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Chief Executive: A. HEFFELL



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President of the Cardiff Athletic Club

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

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G. L. PORTER

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Chairman:

*C. D. WILLIAMS

Vice-Chairman: *J. D. H. RICHES

*G. CHUGG

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

To retire in 1994

J. EVANS

J. D. NELSON

A. C. EDWARDS

M. C. GILMORE

M. G. B. WARFIELD

A. ALLEN

To retire in 1995

I. EIDMAN

M. JOHN

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G. M. J. MARTIN

D. WU

I. J. TURNER

Co-opted Members:

J. O. WEBB, J. I. HERBERT, T. CHARLES

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

FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

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Hon. Secretary: J. D. NELSON

Club Captain: M. HALL

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CRICKET COMMITTEE

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Secretary: M. PHILLIPS

Asst. Secretary: D. O'SULLIVAN

First XI Captain: D. R. J. HERBERT

Second XI Captain: S. DYKE

Third XI Captain:

Fourth XI Captain:

Sunday XI Captain: D. SPENCE

C. N. FOOKES	M. LONGLEY	S. PEARCE
C. FOWLER	E. MEGGITT	K. WILLIAMS

BOWLS COMMITTEE

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Hon. Treasurer: A. E. ROWE

Hon. Fixture Secretary: A. J. BLACKMORE

Captain: K. EAST

Captain 'A' Team: D. A. T. ASHTON

G. M. J. MARTIN	P. CROSS
B. CARTER	L. V. HAZELL
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G. HAMMOND	

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D. I. MORGAN-REES	A. DICKSON
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HOCKEY COMMITTEE

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Ladies Hon. Secretary: Mrs J. HUNT

Captain First XI: T. PERCIVAL

Captain Second XI: M. TUCKWELL

Captain Third XI: G. D. MEDLOW

Captain Fourth XI: C. SUTTON

Captain Youth XI: J. ATTER

Captain Ladies' First XI: Miss E. GRIFFITHS

Captain Ladies Second XI: Miss L. BRUSTAD

Hon. Ladies Secretary: Mrs. J. HUNT

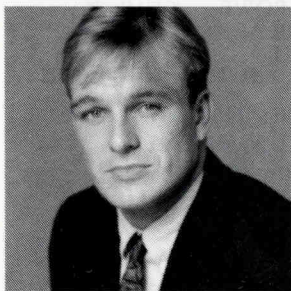
Hon. Treasurer/Match Secretary: G. STORY

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

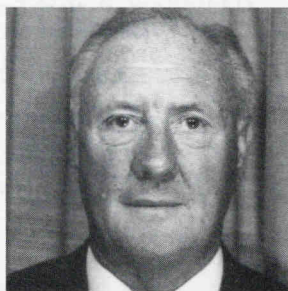
Hon. Youth Organiser: J. ATTER

C. MILLS-HICKS	Miss M. RICHE
G. S. SOHANPAL	R. SWAN

CLUB CAPTAINS



M. HALL
(Rugby)



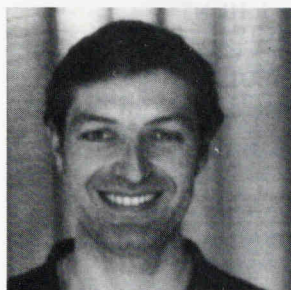
KEN EAST
(Bowls)



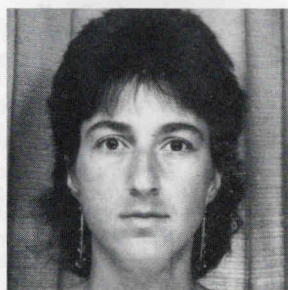
DAVID R. J. HERBERT
(Cricket)



PENNY NEWMAN
(Lawn Tennis)



T. PERCIVAL
(Hockey)



E. GRIFFITHS
(Ladies Hockey)

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB

Chairman's Report for the Year Ended 30th April, 1994

In my report last year, I indicated that certain negotiations were in progress and that I looked forward with optimism to this year's financial results. Even though these negotiations have still not been finalised, our accounts this year show a small excess of income over expenditure; this compares with losses amounting to £218,653 over the previous four years.

As already indicated in the July 1994 Newsletter, our long term financial plans show that we are moving into a period of greater financial stability. Even so there is still a long road to travel before we are out of the woods! The main concern is still that of overcoming the short term cash flow position and this can only be achieved by good housekeeping and ensuring that we do not spend more than we earn. It is essential that we continue to maintain a prudent approach in all our financial dealings.

The following information clarifies some of the items appearing in the accounts:—

Income

Income in 1993/94 totalled £1,212,579, an increase of £137,611. Further analysis reveals:

1. Rugby Football related income increased by £13,552.

- (a) The football gates remained virtually at the same level. Support for the "bottom of the league" games was very disappointing, similarly our early draws in the SWALEC Cup did not attract the hoped for following.
- (b) Season ticket sales showed a pleasing increase of £13,635.
- (c) Profit on sale of programmes generally reflects small attendances for a large number of games.
- (d) The increase of £7,246 in Ground Earnings relates to perimeter advertising.
- (d) Heineken League — the £11,500 is received by all clubs who achieve 1st Division status.
- (e) As mentioned later in my report, the introduction of the Junior Blue and Blacks in the 1993/94 season has been most successful. The income of £2,510 reflects a membership of 176.

2. Membership subscriptions increased by £13,979, this is broken down:—

Club Membership	£6,188 (+)
Contract Parking Membership	£7,791 (+)

3. Bar Profits — the bar takings were down by £21,580, equivalent to 6.7% and in line with the picture of sales throughout the U.K.. However, as a result of an increase in gross profit of 2.8%, the total gross profit was in line with that of the previous year. As can be seen from the accounts' notes the overall decrease of £12,277 is wholly accounted for by increases in renewals, equipment and bar wages; I feel that Members have benefitted from extra staffing on match days.

4. Hospitality Box Rentals — the increase at £23,615 represents increased rent charged on suites on which the initial 3/5 year forward periods have expired. The breakdown in rentals is:—

- | | |
|--|----------|
| (i) Advance rents | £165,242 |
| (ii) Expired advance rentals renewed in year | £76,201 |

5. Other Income — this increased by £98,742 due to:—

- (i) An increase of £6,767 in fruit machine net income.
- (ii) Profit on shop sales up £2,242.
- (iii) Commercial and catering income up by £19,304.
- (iv) Sponsorship up by £46,546 This was mainly due to our obtaining a main sponsor in AT & T. There was also valuable support from Welsh Brewers and SA Brain.
- (v) Donations received were down as a result of a decrease of £24,859 in the Lottery contribution.
- (vi) Development income — the development Fund was set up during the year by:—
 - (a) Donation from Mr. Peter Thomas £25,000
 - (b) Grant from Sportsmatch £25,000

This money is being used to further the development of rugby within the schools in the Cardiff area. Two Development Officers were appointed in October 1993, their salaries and expenses being paid from the fund. Note 13 to the Accounts shows the present balance in the fund.

Expenditure

6. The overall expenditure increased by £103,385, the most significant points being:—

Sectional Expenses — Rugby Football — an increase of £107,942.

- (i) Away Match Expenses are up by £7,613 as a result of away matches, overnight stays.
- (ii) The Australian Tour — this is covered in Note 2 to the Accounts and also in the Rugby Club Chairman's Report.
- (iii) Home Match Expenses — the increase of £15,707 reflects the additional costs of policing/stewarding/ambulance under the even stricter Safety of Sports Ground requirements.
- (iv) Development Expenditure is covered in Note 13 to the Accounts and also in item 5 (vi) above.

7. General Expenses.

- (i) The upkeep of Grounds and Clubhouses has increased by £17,196. Only necessary expenditure on security and maintenance has been increased during the year.
- (ii) Cleaning — the additional expenditure of £3,994 refers to "one-off" special cleaning of upholstery in Clubhouse and Suites.
- (iii) Stationery, telephone and postage — +£4,688 is now being monitored more carefully.
- (iv) Light and Heat — + £3,797 — comments in (iii) above also apply.
- (v) Interest on loans etc. — the reduction here of £29,503 resulted from the decrease in the bank rate. There has been no decrease in our total borrowing.
- (vi) Bad Debts — the figure of £1,497 is the result of an accumulation over two years of small debts arising from R.D. cheques and insolvency where all follow up failed to recover the monies.

Although the Lottery Account is covered in Note 3 to the Finance Statement, it is only right that our thanks are recorded to those who give their time voluntarily to assist the Athletic Club. Without the efforts of Ken and Kath Jones, Ken and Lorna Jarrett and Brian

Bennett, the Lottery could not operate successfully. In addition they are also to be found servicing the Club Shop as well as helping out at other times when problems arise.

The Lottery comes within the ambit of the Commercial Department. The results last year of this facet of the Athletic Club's activities coupled with increased sponsorship clearly illustrate the progress which is being made; in addition of course there was the successful launch of the Junior Blue and Blacks. Our thanks to the Commercial Manager, Tina Tew and her supportive staff of Cathy and Chris.

We are also extremely grateful to our Ground Manager, Brian Walker and his colleagues for the tremendous work which they put in throughout the year to service the playing areas of the Club's sections.

To Jeff, Betty and Darren and the Bar/Catering staff, our sincere thanks for your ready and helpful co-operation in maintaining the good spirit in the Club.

Thanks are also due to our retiring Chief Executive, Alf Heffell, and to his administrative staff, the Misses Lorraine Wright, Julie Thomas ably led by Mrs. Jackie Flynn. They are also at the sharp end of the Club's activities and their patience and helpfulness at all times is much appreciated.

This report would not be complete without my expression of gratitude to those who help to facilitate the tasks of management. Firstly may I thank my fellow Trustees, Gerry Chugg, John Riches, my Vice Chairman and our President, Haydn Wilkins, together with the Chairman of the Standing Committees, Messrs. Geoff Martin (Finance and General Purposes), Tony Edwards (Ground) and Mervyn Warfield (House) for the tremendous contribution which they have made throughout the year. My thanks also to all Members of the Management Committee who also gave valuable support and who attended those additional meetings held at short notice. I am certain my colleagues would not disagree if I were to single out Geoff Martin to acknowledge the enormous effort he has made this year to stabilise our financial position.

Finally whilst it is appreciated that Committee Members of all Sections and Management put in a huge amount of work times are changing rapidly. Most administrators are "part-time" amateurs and a more "professional" approach is undoubtedly necessary. All Members are now aware that the first steps of the fresh approach are in place. The new Chief Executive took up his appointment on 8th August, 1994 and the "modus operandi" of the Club will no doubt change. This does not mean that the management and control of the

property, funds, conduct and affairs of the Club will not be in the hands of the Management Committee.

