chartered Accountants

CARDIFF  
10th August, 1971

£63,593

£64,112

as at 30th April, 1971

1970 £	ASSETS	£	£
15,000	<b>Clubhouse</b> at written down value ... ..		15,000
4,378	<b>Head Groundsman's Flat</b> —Sophia Gardens ... ..		4,378
	<b>Clubhouse—Furniture, Fittings and Equipment</b>		
1,027	From Last Account ... ..	1,027	
	Additions ... ..	446	
		1,473	
1,027	Less Depreciation ... ..	249	
			1,224
925			
1,186	<b>Pavilion, Sophia Gardens—Furniture, Fittings and Equipment</b>		
	From Last Account ... ..	1,186	
	Additions ... ..	21	
		1,207	
1,186	Less Depreciation ... ..	239	
			968
1,067			
25	<b>Bowls Pavilion</b> ... ..		25
	<b>Motor Roller, Mowers, etc.</b>		
1,246	From Last Account ... ..	1,315	
69	Additions ... ..	280	
		1,595	
1,315	Less Depreciation ... ..	582	
			1,013
1,052			
70	<b>Office Furniture</b> ... ..		55
	<b>Investments</b>		
17,000	Local Authority Loans ... ..	17,000	
2,100	Target Preference Share Fund—8,400 units ... ..	2,100	
1,500	3% Savings Bonds 1965-75 ... ..	1,500	
	Arms Park (Cardiff) Greyhound Racing Co. (1956) Ltd.—		
100	200 Ordinary of 5p.—Shares fully paid ... ..	100	
57	South Wales & Mon. Trustee Savings Bank ... ..	58	
6,087	South Wales & Mon. Special Investment Department ... ..	6,422	
1,689	Lloyds Bank Limited—Deposit Account ... ..	1,776	
			28,956
28,533			
	<b>Current Assets</b>		
3,007	Stocks ... ..	3,714	
4,131	Sundry Debtors ... ..	4,119	
1,193	Recoverable Expenditure re Cardiff Arms Park ... ..	1,193	
	<b>LOYDS BANK LIMITED</b>		
3,733	Current Accounts ... ..	2,855	
539	Cash in Hand ... ..	612	
			12,493

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## **CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

**Report for Season 1970-71**

**1st XV.**

For a Chairman to attempt to write a report on the Club's past season's activities without the statistical help from that Historian Extraordinary, Mr. Danny (Massa) Davies, would be like sailing a boat in a desert, so I am grateful for his help and remarks many of which I have included in this Report.

The most notable feature of the Rugby Club's 1970-71 season was the Opening of the Welsh National Stadium on 17th October, 1970 and our New Club Ground on 31st October, 1970. The former was commemorated by a match between Wales and the R.F.U. President's XV, and the latter between Cardiff and the W.R.U. President's XV. These events were the culmination of long drawn out negotiations between many bodies, but in the main between the Welsh Rugby Union, the Cardiff Athletic Club, the Cardiff City Corporation and the Glamorgan County Cricket Club.

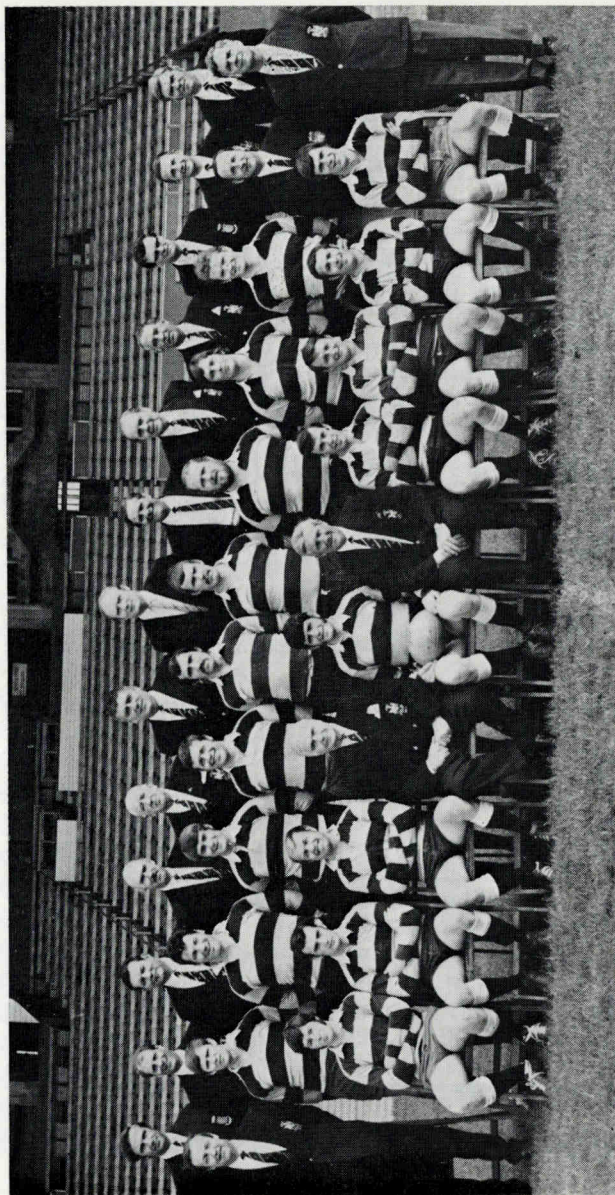
So far as the Rugby Club was concerned, these events created a further and notable landmark in its history since 1876.

In fact, it has been said that it was the next great step in the life of the City of Cardiff since Cathays Park was laid out and when Cardiff became a City in 1905.

The great occasion of the Opening of the New Ground was not blessed by fine weather although the rain held off during the game. It was blessed, however, by many Rugby Guests, including Mr. Kenneth Harris who was kind enough to provide the opposition with a President's Team, selected by Mr. Cliff Jones, Chairman of the Welsh 'Big Five.'

The match was preceded by a Trampoline display by the students of the Cardiff Training College, with a bevy of very attractive young girls in Cardiff jerseys selling programmes to the willing and not so willing members and spectators. The lovely programme sellers provided one difficulty because they all wanted to wear the No. 10 jersey.





Back row:

D. J. HAYWARD, R. BISH, C. T. HOWE, G. L. PORTER, A. T. THOMAS, M. COLLINS, K. A. ROWLANDS, P. T. GOODFELLOW,

Centre row:

L. M. SPENCE, T. L. WILLIAMS, P. NYHAN, B. MARK, A. D. S. BOWES,

Front row:

L. L. WILLIAMS, S. WATKINS, M. KNILL, A. FINLAYSON, G. WALLACE, L. BAXTER, I. ROBINSON, M. BRAITHWAITE, R. LANE, M. JOHN,

Not included in photograph:

A. J. PRIDAY, T. HOLLEY, R. WILLIAMS, J. REGAN, A. D. WILLIAMS, H. JOHNSON (Chairman), J. HICKEY (Captain), W. H. WILKINS (Hon. Secretary), D. HOYLE, P. L. JONES, G. SAMUEL, G. DAVIES,

Not included in photograph: R. BEARD, N. COLLINS, M. DAVIES, G. EDWARDS, B. JOHN.

A very happy moment, without nostalgia, was when the following Past Captains of the Club were introduced and received great applause :

Messrs D. E. Davies, Tom Lewis, Tommy Stone, L. M. Spence, W. Wooller, Dr. Jack Matthews, Bleddyn Williams, Bill Tamplin, Rex Willis, Malcom Collins, Peter Goodfellow, Eddie Thomas, Lloyd Williams, David Hayward, Meirion Roberts, Keith Rowlands, Howard Norris and John O'Shea.

My apologies to Peter Goodfellow and Lloyd Williams for excluding their names in the Rugby Report circulated to members.

The Lord Mayor, Alderman T. E. Merrells, kicked off, with rugby aplomb, but just failed to land the ball through the posts into the Flats.

The game that followed was a happy and entertaining one. Cardiff failed to be the perfect hosts and ran out winners by 17 points to 8.

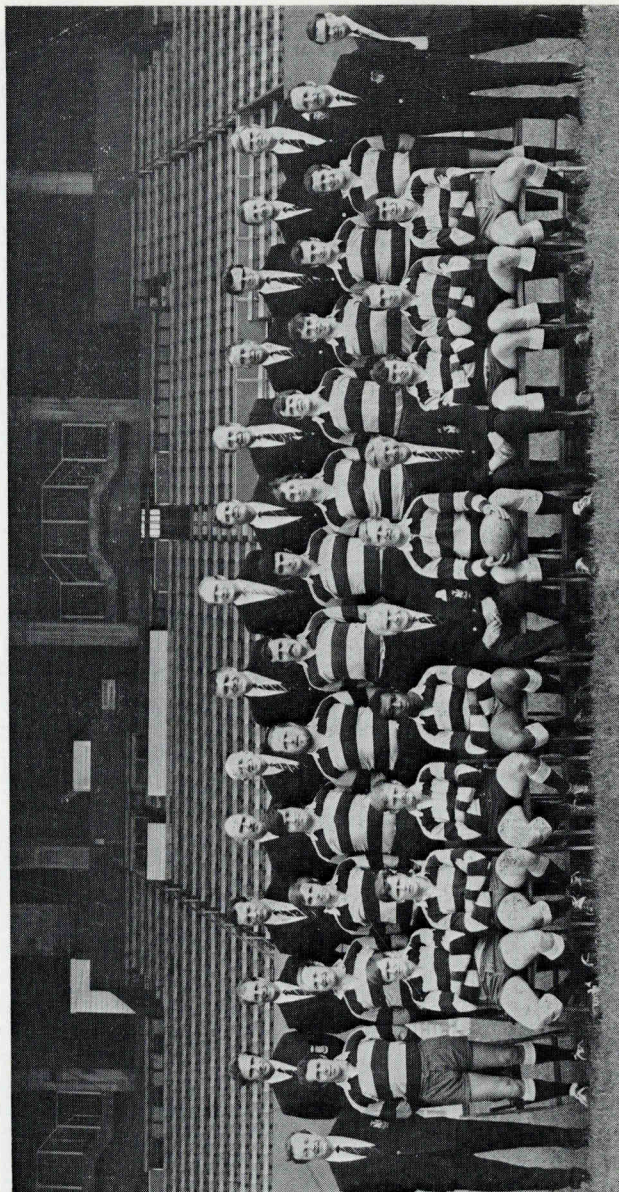
A Celebration Dinner was held at the Park Hotel in the evening, followed by a Dance, which, I believe, was a very happy and successful occasion.

The playing surface has justified the expensive work it received and has provided, judging by the Players' opinion, one of the best playing areas in our long playing history, in its first year. With more work this summer we can be assured of our playing future.

The First Team's playing record revealed that we made somewhat of an indifferent start, and had lost six and drawn three by the end of November, but the most bitter cross to bear was the defeat of the Club in France at the hands of Provence d'Auvergne on November 11th by the biggest defeat in our history by 41 points to 6. I am sure, with the knowledge of our strong fixture list in mind (hardest in the country?) and the calls on Players, our Committee will in future investigate the strength of the opposition before sending teams to France to play Representative, Provincial and other very strong French combinations and so avoid damage to our reputation. They are very serious encounters these days.



# CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB (Athletic XV)—Season 1970-71



*Back row*

*Centre row*

*Front row*

D. J. HAYWARD, R. BISH, C. T. HOWE, G. L. PORTER, A. T. THOMAS, M. COLLINS, K. A. ROWLANDS, P. T. GOODFELLOW, L. M. SPENCE, T. L. WILLIAMS, P. NYHAN, B. MARK, A. D. S. BOWES, L. L. WILLIAMS, J. UZZELL, A. D. WILLIAMS, J. POWELL, W. ATWILL, M. BRAITHWAITE, L. BAXTER, P. KALLONAS, R. LANE, E. WILLIAMS, D. HOYLE, J. REGAN, G. SAMUEL, A. J. PRIDAY, K. HARSE, S. WATKINS, B. NECK, T. STEPHENSON, C. SMITH, H. JOHNSON (Chairman), J. DAVIES (Captain), W. H. WILKINS (Hon. Secretary), P. THOMAS, J. HARDING, G. DAVIES.

*Not included in photograph: H. NORRIS, P. DAVIES, J. H. JAMES, I. LEWIS.*

From December there was an improvement, and only four more matches were lost up to the end of the season and but for two of these, against Gloucester and the Barbarians in early April, we might have finished third in the un-official Championship table. We lacked the services of our two great players, Barry John and Gareth Edwards for more than half of our matches, but by the end of the season, young players began to show signs of maturity and we can expect much in the future from Gary Samuel, Neil Collins, Alex Finlayson, not forgetting young Martin Pengilley and Steve McCann from our Junior XV amongst the backs. Brian Neck and David Hoyle, if available, will be assets. We also have experienced forwards in the Captain elect, John H. James (who played in three Varsity games for Cambridge), Mervyn John, Mike Knill and Roger Lane who may catch the eyes of the Welsh Selectors next season.

