

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB



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General Secretary: A. HEFFELL A.C.I.S.



L. M. SPENCE, M.B.E.
President of the Cardiff Athletic Club

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

President:

L. M. SPENCE, M.B.E.

Vice-Presidents:

THE LORD MAYOR OF CARDIFF	G. L. PORTER
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THE MARQUESS OF BUTE	J. P. ROBERTS
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M. PEDRON	T. L. WILLIAMS
T. PHILLIPS	

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Chairman:

W. H. WILKINS

*Vice-Chairman: *G. CHUGG*

**His Honour Judge*

*L. M. SPENCE, M.B.E. W. N. FRANCIS *W. LEWIS, O.B.E., J.P.

Those marked * are Trustees of the Club and as such are ex-officio members of the Committee.

To retire in 1985

A. ALLEN
P.F. GOOD
A.J. PRIDAY
M. WARFIELD
J. JUDD
W.H. WILKINS

To retire in 1986

M.L. COLLINS

A.T.M. RHYS-JONES
G. STONE
N.W. DAVEY
P.T. GOODFELLOW

To retire in 1987

G.M.J. MARTIN
L.K. MORGAN
G. RAWSON (Miss)
J.D.H. RICHES
C.D. WILLIAMS
G. DAVIES

Co-opted Members:

J. R. THOMAS, J. O. WEBB, A.D. WILLIAMS

Of the above, each elected member holds office for three years and the co-opted members hold office for one year.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman: W. LEWIS, O.B.E., J.P.

G. CHUGG	L. M. SPENCE, M.B.E.
W. H. WILKINS	A. HEFFELL A.C.I.S. (General Secretary)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairman: G. CHUGG

A. ALLEN	L. M. SPENCE, M.B.E.	W. H. WILKINS
W. LEWIS, O.B.E., J.P.	G. STONE	G. M. J. MARTIN
L. K. MORGAN	J. R. THOMAS	N.W. DAVEY

HOUSE & INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE

Chairman: J. D. H. RICHES

<u>E. F. COUZENS</u>	A. T. M. RHYS-JONES
M. L. COLLINS	C. D. WILLIAMS
G. RAWSON	G. DAVIES

GROUND COMMITTEE

Chairman: C. D. WILLIAMS

P. T. GOODFELLOW	J. R. THOMAS	A. D. WILLIAMS
P. E. GOOD	M. WARFIELD	L.M. SPENCE M.B.E.
J. JUDD	J. O. WEBB	
N. W. DAVEY		

The Chairman of the Management Committee is an ex-officio member of the Ground Committee.

FOOTBALL COMMITTEE

Chairman: A. D. S. BOWES

Vice-Chairman: D. HAYWARD

Hon. Secretary: A. J. PRIDAY

Club Captain: T. HOLMES

Captain Athletic XV: T. CHARLES

A. D. WILLIAMS	D. M. JAMES	I. ROBINSON
M. COLLINS	M. JOHN	C. T. HOWE
G. DAVIES	B. MARK	W. H. WILKINS
J. E. DAVIES	C. H. NORRIS	LLOYD WILLIAMS
P. T. GOODFELLOW	P. NYHAN	C. D. WILLIAMS

CRICKET COMMITTEE

Chairman: G. STONE

Hon. Secretary: N. GOWER

First XI Captain: A. E. CORDLE

Second XI Captain: W. R. JONES

Third XI Captain: A. HUGHES

Sunday XI Captain: A. C. EDWARDS

M. CANN	H. SLADE
P. MORGAN	P. F. GOOD
A.K. PATHMANATHAN	J. T. HOGG
J. D. H. RICHES	

BOWLS COMMITTEE

Chairman: E. F. COUZENS

Hon. Secretary: E. J. JONES

Hon. Treasurer: J. A. JUDD

Hon. Fixture Secretary: M. C. GILMORE

Captain: W. ROBERTS

Captain 'A' Team: W. LIGHT

A. G. BOUND, M.B.E.	G. M. J. MARTIN
S. T. HULL	D. H. MORRIS
J. STEVENS	C. WILLIAMS
L. M. SPENCE, M.B.E.	B. D. HAZELL
T. O'HALLORAN	

LAWN TENNIS COMMITTEE

Chairman: A. ALLAN

Hon. Secretary: J. GREENWOOD

Captain: N. DAVEY

Ladies' Captain: Mrs. SYBIL UPTON

Hon Match Secretary: R. RELPH

Mrs. C. GREENWOOD	Mr. M. JOHNS
Miss J. COLEMAN	Mr. M. PERCY
Mr. R. CAWLEY	Mr. M. MALLICK

HOCKEY COMMITTEE

Chairman: T. JONES

Hon. Secretary: S. A. MCCARTHY

Captain First XI: A. GOWMAN

Captain Second XI: R. WILDBLOOD

Captain Third XI: G. S. KALER

Captain Fourth XI: M. FAIRES

Hon. Match Secretary: P. DRISCOLL

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

Hon. Team Secretary: D. KALER

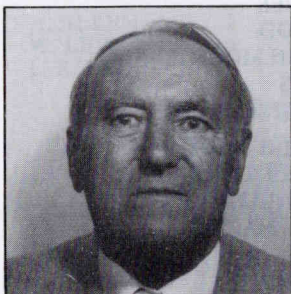
Committee:

P. KELVIN-SMITH	S. SPARKES
G. FOOKES	M. R. GREENWOOD

Management Committee Reps.:

M. WARFIELD	L. K. MORGAN
A. T. M. RHYS-JONES	

CLUB CAPTAINS



W. ROBERTS
(Bowls)

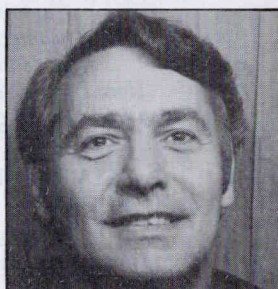


T. HOLMES
(Rugby)

A. E. CORDLE
(Cricket)



A. GOWMAN
(Hockey)



N. W. DAVEY
(Lawn Tennis)

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

Chairman's Report for the Year Ended 30th April, 1985

It is pleasing, once again, to report that the financial accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1985 reveal an excess income over expenditure, and on this occasion the surplus is £20,185.

In forming this report I am indebted to the General Secretary for the information he has been able to give me following his completion of the computerisation programme in the Club's administration.

The financial accounts on later pages illustrate the Club's financial activities, and the following comments on the Income and Expenditure Account are given in amplification to clarify some of the figures, and as an aid to understand some of the business affairs of the Athletic Club.

INCOME

Income increased by £44,612 due mainly to increases, as follows:—

Football Income	£
Football Gates	8.836
Profit on Sale of Programmes	9.065
Broadcasting Fees	2.406
Members Subscriptions	14.140
Bar Profits	3,400
Other Income	5,131

Management has already expressed and recorded its gratitude to the General Secretary who, with the enlisted professional assistance of Mr. Alyn Thomas achieved such a substantial success in the promotion of the Cardiff R.F.C. match day programme.

The increase in the Bar Profit is welcomed particularly after the 'falling off' in 1984 (profit £21,114) as compared with 1983 (profit £25,846). The improvement was achieved in the latter months of the Rugby season, 1984/85, due in main to the rearrangement of the Wales v. England game and the Cup Final.

EXPENDITURE

Salaries and Wages (Reduction £12,656)

Payments of a non-recurring nature were made in 1984 as early retirement settlements to the

former General Secretary and the Senior Clerk.
Upkeep of Grounds and Clubhouse
(Increase £14,177)

Extraordinary items of expenditure undertaken during the year concerned:

The Clubhouse, Cardiff Arms Park:

Redecoration of Club and toilets, new toilet fittings and tiling, curtains, reupholstery; upgrade alarm systems; treatment upstairs lounge floor; Hand dryers. £ 7,779

Bowls Pavilion, Cardiff Arms Park

New Burglar Alarm; Vents; New Roof. 1,460

R.F.C. Ground, Cardiff Arms Park

Sand slitting; hire of pumps and bore holes during drought; plastic protective sheeting. 4,700

Sophia Gardens

New carpet; re-paint toilets; new pavilion roof; new tennis fence and resurface tennis hard courts. 6,603

R.F.C. Football Increases

Overseas tour, Bangkok 19,552

Players out of pocket expenses 2,511

These are the items which show an above normal fluctuation in comparison with the previous year, and further analysis at this juncture is felt to be superfluous. I would make reference, however to the undermentioned transfers.

Sponsorship Fund (£10,458)

These are monies derived from sponsorship of rugby matches, and the fee from the Welsh Rugby Union for reaching the W.R.U. Schweppes Cup Final. Management has agreed that these funds should be devoted to Rugby Activities and facilities (Note: £12,000 was received in respect of the 1983/84 Final, but this has been partly offset by the cost of the installation of improved floodlighting on the rugby ground, Sophia Gardens).

Repairs and Maintenance Fund (£15,000)

It has been the policy of Management over the years to provide a Repairs and Maintenance Reserve Fund to meet contingent repairs and maintenance.

In the part-analysis of the Income and Expenditure account, mention of the Repairs and Maintenance fund prompts reference to the report recently received from the South Glamorgan County Council. The report is in consequence of the request of the Home Office following the fire tragedy at the Bradford Football Club and concerns the safety standards of sports stadia. Examination of our grounds has been carried out and the report of the findings of the South Glamorgan County Council is being studied by Management. Our grounds are comparatively new structures, but nevertheless certain improvements to meet the safety standards will need to be carried out. The costs are not yet known nor estimated, but it is comforting that we have a Reserve Account to meet some, if not all of the cost.

At this point, I cannot help but reflect on the huge debt of gratitude we owe to the late Hubert Johnson, who had the vision, the courage and determination to change the whole complex of the Cardiff Arms Park, as it was, with its high wooden stands, to our modern concrete structure.

With the investigations now being carried out into the safety standards of sports grounds, and the cost envisaged in effecting improvements, it just does not bear thinking about as to what we would now be facing if we were still occupying the larger Cardiff Arms Park. We can never say thank you adequately, not even posthumously to such a man, who without a doubt ensured the Club's present well-being and the Club's posterity.

1984/85 saw the realisation of a personal ambition. I was acutely aware of an omission in our club — the absence of any indication of honour those members of the Club who gave their lives for their country.

Perhaps I was motivated by the fact that I lost my younger brother who had been a member of the cricket section. For whatever reason I finally made the arrangements for the installation in the foyer of the Club of a memorial tablet which speaks for itself. That beautiful tablet was donated anonymously and was unveiled by the President on the 4th November, 1984 at a service conducted by the late Canon 'Bill' Winton and Father 'Tony' Mills. For those who could not attend, and for those who did attend I quote from a letter received from John Fisher Evans which I think epitomises the whole feeling on the morning of 4th November, 1984:—

"Dear Haydn,

I am in no way a warrior, my service as a soldier long ago, the glory and sadness of it, seems, however, to have been

recalled in recent days of Remembrance, with deeper emotion than for a very long time past.

This has been due very largely, I'm sure, to that exquisite ceremony in the Athletic Club on November 4th. Each constituent feature in it was so appropriate, so simple, yet so grand — the Reverend Canon's address, your own clear enunciation of Micah's noble prophecy, the reading of the prayers, and the selection of Father Mills as outside half in this was such a happy feature, the clear dedication of the President of the eloquent Memorial, and the Trumpet sounds, faultlessly from afar in solemn farewell and lively reawakening.

And then the Choir, what a revelation that was, so well toggled of a Sabbath morn. Each immaculate with bow tie, in such glorious, glorious, glorious voice; what a compliment to us all, and didn't it make us proud"

Thank you John Fisher Evans, M.C., and thank you to the St. Alban's Band and the Cardiff Athletic Choir (Bill Cooper, conducting). Thank you Father R.A. (Tony) Mills and thank you Canon W.A. (Bill) Winton — sadly now departed.

Another year in which we can fairly claim that we continue to prosper. Congratulations to the Hockey Club on winning the Welsh Hockey Cup, and the Rugby Club on reaching the Schweppes cup Final, only to fail at the very last hurdle. Cardiff R.F.C. Youth helped to soften the blow by beating Llanelli, only six days later, in the final of the Welsh Youth Knock-Out Cup (ESSO), on the same ground!

Another year in which we have seen changes. In the bar, Tom Osborne has retired and we wish him well; David Picton has taken over, when John Price left.

Mr. J.D.H. Riches, the Club's Hon. Solicitor, and Chairman of the House Committee has done sterling work with his Committee. Many items continue to be discussed and considered, sometimes frustratingly, but nevertheless in the interests of the members and management of the Club.

The Finance Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Gerry A. Chugg still monitor the Club's finances, and I am particularly grateful to Gerry for his invaluable assistance and support as Vice-Chairman.

Mr. C.D. Williams, Chairman of the Ground Committee, and his Committee have experienced an interesting year when one considers that at this time last year they were boring holes for

water! It was a worthwhile exercise which has ensured a regular water supply in future years. We have secured a licence to extract water from well or river, in future, and we should be protected from drought.

The President, Les Spence, Esq., M.B.E., continues to be here, there and everywhere, and attends all relevant meetings with the Trustees, and I thank them and the Management Committee for their loyal support.

To the Chairman, Officers, Members and Players of all sections a word of thanks for helping to maintain the high traditions and standards of the Club.

In conclusion, best wishes to David Picton and his staff in their services 'at the bar' to members and guests; to Albert Francis and his ground staff we express our appreciation of their very conscientious efforts in the maintenance of the Club's grounds; and we say thank you to Alfred Heffell, the General Secretary and his very pleasant and helpful office staff, who must be looking forward very much to their new accommodation in the new offices, the building of which is due to start before this report is printed.

Thank you Ted and Nancy John for your voluntary efforts in 'the shop' and congratulations on your Golden wedding anniversary.

W.H. WILKINS, Chairman

OBITUARY

We regret to record the passing away of several members:

ERNIE F. COUZENS; Chairman of the Bowls Section and a member of Management Committee.

L.G.S. (Jumbo) THOMAS; Former member of the Cardiff R.F.C. team.