C. D. WILLIAMS

OBITUARIES

Mr. T. Phillips, <i>Vice President</i>	Miss B. A. Parsons
Mr. D. A. Brown, <i>Vice President</i>	Mr. M. J. Edwards
Mr. E. Statton	Mr. G. Llewellyn
Mr. E. (Jack) Jones	Mr. H. J. M. Lewis
Mr. T. Cottle	Mr. T. Smith
Mrs. B. Spence	Mr. A. Johnson
Mrs. E. Davies	Mr. E. P. Morgan

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

For the Year ended 30th April 1994

TOTAL INCOME	Note	1994	1993
		£	£
INCOME			
Football gates		147,336	147,251
Season tickets		48,906	35,271
Profit on sale of programmes		211	4,750
Ground earnings		66,765	59,519
Broadcasting fees		19,169	21,744
Snelling Sevens		300	610
Heineken League		11,500	14,000
Junior Blue & Blacks		2,510	—
		296,697	283,145
MEMBERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS — normal		123,522	117,334
MEMBERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS — ground		219,350	211,559
BAR PROFITS	1	33,389	45,666
HOSPITALITY BOX RENTS		241,443	217,828
		914,401	875,532
OTHER INCOME			
Fruit machine income less expenses		27,591	20,824
Car park receipts		17,334	16,087
Profit on shop sales		6,406	4,164
Net commercial and catering income		39,234	19,930
Sponsorship income (net)		57,956	11,410
Donations received		8,657	36,021
Development income	13	50,000	—
		207,178	108,436
TOTAL INCOME		£1,121,579	£983,968

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

For the Year ended 30th April 1994

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	Note	1994	1993
		£	£
SECTIONAL EXPENSES			
Football — Away match expenses		21,190	13,577
Australian Tour expenses	2	69,343	—
Home match expenses		57,015	41,308
Players out of pocket expenses		63,368	77,190
Junior XV expenses		8,827	12,359
Dinner, dances, photographs, awards		11,096	7,602
Equipment		9,815	5,533
Insurance		4,246	4,258
Medical expenses		13,808	14,115
Junior Blue & Blacks		1,570	—
Development expenditure	13	23,606	—
		283,884	175,942
Bowls		1,416	1,978
Cricket		3,437	541
Hockey		7,232	6,319
Tennis		1,805	1,764
		13,890	10,602
GENERAL EXPENSES			
Salaries and wages		274,375	278,514
Upkeep of grounds and clubhouses		113,489	96,293
Stationery, telephone and postage		23,992	19,304
Cost of annual report		2,708	2,876
Advertising, season tickets etc.		17,329	20,995
Rates		95,434	103,665
Rents, rates — Sophia Gardens		16,073	14,961
Light and heat		58,696	54,899
Laundry		3,177	3,168
Cleaning		30,624	26,630
Cash in transit		596	2,102
Sundry items		8,175	3,379
Audit and accountancy fees		5,000	4,500
Professional charges		11,379	8,012
Interest on loans and overdraft and hire purchase		71,347	100,850
Insurances		26,925	23,007
Depreciation		39,324	45,804
Bad Debts		1,497	—
Bank Charges		7,908	6,934
		808,048	815,893
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		£1,105,822	£1,002,437

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT For the Year ended 30th April 1994

	Note	1994	1993
		£	£
Total Income		1,121,579	983,968
Less: Total expenditure		(1,105,822)	(1,002,437)
Excess of income over expenditure before taxation		15,757	(18,469)
Corporation tax provision	4	(10,000)	(4,000)
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE ...		<u>£5,757</u>	<u>£(22,469)</u>
APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT			
Transfer from Members Fund	10	(2,046)	(22,469)
Transfer from Football Reserve	12	(18,591)	—
Transfer to Development Fund	13	26,394	—
		<u>£5,757</u>	<u>£(22,469)</u>

All activities of the club in both years are continuing.

The club has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the income and expenditure account above, and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the excess of income over expenditure for the year as stated above, and its historical cost equivalent.

BALANCE SHEET as at 30th April 1994

	Note	1994	1993
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Land and buildings	5	2,179,432	2,171,022
Other fixed assets	6	131,089	124,732
		<u>2,310,521</u>	<u>2,295,754</u>
INVESTMENTS	7	115,700	105,700
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		28,043	20,287
Sundry Debtors		115,350	132,379
Cash at bank	8	22,709	12,191
Cash in hand		14,083	11,036
		<u>180,185</u>	<u>175,893</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Advanced Rents — Hospitality Boxes		473,434	627,377
Creditors	9	654,459	462,913
		<u>1,127,893</u>	<u>1,090,290</u>
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(947,708)	(914,397)
		<u>£1,478,513</u>	<u>£1,487,057</u>
Financed by:			
Members' fund	10	96,439	98,485
Repairs and maintenance fund	11	50,000	50,000
Football reserve	12	30,000	48,591
Lottery fund	3	45,791	33,131
M & G Trust Fund		18,000	8,000
Development Fund	13	26,394	—
Total Members' funds	18	266,624	238,207
Deferred credit—assignment of ticket rights	14	102,900	102,900
Loans expected to be repaid after one year	15	1,094,041	1,145,950
Hire purchase liability due after one year	16	14,948	—
		<u>£1,478,513</u>	<u>£1,487,057</u>

Cash Flow Statement **For the Year ended 30th April 1994**

	Note	1994 £	1993 £
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING CONTINUING ACTIVITIES ... 19		141,327	128,268
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE			
Interest paid		(71,534)	(104,286)
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE		(71,534)	(104,286)
INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of fixed assets		(32,764)	(16,741)
Purchase of investments		(10,000)	(8,000)
NET CASH (OUTFLOW) FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(42,764)	(24,741)
NET CASH INFLOW BEFORE FINANCING		27,029	(759)
FINANCING			
Loan advances 20		—	150,000
Repayment of loans 20		—	(150,900)
Repayment of hire purchase 20		(1,987)	—
Increase in lottery fund		12,660	(20,039)
Increase in M & G Trust Fund		10,000	8,000
NET CASH INFLOW FROM FINANCING		20,673	(12,939)
INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS 21		£47,702	£(13,698)

Notes to the Financial Statements **For the Year Ended 30th April 1994**

	1994 £	1993 £
1. BAR PROFIT		
Bar takings	298,569	320,149
Opening stock	12,789	15,966
Purchases	188,252	199,059
Closing stock	201,041	215,025
Cost of sales	(20,803)	(12,789)
Gross profit 39.6% (1993 36.8%)	180,238	202,236
Less Bar wages, equipment, renewals and expenses	118,331	117,913
	(84,942)	(72,247)
	<u>£33,389</u>	<u>£45,666</u>

2. AUSTRALIAN TOUR

The total cost of the football tour to Australia was £69,343. Of this amount, £18,591 has been charged to the Football Reserve Fund.

3. LOTTERY ACCOUNT

	£		£
Prizes	62,425	Opening balance	33,131
Refunds	54	Sale of tickets	112,422
Wages & Expenses	1,050	Interest receivable	110
Postage & stationery	896		
Entertaining	1,310		
Gaming Board fees and sundries	464	Heineken League Prize money	10,000
Commissions	1,076		
Surplus transferred to appropriation account	88,388		
	<u>£155,663</u>		<u>£155,663</u>

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

Surplus for year	88,388
Donations as listed below	(42,597)
Balance carried forward to balance sheet	<u>£45,791</u>

DONATIONS

Cardiff Athletic Club	8,657
Cardiff Schools RU	2,500
Scholarships	2,500
Boxing night	1,500
Players medical care insurance	10,440
Cardiff Youth Tour	5,000
M & G Unit Trust investment	10,000
St. Peters RFC	2,000
	<u>£42,597</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30th April 1994

	1994	1993
4. TAXATION		
United Kingdom corporation tax at 25%		
Current year	<u>£10,000</u>	<u>£4,000</u>

The Club's taxation affairs are under review by the Inland Revenue as outlined in note 17.

5. LAND AND BUILDINGS

	CARDIFF ARMS PARK Freehold			SOPHIA GARDENS Long Leasehold					
	Exec- utive boxes £	Ground Develop- ment £	Club House £	Bowls Pavilion £	Maint- tenance and Flat £	Floodlights & Tennis Courts £	Total £		
COST									
At 1/5/93	1,728,372	223,937	109,863	30,147	29,818	5,000	53,513	2,180,650	
Additions	4,420	5,152	—	—	—	—	—	9,572	
At 30/4/94	<u>1,732,792</u>	<u>229,089</u>	<u>109,863</u>	<u>30,147</u>	<u>29,818</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>53,513</u>	<u>2,190,222</u>	
DEPRECIATION									
At 1/5/93	—	—	—	—	3,590	577	5,461	9,628	
Provided in year	—	—	—	—	392	66	704	1,162	
At 30/4/94	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>3,982</u>	<u>643</u>	<u>6,165</u>	<u>10,790</u>	
NET BOOK VALUE									
At 30/4/94	<u>1,732,792</u>	<u>229,089</u>	<u>109,863</u>	<u>30,147</u>	<u>25,836</u>	<u>4,357</u>	<u>47,348</u>	<u>2,179,432</u>	
At 30/4/93	<u>1,728,372</u>	<u>223,937</u>	<u>109,863</u>	<u>30,147</u>	<u>26,228</u>	<u>4,423</u>	<u>48,052</u>	<u>2,171,022</u>	

6. OTHER FIXED ASSETS

	Furniture and Fittings Exec. Boxes	C. Arms Park	Sophia Gardens	Ground main- tenance equip- ment	Office furni- ture	Total £
COST						
At 1st May, 1993	181,883	123,426	43,356	66,312	29,822	444,799
Additions	—	21,241	—	9,418	13,860	44,519
At 30th April, 1994	<u>181,883</u>	<u>144,667</u>	<u>43,356</u>	<u>75,730</u>	<u>43,682</u>	<u>489,318</u>
DEPRECIATION						
At 1st May, 1993	76,294	113,957	39,945	62,440	27,431	320,067
Provided in year	27,282	4,607	3,411	1,860	1,002	38,162
At 30th April, 1994	<u>103,576</u>	<u>118,564</u>	<u>43,356</u>	<u>64,300</u>	<u>28,433</u>	<u>358,229</u>
NET BOOK VALUE						
At 30th April, 1994	<u>£78,307</u>	<u>£26,103</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>£11,430</u>	<u>£15,249</u>	<u>£131,089</u>
At 30th April, 1993	<u>£105,589</u>	<u>£9,469</u>	<u>£3,411</u>	<u>£3,872</u>	<u>£2,391</u>	<u>£124,732</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30th April 1994

	1994 £	1993 £
7. INVESTMENTS		
At Cost:		
WRU-Debentures repayable 2033 (interest free)	92,500	92,500
WRU-Debentures repayable 2026 (interest free)	5,200	5,200
M & G Unit Trusts	18,000	8,000
	<u>£115,700</u>	<u>£105,700</u>

8. CASH AT BANK		
Football insurance account	1,016	1,678
Lottery account	21,693	10,513
	<u>£22,709</u>	<u>£12,191</u>

9. CREDITORS (Amounts falling due within one year)		
Bank overdraft	256,248	290,385
Loans — see note 15	50,000	—
Taxation and social security	34,780	37,109
Trade and other creditors	253,576	131,419
Corporation tax	14,000	4,000
Hire purchase liability — see note 16	4,392	—
Membership income received in advance	41,463	—
	<u>£654,459</u>	<u>£462,913</u>

The bank overdraft and loan are unsecured. However the bank holds the deeds of Cardiff Arms Park and Sophia Gardens.

