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President of the Cardiff Athletic Club

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

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G. CHUGG	Col. Sir CENYDD
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His Honour JUDGE W. N. FRANCIS	R. F. TROTT
J. I. HERBERT	B. R. TURNBULL
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W. LEWIS, O.B.E., J.P.	W. H. WILKINS
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 1984

M.L. COLLINS
E. COUZENS
A.T.M. RHYS-JONES
G. STONE
N.W. DAVEY
P.T. GOODFELLOW

To retire in 1985

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

To retire in 1986

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

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)

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M. L. COLLINS	C. D. WILLIAMS
G. RAWSON	G. DAVIES

GROUND COMMITTEE

Chairman: C. D. WILLIAMS

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P. E. GOOD	J. R. THOMAS	L. M. SPENCE M.B.E.
J. JUDD	M. WARFIELD	
N. W. DAVEY	J. O. WEBB	

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

FOOTBALL COMMITTEE

Chairman: A. D. WILLIAMS
Vice-Chairman: A. D. S. BOWES
Hon. Secretary: A. J. PRIDAY
Club Captain: J. SCOTT
Captain Athletic XV: T. CHARLES

A. D. S. BOWES	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: R. PATEL
Asst. Hon. Secretary: N. GOWER
First XI Captain: P. F. GOOD
Second XI Captain: J. T. HOGG
Third XI Captain: N. GOWER
Sunday XI Captain: A. C. EDWARDS

S. P. LANG	P. MORGAN
Dr. T. LITTLEWOOD	A. K. PATHMANATHAN
G. A. HIBBERT	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: D. H. MORRIS
Captain 'A' Team: H. F. L. DAVID

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

LAWN TENNIS COMMITTEE

Chairman: A. ALLAN
Hon. Secretary: Mrs. AVERILL MATTHEWS/Miss J. COLEMAN
Captain: N. DAVEY
Ladies' Captain: Mrs. SYBIL UPTON
Hon Match Secretary: Miss CHRISTINE LEWIS

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Mrs. B. ANGELL	M. MALLICK
Miss C. THOMAS	A. ALEXANDER
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Captain Second XI: T. JONES
Captain Third XI: R. C. McKERLICH
Captain Fourth XI: M. A. FAIRES
Captain U-19 XI: S. McCARTHY
Hon Secretary: D. J. FOSTON
Hon Fixture Secretary: A. T. M. RHYS-JONES
Hon Match Secretary: S. McCARTHY

Committee:

P. KELVIN-SMITH	S. FLEMING
G. MEDLOW	R. R. WILDBLOOD

CLUB CAPTAINS



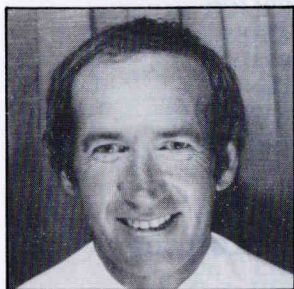
D. H. MORRIS
(Bowls)



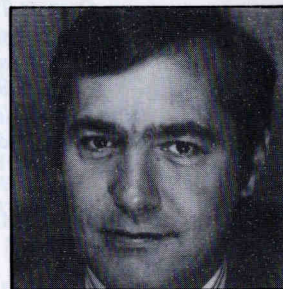
H. SLADE
(Cricket)



J. SCOTT
(Rugby)



P. F. GOOD
(Hockey)



N. DAVEY
(Lawn Tennis)

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

Chairman's Report for the Year Ended 30th April, 1984

The final accounts for 1983/84 reveal a satisfactory excess income over expenditure of £16,000, after setting aside the sum of £10,000 to the Repairs and Maintenance Reserve Fund. One would be forgiven for thinking that the excess income should be much larger after taking into account the amount of £12,000 receivable following the Rugby Club's success again in winning the W.R.U. Schweppes Cup, but expenditure during the year on salaries and wages include an offsetting sum in respect of a negotiated settlement and pension accrual for the former Secretary and his senior assistant.

Income during the year increased by £28,251, mainly through Football Gates (£8,614); W.R.U. Schweppes Cup (£12,000); Ground Earnings (£5,870); Members Subscriptions, which includes Ground Membership (£11,619), and Other Income (£6,251). Disappointing results were revealed for Season Tickets, which showed a reduction of £3,477, but it may well be that this cannot be taken in isolation from the increase in members subscriptions.

The most disappointing figure was revealed in Bar Profits which showed a reduction of £12,503 in comparison with the previous year. Bar Takings decreased during the year by £7,306, and bar wages increased by £7,294. Gross Profit was 34.9% as compared with 35.3% in 1982. At the time of preparing this report management has already taken steps to remedy the situation wherein the cost of wages have increased substantially. Those costs must be reduced without impairing the facilities available to members in a member's club.

On the expenditure side, as indicated earlier, salaries and wages include the payment in respect of a negotiated settlement in respect of the retirement of the former Secretary and a pension entitlement to the Senior Assistant in the office. These are, of course, non recurring items.

The upkeep of Grounds and Clubhouse contain an expenditure of £4,800 on painting and decorating the Sophia Gardens pavilion and an ever increasing amount for the repair and replacement of broken seats in the Rugby stands.

A new computer has been installed in the office and this will improve the membership records and administrative service to members. A few teething problems were experienced in the year but complete computerisation of the clubs payroll, accounts and

membership records will eventually improve the club's administration.

The car park adjoining the bowls green has been resurfaced and this was given high priority in view of the very rough state of the surface and particularly in the context of the substantial income derived from ground membership.

A satisfying year in which we have continued to maintain our income over expenditure, but this is very necessary if we are to pay off our loans and secure our future from revenue. Management has been looking at the administrative buildings which are now deteriorating and already substantial repairs have been carried out on the leaking roof. It was always intended that the building would only serve as temporary offices, and further expenditure is not only costly but also uneconomic. It has been decided, therefore, to look at a scheme for new administrative offices to replace the 'temporary structure'. Certainly new offices will be welcomed by the staff who have been working in a badly ventilated structure with heating and air-conditioning problems. It is hoped we will be able to start on this project in the year 1984/85.

In this context, perhaps it is just as well that no progress was made in the scheme to provide indoor bowling. Whilst management had agreed in principle to look at the feasibility study for indoor bowls no proposals were forthcoming in their request for details as to the raising of necessary finance. The matter has not been pursued and we observe 'across the road' that the Cardiff Bowls Club Indoor Stadium is progressing and we wish them well. With the need now presenting itself for capital expenditure on new offices, further very substantial capital expenditure on an indoor bowling stadium would be inappropriate and untimely. It is hoped that the many members of the club who have or will join the club 'across the road' will, however, prefer our Bar facilities.

Congratulations to the Cardiff Rugby Football Club on their success once again in the W.R.U. Schweppes Cup; to the Cardiff R.F.C. Youth side on their success in the Esso Welsh Youth R.U. Cup; to the Cardiff Cricket Club on their success in the Arthur Patterson Trophy, the Famous Grouse Western League, and the Giro Bank Welsh Cup; and to the Cardiff Hockey Club on their successful season wherein they lost in the Welsh Cup Final in sudden death extra time and they won the South Wales Cup; this apart from their achievements in the League competitions.

Thanks are due to many people for their efforts in the Club and I

refer first of all to Ted and Nancy John for their wonderful voluntary efforts in the Cardiff Athletic Souvenir Shop; to John Price and the Bar staff for keeping up the traditions in the service to the Club members and their guests; to Albert Francis and the Ground staff for their unstinted efforts in the preservation and maintenance of the club's main assets — the playing areas; and to Alfred Heffell in his first year of office and his very pleasant and helpful staff I extend my very sincere thank you for your much appreciated efforts.

The President and Trustees are ever watchful and in attendance at all committee meetings and sub committee meetings, and I am particularly grateful to Mr. G. A. Chugg, vice-chairman and Chairman of the Finance Committee; to Mr. J. D. H. Riches, Club's Hon. Solicitor and Chairman of the House Committee; and to C. D. Williams, chairman of the Ground Committee for their diligence throughout the year.

I am grateful to the Management Committee for their support and to the Chairmen, members and players of all sections I say thank you for continuing to preserve the traditions and high standards of the Club.

In conclusion and at the time of going to press I ask you in the bar where you are quenching your thirst in this brilliant summer of 1984 to spare a thought for the Ground Committee and Ground Staff who are still looking for water!

W.H. WILKINS, Chairman

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

INCOME	Note	1984	1983
		£	£
FOOTBALL INCOME			
Football gates		58,357	49,743
Season tickets		31,045	34,522
W.R.U. Schweppes Cup		12,000	-
Profit/(loss) on sale of programmes		587	(1,019)
Ground earnings		26,844	20,974
Broadcasting fees		898	2,627
		129,731	106,847
MEMBERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS		153,433	141,814
BAR PROFIT	1	13,343	25,846
OTHER INCOME			
Fruit machine income less expenses		11,172	10,886
Car park receipts		8,574	7,012
Profit on shop sales		4,627	3,695
Investment income		9,339	7,286
Catering takings		1,811	1,770
Hire of rooms		3,080	1,906
Assignment of ticket rights		580	580
Profit on sale of club ties etc.		179	405
Sponsorship income... ..		4,741	4,203
Profit on 300 Club		1,339	1,345
Sundry income		795	96
Donations received		120	200
		46,357	39,384
		£342,864	£313,891

For the Year ended 30th April, 1984

EXPENDITURE	Note	1984	1983
		£	£
Salaries and wages		99,170	81,074
Upkeep of grounds and clubhouse		29,138	24,717
Football-away match expenses		10,486	16,746
Football players out of pocket expenses		5,442	5,512
Football-home match expenses		19,492	18,096
Football-junior XV expenses		3,214	3,667
Stationery, telephone and postages		11,143	9,282
Cost of annual report		3,641	1,925
Advertising, season tickets etc.		12,055	9,087
Gatemen		2,762	2,015
Car park attendants' wages		11,820	11,808
Rates		12,877	14,363
Rent and rates-Sophia Gardens		7,545	10,860
Light and heat		25,051	24,580
Sundry items... ..		2,769	1,425
Laundry		2,409	2,172
Cleaning		14,097	13,712
Dinner, dance, photographs and awards		6,064	3,727
Football equipment... ..		3,780	2,386
Audit and accountancy fee		2,000	1,850
Professional charges... ..		450	784
Interest on loan accounts		3,146	2,250
Insurances		4,935	3,666
Football insurance fund		200	200
Medical expenses		2,492	3,739
Donations		350	45
Plant, repairs, petrol and oil		3,603	4,276
Sectional expenses		5,179	5,445
Depreciation		6,673	7,726
Loss on sale of investment		-	882
Total expenses		311,983	288,017
Transfer to sponsorship fund	8	4,741	4,203
Transfer to repairs and maintenance fund	7	10,000	10,000
Surplus of income over expenditure for the year		16,140	11,671
		£342,864	£313,891

BALANCE SHEET as at 30th April, 1984

	Note	1984	1983
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Land and buildings	2	234,716	230,138
Other fixed assets	3	13,374	8,677
		<u>248,090</u>	<u>238,815</u>
INVESTMENTS	4	<u>97,800</u>	<u>96,800</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		14,357	20,307
Sundry debtors		25,111	29,720
Cash at bank	5	121,152	94,920
Cash in hand		9,083	6,669
		<u>169,703</u>	<u>151,616</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Subscriptions prepaid			15,888
Accrued expenses		104,124	76,896
		<u>104,124</u>	<u>92,784</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>65,579</u>	<u>58,832</u>
		<u>£411,469</u>	<u>£394,447</u>
Financed by:			
Members' fund	6	210,765	194,625
Repairs and maintenance fund	7	29,628	27,201
Sponsorship fund	8	16,671	11,930
Football insurance fund	9	2,235	2,110
		<u>259,299</u>	<u>235,866</u>
Deferred credit—assignment of ticket rights	10	93,665	93,245
Loans	11	58,505	65,336
		<u>£411,469</u>	<u>£394,447</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, 1984

	1984	1983
	£	£
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
From operations:		
Surplus of income over expenditure for year ...	16,140	11,671
Increase/(decrease) in repairs and maintenance reserve	2,427	(9,421)
Increase of sponsorship fund... ..	4,741	4,203
Increase of football insurance fund... ..	125	200
Adjustment for items not involving the movement of funds:		
Depreciation	6,673	7,726
	<u>30,106</u>	<u>14,379</u>
From other sources:		
Loans from Brewers	-	65,000
Deferred credit — assignment of ticket rights ...	420	72,620
	<u>420</u>	<u>137,620</u>
	<u>30,526</u>	<u>151,999</u>
APPLICATION OF FUNDS		
Purchases of fixed assets	15,948	72,986
Purchase less sales of investments	1,000	71,100
Repayment of loans	6,831	14,993
	<u>23,779</u>	<u>159,079</u>
	<u>£6,747</u>	<u>£(7,080)</u>
MOVEMENT IN WORKING CAPITAL		
Stocks	(5,950)	2,052
Debtors	(4,609)	(9,290)
Creditors	(11,340)	(5,598)
	<u>(21,899)</u>	<u>(12,836)</u>
Movement in liquid funds:		
Increase in cash at bank	26,232	1,744
Increase in cash in hand	2,414	4,012
	<u>28,646</u>	<u>5,756</u>
	<u>£6,747</u>	<u>£(7,080)</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