D.B. ROBERTS
H.F.L. DAVID
F. TUCKER
G.T. EVANS
H.T. FRONT
J. CREGOR

S.M. RICHARDS
D.C. GAGE
E.A.R. DAVIES
C.V.P. AIREY
B.C. MORGAN
G.C. ISRAEL

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

INCOME	Note	1985	1984
		£	£
FOOTBALL INCOME			
Football gates		67,293	58,357
Season tickets		31,652	31,045
W.R.U. Schweppes Cup		12,000	12,000
Profit on sale of programmes		9,652	587
Ground earnings		27,771	26,844
Broadcasting fees		3,304	898
		151,672	129,731
MEMBERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS		167,573	153,433
BAR PROFIT	1	24,514	21,114
OTHER INCOME			
Fruit machine income less expenses		10,505	11,172
Car park receipts		11,800	8,574
Profit on shop sales		4,593	4,627
Investment income		11,675	9,339
Catering takings		1,779	1,811
Hire of rooms		2,751	3,080
Assignment of ticket rights		580	580
Profit on sale of club ties etc.		148	179
Sponsorship income... ..		5,458	4,741
Profit on 300 Club		1,544	1,339
Sundry income		480	795
Donations received		175	120
		51,488	46,357
		<u>£395,247</u>	<u>£350,635</u>

For the Year ended 30th April, 1985

EXPENDITURE	Note	1985	1984
		£	£
Salaries and wages		94,285	106,941
Upkeep of grounds and clubhouse		43,315	29,138
Football-away match expenses		11,854	10,486
Football-overseas tour		19,552	—
Football-players out of pocket expenses		7,953	5,442
Football-home match expenses		20,259	19,492
Football-junior XV expenses		2,774	3,214
Stationery, telephone and postages		12,692	11,143
Cost of annual report		2,315	3,641
Advertising, season tickets etc.		10,960	12,055
Gatemen		2,977	2,762
Car park attendants' wages		13,883	11,820
Rates		13,816	12,877
Rent and rates-Sophia Gardens		7,829	7,545
Light and heat		23,705	25,051
Laundry		1,697	2,409
Cleaning		14,924	14,097
Dinner, dance, photographs and awards		4,218	6,064
Football equipment... ..		3,867	3,780
Sundry items... ..		3,001	2,769
Audit and accountancy fee		2,100	2,000
Professional charges... ..		2,695	450
Interest on loans		3,591	3,146
Insurances		5,082	4,935
Football insurance fund		200	200
Medical expenses		3,939	2,492
Donations		110	350
Plant, repairs, petrol and oil		3,088	3,603
Sectional expenses		5,647	5,179
Depreciation		7,176	6,673
Loss on investment		100	—
Total expenses		<u>349,604</u>	<u>319,754</u>
Transfer to sponsorship fund	8	10,458	4,741
Transfer to repairs and maintenance fund	7	15,000	10,000
Surplus of income over expenditure for the year		<u>20,185</u>	<u>16,140</u>
		<u>£395,247</u>	<u>£350,635</u>

BALANCE SHEET as at 30th April, 1985

	Note	1985	1984
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Land and buildings	2	242,578	234,716
Other fixed assets	3	8,275	13,374
		<u>250,853</u>	<u>248,090</u>
INVESTMENTS	4	97,700	97,800
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		16,132	14,357
Sundry debtors		22,845	25,111
Cash at bank	5	170,447	121,152
Cash in hand		1,638	9,083
		<u>211,062</u>	<u>169,703</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Subscriptions prepaid		4,097	—
Accrued expenses		105,947	104,124
		<u>110,044</u>	<u>104,124</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		101,018	65,579
		<u>£449,571</u>	<u>£411,469</u>
Financed by:			
Members' fund	6	230,950	210,765
Repairs and maintenance fund	7	44,628	29,628
Sponsorship fund	8	27,129	16,671
Football insurance fund	9	2,435	2,235
		<u>305,142</u>	<u>259,299</u>
Deferred credit—assignment of ticket rights	10	93,085	93,665
Loans	11	51,344	58,505
		<u>£449,571</u>	<u>£411,469</u>

W. H. WILKINS, *Chairman*

G. A. CHUGG, *Vice Chairman*

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

Statement of Source and Application of Funds

For the Year ended 30th April, 1985

	1985	1984
	£	£
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
From operations:		
Surplus of income over expenditure for year ...	20,185	16,140
Increase in repairs and maintenance reserve	15,000	2,427
Increase of sponsorship fund	10,458	4,741
Increase of football insurance fund	200	125
Adjustment for items not involving the movement of funds:		
Depreciation	7,176	6,673
Loss of Investment	100	—
	<u>53,119</u>	<u>30,106</u>
From other sources:		
Deferred credit — assignment of ticket rights ...	—	420
	<u>53,119</u>	<u>30,526</u>
APPLICATION OF FUNDS		
Purchases of fixed assets	9,939	15,948
Purchase less sales of investments	—	1,000
Repayment of loans	7,161	6,831
Deferred credit — assignment of ticket rights ...	580	—
	<u>17,680</u>	<u>23,779</u>
	<u>£35,439</u>	<u>£6,747</u>
MOVEMENT IN WORKING CAPITAL		
Stocks	1,775	(5,950)
Debtors	(2,266)	(4,609)
Creditors	(5,920)	(11,340)
	<u>(6,411)</u>	<u>(21,899)</u>
Movement in liquid funds:		
Increase in cash at bank	49,295	26,232
(Decrease)/Increase in cash in hand	(7,445)	2,414
	<u>41,850</u>	<u>28,646</u>
	<u>£35,439</u>	<u>£6,747</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

	1985 £	1984 £					
1. BAR PROFIT							
Bar takings	200,588	180,981					
<i>Less</i>							
Opening stock	9,407	9,711					
Purchases	135,560	117,452					
	144,967	127,163					
Closing stock	11,959	9,407					
Cost of sales	133,008	117,756					
Gross profit 33.7% (1984 34.9%)	67,580	63,225					
<i>Less</i> Bar wages, equipment, renewals and expenses	43,066	42,111					
	<u>£24,514</u>	<u>£21,114</u>					
2. LAND AND BUILDINGS							
	CARDIFF ARMS PARK	SOPHIA GARDENS					
	<i>Freehold</i>	<i>Long Leasehold</i>					
	Ground Develop- ment £	Club House £	Bowls Pavilion £	Pavilion and Flat £	Maint- tenance building £	Floodlights & Tennis Courts £	Total £
COST							
At 1st May, 1984	127,851	55,528	12,147	19,053	5,000	16,403	235,982
Additions	-	-	-	-	-	8,468	8,468
At 30th April, 1985	127,851	55,528	12,147	19,053	5,000	24,871	244,450
DEPRECIATION							
At 1st May, 1984	-	-	-	681	-	585	1,266
Provided	-	-	-	227	64	315	606
At 30th April, 1985	-	-	-	908	64	900	1,872
NET BOOK VALUE							
At 30th April, 1985	<u>£127,851</u>	<u>£55,528</u>	<u>£12,147</u>	<u>£18,145</u>	<u>£4,936</u>	<u>£23,971</u>	<u>£242,578</u>
At 30th April, 1984	<u>£127,851</u>	<u>£55,528</u>	<u>£12,147</u>	<u>£18,372</u>	<u>£5,000</u>	<u>£15,818</u>	<u>£234,716</u>
3. OTHER FIXED ASSETS							
	Furniture and Cardiff Arms Park £	Fittings Sophia Gardens £	Ground maintenance equipment £	Office furniture £	Total £		
COST							
At 1st May, 1984	23,936	4,997	18,341	12,948	60,222		
Additions	1,070	-	-	401	1,471		
At 30th April, 1985	<u>£25,006</u>	<u>£4,997</u>	<u>£18,341</u>	<u>£13,349</u>	<u>£61,693</u>		
DEPRECIATION							
At 1st May, 1984	20,466	4,179	18,341	3,862	46,848		
Provided	3,750	818	-	2,002	6,570		
At 30th April, 1985	<u>£24,216</u>	<u>£4,997</u>	<u>£18,341</u>	<u>£5,864</u>	<u>£53,418</u>		
NET BOOK VALUE							
At 30th April, 1985	<u>£790</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£7,485</u>	<u>£8,275</u>		
At 30th April, 1984	<u>£3,570</u>	<u>£818</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£9,086</u>	<u>£13,374</u>		

For the Year Ended 30th April, 1985

	1985 £	1984 £
4. INVESTMENTS		
At Cost:		
WRU-Debentures repayable 2033 (interest free)	92,500	92,500
WRU-Debentures repayable 2026 (interest free)	5,200	5,200
Arms Park (Cardiff) Greyhound Racing Co. (1956)	-	100
Limited 200 Ordinary 5p shares-fully paid	-	-
	£97,700	£97,800
5. CASH AT BANK		
Current account	33,613	7,901
Repairs and maintenance deposit account	21,467	20,167
Short term deposit accounts	80,187	70,000
300 Club account	5,730	4,099
Sponsorship account	26,202	15,928
Football insurance accounts	3,148	2,961
Trustee Savings Bank account	100	96
	£170,447	£121,152
6. MEMBERS' FUND		
At 1st May, 1984	210,765	194,625
Add surplus of income over expenditure for the year	20,185	16,140
At 30th April, 1985	£230,950	£210,765
7. REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE FUND		
At 1st May, 1984	29,628	27,201
Add Transfer from income and expenditure account	15,000	10,000
Less Expenditure during year	-	(7,573)
At 30th April, 1985	£44,628	£29,628
8. SPONSORSHIP FUND		
At 1st May, 1984	16,671	11,930
Add Receivable during year	9,220	4,019
Interest	1,238	722
At 30th April, 1985	£27,129	£16,671
9. FOOTBALL INSURANCE FUND		
At 1st May, 1984	2,235	2,110
Add Transfer from income and expenditure account	200	200
Less Expenditure during year	-	(75)
At 30th April, 1985	£2,435	£2,235

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

	1985 £	1984 £
10. DEFERRED CREDIT – ASSIGNMENT OF TICKET RIGHTS		
At 1st May 1984	93,665	93,245
Add Call	–	1,000
Less Transfer to income and expenditure account	(580)	(580)
At 30th April, 1985	£93,085	£93,665
11. LOANS		
S A Brain & Co. Ltd	23,064	26,814
Bass Wales and West Limited	28,280	31,691
	£51,344	£58,505
The loans are repayable by monthly instalments. The final instalments on the loans from S A Brain & Co. Ltd. are due on 1st November, 1987 and on 1st May, 1991 and the final instalment on the loan from Bass Wales and West Ltd is due on 1st November 1992. Interest is chargeable on the loans at 5% p.a. Amounts repayable within one year are included in current liabilities. All loans are secured by promissory notes from the Trustees.		
11. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS		
Authorised but not contracted	£70,000	£ –

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting.

FIXED ASSETS

Freehold land and buildings are stated at cost.

Leasehold property, ground maintenance equipment, furniture, fittings and office furniture are stated at cost less depreciation.

DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis at the following rates:

Leasehold property	over the length of the lease
Ground maintenance equipment	20%
Furniture and fittings	15%
Office furniture	15%

No depreciation has been provided on freehold land and buildings as the trustees are of the opinion that the market value of land is greater than the value at which the land and buildings appear in the accounts.

STOCKS

Bar stocks have been professionally valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

DEFERRED CREDIT – ASSIGNMENT OF TICKET RIGHTS

W.R.U. Debentures repayable 2033 are stated as a deferred credit equal to the cost of the debentures.

W.R.U. Debentures repayable 2026 are credited to income over seven years.

Report of the Auditors to the Members of Cardiff Athletic Club

We have audited the financial statements on pages 12 to 18 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Club's affairs at 30th April, 1985 and of its surplus of income over expenditure and source and application of funds for the year then ended.

DELOITTE HASKINS & SELLS
Chartered Accountants

Cardiff, 1st August, 1985

CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR SEASON 1984-85

Having only achieved the captain of the 'Rags' as my highest accolade with the club, it was with some feeling of trepidation that I accepted the Chairmanship of the club, but I must say it was the proudest moment of my life. Chairman of 'the Greatest' rugby club in the world.

My season really commenced in July when we undertook a far east tour to Bangkok which I had the honour to manage, with Gary Davies as the Assistant Manager. It was a very successful tour and enjoyed by the players (even playing in borrowed jerseys) who were great ambassadors, on and off the field with many friendships made.

August saw our entry in to the Aberaeron Sevens where we lost in the second round to the Sportswriters 16pts – 14pts, who went on to win the final. Next day we participated in the C.H.S.O.B. Sevens only to lose in the semi-final to Glamorgan Wanderers 20-4. This was followed a week later with the Snelling Sevens where we disposed of Aberavon, Pontypool, Neath and Bridgend whom everybody expected to be finalists. However, our old enemy the 'Black and Ambers' were our opponents in the final and after a magnificent display, which we had also put up throughout the tournament we were victorious, with Mark Ring being awarded the Bill Everson Award as the player of the tournament. Meanwhile at Llanelli Wanderers Sevens the Athletic Seven lost to Llangennech in the final 10-21.

An encouraging start to the season was made in September with home victories against East District and Glamorgan Wanderers. This was followed with an away visit to Neath where we had our first loss by one point. Then came an excellent game and a good win at Bristol, followed with wins against Coventry, Penarth, Aberavon, and Pontypridd. Having been invited to Garryowen to participate in their centenary year we took to the air for some excellent Irish hospitality, but regretfully forgetting to take the Cardiff mementoes, and coming away with another win under our belt. October 6th saw us play our 'old enemy' Newport who had made an inauspicious start to the season, and victory was ours 37-3. By this time the players were playing excellent entertaining rugby which brought us further wins over Bridgend and Northampton. Now a visit from Pontypool and with the ground filled to capacity with overflowing excitement a great game was witnessed with a superb 80 minute demonstration of forward power play, which was marred by the injury of Terry Holmes that brought alarm and despondency to all present. He was helped

off the field and replaced by Steve Cannon, and the game ended in an honourable draw. With the Australian game a week away this was a tragic blow for Terry Holmes which was to keep him out of the game for a long spell. A visit to Cambridge followed on the Saturday where we came away losing our second game of the season.