10. MEMBERS' FUND		
At 1st May, 1993	98,485	120,954
Transfer to income and expenditure account	(2,046)	(22,469)
At 30th April, 1994	<u>£96,439</u>	<u>£98,485</u>

11. REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE FUND		
At 1st May, 1993 and 30th April, 1994	<u>£50,000</u>	<u>£50,000</u>

12. FOOTBALL RESERVE		
At 1st May, 1993	48,591	48,591
Less: Transfer to income and expenditure account (see note 2) (18,591)	—	—
At 30th April, 1994	<u>£30,000</u>	<u>£48,591</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30th April 1994

	1994 £	1993 £
13. DEVELOPMENT FUND		
Donation received during the year	25,000	—
Development grant received	25,000	—
	<u>50,000</u>	<u>—</u>
Less: Expenditure in the year	(23,606)	—
Net transfer from Income and Expenditure account and Balance as at 30 April 1994	<u>£26,394</u>	<u>£ —</u>

The development fund was established to fund the salaries and expenses of rugby development officers.

14. DEFERRED CREDIT ASSIGNMENT OF TICKET RIGHTS		
At 1st May 1993 and 30th April, 1994	<u>£102,900</u>	<u>£102,900</u>

15. LOANS EXPECTED TO BE REPAID AFTER ONE YEAR		
Total loans:		
S A Brain & Co. Limited	67,189	69,098
Welsh Brewers Limited	<u>151,125</u>	<u>151,125</u>
	218,314	220,223
Fairclough Building Limited	440,000	440,000
Bank loan — Lloyds Bank plc	<u>485,727</u>	<u>485,727</u>
	1,144,041	1,145,950
Less: Amount expected to be repaid within one year (note 9):		
Bank loan	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>—</u>
Amount expected to be repaid after one year	<u>1,094,041</u>	<u>1,145,950</u>

S A Brain & Company Limited are writing off £9,098 of the principal sum over five years provided the club observes covenants set out in the agreement. The balance of the loan is repayable in 1997. The Welsh Brewers loan is repayable in monthly instalments over a period of 10 years. Welsh Brewers will write off £50,000 of the loan in instalments of £5,000 per annum when repayments commence. Interest is not chargeable on the loans provided covenants are met. Both brewers loans are secured by promissory notes from the Trustees. Both the brewers loans are subject to a one year moratorium on repayments.

The bank loan taken out for the construction of the Executive Suites Phase I is repayable on demand, the bank loan and overdraft are unsecured. However the bank holds the deeds of Cardiff Arms Park and Sophia Gardens.

The Fairclough Building Limited loan taken out for the Construction of the Executive Suite Phase II is repayable in 1998. Interest of £20,000 is payable yearly on the 1 December.

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30th April 1994

	1994 £	1993 £
16. HIRE PURCHASE LIABILITY		
Total hire purchase liability:		
Ground maintenance tractor	7,206	—
Administration computer	<u>12,134</u>	<u>—</u>
	19,340	—
Less: amount due within one year (note 9)	<u>4,392</u>	<u>—</u>
Amount due after one year	<u>£14,948</u>	<u>£ —</u>

Both contracts are for a term of 5 years.

17. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

All aspects of the club's taxation affairs for a number of years are under review by the Inland Revenue. The review is not likely to be concluded for some time. Consequently it has not been possible for the management committee and their taxation advisers to estimate the financial effect of the outcome of the review in respect of prior years or the current year.

18. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN MEMBERS FUNDS

Excess of income over expenditure	5,757	(22,469)
Increase in M & G Trust Fund	10,000	8,000
Increase in lottery fund	12,660	(20,039)
Opening members' funds	<u>238,207</u>	<u>272,715</u>
Closing members' funds	<u>£266,624</u>	<u>£238,207</u>

19. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING DEFICIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM CONTINUING OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Excess of income over expenditure for year (pre-taxation)	15,757	(18,469)
Depreciation	39,324	45,804
Increase in stocks	(7,756)	8,340
Decrease in debtors	17,029	(22,563)
Increase in creditors	161,478	9,105
Decrease in advanced rents	(153,943)	6,980
Interest payable	71,347	100,850
Amount written off loan	<u>(1,909)</u>	<u>(1,779)</u>
Net cash inflow from operating activities	<u>£141,327</u>	<u>£128,268</u>

20. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FINANCING DURING YEAR

	1994			1993		
	Bank Loan £	Other Loans £	Hire Purchase £	Bank Loan £	Other Loans £	Hire Purchase £
At 1st May, 1993	485,727	660,223	—	585,727	562,902	—
Advances during the year	—	—	21,327	—	150,000	—
Repayment	—	—	(1,987)	(100,000)	(50,900)	—
Written off	—	(1,909)	—	—	(1,779)	—
At 30th April 1994	<u>£485,727</u>	<u>£658,314</u>	<u>£19,340</u>	<u>£485,727</u>	<u>£660,223</u>	<u>£ —</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30th April 1994

	1994 £	1993 £
21. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
CHANGES IN THE YEAR		
At 1st May 1993	(267,158)	(253,460)
Net cash inflow	47,702	(13,698)
At 30th April 1994	<u>£(219,456)</u>	<u>£(267,158)</u>
 ANALYSIS OF BALANCES		
	1994	1993
	£	£
Cash at bank	22,709	12,191
Cash in hand	14,083	11,036
Overdraft	(256,248)	(290,385)
At 30th April 1994	<u>£(219,456)</u>	<u>£(267,158)</u>

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. It is the Club's policy to maintain the properties in such condition that the value of the properties does not diminish with time. All expenditure on the maintenance of the properties is expensed. The Trustees are of the opinion that the market value of the land is greater than the value at which the land and buildings appears in the accounts.

STOCKS

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

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

CHANGES IN PRESENTATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Following the introduction of Financial Reporting Standard No. 3, 'Reporting Financial Performance' the presentation of the financial statements has been amended to conform with the new requirements.

Cardiff Athletic Club Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30th April 1994

Statement of the Management Committee's responsibilities

The management committee are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the club as at the end of the financial year and of the income and expenditure of the club for that period.

The management committee confirm that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently and reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates have been made in the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 30 April 1994. The management committee also confirm that applicable accounting standards have been followed and that the financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis.

The management committee are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, for taking reasonable steps to safeguard the assets of the Club and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

By order of the Management Committee,

C. D. WILLIAMS
Chairman

31st August, 1994

Report of the Auditors to the Members of Cardiff Athletic Club

We have audited the financial statements on pages 12 to 22.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described above, the management committee are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the management committee in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the club's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Fundamental uncertainty

In forming our opinion, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures in the financial statements concerning the liabilities for taxation which may arise as a result of a review of the club's taxation affairs. On the basis of the information presently available the management committee and their taxation advisers have been unable to ascertain the likely financial effects regarding the outcome of this review. Details of the circumstances relating to this fundamental uncertainty are described in note 17. Our opinion is not qualified in this respect.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the club's affairs at 30 April 1994 and of its excess of income over expenditure and cash flows for the year then ended.

Coopers & Lybrand,
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
Cardiff

31st August, 1994

CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR SEASON 1992-93

In the season 1992-93 Report, I indicated that Cardiff Rugby Football Club had dwelt for too long in the past. Things would have to change if we were to move towards, let alone live in, the Twenty-First Century. In so saying, I stressed also that, with some developments already under way, there would during this past season be a time for consolidation as well as further innovation.

I was happy therefore to be chairman for a second year in succession — I am indeed in my fourth year as chairman having previously served for two years — in order to try to press through some of the developing activity as well as look further to the future.

I believe that members will agree that many improvements have already been implemented and that other exciting projects — not always, I admit, with the unanimous approval of the membership — have been set in motion to restore Cardiff to a major position in world rugby.

During a season of consolidation, there has also been achievement. To have won the SWALEC Cup against a Llanelli side bristling with international caps as well as tradition and at a time when doubts had been cast about the determination and “dog” in the Cardiff side was a major triumph for the players and a tribute to the skills and efforts of our coaching staff.

To find the roots of this victory, you would possibly have to dig back to the summer tour to Australia (about which you can read more elsewhere). There were criticisms of this trip at the time from those who felt it would make the players stale. In the event, it helped not only to improve our playing standards but also to build a team spirit that carried us through the year. As for staleness, that Cardiff were as fit a team as any as can be seen from the many courageous and determined second-half performances late in the season as well as winning the important cup-ties after the humiliating jolt given us by St Peters the previous season.

Before the season, also, things were happening off the pitch. The streamlining of the rugby committee to include a small executive committee available to take instant decisions helped in many different ways in time-saving and action-taking and will also have prepared the way for the appointment of a Chief Executive for Cardiff Athletic Club, a position with an identifiable rugby bias and with the task of raising the club's profile, status and profitability.

Always seeking to protect and project the future, we also

appointed two development officers, Jonathan Humphries and Hemi Taylor, to encourage the game in those many junior schools in the Cardiff area which do not include rugby on their curriculum. With their salaries paid for by Mr Peter Thomas, a dedicated ex-Cardiff player and supporter, and Sportmatch, from the Sports Council for Wales, the two have already spread their enthusiasm across the city.

There had, as member will recall, been problems over the future of the Cardiff Athletic team, along with the difficulties of providing meaningful friendlies with the English clubs who, like ourselves, were rather more concerned with league results than bringing strong sides into Wales.

We are disappointed that no real solution has been found to bridge the gap between Heineken League matches. But, let me assure you, the Rags have not died; indeed, we are seeking next season to concentrate rather more on the Rags than the Under 21s — with the hope that one day a second-team league, possibly Anglo-Welsh, may be formed.