						1984 £	1983 £
1. BAR PROFIT							
Bar takings	...	...	...	...	...	180,981	188,287
Less							
Opening stock	...	...	...	...	...	9,711	8,252
Purchases	...	...	...	...	...	117,452	123,312
						127,163	131,564
Closing stock	...	...	...	...	...	9,407	9,711
Cost of sales	...	...	...	...	...	117,756	121,853
Gross profit 34.9% (1983 35.3%)	...	...				63,225	66,434
Less Bar wages, equipment, renewals and expenses						49,882	40,588
						£13,343	£25,846
2. LAND AND BUILDINGS							
		CARDIFF ARMS PARK Freehold			SOPHIA GARDENS Long Leasehold		
	Ground Develop- ment £	Club House £	Bowls Pavilion £	Pavilion and Flat £	Maint- tenance building £	Tennis Courts £	Total £
COST							
At 1st May, 1983	127,851	55,528	12,147	19,053	-	16,403	230,982
Additions	-	-	-	-	5,000	-	5,000
At 30th April, 1984	127,831	55,528	12,147	19,053	5,000	16,403	235,982
DEPRECIATION							
At 1st May, 1983	-	-	-	454	-	390	844
Provided	-	-	-	227	-	195	422
At 30th April, 1984	-	-	-	681	-	585	1,266
NET BOOK VALUE							
At 30th April, 1984	£127,851	£55,528	£12,147	£18,372	£5,000	£15,818	£234,716
At 30th April, 1983	£127,851	£55,528	£12,147	£18,599	£-	£16,013	£230,130
3. OTHER FIXED ASSETS							
	Furniture and Cardiff Arms Park £	Fittings Sophia Gardens £	Ground maintenance equipment £	Office furniture £			Total £
COST							
At 1st May, 1983	22,618	4,667	18,341	3,648			49,274
Additions	1,318	330	-	9,300			10,948
At 30th April, 1984	£23,936	£4,997	£18,341	£12,948			£60,222
DEPRECIATION							
At 1st May, 1983	16,907	3,429	18,341	1,920			40,597
Provided	3,559	750	-	1,942			6,251
At 30th April, 1984	£20,466	£4,179	£18,341	£3,862			£46,848
NET BOOK VALUE							
At 30th April, 1984	£3,470	£818	£-	£9,086			£13,374
At 30th April, 1983	£5,711	£1,238	£-	£1,728			£8,677

For the Year Ended 30th April, 1984

	1984 £	1983 £
4. INVESTMENTS		
At Cost:		
WRU-Debentures repayable 2033 (interest free)	92,500	91,500
WRU-Debentures repayable 2026 (interest free)	5,200	5,200
Arms Park (Cardiff) Greyhound Racing Co. (1956)		
Limited 200 Ordinary 5p shares-fully paid	100	100
	£97,800	£96,800
5. CASH AT BANK		
Current account	7,901	(7,988)
Repairs and maintenance deposit account	20,167	2,002
Short term deposit accounts	70,000	85,000
300 Club account	4,099	2,367
Sponsorship account	15,928	10,670
Football insurance accounts	2,961	2,781
Trustee Savings Bank account	96	88
	£121,152	£94,920
6. MEMBERS' FUND		
At 1st May, 1983	194,625	182,954
Add surplus of income over expenditure for the year	16,140	11,671
At 30th April, 1984	£210,765	£194,625
7. REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE FUND		
At 1st May, 1983	27,201	36,622
Add Transfer from income and expenditure account	10,000	10,000
Less Expenditure during year	(7,573)	(19,421)
At 30th April, 1984	£29,628	£27,201
8. SPONSORSHIP FUND		
At 1st May, 1983	11,930	7,727
Add Receivable during year	4,019	3,475
Interest	722	728
At 30th April, 1984	£16,671	£11,930
9. FOOTBALL INSURANCE FUND		
At 1st May, 1983	2,110	1,910
Add Transfer from income and expenditure account	200	200
Less Expenditure during year	(75)	-
At 30th April, 1984	£2,235	£2,110

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

	1984 £	1983 £
10. DEFERRED CREDIT — ASSIGNMENT OF TICKET RIGHTS		
At 1st May 1983	93,245	20,625
Add Call	1,000	73,200
Less Transfer to income and expenditure account	(580)	(580)
At 30th April, 1984	£93,665	£93,245
11. LOANS		
S A Brain & Co. Ltd	26,814	30,563
Bass Wales and West Limited	31,691	34,773
	£58,505	£65,336

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.

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 10 to 16 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, 1984 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, 6th August, 1984

CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Chairman's Report Season 1983/84

As I look back over season 1983-84 three major points come to mind: satisfaction, pleasure and concern.

Satisfaction in that the players have bounced right back this season. This I feel is due to improvement in performances by some of the younger players, the addition of experience to our playing squad and the welcome return to fitness of certain other members. Add to this the realisation by both players and coaches where they went wrong last season and their determination to show us they are more than capable of putting things together, and the result has been a very enjoyable and successful season.

Pleasure in that I rate the team spirit to be very high this season on and off the field. This I believe is due mainly to the tremendous commitment by players and coaches to work together in raising money towards their Barbados Tour and I congratulate them on their achievement.

My concern, however, is the number of *our* players that are being sent off the field. Some members may argue that Cardiff players are "got at" because they are Cardiff but that is something we have lived with for over 100 years and that is no excuse for the increase in sendings off from our club. We cannot always rely on a particular referee to be on duty to ensure that the laws of the game are adhered to and therefore ensuring protection for some of our players.

That leaves discipline. Anyone can pass judgement on who is responsible for discipline but in the end it comes down to the players' individual self-control, only a lesson they themselves can learn, sometimes the hard way for no one player is greater than the club.

At the end of a long hard season we can *all* look back with satisfaction and pleasure at having won both the Schweppes Cup and Esso Welsh Youth Rugby Union Cup.

With regard to the unofficial Championship it's been a season of ifs and buts. A slight hiccup against Centenary-celebrating Abertillery in the first game of September, well and truly beaten at Newport in October, losing an exciting game to Leicester in November, beaten by a single point at Llanelli in the same month saw us arrive Christmas Eve at the Brewery Field, Bridgend, looking as if we had eaten our Christmas lunch a day before we should have and we were punished by a well organised Bridgend side. It was over

two months and 10 games later I felt all hope had gone of winning the Championship when against Pontypool at Cardiff Arms Park we did not capitalise on the many opportunities created and lost 11-16. From that day I am sure the players felt as well as myself that all concentrated efforts would be channelled towards the "Cup" with the possible exception of the Baa Baas when the players expressed themselves freely and looked as if they were thoroughly enjoying the Easter occasion.

Saturday, 28th April, 1984 will always play a special part in my memory. A day when everyone connected with the running of Cardiff R.F.C. this season, supporters, right down to the ball boys could stand and be proud of a very good squad of players. They have shown us we can look forward to many more seasons of good attractive rugby.

My thanks once again to Alun Priday for his support throughout the season. To Vice-Chairman and evergreen Stan Bowes for his help and I hope that he as Tour Manager and Gary Davies (Assistant) along with the players enjoy their tour to Thailand. To all the Rugby Committee, including Hon. Fixture Secretary Brian Mark who must see team fixtures in his sleep, and Peter Nyhan who has the difficult task of compiling the programme notes every week, my thanks to them all.

Alf Heffell, the new General Secretary of Cardiff Athletic Club has settled in very well taking over from Ken George and I would like to take this opportunity of wishing Ken a very happy retirement and thank Alf together with his office staff of Jackie, Sue, Pam, Wendy and Julie for their hard work throughout the season.

No one person can put a true value on the people I'm about to mention but a special word of thanks to Albert Francis and his groundstaff, Mair and John Price, to the Club's Medical team of Bob Leyshon, Roger Evans, Jim Naysmith, Huw Evans and Keith Young, Physios and Masseurs Tudor Jones, Ron Ayres, Tom Holley and Don Reed for their reliability and hard work. To Don Davies and his Stewards, Ted and Nancy John, Ken Jones and our ever present Supporters we thank every one of you.

I have left my words of thanks to the four Coaches until last. They have every reason to be pleased with themselves. Roger Beard and Gary Samuel have guided the First XV to winning the Schweppes Cup (Roger's third in four years), Elwyn Williams and John Evans guiding the Youth XV to the Esso Welsh Youth Rugby Union Cup (Elwyn's second final in two years). I'm sure they feel the players have rewarded them for all their hard work. They are all to be congratulated.

Cardiff First XV 1983/84:

John Scott (Captain), Gareth Davies (Vice-Captain).

Full Playing Record:

Played 47 Won 36 Lost 10 Drawn 1 Points for 1,214
Against 649

W.R.U. Cup:

1st Rd v. Senghenydd (A) 43-3
2nd Rd v. Treorchy (A) 31-4
3rd Rd v. Swansea (H) 12-7
4th Rd v. Newbridge (A) 29-9
5th Rd v. Llanelli (at Swansea) 26-6
Final v. Neath (National Stadium) 24-19

SEVENS TOURNAMENTS 1983/84:

Aberaeron 7's 20/8/83:

Cardiff v. Cardigan 22-13
Cardiff v. Old Millhillians 24-6
Cardiff v. Voyagers 12-16

C.H.S.O.B. 7's 21/8/83:

Cardiff v. N.H.S.O.B. 30-4
Cardiff v. Pontypridd 26-10
Cardiff v. South Wales Police 22-6
Cardiff v. Glamorgan Wanderers 20-10 – WINNERS
Terry Charles, Captain and Man of the Tournament

Murphy's Snelling 7's 27/8/83:

Cardiff v. Bath 24-0
Cardiff v. Penarth 18-4
Cardiff v. Bridgend 30-0
Cardiff v. Abertillery 44-6 – WINNERS
Mark Ring 4 Tries – 19 Conversions = 54 Points

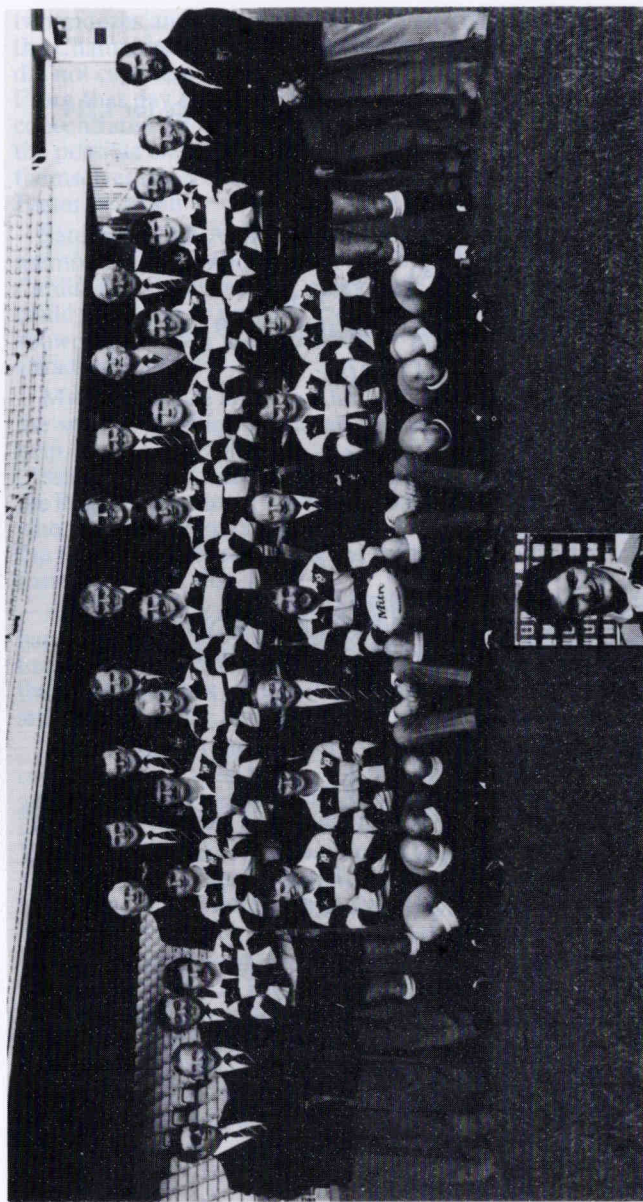
Llanelli Wanderers 7's 27/8/83:

Cardiff Athletic v. Carmarthen Quins 18-10
Cardiff Athletic v. Haverfordwest 24-12
Cardiff Athletic v. Pontyberem 27-6
Cardiff Athletic v. New Dock Stars 24-14 – WINNERS

Harlequins Lord Taverners 7's 4/9/83:

Cardiff v. Old Belvedere 20-4
Cardiff v. Blackheath 28-10
Cardiff v. Lord Taverners 12-16
Cardiff v. Harlequins 6-24

CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB (FIRST XV)



Back Row: D. M. James, Gary Davies, P. Nyhan, M. John, M. L. Collins, J. E. Davies, C. D. Williams, A. D. S. Bowes, W. H. Wilkins.
Middle Row: G. Samuel (*Coach*), B. Mark, H. Norris, D. Preece, M. Ring, P. Rees, R. Lakin, R. Norster, T. Charles, I. Eidman, C. Webber, A. Hadley, P. T. Goodfellow, D. Hayward, R. Beard (*Senior Coach*).
Front Row: O. Golding, W. G. Davies (*Vice-Captain*), A. D. Williams (*Chairman*), J. P. Scott (*Captain*), A. J. Priday (*Hon. Secretary*), A. Phillips, D. Barry.
Inset: T. Holmes.