In spite of our indifferent start, we had the best of things against the Welsh Champions Bridgend, Llanelli and our friendly rivals Newport, as the table of results show. The most extraordinary feature of the latter being the amazing feat of Barry John dropping four goals against his former team Llanelli on 28th November, with an obvious hesitation to drop an almost certain fifth he changed his mind and just failed by inches to score near the posts.

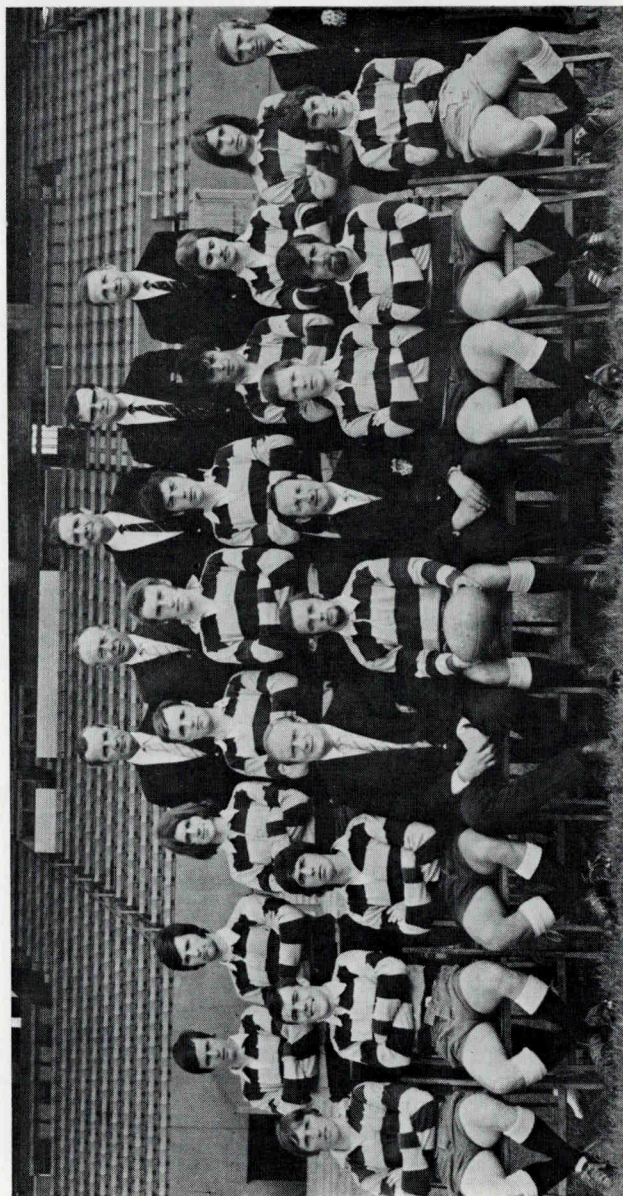
The table of results showed that we Played 44, Won 29, Lost 10 and Drew 5 with 699 points For (Oh! for one more to have made 700) and 429 Against. There were a large number of penalty goals against us, 46—some of which can be attributed to the variation in the Laws in recent seasons.

Barry John was top scorer with 114 points (David Hoyle got 83 in 19 matches) and the top try scorers were: P. L. Jones 15, N. Collins and R. Lane 13 each and John Bevan's 11 tries in 10 matches. Roger Lane's 13 equalled that for a forward which was set up by Mervyn John in 1968-69.

Ian Robinson played in all matches except one, 43 in all. Our hard working Captain ran him very close until he suffered injury late in the season, nevertheless, John Hickey played



# CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB (Junior XV) — Season 1970-71



Back row:  
Middle row:  
Front row:

G. DONOVAN, L. JONES, P. T. GOODFELLOW, P. NYHAN, B. MARK.  
R. ELLIOTT, D. MORRIS, S. GREY, M. PENGILLEY, R. MACPHERSON, J. JENKINS, A. BRAHIM, P. JONES, C. BRADSHAW, W. DAVIES.  
P. JONES, R. DIAMOND, R. HARRIS, K. A. ROWLANDS (Chairman), S. MCCANN (Captain), A. J. PRIDAY (Hon. Secretary), D. FRANCIS, P. HARDY, P. MCCARTHY.

in 36 and no player could have tried harder for his team, showing a great example in fitness and leadership. Others who played more than 30 games were Roger Lane with 38, Tony Williams 36, Mervyn John and Mike Knill 32 and Meirion Davies 31. Tony Williams was only one short of 300 for his Club, but our most unlucky player must surely be Howard Norris, who, requiring only four 1st team games to beat Alun Priday's record of 410, suffered a long injury in the early part of the season, but failed to get the Selector's support later, and only played two more games, although having played 15 times for the Athletic and acting as Captain during the long injury of John Davies.

An innovation with the future in mind was to play Bective Rangers under floodlights on the Friday night prior to the Wales-Ireland game, and the Wasps on the morning of the Wales-Fiji game.

The team re-visited Cornwall after many years' absence, winning the three games in fine style and scoring 86 points.

In our 'Sevens' encounters we survived only one round in the Harlequins Tournament and only two in the 'Snelling', being knocked out by Newport in the semi-final. This latter, however, meant that we would take part in the National Sevens next August. The Press reported generally on 'Sevens', that Cardiff had rarely put their best teams into the Sevens Field leaving, shall I say, the Club's policy makers with food for thought.

The Club's heartiest congratulations go to John Bevan, Gareth Edwards and Barry John, not only for their successful participation in Wales' Triple Crown Season, but on their successful selection for the forthcoming British Lions Tour to Australia and New Zealand.

New Caps were awarded to: Neil Collins, Meirion Davies, Gareth Edwards, Mike Knill, Roger Lane, Gary Samuel and Gerald Wallace.

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC XV

The final record for the season was: Played 31, Won 22, Lost 6; Drawn 3. Points for, 541; Against, 254.



This is a very similar record to that of 1969-70 when only 6 matches were lost, but John Davies' team of 1969-70 scored more points *i.e.* 656.

Three matches were won by more than 40 points scored. Old Penarthians 41-6, Barry 52-0 and Cwmgwrach 41-3.

John Uzzell was top scorer with 65 points from goals and tries, including 8 goals in the match against Barry, and Lyn Jones and Nick Williams achieved the rare distinction of scoring 6 tries in a match, the former against Cwmgwrach and the latter against Llanelli Wanderers.

The top try scorers were Neil Collins with 11, Nick Williams, 10, Stuart Watkins with 8 and P. Lyn Jones with 7. J. H. James, D. Ken Jones, Ian Lewis and John Regan each scored 5 tries.

John Davies, Captain of the 'Rags' for the third season in succession, was injured in the match with Bridgend Sports on February 6th and C. H. Norris most adequately took over and indeed, was leader of the 'Rags' pack for most of the Matches in which he played. Howard was therefore a most loyal deputy for the Captain and played 15 matches for the Athletic team after he had recovered from a bad leg injury when playing for the Premiers in the Opening Match against the South Wales Police on 5th September.

Elwyn Williams (who has played more than 300 matches for the 1st team) had 21 games, and the next in numbers were Bill Atwill 17, John Davies 16, John Harding 16, Carl Smith 16, John Uzzell 16 and Howard Norris 15.

It is pleasing to note that at least six of our Junior Team played for the Athletic team, they were : Paul Jones, Roger Harris, Steve McCann, Alan Price, Martin Pengilley and Steve Solman. We wish them well in their future seasons with Cardiff. Martin Pengilley scored 11 points for the 1st XV on his debut against Aberavon in the last month of the season.

One of the most interesting items of the 'Rags' season was the very hurriedly arranged match with the French Club Stade Clermontoise on 28th December, 1970, the morning of the Cardiff-Bath match. The Athletic won

11 points to 9. It was almost a last minute arrangement as the French Club had been let down with another Welsh Club. The French party were made Honorary members of the Club for their stay in Cardiff and I am sure they enjoyed their first visit to Cardiff under the guidance of Lucien Picquet.

Roy Bish turned out for the 'Rags' against Barry in the last match of the season.

Athletic Caps were awarded to Peter Davies, David Hoyle, Ian Lewis, John Regan and Stuart Watkins.

After 3 years of meritorious Captaincy, John Davies announced his retirement. He will be missed on and off the field for his sincerity, enthusiasm and sportsmanship. The Club needs men of his integrity and we wish him all good fortune and convey our thanks for his loyalty and efforts on behalf of the 'Rags'.

## JUNIOR XV REPORT

*Captain:* Steve McCann.

<i>P</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>
26	23	0	3	624	86

After such a successful season it is difficult to know where to begin when discussing the Junior XV.

This third year of the squad system saw substantial development of the older players into mature footballers, almost ready to challenge their more illustrious Seniors.

Only three games were lost, and one of those to a combined Bristol Youth side more equipped to playing the Athletic rather than the Juniors, and to the equally talented Pontypool and Llanelli Youth sides.

For the first time for some years the Club was again honoured with International Selection, Steve McCann, our Captain, went on to Captain both Cardiff District and Wales, along with Roger Harris, Martin Pengilley and David Morris.

Twelve of the squad played in District Representative football that took the Cardiff District to the Semi-Finals of the Crawshay Cup, and the season was rounded off most handsomely by convincing wins in both the Cardiff and District and Bridgend & District Competitions. Our Annual Tour once again took us to pastures new, fields



foreign, when we played and defeated Devon County Youth at Paignton. The Tour was again a wholehearted success and our thanks go again to Messrs Geddes and McCarthy for their continued support. The Juniors wouldn't be the same without them.

Colours were awarded to : M. Pengilly, S. McCann, P. McCarthy, S. Grey, J. Pittard, R. MacPherson and A. Brahim.

Top Try Scorer—David Morris 25. Top Points Scorers : David Morris 126. Martin Pengilly 109.

Player of the Year—Bobby Diamond.

Secretary/Coach Alun Priday and his hardworking Committee, and Weldon Davies, our trainer, must be congratulated for producing, encouraging and stimulating this particular bunch of young men who have carried the Club Flag as high as it has ever flown, both on and off the field.

I am glad of this opportunity to thank all Committee members for the sterling and efficient work they have produced for the Club. Following Mr. Frank Trott, who withdrew after 15 years, Mr. Haydn Wilkins took on the heavy task of Hon. Secretary and carried out his many duties smoothly and efficiently as to the manner born.

The Vice Chairman, Mr. Colin Howe, was also Chairman of Selectors, with his Committee of Messrs Lloyd Williams, Roy Bish, Malcolm Collins, David Hayward (*Coach*), John Hickey (*Captain*), Gareth Edwards (*Vice-Captain*) and John Davies (*Captain Athletic IV*)—I wonder if it is generally realised that for Selectors, a fixture list of 44 matches means 44 extra meetings, plus the normal 21 main Committee Meetings. They are to be congratulated on their efforts. David Hayward also wrote the Programme notes, which were, I am sure, appreciated by all readers.

Mr. Colin Howe, Chairman and Mr. Brian Mark, Secretary of the Social Sub-Committee, and members Messrs. A. T. Thomas, G. L. Porter, R. F. Trott, A. J. Priday, K. A. Rowlands and A. D. S. Bowes met frequently to arrange the various functions, which included the Celebration Dinner after the opening of the New Ground.

The work of the Fixture Secretary, Mr. K. A. Rowlands, with members, Messrs T. L. Williams, L. M. Spence, P. T. Goodfellow and W. H. Wilkins, will speak for itself over the years to come. Mr. L. M. Spence is also our W.R.U.

representative and Mr. Bowes, the President of Glamorgan County Rugby Club.

Once again Stanley (unsinkable) Bowes was the Organiser of the Annual re-union of the Cardiff v New Zealand, November 21st, 1953 players and officials, and as usual a well attended happy night of memories ensued.

The Junior XV was under the Chairmanship of Mr. K. A. Rowlands, Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. J. Priday and Committee-men, Messrs B. Mark, P. T. Goodfellow, P. Nyhan, L. Jones and G. Donovan.

In all, a fine, hard working, loyal bunch of rugby lovers.

The new General Secretary, Mr. K. H. George, accepted the responsibility of the organisation of the security and running of the new ground at all Home Matches. He was ably assisted by Mr. John Grubenman, who was in charge of stewarding.

The Club would like once again to pay tribute to the Office Staff, Miss Anne Davies, Miss Susan Allen and Miss Angela Donovan (who has just left the Club) for their unstinted loyalty and efficiency in dealing with the multitude of duties in direct respect of the Rugby Club.

The Committee's thanks go to the ever obliging Miss Filer and staff, where nothing was too much trouble on behalf of the team.

Also to our new Senior Groundsman, Mr. Bill Hardiman and his merry men who are taking a great interest in proving that we will always have a first class playing surface.

Appreciation to the Hon. Medical Officers, Messrs. J. H. Naysmith, K. Young, A. Williams and H. Evans and Hon Masseurs, Messrs, T. Holley, K. Harse, W. Davies and D. Reed for their ministrations to the players both on and off the field.

I would like to conclude by thanking my colleagues and all Members for their unstinted support of their great Club, and the recognition of the City Council through our Lord Mayor, Alderman T. E. Merrells, his colleagues and the many high ranking Civil servants who have helped, and I am sure will continue to help this fine History making Club in the centre of this Capital City.