For the first XV, the season went off to a fine start. The Australian tour had clearly opened up new prospects and we were able to run in many spectacular tries in the first month against Aberavon, Pontypridd, Newbridge, Dunvant and Cross Keys — most of them admittedly weaker first division sides. A sign of the times, however, was the home ‘friendly’ defeat of a scratch side by Penarth, the first time in 60 years and a poor performance in front of those faithful supporters who deserved better.

October also gave the cynics the justifiable chance to be critical with the defeats by Llanelli and Neath. Llanelli did not have their best side and Neath were reduced early to 14 men, with the inevitable result that there were queries about team selection, tactics and spirit.

Realistically, and certainly in retrospect, our chances of winning the league departed with those losses; they disappeared finally on November 20 when we were defeated at Swansea and victories in the same month against Bridgend, Newport and Aberavon again faded into insignificance when Pontypridd beat us at the Cardiff Arms Park.

The season was in danger of falling apart although there was still a confidence among coaches and players that they had much to offer, that there was much rugby still to be played. Wins over Newbridge (on the first-ever Sunday league match at the Arms Park: we will think hard about any repetition) and at Dunvant meant relatively

little but a glimmer of hope came with the cup victories over Pontypool and Oakdale.

The bookmakers were unimpressed, as were the majority of Cardiff followers, but they might have changed their minds had they visited Stradey Park on January 29.

Here, we had a player sent off in the first few minutes and were, unjustly, 19-3 behind as half-time approached. A remarkably courageous and mature second-half performance saw Hemi Taylor crash through for an individual try in the final minute and Adrian Davies's conversion gave us a 19-19 draw. In that moment, arguably, the Cup was also won.

No longer could Cardiff be regarded as the easy meat for the top three or four. After beating Bridgend in the Sixth Round of the cup, we then produced a further courage-ridden performance to beat Neath, confirming once more that Cardiff no longer crumbled when their backs were to the wall.

We defeated London Welsh by 77 points, to perhaps query the validity of this traditional fixture and the visit of the Barbarians, so looked forward to, was due on the same day as the Cup quarter-finals.

Whilst the visit of the Barbarians is still enormously popular, even if neither they nor ourselves can play the strongest sides. Everything will be done to ensure that the fixture is maintained – but whether the day remains the same must be questionable.

Apart from an away win at Pontypool, there had been a succession of friendlies in between league fixtures but at least these gave the coaching team the chance to experiment with some of the younger players and with positional changes as a logical part of developing a complete squad.

And there was still the cup to come.

We had tacitly perhaps settled for a lower place in the league – but were still far from anonymous insofar as we scored more tries (87) than any other league club (Abercynon and Neath came next with 76) and fewer tries against.

And it was the defence, magnificent throughout the season, which saw us through to the SWALEC final. A somewhat featureless victory over the Police on an unpleasant evening at the Arms Park was followed by victory over Pontypridd in a dour semi-final at Newport where we won largely through our defence and a Colin Laity try and despite the constant blowing of the referee's whistle in favour of the opposition.

As for the final, well, so much of the season's planning and playing was vindicated as we beat Llanelli even more convincingly than the 15-8 scoreline suggests. At a personal level, I could not help remembering that I was chairman also when Cardiff last won the Cup in 1987.

The squad and coaching staff had shown that they could take the pressures, could overcome the criticisms and could win a trophy with panache and I would like to thank each one of them for what he has done for the club in this past season.

Their efforts were duly appreciated outside the club. Congratulations to Mike Hall, Mike Rayer, Nigel Walker, Adrian Davies, Mike Griffiths, Simon Hill and Hemi Taylor for being capped in a year during which Wales won the Five Nations championship. Congratulations, too, to those who played for the successful Wales A side – and to Jason Hewlett, Andrew Lewis and Chris John for winning Under 21 caps.

Captain Mike Hall truly led Cardiff from the front, arguably playing his personal best rugby, and he has received dedicated support from all the players involved through the twice and sometimes thrice-weekly training sessions as well as their own personal training schedules.

To Alex Evans, coach for the second season and coming back for a third, I congratulate him and his 'assistants,' Terry Holmes, Charlie Faulkner and Alun Donovan – and also Peter Manning, Bob Newman and Gwynne Griffiths for their dynamic approach to the Under 21s. They had a tremendous season, with impressive victories over the likes of Llanelli, Swansea, Leicester, Bristol, the Wasps and many others. Many of their charges – such as Jason Hewlett, Andrew Lewis, Chris Mills, Chris John, Owain Thomas and others – have already made an impact at senior level.

The Youth, too, have had a tremendous year, about which you can read elsewhere. Congratulations to them, also.

Behind the scenes, many others have made crucial contributions to the season. My further thanks, then, to:

The executive committee, which includes John Evans, the vice-chairman, John Nelson, the hard-working hon sec, Terry Charles and Ian Eidman;

The whole rugby committee and, especially perhaps, to Howard Norris, who retires this year after 36 years with the club as player and committee man. Howard, a former club chairman, captain and coach, British Lion and Welsh cap, was skipper when I played my

first game for the club. In all he appeared a record (at the time) 413 times for the club;

Alun Priday, another true blue and black, former captain, chairman and hon sec, who resigned because he felt he was "past his sell-by date". Alun played 410 times for Cardiff, was capped and first served on committee in 1966.

Further thanks go to:

The team of club medical experts, Roger Evans, John Fairclough, Brian Rees, Jim Naysmith, Hugh Evans and Keith Young and dentist Geoff Price for their willing support;

Ron Ayres, Keith Davies and Brian Hughes, the rub-a-dub men who receive so much exposure now as they appear festooned with bottles;

Alf Heffell and the office staff for their assistance in so many areas.

Tina Nash, our commercial manager for her many-faceted activities — with congratulations on her marriage this summer to our catering manager, Chris Tew.

Brian Bennett, for organising the club dinner and for his work on the lottery — with supporters club chairman Ken Jones and his wife Kath. Ken and Lorna Jarrett, who "retire" this year after 5 years of loyal support.

Tony Williams, for presenting Cardiff's case and views to the WRU as a district representative;

Brian Walker and his staff for maintaining the grounds in good order;

Duncan Gardiner, our programme editor for writing and presenting a product which we believe is the equal of information and entertainment to any throughout Britain.

The South Glamorgan Youth Orchestra for their lively, swinging nostalgic opening to matches at the Arms Park.

And there are others still who deserve special mention for initiatives out of the ordinary.

Steve Cannon, Karl and Richard have, for example, worked extremely hard along with Tina Nash to build the Junior Blue and Blacks club to more than 150 members. They have an Open Day at the Arms Park, incidentally, on July 30 where there will be fun — and rugby — for all the family.

Geoff Ellerman, our steward, his wife Betty and son Darren have

worked wonders in making the Clubhouse the welcoming place it is now for lunches and for social gathering.

Finally, in thanking also all those who help the club financially by taking the hospitality suites, advertising on the ground perimeter and in the match programme, by sponsoring matches and match balls, by providing cars and by assisting in a myriad other ways, a word also about two special sponsors.

First, our thanks go to the main club sponsors, AT and T, with their managing director David Phillips, for their generosity in 1993-94 and for their renewed sponsorship next season.

Secondly, to Peter Thomas, for his generous gesture of donating up to £300,000 during a minimum two-year period. As I have announced, Mr Thomas will be a part of a steering committee, to include his advisors, the rugby committee chairman and the chief executive, that will help to take Cardiff as a major rugby voice into the 21st Century.

CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB TOUR TO AUSTRALIA 29th JULY — 17th AUGUST 1993

It is a pleasure to report that once again a Cardiff R.F.C. party of 27 players and 7 officials has completed a successful tour of Australia where the name of the Club and its members has gained the respect of so many rugby people. The discipline, attitude and dedication of the whole squad was of the highest order at all times while every member was a credit to the Club. In this vein I must congratulate Mike Hall and Alex Evans for their major contribution in this on and off the field performance.

We were received throughout Australia with the respect and dignity that one would expect for an International team and the Queensland and New South Wales Unions must be thanked for their tremendous support and faultless organisation. We were hosted at numerous functions while there was always the opportunity to visit the many attractions that this vast country has to offer.

If the success of the Tour is measured by results then, by our high standards a 50% success rate might appear mediocre. However, these results on a pre season Tour must be put into their true context. We played against 4 very strong sides nearing the end of their season; Sydney, with 7 Internationals, was a League representative side well prepared for its forthcoming game against the Springboks; Canberra Royals were the A C T champion Club for the past 10 seasons and they introduced Nick Farr Jones as their guest; Queensland, the champion State, probably needs no description while the Cairns

Barbarian XV contained 5 imported Internationals, including Walter Little, Eric Rush and Glen Ella. We on the other hand had not played for 3 months and we also took the opportunity for every member to play 2 games.

Itinerary

A 23 hour flight to Sydney, via Singapore, and we were at the Centra Hotel, North Sydney, overlooking Sydney Harbour Bridge. With the arrival of Alex, Derwyn, and Tony Rees, the party was complete and full of anticipation of a successful Tour.

The New South Wales Union provided 2 liaison officers, Rex Bayley and John Donald, who were in attendance for the 6 days at Sydney.

Our first day in Sydney was a beautiful cloudless day and we were taken to the Trunk Viaduct Park for the first training session which was to become the regular daily format. An afternoon at leisure where some visited the Aquarium and Darling Harbour while others visited a local gymnasium and sauna. In the evening we all attended the Australia v. South Africa Test at the Sydney Oval.

Sunday August the 1st saw a 7 a.m. call for a short train journey to Unlimited Fitness, a gymnasium, where a friend of Alex set up a 1 hour weight/circuit programme. A quick 10 a.m. breakfast and it was training again at the The St. Ignatius School. We were delighted to see the victorious South African Coach, Ian McKintosh, in attendance.

In the afternoon some of the party watched the top local Rugby League side, Manly play with Welshman John Devereaux in their team, while for others it was a leisurely harbour cruise. In the evening we joined with the Supporters as guests of the Sydney Welsh Rugby Club/Choir.

The 2nd and 3rd August saw further training sessions and sightseeing at the Opera House, surfing on Bondi Beach, and golf at the Loveland Country Club. We also took the opportunity to have the official photograph taken with the background of Sydney Bridge and Opera House.

August 4th, a 7.30 p.m. kick-off v. Sydney and for the first time it was raining, and did not stop all day. The Management were guests of Phil Harry and the New South Wales Union at lunch. The game against a Sydney side containing 7 Internationals was played in atrocious weather. Our performance for the first game of the season was good but I always felt that they had the edge. We were disappointed to read the press articles of our alleged stomping etc,

and I can assure you that it did not appear a dirty game. I have since heard from other Australian quarters that this was so typical of the Sydney team.