Gala 7's 7/4/84:

Cardiff v. Melrose 22-12
 Cardiff v. Heriots 22-6
 Cardiff v. Jedforest 10-16 in extra time

Haig 7's 29/4/84:

Cardiff v. Selkirk 20-6
 Cardiff v. London Welsh 10-32

INTERNATIONAL HONOURS:

Ian Eidman; E,F,I,Rumania.
 Adrian Hadley; E,S,I,F, Rumania.
 Terry Holmes; E.
 Robert Norster; E,S,I,F.
 John Scott; W,S,I,F. Captain Elect of
 England to South Africa, 1984
 Jeff Whitefoot; France (B)

1st XV Caps Awarded to:

Steve Cannon, Chris Collins, Tim Crothers, Alan Donovan.

Highest Points Scorers:

Gareth Davies 383, Mark Ring 133

Highest Try Scorers:

Alan Phillips 24; Adrian Hadley 20; Gerald Cordle 16.

Highest Number of Appearances:

Robert Lakin 42; Alan Phillips 42; Adrian Hadley 35;
Gareth Davies 34

A.D. WILLIAMS,
 Chairman, Cardiff Rugby Football Club.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC XV SEASON 1983/84

Captain: Terry Charles

Playing Record: P 43 W 30 L 12 D 1
 Points For 928 Against 501

This has not been one of the "Rags" better seasons, at least not by their standards, but they have tried to play open, attractive rugby when possible to build up confidence in the younger players, and for the benefit of those watching.

They have of course supplied many to the First XV when required and this does not always help their cause. On two occasions, against

CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB (ATHLETIC XV)



Back Row: C.D. Williams, Gary Davies, M. John, P. T. Goodfellow, D. M. James, A. D. S. Bowes,
Third Row: B. Mark, P. Nyhan, M. Collins, I. Robinson, J.E. Davies, Lloyd Williams, H. Norris.
Second Row: R. Beard (*Senior Coach*), N. O'Brien, I. Walsh, L. O'Brien, S. Blackmore, A. McLean, A. Mogridge, T. Woodrow, T. Crothers, J. Howells,
Front Row: D. Jenkins, M. Sugar, R. Ayres (*Trainer*), G. Samuel (*Coach*), N. Webb, A. Jones, G. Cordle, A. D. Williams (*Chairman*), T. Charles (*Captain*), A. J. Priday (*Hon. Secretary*), M. Daly, R. Newman, J. O'Brien.

Harlequins and last game of the season Neath the Club were forced to play a near "Rags" XV as possible but on both occasions, although losing, showed much promise for the future.

Cardiff Athletic Caps Awarded to:

Brendon McAloon, Andy Moore, Ken Thompson.

Most Appearances:

Terry Charles 29; Bob Newman 29; Julian O'Brien 29; Jeff Howells 29.

Highest Points Scorers:

David Barry 113; Martin Daly 76.

Highest Try Scorers:

Martin Daly 19; Gerald Cordle 16; Neil O'Brien 13.

A.D. WILLIAMS,
Chairman, Cardiff Rugby Football Club.

CARDIFF R.F.C. YOUTH REPORT 1983/84

Another inauspicious start to the season by Cardiff Youth. The first match a draw, against Cardiff H.S.O.B., did not augur well for the future and defeats followed at the hands of Bristol (10-12) and Rosslyn Park (9-30). In between, however, a classic match at Leicester resulted in a 29-24 victory for us — a better match I cannot remember. Our excellent fullback Arwel Parry contributed 21 points.

R.F. High School (South Africa) attracting the usual nonsense from anti-apartheid supporters (all 12 of them), was the next defeat (9-10) on 15th October. Jim O'Donnell and I both running the line in case of trouble!

From here on the squad was settling down and starting to play good rugby. Wins followed against Glamorgan Wanderers (28-3) Llantwit Major (22-10) Nuneaton (34-6) and Tref y clawdd (31-6) in the Welsh Cup. At Llanelli we took Derek Quinell's unbeaten record (17-9) and Pontypool went down (27-13). In the Second Round of the W.Y.R.U. (Esso) Cup Pontrhydy-fen were the next to suffer defeat 42-6; followed by Cross Keys (52-3) and Glamorgan Wanderers away (48-0) on Christmas Eve. At this halfway stage Arwel Parry had scored a third of our points. Llandaff, Hereford and Worcester all went down heavily to a rampaging Youth XV — Chris Lakin's (Captain) men were going great guns!

Congratulations at this point to Nick Jones our second row forward, who played for the Welsh team against South Africa Schools at Stradey Park. I watched this match and Nick accounted well for himself and the Cardiff Club. On the same day Simon Reed and Darren Gibbon, second row and half back respectively, represented Wales Schools (Under 19 group) against Scotland at Wrexham. Both players have represented Cardiff Youth when school matches and studies have allowed.

Ten members of the Cardiff Youth XV were now in the Cardiff and District squad challenging for the Crawshay Cup. Our squad includes sons of former Cardiff R.F.C. players; viz Richard son of Ian Brice, and Andrew son of John Price present steward of Cardiff R.F.C.

In the quarter final of the W.Y.R.U. Cup we overcame Llanharan 35-4 at home. Unfortunately the next two encounters were defeats inflicted by English opposition — Rosslyn Park were again victors by a smaller margin 7-4 in London; and Bristol away 4-16. Interesting to note that of the five games lost four were against English clubs and one against a South African School. On 25th February we took Swansea's unbeaten record 15-9 Arwel Parry scoring all our points with a try, conversion and three penalty goals. At St. Helen's we learned that the Senior XV had beaten Newbridge. Once again the Senior and Youth teams were in the semi finals of the major cup competitions — both drawn against Llanelli.

At Stradey Park we once again foiled Derek Quinnell's ambition by winning 18-12. Malcolm Collins was committeeman in charge celebrating his return to active participation in great style. Derek presented six Cardiff Youth players with their ties (after 20 games) making a fine speech to boot! Better was to follow with Howard Norris taking us to the pub of his 'old pal' Norman Gale for the evening. Dare I say that Stuart Gallacher appreciated our fine performance that day and both he, Norman Gale, Derek Quinnell and Ray Williams (former Welsh Wing) wished us well for the Cup Final.

The Social Committee had come up with a great idea at this time — for an Old Players (Youth) Reunion. Many 'ex-youngsters' attended a well publicised function, including a great favourite of yesteryear P.L. Jones and his mates from Pencoed, who enjoyed a very successful evening. Credit here to Jim O'Donnell and the dads'. The racing night on Friday 23rd March was another success. Congratulations also to Dean Conway our popular prop, gaining his first cap against France; and to Arwel Parry winning his cap against

England at Pontypridd. Our Youth team again provides a plethora of talent for next seasons Senior XV's.

On Wednesday 11th April at Newbridge we beat Pontypool United to become Welsh Youth (Esso) Champions 1984. Arwel Parry's four penalties and a Mike Mullins' try were good enough to give us a 16-14 victory. We have now won the Welsh Youth Cup three times in the last five years.

The last four official fixtures of the season were a mixed bag. In a match somewhat of an anti-climax Bath beat us 15-19 Arwel Parry scoring, five penalties. However, on Thursday 19th April a splendid display against our South African friends from Pietermaritzburg resulted in an 18-7 victory, after a hard but thoroughly entertaining game. Needless to say we looked after the South Africans at the Clubhouse later, in the true Cardiff Club tradition.

At Easter Llanelli took their revenge winning 20-7 to Derek Quinnell's delight on Cardiff Arms Park. On Easter Monday Llandaff were thrashed 48-3. For a short end of season tour we visited Wakefield and Morley on the weekend of the Schweppes Cup Final. Everyone enjoyed themselves and we won both matches as well:- 20-7 and 15-3 respectively.

My personal thanks go to Jim O'Donnell for his help and support throughout the season. He is synonymous with Youth Rugby in the Cardiff Club and it is my hope that Jim will be there for many years to come.

Next for a big thank you is Evan Thomas our popular trainer who fortunately did not fulfil his threat, made a few years ago "to hang up his track suit and first aid bag" for more leisurely pursuits. Here I voice the opinion of all youth players without exception — thank you and well done Evan.

A word of thanks too to Mr. Ken Jones and the Supporters Club for their help and work for the Youth during the season. In conjunction with faithful dads, viz., Colin, Elwyn, Bryn and others they worked wonders.

In my five years as Youth Secretary, I must admit that I do not know what I would have done without the help and friendship of Mr. Albert Francis, he will know what I mean when I say "I'm glad you were there Albert". We play on the Arms Park whenever possible and to be quite frank and to use John Price's well known words: ".... "what can I say? I can't fault the man".

Talking about John Price and his wife Mair, I should like to quote

one instance which epitomises their co-operation with the Youth and earns my appreciation. They catered for 60 people at the Clubhouse, after the Pietermaritzburg match, at the short notice of six hours. I think they deserve a special thanks.

I always seem to leave the coaches until last — probably because they are the most important people these days! Elwyn Williams and John Evans took us to the Welsh Youth Cup Final and we won — say no more!

Player of the Year, by the way is Arwel Parry, fullback; and the most Promising Player is Dean Conway, prop; both Youth Internationals and looking forward with earnest to the Rags/First Team next year.

A word of thanks too, to the Senior Selection Committee for including certain youth players in the end of season Rags sides in readiness for next Season. An interesting fact is that of 49 players who appeared for the first team this season 15 were ex-Cardiff R.F.C. Youth products, almost one in three — something to think about.

To the office staff I would like to thank Pam and Sue for their help during the long season.

Finally, I would like to extend thanks on behalf of everyone to Chris Lakin our Captain for the second Season in succession. Unfortunately Chris is the third and last of the brothers who all captained Cardiff Youth. A quiet amiable person and a talented player he was respected by both the Committee and players. Well done Chris and good luck.

Some Statistics

Played 41 Won 31 Drawn 2 Lost 8
Points for 973 Against 327

Top Points Scorer:

Arwel Parry 342.

Top Try Scorers:

M. Mullins 20; A. Parry 18; N. Regan 16; I. Greenslade 14.

Most Appearances:

R. Brice 39; Phil Bartle 35.

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

Report of the Cardiff Rugby Supporters Club for the Year ending 30th April, 1984

The Annual Player of the Year evening was held at the Athletic Club on June 3rd with the usual 'packed house' and everyone seemed well pleased with the choice of Adrian Hadley as the Player of the Year. Other awards were presented to John Scott and Terry Charles as captains of the First XV and the Rags. Steve Blackmore received the 'Eights Cup' as the Athletic XV Player of the Year. Silver Salvagers were to have been presented to Robert Norster and Ian Eidman to commemorate their first Welsh Caps, but both were unable to be present, Robert being in New Zealand and Ian injured after his tour to Spain with the Welsh XV. It was very pleasing to see a good turn out of players and club officials at this now popular event.

We had the usual quiet summer recess with regard to the organisation of events but we 'kicked off' the season with a 'Referee's Forum' in September at which five referees under the chairmanship of Mr. Malcolm Thomas gave us a really enjoyable evening. Each member of the panel explained a certain aspect of the game and the relative laws. It was a pity that we had such a poor response on this occasion.

October saw the first 'Race Night' of our year and it proved to be well supported, then in November we were away at Aberaman for the Annual Sports and General Knowledge Quiz with the Band Club. After the honours were shared we were entertained by the Dare Singers from the Cynon Valley.