Now came the Wallabies on Wednesday, 4th October, the first occasion for Cardiff to play a touring team mid-week, when we had a poor attendance for such a game. Alan Phillips took over the captaincy and every player rose to the occasion to give us another victory. To be Chairman of Cardiff is indeed a great honour, to be Chairman when the club beats a touring side is a bonus few Chairmen enjoy, this being our sixth victory in six games. In retrospect the victory became more meritorious as the team on the day subsequently became their grand slam team.

A win against the Harlequins at home was followed by a disappointing loss at Newbridge with a weakened side, however we came back to top form against Leicester with a substantial victory 47-21. A home win against Oxford with a surprising loss at Ebbw Vale bringing us our fourth defeat of the season. In commencing our cup programme we met our old rivals Tonyrefail that being our third occasion to meet the Rhondda Valley club with a victory 22-9.

This started an unbeaten run of thirteen games without defeat and great credit must be given to the players for the style and tremendous entertainment provided, in particular Llanelli at home, and the drawn match at St. Helens.

During this sequence we witnessed some exhilarating rugby which was of the highest order in spectator value, and in the best traditions of the Cardiff club. The only thing which might have affected this situation was the cold spell which caused chaos to our own domestic fixture list and also the international programme. The resultant jostling to find suitable dates proved an impossible task for fixture secretary Brian Mark.

Our first game in March took us to Pontypool Park which people thought to all intents and purposes was a full dress rehearsal for the Schweppes Cup. As you know on the day we suffered a heavy defeat by 24-6. Some return to grace was achieved against Bective Rangers on the eve of the Irish International winning with a weakened team by 41-25. Saturday, 23rd March, 1985 will probably go down as one of the great victories in Cardiff's history, Pontypool must have been brimmed full of confidence after their very comprehensive victory of the previous fortnight. We all know what happened on the day, and with the size of our victory, the rugby world was astounded. At this stage of the season with an International Match still left to play and

our own game against the Barbarians left to follow, it became the unanimous decision to abandon any hope of rearranging postponed matches in order to relieve the immense pressure to which players had been subjected, which resulted in the loss of five home games and three away games.

The Barbarians annual visit again produced a feast of very acceptable rugby which brought us a very fine victory of 44-20 over a very strong BaaBaa's side. This was followed by a good win with a much weakened side against South Wales Police and a very comprehensive victory over Swansea on the Arms Park. As this game was the final home game of the season the victory ensured a home ground record for the first time since 1946-47, which again reflected great credit on the players when one looks at the quality of our fixture list.

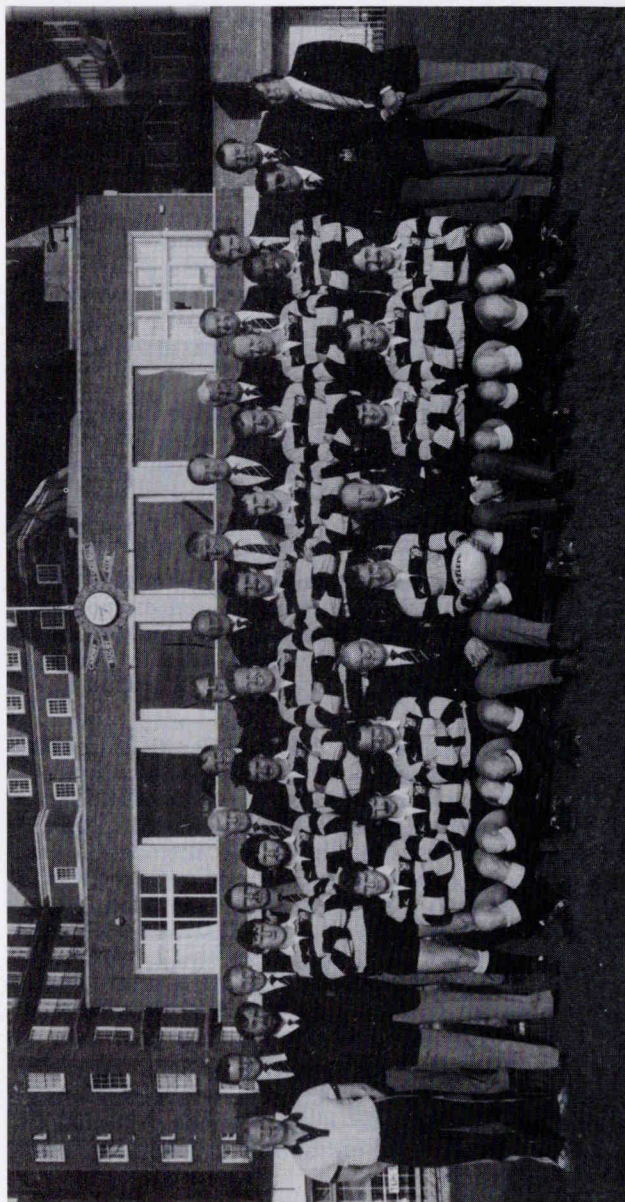
The game proved a tragedy for Mark Ring and Cardiff in general, to suffer such an injury, especially being the Home International Championship player of the season, and his tremendous flair will be sadly missed on the rugby scene. Once again Terry Holmes did not enjoy a season free from injury, but his presence and commitment was always an inspiration to the team, and a joy to behold.

All that now remained was to get our hands on the cup for the fourth time in five years. The day was to prove a very disappointing one for us after such a magnificent season during which we proved we could adapt to any style in order to achieve victory. On the day the anticipated classic final did not materialise and Llanelli took the spoils by the odd point in 29.

Our leading scorer for the season was again Gareth Davies with 365 points bringing his grand total for the club to 2514 points, this being tenth time in eleven years. Leading try scorers were A. Hadley 20, T. Holmes 17 (bringing his record to 114 club tries). G. Cordle 17, M. Carrington 16, A. Phillips 14 M. Ring 14. It is interesting to note the Captain elect is now fifth in the try scoring records of the club. Bleddyn Williams 188, J.L. Williams 150, A. Cornish 149, A. Finlayson 135, A. Phillips 130, Codger Johnson 129. Adrian Hadley made the highest number of appearances with 32 followed by Gareth Davies 31, and Alan Phillips 31, with 1st XV Caps awarded to M. Carrington, G. Cordle and Gareth Roberts. Adrian Hadley made his first Barbarians appearance at Swansea.

It was a very successful season having finished second to Pontypool in the Championship, having played 40 games, won 32, lost 6 with 2 draws, with our highest standard maintained throughout. Our representation on the International field was 8

CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB (FIRST XV)



Back Row: P. Nyhan, B. Mark, I. Robinson, M. James, C. D. Williams, J. E. Davies, P. T. Goodfellow, M. Collins, L. Williams, W. H. Wilkins, A. D. Williams, M. John, C. T. Howe.
Second Row: T. Jones (Physio.), R. Beard (Coach), A. Hadley, I. Eidman, P. Rees, K. Edwards, R. Norster, A. Carrington, B. Roberts, R. Lakin, G. Cordle, G. Samuel (Coach), G. Davies.
Front Row: O. Golding, A. Donovan, A. Phillips, A. D. S. Bowes (Chairman), T. D. Holmes (Captain), A. J. Priday (Hon. Secretary), W. G. Davies, J. Whitefoot, S. Cannon.

players and congratulations are extended to new full Welsh caps Geoff Whitefoot and Gareth Roberts and to Paul Rees on Welsh B selection. In the Scotland International it was Cardiff's best representation since 1953 with 6 players having taken the field.

Cardiff First XV 1984-85:

Captain, Terry Holmes.

Full Playing Record:

Played 40 Won 32 Lost 6 Drawn 2 Points for 1058
 Points against 474

W.R.U. Cup:

1st Rd v. Tonyrefail 22-9
 2nd Rd v. Bryncoch 21-0
 3rd Rd v. Newbridge 24-6
 4th Rd v. Neath 21-12
 5th Rd v. Pontypool 24-3
 Final v. Llanelli 14-15

Overseas Tour: Bangkok

July 29, 1984 v. Bangkok National XV 60-28
 July 31, 1984 v. Combined Services XV 36-13
 Aug. 2, 1984 v. Royal Bangkok Sports Club 88-3

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Snelling Sevens, August 25 1984:

Cardiff v. Aberavon 16-12
 Cardiff v. Pontypool 28-4
 Cardiff v. Neath 28-10
 Cardiff v. Bridgend 26-0
 Cardiff v. Newport 30-12

Bill Everson Award — Mark Ring.

Haig Sevens, April 28th, 1985:

Cardiff v. Glasgow and District Lost 14-4
 Cardiff v. Watsonians Won 20-6
 Knocked out First Round.

Aberaeron Sevens, August 18th, 1984:

Lost in Second Round to SPORTSWRITERS 14-16.

C.H.S.O.B. Seven's, August 19th, 1984

Lost in Semi-Final to GLAMORGAN WANDERERS 4-20.

Llanelli Wanderers Sevens, August 25th, 1984.

Lost in Final to Llangennech 10-21.

INTERNATIONAL HONOURS:

G. Davies; S,I,F.
T. Holmes; S,I,F,E.
G. Roberts; F(Rep), E.
I. Eidman; A,S,I.
R. Norster; A,S,I,F,E.
J. Whitefoot; A(Rep),S,I,F,E.
A. Hadley; F,E.
M. Ring; A,S,I,F.

WALES 'B'

K. Hopkins; F.
P. Rees; F(Rep), Sp(Rep).
G. Roberts; F.
J. Whitefoot; F.

1st XV Caps Awarded to:

M. Carrington, G. Cordle, G. Roberts.

Highest Points Scorer:

G. Davies, 365.

Highest Try Scorers:

A. Hadley 20, T. Holmes 17, G. Cordle 16, A. Phillips 14,
M. Ring 14.

Highest Number of Appearances:

A. Hadley 32, E. Davies 31, A. Phillips 31.

A.D.S. BOWES,
Chairman, Cardiff Rugby Football Club.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC XV SEASON 1984-85

The 'Rags' record for the season was:

Played 41 Won 37 Lost 4
Points for 1160 Points against 465.

The team was captained for the third time by Terry Charles giving another excellent service with his captaincy of our Sevens teams. He joins an elite group having captained the Rags three times. He cemented player/committee relations through organisations of fund raising and social events, and took the 'Rags' to Sale and Lymn on a successful tour.

The 'Rags' season was the best for four years, for the first time in scoring 1,000 points, owing to a free running approach to the game. Nine games, a flood of tries, and over 40 points were scored in each of these games. The team went through the season with only four

losses with Swansea Athletic wins home and away. Losing to Blackwood in October by 16 points to 10 at home the last game of the season, saw the 'Rags' win 45 points to 6. Bath United were the only other team to record a victory against a weakened side by 14 points to 4. The season was ending on a high note, with excellent results.

The injury to Neil (Cheeky) O'Brien in the Snelling Sevens last August deprived us of the services of a young outstanding player. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Cardiff Athletic Caps Awarded to:

David Evans, Paul Lloyd. Steve Penry Ellis, Terry Shaw.

Highest Number of Points:

David Barry 165.

Highest Number of Tries:

Steve Evans 13.

Highest Number of Appearances:

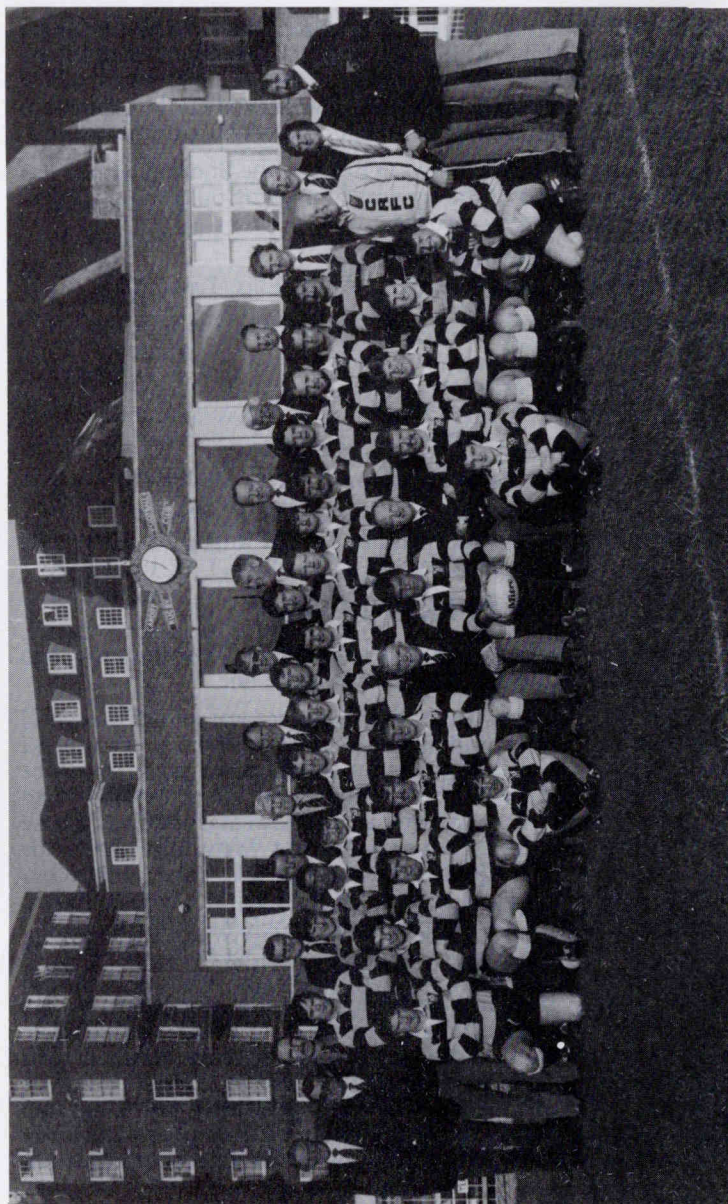
David Barry 27, Mathew Hadley 26, Terry Charles 24.