A 4 hour coach ride from Sydney to Canberra where our hosts were the Canberra Royals Rugby Club. We were resident at the Australian Institute of Sport, an amazing complex catering for the needs of all the top sportspeople. The Royals officials must be congratulated for the way in which they organised our visit. Although training every day we also made time to tour the city, play golf at the superb Royal Canberra Golf Club, where the kangaroos were as frequent as the Southerndown sheep, watch with a record 25000 crowd the Canberra Raiders League team defeat the Brisbane Broncos, visit Canberra Races and attend a Nick Farr Jones' Dinner.

Our game against the Royals left only one player without an appearance on tour, Adrian Davies. They included Farr Jones in their line-up and we had probably our youngest team. Losing 23-7 at half time, we saw a superb controlled second half to win 34-23. The evening at their Clubhouse will long be remembered by Royals and Cardiffians alike for a feast of singing/entertainment by both parties.

The journey to Brisbane by coach and aeroplane took some 12 hours and it was a weary party that booked into the Metropolitan Motor Inn. Alex, in his home town, was keen for the party to see as much of the area as possible, and it was an 8 a.m. start for a visit to the Gold Coast. Sea World and its water slides was a favourite with all, including Charlie Faulkner, but once again they were soon training at The Southport Private School before a leisurely break at Surfer's Paradise.

In the evening the Queensland Union hosted a management dinner at Ballymore. This was the most formal part of the Tour where all the major power in Australian rugby were in attendance. Theo Williams, Terry Doyle, Ian Moriarty etc, were visibly honoured to receive the official Cardiff R.F.C. party.

On a sunny 25 degree day at Ballymore, before a large crowd we played well against a strong Queensland team. We dominated for large periods of the game only to lose to a converted try in the last 2 minutes of the game. At the after match reception we were met by an old Cardiff favourite, John O'Shea, and we benefitted from his position as General Manager of Power's Brewery for the rest of the evening. A good time was had by all and I'm sure everyone would have liked to have stayed longer in Brisbane.

A 2 hour flight to Cairns in the tropical area of Australia and we were met by Paul Williams, the President of the Cairns Union. The

quality Tuna Towers Hotel and 28 degrees temperatures were a tonic for our last few days. The Cairns Barbarian XV contained 5 New Zealand/Maori Internationals but we sustained our tour fitness, skill level and morale to hold on for a 21-19 victory.

Our last days in Australia gave everyone the chance to relax and enjoy the surroundings. Perhaps the most memorable occasion was the visit to the Barrier Reef, or perhaps the Mossman Gorge although I'm sure for many of the boys it'll be the 150 ft Bungee jump.

No member of the party relished the 38 hour journey home but there were no late comers for our 4 a.m. call and a weary although happy band of tourists arrived in Cardiff on Tuesday morning.

MERVYN JOHN, Chairman
Cardiff Rugby Football Club
June 1994

CARDIFF R.F.C. 1st XV

SEASON 1993-94

Captain: Mike Hall

PLAYING RECORD

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points	
					For	Against
Heineken Lge.	22	15	5	2	668	240
Cup	6	6	—	—	101	42
Others	18	11	7	—	519	339
TOTAL	46	32	12	2	1,288	621

CAPS AWARDED TO: Huw Bevan, Chris John, Derwyn Jones, Tony Rees, Owain Williams.

HIGHEST NUMBER OF APPEARANCES: Chris John 29, Mike Rayer 28½, Derwyn Jones 28, Owain Williams 28, Adrian Davies 27½, Andy Moore 27½.

HIGHEST POINTS SCORERS: Adrian Davies 285, Chris John 136, Steve Ford 100, Mike Rayer 95.

HIGHEST TRY SCORERS: Steve Ford 20, Owain Thomas 13, Nigel Walker 12, Colin Laity 12.

INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION FOR WALES:

- 16.10.93 v. JAPAN — N. Walker, A. Davies, M. Griffiths, M. Rayer (replacement).
- 10.11.93 v. CANADA — M. Griffiths, A. Davies.
- 15.1.94 v. SCOTLAND — N. Walker, M. Hall, M. Rayer (replacement).
- 5.2.94 v. IRELAND — M. Hall, S. Hill (replacement), M. Rayer (replacement).
- 19.2.94 v. FRANCE — N. Walker, M. Hall, S. Hill, M. Rayer.
- 19.3.94 v. ENGLAND — N. Walker, M. Hall, M. Rayer.

WALES A

- 29.9.93 v. JAPAN — N. Walker, A. Davies, S. Hill, H. Taylor.
- 13.10.93 v. NORTH OF ENGLAND — S. Hill, M. Hall, L. Mustoe, H. Taylor.
- 4.2.94 v. IRELAND A — A. Palfrey, L. Mustoe, D. Jones, H. Taylor.
- 12.3.94 v. CANADA A — A. Davies, M. Griffiths, L. Mustoe, H. Taylor, D. Jones (replacement).
- 18.3.94 v. FRANCE A — L. Mustoe, D. Jones, H. Taylor.

CARDIFF R.F.C. ATHLETIC & UNDER 21's XV

SEASON 1993-94

PLAYING RECORD

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points For	Points Against
Athletic	8	5	3	—	221	121
U21	20	14	5	1	537	267
	28	19	8	1	758	388

NEW CAPS: Simon Davies, Christian Johnson, Andrew Lewis, Bret Wakefield, Iestyn Williams.

HIGHEST NUMBER OF APPEARANCES: Rhydian Phillips 23, Howard Merrett 22, Bret Wakefield 20½, Iestyn Williams 20.

HIGHEST POINT SCORERS: Iestyn Williams 114, Simon Davies 54.

HIGHEST TRY SCORER: Martin Payne 9.

REPRESENTATIVE APPEARANCES FOR WALES U21:

9.11.93 v. NEW ZEALAND U21 — C. John, O. Thomas.

14.1.94 v. SCOTLAND U21 — C. John, A. Lewis.

4.2.94 v. IRELAND U21 — C. John, A. Lewis.

CARDIFF R.F.C. YOUTH REPORT

SEASON 1993-94

This season was the first that the Youth section ran on a regular basis three sides, at under 16, under 17 and under 19.

The senior team was captained by Simeon Brunker, with Chris Wilkins his deputy, and once again they scored more than a thousand points at an average of over 30 per game.

They were voted the Youth side of the Month in January, by the Rugby World Magazine, after a superb start to the season.

Notable victories included Coventry (H) 29-17, Leicester (A) 20-19, Dunvant (H) 48-6, Neath (A) 20-7, Pontypool (A) 17-5, Llanelli (H) 36-12, Bristol (A) 30-11, Crawshays (H) 18-5 and Combined Services (H) 48-12. Once again senior coach Gareth Jones encouraged the free movement of the ball and this showed in the try count of 163, with wingers Adrian Evans (31) and

Nathan John (15) crossing the most often. Mike Mawn and Hugh Smith assisted in the coaching and our thanks go out to all three.

We were disappointed to lose away to Treorchy in the quarter final of the Welsh Cup, but on the day the well drilled home pack dominated the play to win a tight game. To reach that stage we had won through at Brecon, but only as the away side in a drawn game, but we made amends at Cardiff with a fine win against Trimsaron.

We retained the Cardiff and District Cup with wins against St Peters, Rumney, Dinas Powis and in the final Llandaff North 35 points to 3. The Club were very grateful to Mr. Tom Jones for presenting a cup to be played annually against the Glamorgan Wanderers and we won the inaugural match 68-0. Unfortunately for the second year running the Stan Bowes Easter Festival of three matches against Newport was cancelled this time due to a clash with the First XV's SWALEC Cup commitments.

In Sevens we won the Cornelly Tournament in August, with Andrew Grabham voted the Player of the Tournament. In the District event we failed to qualify for the final, but we fared better in the leading Welsh event at New Dock by reaching the final for the fourth year in a row. We fell at the last hurdle by losing to a strong Maesteg VII, at the end of a gruelling seven match event.

Congratulations to all our Internationals, Jason 'George' Kemble, who captained the Welsh Youth at under 18, ably supported by Andrew Fowler. At Senior level caps were won by Chris Wilkins, Darren Davies and Ben Evans. At Senior Schools under 18, caps were awarded to Stephen Gardner, Richard Field and Phil Booth. Andrew Grabham was unlucky to miss his, through illness. The Annual Tour was to Cork and despite the wonderful Irish hospitality we still won our two matches against Highfields 33-3 and Middleton 24-5. Our grateful thanks to Dai Williams, Andy Moore and John Griffiths for coaching and organising the under 16's and 17's, and to Peter Cronin for his continued help.

The under 16's, captained by Sion Davies, supported by Steven Diamond, produced some fine performances, notably against Bridgend (H) 15-5, Pontyclun (H) 33-12, Bristol Saracens (H) 74-0, Carmarthen Athletic (A) 54-0 and Hucklecote (H) 15-7. These matches will be remembered for the fine handling from forwards and backs which produced many spectacular tries.

The under 17's suffered an early setback against Newport (A) 17-5, but this proved to be their only defeat as they went on to

beat amongst others Mountain Ash, Dinas Powis, Oxfordshire, Lydney and Highlands North from South Africa.

The highlight was the winning of the Cirencester Sevens for the fourth successive season. The competition was much sterner this year with the organisers inviting teams from as far as Nottingham and Carmarthen. In the final we defeated Moderns RFC, from Nottingham, another winner of the Team of the Month award. Mark Dineen captured the Player of the Tournament trophy, after his speedy evasive running had produced several tries from long range.

Congratulations at under 16 level to Geraint Thomas, who captained the Welsh team, supported by Andrew McDonagh who was a replacement. Alwyn Powell, Matthew Venables and Matthew Williams played for the 'A' team, with Owen Jones on the bench.

Bill Woods, our Trainer, has worked wonderfully hard once again, only missing a handful of the 60 games. Colin Davies and Tony Rowe assisted, with even the Secretary being pressganged into applying the first aid on the odd occasion.

After thirteen years as Trainer and more recently Secretary I have decided at last to hang up my sponge and pen and retire gracefully to the Stands. I would like to thank the ever present Chairman of the Youth Jim O'Donnell and Fixture Secretary Neil O'Donnell for their help and encouragement. The Club owes a big debt to Jim, who first started supporting the Youth when his son Neil captained the side nearly twenty years ago.

Thanks from all the players and officials to Brian Walker and his ground staff, to Alf, Lorraine and their colleagues in the office and to Betty and Jeff Ellerman. A special thank you to the Supporters Club, and to all those parents, patrons and sponsors who have helped us financially or have lent their support in other ways.

As I say each year, finally to the players, who make or break a season, my very best wishes for their future, both on and off the field. To those who move into the senior ranks I hope you will have a long and successful career with Cardiff. To those young enough to play for the Youth again, good luck next season and even greater success.