HUBERT JOHNSON

*Chairman*



# RECORD OF RESULTS—SEASON 1970-71

## CARDIFF FIRST FIFTEEN

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score for					Score against						
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.
1970															
Sept. 5	South Wales Police ..	H	Won	3	...	2	...	21	2	...	...	...	...	...	10
" 9	Bristol ..	H	Won	...	2	...	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	...	5
" 12	London Welsh ..	H	Won	1	...	1	...	8	...	...	...	1	...	...	3
" 16	Ebbw Vale ..	H	Lost	1	2	...	...	11	2	1	...	2	...	...	19
" 19	Coventry ..	H	Won	1	...	3	...	14	...	3	...	1	...	...	12
" 23	Pontypool ..	H	Won	1	6	...	1	26	...	1	...	...	...	...	3
" 26	Aberavon ..	A	Won	...	2	1	1	12	1	2	...	...	...	...	11
Oct. 3	Newport ..	H	Dra'n	...	1	...	1	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	6
" 7	Penarth ..	A	Won	3	6	...	1	36	...	1	...	3	...	...	12
" 10	Northampton ..	A	Lost	...	...	1	...	3	1	1	...	2	...	...	14
" 14	Pontypool ..	A	Dra'n	...	...	...	2	6	...	...	2	...	...	...	6
" 17	Cambridge University	A	Lost	...	1	...	1	6	2	3	...	1	...	...	22
" 21	Pontypridd ..	H	Cancelled by mutual consent												
" 24	Newbridge ..	H	Won	3	3	...	3	33	...	2	...	...	...	...	6
" 28	Maesteg ..	A	Lost	...	2	1	...	9	2	2	...	...	...	...	16
" 31	W.R.U. Presidents XV	H	Won	1	...	1	3	17	1	1	...	...	...	...	8
Nov. 4	Penygraig (F.L.) Wed	A	Won	1	3	...	...	14	...	1	...	...	...	...	3
" 7	Oxford University ..	H	Dra'n	...	1	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	3
" 11	Provence D'Auvergne*	A	Lost	...	1	...	1	6	4	5	1	1	...	...	41
" 14	Newport ..	A	Lost	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	2	...	...	...	6
" 21	Wasps (a.m.) K.O. ..	H	Won	2	8	...	1	37	2	...	...	...	...	...	10
" 28	Llanelli ..	H	Won	...	...	4	...	12	...	1	...	2	...	...	9
Dec. 5	Swansea ..	A	Lost	1	...	...	...	5	2	1	...	...	...	...	13
" 12	Harlequins ..	A	Won	3	1	...	1	21	1	...	3	...	...	...	14
" 19	St. Luke's College	H	Won	3	5	...	...	30	1	...	1	...	...	...	8
" 26	Liverpool ..	H	Won	3	...	...	1	18	...	...	1	...	...	...	3
" 28	Bath ..	H	Won	1	4	1	2	26	1	1	...	1	...	...	11
1971															
Jan 9	Coventry ..	A	Won	1	1	...	4	20	3	...	...	...	...	...	15
" 15	Leicester F.L. (Fri.)	H	Won	...	1	...	3	12	1	...	1	...	...	...	8
" 23	Bridgend ..	A	Won	1	1	...	1	11	...	...	1	...	...	...	3
" 30	Aberavon ..	H	Cancelled - wet state of ground												
Feb. 12	Bristol (Fri.) ..	A	Lost	...	1	...	1	6	2	1	...	...	...	...	13
" 20	Newport ..	H	Won	1	...	1	3	17	...	...	3	...	...	...	9
" 26	Llanelli (Fri.) ..	A	Dra'n	...	...	1	1	6	...	...	2	...	...	...	6

## Cardiff First Fifteen—continued

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score for					Score against						
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.
Mar. 6	Newport .. ..	A	Won	2	..	..	1	..	13	1	1	..	..	..	8
„ 12	Bective Ran. F.L. (Fri.)	H	Won	2	3	..	1	..	22	..	..	..	..	..	0
„ 17	Pontypridd F.L. (Wed.)	H	Won	..	2	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	0
„ 20	Swansea .. ..	H	Won	1	2	2	1	..	20	1	..	..	2	..	11
„ 31	Bridgend .. ..	H	Dra'n	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	3
April 3	Gloucester .. ..	A	Lost	..	1	..	1	..	6	..	2	..	3	..	15
„ 10	Barbarians .. ..	H	Lost	..	1	..	2	..	9	1	1	..	1	..	11
„ 12	Harlequins .. ..	H	Won	5	4	..	..	..	37	2	..	..	2	..	16
„ 17	Penzance-Newlyn ..	A	Won	4	3	..	..	..	29	..	..	1	1	..	6
„ 19	Penryn .. ..	A	Won	..	2	1	3	..	18	1	..	..	3	..	14
„ 20	St. Ives .. ..	A	Won	3	7	..	1	..	39	..	..	..	2	..	6
„ 28	Aberavon .. ..	H	Won	6	2	..	..	..	36	1	2	..	..	..	11
	TOTALS .. ..			54	79	15	49	..	699	36	36	2	45	..	429

Record for Season : Played 44, Won 29, Lost 10, Drawn 5.

Captain : JOHN HICKEY.

## Seven-a-Side Tournaments

### Harlequins Invitation Sevens

5.9.70	Dublin Wanderers ..	Won	2	1	...	...	13	1	...	...	...	5
	Harlequins ..	Lost	1	...	...	...	5	3	1	...	...	18

### Snelling Sevens

24.4.71	Newbridge ..	Won	2	3	...	...	19	1	...	...	...	5
	Neath ..	Won	2	2	...	...	16	3	...	...	...	15
	Newport ..	Lost	1	...	...	...	5	...	3	1	...	12

### Welsh National Sevens

1.5.71 Rearranged — To be staged on Saturday, 28th August, 1971.

### Extra Scratch, Charity Matches, etc.

30.9.70	Pyle ..	A	Dra'n	2	...	1	...	9	1	...	2	1	...	...	9
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- Notes : 1. Nov. 4th....Penygraig (*Penygraig's New Ground Celebrations*).  
2. Sept. 30th....Pyle (*in aid of Harry Brothers Memorial Fund*).  
3. F.L. (*Flood Light Matches*).  
4. \* Auvergne (*Played at Clermont Ferrand*).

# CARDIFF ATHLETIC FIFTEEN

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score for					Score against						
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.
1970															
Sept. 5	Old Penarthians ..	A	Won	7	2	..	..	..	41	..	..	1	1	..	6
" 9	Bristol Utd. ..	A	Lost	..	..	..	..	..	0	1	1	1	1	..	14
" 12	Neath Athletic ..	A	Won	1	1	..	3	..	17	..	1	..	1	..	6
" 16	Barry (sg) ..	H	Won	8	2	..	2	..	52	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 19	Coventry Extra 1sts	A	Won	1	2	1	2	..	20	1	1	1	..	..	11
" 24	Treorchy ..	A	Lost	1	..	..	1	..	8	1	..	1	4	..	20
" 26	Pontypool Utd. (sg)	H	Won	1	..	..	2	..	11	..	..	..	2	..	6
Oct. 3	Newport Utd. ..	A	Lost	..	1	..	2	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	10
" 7	Cwmgrwrach (sg) ..	H	Won	4	7	..	..	..	41	..	..	..	1	..	3
" 10	Harlequin Wands. (sg)	H	Won	2	1	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	2	..	6
" 17	Llantwit Major (sg)	H	Won	3	2	..	..	..	21	2	..	..	2	..	16
" 24	Cwmgrwrach ..	A	Won	2	6	..	..	..	28	1	..	..	1	..	8
" 31	Porthcawl (sg) ..	H	Dra'n	..	2	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	2	..	6
Nov. 7	Llantwit Major ..	A	Won	..	4	..	..	..	12	..	..	1	..	..	3
" 14	Cardiff H.S.O. Boys (sg)	H	Canceled	Wet state of ground											
" 18	Cwmbran ..	A	Canceled	Wet state of ground											
" 21	Taibach ..	A	Won	..	2	..	3	..	15	..	1	..	3	..	12
" 28	Llanelli Wanderers ..	A	Won	2	2	..	..	..	16	1	..	..	..	..	5
Dec. 5	Swansea Athletic (sg)	H	Won	1	4	..	..	..	17	1	..	..	1	..	8
" 12	Treorchy .. (sg)	H	Won	2	..	..	1	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 19	Neath Athletic (sg)	H	Lost	..	2	..	1	..	9	1	..	..	3	..	14
" 28	Stade Clermontoise *	H	Won	1	1	..	1	..	11	..	3	..	..	..	9
1971															
Jan. 9	Coventry Extra 1sts(sg)	H	Won	1	3	..	..	..	14	..	1	..	..	..	3
" 23	Newport HSO Boys (sg)	H	Canceled	Wet state of ground											
" 30	Aberavon Quins ..	A	Lost	..	..	..	..	..	0	1	1	..	..	..	8
Feb. 6	Bridgend Sports (sg)	H	Won	5	4	..	..	..	37	1	..	..	1	..	8
" 13	Bristol United (sg)	H	Dra'n	..	2	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	6
" 20	Wasps Vandals ..	A	Dra'n	..	2	..	1	..	9	..	1	..	2	..	9
" 27	Llanelli Wanderers (sg)	H	Won	3	7	..	..	..	36	..	1	..	..	..	3
Mar. 6	Newport United (sg)	H	Won	1	1	..	2	..	14	..	2	..	2	..	12
" 20	Swansea Athletic ..	A	Won	..	2	3	1	..	18	1	..	..	1	..	8
" 24	Cardiff H.S.O.B. (sg)	H	Won	1	2	..	1	..	14	1	..	..	1	..	8

# Cardiff Athletic Fifteen—continued

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score for					Score against						
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.
April 3	Gloucester United (SG)	H	Won	1	2	2	..	..	17	..	3	..	1	..	12
„ 7	Cwmbran .. (SG)	H	Lost	1	..	..	1	..	8	1	1	..	2	..	14
„ 10	Barry .. ..		Won	2	3	..	..	..	19	..	1	..	2	..	9
	TOTALS .. ..			50	68	6	23	..	541	16	17	5	36	..	254

(sg) Sophia Gardens.

\* Scratch match which was hurriedly arranged.

Record for Season : Played 31, Won 22, Lost 6, Drawn 3.

Captain : JOHN DAVIES.



## CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS - Rugby - First XV

Captain		Vice-Captain	
1876-7	T. S. DONALDSON SELBY	1876-7	W. D. PHILLIPS
1877-8	E. C. FRY	1877-8	W. D. PHILLIPS
1878-9	R. H. FOA	1878-9	W. D. PHILLIPS
1879-80	W. D. PHILLIPS	1879-80	B. E. GIRLING
1880-1	W. D. PHILLIPS	1880-1	B. E. MANN
1881-2	B. E. GIRLING	1881-2	W. D. PHILLIPS
1882-3	W. D. PHILLIPS	1882-3	W. H. TREATT
1883-4	H. J. SIMPSON	1883-4	W. D. PHILLIPS
1884-5	F. J. SIMPSON	1884-5	W. D. PHILLIPS
1885-6	F. E. HANCOCK	1885-6	A. F. HILL
1886-7	W. M. DOUGLAS	1886-7	A. J. HYBART
1887-8	G. A. YOUNG	1887-8	A. F. HILL
1888-9	A. F. HILL	1888-9	C. S. ARTHUR
1889-90	C. S. ARTHUR	1889-90	S. H. NICHOLLS
1890-1	W. E. O. WILLIAMS	1890-1	D. W. EVANS
1891-2	D. W. EVANS	1891-2	F. N. JONES
1892-3	T. W. PEARSON	1892-3	A. LEWIS
1893-4	N. BIGGS	1893-4	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
1894-5	A. F. HILL	1894-5	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
1895-6	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	1895-6	F. MILLS
1896-7	J. E. ELLIOT	1896-7	S. BIGGS
1897-8	S. BIGGS	1897-8	G. GWYN NICHOLLS
1898-9	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	1898-9	T. DORSON
1899-1900	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	1899-1900	H. P. HUSSEY
1900-1	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	1900-1	J. BLAKE
1901-2	H. B. WINFIELD	1901-2	D. L. BOWEN
1902-3	H. B. WINFIELD	1902-3	C. STRANAGHAN
1903-4	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	1903-4	F. BIGGS
1904-5	C. F. BIGGS	1904-5	W. NEILL
1905-6	PERCY F. BUSH	1905-6	GEO. NORTHMORE
1906-7	PERCY F. BUSH	1906-7	GEO. NORTHMORE
1907-8	RHYD T. GARE	1907-8	J. BROWN
1908-9	PERCY F. BUSH	1908-9	F. SMITH
1909-10	PERCY F. BUSH	1909-10	J. L. WILLIAMS
1910-11	L. M. DYKE	1910-11	R. A. GIBBS
1911-12	W. SPILLER	1911-12	L. M. DYKE
1912-13	W. J. JENKINS	1912-13	W. J. JENKINS
1913-14	W. J. JENKINS	1913-14	R. F. WILLIAMS
1914-15	European War	1914-15	European War
1915-16	F. COLE	1915-16	W. J. JENKINS
1916-17	W. J. POWELL	1916-17	R. A. CORNISH
1917-18	R. ARTHUR CORNISH	1917-18	I. RICHARDS
1918-19	Dr. T. WALLACE	1918-19	I. RICHARDS
1919-20		1919-20	
1920-21		1920-21	
1921-22		1921-22	
1922-23		1922-23	

# CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB

## Season 1970

## Chairman's Report

(Mr. J. D. H. Riches)

The year has seen certain changes in the administration of the section, there being a new Hon. Secretary, Mr. Alun Jones, and the Committee having elected me as their Chairman for the year, following the retirement of Mr. Jack Evans. Another change, to which I have reluctantly agreed, is that it is more fitting that the Report of the Committee should be given by the Chairman rather than by the Hon Secretary, and for this reason I am making this Report.