A.D.S. BOWES,
Chairman, Cardiff Rugby Football Club.

APPRECIATION

Finally my thanks are due to so many people for making my term as Chairman such a happy and memorable one.

Mr. Alun Priday's guidance and assistance was immediate, and I was soon to realise my administrative responsibilities, for which I shall ever be grateful. My special thanks must go to my Vice Chairman, David Hayward who supported me throughout with guidance which was needed at times. Peter Nyhan whose penmanship with our programmes, and friendship has to be excelled, who with Quidnunc, and the £50 prize makes our programme the most attractive in the rugby world. Then our fixture secretary Brian Mark who shrouds problems, difficulties and cancellations because of the atrocious weather as he did when he was playing. John Davies our statistician has taken over 'Massa Dan's' work in the same meticulous manner, for which we are grateful. Our selection committee of 'C.D.', 'Robbo' and Mervyn have done a great job, and whilst we can complain, we do accept their decisions. The Youth Selection has again succeeded where the First XV failed, and took the Youth Cup from Llanelli, with Chairman Malcolm Collins, Secretary Gary Davies, coaches Elwyn and Tony Williams, and the co-opted members who brought so much credit



to the club with their victory. Lloyd Williams and John Davies have maintained our interest in all East District meetings for which we are grateful, and thanks to 'Robbo' covering our Cardiff and District meetings, and to President of Cardiff and District Youth Peter Goodfellow. Colin Howe keeps Museum and Social Sub-Committees functioning, whilst Haydn Wilkins controls management as Chairman. Howard Norris not enjoying the best of health this season but has committed himself when able to do so, and we wish him a speedy recovery. There is one person I have not mentioned for a special purpose. It is with regret that we say farewell to Maldwyn James, who as a player and administrator in every phase of the game has given the club his utmost support for which we are grateful. Maldwyn we wish you a happy retirement and look forward to seeing you when time permits. To all committee men I offer my sincere thanks for your unstinting support throughout the year.

How can one thank Roger Beard and Gary Samuels for their untiring efforts with coaching, and the success they have brought to the club? Your inestimable service is very much appreciated. Thank you.

To the office staff; Mr. Alf Heffell, Mrs. Flynn, Murphy, Thomas, Miss David I thank you for your help and assistance. The Ground Manager, Albert Francis, and staff, Bill Hardiman (Happy Retirement), the club Doctors, physio's, and Tudor for their medical expertise; the Stewards and Bar Staff for wholehearted support, Don Davies and all club stewards, Mr. and Mrs. Ted John the shop, Ken Jones, officers and supporters club, the only unbeaten side to play on the Arms Park; Mr. John Williams and St. Albans Band. Cardiff and Whitchurch Golf Clubs for tournaments, our Sponsors, sincerely hoping that they will continue with us next season.

May I thank you all for your high standard of support, and happiness that it has been my pleasure and privilege to enjoy. Finally may I congratulate Tom Holley on the accolade of the M.B.E., to Mark Jones and his Youth XV on their wonderful season — you have brought credit and distinction to yourselves and the Cardiff Rugby Football Club.

No ship can sail without a crew, and I assure you that there is a wealth of meaning in the words, "I thank you".

A.D.S. BOWES,
Chairman, Cardiff Rugby Football Club.

CARDIFF YOUTH REPORT 1984-85

For the first time in many years Cardiff R.F.C. Youth did not produce an international player in the season. We also lost eight matches — as we did last year which is above average.

However the future looks good because most of the forwards have next year in youth rugby and I foresee a few youth internationals on the cards for 1985-86 season. Kevin Southam our tight head prop, and David Flint the 6'2" flanker must be in the reckoning and I am sure that Michael Parry the 6'5" second row forward won't be far behind. Wayne Pesticcio, scrum half, will also be in contention for international honours.

But what about season 1984-85. Apart from being the best dressed and well behaved of Cardiff Youth sides in recent years, they accounted for themselves very well on the field. The eight matches lost were against Cardiff H.S.O.B. at the Arms Park — the very first match of the season 11-13, and then 7-21 to Nottingham away, Pontypool home and away 12-22 and 15-20 respectively. Bristol away 7-14, Glamorgan Wanderers away 8-9, Llanelli 0-7 at Stradey and Bridgend 17-19. Notable victories were recorded against Gloucester County at Kingsholm 13-12, British Steel (away) 14-0, Aberaman 19-18, Pontypool (away) in the quarter-final of the Welsh Youth (ESSO) Cup 4-3 — a desperate try in injury time winning the game. Swansea (away) 16-8 and Glanhowey (Tredegar) in the semi-final of the Cup 12-9 after being 9-0 down.

A brief respite in Cornwall at Easter produced the results of 24-4 against Penzance and Newlyn and 36-13 against St. Ives. The boys were a credit to the club on and off the field. After the tour Bath Youth were played at Cardiff Arms Park and we were victors by 42-3 with eight tries and five conversions, and the penultimate match of the season was against Worcester which we also won handsomely.

The final match of the season was against Llanelli, would you believe at the National Stadium and in the final of the Welsh Youth Knock-Out Cup (ESSO) — only six days after the Schweppes Cup Final — and we all know what happened there! Llanelli Youth came to the National Stadium with a proud unbeaten record for the season, played 31, won 31 — and Cardiff Youth being one of the 31! I have to report that my good friends Norman Gale and Derek Quinnell departed Cardiff bitterly disappointed at not gaining the double on us. At half time the score was 10-10 but the second half was different. Cardiff Youth produced some exciting and superb rugby to win 29-14. Phil Bartle, our No. 8, was positively outstanding, indeed the back row of Phil Bartle, David Flint, and Sean Ryan scored a try apiece.

In the Welsh Youth (ESSO) competition our record stands as having reached the final five times out of the last six years and we have been winners four times.

It was great to see Mark Ring ex-Cardiff Youth captain of only four years ago visit the Cardiff dressing room before the final giving his best wishes to the boys before their big day. Martin Daly was with him also one of the Youth favourites of a couple of years ago.

We see the departure of Elwyn Williams our coach this season and all thanks to him for the good work he has contributed to the success of Cardiff Youth.

As always my special thanks go to our groundsman Mr. Albert Francis for his co-operation and understanding for the whole season, and also to the Supporters Club.

I wish to extend my appreciation for everything they have done for the youth.

Playing Record:

Played 35 Won 26 Lost 8 Drawn 1
Points for 657 Points against 318.

Highest Points Scorer:

Mark Jones 101.

Highest Try Scorers:

Phil Bartle 18, Andrew Davies 17.

Highest Number of Appearances:

David Flint 35, Andrew Davies 32.

Welsh Youth Representative:

Carl Gupwell, replacement for four games.

Player of the Year:

Phil Bartle.

Most Promising Player:

David Flint.

Clubman of the Year:

Andrew Davies.

Captain:

Mark Jones

GARY DAVIES,

Hon. Secretary, Cardiff R.F.C. Youth.

Report of the Cardiff Rugby Supporters Club for the Year ending 30th April, 1985

The first event of each club year seems to be the Player of the Year evening, and this year was no exception. On June 14th Gareth Davies received the 1983/84 award with the general acclaim of a 'full house'. Other awards were presented to John Scott and Terry Charles as captains of the First XV and the 'Rags', whilst Mathew Hadley received the 'Eights Cup' and tie as the Athletic XV Player of the Year. A silver salver was presented to Adrian Hadley to commemorate the winning of his first international cap. On behalf of the Rugby Club, Mr. Tony Williams as retiring Chairman, accepted a Scroll of Honour recognizing the 4th Schweppes Cup win. The evening also gave us the opportunity to make a special presentation in the form of a Silver Cigarette Box to Mr. Ken George in appreciation of his friendship and assistance over the years. The previous winners of the 'Eights Cup' received their long awaited 'Eights Ties'.

We were able to hold a special raffle during the evening using prizes originally donated for the 'Gala Dinner'. The first prize being won by John Scott — two tickets to London on the National Rapide — the proceeds from the raffle, £150, was donated to the Players Overseas Tour Fund.

After a rather quite summer we opened our social programme with another Referee's Forum on October 12th and this proved to be another enjoyable and educational evening, but once again the attendance was rather disappointing. The same sort of indifference resulted later in the year in the cancellation of our Annual Dinner, originally planned for November.

We were privileged, on behalf of the Rugby Club, to entertain the touring New Zealand Wasps Rugby Club on Friday 19th October. The party were some 45 or so members of the main tour group who were staying in London on the last part of a European tour. The party included a number of Maoris complete with guitar, dancers and their own blend of wonderful music to entertain us, while we were fortunate to have the services of the Morlais Gleemen. The result was a memorable evening and some new friends were made.

We had our usual Quiz Nights with Aberaman Band Club, with the first at Aberaman in December, and the return visit at Cardiff on March 8th. Both evenings were enjoyable, and ended with the usual musical entertainment by the Mountain Ash R.F.C. Choir and the Morlais Gleeman respectively.

The Bi-Annual Supporters trip to Paris took place in March, and

with a revised route via Dover and leaving at midnight on the Wednesday, we were able to have an extra 24 hours in Paris. All in all a first class trip that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

Once again this year the two Horse Racing Evenings proved to be very popular, the second one in April being in aid of the Youth Team Tour Fund, and we were pleased to hand over a cheque for £150 to the Youth Chairman at the end of the evening.

Wednesday, April 18th saw us have a full house for the 'Hennessey's in Concert' and with an excellent Buffet laid on by our Ladies Section it proved to be a first class evening to round off our social programme.

Coach trips this season proved to be the best supported for many years, and our special thanks are extended to Ken Jarrett and Andy Howells for their hard work and dedication in organising the bookings. This has been helped greatly by the use of the Stewards Room after home matches, thanks to the Club and Mr. Don Davies. Their help and consideration proved to be invaluable.

Perhaps the most notable action taken by the Supporters Club this year was to join the newly formed Welsh Association of Rugby Supporters Clubs. In this time of unrest and trouble with the Soccer Supporters at matches, it is very encouraging that the top 16 Welsh Clubs are prepared to unite in friendship and we look forward to our first dinner at the Police Club — Waterton Cross — in June.

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Chairman, Secretary and Committee of the Cardiff Athletic Club and their counterparts in the Rugby Club for their help and assistance during the past year.

KEN JONES,
Chairman, Supporters Club.

RECORD OF RESULTS - SEASON 1984/85

CARDIFF FIRST FIFTEEN

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Result	Score for					Score against						
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.
1984															
Sept. 1	East District	H	Won	7	3				54	1					6
5	Glamorgan Wanderers	H	Won	4	1		2		34				2		6
8	Neath	A	Lost	2					12		1			3	13
12	Bristol	A	Won	3		1	3		30	2	2			2	26
15	Coventry	H	Won	1	2		1		17						0
19	Penarth	H	Won	8	4				64					1	3
22	Aberavon	A	Won	2	2		1		23	1	1			3	19
26	Pontypridd	A	Won	1	3	5			28		3			1	15
29	Garryowen	A	Won	1	1		1		13	1					6
Oct. 6	Newport	H	Won	4	1	1	2		37				1		3
10	Bridgend	A	Won				4		12	1				1	9
13	Northampton	A	Won	4	5				44	1	1				10
17	Pontypool	H	Draw				3		9					3	9
20	Cambridge	A	Lost		1	3			13		1			4	16
24	Wallabies	H	Won	1	1	1	1		16	2					12
27	Harlequins	H	Won	3	1		1		25	2	1			1	15
31	Newbridge	A	Lost	1					6					4	12
Nov. 3	Leicester	H	Won	4	5		1		47	1	3			1	21
7	Oxford University ..	A	Won	1			3		15	1	1			1	13
10	Ebbw Vale	A	Lost	1	1		1		13	2	1			2	22
28	Llanelli	H	Won	2			4		24					2	6
Dec. 1	Swansea	A	Draw	1	1		1		13	1	1			1	13
22	Bridgend	H	Won	4	1		2		34		1			3	13
26	Pontypridd	H	Won	6	2				44		3				12
29	Coventry	A	Won		3				12					2	6
1985															
Jan. 1	Crawshays	H	Won	1	5		1		29	1	3			2	24
5	Moseley	H	Post.												
12	Aberavon	H	Won	5	3		1		45	2					12
Feb. 2	Ebbw Vale	H	Won	6	2				44		1			3	13
9	Bristol	H	Post.												
15	London Welsh	H	Post.												
27	S. Glam. Institute ..	H	Won	3			3		27					3	9
Mar. 9	Pontypool	A	Lost				2		6	2				4	24
15	Bective	H	Won	4	2		3		41	3	1			1	25
23	Newport	A	Post.												
30	Llanelli	A	Post.												
Apr. 6	Barbarians	H	Won	5	2		2		44	2	2				20
10	S. Wales Police ..	H	Won	2			1		15						0
13	Swansea	H	Won	4	3		2		42	2	1				16
20	Neath	H	Post.												
	TOTALS			90	53	9	51	-	1058	28	28	-	51	-	474

Cardiff First Fifteen - (continued)

Overseas Tour: Bangkok

Opponents			H. or A.	Result	Score for					Score against					
					G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.
July 29	Bangkok National XV		A	Won	8	3				60	3	1	1	1	28
31	Combined Services XV		A	Won	4	3				36	1	1			13
Aug. 2	Royal Bangkok Sports C.		A	Won	12	4				88			1		3
TOTALS					24	10	-	-	-	184	4	2	2	2	44

W.R.U. Cup:

Opponents				H. or A.	Result	Score for					Score against						
						G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.
1st Round	Tonyrefail	..	..	A	Won	2	1		2		22	1			1	9
2nd Round	Bryncoch	..	..	A	Won	2		1	2		21					0
3rd Round	Newbridge	..	..	A	Won		3		4		24				2	6
4th Round	Neath	..	..	H	Won	3		1			21			1	3	12
5th Round	Pontypool	..	..	A	Won	1		4	2		24				1	3
Cup Final	Llanelli	..	..	A	Lost		2		2		14	1		1	2	15
TOTALS						8	6	6	12	-	126	2	-	2	9	-	45