EVAN THOMAS
Youth Secretary

CARDIFF R.F.C. YOUTH XV

SEASON 1993-94

YOUTH CAPTAIN: Simeon Brunker

YOUTH PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Gareth Mahoney

YOUTH CLUBMAN OF THE YEAR: Andrew Fowler

YOUTH MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: Darrian Jones

YOUTH TOP SCORERS: Gaffyn Cooper 162 points, Adrian Evans 161 points, Nathan John 75 points, Martyn Gould 70 points.

UNDER 17's CAPTAIN: Matthew Davey

UNDER 17's TOP SCORERS: Richard Field 37 points, Kyle Phillips 35 points.

UNDER 16's CAPTAIN: Sion Davies

UNDER 16's PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Jarrod Baker.

UNDER 16's TOP SCORERS: Mark Cunningham 78 points, Paul Fish 35 points, Sion Davies 30 points.

YOUTH RECORD

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points For	Points Against
35	29	3	3	1,068	291

UNDER 17's:

10	9	0	1	372	89
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UNDER 16's:

14	9	1	4	467	157
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CARDIFF RUGBY SUPPORTERS CLUB

SECRETARY'S REPORT 1993-94 SEASON

As usual our social calendar opened with the Annual Player of the Year presentation evening in July with a slightly improved attendance from the players compared with previous seasons. Our thanks must go to the Captain, Mike Hall, for stirring up some interest. The regular awards were presented to Mike Hall, the Captain of the First XV and to Huw Harries, the Captain of the Athletic XV and Under 21s. To commemorate their international caps, silver salvers were presented to Nigel Walker and Simon Hill. The Athletic XV Player of the Year, Gareth Roberts, was regrettably unable to be present to receive the 'Eights Cup' and their special tie from Mr. Tom Hughes, one of the surviving members of the original 'eight'. Mr. Hughes gave a short talk as to how the 'eight' had originated. the 1992-93 Player of the Year was Hemi Taylor who received his trophy and his silver tankard from Supporters Chairman Ken Jones, and then proceeded to entertain the members and players with a very interesting and witty 'thank you' speech. The usual buffet followed to round off a rather successful evening.

No sooner had the Welsh Rugby season closed down for the summer than a loyal band of supporters were eagerly awaiting the day of 'take-off' with the Cardiff team on their trip to Australia. The four match tour 'Down Under' was to be suitably accompanied by some very interesting sightseeing no doubt recommended by Alec and Kay who would be on their 'home ground'. It proved to be a very successful trip with some memorable visits and happy memories by all accounts. The rugby was interesting and the hospitality first rate which brings me on to the first social evening of the autumn, a film and talk evening on the Australian tour.

Rugby Committee member John Evans, who had been accompanying Tour Manager Mervyn John to Australia, had taken video film of the four matches. This was subsequently edited to produce a film of around 60 minutes duration and we were entertained with the finished product in the Clubhouse on Friday, 15th October. The Rugby Chairman, Mervyn John, presided over the evening and he and John spoke on the tour and the visits made during the trip. He gave high praise to the hospitality received not only by the Cardiff players but also to that given to the accompanying group of supporters who were wined and dined in style. During the evening there were some interesting comments thrown in from Alec Evans which, with the excellent turnout by members and friends, produced a really interesting and entertaining evening.

Our first *Horse Race Night* was held on Friday, 26th November. A fairly good turnout produced yet another enjoyable evening with some lucky members going home 'richer' for the experience.

With New Zealand touring England, it was inevitable that a party of supporters would end up in Cardiff at some time during their trip. So on the evening of Friday, 3rd December a party of their supporters was entertained in the Top Lounge by our supporters. This is now becoming a regular event whenever the All Blacks are in the area or certainly within 200 miles or so. This is due in the main to our very good friend Dennis Young, the former All Black, who runs a tour operation in New Zealand and usually calls upon the Cardiff supporters to lay on an evening for him. Our thanks for the success of this event must go to the members of the Cor Meibion Morlais, who have provided the music for us on many occasions and who have many supporters of Cardiff among their ranks.

Horse Race Night for the Youth Team — 25th February, 1994. This type of evening has now become an annual event to raise funds in assisting the Youth Committee with their Spring Tour. This year's event was well supported and it was very encouraging to see so many of the Cardiff Youth team players present and taking part. This made a welcome change from the poor support received a twelve month earlier which had raised the question as to whether it was worth continuing but the answer was well and truly given at this year's event. The result was a very successful evening and the Youth Team funds had a nice boost at the end of the proceedings.

Twickenham trip — 18/20th March

The bi-annual trip to London for the England v. Wales match was once again organised by Brian Bennett ably assisted on the money collecting side by Dave Lewis (in the Club caravan). The coach left the Club at lunchtime on the Friday and returned on Sunday evening. It was a huge success, if one ignores the terrible 80 minutes on Saturday afternoon. A good hotel, beer and food and a London show all helped to make the weekend worthwhile for the 42 members and those wives etc. who travelled.

Frank Hennessey Concert Evening — Friday, 25th March

What can one say about Frank? It was a successful evening, as usual, with another excellent turnout for such a popular entertainer who always draws the crowds. This particular evening was no exception, and a thoroughly good time was had by all.

Our **Annual Dinner** was held in the Clubhouse on Friday, 22nd April with a full house present — all the tickets had been sold weeks

in advance. Unfortunately the skipper, Mike Hall, could not be present but Jonathan Humphreys stepped in at the last moment and ably responded to the Chairman's Toast to Cardiff Rugby Club. The Guest Speaker on this occasion was Mr. David Parry-Jones of BBC Wales fame and now a successful author and freelance journalist. David, a member and supporter of Cardiff, delivered an interesting and witty speech which for most of those present finished all too quickly. We would liked to have heard more from such an interesting speaker.

Coach trips this last season continued to be well supported, following the success of the previous year. This of course is an indication of the results achieved on the field of play. Although the final outcome of the league places was a disappointment we are all delighted with the Cup win. Our sincere congratulations are extended to our Captain and his team for a wonderful result and in particular the manner in which it was achieved.

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of our Chairman and my fellow officers and Committee, to thank the President of the Athletic Club, Mr. Haydn Wilkins, the Club Chief Executive, Mr. Alf Heffell and his office staff, together with the Management Committees of both the Athletic and the Rugby Clubs for their co-operation and support extended to us during the past year.

Similar thanks are due to Mrs. Tina Tew and the Commercial Department and also to Club Steward, Jeff and his wife Betty, coupled with their bar staff for their regular assistance and support throughout the past year. Finally a big thank you to members and supporters who have attended our functions during the year — we trust you have all enjoyed yourselves and we look forward to seeing you at our future events.

HUGH EARWICKER, Secretary
Cardiff R.S. Club

RECORD OF RESULTS - SEASON 1993/94

CARDIFF FIRST FIFTEEN

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Result	Score for					Score against						
				G.	T.	PG	DG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	PG	DG	MG	Pts.
1993															
Aug. 4	Sydney	A	Lost		1	1			8	1		3			16
8	Canberra	A	Won	3	2		1		34	1	2	1	1		23
11	Queensland	A	Lost	1	1	1			15	1	2				17
13	Cairns Barbarians ..	A	Won		3	2			21	2	1				19
Sept 1	Tonypool	A	Won	3	3				36		2	1			13
4	Aberavon (HL) ..	H	Won	5	3	3			59			1			3
7	Pontypridd (HL) ..	A	Won	1	1	3	1		24		1	4			17
11	Newbridge (HL) ..	A	Won	1	4	3			36						0
15	Penarth	H	Lost	2		1			17	1	2	3			26
18	Dunvant (HL) ..	H	Won	6	2	1			55			1			3
25	Cross Keys (HL) ..	A	Won	5	4	2			61	1	1	3			21
Oct. 2	Llanelli (HL) ..	H	Lost			3			9	1	1	1			15
16	Gloucester	A	Lost		1				5	1		3			16
23	Neath (HL)	A	Lost			1	1		6		1	2			11
30	Pontypool (HL) ..	H	Won	10	1		1		78						0
Nov. 6	Bridgend (HL) ..	A	Won	3	1	1			29			1			3
13	Newport (HL) ..	H	Won	4	3	3			52			1			3
20	Swansea (HL) ..	A	Lost			2			6	2	1	1			22
27	Aberavon (HL) ..	A	Won	2		1			17			1			3
Dec 1	Pontypridd (HL) ..	H	Lost	1		1			10			5			15
5	Newbridge (HL) ..	H	Won	2	2	3			33			1			3
11	Dunvant (HL) ..	A	Won		1	1			8			2			6
18	Pontypool (Cup) ..	H	Won	1		2	1		16			2			6
27	Pontypridd	H	Won	5					35	1			1		13
30	Bath	A	Lost	2		2			20	2	2				24
1994															
Jan 8	Glam. Wanderers ..	A	Won	2	3				29		1				5
14	Ayr	H	Won	5	4				55	2	1	2			25
22	Oakdale (Cup) ..	H	Won	1	4				27			1			3
29	Llanelli (HL) ..	A	Drew	1		4			19	1		4			19
30	Maesteg	A	Won	1	4				27	2		2			20
Feb 12	Cambridge Univ. ..	H	Won	5	1				40		2	1			13
16	Cross Keys (HL) ..	H	Won	6	6				72	2					14
18	Bristol	A	Lost	1	1				12	2	3	1			32
26	Bridgend (Cup) ..	H	Won	1	1	1			15			2			6
March 5	Neath (HL)	H	Won		1	3			14		1	1			8
12	Maesteg	H	Won	4	2	1			41			2			6
15	Penarth	A	Won			4			20	1					7
19	London Welsh ..	A	Won	7	5	1			77		1	2			11
26	Pontypool (HL) ..	A	Won	2		1			17	1		2	1		16
April 2	Barbarians	H	Lost	1	4				27	5	3	1			53
5	South Wales Police (Cup)	H	Won	1	2	1			20	1		2			13
9	Bridgend (HL) ..	H	Won	2	1	1			22	1		2			13
16	Pontypridd (Cup) ..	*	Won		1	1			8			2			6

* Semi-final played at Newport

RECORD OF RESULTS - SEASON 1993/94

CARDIFF ATHLETIC FIFTEEN

Date	Opponents			H. or A.	Result	Score for					Score against					
						G.	T.	PG	DG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	PG	DG	MG	Pts.
1993																
Sept. 22	Bridgend Sports	..		A	Lost	2	2	1			27	3	2	1		34
Oct 20	Treorchy	..	..	H	Lost	1	3				22	1	5	1		35
30	Pontypool Ath.			A	Won		4				20		1	1		8
Dec. 4	Swansea Univ.	..		H	Won	4	6				58					0
11	Bristol Univ.	..	..	A	Won		5	2			31	1				7
15	Cardiff Univ.	..	..	H	Won	1	3				22		1			5
1994																
Feb. 2	Bridgend Sports	..		H	Won	3	4				41	1	1			12
Mar. 19	London Welsh II	..		A	Lost						0	2		2		20