The Captains of the various teams in their respective Reports have dealt with the performances of their sides on the field during the past season and in this Report I therefore propose to deal largely with the administrative side of the section and the work done by the Committee during the past year.

The General Committee met on ten occasions during the year and the meetings were always well attended. In addition the Equipment Committee met once in the autumn to view the state of the equipment and to decide what was needed for the coming season. The Selection Committee met regularly once a week during the season and the members of this Committee spent many hours deliberating to decide the best teams to represent the club. At their first meeting the General Committee decided that there should be no separate Social Committee, but that future social functions should be organised by the General Committee as a whole. It is, perhaps fitting to report that at their first meeting the Committee took action with regard to the matter raised by Mr. Ossie Herbert at the last Annual General Meeting with regard to the danger of the boards forming the surround of the balcony of the Pavilion and it will have been noted that the boards have been filled in so that it is not possible for small children to climb up the surround.

The Committee have been considering actively the question of entry to a league. This club is in a difficult position, since there are four Saturdays in the year when our ground is not available to us because it is being used by Glamorgan for a championship match. There is, therefore, the problem of not being able to give home and away matches to all clubs who might enter a league, but a possible solution is that the Second XI would play both their matches against certain clubs away, where the opposing clubs have two grounds available, such as Bristol Imperial. Any entry to a league must not weaken our fixture list, if this can be avoided, and members will have noted that our fixture list has been strengthened gradually over the past few years. The fixture list for 1971 is probably even stronger than before and reflects great credit on our Hon. Secretary and his predecessors. However, with so many other clubs in the area joining leagues and alliances, it may well be



that in order to keep a fixture list of the required strength, we shall be forced to enter a league before very long. Representations have recently been made by the Newport Club to meet them to discuss the possible formation of a new league and it is hoped that representatives of your new Committee will meet representatives of the Newport Cricket Committee during November.

Your Committee have been particularly exercised during the year with regard to the use of Sophia Gardens for rugby. The position of the rugby section was made most difficult owing to the troubles which occurred in connection with the new Cardiff rugby ground at the Arms Park. The rugby section was forced to decide that only first XV matches could be played at the Arms Park and, accordingly, all Athletic XV and Youth matches are to be played at Sophia Gardens. Numerous meetings and discussions took place to decide the best position for the rugby pitch, having regard to all interests involved, and, after much heart-searching, your Committee agreed that the rugby pitch at Sophia Gardens for the Season 1970/71 should be in approximately the same position as for the previous season. While this means that rugby is played across the second cricket square, the main cricket ground including the outfield, is left untouched. This was considered the best alternative, having regard to the claims of County cricket and our 1st XI on the ground. Your Committee has also agreed, in view of the special circumstances, that rugby should be played at Sophia Gardens until the end of April. For this reason there will not be two cricket matches at Sophia Gardens in 1971 on the same day until June to allow the ground staff the whole of May to repair the second square after the rugby season. Your Committee have asked the Management Committee that the groundsmen should be given special instructions to give priority to the second square during May of next year so that it will be fit for play in June.

During last winter Mr. Hugh Williams acted as our representative on the Sub-Committee, with a member of the hockey section and the head groundsman, to decide on the fitness for play of the hockey ground at Sophia Gardens when there was any doubt. Apart from one occasion when Mr. Williams was not consulted and hockey was played on an unfit ground the arrangements worked well. The Ground Committee of the Athletic Club took the necessary action to reduce the number of hockey matches played in the immediate future after one pitch had been damaged, and the outfield recovered well for the cricket season.

It has disturbed your Committee to see the amount of press publicity which is given to the Saturday leagues and the local midweek leagues, whereas little or no publicity is given to clubs such as ourselves, who play only friendly matches. Representatives of your Committee have spoken to representatives of the press on the matter, but the answer made is always that priority will be given to the reporting of competitive cricket. However, your Committee will strive to obtain the maximum press coverage for our matches next season.

The club scoreboard has been a great cause of concern and the cannibalisation of the score box has not helped the position. Your Committee are now hopeful that the whole of the club's score box can be made mobile by being placed on a caravan chassis so that the score box can be placed nearer the field of play when the pitch is sited at the far end of the square from the pavilion. Your Committee are also investigating a change in the system of numbering so that this can be worked readily by the scorers from the inside of the score box which is not now possible except by a contortionist. During the year plates have been obtained for the second score board for use when two games are being played at Sophia Gardens. The thanks of the Committee are due to Mr. Harry Shewring for obtaining the steel plates and to Mr. K. D. Williams for arranging the painting of the plates. The plates were not received until the latter part of the season, but they have proved most satisfactory since they have been in use. The cost of the purchase of the plates and the painting thereof has been borne by our cricket section fund. Earlier in the season the Glamorgan County Cricket Club had kindly allowed us to use their number plates, when there were two games on the ground, and we are most grateful.

Your Committee also considered whether it would be possible and advisable to hold a cricket week in 1971 on similar lines to the cricket week held during the Centenary Year. In view of the difficulty in raising truly representative teams for midweek matches, it was decided that no cricket week would be held next season. During the past season the number of midweek games has been greatly reduced and this has eased the strain, not only on the captain of the 1st XI in trying to raise teams of sufficient strength, but also on our ladies who provide the catering.

Recently your Hon. Secretary and myself attended the first General Meeting of the Welsh Cricket Association at Llandrindod Wells. Mr. Alun Jones was appointed to the Executive Committee which will mean that this club will be kept in close touch with the activities of the Association. The Association is at the present time in its infancy and I do not see this club deriving any benefit from the Association in the immediate future. However, as the Association becomes more firmly established, it will be eligible to receive Government Grants either through the National Cricket Association or direct, presumably, from the Welsh Office. When this stage is reached it appears that it will be possible for this club to obtain Grants for youth coaching and other facilities for young cricketers. I, therefore, feel that this club, and all clubs in Wales, should take an active interest in the affairs of the Association.

Although I have said that I do not propose to deal with the playing aspect of the season in this report, I must record the pleasure of the Committee that the 1st XI won its first three matches in the National Club Knock-out Competition before being beaten by Cheltenham, who were the eventual winners of the Competition. The captain and his team are to be congratulated on doing so well and the club will be



taking part in this Competition again next year. I feel that with plenty of determination and a little luck there is no reason why the club should not go even further in the Competition next year.

On Friday evenings, during the season, the youth practice section was held and the Committee are most grateful to Mr. K. D. Williams for his unflagging zeal in connection with youth matters. We were also fortunate to obtain the services of Mr. Stan Montgomery as coach on some occasions and his wise counsel was greatly valued. The benefit which the club derives from fostering young players is being shown by the progress of junior members recently in the youth side who have played during the past season in the 1st and 2nd XIs.

The social activities of the section started with a dance at the Athletic Club last November. While those who attended had an enjoyable evening, the attendance was disappointingly small. There seemed to be a lack of interest on the part of members; also the timing of the dance was probably ill-advised following closely on the Annual Dinner and the Annual General Meeting. A cocktail party was held in March at Ty Maeth, as in recent previous years, and this again proved to be a great social and financial success. During the winter the House Committee of the Athletic Club organised an inter-section sports quiz in which we took part. After winning one round our team were beaten by the golf section, thanks to the skill of a former playing member of the cricket section, Mr. Ken Osment. At the request of members of the Athletic Club at the Annual General Meeting, held in September, 1969, the Management Committee set up an Entertainment Committee of the club on which two members of each section serve. Your Committee appointed Mr. David Herbert and Mr. Gwyn Stone to be the representatives of the cricket section on this Committee and their efforts to provide entertainment of a greater variety for the members of the club in general are much appreciated.

Finally, our Annual Dinner again proved a success and was enjoyed by all who attended. We heard speeches from visiting speakers, Mr. David Parry Jones and Mr. Don Shepherd, in addition to the speeches of the club captain, Mr. K. D. Williams and Mr. Wyndham Lewis, who proposed the health of the guests with his usual skill and fluency.

Your Committee are still concerned that there is not sufficient regular attendance at practice and the Committee hope that all playing members will make a special effort next season to attend at practice at least one night a week. The question of bar duty is also a continuing problem and it is apparent that the duties are being left to a small minority of members. Although the social functions were successful, there is an impression of apathy generally in the section. It is being left to a few willing and enthusiastic members to carry the burden and, if all members will make a greater effort to enter fully into the activities and work of the section, I feel sure that this will result not only in a more even distribution of labour, but also in greater success on the field.

Again next season the midweek matches are being curtailed to avoid over use of the ground and also to avoid the straining of our resources. However, we have now been awarded a fixture by M.C.C. which will take place every other year commencing in 1971 and Mr. Charles Chamberlain of Stroud has been appointed to manage the M.C.C. side. It is to be hoped that all members of the 1st XI will make a special effort to be available for this match next July.

During the summer a new General Secretary of the Athletic Club, Mr. Ken George, was appointed and we welcome him to the club. We thank him for his work for the section so far and the Committee also thank the head groundsman and his staff for their efforts on our behalf. I thank the Committee for their hard work and diligent attendance at meetings throughout the year and special mention must be made of our Hon. Secretary, Mr. Alun Jones. It is inevitable, that however much work other members of the Committee and the section may do, the bulk of the administration of the section must fall on the Hon. Secretary and we much appreciate his efforts on our behalf. Our ladies have again contributed greatly to our well being by serving delicious teas and on behalf of the Committee I thank all those members of the cricket section and others who during the past year, to a greater or lesser extent, have helped to keep the club flourishing.

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### Cricket Club Captain's Report

Played 27. Won 9. Lost 5. Drawn 12. Abandoned 1.

A large number of games were played with nearly half resulting in draws. This situation will certainly change with the formation of a new league and cricket played on an overs basis.

As many as 35 players represented the 1st XI. Without a settled side it must be difficult to be successful at all times. Only five members played in two thirds of the games or more. Thus a settled batting order was impossible with serious effects on individual batsmen. It may well be a more sensible policy to select those players who are available on all occasions.

It might be worth mentioning that net practice was very poorly attended — some first eleven players not even attending half a dozen nets throughout the summer. If selection depended on attendance at nets on either Monday or Thursday, then results might improve rapidly.

Five matches were lost, four of them on consecutive weekends to Newport, Bristol Imperial and Cheltenham (twice). On each occasion the batting was not good enough and the opposition was able to make the runs, batting second.

The second Cheltenham defeat was our exit from the National Knock-out Competition and they must be congratulated on their



success in the final at Lord's. We were a little unlucky to lose, but the opposition, who at one time barely expected to win, were a better equipped side.

The fifth defeat was a mid-week match against Wiltshire Moonrakers who were able to bowl us out for only 93, in spite of the fact that eight fairly regular players were available.

One reason for the large number of draws may have been the new opposition. In the case of Lansdown, Chippenham and Westbury, a cautious approach was adopted by both sides almost testing the opposition out and draws were inevitable.

It was only in the last four matches that easy wins were obtained against Ebbw Vale, Neath, Stroud and Hereford. In each case the wicket was worn and turned considerably. Cardiff were able to make runs in each case, but of the four sides mentioned only one could reach 100.

The outstanding individual player was again G. B. Shaw who took 26 wickets for 151 runs in the last four matches. On nine occasions in 27 games he took five or more wickets and only once in two years has he failed to take a wicket in a match. His total of 91 wickets was an outstanding achievement.

Of the other bowlers, Alan Priday bowled steadily with less success than in 1969. Ken Brown provided a welcome variation to the attack as a slow left armer and although not available often, he had two or three successful matches. John Solanky took time to settle down but a very good spell in the abandoned game with Newport showed his ability — 12 overs, 5 maidens, four wickets for 8 runs.

The batting averages show that the runs were well shared, but special mention must be made of Peter Stimpson who earned a contract with Worcestershire and his brother Alan who replaced him so ably.

John Solanky had a series of disappointing innings, but made three fifties in his last four innings. Seven players reached individual fifties, a great improvement on last year.

The fielding was no more than adequate, but Derek Pask, especially in the dry weather, seemed to keep better than in any of his seven years with the club.

The youth eleven has begun to make itself felt in the first team with Nigel Diggins and Alan Wilkins playing in several matches and performing creditably. Many others represented the other club sides with good results. Providing this side is allowed to play it can provide our first eleven with a regular supply of players.