Seven-a-Side Tournaments:

Snelling Sevens (August 25, 1984):

Aberavon	Won 16-12
Pontypool	Won 28-4
Neath	Won 28-10
Bridgend	Won 26-0
Newport	Won 30-12
Bill Everson Award - Mark Ring	

Haig Sevens (April 28th, 1985):

Glasgow and District	Lost 14-4
Watsonians	Won 20-6
Knocked-out in First Round	

Aberaeron Sevens (August 18th, 1984):

Lost in Second Round to Sportswriters 14-16

C.H.S.O.B. Sevens (August 19th, 1984):

Lost in Semi-Final to Glamorgan Wanderers 4-20

Llanelli Wanderers Sevens (August 25th, 1984):

Lost in Final to Llangennech 10-21.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC FIFTEEN

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Result	Score for					Score against						
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.
1984															
Sept. 1	Llanharan	A	Won	6	1		2		46		1		2		10
5	Glamorgan Wanderers II	A	Lost	1	1		4		22	2	1	1	2		25
8	Bath United	H	Won	5	5				50	1	1		2		16
10	Pontyclun	A	Won	1	3				18						0
12	Bristol United ..	H	Won	1	4		1		25	1			1		9
15	Coventry Extras ..	A	Won	1	3		1		21	2			1		15
17	Barry	A	Won	3			1		15				2		6
19	Caerleon	A	Won	2	2		2		26				4		12
26	Pontypridd Athletic	H	Won	1	3		2		24	2			3		21
29	Neath Athletic ..	H	Won	2	1		3		25	3	1				22
Oct. 3															
6	Cardiff HSOB ..	H	Won	10	1				64	1					6
6	Newport United ..	A	Won	1	3		3		27	2	2	1			23
10	Pontypool United ..	H	Won	1	2		1		17		1		2		10
13	Pontypool Athletic ..	A	Won	2	2		2		26		4				16
17	Abercarn	A	Won	1	2		3		23	2			1		11
20	Blackwood	H	Lost	1	1				10	1	1		2		16
31	Newport Saracens ..	H	Won	4	4		1		43				1		3
Nov. 3															
10	Leicester Extras ..	A	Won	1	4		2		28	2			2		14
10	Ebbw Vale Athletic ..	H	Won	3	3		2		36	1			1		9
17	St. Peters	H	Won	1			3		15				4		12
Dec. 1															
8	Swansea Athletic ..	H	Lost				3		9	1	1		2		16
14	Caerleon	H	Won	4	5				44		1				4
14	Garndiffaith	H	Won	8	6				72						0
29	Coventry Extras ..	H	Won	1	3				18	1			2		12
31	Bridgend Sports ..	A	Won	1	3				18	1			2		12
1985															
Jan. 26	Neath Athletic ..	A	Won	1	5				26	2			2		14
Feb. 2															
6	Ebbw Vale Athletic ..	A	Won	2	3		2		30	1			2		10
6	Pontypridd Athletic	A	Won	6	1		2		46	1			2		10
23	Llandaff	A	Won	3	2		1		29	1			1		7
Mar. 2															
6	Bath United	A	Lost	1	1				4	2			2		14
6	Pontypool United ..	A	Won	1	4		1		25	1			2		12
9	Pontypool Athletic ..	H	Won	1	3				21		2		3		17
27	Abercynon	H	Won	1			1		9		1				7
30	Bridgend Sports ..	H	Won		2				8		1		1		7
Apr. 12															
14	Lymm	A	Won	1	2		1		17	1			1		9
14	Sale II	A	Won	2	2		1		23	1			1		9
17	Llangennech	A	Won	6	2				44	1	3		4		30
May 6															
6	Blackwood	A	Won	5	3		1		45	1					6
	TOTALS			88	95	-	47	-	1115	24	32	-	58	-	459

CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS — Rugby First XV

Captain		Vice-Captain	
1876-77	T. S. DONALDSON-SELBY	1931-32	HOWARD POOLE
1877-78	E. C. FRY	1932-33	TOM LEWIS
1878-79	R. H. FOA	1933-34	G. GABE-JONES
1879-80	W. D. PHILLIPS		R. GABE-JONES
1880-81	W. D. PHILLIPS	1934-35	A. SKYR
1881-82	B. E. GIRLING	1935-36	L. M. SPENCE
1882-83	W. D. PHILLIPS	1936-37	T. STONE
1883-84	H. J. SIMPSON	1937-38	A. WOODS
1884-85	H. J. SIMPSON	1938-39	W. WOOLLER (2 games)
1885-86	F. E. HANCOCK	1939-40	W. WOOLLER (2 games)
1886-87	W. M. DOUGLAS	1940-41	JACK MATTHEWS
1887-88	G. A. YOUNG	1941-42	HAYDN TANNER
1888-89	A. F. HILL	1942-43	BLEDYNN WILLIAMS
1889-90	C. S. ARTHUR	1943-44	W. E. TAMPLIN
1890-91	W. E. O. WILLIAMS	1944-45	D. JACK MATTHEWS
1891-92	D. W. EVANS	1945-46	W. REX WILLIS
1892-93	T. W. PEARSON	1946-47	BLEDYNN WILLIAMS
1893-94	N. BIGGS	1947-48	W. E. TAMPLIN
1894-95	A. F. HILL	1948-49	D. JACK MATTHEWS
1895-96	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	1949-50	W. REX WILLIS
1896-97	J. E. ELIOTT	1950-51	BLEDYNN WILLIAMS
1897-98	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	1951-52	W. REX WILLIS
1898-99	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	1952-53	BLEDYNN WILLIAMS
1899-1900	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	1953-54	M. COLLINS
1900-01	H. B. WINFIELD	1954-55	P. T. GOODFELLOW
1901-02	H. B. WINFIELD	1955-56	E. THOMAS
1902-03	C. F. BIGGS	1956-57	C. D. WILLIAMS
1903-04	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	1957-58	GORDON WELLS
1904-05	C. F. BIGGS	1958-59	LLOYD WILLIAMS
1905-06	PERCY F. BUSH	1960-61	LLOYD WILLIAMS
1906-07	PERCY F. BUSH	1961-62	D. J. HAYWARD
1907-08	PERCY F. BUSH	1962-63	M. ROBERTS
1908-09	PERCY F. BUSH	1963-64	K. ROWLANDS
1909-10	J. L. WILLIAMS	1964-65	C. H. NORRIS
1910-11	R. A. GIBBS	1965-66	C. H. NORRIS
1911-12	L. M. DYKE	1966-67	C. H. NORRIS
1912-13	W. J. JENNINGS	1967-68	J. O'SHEA
1913-14	W. J. JENNINGS	1968-69	J. HICKEY
1914-15	EUROPEAN WAR	1970-71	J. H. JAMES
1915-16	EUROPEAN WAR	1971-72	G. WALLACE
1916-17	EUROPEAN WAR	1972-73	G. WALLACE
1917-18	EUROPEAN WAR	1973-74	M. JOHN
1918-19	EUROPEAN WAR	1974-75	T. G. R. DAVIES
1919-20	EUROPEAN WAR	1975-76	T. G. R. DAVIES
1920-21	C. L. LEWIS	1976-77	T. G. R. DAVIES
1921-22	R. ARTHUR CORNISH	1977-78	R. GABE-JONES
1922-23	D. T. R. ALLACE	1978-79	R. GABE-JONES
1923-24	D. T. R. ALLACE	1979-80	R. GABE-JONES
1924-25	D. T. R. ALLACE	1980-81	R. GABE-JONES
1925-26	D. T. R. ALLACE	1981-82	R. GABE-JONES
1926-27	D. T. R. ALLACE	1982-83	R. GABE-JONES
1927-28	D. T. R. ALLACE	1983-84	R. GABE-JONES
1928-29	D. T. R. ALLACE	1984-85	R. GABE-JONES
1929-30	D. T. R. ALLACE		
1930-31	D. T. R. ALLACE		

CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 1984 SEASON

The First XI enjoyed another highly successful season when they repeated their 1983 feat of winning the Famous Grouse Western League, the Girobank Welsh Cup and the Arthur Patterson Trophy, and also won the Local Indoor League.

Tony Cordle skippered the Club and led very much from the front. Not only was his bowling as effective as ever, but he also made useful runs when they were needed, most particularly in the Cup Final when his hard hit 20 took Cardiff to victory over Gowerton with 3 overs to spare and he led the players off the field in his last match for Cardiff.

In the Western League Cardiff got off to a good start with home wins against Downend by 8 wickets and Clifton by 7 wickets. A close match against Bath saw a win by 13 runs, but there were convincing victories over Brislington, Cheltenham and Stroud before the game against Malmesbury was abandoned with Cardiff requiring 48 runs from 15 overs with 7 wickets in hand. Further wins were recorded against Imperial, Westbury and Optimists (who were shot out for 56 by Julian Francis with 6-26 and Tony Cordle 4-22), before Gloucester gave the side a fright when Cardiff won by a mere 2 runs. Keynsham were beaten by ten wickets, but Chippenham then inflicted the only League defeat of the season when Cardiff batting collapsed and the side was all out for 70.

The final two League matches were against local rivals St. Fagans who were beaten by 5 wickets — a result which virtually assured the title, but Cardiff were in no mood to take chances with the final game against Newport, and after making 199-6 bowled Newport out for 75 to clinch matters and average nearly 3 points more than runners-up Midsomer Norton.

The foundation of success was undoubtedly the great team spirit which developed during the season. However, this alone cannot win games there were several remarkable performances. The greatest contributions with the bat came from Chris Elward who scored 531 runs at an average of 59.00 and a highest score of 81 against Cheltenham. He was ably supported by Paul Good, 462 runs at 38.50 and a best score of 82 against Bath, and Michael Cann, 327 at 40.87. In the early part of the season we could also call on Hugh Morris before Glamorgan claimed him and he played some fine innings, notably 70 against Cheltenham when Cardiff scored 221 for 2.

Mention must also be made of Michael Cann's success while on a summer contract with Glamorgan. He became the first player to score over 1,000 runs for the County 2nd XI, and will be missed when he goes to University.

Four bowlers did the main work. As expected Tony Cordle led the way with 53 wickets at 12.34. His best haul was 8-65 against Imperial and he finished 4th in the overall League averages. His main support came from Peter Morgan with 20 wickets at 20.10, Julian Francis with 15 at 10.07 and Gary Hibbert with 15 at 25.27.

The Girobank Welsh Cup was retained after 7 games. The preliminary round was one of those 'easy' matches which have so often resulted in a shock and Cardiff approached Llanfapley very seriously. The win was

convincing but the welcome was tremendous and it is hoped that we can return there. The next rounds we beat Pontypridd (4 wks), Chepstow (8 wks) and Barry (6 wks) before meeting Cefn Fforest away in the Zone Final. Cardiff made 240-5 in their 40 overs and effectively ended the contest by reducing Cefn Fforest to 63-6, and although they recovered from this Cardiff won by 80 runs. The semi-final was against Ynysygerwyn and saw Cardiff win by 18 runs after some alarms and so all was set for the final at Swansea against Gowerton.

As so often happens this did not live up to the pre-match expectations. After winning the toss Gowerton decided to bat Cardiff struck a vital blow by removing their prolific opener Peter O'Reilly for 0 in the 4th over when he was brilliantly caught by the diving Tim Littlewood. The second wicket fell at 40 and Michael Cann then really put the brakes on by bowling 8 overs of offspin for a mere 6 runs and 2 wickets. Gowerton never recovered and finished on 129 for 9 at the end of 40 overs. Cardiff started briskly with 16 from the first 2 overs but were then also tied down by the spinners. Chris Elward batted patiently for 45 which won him the Man of the Match award from Tom Cartwright, but when he was out Tony Cordle promoted himself in the order and took Cardiff to a 6 wicket win.

In all First XI games the following were the best batting figures:

	Inn	N/O	H/S	Runs	Average
C. ELWARD	24	8	130	958	59.88
A. CORDLE	12	5	43	243	37.71
H. MORRIS	7	0	70	263	37.57
P. GOOD	20	1	82	679	35.74
M. CANN	23	6	85	559	32.88
D. SINCLAIR	20	4	38	315	19.69
H. SLADE	13	6	24	114	16.28

while these were the leading bowlers:

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Average	Best
A. CORDLE	305.5	70	824	69	11.94	8-65
J. FRANCIS	98	24	238	19	12.53	6-26
M. CANN	55.3	12	177	13	13.61	3- 7
P. MORGAN	186.5	28	656	33	19.88	5-70
G. HIBBERT	165.1	39	596	26	22.92	5-54
H. SLADE	83	11	322	12	26.83	4-41

Towards the end of the season, as the 1983 Famous Grouse Western League champions, we entertained a select XI. Unfortunately because of business commitments we were not able to field our best side but lost a closely contested game. I should like to thank Manor Brick who sponsored us on this occasion and enabled us to entertain our visitors.

Second XI Report — 1984

The Second XI were inevitably rather in the shadows compared to the success of the First XI, but still had a reasonably successful season, finishing 8th in the League and winning 8 of their 14 matches.

It is possible that they would have done better had they not been out of action due to bad weather for three weeks thus losing the momentum of a good start. Wins were recorded against Downend, Clifton, Stroud, Malmesbury, Imperial, Westbury, Gloucester and St. Fagans.

The most successful batsmen were John Hansell with 395 runs at an average of 43.89 and Jeff Bretos with 234 at 33.42. Valuable support also came from Andy Ingleby and K.D. Williams.

The bowling was rather less impressive and the only bowler to qualify for the League averages was Gary Headley with 20 wickets at 12.30. Gary is to be congratulated on being taken onto the Lord's Ground staff.

The Captain of the Seconds, W.R. Jones, introduced a Cavalier attitude on the field and in the mini-bus that accompanied the Seconds around the Western League area last year.