Our Annual Dinner originally scheduled for December was dropped in order to maximize support to the Gala Dinner planned for May, unfortunately this too was cancelled so it was February 24th before we had another Social Event. This was the return visit of the Aberaman Band Club, with the honours again shared. We were fortunate to have the services of Mountain Ash R.F.C. Choir to provide the entertainment. They apparently had an enjoyable evening in the members lounge entertaining those present whilst awaiting the Quiz programme to finish upstairs. Another first class evening enjoyed by all present.

The month of February will always be remembered by the Supporters Club as the month that Terry Holmes came back and those of us who were privileged to be at the Cup Match at Newbridge were thrilled beyond measure to see him back in action again after such a terrible injury in New Zealand.

We had two bus loads of Supporters at Newbridge on the 23rd March whilst three buses were required for the Semi Final in Swansea a month later to round off a really good season with respect to our coach arrangements and the support of our members on away matches. The usual Bi-Annual pilgrimage to 'Twickers' took place on March 16th when a coach load left the club on route to London for the London Welsh v. Cardiff and England v. Wales matches and despite the adverse result in the morning it was very gratifying to see Wales do so well and Terry Holmes in particular. All those who travelled had a thoroughly enjoyable weekend.

Our second Race Night of the season was held in the Club-house on 23rd March and all proceeds were donated to the Youth Team Tour Fund and it was expected that £150 would be the final figure when the Youth Committee had finalised their accounts.

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Chairman, Secretary and committee of the Cardiff Athletic Club for their continual support and assistance during the past year. It has been greatly appreciated.

Finally the officers and committee extend a very big thank you to the Steward and Stewardess, Mr. and Mrs. John Price for their very kind co-operation throughout the past year, again really appreciated.

KEN JONES
Chairman, Supporters Club

RECORD OF RESULTS - SEASON 1983/84

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.
1982															
Sept. 1	Abertillery	A	Lost				1		3	1		1			9
3	East District	H	Won	8	2				56						4
5	Glasgow & District	H	Won	2	4	1	1		34	1		1			9
7	Glamorgan Wanderers	A	Won		1		5		19	1	1				10
10	Neath	H	Won	2	1				16		2	2			14
14	Bristol	H	Won	3	1				22	1	1		1		13
17	Coventry	A	Won	1	3		3		27	1	1	2			16
21	Gloucester	A	Won	2	2		2		26		1	2			10
24	Aberavon	H	Won	4	1		3		37	1	2	1			17
28	Pontypridd	A	Won	1			2		12		1				4
Oct. 1	Newport	A	Lost	1	3		1		21	3	2	2			32
5	Bridgend	H	Won				3		9		1	1			7
8	Northampton	H	Won	1	1		1		13		1	1			7
12	Penarth	A	Won	1	1		4		22			2			6
15	Cambridge University	H	Won	2	3				24	2	1	1			19
19	Pontypool	A	Won		1		2		10			3			9
22	Harlequins	A	Won	2	2		2		26		1	1			7
26	Maesteg	H	Draw	1	2		4		26	2	2	2			26
29	Moseley	H	Won	4	4		1		43		1	1	1		10
Nov. 5	Leicester	A	Lost	1	3		2		24	2	2	3		1	29
9	Oxford University ..	H	Won	6	2		1		47	3	1	1			25
12	Ebbw Vale	H	Won	2	4		1		31	1	1	2			16
26	Llanelli	A	Lost	1			3		13		1	2			14
Dec. 3	Swansea	H	Won	1	2	4			26	1	1	1			13
10	London Welsh	H	Won	3	4	1	2		43		2	3	1		20
24	Bridgend	A	Lost	1	1				10	4	1	2			34
26	Pontypridd	H	Won		3		3		21	1	2				14
31	Coventry	H	Won	7	1				46	1	1				10
1984															
Jan. 2	Bath	-	Post.												
7	Moseley	A	Won	3	1		1		25	2	2				20
14	Aberavon	A	Won	2	3		1		27	1	2	1			17
Feb. 1	S. Glam. Institute ..	H	Canc.												
11	Bristol	A	Won	2	2		1		23	2	1				16
15	Newbridge	H	Won	1	2	1			17	1		1			9
Mar. 3	Ebbw Vale	A	Won	7	4		1		61	2		2			18
10	Pontypool	H	Lost	2		1			11	1	1	2			16
17	London Welsh	A	Lost				2		10		3	3			21
31	Llanelli	H	Won	3	1		2		28	1	2	1			17
Apr. 6	Bedford	H	Won	8					48		1				4
14	Swansea	A	Lost		2		2		14	2		1			15
21	Barbarians	H	Won	6	4				52	2	1				16
23	Harlequins	H	Lost	1			1		9	1	1	2			16
30	Neath	A	Lost	1	2		1		17	2		3			21
TOTALS				90	77	7	60	-	1049	42	46	3	51	-	610

Cardiff First Fifteen - (continued)

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	Senghenydd	..	A	Won	4	4		1		43			1			3							
2nd Round	Treorchy	..	A	Won	4	1				31	1					4							
3rd Round	Swansea	..	H	Won			1	3		12	1			1		7							
4th Round	Newbridge	..	A	Won	3	2		1		29				3		9							
5th Round	Llanelli	..	A	Won	3	2				26				2		6							
Cup Final	Neath	..	A	Won		2		4		24	2	1		1		19							
TOTALS										18	9	1	10	-		165	2	3	1	7	-		48

Seven-a-Side Tournaments:

Aberaeron Sevens:

Cardigan	Won 22-13
Old Millhillians	Won 24-6
Voyagers	Lost 12-16

C.H.S.O.B. Sevens:

N.H.S.O.B.	Won 30-4
Pontypridd	Won 26-10
South Wales Police	Won 22-6
Glamorgan Wanderers	Won 20-10 - WINNERS

Murphy's Snelling Sevens:

Bath	Won 24-0
Penarth	Won 10-4
Bridgend	Won 30-0
Abertillery	Won 44-6 - WINNERS

Llanelli Wanderers Sevens:

Carmarthen Quins	Won 18-10
Haverfordwest	Won 24-12
Pontyberem	Won 27-6
New Docks Stars	Won 24-14 - WINNERS

Harlequins Lord Taverners Sevens:

Old Belvedere	Won 20-4
Blackheath	Won 28-10
Lord Taverners	Lost 12-16
Harlequins	Lost 6-24

Gala Sevens:

Melrose	Won 22-12
Heriots	Won 22-6
Jedforest	Lost 10-16 (in extra time)

Haig Sevens:

Selkirk	Won 20-6
London Welsh	Lost 10-32

Club Captain: JOHN SCOTT Vice-Captain: GARETH DAVIES

TOTAL PLAYING RECORD: Played 47, Won 36, Drawn 1, Lost 10

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.					
1983																				
Sept.	1	Llanharan	H	Won	2	2		1		23			1		2	10				
	3	Llantwit Major ..	A	Won	3	3		2		36				1		3				
	7	Rumney	H	Won	2			1		15			1		1	7				
	10	Blackpool	A	Lost			1			3	1			1		9				
	14	Bristol United ..	A	Lost				1		3						32				
	17	Coventry Extras ..	H	Won	4		1	1		30	2			3		21				
	24	Berry Hill	A	Lost	1					6	2	1	2	3		31				
28	Treorchy	H	Won	2			1		15					2		6				
Oct.	1	Newport United ..	H	Won	2	3		1		27	1	1				10				
	5	Pontypridd Athletic	A	Won	2		2			14				2		6				
	8	Blaenavon	A	Won	1		1			7	2	3				24				
	12	Old Illydians ..	H	Lost	1			1		9	3			1		21				
	15	Neath Athletic ..	H	Won		1	1	2		13				1		3				
	18	Llantwit Major ..	H	Won	3	3				30	1					6				
	22	Caerleon	H	Won	1	2		3		23						0				
	26	Newport Saracens ..	A	Won	6	3		1		51					2	6				
	29	Moseley United ..	A	Lost		2				8	1	3		1		21				
Nov.	5	Leicester Extras ..	H	Lost	1			2		12		1		3		13				
	12	Treorchy	A	Lost				1		3	3	1		1		25				
	19	Pontypool Athletic	H	Lost	2			1		15	4	1		4		40				
	26	Bridgend Sports ..	H	Won		5		2		26				1		3				
Dec.	3	Swansea Athletic ..	A	Lost		1		2		10		1	1	3		16				
	10	Caerlon	A	Draw	1		1			9	1			1		9				
	17	Glynneath	H	Won	4	4		1		43			1	2		9				
	31	Coventry Extras ..	A	Won	3	2		1		29	1		1	1		12				
1984																				
Jan.	7	Moseley United ..	H	Won	2	3		1		27	2					12				
	14	Bridgend Sports ..	A	Won	1	2		1		17						0				
	28	Llandaff	A	Won	1	2		1		17						0				
Feb.	11	Bristol United ..	H	Won	2	4		2		34						0				
	17	Abercynon	A	Won	2	4		1		31						0				
	25	Pontypool United ..	A	Lost	1	1				10	1	3	1	1		24				
	29	Pontypridd Athletic	H	Won	3	6				42						0				
Mar.	3	Blackwood	H	Won	4	4				40	3					18				
	10	Pontypool Athletic	A	Won	2	2				23	1	2				14				
	17	Reading	A	Won			1	3		20				4		12				
	18	Abbey	A	Won		2		2		14				2		6				
	21	Penygraig	A	Won	6	3				48						0				
	23	Newport United ..	A	Lost	1	1		1		13	1	3		2		24				
	31	Neath Athletic ..	A	Lost		3				12	2	5		1		35				
Apr.	11	Old Illydians ..	H	Won	2	3	1			27				1		3				
	14	Swansea Athletic ..	H	Won	3	2		1		29	2	2				20				
	21	Llandaff	H	Won	3	1				22						0				
	25	Cardiff HSOB ..	H	Won	2	5				32		1		1		7				
	TOTALS								73	84	6	42	0	928	34	30	7	47	0	501

CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS — Rugby First XV

Captain	Vice-Captain
T. S. DONALDSON-SELBY	W. D. PHILLIPS
E. C. FRY	W. D. PHILLIPS
R. H. FOA	W. D. PHILLIPS
B. HARRIS	B. E. GIRLING
W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
H. J. SIMPSON	A. F. HILL
H. J. SIMPSON	A. F. HILL
F. E. HANCOCK	A. J. HYBART
W. M. DOUGLAS	G. A. YOUNG
G. A. HILL	C. S. ARTHUR
C. S. ARTHUR	S. H. NICHOLLS
D. O. WILLIAMS	F. W. EVANS
N. PEARSON	A. LEWIS
N. BIGGS	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
A. F. HILL	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	F. MILLS
J. E. ELLIOTT	S. BIGGS
E. GWYN NICHOLLS	E. GWYN NICHOLLS
E. GWYN NICHOLLS	H. V. P. HUSSEY
E. GWYN NICHOLLS	J. BLAKE
H. WINFIELD	C. BONEN
C. BONEN	C. STANTON-GHAGHAN
E. GWYN-NICHOLLS	C. F. BIGGS
PERCY F. BUSH	GEO. NORTHMORE
PERCY F. BUSH	GEO. NORTHMORE
RHYTS T. GABE	J. BROWN
PERCY F. BUSH	F. SMITH
J. L. WILLIAMS	F. SMITH
R. A. GIBBS	J. PUGSLEY
L. M. DYKE	A. JONES
M. JONES	R. F. WILLIAMS
W. J. JENKINS	R. F. WILLIAMS
F. GAÇCON-	W. J. JENKINS
EUROPEAN WAR	
1914-19	
W. J. POWELL	
CLEM LEWIS	
R. ARTHUR CORNISH	
Dr. T. WALLACE	
IDRIS RICHARDS	
I. D. JOHNSON	
T. A. JOHNSON	
W. J. DELAHAY	
B. J. DELAHAY	
B. R. TURNBULL	
K. P. MALE	
S. C. CRAVOS	
1920-21	
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CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 1983 SEASON

At the start of 1983 we confidently looked forward to the year and our results proved even more successful than our most optimistic members dared hope. In addition to winning the Arthur Patterson Trophy, the Famous Grouse Western League and the Giro Bank Welsh Cup, our second team was third in the Western League and the Third's, Youth and Sunday teams all performed with great credit.

The club captain, Paul Good, set a very high standard and one of the main features of the year was the all round performance from many players who frequently sacrificed their own glory for the sake of the team.

The first competition we won, was the Arthur Patterson Trophy which is competed for by local clubs at Barry. We beat St. Fagans in one of the earlier rounds, which is always pleasing, and defeated Barry in the final which of course is even more satisfying.

In the Famous Grouse Western League, we played one game in April against Cheltenham but all games during May were rained off. Consequently only 12 games were played but we achieved the highest average number of points per game since the start of the Western League, and became the first Welsh Club to hold the title.