An almost ever present umpire, Neil Baddeley and scorers Jack Evans, Alun Jones and Martyn Gallivan must be thanked for their services. The Ladies Committee deserve special mention for the teas they prepare so expertly. Finally, to the Vice-Captain David Herbert, Secretary, Alun Jones and most of all our Chairman, John Riches, many thanks for their help throughout the year.

K. D. WILLIAMS.

## FIRST XI (Averages) P 27 W 9 D 12 L 5 Ab. 1

BATTING	Inns.	Not out	Runs	Highest	Average
P. Stimpson	12	1	386	67	35.09
A. Stimpson	9	0	293	66	32.56
N. G. Rees	10	4	173	62	28.83
K. D. Williams	24	3	601	93	28.62
J. Solanky	14	2	326	58	27.16
R. Shah	8	1	156	44	22.29
A. J. Priday	18	7	240	66	21.82
D. O. Herbert	23	3	325	42	16.25
P. Sparkes	10	1	138	53	15.33
R. M. Thomas	14	1	159	44	12.23
R. H. Williams	11	3	96	26	12.00

BOWLING	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
K. Brown	66.1	5	200	18	11.11
G. B. Shaw	433.4	85	1016	91	11.16
K. D. Williams	49	9	149	12	12.42
J. Solanky	145.2	34	372	28	13.29
A. J. Priday	179.4	48	453	25	18.12
R. M. H. Thomas	124	30	279	10	27.90

## SECOND XI

The playing record reads:- games played 19; won 7; drawn 8; lost 3; abandoned 1; and it is true to say that 1970 turned out to be a season where the second eleven flattered only to deceive. Of the first eight games we recorded six victories and were very much on the right end of the two fixtures that were drawn, whereas in the final eleven games we managed only one victory, a number of boring draws and three losses. It is worth noting that so far as the drawn games were concerned, without our making any mammoth totals, on average we bowled nine overs less per fixture than our opponents, due primarily to the fact that we just did not score our runs at a quick enough pace whilst we were at the wicket. Our bowling, while being quite steady, unfortunately, usually lacked the penetration to dismiss the opposition in the shortened time available, with the inevitable inconclusive result.

We commenced the season with three successive eight wicket victories against Lydney, Chippenham and Bath. The combination of early season damp wickets coupled with the seam attack of Nick Billing,



# CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB 1st XI.—Season 1970



Back row:  
Front row:

A. T. JONES (Hon. Secretary), R. M. H. THOMAS, A. STIMPSON, D. J. PASK, R. H. WILLIAMS, J. SOLANKY, N. BADDELEY (Umpire),  
A. WILKINS, G. B. SHAW, D. O. HERBERT (Vice-Captain), K. D. WILLIAMS (Captain) A. J. PRIDAY, N. G. W. REES, R. H. SHAH.

Paul Griffiths and Malcolm Page proved too much for the opposition, and our batsmen had little trouble in scoring the runs required.

Against Bristol Imperial we played an overs game and with the runs and wickets being shared about we recorded a 108 run victory. Thanks to a good bowling performance by John Riches, who took 6-47, we bowled out Bristol University for 155, who, up until the last ball, were chasing our score of 181 for 4 wickets. Our main run getters in this game were Iqbal Azim and David Edwards who both passed fifty.

Between the two Bristol games draws were recorded at Lansdown, where we had half an hour against their last pair without being able to separate them, Eddie Donovan having scored 70. At St. Fagans, in a endeavour to let Iqbal Azim score a century (97 not out), our declaration was delayed too long and again we were unable to dismiss their last man. My thanks should be recorded to our other nameless colonial, who for reasons best known to himself, decided to monopolise the strike in the final twenty minutes of our innings with Iqbal needing about a dozen runs to obtain his ton. A seven wicket victory ensued against Keynsham where we passed their score of 146, thanks mainly to a solid fifty from Nigel Rees.

Drawn matches then took place against Newport, Bristol Imperial, Choristers, St. Fagans and Westbury-on-Trym. In these games Eddie Donovan, David Edwards and Iqbal Azim were among the runs, and Steven Cotter, John Riches and Brian Corbett picked up wickets when they were somewhat as a premium.

In the latter part of the season we seemed to run out of steam and lost against St. Fagans by 39 runs, Ebbw Vale by seven wickets and Hereford by six wickets where our batting was just not good enough. The only bright spot at this stage in the season was a nine wicket victory at Winget, where our openers Malcolm Page and Eddie Donovan only just failed to pass their total of 107 in just over the hour. It was a real pleasure to see the bat thrown at the ball in anger.

Of the people who represented the side regularly, the main run getters were Iqbal Azim (who averaged over 50 per innings), Eddie Donovan, David Edwards and Malcolm Page. The principal wicket takers were Nick Billing, John Riches, Paul Griffiths and Malcolm Page. It was especially pleasing to see Nick Billing as a leading wicket taker as he is a new young member of the side and it should be recorded that two others of the younger generation, Alan Stimpson and Nigel Diggins, were very soon lost by us in favour of the 1st XI.

My thanks to our umpire and scorer Peter Child and Jack Edwards for their 100% attendance and I know that on behalf of the side as a whole I must record a very hearty vote of thanks to the ladies for their unstinting efforts in preparing what is, without doubt, the best tea in South Wales club cricket.



**SECOND XI** Played 19 Won 7 Drawn 8 Lost 3 Abandoned 1

BATTING AVERAGES (Qualification 6 innings).

	Innings	Not out	Runs	Average
I Azim	8	2	324	54.0
D. Edwards	16	2	432	30.8
M. Page	10	4	170	28.3
E. Donovan	16	—	387	24.2
I. McLean	8	2	115	19.2
J. Herbert	9	4	82	16.4
P. Griffiths	6	2	56	14.0

BOWLING AVERAGES (Qualification 10 wickets).

	Overs	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. D. H. Riches	95	225	27	8.3
N. Billing	100	269	26	10.4
H. Williams	47	116	10	11.6
P. Griffiths	127	312	20	15.6
M. Page	116	311	17	18.3

## CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB CAPTAINS

From 1867 to 1876 there is no record of Captains.

1877	..	E. W. JONES	1923	..	T. R. MORGAN
1878	..	E. W. JONES	1924	..	H. W. TAYLOR
1879	..	E. W. JONES	1925	..	F. W. MATHIAS
1880	..	E. W. JONES	1926	..	N. V. H. RICHES
1881	}	Names of Captains not recorded	1927	..	N. V. H. RICHES
1882			1928	..	N. V. H. RICHES
1883			1929	..	A. N. MORGAN
1884	..	J. P. JONES	1930	..	A. N. MORGAN
1885	..	J. P. JONES	1931	..	N. V. H. RICHES
1886	..	J. P. JONES	1932	..	E. C. DOLMAN
1887	..	W. H. WILLIAMS	1933	..	G. L. RATTENBURY
1888	..	W. H. WILLIAMS	1934	..	J. T. MORGAN
1889	..	W. H. WILLIAMS	1935	..	J. T. MORGAN
1890	..	A. MORRIS	1936	..	F. W. MATHIAS
1891	..	A. MORRIS	1937	..	F. THOMAS
1892	..	W. H. BRAIN	1938	..	W. J. EVANS
1893	..	W. H. BRAIN	1939	..	L. G. JONES
1894	..	W. H. BRAIN	1940-45	..	2nd World War
1895	..	J. H. BRAIN	1946	..	W. J. EVANS
1896	..	J. H. BRAIN	1947	..	W. H. WILKINS
1897	..	J. G. CLARK	1948	..	J. D. RICHES
1898	..	J. G. CLARK	1949	..	G. GIBSON
1899	..	J. G. CLARK	1950	..	W. H. WILKINS
1900	..	J. H. BRAIN	1951	..	W. H. WILKINS
1901	..	J. H. BRAIN	1952	..	G. DAVIES
1902	..	J. G. CLARK	1953	..	G. DAVIES
1903	..	V. T. GILL	1954	..	W. H. WILKINS
1904	..	V. T. GILL	1955	..	G. K. WILBY
1905	..	J. P. CADOGAN	1956	..	G. W. WILBY
1906	..	A. GIBSON	1957	..	J. O. WEBB
1907	..	A. GIBSON	1958	..	J. PLEASS
1908	..	A. GIBSON	1959	..	J. PLEASS
1909	..	A. GIBSON	1960	..	J. O. WEBB
1910	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1961	..	J. O. WEBB
1911	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1962	..	A. THOMAS
1912	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1963	..	A. THOMAS
1913	..	J. HORSPOOL	1964	..	A. PRIDAY
1914	..	J. HORSPOOL	1965	..	A. PRIDAY
1915-18	..	European War	1966	..	A. PRIDAY
1919	..	J. HORSPOOL	1967	..	DR. P. GATEHOUSE
1920	..	H. G. SYMONDS	1968	..	D. O. HERBERT
1921	..	G. E. CORDING	1969	..	D. O. HERBERT
1922	..	G. E. CORDING	1970	..	K. D. WILLIAMS



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## **CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLS CLUB**

### **REPORT FOR 1970**

The Green was opened on Friday, 24th April, 1970 by W. A. Jones, Esq., President of the Welsh Private Greens Bowling Association (Eastern Section). Despite the inclement weather, a large attendance of members welcomed Mr. Jones, who in his remarks thanked the Club for their ever ready assistance to his Association throughout the years. The Private Green clubs always maintained a high standard of bowling played in the best spirit that the game demanded. He wished both Captains a happy and successful year in office. Mr. R. Gooding, Captain of the Club and Mr. E. B. Williams, Captain of the 'A' Team suitably responded.

The Chairman, Mr. F. W. Somers, then presented the Captains with their respective badges.

The playing season opened on May 3rd with games against our near neighbours, Cardiff Bowling Club. The first team travelling over the bridge to Sophia Gardens, whilst the 'A' team were at home to their second side.

Our defeat at the hands of our old rivals, Penylan, in the second of the W.B.A. games prevented us from proceeding further in the challenge for the Carruthers Shield. Of the 6 games played we won 4, drew 1 and lost 1.

In the P.G.1 games we met with great success, winning our Section and proceeding to defeat Dinas Powis in the Semi-final play off and then winning the final against Penylan to take possession of the William Tucker Memorial Cup.

Unfortunately, against the West Wales winners, Penclawdd, we came off second best, being unable to recover from a bad start.

P.G.1 results : Played 9 ; Won 7 ; Lost 2.

A welcome return to friendly fixtures, were the games against the Victoria Club (Weston-super-Mare), Ross-on-Wye and Caerleon.

A total of 25 friendly games were played during the season, of which 14 were won, 10 lost and 1 abandoned.

The 'A' side under their captain, Mr. E. B. Williams also enjoyed a very successful season. In the P.G.2 competition we succeeded in winning our Section, winning 7 games out of the 8 played. Our friends

# CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLS (First Team)—Season 1970

## Winners Welsh Private Greens (Eastern Section) No. 1 Tournament



Back row: R. ASHE, F. BARR, F. SOMERS (Chairman), C. WILLIAMS, S. JENKINS, L. HUGHES, J. H. WEBB (Asst. Hon. Secretary), K. ROWLANDS, M. GILMORE  
Middle row: D. S. DAVIES, S. HULL, R. GOODING (Captain), D. PRINCE, G. ARTHUR, S. STEPHENS, D. MORRIS, B. HAWKINS, P. RIDD, L. K. MORGAN.  
Front row:

Rhiwbina having won their section, both teams proceeded to the Llanbradach green on the 29th August to fight for possession of the Championship Bowl. The game resulted in a decisive win for Rhiwbina, the 'A' side winning on only 1 rink and drawing on another, while going down on the other 2 rink.

During the season we were privileged to stage the Welsh Private Greens B.A. game against the London & Southern Counties. Also our Green was once again the venue for the Glamorgan County B.A. finals, when excellent bowling was witnessed by a large number of spectators. We are pleased to report that our own Rink, comprising F. G. Barr lead, L. K. Morgan second, D. S. Davies third and M. C. Gilmore skip, were successful in winning the Glamorgan County Championship Fours.

Other honours brought to the Club during the season by members were:

**BRYN HAWKINS**—winner of the Welsh Open Singles at Dinas Powis. Also honoured once again by Wales at both the outdoor and indoor internationals.

**LES. HUGHES & STAN HULL**—Both winning a place in the Welsh Indoor International team.

**SYD. JENKINS**—Finalist in the Windsor 'Jack' Tournament.

The Club Competition winners' were:

	Winners	Runners-up
Championship	B. Hawkins	F. Barr
Handicap	L. HUGHES	F. BARR
Pairs	S. T. HULL J. RYAN	E. B. WILLIAMS B. TALLIS
W. T. Griffiths Salver (2 wood)	L. K. MORGAN	S. T. HULL

Triples Competition abandoned. Replaced by Special Singles Competition from 1971.

Umbrella Competition .... J. RYAN.