TOTALS:- FOR:- G: 11; T: 27; PG: 3; DG: 0; Pts. 221

AGAINST:- G: 8; T: 10; PG: 5; DG: 0; Pts. 121

CARDIFF U21 FIFTEEN

Date	Opponents				H. or A.	Result	Score for					Score against						
							G.	T.	PG	DG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	PG	DG	MG	Pts.
1993																		
Sept.	1	Bristol U21	..	..	H	Won	2	1	1				22		2	1		13
	11	Tenby U21	..	..	H	Won	4	5					53	1		1		10
	18	Rosslyn Park U21	..	..	H	Lost	1	2					17	2	2	1		27
Oct.	1	Llanelli U21	..	..	A	Lost			1				3	1	1	2		18
	23	Leicester U21	..	..	H	Won	1	2	2				23	1		2		13
	27	Maesteg U21	..	..	A	Lost	1	1					12		4			20
Nov.	3	Newport U21	..	..	A	Lost	1	1					12	1		3		16
	6	Exeter U21	..	..	H	Won	2	2	2				30		1	1		8
	13	Wasps U21	..	..	A	Won		1	3	1			17	1	1	1		15
	20	Swansea U21	..	..	H	Won	1		2				13		1	1		8
1994																		
Jan.	19	Rumney U21	..	..	H	Won	1	2	3				26		1			5
	22	Wasps U21	..	..	H	Won	2	1	2				25		1			5
	29	Richmond U21	..	..	H	Won	1	3					22	1				7
Mar.	3	Bristol U21	..	..	A	Won	6	3					57			3		9
	9	Mountain Ash U21	..	..	H	Won	6	7					77	1	1			12
	26	Llanelli U21	..	..	H	Won	3	5					46			2		6
Apr.	4	Exeter U21	..	..	A	Won	3	1	3				35		3			15
	9	Crumlin U21	..	..	A	Drew	1	1					12	1	1			12
	23	Newport U21	..	..	H	Won	2						14			1		10
	29	Swansea U21	..	..	A	Lost	3						21	2	3	3		38

TOTALS:- FOR:- G: 41; T: 38; PG: 19; DG: 1; Pts. 537

AGAINST:- G: 13; T: 22; PG: 22; DG: 0; Pts. 267

CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS - Rugby First XV

Captain		Vice-Captain		Captain		Vice-Captain	
1876-77	T. S. DONALDSON-SELBY	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS	1934-35	A. SKYNN	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
1877-78	E. C. FRY	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS	1935-36	L. M. SPENCE	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
1878-79	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS	1936-37	L. M. SPENCE	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
1879-80	W. D. PHILLIPS	B. E. GIRLING	B. E. GIRLING	1937-38	A. H. JONES	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
1880-81	W. D. PHILLIPS	B. B. MANN	B. B. MANN	1938-39	W. WOOLLER	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
1881-82	B. E. GIRLLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS	1939-40	W. WOOLLER (2 games)	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
1882-83	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. H. TREATT	W. H. TREATT	1939-45	WORLD WAR II	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS
1883-84	H. J. SIMPSON	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS	1945-46	JACK MATTHEWS	JACK MATTHEWS	JACK MATTHEWS
1884-85	H. J. SIMPSON	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. D. PHILLIPS	1946-47	JACK MATTHEWS	JACK MATTHEWS	JACK MATTHEWS
1885-86	F. E. HANCOCK	A. J. HYBART	A. J. HYBART	1947-48	HAYDN TANNER	HAYDN TANNER	HAYDN TANNER
1886-87	W. M. DOUGLAS	A. J. HILL	A. J. HILL	1948-49	HAYDN TANNER	HAYDN TANNER	HAYDN TANNER
1887-88	G. A. YOUNG	A. J. HILL	A. J. HILL	1949-50	W. E. TAMPIN	W. E. TAMPIN	W. E. TAMPIN
1888-89	A. S. THUR	S. H. NICHOLLS	S. H. NICHOLLS	1950-51	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1889-90	W. E. O. WILLIAMS	D. W. EVANS	D. W. EVANS	1951-52	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1890-91	D. W. EVANS	F. N. JONES	F. N. JONES	1952-53	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1891-92	D. W. EVANS	F. N. JONES	F. N. JONES	1953-54	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1892-93	T. W. PEARSON	A. LEWIS	A. LEWIS	1954-55	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1893-94	N. BIGGS	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	1955-56	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1894-95	A. F. HILL	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	1956-57	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1895-96	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	F. MILLS	F. MILLS	1957-58	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1896-97	J. E. ELLIOTT	S. BIGGS	S. BIGGS	1958-59	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1897-98	S. BIGGS	T. G. WYN NICHOLLS	T. G. WYN NICHOLLS	1959-60	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1898-99	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	H. V. P. HUSSEY	H. V. P. HUSSEY	1960-61	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1899-1900	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	J. BLAKE	J. BLAKE	1961-62	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1900-01	H. B. WINFIELD	D. L. BOWEN	D. L. BOWEN	1962-63	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1901-02	H. B. WINFIELD	C. STRANAGHAN	C. STRANAGHAN	1963-64	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1902-03	H. B. WINFIELD	C. F. BIGGS	C. F. BIGGS	1964-65	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1903-04	E. GWYN-NICHOLLS	W. NEILL	W. NEILL	1965-66	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1904-05	C. F. BIGGS	GEO. NORTHMORE	GEO. NORTHMORE	1966-67	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1905-06	PERCY F. BUSH	GEO. NORTHMORE	GEO. NORTHMORE	1967-68	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1906-07	PERCY F. BUSH	PERCY F. BUSH	PERCY F. BUSH	1968-69	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1907-08	PHYS. GABE-JONES	PHYS. GABE-JONES	PHYS. GABE-JONES	1969-70	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1908-09	PHYS. GABE-JONES	F. SMITH	F. SMITH	1970-71	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1909-10	J. L. WILLIAMS	F. SMITH	F. SMITH	1971-72	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1910-11	R. A. GIBBS	J. PUGSLY	J. PUGSLY	1972-73	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
1911-12	R. A. DYKE	J. A. APOWELL	J. A. APOWELL	1973-74	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS	Dr. JACK MATTHEWS
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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The 1992 Annual General Meeting of the Cardiff Cricket Club left us with no Secretary or Assistant Secretary and no captains for the First, Third, Fourth or Sunday XIs.

Somewhat unusually in recent years, a vote was necessary to decide the seven committee places, for which there were ten candidates. It was ironic that two of the three unsuccessful candidates in that election went on to play significant roles in the administration of the club.

Early committee meetings were largely preoccupied with filling the vacant offices. We were fortunate that David Herbert Jr. accepted the position of Club Captain, while K. D. Williams and Jonathan Good took on the Third and Sunday XI mantles respectively. We were also grateful to Chris Fowler and Ed Meggitt for accepting the posts of Secretary and Assistant Secretary respectively. My thanks to all of them for their unstinting efforts. Turning to the performances of the various elevens, the First XI got off to an excellent start, apart from the customary early exit from the National Cricket Association Cup, which we had re-entered after several years. June saw the loss of a series of matches under varying circumstances which could and should have been won. Thereafter, team spirit dipped and undoubtedly the captain did not enjoy the support from his players which he was entitled to expect.

The success story of the season was the Second XI. Much has been spoken in Chairman's Reports over the years of attitude and commitment. It is surely no coincidence that the highest achieving side in the Club was the only one to have a captain who had stood for office at the last Annual General Meeting. Stuart Dyke showed a single minded dedication and a positive attitude to winning matches and his team got behind him. In a normal season, a Western League side which went into September unbeaten would be out of sight at the top of the table. Unfortunately, this was not a normal season and September 4th saw a high noon style shoot-out at Swindon, where we came second on the day and thus second in the league. However disappointing the circumstances, second place is a considerable achievement and great credit is due to Stuart and all his players. There is no reason why we cannot go one better next year. My only reservation is that the pressure to acquire points meant that opportunities were missed to develop young players, which is an important function of a Second XI.

The Third XI began the season with the aim of finishing in the top half of their division so as to ensure a higher level of cricket in 1994. They lost one more match than they won, yet ended well below halfway in the table. Although the team was more settled than in recent years, it did change somewhat over the season. This is in contrast to some of the opposition teams, who were their club first elevens.

The Fourth XI won more matches than it lost and this in itself might be regarded as a success for what was on most days a very young side.

An innovation for the Western League teams was the introduction of fielding circles. Opinions vary as to how much difference this made, but the general feeling amongst the players seems to be in favour of the change.

In general, the commitment of players was better than in some recent years, although there is still room for improvement. Availability, net attendance and signing up were much improved although there are still failings, for example in the completion of the availability list and payment of match fees. I must exclude from my comments on availability the question of Sunday friendlies where Jonathan Good had little support and consequently faced considerable difficulties.

In recent years, this club has sought to encourage a youth policy and we are beginning to see the results. Approximately a dozen boys from 12 to 15 years had attended indoor nets at Llanishen School throughout last winter. The eight eldest were offered guaranteed places in the senior Saturday teams. Of those who accepted, Andrew Davies and Russell Price were already well known to us and these two, together with Gareth O'Gorman, Phil Haines, John Dyer and Robert Gregory all made their mark last season. Even younger are Gwyn Hobbs, Ben Davies and Jeff Mitchell who I am sure will be regulars in 1994. These young players have brought to the lower Saturday sides a welcome enthusiasm and no little talent and I am sure we will see much more of them over the next twenty years or so.

The Committee has been considering our Third XI entering the Western League in 1995. We hope this will provide a higher standard of cricket and better wickets and provide less of a gulf in standard with the Second XI, although I do foresee some logistical difficulties.

Turning to off-field activities, it is with sadness that I must report the death of Fred Austin. Although not known to most of the younger players, Fred has been a generous supporter of the club in recent years.

Looking to the future, 1994 will see our 175th anniversary. All members will have to provide their full support and help in organising the various events which are planned.

In contemplating a major anniversary year, we must remain conscious of the uncertainties which we face regarding the future of Sophia Gardens and of the Cardiff Athletic Club itself. The section remains fully committed to the Athletic Club but we recognise that we are a part of a very complex and changing organisation and that our future is not entirely in our own hands.

It is customary for the Club Chairman during his report to thank those who have helped in the running of the Club over the previous twelve months. The list seems to increase every year.