The Third XI, captained by Alan Hughes, played in Gwent League for the first time. Fourteen League games were played, nine were won and the side reached the semi-final of the League Cup Competition. Three players scored hundreds and wickets generally were much better than experienced in previous Leagues. This is very important for the future of the club as many Juniors once again gained their first experience of League Cricket in the Third XI.

As usual the Sunday XI had a splendid record winning 10 and drawing 6 of the twenty games played. The team was captained by A.C. Edwards with many games affected by calls of the first XI players of the cup and representative games. Nevertheless two teams frequently fielded the most notable victories were recorded against Ammanford and South Wales Hunts.

Our tour to Holland was a most resounding success. We had to postpone our departure as we had to play Barry in the Welsh Cup on the Sunday before leaving. Our first game against the Flamingos in Amsterdam was won. The second game at Haige was rained off and the last game, when lack of stamina was rather evident, was lost at Utrecht. Although the Tulips were out of season, the sights of Amsterdam will long be remembered.

The Six-a-side tournament was sponsored this year by Bildapowa. It was a successful day, Cardiff Rugby Club reached the semi-final but Cefn Fforest turned out the eventual winners.

Despite the problems of teachers working to rule and bad weather, we were able to complete the Cardiff Cricket Club Schools competition for the Dan Herbert Cup. St. Illtyds were the winners.

Next year, our Juniors will be entering the Gwent League at the Under-13, Under-15 and Under-17 age levels. The development of our youth is essential for the future success of the club.

They had several games, Cup and friendly and our Under-17's lost to the eventual winners, Cheltenham, in the semi-final of the League Competition.

Social events went on as usual. Our Dinner at the beginning of the year in November, was attended by Gordon Jones and Phil Carling, but as Tony Cordle was emigrating to Canada, as soon as the season finished we held a special testimonial dinner for him when several presentations were made. The support from sports people throughout the whole of South Wales was very warm and genuine, particularly that of the two main speakers, Gareth Daniel and David Evans.

Special thanks to our ladies who continue to forfeit their weekends to make our teas. We would like to thank the supporters and sponsors and of course the staff in the office and bar and particularly Len and Albert and the ground staff. Amongst individuals who helped, Gordon Eccles for umpiring, Chris Fookes, our regular first team scorer and Western League representative and Ramash Patel sorted out our fixtures, deserve a special mention. In addition, thanks to the Committee and players who made 1984 such a memorable year.

Next year will prove to be very difficult as every side will be out to show they can beat Cardiff. If the players can show the same commitment they have over the past couple of years, I am sure we can look forward with confidence to 1985.

GWYN STONE

CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB

CAPTAINS

From 1867 to 1876 there is no record of Captains.

1877 ..	E. W. JONES	1930 ..	A. N. MORGAN
1878 ..	E. W. JONES	1931 ..	N. V. H. RICHES
1879 ..	E. W. JONES	1932 ..	E. C. DOLMAN
1880 ..	E. W. JONES	1933 ..	G. L. RATTENBURY
1881	Names of Captains not recorded.	1934 ..	J. T. MORGAN
1882		1935 ..	J. T. MORGAN
1883		1936 ..	F. W. MATHIAS
1884 ..	J. P. JONES	1937 ..	F. THOMAS
1885 ..	J. P. JONES	1938 ..	W. J. EVANS
1886 ..	J. P. JONES	1939 ..	L. G. JONES
1887 ..	W. H. WILLIAMS	1940-45	WORLD WAR II
1888 ..	W. H. WILLIAMS	1946 ..	W. J. EVANS
1889 ..	W. H. WILLIAMS	1947 ..	W. H. WILKINS
1890 ..	A. MORRIS	1948 ..	J. D. RICHES
1891 ..	A. MORRIS	1949 ..	G. GIBSON
1892 ..	W. H. BRAIN	1950 ..	W. H. WILKINS
1893 ..	W. H. BRAIN	1951 ..	W. H. WILKINS
1894 ..	W. H. BRAIN	1952 ..	G. DAVIES
1895 ..	J. H. BRAIN	1953 ..	G. DAVIES
1896 ..	J. H. BRAIN	1954 ..	W. H. WILKINS
1897 ..	J. G. CLARK	1955 ..	G. K. WILBY
1898 ..	J. G. CLARK	1956 ..	G. W. WILBY
1899 ..	J. G. CLARK	1957 ..	J. O. WEBB
1900 ..	J. H. BRAIN	1958 ..	J. PLEASS
1901 ..	J. H. BRAIN	1959 ..	J. PLEASS
1902 ..	J. G. CLARK	1960 ..	J. O. WEBB
1903 ..	V. T. GILL	1961 ..	J. O. WEBB
1904 ..	V. T. GILL	1962 ..	A. THOMAS
1905 ..	J. P. CADOGAN	1963 ..	A. THOMAS
1906 ..	A. GIBSON	1964 ..	A. PRIDAY
1907 ..	A. GIBSON	1965 ..	A. PRIDAY
1908 ..	A. GIBSON	1966 ..	A. PRIDAY
1909 ..	A. GIBSON	1967 ..	Dr. P. GATEHOUSE
1910 ..	N. V. H. RICHES	1968 ..	D. O. HERBERT
1911 ..	N. V. H. RICHES	1969 ..	D. O. HERBERT
1912 ..	N. V. H. RICHES	1970 ..	K. D. WILLIAMS
1913 ..	J. HORSPOOL	1971 ..	D. J. PASK
1914 ..	J. HORSPOOL	1972 ..	D. O. HERBERT
1915-18	EUROPEAN WAR	1973 ..	P. F. GOOD
1919 ..	J. HORSPOOL	1974 ..	D. O. HERBERT
1920 ..	H. G. SYMONDS	1975 ..	K. D. WILLIAMS
1921 ..	G. E. CORDING	1976 ..	R. THOMAS
1922 ..	G. E. CORDING	1977 ..	R. W. WEBB
1923 ..	T. R. MORGAN	1978 ..	DAVID LEWIS
1924 ..	H. W. TAYLOR	1979 ..	DAVID LEWIS
1925 ..	F. W. MATHIAS	1980 ..	HOWARD SLADE
1926 ..	N. V. H. RICHES	1981 ..	HOWARD SLADE
1927 ..	N. V. H. RICHES	1982 ..	HOWARD SLADE
1928 ..	N. V. H. RICHES	1983 ..	P. F. GOOD
1929 ..	A. N. MORGAN	1984 ..	A. CORDLE

CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLS CLUB

CAPTAIN'S REPORT FOR SEASON 1984

Members and their Ladies were invited to the opening of the Green on Friday, April 13th, when the first wood was bowled by Mr. John Calnan, Hon. Secretary of South Glamorgan County Bowling Association. He was welcomed by our chairman Mr. Ernie Couzens and Mr. Calnan wished us a successful season.

The weather was excellent and the formal opening was followed by our traditional get together and buffet in the Pavilion afterwards. Such was the popularity of this function that it was difficult to circulate in the Pavilion. During the evening Mr. Bryn Hawkins was presented with a carriage clock by the Cardiff Athletic President, Mr. Les. Spence, in recognition of the Honours gained in International and World Bowls.

Thanks must be given for such a successful opening to the Ladies who prepared the buffet and the usual bar staff who are becoming more professional each year.

The fine weather continued the following day, Captains Day, with a full turnout on six rinks, and so the sunshine and blue skies continued throughout the summer: at least one record in 1984 which I doubt will ever be bettered. And so to the WBA competition, which followed the usual pattern; excellent results in all games except the vital one against our bogey club Abertridwr, which we lost by two shots.

The statistics were:-

Played 6 Won 5 Lost 1 595 shots for 399 against.

We seemed well set for a good run in the PGI competition but the results were disappointing:-

Played 7 Won 3 Lost 4 584 shots for 547 against.

The disappointing part about these results is that although most of the team were playing well, one rink would fail by 20 or more shots.

Including both competitions we played 11, Skips, and I must congratulate Mr. Peter Evans who maintained a 100% record, having played 11, Won 11, Lost 0.

Other results were:-

Mr. Reg Pullen	played 12	won 8	lost 4
Mr. Bryn Hawkins	played 7	won 6	lost 1
Mr. E. Hughes	played 5	won 3	lost 2
Mr. E. Chapple	played 5	won 2	lost 3
Mr. Len Morgan	played 4	won 2	lost 2
Mr. D.H. Morris	played 1	won 1	lost 0
Mr. S. Stevens	played 1	won 1	lost 0
Mr. Ray Ash	played 1	won 0	lost 1
Mr. D. Teague	played 1	won 0	lost 1

There is no doubt that we missed the services and experience of a number of our top bowlers through illness and other commitments this year. Mr. Dennis Osling who is recovering from a serious heart operation and I am pleased to say played his first game in Torquay in October. Mr. Stan Hull came back into the game after his operation in the latter part of the season.

Mr. Sid Stevens gave us all a fright with a heart flutter but I'm glad to say is once again enjoying his bowling. And of course we lost the services of Mr. Bryn Hawkins for the whole of the PGI programme whilst he was on International duty.

All in all it has been a good season with some excellent results, great games, and a few disappointments. The company and friendship in all the friendly matches was something we all enjoyed, typical of the companionship and spirit of the Bowling fraternity in general. We played 31 friendly games, won 18 and lost 13.

I would like to congratulate Mr. Reg. Pullen's rink in winning the S. Glam. rink competition and also reaching the final of the WBA, being narrowly defeated in that game.

I would also like to congratulate the 'A' side and captain Bill Light in winning the PG2 competition so convincingly. It's at least seven years since that trophy has been won by this Club and I see no reason why we cannot successfully defend the title for many future years.

I would like to thank the Section and Selection committees for their support throughout the year. The stalwart work performed, especially by the Secretary, Mr. Jack Jones, Fixture Secretary, Mr. M. Gilmore and Treasurer Mr. Jim Judd was outstanding. In their duties they cover a tremendous amount of work and it does not go by without great appreciation. Also thanks to Mr. Brian Hazel for once again organising and running the club internal competitions. A new system was used this year with success and if persevered with should run more smoothly in 1985. The Alliance fixtures for the afternoon bowlers also proved a success so much so that other clubs are showing a keen interest in joining next year. For the first time for many years a 'Spoons' competition organised and run by Mr. Colin Williams on Thursday or Friday evenings proved more popular. I understand that spoons have been ordered for next year which should make it more attractive and an added incentive for increasing numbers on these particular evenings.

Our Finals Day arrived once again in glorious sunshine and I would like to congratulate Mr. Colin Williams in winning the Club Championship and also Mr. Jack Jones the runner-up. To get to the final is something to be proud of. Congratulations to all other winners and finalists.

Thanks are due to our Ladies for the wonderful work they have done for the Bowling Section throughout the year. I cannot find words strong enough to express my profound thanks and admiration for the way in which they conjured up such excellent teas and buffets, always with a cheerful word and a smile.

To conclude I would like to thank everyone for their support. I deem it a great Honour to have been Captain of Cardiff Athletic Bowls Club—a Great Club if not the Greatest. May I most sincerely wish the incoming Captain, Mr. Alun Brunt every success, Good health, Good weather and Good Luck for 1985.

W. ROBERTS,
Captain, Bowls Section

'A' TEAM REPORT

At the beginning of 1984, we, the Bowls and Selection Committees, were of the opinion that the 'A' team had quite a good chance of winning the Private Greens '2' Championship. In previous years, we'd had a few near misses, and we felt that 1984 could be our year.

The competition is run in two sections, A and B, with eleven teams in each section. The winners of section A, playing the runners-up of section B, and vice-versa. The results of the ten section games we played were:

Won 9 Lost 1 Shots for 858 against 697

In the semi-final we played Llanbradach 'A', runners-up in the other section, at the Barry Athletic Green. Old foes of Cardiff Athletic we were expecting a hard and close game, but we eventually beat them by 43 shots, which to my mind, was the outstanding result of the season. The final result read thus:

Cardiff Athletic 'A' 107 Llanbradach 'A' 64

So on to the final, to be played at the Penhill Bowling Green. Our opponents were Cardiff Sophia Gardens 'A' who had beaten Penylan in their semi-final. We were quietly confident, as we had already beaten them, albeit by one shot, on their own green in the section games. So it turned out to be, victory by 5 shots, after a little stutter midway through the game. At this point, I would like to thank all members for their wonderful support during this game, I'm certain it had no small bearing on the result.

Cardiff Athletic 'A' 79 Cardiff Sophia Gardens 'A' 74

My heartfelt thanks to the Bowls and Selection Committess for their guidance and support at all times also the many back-room people who make this club what it is. Last but certainly not least, the Tea Ladies, without whom, the game of Bowls as we know it, would not survive.

To all these, and everyone not mentioned, congratulations for making this a memorable year.

Finally, I would like to wish the incoming captain of the 'A' team, Mr. J. Stevens every success for 1985.

W. LIGHT

PAST CAPTAINS OF BOWLS SECTION

1924 .. J. BATSONE	1955 .. C. B. WATSON
1925 .. M. WOOD	1956 .. J. H. WEBB
1926 .. W. M. DOUGLAS	1957 .. E. F. COUZENS
1927 .. J. PRATT	1958 .. L. SMITH
1928 .. W. H. JENKINS	1959 .. W. DACEY
1929 .. W. C. WILLIAMS	1960 .. A. P. FORSTER, M.B.E.
1930 .. D. L. EVANS	1961 .. T. PHILLIPS
1931 .. J. OXENHAM	1962 .. W. H. THOMAS
1932 .. L. C. WATTERS	1963 .. J. DESMOND
1933 .. F. DAVIES	1964 .. REX LEWIS
1934 .. W. T. GRIFFITHS	1965 .. L. M. SPENCE, M.B.E.
1935 .. A. MILSOM	1966 .. J. ELLIOTT
1936 .. A. CALDER	1967 .. J. A. JUDD
1937 .. C. W. STANDFAST	1968 .. P. E. RIDD
1938 .. T. STRONG	1969 .. G. ARTHUR
1939 .. E. RIDD	1970 .. R. GOODING
1940 .. W. J. OLD	1971 .. L. K. MORGAN
1941 .. H. W. TAYLOR	1972 .. A. G. BOUND, M.B.E.
1942 .. J. D. ROBERTS	1973 .. BRYN TALLIS
1943 .. W. T. WILLIAMS	1974 .. D. H. PRINCE
1944 .. H. J. SALTER	1975 .. M. C. GILMORE
1945 .. A. G. COUZENS	1976 .. I. C. PRICE
1946 .. A. F. MALE	1977 .. D. S. DAVIES
1947 .. A. E. TAYLOR	1978 .. COLIN WILLIAMS
1948 .. W. J. POWELL	1979 .. S. J. STEVENS
1949 .. F. E. BONNELL	1980 .. R. G. MILLS
1950 .. S. JONES	1981 .. S. T. HULL
1951 .. A. H. USHER	1982 .. J. RYAN
1952 .. F. D. ALTON	1983 .. D. H. MORRIS
1953 .. J. S. LEWIS	1984 .. W. ROBERTS
1954 .. K. TOOZER	

CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS SECTION

CAPTAIN'S REPORT FOR SEASON 1984

I ended my report for last year on a note of optimism which was fully justified by events in 1984.