## Obituary

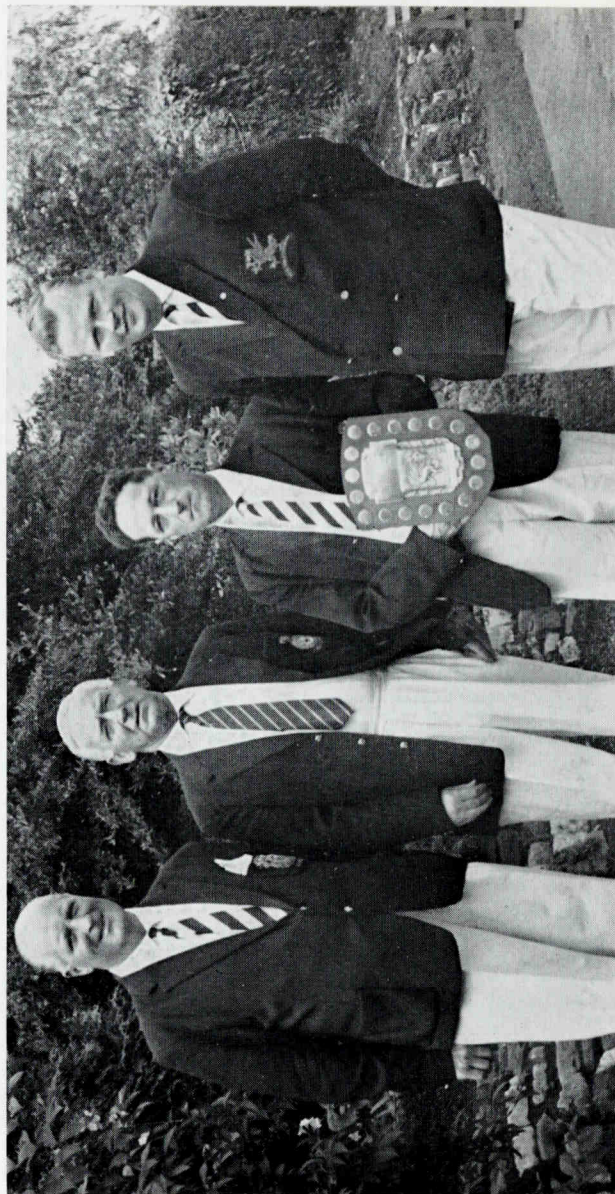
We regret having to record the death during the year of three of our members.

In the passing of Jack Desmond we lost a most successful skip. His cheerful but earnest approach to the game will remain a happy memory for years to come. He rendered excellent service as a member of the Management Committee and also worked hard with the provision of teas.

W. T. Williams proved a faithful member and was a consistent lead with the 'A' side during his many years of membership.



# WINNERS GLAMORGAN COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP FOURS 1970



D. S. DAVIES, F. BARR, L. K. MORGAN M. C. GILMORE (Skip)

Archie Skym of rugby fame, was also a bowler of no mean ability. Due to ill-health in recent years he was unable to devote as much time to the game as he would have wished.

Bill Dacey, a former prominent member of our Section, died suddenly during the winter months.

Our ladies have once again rendered great service to the club members with the provision of teas and our sincere thanks are accorded to them all.

We would also express our appreciation of the work done on our behalf by the General Secretary and his staff, including the work carried out so efficiently by the Ground Staff. Many thanks.

## PAST CAPTAINS OF BOWLS SECTION

1924 .. J. BATSTONE	1948 .. W. J. POWELL
1925 .. M. WOOD	1949 .. F. E. BONNELL
1926 .. W. M. DOUGLAS	1950 .. S. JONES.
1927 .. J. PRATT	1951 .. A. H. USHER
1928 .. W. H. JENKINS	1952 .. F. D'ALTON
1929 .. W. C. WILLIAMS	1953 .. J. S. LEWIS
1930 .. D. L. EVANS	1954 .. K. TOOZER
1931 .. J. OXENHAM	1955 .. C. B. WATSON
1932 .. L. C. WATTERS	1956 .. J. H. WEBB
1933 .. F. DAVIES	1957 .. E. F. COUZENS
1934 .. W. T. GRIFFITHS	1958 .. L. SMITH
1935 .. A. MILSOM	1959 .. W. DACEY
1936 .. A. CALDER	1960 .. A. P. FORSTER, M.B.E.
1937 .. C. W. STANDFAST	1961 .. T. PHILLIPS
1938 .. T. STRONG	1962 .. W. H. THOMAS
1939 .. E. RIDD	1963 .. J. DESMOND
1940 .. W. J. OLD	1964 .. REX LEWIS
1941 .. H. W. TAYLOR	1965 .. L. M. SPENCE
1942 .. J. D. ROBERTS	1966 .. J. ELLIOTT.
1943 .. W. T. WILLIAMS	1967 .. J. A. JUDD
1944 .. H. J. SALTER	1968 .. P. E. RIDD
1945 .. A. G. COUZENS	1969 .. G. ARTHUR
1946 .. A. F. MALE	1970 .. R. GOODING
1947 .. A. E. TAYLOR	

# CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS CLUB

## Report for Season 1970

Members will not need to be reminded that this season has presented more than the usual set of difficulties. The erection of the new North Stand so close to our courts was a constant source of inconvenience, borne I might say, with tolerance and understanding by most of our members. The efforts of the Club in attempting to alleviate these problems was appreciated by us all. Despite all this, it was evident that many more members than for some years used the playing facilities. At the same time however, there was a slight drop in Senior membership, which, in the circumstances, was less than first thought.

### Match Record

(Welsh Lawn Tennis Association League).

	P	W	L	Events		Sets		Games	
				F	A	F	A	F	A
Men(1 East)	7	1	6	15	47	40	101	602	798
Men (Div.3)	7	4	3	26	19	56	43	482	418
Lad's(Div.2)	6	6	0	38	10	82	24	587	317

The Men's first team, having returned to Division I, had an unhappy season just managing to avoid relegation. It is a fact, that unless we are able to recruit or bring along players of this standard, this type of result will unfortunately continue. The Men's second team, entered at the wish of the members, allowed some younger players to gain valuable experience. In this respect I would thank Mr. D. Ward for looking after this team so well.

The Ladies, on their third attempt became Champions of Division 2 and thus gained promotion back to Division 1. The shortage of Lady members still causes concern and future success will depend on strengthening this section.

After discussion by the Committee, fewer and more discriminating Friendly Matches were arranged which were well supported. For all Match fixtures we are indebted to Mr. E. Hudson.

### Senior Tournament

The system tried last year was repeated and with fine weather helping, the whole Tournament went off extremely smoothly.

### Results

Men's Singles	G. Parsons beat P. Lewis—4-6, 6-2, 9-7.
Ladies, Singles	J. Howells beat P. Robson—6-0, 6-2.
Men's Doubles	P. I. Collier & P. Lewis beat G. Parsons & N. Purchas—6-3, 6-4.
Ladies, Doubles	J. Howells & P. Robson beat A. Ward & S. Lovell—7-5, 9-7.
Mixed Doubles	P. I. Collier & J. Howells beat G. Parsons & S. Bett—6-1, 6-3.
Men's Doubles (Handicap)	R. Allen & N. Palmer beat M. Slater & A. Butcher—6-3, 6-8, 6-4.
Ladies' Doubles (Handicap)	J. Collier & M. Blanchflower beat K. Chivers & C. Blanchflower—6-2, 6-1.
Mixed Doubles	D. Ward & J. Howells beat N. Purchase & J. Collier—2-6, 6-4, 6-4.

The Men's singles was a fine closely fought match and we congratulate the new Champion, Mr. G. Parsons. Miss J. Howells, last year's triple Champion went one better this time by winning four events—a Club record.

### Juniors

This section continues to flourish, growing in both numbers and standard. In fact a waiting list is in operation since the limit of numbers has now been reached. More important is the increase of those in the upper age group providing the immediate continuity so vital to the Section. The success of this section is due in no small measure to the support of the individual Senior member and also to the enthusiasm of our coaches, Miss S. Betts, Mr. P. Lewis and Mr. T. Morgan.

The results of the second annual Junior Tournament were :

- Boys (under 13) Gareth Hill beat Rhodri Jones—6-4, 6-4.
- Girls (under 13) Janet Cleeves beat Janet Purchase—6-4, 1-6, 6-3.
- Boys (13 to 15) Mark Lewis beat Stephen Hill—6-0, 6-1.
- Girls (13 to 15) Pamela Hassell beat Laura West—6-3, 6-2.
- Boys (15 to 18) David Carpenter beat Alan Thomas—6-3, 6-1.

### Social Activities

Of the six functions arranged, the Dinner-Dance was probably the most successful. Clearly, every function involves considerable effort by your Committee and it was disappointing to have two socials so poorly supported. I would express, firstly, our thanks to the Ladies Captain and her colleagues for providing the excellent catering, both for the Socials and the Home matches, and then to Mr. C. West for bearing the brunt of the work in the Socials.



## TENNIS TOURNAMENT WINNERS 1970



P. I. COLLIER  
(Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles)

G. PARSONS  
(Men's Singles)

P. LEWIS  
(Men's Doubles)

J. HOWELLS  
(Ladies' Singles, Ladies' Doubles and Mixed Doubles)

(Ladies' Doubles and Mixed Doubles)

P. ROBSON  
(Ladies' Doubles)

Love matches took place this year for two of our Lady members. We extend best wishes on their marriages to Miss J. Pexton and also to Miss A. Ward. Also to be commended are our two representatives on the Entertainments Committee, Miss J. Howells and Mr. E. Nurton.

### The Ground

Now that the major ground work is nearly over, we can begin to look forward to the restoration of the Courts. The Hard Courts are due for painting early next year and returfing of the Grass Courts has already begun. We hope that this returfing will wear better than that which we had this year. The new Dressing Rooms are, we are assured, due to be started at the earliest opportunity. It is therefore anticipated that our membership will rise next year to the maximum possible, capable of being supported by the number of courts that we have.

### Acknowledgements

Under the very able Chairmanship of Mr. J. R. Broad, the support given by the Hon. Secretary, Ladies Captain and Committee members has been invaluable. The assistance of the Team Selectors, Mr. G. Ghugg, Mr. D. Court and Miss J. Howells was appreciated by the respective Captains.

Anyone who acts as Officer in the Section deserves thanks—to have held this position for seventeen years is a remarkable record and I would therefore express our gratitude to Mr. F. P. Davies who, after relinquishing the Chairmanship was content to serve as a Committee member this year.

During the period when the Club was without a General Secretary, we were helped greatly by the girls in the office, Miss Anne Davies, Miss Susan Allen and Miss Angela Donovan. Here, I would like to cordially welcome Mr. K. George as General Secretary and thank him, Miss Filer, Mr. L. Gerry and their respective staffs for all their help during the season.

P. I. COLLIER,  
*Club Captain*

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS CLUB

### CAPTAINS

<i>Men's</i>				<i>Ladies'</i>			
1923	..	T. J. HOPKINS	.. ..	Miss E. CLARE	—		
1924	..	T. J. HOPKINS	.. ..	Mrs. G. D. HORSPOOL			
1925	..	T. J. HOPKINS	.. ..	Miss D. A. CALDER			
1926	..	T. J. HOPKINS	.. ..	Miss D. A. CALDER			
1927	..	F. C. ORAM	.. ..	Mrs. M. GERMAIN			
1928	..	F. C. ORAM	.. ..	Miss M. OXENHAM			
1929	..	E. R. HANCOCK	.. ..	Miss M. OXENHAM			
1930	..	W. L. BRIGHT	.. ..	Miss M. OXENHAM			
1931	..	W. L. BRIGHT	.. ..	Miss E. TAYLOR			
1932	..	T. W. RICHARDS	.. ..	Miss W. CORNWELL			
1933	..	D. B. MORGAN	.. ..	Miss W. CORNWELL			
1934	..	W. DAVID	.. ..	Miss N. NIGH			
1935	..	W. L. BRIGHT	.. ..	Miss E. BELMAN			
1936	..	J. BROAD	.. ..	Miss W. CORNWELL			
1937	..	J. M. HOPKINS	.. ..	Miss W. CORNWELL			
1938	..	A. C. TAYLOR	.. ..	Miss M. CORNWELL			
1939	..	J. M. HOPKINS	.. ..				
1940-45	..	World War 2	.. ..				
1946	..	C. T. HEMMING	.. ..	Miss D. JONES			
1947	..	M. LLEWELLYN	.. ..	Miss D. JONES			
1948	..	M. LLEWELLYN	.. ..	Miss M. DAVIES			
1949	..	GWYN MATTHEWS	.. ..	Miss M. DAVID			
1950	..	GWYN MATTHEWS	.. ..	Mrs. N. EVANS			
1951	..	GWYN MATTHEWS	.. ..	Mrs. N. R. EVANS			
1952	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Miss M. M. HAZELL			
1953	..	H. ROY EVANS	.. ..	Mrs. E. YOUENS			
1954	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Mrs. M. WHEELER			
1955	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Mrs. G. RIDD			
1956	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Mrs. R. W. TAYLOR			
1957	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Mrs. M. WHEELER			
1958	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Mrs. M. WHEELER			
1959	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Mrs. M. WHEELER			
1960	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Mrs. M. WHEELER			
1961	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Miss P. RUSSELL			
1962	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Miss E. BELMAN			
1963	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Miss P. WILLETT			
1964	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Miss P. WILLETT			
1965	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Miss J. HOWELLS			
1966	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Miss J. HOWELLS			
1967	..	F. P. DAVIES	.. ..	Miss J. HOWELLS			
1968	..	P. COLLIER	.. ..	Miss J. HOWELLS			
1969	..	P. COLLIER	.. ..	Mrs. J. H. COLLIER			
1970	..	P. COLLIER	.. ..	Mrs. J. H. COLLIER			

## CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB

### Report for the Season 1970-71

The playing records for the teams were :

	<i>Played</i>	<i>Won</i>	<i>Drawn</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>Cancelled</i>	<i>Goals</i>	
						<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>
1st XI	42	27	6	9	4	96	46
		(This includes all Cup matches)					
2nd XI	20	9	5	6	10	39	24
3rd XI	22	11	2	9	9	59	52
4th XI	19	9	2	8	10	33	38
under 22	3	1	0	2	0	3	7
	106	57	15	34	33	230	167

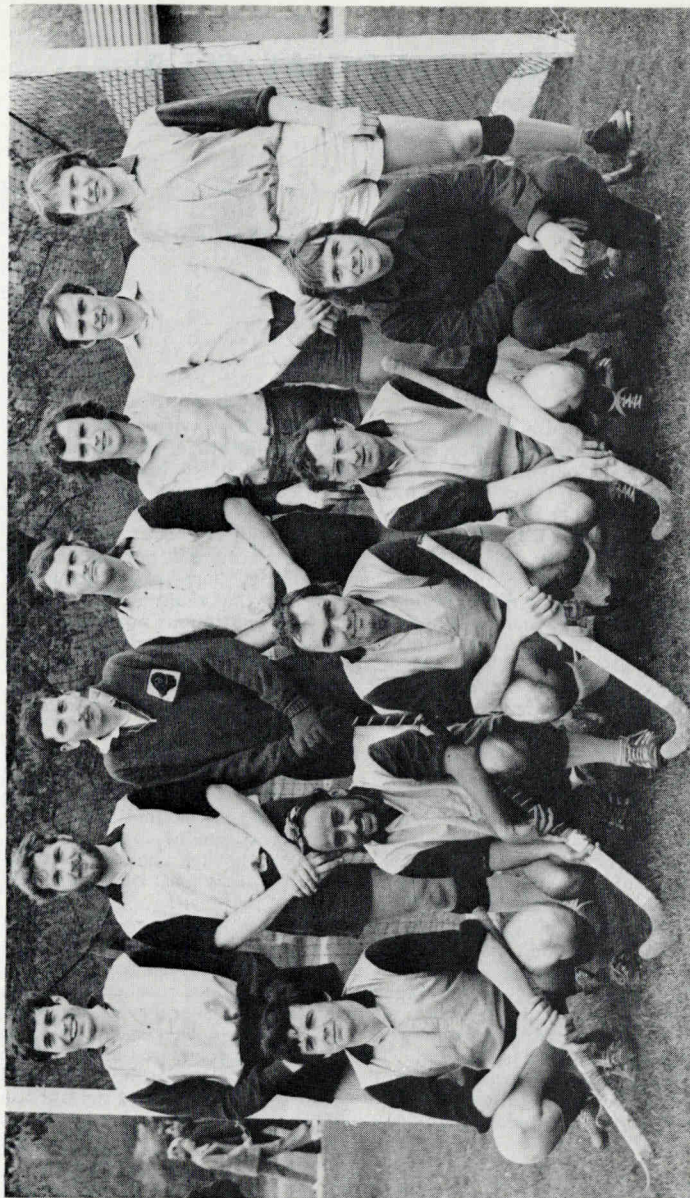
The club had a magnificent start to the season with all four teams winning most of their matches. In fact, at one stage, the fourth team had the best playing record which caused good spirited embarrassment to the other captains. Older members tried to cast their minds back to previous seasons in an effort to remember such a good start to a season but all were agreed this season must have been the best.

Unfortunately this successful playing record was not maintained after early November for two reasons. Firstly, the weather during this month and the month of January was so bad that many matches, both home and away, had to be cancelled. The continuous non-playing of matches Saturday after Saturday caused disinterest and lowering of playing standards. Secondly, by the end of December we lost, mainly through transfers of employment, thirteen active playing members. Each team was affected by this loss of membership which again did not help the playing standards.

However, bearing in mind these last two points, the club as a whole still had a fairly successful season. The first team, in particular, doing well again by winning the South Wales League Premier Division and the Welsh Cup. The South Wales Cup was lost 0-1 in the quarter final in a game that was certainly not a good advertisement for hockey. I suppose though, that very occasionally in cup hockey one must witness a game of ill feeling, bad temper and ungentlemanly play, but thankfully in this instance most of our players were not involved.

As a result of winning again the Welsh Cup the first team travelled to the Isle of Man for the Club Championship of Great Britain held during the Whitsun Holiday. On the three previous occasions the team has been in this championship, they have not reached the final. This year, they did, but lost narrowly 1-2 to Lisnargarvey, the Club Champions of Ireland, who were placed fifth in the European Club Championship of last season. The play of the team was all the more commendable and praiseworthy because at the eleventh hour, Michael Giddy, one of the fullbacks, had to withdraw through being detained in London on a business conference and Graham Clark, the other full-back,





Back row  
Front row

B. CORNISH, M. DIDDY, M. ASHDOWN, G. CLARKE, G. HUGHES, R. ROBSON, C. GLENNY.  
P. Horsfield, C. Kaler, J. Cocks, J. Jones, D. Rapson.

'cried off' at the last moment. Needless to say, the team therefore was not at full strength but the substitutes of Phillip Mathews and Peter Sparkes rose to the occasion and played magnificently. Congratulations to the first team on this effort and especially to Jeff Cocks on his captaincy.

Further on in this report there are more details of the type of season each team experienced expressed by the individual captains. However, at this point I should like to thank the four captains for all their work namely, J. Cocks, C. Brown, J. Glenny and J. Hosgood. Also, to thank Michael Prichard for being acting captain of the second team during the long absence, due to injury, of the captain.

The chief goal scorers were :

G. Hughes 23, N. Rees 18, A. Khan 14, J. Cocks 13, A. Rhys-Jones and N. Pallot 11, P. Horsfield 10, C. Lawson 8.

Representative honours were gained by :

Welsh International	C. Glenny.
Home Welsh :	J. Cocks ( <i>capt.</i> ), A. Khan.
Welsh Schools :	A. Browning, S. Khan.
South East Wales	J. Cocks ( <i>capt.</i> ), G. Clarke, A. Khan.
Glamorgan :	J. Cocks ( <i>capt.</i> ), G. Clarke, B. Cornish, P. Horsfield, G. Hughes, A. Khan, S. Khan D. Rapson, R. Robson.
Glamorgan Under-22 :	A. Browning, V. Jeradh, S. Khan, C. Lawson, D. Rapson.
Scottish Final trial :	G. Clarke.

I feel we should all congratulate Chris Glenny on gaining his first international cap. This is all the more meritorious when one remembers that Chris did not go to a hockey playing school. He learnt the rudiments of the game through his father, himself an ex England trialist, teaching his son in their back garden followed by learning more about the game through playing with the lower sides of the club. From then on he graduated into the higher class sides which eventually led him to play for Wales v Poland last May.

#### Under 22 XI

Before the season started it was decided by the committee to form an under 22 XI and to choose its captain. This idea was prompted by the number of schoolboys attending training and practice and being available for the odd game with any of the club sides. Also, quite a few of our past schoolboy members were now at University, so to encourage them all it was suggested to form this side and arrange a very limited number of fixtures in student vacation time.

As a result, three fixtures were arranged, two before the Michaelmas Term commenced and one before the Lent Term. The team was



captained by W. Rees, ex-Marlborough schoolboy and now at Cambridge University, who led the side very well. What pleased the committee so much about the formation of this side was the enthusiasm and keenness of the younger members for the further development of this idea.

In order to ensure the continuance of the under 22 side, also to encourage the recruitment of new members, John Hosgood, with support from the committee, decided to hold coaching and practice sessions once a month during the summer months for all schoolboys in the Cardiff area. Advertisements were placed in most of the schools and the response so far by both non-players as well as players has been quite good. The sessions are being held at the new National Sports Centre adjoining our ground at Sophia Gardens.

A person who is of inestimable help in the recruitment of new players for the club and making sure four teams are fielded every Saturday is of course our team secretary, K. D. Williams. One must bear in mind the difficult time he had during the postal strike when he had the laborious task of making an average of fifty telephone calls every Monday so that four teams played the following Saturday.

#### All weather Pitch

Owing to the inclement weather we can experience during the winter months, which sometimes necessitates matches having to be cancelled, also to preserve the cricket outfield during the second half of our season, the committee has decided to reserve the all weather pitch at the National Sports Centre for every Saturday during the months of January, February and March. This will enable at least one of our two home matches to be played if Sophia Gardens is unfit for play, but if the ground is fit one of our home teams will still play on the all weather pitch. This, we are sure, will help in not over-using the ground and thereby help the ground staff in their work.

#### Social Functions

A Cocktail Party was held at the beginning of the season at Sophia Gardens. Whilst it was not successful numerically, those that did attend enjoyed themselves very much.

Our Christmas Dance was even more successful than in recent past years. I feel sure this was partly due to the fact we had a band instead of a group which enabled us to have a more party atmosphere. This was confirmed by the comments that were made afterwards. The occasion offered an opportunity to say farewell to Dick Osborne who returned to Australia a few days later after being a member for exactly one year. During this time he made himself most popular very quickly, and we thank him for the kind words he said about us at the end of the evening.

We thank Roger Freeman and his sub-committee for all their efforts in organising these two functions.

Our appreciation goes without saying to the Chairman, the General Secretary and the Management Committee for all their work for and support of our section. Also, our thanks are due to the ground staff for their efforts in providing even better pitches than hitherto.

To Miss 'Babs' Filer and her staff our grateful thanks for the most enjoyable buffet supper provided at our dance, also for their considerate and courteous service.

Finally, but by no means least, I should like to thank the section committee of R. Goddard, J. Marshall, N. Pallot and J. Roberts and in particular our Secretary, A. Rhys-Jones and Fixture Secretary P. Sparkes for all their industriousness throughout the season.

#### 75th Anniversary

Next season heralds the 75th Anniversary of the Hockey Section as a club and therefore I have pleasure in listing below the forthcoming events to celebrate this occasion.

- Friday, 8th October, 1972 Anniversary Dinner at the Athletic Club 7.30 p.m. for 8 p.m.
- Saturday, 9th October, 1972 Penarth v Cardiff at the National Sports Centre. B.O. 11 a.m.
- Czechoslovakia v Wales at Sophia Gardens B.O. 3 p.m.
- Dance at the Athletic Club 8 p.m.—12., in conjunction with C.A.C. entertainments committee).
- Sunday, 10th October, 1972 South Wales Club Captains XI v Cardiff. Exiles at Sophia Gardens. B.O. 1 p.m.
- Czechoslovakia v Cardiff at Sophia Gardens. B.O. 3 p.m.

#### FIRST TEAM CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The Club's First XI had a very successful season, both in record and enjoyment of the game.

As well as the successes in other competitions, already mentioned by the Chairman, we won the Penarth six-a-side tournament and were runners-up in the Imperial six-a-side competition. This competition is probably the biggest and most important in the West Country.

But success in amateur sport is not necessarily commensurate with the number of pots a team has won. This year the First XI was successful in other ways. At times the team played hockey of such a high calibre that one elder statesman of the club said that it was the best Cardiff team he had ever seen. Certainly, the emphasis was on teamwork; the simple direct hockey we played brought all the ten field players into positions of consequence. There was no hiding of weak links because there were none; and there was no relying on two or



three stars because even the former weak links became stars in the context of our teamwork. It was not always like this, but when the team clicked into top gear it earned praise from even the most hardened English critics.

Greater even than this, was the reputation won for sportsmanship on and off the field. Our recently tarnished reputation has been refurbished. All this from a team whose average age was 24.

There were several matches in which the team played above themselves. The first was at Hounslow, one of the best and most formidable clubs in Great Britain. In a great rear-guard action, Cardiff defended bravely to earn a draw. Against Newport later in the season, we slipped into overdrive to win 7-0, always a cause of joy for any section of the Athletic Club. The victory over Bath by five goals to one really confirmed the class of the side.

After Christmas the team's record is not so impressive. The rain, snow and ice of winter do not make for uniform conditions, nor regular match practice. No two weeks were alike, and consequently the teamwork, the foundation of success, was dissipated by inaction and subsequently lack of confidence. Nevertheless, we managed to win several important games but the manner of these victories was less satisfying than those of the heady pre-Christmas games. Ultimately, in amateur sport it must be this satisfaction of winning by playing well that is all important.

## SECOND TEAM CAPTAIN'S REPORT

At the beginning of the season, some very good results were achieved against some very good opposition. Unfortunately the weather just before Christmas created havoc with our fixtures, more than the other sides after which we lost several key men who had either stepped up to the 1st XI or had left the area. From lack of match practice we lost our momentum. A very friendly atmosphere was always in the club-room, whether at home or away, and we won our fair share of beer matches against formidable opposition.