Our record in the League shows:—

Games Played	Won	Lost	Points	Average
12	11	1	222	18.50

Gloucester were runners up in the competition and their average score was 15.21 which indicates our superiority over our rivals in 1983.

The strength of the side lay mainly in its batting, bowling of two stalwarts, Tony Cordle and David Lewis and fielding of the highest standard.

Famous Grouse Western League Results

<i>Opponents</i>	<i>Cardiff Score</i>		<i>Opponents Score</i>		<i>Results</i>
Cheltenham	155 for 7 wkts	D. Sinclair 47	122 for 9 wkts	Cordle 5 for 53	Won by 33 runs
Brislington	100 for 1 wkt	P. Good 65	98 for 9 wkts		Won by 9 wkts
Stroud	101 for 6 wkts		98		Won by 4 wkts
Malmesbury	147 for 0 wkts	Good 77 Elward 55	146 for 9 wkts	Lewis 5 for 47	Won by 10 wkts
Westbury	105 for 1 wkt	Elward 55	104	Cordle 6 for 46	Won by 9 wkts
Lansdown	148 for 5 wkts	Good 58	147		Won by 5 wkts
Optimists	185 for 0 wkts	Cann 55	199 for 7 wkts		Lost by 14 runs
Gloucester	213 for 6 wkts	Good 91	210 for 9 wkts	Wilkins 6 for 74	Won by 4 wkts
Keynsham	174 for 7 wkts	Sinclair 56	130	Lewis 6 for 47	Won by 44 runs
St. Fagans	218 for 4 wkts	Good 56	130	Cordle 6 for 76	Won by 15 runs
Newport	234 for 6 wkts	Good 75 Elward 62	236	Lewis 5 for 70	Won by 98 runs
Imperial	173 for 7 wkts	Cann 63	118	Lewis 5 for 37	Won by 55 runs

It was the victory of Newport on the 27th August which clinched the League title, this was an auspicious weekend for Cardiff. On an adjacent pitch the Rugby Section were starting their 1983/84 year by winning the Snelling Sevens.

The following day we won the Giro Bank Welsh Cup in Swansea.

We had defeated Whitchurch Heath in the first round and bowled out St. Fagans for 48 in the second, David Lewis taking 6 for 14.

We then defeated Pontyminster and at Penarth scored 230 for 2, C. Elward 68, D. Sinclair 70 not out, P. Goodfellow 80 not out. Penarth replied with 141 for 7. In the area final we scored 233 runs against Blackwood, David Sinclair scoring 78 and Hugh Morris 49. Blackwood could only reach 141 for 5 in the 40 overs.

The semi-final at Carew, Cardiff scored 182 for 9, Chris Elward 50, Paul Good 54 and Peter Goodfellow 38. Carew were bowled out for 122, Peter Morgan taking 4 for 16 and Alan Wilkins 2 for 16.

In the final, played at St. Helens, we batted first, Hugh Morris scoring 92 and Chris Elward 85 not out, in a total of 226 for 3.

In reply Brymbo scored 132 for 7, Howard Slade taking 2 for 17 and Hugh Morris 2 for 23. For his contribution to this game, Hugh Morris won the Man of the Match Award.

All our trophies have been on display in the Athletic Club during the year and we certainly look forward to 1984 when we hope to retain all trophies although we realise that this is a most formidable task.

In addition to the League and Cup games the club played several friendly matches including one against the M.C.C. We won this game convincingly by 6 wickets. M.C.C. 154 (D. Lewis 5-47) Cardiff 155 for 4 (John Hansell 58).

During the year Chris Elward represented Wales against Ireland and M.C.C. Michael Cann captained Wales Under 19, both played several games for Glamorgan Seconds. Hugh Morris missed many games when playing for Glamorgan and captaining Young England. Julian Francis was a regular member of the Wales Under 19 team. Congratulations to these and all the players who made the year so memorable.

First XI Averages

Batting (Qualification 250 runs)

Name	Inn	N/O	H/S	Runs	AVERAGE	
					W.L.	Total
C. ELWARD	20	5	85	702	42.37	46.80
H. MORRIS	6	0	92	268	22.67	44.67
P.F. GOOD	20	2	126	742	58.50	41.22
D. SINCLAIR	16	3	78	417	28.50	33.08
P. GOODFELLOW	15	3	80	362	14.28	30.17
M. CANN	14	3	63	303	30.67	27.54

Bowling (Qualification 10 Wickets)

Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	AVERAGE	
					W.L.	Total
D.W. LEWIS	224.5	45	671	61	12.60	11.00
A. WILKINS	96.5	23	233	19	12.76	12.21
A.E. CORDLE	202.4	45	511	38	12.31	13.45
H. SLADE	80	15	232	14	20.33	16.86
P. MORGAN	137	28	471	26	25.50	18.12

The second XI under the captaincy of John Hogg began the season in fine style, defeating the St. Fagans first XI in the opening game prior to the start of the league fixtures. We felt we would be able to improve our 1982 position but once again finished in a very commendable third place. All but three of the fourteen games were won and the team ended marginally below the first two sides. During the year victories were recorded over Brislington, Cheltenham, Stroud, Malmesbury, Optimists, Gloucester, Keynsham, Chippenham, Bristol Imperial and our two local rivals Newport and St. Fagans. In the Imperial game, we achieved the highest league total of the season 300-3 (M. Cann 100, J. Hansell 95) which was the highest ever by a Cardiff side in the league.

The batting was strengthened by the return of former club Captain K.D. Williams and the arrival of John Hansell, with Steve Lang and Ian Holmes from last year and Gary Headley and Jeff Bretos promoted from the Third XI our batting won for us the highest batting bonus points in the League.

The bowling was not as penetrative as we would have liked but Ed Evans, Steve Price, Garry Hilbert and John Hogg all bowled well.

Second XI Famous Grouse Western League

Batting:

Player	Inns	N/O	Runs	Highest Score	AVERAGE
K.D. WILLIAMS	10	1	354	66	39.33
S. LANG	8	1	273	107	39.00
J. HANSELL	10	0	273	95	27.40
I. HOLMES	11	3	209	47	26.13
G. HEADLEY	7	1	134	41	22.33
J. BRETOS	8	0	171	54	21.37

Bowling

Player	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wickets	AVERAGE
J. HOGG	62	8	284	18	15.77
G. HILBERT	108	18	400	19	21.00

Prior to the season it was hoped that the Third XI would improve their position in the table. They also ended a commendable third in their division of the Morganwg League, although there were some outstanding victories against Llantwit Major and Treorchy, most of the games ended in close finishes. More being won than lost.

One of the main features of the Third XI was the standard of fielding which improved considerably during the year.

Regular contributions in batting were made by Merfyn Owen and Stuart Dyke and when he became available, David Herbert. Most of the bowling was done by Alan Hughes, Alan Bretos and captain Nick Gower.

We were somewhat disappointed with the standard of pitches played on away from Sophia Gardens and felt it was unfair to introduce too many youngsters to batting in senior cricket on poor wickets. Next year we hope to

join the Gwent League where we know the wickets are of a higher standard.

We look forward to this as the Third XI must be a team which bloods youngsters and introduces them to senior cricket.

An ever improving fixture list allowed the Sunday XI, captained by A.C. Edwards, to enjoy another season of competitive cricket of good quality away from the more intense atmosphere of league matches. The side had its usual 'Jekyll and Hyde' character, being too strong for most opponents except on days when the First XI were involved in cup games. On such occasions, sides of Third XI strength tended to struggle if the opposition was of any note. It is unfortunate that the majority of husbands outside the First XI cannot make themselves available on cup dates as a team of near Second XI strength could surely hold its own against the best of clubs. Perhaps the outstanding performance of the season was our innings against Glamorgan under 19's.

Having watched the opposition put in a half hour session of exercises and fielding practice, we scored 229 for 5 wickets (T. Littlewood 81), the 200 coming in two hours off only 37 overs. Sadly, rain prevented our finishing the job, although we reduced our guests to 86 for 5 wickets.

Our first trip to Ross-on-Wye for some years saw the season's most exciting run chase in which a superb innings of 102 by Peter Goodfellow saw us 5 runs short of the home sides 214 with 3 wickets in hand.

The other century of the season came from the unlikely source of Willie Jones who scored 100 at Thornbury in only his second innings of a return to the club after some seasons absence.

Wins were recorded against Sully Centurions, South Wales Hunts, Skewen, Monmouth and Barry, whilst we had the better of most of the drawn games.

The leading batsmen were Chris Elward, Mike Cann, Tim Littlewood and Peter Goodfellow. Of the bowlers, the majority of the hard work was shouldered by Gary Hibbard, Julian Francis and Alan Bretos. Chris Day, who made an unwisely early return after a cartilage operation, gave an interesting insight into the way Long John Silver might have played cricket.

The Sunday XI has long provided an opportunity for younger players to blossom and Gary Headley, Julian Francis, Alan Bretos and David Herbert all showed great promise.

In the last week of July we once again made the club tour to Hampshire. There again the cricket is played in a more relaxed atmosphere than the normal Saturday afternoon and the players are able to develop whilst still playing competitively. The tour was successful match wise, four games won and one drawn. The lasting memory will be of splendid weather, splendid hospitality and the very vigorous off the field activities.

Mid week games against touring teams and evening games against local sides were regularly played. In these all members are given the opportunity to participate. Efforts are made to select sides that will ensure close contest. The closest was a fixture we were delighted to resume against Cardiff City which ended in an honourable tie.

In the last game of the season, a Sunday match, played not strictly according to the M.C.C. Manual, we tried to achieve a close result but were beaten by Captain Scott and his men from the Rugby Section. We have

warned them that in 1984 they can expect no favours from us and less lenient umpiring from Gordon Eccles.

Our Sunday morning nets continued to prosper and our under 13's and under 15's sides all accounted for themselves well in the various competitions they entered. Thanks are due to the Cheltenham and Gloucester Building Society whose sponsorship helped meet the costs of the youth cricket.

Unfortunately, the Cardiff Cricket Club Schools Cup competition could not be completed because of bad weather in May, we hope the competition will be re-introduced in 1984.

Our six-a-side competition held early in July proved to be a great success. The sponsor was Manor Brick and the eventual winners were St. Fagans. Our own First XI were playing at Penarth in the Welsh Cup on the same day.

During the year several social functions took place. At our club dinner in November, the guest speakers were John Norman of B.B.C. and Barry Lloyd, the then captain of Glamorgan. At Christmas we had our Ladies Night, at the Athletic Club. Before the season Mrs. Margaret Gower held a Cocktail Party in her house. We all thank her for her generosity. Early in October, we attended the Western League Dinner where Paul Good was presented with the Famous Grouse Trophy and an enormous bottle of Whiskey to help our celebrations.

After the Season, Ossie Herbert, one of the stalwarts of the Cricket Section, died. He had enjoyed his last tour to Hampshire in July and continued to support the Club during the year. His quiet but generous support, regular visits to Sophia Gardens and most of all his sense of fun will be sadly missed.

We were delighted by the support we received from Ken Owen of the C & G and Ewan Coull of Manor Brick, the office and bar staff of the Athletic Club, and particularly Albert and Len for providing ever improving match and practice facilities.

From our own section I would like to thank the committee in particular Nick Gower, Secretary and Ramash Patel, Fixture Secretary, who had an enormous amount of re-arranging as a result of our successes in the Welsh Cup. The Umpires and Scorers who turned out for us regularly all deserve special praise, in particular Chris Fookes, the First team scorer and the ever present Gordon Eccles despite his rather biased umpiring in the Cardiff R.F.C. game.

Finally, the ladies who gave up their Saturdays and Sundays to provide us with our teas and for organising a celebration supper to mark our victorious season — a special thank you for your support during one of the most successful years ever enjoyed by the Cricket Section.

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			1934	..	J. T. MORGAN
1882		Names of Captains	1935	..	J. T. MORGAN
1883		not recorded.	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			

CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLS CLUB

CAPTAIN'S REPORT FOR SEASON 1983

The Bowls Club were delighted and honoured to welcome R.H. Williams, Esq, Vice President of the W.R.U., when he opened our green on the 15th April, a beautiful spring evening, before a large attendance of members. Who can forget his first bowl of the season, delivered within six inches of the Jack, by a self confessed non-bowler. What a performance, and the writer has no aspirations to be included in the famous 32.

Members and guests retired to the Bowls Pavilion, where a buffet, prepared by our good ladies and liquid refreshment served by hand picked members, known for their sobriety, combined to make it an excellent social evening.

The fine weather accompanying the opening night and Captain's Day was soon replaced by the monsoons' a period of wet windy weather lasting six weeks, as welcome to the average bowler as a fox in a chicken run. It played havoc with our fixtures, but we survived to play all our W.B.A. matches, winning five out of six and losing to old rivals and friends, Abertridwr, in an extremely tight finish.