The season opened on April 8th with an American tournament which was well supported. On May 7th the singles ladder was concluded with a play-off and the club champion, Alistair Alexander retained his No. 1 position.

We were able to secure the coaching services of R. Wallace and this, combined with the pre-season indoor sessions at Talybont, contributed to the improved performance of the teams in the Summer Leagues. All teams gained promotion.

Men's 1st — Runners-up, Division 3.
Men's 2nd — Champions, Division 7.
Ladies' Team — Runners-up, Division 3.

Many members were involved in this success which we must strive to maintain in order to attract more players to the club. My thanks to the team captains and congratulations to all those involved.

Results in the Winter League and inter-club singles fixtures were mixed.

The club tournaments were concluded with some intriguing matches on Finals day, July 28th, and provided the following champions:

Men's Singles: Alistair Alexander
Ladies' Singles: Christine Lewis
Men's Doubles: Alistair Alexander & Martin Percy
Ladies' Doubles: Angela Dickson & Charlotte Greenwood
Mixed Doubles: Charlotte Greenwood & Alistair Alexander

Congratulations to all and to all entrants who helped to make an interesting tournament.

Our social committee were active in organising the Final's day BBQ and a Disco/Buffer in September. These events were most enjoyable and well supported. Similarly, the December American tournament and lunch sustained the spirit within the section. Mike Johns and Robin Relph (who is also our efficient fixture secretary) deserve special praise for their 'cuisine'.

In conclusion I must thank our ladies' captain, Mrs. Sybil Upton, for her continuing support and Martin Percy and Alistair Alexander for junior coaching. The accent this year has been on team work and apart from those persons mentioned specifically I have been grateful for the support of a hard working committee — all of whom — from the Chairman down are anxious to see an active and successful section.

NEIL W. DAVEY

CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS CLUB CAPTAINS

	<i>Men's</i>	<i>Ladies'</i>
1923	T. J. HOPKINS	—
1924	T. J. HOPKINS	Miss E. CLARE
1925	T. J. HOPKINS	Mrs. G. D. HORSPOOL
1926	T. J. HOPKINS	Miss D. A. CALDER
1927	F. C. ORAM	Miss D. A. CALDER
1928	F. C. ORAM	Mrs. M. GERMAIN
1929	E. R. HANCOCK	Miss M. OXENHAM
1930	W. L. BRIGHT	Miss M. OXENHAM
1931	W. L. BRIGHT	Miss M. OXENHAM
1932	T. W. RICHARDS	Miss E. TAYLOR
1933	D. B. MORGAN	Miss W. CORNWELL
1934	W. DAVID	Miss W. CORNWELL
1935	W. L. BRIGHT	Miss N. NIGH
1936	J. BROAD	Miss E. BELMAN
1937	J. M. HOPKINS	Miss W. CORNWELL
1938	A. C. TAYLOR	Miss W. CORNWELL
1939	J. M. HOPKINS	Miss M. CORNWELL
1940-45.	WORLD WAR II	
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
1971	P. COLLIER	Mrs. J. H. COLLIER
1972	P. COLLIER	Mrs. J. H. COLLIER
1973	D. F. WARD	Miss K. CHIVERS
1974	D. F. WARD	Miss K. CHIVERS
1975	D. F. WARD	Mrs. C. JEANS
1976	A. W. BUTCHER	Mrs. C. JEANS
1977	P. COLES	Mrs. J. RAWSON
1978	T. R. MORGAN	Mrs. J. RAWSON
1979	T. R. MORGAN	Mrs. J. RAWSON
1980	T. R. MORGAN	Mrs. J. RAWSON
1981	B. G. RUSSELL	Mrs. S. UPTON
1982	B. G. RUSSELL	Mrs. S. UPTON
1983	N. DAVEY	Mrs. S. UPTON
1984	N. DAVEY	Mrs. S. UPTON

CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 1984/85

This has been a very successful season and firstly I offer my congratulations to Andy Gowman, our First XI Captain, for achieving the most important goals, the League and the Welsh Cup. I am sure he would want me to thank the whole squad, especially those from the second eleven who moved up to fill gaps left by injuries and people moving from the area.

Our Second XI, Captained by Rod Wildblood had a very mixed season with Rod himself being out for the second half of the season after his honeymoon. The team eventually finished fifth in Division One.

Channi Kaler's Third XI finished third in their League, having had what I would consider a good season. They were well led and, with a little more luck, could have ended this season on the top of the Division.

Mike Faires has once again led his Fourth XI all over the country. It must be said that Mike has one of the hardest jobs in the Club, and on behalf of the whole Club, I would like to thank him for all his hard work over the past five seasons as Fourth XI Captain.

The Veterans XI played four games, and although losing three enjoyed the apri hockey.

The Mini Hockey has continued to improve thanks to Tony Rhys-Jones. They finished fourth in the League, with Owen Jones being chosen to represent South Wales against an English Counties side.

The plusses of the season must be winning the Welsh Cup, therefore gaining entry into the European Cup next year; and winning the Premier Division of the South Wales League; successful social events, especially the re-appearance of the Dinner/Dance thanks to Chris Fookes; Stephen Sparkes equalling last season's goalscoring record of 55 goals; and an excellent trip at Easter to the Weymouth Festival, a somewhat sobering affair.

Once again the bar was excellently run by 'Tracy' and the teas were as good as ever.

Our thanks to Albert Francis and Len Smith and the rest of the ground staff at Sophia Gardens, for probably the best pitches in the South West. We also have seen the participation of Ladies in our section this year, led by the now Mrs. Avril Gowman.

Unfortunately, this year we lost all of our indoor titles. I must mention Paul Driscoll, very badly injured, and I am sure we all wish him a speedy and full recovery from his fall.

Finally, I would like to thanks all the officers of the club who have helped in my first year, but would point out that next year, our inclusion in the European competition will put more pressure on everything.

TERRY JONES

CAPTAIN'S REPORTS

FIRST XI

This was not a season without problems. Departures from Cardiff and a considerable number of injuries meant that an amazing 36 players represented the first team at some time or another. It is a credit to the

enthusiasm and effort of all these players that the season may be described as being successful, culminating in the 'ultimate accolade' in winning the Welsh Cup. To me, however, the most significant achievement was the winning of the League. There is no doubt that it yields the most consistent club in Wales.

The season got off to a disappointing start with the cancellation of our traditional London weekend due to a flash 'hurricane' which hit London on the Friday. As a result we were deprived of a good opportunity to sharpen up for the forthcoming League fixtures, this was reflected in the sluggish start. The loss of midfield supremo Howard Williams meant that a less sophisticated but more direct approach to our game was adopted which ensured maximum league points in the pre-Christmas League block. Christmas arrived with only one blemish, a 1-0 defeat at Bristol.

The first League game after Christmas saw us crash 3-0 to Whitchurch and, all of a sudden, Cardiff were written-off from League contention. However, a well-earned 9 out of 10 points from our final games plus a slice of good fortune presented us with the championship. No-one can dispute our right to have won the Welsh Cup and thus represent Wales in Europe next season. As ever the two crunch game were Whitchurch (quarter final) and Swansea (final) in which the application of the team was admirable. The unfortunate gulf between North and South Wales was highlighted by our crushing 8-1 semi-final victory over Colwyn Bay. The final chance of glory for the season came with our appearance in the final of the South Wales Cup, again versus Swansea. Disappointingly the unique treble eluded us with a somewhat lack-lustre 2-1 defeat.

On the indoor hockey front the season was mixed. Domestically it was disappointing to lose at the final hurdle in all tournaments — to Swansea in the South Wales League and Welsh Cup and to Firebrands in the Marlborough Carpets League. However, in the European Cup in Holland the side exceeded all expectations by achieving sixth position — the highest ever by a Welsh club in indoor competition. Notable victories were gained over the Dutch and French champions. This achievement was a credit to the spirit and discipline of those involved.

To conclude, I would like to thank all of those 36 players who, by and large, gave of their best on the field of play. However, I should offer a warning for next season — playing outdoor hockey in Europe is a different ball game from domestic competitions. Only those who are prepared to give 100% commitment throughout the whole of the forthcoming season will be doing any foreign travelling!

ANDY GOWMAN

SECOND XI

A season of mixed fortunes for a team that rarely fielded the same eleven twice! With a number of 'old faithful's' on permanent loan to the First's, the side did well to hold it's own throughout the season. Encouraging signs though from some of our younger element — in particular Tim Eyton-Jones, Paul Taylor and Steve Ellis, from whom we will expect even greater things next season. My thanks to everyone who played for the Second's this year — from the youngest — Owen Jones, to the oldest — Mike Chinn, an age gap of

30 years or so — and especially to Terry Jones who took over the captaincy on the field from February onwards.

A good year for us on the discipline side — we all look forward to the new season with some measure of confidence.

ROD WILDBLOOD

THIRD XI

Seven matches were lost out of the 24 played during the season which included four losses in the last six games played. This end of season lapse turned one of our best seasons into a mediocre one as far as results were concerned.

Four of the losses were in the League to the two teams who finished above us in the final League Table. We could have won at least two of these matches if a full strength Third XI could have been fielded. However, it was quite an achievement finishing third in the League considering the changes that were forced upon us due to representative calls and injuries to first team players.

The regulars who turned in sound performances week in week out included Rod McKerlich, Salim Khan (improved as the season progressed), Tony Rhys-Jones, Alan Hurman, Dave Lidbury and Chris Watts. Alan Hurman and Dave Lidbury were the most improved players — only if they had attended regular training sessions! they could have made the higher grade in the Club.

Others who made appearances for the Third XI but were lost to higher sides as the season progressed, include T. Eyton-Jones, J. Hunt, J. Davies, D. Sobey, P. Cousins, A. Johnson, J. Atter, Carl Jones and Andy Jones (Megastar of Weymouth). I was grateful to Nunnie Sohanpal and Geoff Medlow for turning out a few times for the Third XI. I cannot mention all the players who are Second or Fourth team regulars but turned out for the Third XI. However, special thanks are due to the Goalkeepers Duncan John and Chris Fookes. Without Goalkeepers we suffered our two heaviest defeats.

I leave the Chairman and other Team Captains to thank the various Officers — my special thanks are due to: Dalvir Kaler, for handling the difficult job of Team Secretary; Tim Eyton-Jones, for introducing so many new players to the Club and finally to all those who gave up their Saturday afternoons to umpire our games.

G.S. KALER

Leading Goalscorers:

S. Sparkes	55
Andy Jones	15
D. Lidbury	14
A. Gowman	12
H. Williams	10
N. Mohamed	9
R.B. Williams	9
J. Daffu	7
F. Roberts	7
R. McKerlich	7

Representative Honours:

Wales Indoor:

A. Gowman (Captain), N. Mohamed, T. Percival, A. Rhys-Jones, J. Fry.

Wales Under-21, Indoor and Outdoor:

A. Rhys-Jones, S. Fleming, J. Fry.

Results:

	P	W	D	L	Can	For	Against
FIRST XI	24	17	4	3	4	66	24
Cup	9	8	-	1	-	51	8
Total	33	25	4	4	4	117	32
SECOND XI	25	12	3	10	4	64	35
Cup	1	-	-	1	-	0	1
Total	26	12	3	11	4	64	36
THIRD XI							
Total	24	14	3	7	7	53	38
FOURTH XI							
Total	17	2	4	11	7	23	37
VETERANS							
Total	4	1	-	3	-	6	15
MINI							
Total	15	7	4	4	-	-	-
Club Totals	119	61	18	40	22	253	160

CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB – RECORDS OF PAST SEASONS