To look at the future, with the availability of the all weather pitch, it is hoped that there will be matches for the 2nd XI during the coming season.

I would like to offer my sincere good wishes to Colin Jones who takes over next season and hope we will be able to increase his capacity by seasoned and well tested colleagues.

## THIRD TEAM CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The third team again contained a nucleus of some of the older experienced players and the standard of play at times was extremely high. The moves and thoughtful passing being an eye-opener to some of the 2nd teams and Works sides encountered.

The season was successful if not quite as good as the previous year, but was marred by nine cancellations. The first half was the better when very creditable wins were achieved against Weston and Penarth II's together with West Gloucester and Bath Thirds. This was pleasing because they are all strong sides and accounted for four of the seven lost games last year. The game against Weston II's on September 26th warrants special mention because of the tremendous comeback from three goals down after five minutes play to a 6-5 win—a feat seldom equalled.

Players to record were, the evergreen Neil Pallott, who, when he was available to play, held together and guided the forward line and became the top scorer along with our worthy Secretary, Tony Rhys-Jones, who converted during the season from a winger to a useful centre forward. The Section Chairman, Mervyn Warfield, played hard and very effectively at centre half. John Dyer, last year's Second Eleven Captain, did an unintentional 'split' on a slippery pitch in December and crocked himself for the remainder of the season.

We have welcomed and tried to help some of the promising youngsters who I am pleased to see appearing and the blend of youth and experience was most successful.

The season was rounded off with a Cheltenham/Gloucester weekend tour which was most enjoyable, except for the results!

This weekend tour has now become an established 'event' for the third side to such an extent that second team players appear to lose some of their form a week or so beforehand in order to become available for 'selection.'

## FOURTH TEAM CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The fourth team played 18 out of 29 fixtures. The first half was the best of this season as we played ten out of fifteen matches winning six, losing three and one drawn.

The second half of the season we slumped a little, particularly against Abergavenny 2nd, very much strengthened by a number of first team players.

However, we finished the full season by winning nine, losing seven and drawing two matches, with eleven cancelled mostly through bad weather. The majority of games were good ones and the team played well with the conduct being exceptionally good. The most disturbing factor was the last minute 'crying off' and in one or two cases, players not even turning up, without even an explanation.

# CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB

## 1970-71 RESULTS

### FIRST XI

1970			1971		
Sept 19	Brean	A 5-3	Jan. 2	Swansea	H can.
" 26	Weston	H 3-1	" 9	Llanishen	A 0-2
" 30	City Hall	H 3-0	" 16	Abergavenny	H 4-1
Oct. 3	Beckenham	A 0-4	" 23	Newport	A 2-3
" 4	Hounslow	A 1-1	" 30	Bristol	H can.
" 10	Penarth	A 2-0	Feb. 6	Old Grammarians	A 2-2
" 17	Llanishen	H 2-1	" 13	Swansea	A 1-0
" 24	W. Gloucester	H 5-2	" 20	Imperial	A 2-1
" 31	Abergavenny	A 4-0	" 28	Cardiff Univ.	H 0-0
Nov. 1	Kidderminster	H 5-0	Mar. 6	Old Bristolians	H 1-0
" 7	Gloucester	H can.	" 13	W. Gloucester	A 0-4
" 8	Evesham	A 0-1	" 20	Whitchurch	H 1-1
" 14	Bristol	A 0-3	" 27	Cheltenham	A 3-3
" 21	Imperial	H 5-0			
" 28	Old Bristolians	A can.			
Dec. 5	Old Grammarians	H 1-1			
" 12	Bath	H 5-1			
" 19	Newport	H 7-0			
" 26	Penarth	H 2-1			

### SOUTH WALES KNOCK-OUT CUP

1st ROUND	24th Oct., 1971	v Swansea	won 1-0
2nd ROUND	21st Nov., 1970	v Penarth	won 5-0
3rd ROUND	6th Feb., 1971	v Llanishen	lost 0-1

### WELSH CUP

1st ROUND	14th Nov., 1970	v Whitchurch	won 1-0
2nd ROUND	12th Dec., 1970	v City Hall	won 2-0
3rd ROUND	9th Jan., 1971		Bye
4th ROUND	6th Mar., 1971	v Bridgend	won 3-0
SEMI-FINAL	28th Mar., 1971	v U.C., Cardiff	won 6-4
FINAL	April, 1971	v Swansea	won 1-0
ISLE OF MAN	29th Apr., 1971	v Harris Academy F.P.	won 1-0
		v Lisnargarvey	lost 1-3
FINAL	30th Apr., 1971	v Lisnargarvey	1-2 lost

### SECOND XI

1970			1971		
Sept 12	Ross I	A can.	Jan. 2	B.A.C. I	A 1-1
" 19	Brean II	H 5-0	" 9	Llanishen II	H 1-2
" 26	Portishead I	A 1-0	" 16	Firebrands I	A can.
Oct. 3	B.A.C. I	H 1-2	" 23	Newport II	H can.
" 10	S.C.O.W.	H 2-2	" 30	Bristol II	A can.
" 17	Llanishen II	A 2-1	Feb. 6	S.C.O.W.	A 2-1
" 24	W. Gloucester II	A can.	" 13	Swansea Univ. I	H 2-1
" 31	Henleaze I	H can.	" 20	Imperial II	H 1-2
Nov. 7	Gloucester II	A 4-1	" 27	Caerleon Coll. Ed.	H 5-0
" 14	Bristol II	H can.	Mar. 6	I.C.I. I	H 0-1
" 21	Imperial II	A can.	" 13	W. Gloucester II	H 2-0
" 28	Cardiff Coll. Ed'n.	A can.	" 20	Whitchurch II	A 1-1
Dec. 5	Bristol YMCA I	A 0-0	" 27	Cheltenham II	H 1-2
" 12	Bath II	A 1-4	Apr. 3	Robinsons I	H 2-2
" 19	Newport II	A 5-1			
" 26	Bridgend I	A can.			

### THIRD XI

1970			1971		
Sept 12	Merthyr Tydfil	A 3-1	Jan. 2	B.A.C. II	H can.
" 19	Brean III	H can.	" 9	C.E.G.B.	H 1-3
" 26	Weston II	A 6-5	" 16	Firebrands II	H 1-4
Oct. 3	B.A.C. II	A 0-2	" 23	Oystermouth	A 2-2
" 10	Penarth II	A 3-0	" 30	Bristol III	H can.
" 17	Mond	A 2-2	Feb. 6	Spencer	H 5-3
" 24	W. Gloucester III	H 6-0	" 13	Swansea Univ. II	H 3-2
" 31	Henleaze II	A can.	" 20	B.P. Llandarcy	H can.
Nov. 7	Gloucester III	H can.	" 27	Carmarthen	A can.
" 14	Bristol III	A 3-1	Mar. 6	O. Bristolians III	A 0-3
" 21	U.W.I.S.T.	A 3-1	" 13	W. Gloucester III	A can.
" 28	O. Bristolians II	H can.	" 20	A.A.C.	A 2-5
Dec. 5	Chepstow	A 2-4	" 27	Cheltenham III	A 1-5
" 12	Bath III	H 3-2	" 28	Gloucester	A 1-3
" 19	Alcan	A 5-1	Apr. 3	City Hall II	H 7-1
" 26	Penarth II	H 0-2			

### FOURTH XI

1970			1971		
Sept 19	Cardiff H.S.	A 5-2	Jan. 2	B.A.C. III	H 1-0
" 26	Portishead II	H 2-0	" 9	Llanishen III	A 3-2
Oct. 3	B.A.C. III	H 0-2	" 16	Firebrands III	A can.
" 10	Penarth III	H 0-0	" 23	Newport III	H can.
" 17	Llanishen III	H 2-0	" 30	Bristol IV	A can.
" 24	W. Gloucester IV	A 3-0	Feb. 6	Abergavenny II	A 1-9
" 31	Henleaze III	H can.	" 13	Swansea II	A 1-1
Nov. 7	Gloucester IV	A 5-1	" 20	Imperial III	A 0-3
" 14	Bristol IV	H can.	" 27	Penarth G.S.	H 1-0
" 21	Imperial III	H can.	Mar. 6	O. Bristolians III	A can.
" 28	O. Bristolians III	H can.	" 13	W. Gloucester IV	H can.
Dec. 5	Bristol YMCA II	H 1-3	" 20	Whitchurch III	H can.
" 12	Bath IV	A 0-4	" 27	Cheltenham IV	H 0-3
" 19	Newport III	H 1-5	Apr. 3	Robinsons II	A 1-3
" 26	Penarth III	A 6-0			



# CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB

## Records of Past Seasons

Season	Captain	Played	Won	Drn.	Lost	Goals	
						For	Agst.
1896-97	E. W. BENNETT ...	*					
1897-98	E. W. BENNETT ...	23	8	7	8	38	46
1898-99	W. BIELSKI ...	17	8	2	7	38	26
1899-1900	N. D. WARE ...	23	14	6	3	68	24
1900-01	N. D. WARE ...	26	20	2	4	82	33
1901-02	N. D. WARE ...	19	15	2	2	81	13
1902-03	G. N. HOWELL ...	20	16	1	3	81	22
1903-04	G. N. HOWELL ...	24	18	2	4	110	31
1904-5	E. W. EVANS ...	20	15	2	3	119	27
1905-06	E. W. EVANS ...	15	11	1	3	78	27
1906-07	E. W. EVANS ...	17	13	2	2	68	25
1907-08	F. B. M. BULMER ...	16	12	2	2	62	23
1908-09	E. R. SWEET-ESCOTT ...	23	17	3	3	101	26
1909-10	B. TURNBULL ...	18	14	0	4	109	26
1910-11	H. H. SWEET-ESCOTT ...	18	14	2	2	107	22
1911-12	J. W. DUNCAN ...	18	15	1	2	95	26
1912-13	H. REDFORD ...	15	10	0	5	70	57
1913-14	J. O. TURNBULL ...	22	19	2	1	115	30
1919-20	B. TURNBULL ...	17	10	2	5	64	45
1920-21	H. S. STEPHENS ...	15	7	4	4	41	34
1921-22	R. T. S. HINDE ...	24	14	3	7	92	51
1922-23	H. W. BROWNE ...	19	10	3	6	73	34
1923-24	W. S. COURTIS ...	23	9	4	10	63	68
1924-25	A. T. HARPER ...	*					
1925-26	A. T. HARPER ...	*					
1929-30	F. L. LAMARQUE ...	25	12	4	9	79	59
1930-31	F. L. LAMARQUE ...	30	17	3	10	126	50
1931-32	K. G. HUGHES ...	29	16	4	9	87	77
1932-33	S. C. BANBURY ...	28	13	6	9	77	77
1933-34	S. C. BANBURY ...	30	11	5	14	53	57
1934-35	S. C. BANBURY ...	34	13	7	14	64	71
1935-36	G. R. FAULKS ...	27	14	2	11	60	64
1936-37	G. R. FAULKS ...	25	11	6	8	48	50
1937-38	G. R. FAULKS ...	31	20	3	8	64	40
1938-39	G. R. FAULKS ...	25	14	6	5	62	30
1945-46	G. PERCIVAL ...	32	25	2	5	139	49
1946-47	G. PERCIVAL ...	20	10	3	7	65	36
1947-48	K. G. HUGHES ...	26	14	3	9	57	42
1948-49	G. A. L. TUCKER ...	26	15	1	10	72	45
1949-50	W. N. FRANCIS ...	32	22	3	7	110	56
1950-51	W. N. FRANCIS ...	26	14	8	4	87	44
1951-52	W. N. FRANCIS ...	30	17	6	7	96	47
1952-53	W. N. FRANCIS ...	30	18	8	4	98	43
1953-54	N. C. PALLOT ...	30	18	6	6	89	34
1954-55	N. C. PALLOT ...	29	20	6	3	100	31
1955-56	W. A. THOMAS ...	29	19	3	7	103	52
1956-57	M. H. C. MEGGITT ...	28	16	5	7	83	59
1957-58	T. D. H. THOMAS ...	30	20	2	8	93	54
1958-59	D. J. O'BRIEN ...	28	15	5	8	64	41
1959-60	M. H. C. MEGGITT ...	26	9	5	12	62	67
1960-61	G. T. WHITEWAY ...	25	13	4	8	60	47
1961-62	M. H. C. MEGGITT ...	30	16	8	6	90	59
1962-63	P. WILKINSON ...	23	15	3	5	61	32
1963-64	P. WILKINSON ...	29	17	3	9	71	47
1964-65	G. T. WHITEWAY ...	32	22	2	8	98	51
1965-66	G. T. WHITEWAY ...	22	5	2	15	32	57
1966-67	J. R. COCKS ...	25	7	6	12	37	46
1967-68	J. O. ROCH ...	32	13	7	12	54	74
1968-69	J. R. ELLIS ...	30	13	9	8	50	36
1969-70	R. K. O. GODDARD ...	36	24	5	7	75	26
1970-71	J. COCKS ...	42	27	6	9	96	46

\* Records not available.

# CHURCH HISTORY CLUB

## Records of Past Officers

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