The monsoons gave way to a tropical heatwave, hot and humid weather, excellent for bowling, and this lasted for a period of eleven weeks, in which we played our P.G. matches, winning six out of seven and then losing to Penylan B.C., in the area section semi-final, where we were not just good enough on the day.

The afternoon bowlers continue to thrive and grow in numbers, in their pursuit of total enjoyment and have added a new dimension to the word 'Gourmet' under the guidance of Messrs. Hull and Lear.

The centre piece of the year was quite definitely the visit of the Scottish Tourists, Alyth Dundee, on Friday, 29th July. This was an excellent day, good company and good bowling with the after proceedings proving most enjoyable, where friends from the Cardiff Athletic Male Choir helped us to vent our vocal feelings. To President George Heron and Secretary Gil Jenkins of the Tourists, Thank you for a memorable day.

We congratulate Mr. Bryn Hawkins on his wonderful performance for Wales, in the Home Internationals at Sophia Gardens, in July and also to Elwyn and Meurig Chapple on their good run in the South Glamorgan and Welsh Pairs.

Unfortunately, the season has not gone by without sadness and we lost two well liked members in Mr. Peter (Scouse) Reynolds and Mr. S. Phillips, also Mrs. Winnie Gilmore, a person of unlimitable courage and cheerfulness and a good worker for the section. They will all be missed.

If the Dundee Alyth Tourists visit was the centre piece, then the Club Tour of Bournemouth in August was definitely the highlight of my year of office. It was the Club's first major tour for some ten years and what an unsurpassable week it turned out to be. The Hotel was first class and the Camaradie amongst the Tourists perfect. Good company and weather ensured good bowling and we won five out of six games. My heartfelt thanks to the worthy organizers, Mr. J. Judd and Mr. T. O'Halloran, to the 'incident

makers' and 'music men', 'the tall top rink' (Messrs Chapple, Spence, Price and Wooller) and to all members of the touring party who were 'there' that memorable week.

Now a special word of thanks to Mrs. Ethel Cauldrey and her irreplaceable ladies for all their hard work and effort in supporting the Club and myself during surely the busiest season in the Clubs history. I salute you.

Acknowledgements also to the Section and Selection Committee Members and to the unsung 'behind the scene' workers for their guidance and help.

In conclusion, I have been proud and privileged to be Captain of the Bowls Section of this Great Club and I sincerely wish next years Captain, Mr. W. Roberts good bowling and good fortune for the 1984 season.

D.H. MORRIS

'A' TEAM REPORT

Well, that was the year that was. No sooner had the season opened in April and we were straight into the monsoons of May. These were followed by the holiday period and in no time at all it was all over. That is certainly how the 1983 season struck me, but no doubt there are others who thought that my term of office would never end.

I was told by more than one old hand that the worst job in the club was that of 'A' team captain. It is certainly true that even if one was possessed of all the saintly virtues (which I hasten to add I am not) it would be an impossible task to try and please all of the people all of the time. Having said that however I enjoyed my year of office and am proud to have been captain of a side that represented this great club of ours.

The results of our matches show that all in all it was a very average sort of season. We of course started out with high hopes of going one better than the previous year and winning the P.G. 2, but it was not to be. The results of the P.G. 2 games were:-

Played	Won	Lost	Shots for	Shots against	Difference	Points
8	3	5	669	615	+54	6

Three of the defeats were by 5,6 and 10 shots respectively and clearly those matches could have gone either way. Had we had the rub of the green and won those three who knows what might have been? However, it is shots on the board that count and not hard luck stories.

The total playing record for Saturdays including P.G. 2 and friendlies was:-

Played	Won	Lost	Abandoned	Shots for	Shots against	Difference
18	8	9	1	1423	1432	-9

We all of us like to win, and I am sure approach every game with a determination to try and do just that. Success however in my opinion is not the be all and end all. Enjoyment of the game for its own sake and the pleasure that is to be had from the wonderful company that one finds on any bowling green are things to be treasured. We are very fortunate in Cardiff

Athletic in our membership and I am pleased to think that during the course of 1983 we were able to give 40 of our members a chance to play for the 'A' team on a Saturday afternoon. Add to that the number who played for the First team it can be seen that as a club we were able to give the opportunity of having a competitive game in whites to nearly all of our members who were available for selection. That to me at least is very important. In conclusion I would like to thank all members of the selection and section committees for their help and co-operation, and all playing members for their support. Also of course my thanks must go most sincerely to the ladies who week after week provided the teas. Saturday afternoons would not be the same without their efforts. Finally thanks to my wife for being such an uncomplaining bowls widow for the best part of six months. Perhaps she will see a bit more of me during 1984, but then again?

H.F.L. DAVID

RESULTS SEASON 1983

First Team:	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
W.B.A.	6	5	1	
P.G. 1	8	6	2	
Friendlies	32	21	11	

Skip Results (W.B.A.):

E. Hughes	4	4		
D. Osling	6	4	1	1
B. Hawkins	6	4	2	
R Pullen	6	4	2	
S. Hull	2		2	

Skip Results (P.G. 1):

S. Hull	7	6	1	
E. Hughes	7	4	3	
D. Osling	6	3	3	
B. Hawkins	8	2	5	1
R. Pullen	4	2	1	1

CLUB COMPETITION WINNERS

Club Champion	L.K. Morgan
Club Handicap	S. Stevens
Special Singles	I. Joss
Two Wood	D. Teague
Pairs	B. Hawkins and G. Israel
Over 60's	S. Stevens
Target Bowls	E.Cross

PAST CAPTAINS OF BOWLS SECTION

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

CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS SECTION

CAPTAIN'S REPORT FOR SEASON 1983

Perhaps the main feature this year has been the new found enthusiasm amongst members old and new. This was actively encouraged by myself with the help of a hard working committee and the response was gratifying with a 100% increase in the use of our facilities and greater participation in the events held both on and off the court. Also it was pleasing to welcome an influx of new playing members many of whom represented the club at team level.

Team results were varied. The mixed doubles team entered in the En-Tout-Cas winter league 1982/83 succeeded in gaining promotion to Division 1. However, at this higher level they have been unable to make an impression. In the summer leagues the Men's First Team finished third in Division 3 and taking into account several close results can look forward to 1984 with confidence, as can the Men's Second Team which finished fourth in Division 7. The Ladies Team retained Division 3 status having narrowly avoided relegation. During the year a new inter-club singles competition was pioneered by the L.T.A. Two teams were entered and whilst not all fixtures were completed in this, the first year, we expect this competition to develop successfully in the future.

All teams should benefit from the pre-season indoor doubles sessions and coaching arrangements already in hand for 1984.

The Club Tournaments were held in July. There was an excellent number of entries particularly in the Men's section and some interesting matches provided the following champions:—

Mens Singles:	Alistair Alexander
Ladies Singles:	Christine Lewis
Mens Doubles:	Martin Percy & Martin Mallick
Ladies Doubles:	Christine Lewis & Charlotte Greenwood
Mixed Doubles:	Peter Lewis & Sheila Morrow

Congratulations to all!!

After the club Tournaments an invitation Junior Tournament was held. This proved an interesting and enjoyable occasion for all concerned. Such an event has not been held for several years and special thanks are extended to the organisers. The encouragement of juniors must be given priority for this is an area requiring close attention if the section is to produce quality players.

On the completion of team matches and club tournaments we decided to try and maintain the competitive spirit by introducing a Singles Ladder to run through the Winter months. This has stimulated interest in singles play, helped to improve playing standards, and will become a regular feature in our calendar.

On the Social Side several American tournaments were held during the year and were enjoyed by those who participated. In August an inter-section match was played when we met a combined team from the cricket and hockey sections. The softer ball proved a problem for the opposition but what an enjoyable and convivial evening it turned out to be!

Off court a number of skittles evenings were held and the main social event of the year was the August Bank Holiday barbecue. This was a resounding success and fully justified the organisational effort involved. The final event of the year held at Sophia Gardens in December was an American tournament and lunch which ended the year in an appropriately friendly atmosphere prior to Christmas.

In concluding my report I must pay a debt of gratitude not only to those committee members who have worked so hard for the section during 1983 but also, to the Team Captains and to our Ladies Captain, Mrs. Sybil Upton, for her efficient support. I sincerely hope that the enthusiasm generated this year will be sustained in 1984. With a positive attitude from the Committee and the active co-operation of members I feel that we can look forward with optimism.

NEIL W. DAVEY

CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS CLUB CAPTAINS

	Men's	Ladies'
1923	T. J. HOPKINS	—
1924	T. J. HOPKINS	Miss E. CLARE
1925	T. J. HOPKINS	Mrs. G. D. HORSPPOOL
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

CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 1983/84

This year has been dominated by the successes of our First XI. under the captaincy of Howard Williams, the team has shown great determination. Howie must be congratulated on his leadership, discipline and organisation. This has all been worthwhile to produce the following results:- A win against Beckinham in London, a wonderful achievement. Winning the South Wales Indoor League again very easily. Losing in the final game of the Marlborough Carpets League to Firebrands. Winning the Wares Ibrahim Cup. Again getting to the final of the Welsh Cup, and loosing to Whitchurch. This trophy has now eluded us for two years. Winners of the Premier Division of the league, losing only one game.

The First XI this year have scored 149 goals, a record that has stood since 1946. That team was captained by Geoff Percival, and scored 139 goals. Steve Sparkes scored 55 goals during the season, breaking his own record of 41 goals.

The trip to Yugoslavia to play in the Division B Finals of the European Club Championships was marred by the injury to Howie Williams, who could not go having spent so much time and effort in preparing the squad for the event. Against such strong opposition, we did not have much success and finished fourth out of seven.

An invitation to the club to play in an indoor championship in Zwolle was again marred by fate. Andy Gowman, our indoor captain, tragically lost his mother in a road accident shortly before the tournament and was unable to go. With him, I am sure we would have done a lot better.

Our Second XI, captained by Terry Jones, had a very mixed season, due to a lot of changes in the side throughout the season. They led their division for two thirds of the season, only to lose to Abergavenny and finish second. They got to the quarter final stage of the second eleven cup, only to lose on penalty flicks to Swansea.

The Third XI, captained by Rod McKerlich, had a very interesting season, and were unfortunate not to finish higher in the league. Unsettled sides saw them lose important games. Bad pitches which our players were not used to, beat us. They hit the press when they went to play Swansea Third XI, only to find the side loaded with six First Team players. Swansea were later judged not to be adhering to the spirit of the game and were asked to replay the game, which they declined to do. They had an enjoyable season, with good hockey, and some new talent.

The Fourth XI have in my eyes had a very successful season. Mike Faires has, once again been a brick. Picking up the threads on a Friday night when the cry-off's start in the higher teams, his players being taken and then having to search and to persuade people to play on the next day. Not an enviable task. Never the less, Mike invariably finished up with eleven men and has had a nucleus of players throughout the season who have helped Mike singing in the bar with the opposition and enjoying the hockey no matter what the score. This type of atmosphere in the Fourth XI certainly helps younger players enjoy their game.

The Mini Hockey has this year, taken on a new light, thanks to Tony Rhys-Jones and Terry Jones. The boys have been coached seriously and been

made to feel part of the club, putting on a set of shirts and feeling part of Cardiff Hockey Club.

The veterans have only played one game, but this may lead to a series of fixtures for next year.

Once again, we must give our thanks to Albert Francis and the ground staff for their hard work in preparing the best pitches in the South West.

Our attempt to gain entry to the Sun Life West of England League has been pursued with aggression by Tony Rhys-Jones, who still has the bit between his teeth, with alternative proposals to enable us to play the standard of hockey we deserve.

Discipline, I am sorry to say, caused a lot of problems this year. The committee made decisions which, after very lengthy discussion they felt were just. It is a shame that at the meeting where these decisions were made, people who had other ideas, did not either attend, or put their views in writing. Both players who were suspended however, have never given less than 100% to the club during their suspension, taking up the task of umpiring which must be a lesson. I only hope that next season, as much effort goes into fund raising as this season has been put into heated discussions on discipline, and that Cardiff Hockey Club players keep clear of cards, no matter what colour. The club, nor the player concerned, wants or deserves the ill feeling and bad publicity it causes.

Many thanks to all the umpires, who take on an ever increasing task, with the league causing very high tension. Immediate control is obviously essential and hesitant decisions on penalty flicks are sackable offences.

The atmosphere in the club this year has greatly improved. Some evenings in the bar have been amazing because players and committee members have had to contend with any high finance organisation.

It is a great shame that we do not have the organisers for more social functions, perhaps we are expecting too much of our younger members. This was proved at the 'Past and Present' evening where we had many past members present. This was the highlight social event of the year, due to Sean McCarthy and some older members. At this function, we presented the late Geoff Percival with a crystal vase and tankard. Unfortunately, Geoff passed away in January, a great loss to the club and to Welsh hockey. He will be sadly missed. The other social event held last year was the disco and Bar-B-Cue run in conjunction with the Llanishen Hockey Festival. Due to a cold and windy evening, this got off to a slow start, but certainly warmed up later. I hope this years event has good support and is a financial success. I would like to thank those members who have helped decorate the club room at Sophia Gardens.