Season	Captain	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
1896-97	E. W. BENNETT	23	8	7	8	38	46
1897-98	E. W. BENNETT	17	8	7	7	38	26
1898-99	W. BIELSKI	23	14	6	3	68	24
1899-1900	N. D. WARE	26	20	2	4	82	33
1900-01	N. D. WARE	19	15	2	2	81	13
1901-02	N. D. WARE	20	16	1	3	81	22
1902-03	G. N. HOWELL	24	18	2	4	110	31
1903-04	E. W. EVANS	20	15	2	3	119	27
1904-05	E. W. EVANS	15	11	1	3	78	27
1905-06	E. W. EVANS	17	13	2	2	68	25
1906-07	F. B. M. BULMER	16	12	2	2	62	23
1907-08	E. R. SWEET-ESCOTT	23	17	3	3	101	26
1908-09	B. TURNBULL	18	14	0	4	109	26
1909-10	H. H. SWEET-ESCOTT	18	14	2	2	107	22
1910-11	J. W. DUNCAN	18	15	1	2	95	26
1911-12	H. REDFORD	15	10	0	5	70	57
1912-13	J. O. TURNBULL	22	19	2	1	115	30
1913-14	B. TURNBULL	17	10	2	5	64	45
1919-20	H. S. STEPHENS	15	7	4	4	41	34
1920-21	R. T. S. HINDE	24	14	3	7	92	51
1921-22	H. W. BROWNE	19	10	3	6	73	34
1922-23	W. S. COURTIS	23	9	4	10	63	68
1923-24	A. T. HARPER	*					
1924-25	A. T. HARPER	*					
1925-26	W. H. FAIRLAMB	*					
1926-27	R. J. RICHING	*					
1927-28	D. G. SHAW	*					
1928-29	F. L. LAMARQUE	25	12	4	9	79	59
1929-30	F. L. LAMARQUE	30	17	3	10	126	50
1930-31	K. G. HUGHES	29	16	4	9	87	77
1931-32	S. C. BANBURY	28	13	6	9	77	77
1932-33	S. C. BANBURY	30	11	5	14	53	57
1933-34	S. C. BANBURY	34	13	7	14	64	71
1934-35	G. R. FAULKS	27	14	2	11	60	64
1935-36	G. R. FAULKS	25	11	6	8	48	50
1936-37	G. R. FAULKS	31	20	3	8	64	40
1937-38	G. R. FAULKS	25	14	6	5	62	30
1938-39	G. PERCIVAL	32	25	2	5	139	49
1945-46	G. PERCIVAL	20	10	3	7	65	36
1946-47	K. G. HUGHES	26	14	3	9	57	42
1947-48	G. A. L. TUCKER	26	15	1	10	72	45
1948-49	W. N. FRANCIS	32	22	3	7	110	56
1949-50	W. N. FRANCIS	26	14	8	4	87	44
1950-51	W. N. FRANCIS	30	17	6	7	96	47
1951-52	W. N. FRANCIS	30	18	8	4	98	43
1952-53	N. C. PALLOT	30	18	6	6	89	34
1953-54	N. C. PALLOT	29	20	6	3	100	31
1954-55	W. A. THOMAS	29	19	3	7	103	52
1955-56	M. H. C. MEGGITT	28	16	5	7	83	59
1956-57	T. D. H. THOMAS						
1957-58	D. J. O'BRIEN	30	20	2	8	93	54
1958-59	M. H. C. MEGGITT	28	15	5	8	64	41
1959-60	G. T. WHITEWAY	26	9	5	12	62	67
1960-61	M. H. C. MEGGITT	25	13	4	8	60	47
1961-62	P. WILKINSON	30	16	8	6	90	59
1962-63	P. WILKINSON	23	15	3	5	61	32
1963-64	G. T. WHITEWAY	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. R. COCKS	42	27	6	9	96	46
1971-72	J. R. COCKS	33	13	9	10	66	46
1972-73	J. R. COCKS	45	23	7	15	84	78
1973-74	H. M. O. GIDDY	35	23	6	6	85	33
1974-75	P. HORSFIELD	40	21	6	13	82	52
1975-76	P. HORSFIELD	47	23	10	14	105	71
1976-77	R. C. MCKERLICH	36	20	5	11	59	25
1977-78	R. B. WILDBLOOD	31	18	2	11	59	35
1978-79	R. B. WILLIAMS	27	15	2	10	47	34
1979-80	R. B. WILDBLOOD	33	15	5	12	66	43
1980-81	R. B. WILLIAMS	36	26	3	7	106	23
1981-82	R. B. WILLIAMS	36	27	5	4	120	36
1982-83	H. WILLIAMS	39	27	5	7	92	31
1983-84	D. J. WILLIAMS	38	32	2	2	149	22
1984-85	A. GOWMAN	33	25	4	4	117	32

* Records not available

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB GOLFING SOCIETY REPORT 1984/85

The Annual Team Match, inaugurated last year, resulted in a win for the Society Team. The Match was again played at the Glamorganshire Club and we are grateful to the Committee and members there for allowing us the privilege of using their course and clubhouse for this event.

The Summer meeting, as always, was held at Cardiff Golf Club. This year on Thursday, 7th June. A very good turn out of members is always guaranteed at this most popular of venues. The 1984 meeting was no exception. We played for the Rhys T. Gabe Cup. Everyone enjoyed themselves and no small thanks for this is due to the truly immaculate condition of the course and the welcoming atmosphere of the clubhouse. Regrettably the Captain, Haydn Wilkins was unable to be with us. He'd had minor surgery that very day and though he made every effort to attend the supper, he just wasn't able to make it. He was missed.

Our guests for the day were Tony Davies, Captain of Cardiff, and Les Spence, our President. A good supper rounded off a perfect day.

WINNER	TERRY LI. WILLIAMS	37 points
RUNNER-UP	TREFOR EVANS	36 points
BEST GUEST	PETER JENKINS	42 points

Captain's Day at Radyr Golf Club on Thursday, 12th July was a day for a King. And the King on the day was the Captain, Haydn Wilkins. He and his partner Don Ramsay, Captain of Radyr, won the major prize in the afternoon. Not content with returning the best score which made him the first Society Captain to win the Captain's Prize — he recorded a hole in one on the 7th — the first hole in one in the history of the Society. I think he may still be counting the cost! Haydn generously donated a trophy for the 18 hole afternoon competition. This cup, to be known as the Captain's Trophy, will now take its rightful place in the Society Trophy Cabinet and will be played for every year on Captain's Day. The course was perfect and after the recent months of drought — the Green Staff are to be complimented on their industry and expertise.

Similarly, the meal at the after-proceedings was excellent and we are grateful to Mrs. Thomas, Caterer and 'Dick' Richards, Secretary and his staff for making our day one to remember.

In the morning we played a members Foursomes over 18 holes for the Founders Trophy and a similar competition over 9 holes for members and guests.

FOUNDERS TROPHY:—

WINNERS	JOHN GRIFFITHS PHIL HUMPHREYS
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MEMBERS & GUESTS:—

WINNERS	MIKE HIRST VIV BAILEY
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The major competition in the afternoon was a four Ball B/B Stableford over 18 holes for members and guests.

WINNERS

HAYDN WILKINS DON RAMSEY (Capt. Radyr G.C.)	48 points
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RUNNERS-UP

JOHN GRIFFITHS JOHN LLEWELLYN	43 points
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Glamorganshire Golf Club was the venue of the next meeting on Thursday, 23rd August. Again we played a four Ball B/B Stableford over 18 holes for the Hubert Johnson Trophy. The course was in a remarkably good condition. To be blessed with such good weather, as we were, was a bonus. Local knowledge always helps, never more so than in golf. Today it was proved by the winners. The standard of golf was again very high as will be seen from the results. Garth Jones, Captain of Glamorganshire and Eric Howlett, Secretary, were our guests. Les Spence was unable to be with us — he was somewhere in the Blearies. The day was made complete with a most enjoyable supper.

WINNERS

LIONEL KING NIALL MARKE	48 points
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RUNNERS-UP:

DOUGLAS LEWIS BILL STOTEN	44 points (on last 9)
TERRY HOGGETT G.E. NORRIS	44 points

The last golf meeting of 1984 was held at Whitchurch Golf Club on Thursday, 11th October. We played a Singles Stableford over 18 holes for the Gwyn Nicholls Rose Bowl. The course played magnificently. The recently appointed Head Green Keeper, Dennis Archer, is to be congratulated. So too is the Captain of Whitchurch, Ralph Thomas and his Committee, for the delightful ambience of the clubhouse. The weather was again just about perfect for golf — truly autumnal. Ralph Thomas and Harry Welfare, Secretary, were our guests for the day. Another excellent turn out of members and guests — a feature of which is the overwhelming and enthusiastic support of the Whitchurch members of the Society.

WINNER	LIONEL KING	35 points
RUNNER-UP	RICHARD JENKINS	34 points
BEST GUEST	R.A. CREEMER	34 points

The high point of the Society year is always the Annual Dinner. The Captain, Haydn Wilkins, invited as his guest speaker the Rev. Howard Haslett, Chaplain to the Edinburgh Academy. Anyone fortunate enough to attend the Dinner will attest to the fact that this inspired invitation contributed hugely to the success of the evening and to the obvious enjoyment of everyone. When one remembers also, the contribution made by Tony Davies, Captain of Cardiff GC in his response for the guests — 'tis no wonder the consensus of members and guests was that this was one of the best Annual Dinners and would not be easy to follow. Other guests of the Captain were the President, Leslie Spence MBE, Paddy Hales, Chairman Glamorgan Golf Union, Alan M. Edwards, Captain Llanishen GC, Ralph Thomas Captain Whitchurch GC, Glyn Davies Captain Radyr GC, Roger Calrow Captain Glamorganshire GC, John Riches and Alfred Heffell. Mrs.

Mair Price again excelled with the catering, making it an unforgettable night.

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Clubhouse on Monday, 11th February, 1985. I was greatly honoured to be nominated and elected as Captain, to celebrate the 21st anniversary of the Society. Roy Chapman, OBE, DL, was nominated and elected as Vice-Captain. Austin Thomas agreed to continue his long serving stint as Hon. Treasurer. To relieve me of the duties as Hon. Secretary, to hold office as Captain, Brian Joseph generously offered his services as Acting Hon. Secretary.

The 21st year of golf opened, as always, at Llanishen Golf Club on Thursday, 4th April, 1985. We term it the Spring Meeting. If one were to use the word 'spring' in the past tense — it could be used more appropriately to describe the weather. It was as if the heavens had 'sprung' a leak, right over the Llanishen course. It poured down . . . all day. But the character of our Society members is made of stern stuff — they turned up, almost in defiance of the atrocious conditions, in greater numbers than ever. And for their support that day, I am more than gratified. We shall be eternally grateful to the Captain, Jeff Thomas and his Committee at Llanishen for allowing us to play at all. The golf of most competitors obviously suffered, but the eventual points totals returned, would evidence the high standard of golf played by members and guests.

The trophy on offer was the C.R.F.C. Centenary Cup, donated by Lynn Williams for which we played a four Ball B/B Stableford. A tie for first place resulted in a count back.

WINNERS	JOHN POVALL	43 points
	MIKE WILLIAMS	(on last 9)
RUNNERS-UP	M.B. 'DICK' RICHARDS	
	PETER OWEN	43 points

It is worth recording that this is the third year that Peter Owen has been runner-up at this meeting. Jeff Thomas, Captain of Llanishen was our guest for the day. A word of thanks to the Steward of Llanishen for the most welcome supper meal and his attention to our needs through the day.

We now look forward to celebrating our 21st Anniversary with further meetings at Cardiff, Whitchurch, Glamorganshire and Radyr — a cocktail party in June and the Annual Team Match in May.

ELFED DAVIES

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB MALE VOICE CHOIR REPORT 1985

The Choir again made excellent progress during the past year, giving many concerts in the Cardiff area for local and national charities, one at St. John's Church in Whitchurch gave us particular pleasure because we were making a return visit to help them celebrate their Centenary. Another well attended charity concert was held at the Whitchurch Golf Club, where Mr. Ken George, the former Athletic Club General Secretary, was our host.

The Club Christmas draw again saw the Choir entertaining the members present with a selection from our repertoire then leading the audience in the carol singing. I'm glad to say we also won a few prizes.

We made a return visit to Hartpury in Gloucester, where we entertained an enthusiastic audience at the Gloucester Agricultural College where Mr. Andrew Compton, a local baker, who was kind enough to invite us, again fed us well, before and after the concert. We then retired to the local hostelry for refreshments. The landlord of the Canning Arms made us particularly welcome and even presented us with a couple of bottles of whiskey.

In February we travelled to Scotland for the Rugby International. We stayed at the Dunblane Hydro and on St. David's Day we travelled to Findlay's Callendar, of Dr. Findlay's Casebook fame, to give a concert at the Dreadnought Hotel. We were very well received and the Manager provided us with an excellent buffet afterwards. We left about midnight and returned to the Hydro where we all gathered in the lounge where we gave the guests an impromptu concert that ended about 4am. On Saturday night we entertained members of the Dunblane Golf Club, who had so kindly allowed us the use of their club and Golf course during the week-end. It was a truly memorable week-end and we've been invited to make a return visit in 1987. We're already in training and are preparing to accept their kind invitation.

In October last year we made our fourth visit to the Festival of 1,000 Welsh Male Voices at the Royal Albert Hall. We were able to provide 62 Choristers on stage and together with our supporters we were well over 150 in London that night. More than a hundred stayed up for the week-end, the rest just came up for the day. It was once again a most wonderful experience and one that we are looking forward to repeating once again in October 1986 as we've been invited to take part in the 10th Festival, once again most professionally organized by the London Welsh Male Choir.

We took part in the BBC Wales Radio's 'Morning of the Match' programme before the Wales v. England game earlier this year. We had an excellent turnout in spite of the programme being broadcast early on Saturday morning and apart from the listeners, the couple of hundred spectators present seemed to enjoy our singing in spite of the difficulty of performing in the open air. We've had quite a few enquiries following on from the broadcast.

Our future engagements include a trip to Weston Super-mare to take part in their Summer Festival in September, providing entertainment at a big Rotary International Dinner at the University Hall, Cardiff. Again at the University Hall to entertain the National Meeting of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. A combined concert with Kenfig Hill and District, Barry and Treharris Male Voice Choirs together with ourselves in St. David's Hall,

Cardiff in November where we will be doing a lot of the Albert Hall programme together with some new pieces.

We still look forward to welcoming Athletic Club Members who wish to join us at practice on Mondays in the Top Lounge at 7.30pm. I can assure you of a very warm welcome from a very friendly bunch of fellows.

We have two most accomplished pianists in Mrs. Dorothy Lewis and Mrs. Marjorie Collier, and of course our most enthusiastic conductor Mr. William Cooper. Bill has worked wonders for our Choir since he joined us in 1980. His enthusiasm has spread throughout the Choir and we are indeed fortunate to have such a talented trio up front. We have a budding comedian in our Compere Mr. Neil O'Brien. His amusing line of patter has proved very popular with audiences everywhere and with a very able group of officers and committee in charge we are looking forward to an even better season next year.

We'd like to thank the Club President and the Management Committee for their continued support, the General Secretary Mr. Heffell, and the office staff for their help also thanks to our new Steward, his wife and all the bar staff for making practice nights such pleasant occasions.

R. REES