Also, a big thank you to Victoria and Gaynor, our tea ladies, who do an excellent job catering for fifty and more people. This is no easy task. Many thanks from us all.

Finally, many thanks to all those who have helped in my year of office, and I wish the new committee all success in the coming season and hope the club can continue it's record breaking next year. This time, let's win them all.

M.R. GREENWOOD

CAPTAIN'S REPORTS

FIRST XI

My recollections of last season, although a few months past, are still clear and satisfying. Our final analysis was as follows:—

Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals For	Goals Against
32	2	2	149	22

Achievements:

Outdoors Won South Wales Premier Division League.
Won South Wales Cup.
Lost in final of Welsh Cup.
Beat Beckenham for first time
since fixtures have taken place (30 years).

Indoors Won Welsh Indoor Cup.
Won Bridgend Indoor Tournament.
Beat Slough — first Welsh club to do so.

Two intensive weekend tournaments (Gore Court, Kent and Morlands, Somerset) before the start of the season, was on reflection ideal preparation. The momentum gained from these functions was never lost. In the league we went through the first half of the season with a 100% record, and also progressed in both cups.

The second half of the year brought increased pressure, because trophies were now a distinct possibility. This pressure was most evident when in just nine days we played Swansea three times and all away fixtures. During this critical period the team showed character and courage. We won both our Cup games and lost the final match (League).

We were therefore in two Cup finals against Whitchurch. In the Welsh Cup we lost 2-1 in sudden death extra time, which was harsh on the side as we played very well. We however took some consolation by beating them 3-1 in the South Wales Cup, to end the season on a high note.

Two players who were outstanding throughout the year Nunnit Sohanpal and Steve Sparkes, received the club's Player of the Year Trophy. As far as the future is concerned, I was disappointed that potential high quality youngsters did not mature as quickly as I anticipated. This area will have to be looked at in more detail.

I would like to thank all those players/officials who have over the past two years given me their help and support, and I wish my successor Andy Gowman the very best in the forthcoming season.

Many Thanks,
H.D. WILLIAMS

SECOND XI

A somewhat of a mixed season as far as results, with no honours won. Being eliminated from the Second XI Cup by the winners, Swansea, and coming runner-up in the first Division missing promotion by one point.

The season did though give us some promising points for the future, with four youngsters being played throughout. Unfortunately, with four senior

players from last year second's no longer available the strength in depth was lacking, and thus shown in both the final hurdles of the Cup and League.

TERRY JONES

THIRD XI

With an unsettled weak team at the start of the season, the Third XI lost six and drew two of our first nine games. From the next nine games we achieved seven wins and two draws including defeats of Swansea, Bristol and Hereford. The triumphs faded when representative calls, rugby internationals and atrocious away pitches led to three defeats in a row. We finished strongly with five wins and two draws in the last seven games. It was unfortunate that we had two runs of poor results, as a side containing such as Fooks, Klepper, Kaler, Matharu, Sobey and other notables should be formidable at Third XI level. By the end of the season we had mastered the art of playing with a kicking back, a skill which, I hope, will not be needed next year. The pitches were excellent and our umpires were of a high standard, the only advantage which emerged from the Committee's approach to discipline. It is essential in the interests of justice and common-sense that we catalogue details of on-field misdemeanours if three or six month suspensions are to be the norm for the first red card received in a season.

R.C. McKERLICH

FOURTH XI

If goals scored and results gained are to be taken as the only measure of success then this season was not as good as last year. However, it is team spirit and enjoyment both on and off the hockey field that are the true yardsticks, and on that basis I have pleasure in reporting an excellent season.

We welcomed several players back to the fold after absence; Bob Jones, who was weaned away from soccer by Roy Walls, Johnathan (Max Boyce) Davies, who travelled from London every alternate week-end, Peter Maclean and Keith Lord. New-comers this season were few, but of high quality; Ian (Chopper) Turner who will have difficulty topping his grand entrance by helicopter at Brean, Wyndham Jones from the 'old enemy' and, at the end of the season, Tim Eyton-Jones whose goalkeeping skills were most welcome to yours truly. Owen Jones had three games and looks an excellent prospect for future years. Unfortunately we lost several schoolboys who are now working Saturdays.

It is interesting to note that a total of 31 have played for the Fourth Team, of whom only 11 have played more than 11 games. I must thank particularly Dave Parsons, Dave Lidbury and Ian Turner who were each only unavailable twice and Jerry Shelton, Paul Driscoll, Bob Jones, Mike Chinn and John Solanky who were regularly available. I would commend their example to others. Once again I must mention our two elder statesmen, Mervyn Griffiths who continues to amaze by completing his 39th consecutive season, playing in over half our matches at the age of 71, and Ivor Jones who completed his 26th season. The loyalty and club spirit of Mervyn and Ivor are an example to many members only half or even a third their age.

Our leading goal-scorer was Dave Lidbury with 11 goals, scoring in six out

of his twelve Fourth Team games. Dave slotted home all three goals against Firebrands, an excellent win, and scored twice in another three matches. Bob Jones celebrated his return with five goals, scoring twice in our memorable 4-4 result against Llanishen where we overcame a three goal half-time deficit by scoring three goals in the second half, a superb effort by all involved.

We were not able to fulfil our first two fixtures, in fact the club could only raise two sides against W. Gloucester. Players might remember that the season starts in the middle of September, not the end of October. We were defeated by U.C. Cardiff II in our first match, but we had only eight players and a schoolboy against a fit young team determined to get match practice for forthcoming games. We were unfortunate to lose to Gloucester, and played a good game to hold Abergavenny to only two goals considering the skill of their players.

Our first win was against the 'old enemy', Whitchurch, who we beat again later in the season, but then three weeks later lost and in the final game of the season had a draw. We had a good draw at Bath, and, with only ten men, scored two goals in our defeat at Bristol. Ian Turner was doubly unfortunate at Hereford to have both his goals disallowed. The only real winner at B.S.C. was the pitch since we played after another match and it became a lottery in the mud although their skill told in the end. We narrowly lost at Oystermouth a game which was remarkable for the number of injuries. Jerry, Ian and Johnathan received injuries to their hands, Ian turning out to have cracked a finger and yet he played the following week and then went skiing! We were unlucky to lose against Imperial who scored the only goal, against the run of play, from their fourth short corner in a row. Even our first pitch could not raise our standards sufficiently to defeat Bristol. A good draw was achieved on the Astroturf against Bridgend III, and we only just lost with ten men to Newport in a game we should have won. The Weston result might have been better had our new keeper been used to the Astroturf surface. He surpassed himself the following week with a virtuoso display against Whitchurch, saving a penalty flick.

On behalf of the Fourth Team I extend my sympathy to Rene and Tim Percival. The sudden death of Geoff Percival was a shock to us all, felt the more strongly possibly in the Fourth Team since he umpired so many of our matches. The coming season will not be the same without him.

I would urge all players (not just those who aspire to play in the Fourth Team!) to help their club and fellow players by making themselves regularly available. All births, marriages, holidays etc. should be arranged to occur out of season!

My thanks go to the groundstaff who produce such excellent pitches week after week and to the umpires for their contribution to such a pleasant season. I look forward to my fifth year as captain with the hope that the team spirit will be as good and the results a little better.

MICHAEL FAIRES

CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB — RESULTS 1983/84

First XI

1983				1984			
Sept.	24	W. Gloucs	H 4-3	Jan.	7	Hereford	H 1-1
Oct.	1	Beckenham	A 3-2		14	Firebrands	A 1-0
	1	M.A. Systems	A 2-2		21	Swansea	A 1-3
	8	U.C. Cardiff	H 9-0		28	Cwmbran	H 2-1
	15	Newport	A 4-0	Feb.	4	Chippenhams	H 6-1
	22	Cwmbran	A 5-1		11	U.C. Cardiff	A 10-0
	29	Llanishen	H 2-0		18	Newport	H 6-0
Nov.	5	Gloucester	A 1-1		25	Whitchurch	H 1-0
	12	Penarth	A 3-2	Mar.	3	Llanishen	A 2-0
	19	Whitchurch	A 3-0		10	Imperial	H 5-1
	26	Swansea	H 1-0		17	Bristol	A 1-0
Dec.	3	Penarth	H 3-0		24	Llanishen	A 2-0
	10	Bath	H 8-1	Apr.	7	Weston	A 5-0
	31	BAC	H 12-0		14	ISCA	H 2-0
					14	Morlands	H 2-0

Welsh Hockey Cup

Dec.	4	Chepstow	H 14-0
Feb.	27	Swansea	A 1-1 (won 3-2 A.P.S.)
Mar.	11	Northop Hall ..	3-1 (semi-final)
	18	Whitchurch	1-2 (final)

South Wales Cup

Nov.	27	Abergavenny ..	H 7-0
Jan.	29	Cwmbran	H 12-0
Mar.	5	Swansea	A 1-0 (semi-final)
	25	Whitchurch	3-1 (final)

Second XI

1983				1984			
Sept.	17	Brean II	H 4-0	Jan.	7	Hereford II	A 1-3
	24	W. Gloucs. II ..	A 2-4		14	Firebrands II ..	H 1-0
Oct.	1	Chippenhams ..	A 0-3		21	Llandaff City ..	H 7-0
	8	Bridgend	A 2-0		28	Abergavenny ..	A 0-2
	15	BP Llandarcy ..	H 2-0	Feb.	4	Chippenhams II ..	H 3-1
	22	Abergavenny ..	H 0-0		11	Bridgend	H 3-1
	29	Llanishen II	A 2-0		18	BP Llandarcy ..	A 1-0
Nov.	5	Gloucs. II	H 2-2		25	Whitchurch II ..	A 1-3
	12	Penarth II	H 3-2	Mar.	3	Llanishen II	H 1-0
	19	Whitchurch II ..	H 3-0		10	Imperial II	A 2-2
	26	Llandaff City ...	A 4-0		17	Bristol II	H 3-3
Dec.	3	Penarth II	A 2-0		24	Bridgend	H 0-3
	10	Bath II	A 7-1		31	Hanham	H 5-1
	17	Bristol II	A 0-1	Apr.	7	Weston	H 3-0
					14	Morlands	H 7-1

Second Eleven Cup

Nov.	20	Swansea	A 3-3 (Lost 4-5 A.P.S.)
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Third XI

1983			1984		
Sept. 17	Brean III	A 0-3	Jan. 7	Hereford III	H 5-3
Oct. 1	Chipp'ham III	H 0-2	14	Firebrands III	A 0-0
8	UWIST	H 2-2	21	Swansea III	A 2-0
15	INCO	A 2-0	28	Chepstow	H 2-2
16	Trinity Coll.	H 8-1	Feb. 4	Chipp'ham III	A 2-3
22	Chepstow	A 0-5	11	UWIST	A 3-4
29	Llanishen III	H 1-1	18	INCO	H 1-3
Nov. 5	Glou. Panthers	A 1-3	25	Whitchurch IV	H 4-1
12	Haverfordwest	A 0-1	Mar. 3	Llanishen III	A 7-0
19	Whitchurch IV	A 3-7	10	Hanham	A 1-1
26	Swansea III	H 3-1	17	Bristol III	A 5-0
Dec. 3	Haverfordwest	H 2-1	24	Bridgend II	A 2-1
10	Bath III	H 3-1	31	Newport III	H 3-1
17	Bristol III	H 3-0	Apr. 7	Weston III	A 0-0
31	BAC III	H 4-0	14	Morlands III	H 4-1

Fourth XI

1983			Jan. 21	Newport III	H 1-3
Oct. 8	UC Cardiff II	A 0-5	28	Whitchurch IV	A 2-1
29	Llanishen IV	A 1-1	Feb. 4	BSC	A 0-5
Nov. 5	Gloucester IV	H 0-1	18	Whitchurch VI	A 1-4
12	Abergavenny II	H 0-2	25	Oystermouth II	A 2-3
19	Whitchurch IV	H 2-0	Mar. 3	Llanishen IV	H 4-4
Dec. 3	Penarth III	A 1-0	10	Imperial III	H 0-1
10	Bath IV	A 1-1	17	Bristol IV	H 0-2
17	Bristol IV	A 2-4	24	Bridgend III	H 2-2
1984			31	Newport IV	A 1-2
Jan. 7	Hereford IV	A 0-0	Apr. 7	Weston IV	H 1-3
14	Firebrands IV	H 3-1	14	Whitchurch VI	H 1-1

CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB – RECORDS OF PAST SEASONS

Season	Captain	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
1896-97	E. W. BENNETT	*					
1897-98	E. W. BENNETT	23	8	7	8	38	46
1898-99	W. BIELSKI	17	8	2	7	38	26
1899-1900	N. D. WARE	23	14	6	3	68	24
1900-01	N. D. WARE	26	20	2	4	82	33
1901-02	N. D. WARE	19	15	2	2	81	13
1902-03	G. N. HOWELL	20	16	1	3	81	22
1903-04	G. N. HOWELL	24	18	2	4	110	31
1904-05	E. W. EVANS	20	15	2	3	119	27
1905-06	E. W. EVANS	15	11	1	3	78	27
1906-07	E. W. EVANS	17	13	2	2	68	25
1907-08	F. R. M. BULMER	16	12	2	2	62	23
1908-09	E. R. SWEET-ESCOTT	23	17	3	3	101	26
1909-10	B. TURNBULL	18	14	0	4	109	26
1910-11	H. H. SWEET-ESCOTT	18	14	2	2	107	22
1911-12	J. W. DUNCAN	18	15	1	2	95	26
1912-13	H. REDFORD	15	10	0	5	70	57
1913-14	J. O. TURNBULL	22	19	2	1	115	30
1919-20	B. TURNBULL	17	10	2	5	64	45
1920-21	H. S. STEPHENS	15	7	4	4	41	34
1921-22	R. T. S. HINDE	24	14	3	7	92	51
1922-23	H. W. BROWNE	19	10	3	6	73	34
1923-24	W. S. COURTIS	23	9	4	10	63	68
1924-25	A. T. HARPER	*					
1925-26	A. T. HARPER	*					
1926-27	W. H. FAIRLAMB	*					
1927-28	R. J. RICHING	*					
1928-29	D. G. SHAW	*					
1929-30	F. L. LAMARQUE	25	12	4	9	79	59
1930-31	F. L. LAMARQUE	30	17	3	10	126	50
1931-32	K. G. HUGHES	29	16	4	9	87	77
1932-33	S. C. BANBURY	28	13	6	9	77	77
1933-34	S. C. BANBURY	30	11	5	14	53	57
1934-35	S. C. BANBURY	34	13	7	14	60	71
1935-36	G. R. FAULKS	27	14	2	11	60	64
1936-37	G. R. FAULKS	25	11	6	8	48	58
1937-38	G. R. FAULKS	31	20	3	8	64	40
1938-39	G. R. FAULKS	25	14	6	5	62	30
1945-46	G. PERCIVAL	32	25	2	5	139	49
1946-47	G. PERCIVAL	20	10	3	7	65	36
1947-48	K. G. HUGHES	26	14	3	9	57	42
1948-49	G. A. L. TUCKER	26	15	1	10	72	45
1949-50	W. N. FRANCIS	32	22	3	7	110	56
1950-51	W. N. FRANCIS	26	14	8	4	87	44
1951-52	W. N. FRANCIS	30	17	6	7	96	47
1952-53	W. N. FRANCIS	30	18	8	4	98	43
1953-54	N. C. PALLOT	30	18	6	6	89	34
1954-55	N. C. PALLOT	29	6	3	3	100	31
1955-56	W. A. THOMAS	29	19	3	7	103	52
1956-57	M. H. C. MEGGITT	28	16	5	7	83	59
	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. R. WILDBLOOD	31	18	2	11	59	35
1978-79	R. B. WILLIAMS	27	15	2	10	47	34
1979-80	R. R. 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

* Records not available

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB GOLFING SOCIETY

REPORT 1983/84

The golfing year continued with the introduction of a Team Match between the Society and C.R.F.C. Committee and Players. Les Spence generously donated a Trophy and the match was played at Glamorganshire Golf Club on 6th May. The turn-out of Members of the Society to support this inaugural event was disappointing to say the least. It is to be hoped that next year's match will engender a little more enthusiasm. The Society, represented by Brian Joseph (Captain), Roger Bird, Trefor Evans, John Sanders, Dudley Brewer, Michael Cole, Alan Edwards, Harry Howe, Paddy Murphy, John Oxenham, Keith Allen and Austin Thomas, won the match.

Perfect weather and an immaculate course welcomed the Members and guests to the Summer Meeting at Cardiff Golf Club on Thursday, 9th June. Hospitality was of the highest standard, conviviality being the order of the day in the Clubhouse. On the course, members and guests played a Singles Stableford competition over 18 holes for the Rhys T. Gabe Cup. A tie for first place on 39 points between Mike Hirst and Clive Williams resulted in a count back. Mike Hirst was declared winner on the last 9 holes.

WINNER	MIKE HIRST	
RUNNER UP	CLIVE WILLIAMS	
BEST GUEST	HARRY SHEWRING	37 points

Peter Pryce and Basil Wilkes won the Birdie '2's Ball sweep and shared 30 golf balls. We were delighted to have as our guests, Leslie Spence, Malcolm Pearce, Captain Cardiff GC., George Longworth, Vice Captain and Ron Morgan, Secretary.

Captain's Day was held this year at Glamorganshire Golf Club on Thursday, 7th July. Another day of glorious sunshine bringing with it as good a turn-out of members and guests as we have ever had at Glamorganshire. We were competing over 18 holes in a 4 Ball B/B Stableford for the Hubert Johnson Trophy. As will be seen from the results the standard of golf was very high.

WINNERS	BRIAN JOSEPH	45 points
	PETER PRYCE	
RUNNERS UP (tied)	MIKE HIRST	44 points
	DAVID HOPKINS	(on last 9)
	HARRY HOWE	44 points
	JAMES MULLEN	

Our President, Leslie Spence, joined us in the evening and an enjoyable supper was followed by what has become almost a feature of Society meetings at Glamorganshire, a 'Gymanfa Gani' — ably led by Haydn Wilkins and Colin Howe.

Royal Porthcawl Golf Club was the venue of our next meeting on Thursday, 11th August. We were favoured with a course which played perfectly well and the sun shone brilliantly through our endeavours. Our one regret was that our President was unable to be with us. A full day's golf, when members played a Foursomes Stableford over 18 holes in the morning for

the Founders Trophy

WINNERS	HAYDN WILKINS
	BRIAN JOSEPH

Also in the morning, members and guests were able to play a similar competition reduced to 8 holes.

WINNERS	MYRDDIN JOHN
	DAVID EVANS

The major competition, in the afternoon, was a members and guests 18 hole, 4 Ball B/B Stableford. Another tie resulted as follows:—

WINNERS	BRIAN JOSEPH	44 points
	PETER PRYCE	(on last 6)
RUNNER UP	GORDON HIGGINS	44 points
	JOHN GOOLD	

The last meeting of 1983 was held at Whitchurch Golf Club on Thursday, 22nd September. A strong body of Whitchurch members contribute to the benefit of the Society and nowhere is their presence more obvious than when we play at their Club. A very warm welcome is part and parcel of the hospitality shown us; coupled with perfect golfing weather, a course maturing beautifully and a good turn-out of members and guests — what more can anyone wish for? The Gwyn Nicholls Rose Bowl was the Trophy on offer for Members in a Singles Stableford competition over 18 holes. A tie for first place resulted in a count back.

WINNER	MIKE HIRST	38 points
		on last 9
RUNNER UP	BRIAN MORRIS	38 points

The best guest prize was won by Geoff Roberts, again on a count back after a tie with J. McMillan on 35 points. We were delighted to have as guests for the day, our President, Leslie Spence, Basil Wilkes, Captain of Whitchurch GC., and Harry Welfare, Secretary of the Club.

The 20th Annual Dinner was held at the Athletic Club on Friday, 27th January, 1984. Without exception, THE highlight of the Society year. We were privileged to have as guest speakers, the Rt. Hon. Sir Tasker Watkins, VC., DL., and Peter Corrigan, Sports Editor, The Observer. The Captain's other guests included the President, Leslie Spence MBE., Paddy Hales, Chairman Glamorgan Golf Union, Dr. D. Hugh Evans, Captain, Llanishen GC., Malcolm Pearce, Captain Cardiff GC., Basil Wilkes, Captain Whitchurch GC., Garth Jones, Captain Glamorganshire GC., John Riches and Alf Heffell.

The catering was managed superbly by Mrs. Mair Price and her staff and our thanks go to both John and Mair for their overall contribution to making the night an undoubted success.

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Clubhouse on Wednesday, 29th February. Haydn Wilkins was elected Captain for the ensuing year. He told those present that, following a recent indisposition, Mr. Jake Morgan felt he could no longer carry out his duties as Competition Secretary and offered his resignation. Regrettably accepting the inevitable, the Captain

asked for nominations. John W. Hailes was duly proposed and seconded to unanimous approval. A vacancy on the Committee thus occurred and those present had no hesitation in accepting, again unanimously, the nomination of Ken George. The meeting fully supported a proposal that both Mr. Jake Morgan and Mr. Ralph Bird be offered Honorary Life Membership of the Society.

The first golf meeting of the year can be likened to a mass escape from the harsh realities of winter. 'Tis as if someone fired a starting gun. Llanishen Golf Club is the ideal place to begin a Society golfing year. The friendliness and hospitality there begets a spirit of kinship and feeling of belonging which has become a tradition. A greater number than ever (76) played a 4 Ball B/B Stableford competition over 18 holes for the C.R.F.C. Centenary Cup, presented by T. Lynn Williams. We played on Thursday, 19th April. So early in the golfing year the course at Llanishen is a credit to everyone involved. Local knowledge plays a major part in winning and nowhere more so than at Llanishen. A tie for first place resulted in a count back

WINNERS	JOHN REES	45 points
	ALAN HUSBAND (members of Llanishen)	(on last 9)
RUNNERS UP	ROGER BIRD	45 points
	GRANVILLE MORGAN (Secretary Llanishen)	

Our guests for the day were Alan Edwards, Captain of Llanishen and Granville Morgan, Secretary.

We look forward to further meetings at Cardiff, Radyr, Glamorganshire and Whitchurch and of course, the Team match between the Society and C.R.F.C. Committee and Players.

ELFED DAVIES
Hon. Secretary.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB MALE VOICE CHOIR

Another successful year behind us, when once again we gave many concerts in support of local charities, and also ventured further afield. We gave a very good concert at the Gloucester College of Agriculture in aid of the local Church in Gorse. We sang to a most appreciative audience and afterwards were provided with an excellent buffet. We then retired to the local hostelry where we were made most welcome by the landlord, and a most enjoyable evening was had by all. We've had an invitation for a return engagement sometime before Christmas.

Last November, 20 Choir Members went to America with Cor Meibion De Cymru. We sang in Pittsburg, Baltimore, New York and Buffalo, mostly with the Symphony Orchestras of those Cities. In New York, Paul Robeson's son was in the audience, and remembering his Father's many visits to Wales, he came back to our hotel after the concert and we had a wonderful evening of reminiscing and singing. The whole trip was most successful and one which will always be remembered by those fortunate enough to have taken part.

We regretfully lost a staunch chorister during the year when Glyn Jones died suddenly early this year. He was a very keen rugby supporter, as well as an ever present choir member. We gave a Memorial Concert for him at his Church, St. Mary's in Whitchurch. As a result of this concert, we have been invited to make a return visit to raise funds for the Church's Centenary Celebrations.

In September we've been invited to sing at the Wyre Valley Welsh Society's annual concert in Kidderminster. Once again we are breaking new ground and hopefully it will lead to other invitations in the area.

In October we are singing at the Ninth Festival of 1,000 Welsh Male Voices at the Albert Hall organised by the London Welsh Choir. This will be our fourth visit, and judging by the number of people going, our most successful. Over sixty of our members will be appearing on stage, and there are more than eighty supporters travelling with us. It should be a most memorable week-end.

We are going to Scotland next year for the International, and on the Friday evening, March 1st, we will be giving a concert in Callendar, the home of the "Dr. Finlay's Casebook" television series. It's a trip we're all looking forward to, having sampled the Scots hospitality last year.

At the time of writing this report our much loved President, 'Massa' Danny Davies is in hospital recovering from an operation. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to once again seeing him at rehearsals, and listening to his apre-concert renderings of "The Wabash".

We offer our congratulations to one of our Members, Mr. Stan Thomas, on receiving the M.B.E. in the Queen's Birthday Honours List.

We'd like to thank that intrepid duo, our Conductor Mr. Bill Cooper, and our pianist, Mrs. Dot Lewis for their unending enthusiasm and dedication to the continued improvement of our Choir.

We'd also like to thank the President, Mr. Les Spence, the General Secretary, Mr. Heffell, the Management Committee, the Steward Mr. John Price, his wife and all the Bar Staff for all their help during the past season.

Finally, we are always looking for new choristers, so if any Club Member is interested in singing with a grand bunch of boys, we practice every Monday night at 7.30 p.m. in the Top Lounge, and I can assure you of a warm welcome if you do join us.

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