First and foremost, I must mention Heath Wales whose generous sponsorship for a third year has helped us enormously, especially with youth cricket. I must also thank my predecessor David Herbert Senior, not only for organising another highly successful Golf Day, but also for his advice whenever I sought it.

I must make special mention of Ken Williams whose interest in the playing side of the game remains undiminished and whose opinions were both readily given and gladly received.

My thanks to all the Committee, particularly Chris Fookes for his work both as the Western League representative and as chairman of the 175th season sub-committee. To Gwyn Hobbs, Wally Carter, Eric Mitchell, Bernard Mullins and those who organised our youth cricket — their enthusiasm must serve as an example to all of us. To Brian Walker and the groundstaff, to Jeff Ellerman and his staff, to Mrs. Betty Ellerman and Mrs. Baker for providing our teas, to all who captained sides during the season,

and finally, but not least, to all the players and club members for their support in what has been a most stimulating and enjoyable year for me.

TONY EDWARDS
Chairman

FIRST XI REPORT 1993

The 1993 season started with a considerable amount of expectancy and uncertainty. No clear candidate had emerged from the 1992 Annual General Meeting to lead the First XI but, when approached by the committee, I accepted the position of Club Captain.

The First XI squad contained some talented younger players, but lacked any real experience or outstanding individuals. The captain was relatively young and inexperienced with regard to leadership at Western League level. The portents for the season were largely uncertain.

However, the first month of the season provided an excellent start with four straight victories over Malmesbury, St. Fagans, Chippenham and Keynsham. Rain severely restricted progress during June and, with lack of practice hampering performances, losses were suffered against Bath and Gloucester, with only a victory over a poor Stroud side. At this point, the team began to show a lack of self-belief and resilience to a losing sequence. This is a characteristic of an inexperienced team and problems began to develop with unavailability and lack of commitment. July saw losses to Westbury, Clifton, Brislington and Imperial which further dented confidence. However, the major factor in turning a relatively successful start to the 1993 season into an indifferent campaign was the loss to St. Fagans in the Welsh Cup zone semi-final. In a low scoring contest, St. Fagans were bowled out for 125 on a slow damp pitch. Seemingly in no trouble at 70 for 1, the loss of a couple of quick wickets exposed a nervous middle order and Cardiff ended disappointingly on 123 for 8. With prospects for honours effectively ended in Cup and League, the season meandered to a rather lifeless and spiritless finish with losses to Midsomer Norton and Optimists culminating in a record 157 run loss to Swindon. In between, there were remarkable performances in a victory over a powerful Lansdown team and a marvellous personal performance of 219 not out by Alistair Dalton in the Welsh Sunday League match against Gorseinon.

The 1993 season represented a learning curve and the team will benefit from having to deal with difficult circumstances and pressure situations out in the middle. More importantly, when self belief begins to disappear, hopefully a more determined and positive response will be aroused.

My congratulations go to Stuart Dyke for a creditable Second XI campaign and my thanks go to Chairman Tony Edwards for his hard work and advice, to the committee and to the players for their support in what, at times, was a trying first season as skipper.

At the time of writing, the First XI are at the top of the Western League, as are the Second XI, the club is in the Welsh Cup semi-final and the Third and Fourth XIs are nearing the top of their respective leagues. The club is therefore in a buoyant state. I hope club members, particularly those in the First XI, will realise that although 1993 was not the most successful season, a great deal of benefit has been gained through experiencing the rough times.

DAVID R. J. HERBERT

SECOND XI REPORT 1993

At quiet moments, I sit and reflect on the 2nd XI's performance during the 1993 season and get some wonderful glimpses of Cardiff's best ever season in the Famous Grouse Western League 2nd division. Then however, one name springs to mind that I am certain will haunt all my fellow team members and myself for many quiet moments to come. That name — SWINDON.

In a season where you go into your last game having played and won all 14 matches, one could be forgiven for thinking that the last game was only a formality and that the Championship was won. However, this was not to be. In a situation that could not have been produced by even a Hollywood director, Swindon Cricket Club were in exactly the same position as Cardiff, having not lost a game all season. And so we had a stage-managed "cup final" to see who would win the Famous Grouse Western League 2nd division. Our good fortune deserted us on that day however, when Swindon's Randy Roze put in a batting performance of epic proportions — 80 runs from 60 balls to pull Swindon out of the abyss and pluck the title from our grasp. But we were gracious in defeat and I was proud to have captained a side where I knew every single player gave over 100% of their support to myself and the cricket club. Again, Cardiff Cricket Club 2nd XI's most successful season in the Western League. We were very worthy runners-up.

So our playing record showed played 15, won 14, lost 1.

Individually, the batting honours were as follows: David Ricketts averaged 49.50 from 11 matches — a solid performance from one of the club's most dependable and focussed opening batsmen; Rob Weston blazed a trail on occasions to show just a glimpse of his full potential; both were ably assisted by the ever fluent Ian Bridgeman and our Swansea import, Geraint Evans.

Bowling throughout the season was mostly shared between 3 players. Matt Longley proved to be most economical bowling 125 overs and taking 21 wickets at an average of 19.14. However, Matt Phillips bowled the most overs — 234 in fact — and bowled right through an innings on several occasions. His figures were 28 wickets at an average of 22.36. The third bowler, Chris Fowler, continued his metamorphosis into a fine spin bowler - 168 overs taking 27 wickets at an average off 22.78.

In the field Danny O'Sullivan proved to have the safest pair of hands in the Club holding on to 10 catches.

Our success in 1993, however, was not just about our performance as players. John Riches must be mentioned for his consistent umpiring each week. It is certainly a weight off the captain's mind if the club is able to use the knowledge and expertise of someone such as John. We are all grateful for his efforts.

We must also thank Brian Walker and the groundstaff for maintaining the most excellent and enviable playing facilities in Wales.

Now to my fellow officers of Cardiff Cricket Club. David Herbert, Club Captain, also receives my thanks. When things were not going too well in the 1st XI, David always supported my efforts and without jeopardizing his own side, assisted in my goal of attempting to win the 2nd division. Further thanks go to my Vice-Captain, Matt Phillips, whose inquisitive nature lent itself to the organisational duties he carried out so well.

Finally I look to the future. Cardiff Cricket Club enters its 175th anniversary season stronger than ever. By bringing in the disciplines that the

Captains believe in we can ensure that Cardiff Cricket Club is at the pinnacle of Welsh amateur cricket for many years to come.

STUART H. J. DYKE

THIRD XI REPORT 1993

The season was a disappointing one with five matches out of sixteen abandoned or rained off altogether. Of the eleven matches finished, we won five and lost six. In fourteen matches started, only four players played in ten matches or more. In all, 32 players represented the Third XI. Only two batsmen made 200 runs or more and the top wicket taker captured a total of 15 victims. Young batsmen found it hard to bat on some poor wickets, while bowlers were unable to contain the opposition batsmen in tight matches. I must add that there was no lack of spirit and virtually everyone tried hard and supported the captain.

The ever present Neil Jones was the most consistent of the batsmen with scores of 82 not out against Malpas and 51 against Panteg, while Paul Mohamed was the most successful in the seven matches he played, with highest scores of 53 not out against Pilkingtons and 60 not out against Sully, whom we routed by nine wickets. Dave Spence and Ken Williams also made fifties while Andrew Smith showed that he can make runs. John Dyer was the most promising newcomer at this level. In his few appearances, Phakamile Ximiya showed he could score at the rate required to pressurise opposition players.

The most successful bowlers were Phakamile and Ian Rouch, the two spinners. They both bowled accurately in all games. Andrew Smith and Craig Bond showed much improved form while Ed Evans was as steady as ever. However, it was rare for three of these five bowlers to play in the same match. In fact, on only three occasions in the fourteen matches were there less than four team changes and one was the first match! There were never less than three changes from the previous week.

Next year, we must hope that our young players will improve further, that experienced players will be available to help them and of course that the weather will allow us to play more cricket on much better wickets.

Thanks are due to the selection committee and especially to Chairman Tony Edwards who encouraged me, as well as acting as team secretary for the Third and Fourth XIs, to Dave Spence and Glen Newberry for helping as captains when needed, to those who provided our teas, to Graham Smith for umpiring and lastly to the ground staff who prepared the ground for us.

My greatest hope is that some players throughout the club will hold the role of the Third and Fourth XIs in higher regard in future years. They are important for the club's future.

KEN WILLIAMS

FOURTH XI REPORT 1993

Of sixteen scheduled league matches, six were won, five lost, three abandoned and two cancelled. In addition, a friendly match against

Cowbridge was won. These simple statistics tend to conceal some very positive points. Credible results were achieved despite fielding a total of 42 players, including 16 who appeared only once. However, the really encouraging factor was that several of the team were products of the youth policy introduced in recent seasons and were in their first season of senior cricket.

Regular fifteen year olds in the team were bowlers Andrew Davies (14 wickets at 14.50), of whom we already knew a great deal, and Philip Haines (13 wickets at 11.76), together with batsmen Robert Gregory and John Dyer, the latter in particular showing a technique and temperament which augur well for the future.

The more venerable sixteen year old Gareth O'Gorman performed exceptionally well to score 224 runs average 32.00 while Russell Price, also sixteen, showed with two undefeated innings for 115 runs how much he could have benefitted from a full season at this level.

Mention must also be made of the 13 year olds Jeff Mitchell, who captured 11 wickets at 9.54, and Ben Davies.

Of the positively grizzled veterans in the team, Matt Gelsomini scored 218 runs at 24.22 and Nick Good took 18 wickets at 8.22, while Chris Rees couldn't stop scoring runs on his return from Cambridge, five innings producing 197 runs at 65.66.

It is worth recording that five sets of fathers and sons played during the season.

Thanks are due to the various captains of the side who were Ken Williams, Gwyn Hobbs Senior, Alan Lang and Nick Billing.

In conclusion, despite the number of players fielded, the difficulties in running a fourth eleven seem to be easing and this is due largely to the commitment shown by the younger players who make up the bulk of the team. Perhaps the greatest compliment one can give such a young team is that they always looked and performed as a cricket team should.

1ST XI RESULTS 1993

Famous Grouse Western League

1 May	Cardiff	166 - 7	Malmesbury	143 - 10
8 May	Cardiff	204 - 5	St. Fagans	142 - 9
22 May	Chippenham	199 - 6	Cardiff	200 - 7
5 June	Keynsham	149 - 8	Cardiff	152 - 4
12 June	Cardiff	182 - 10	Bath	186 - 3
19 June	Gloucester	228 - 5	Cardiff	158 - 8
26 June	Cardiff	213 - 5	Stroud	135 - 10
3 July	Cardiff	158 - 10	Westbury-on-Trym	161 - 5
10 July	Weston-s-Mare	32 - 1	Cardiff	Abandoned
17 July	Clifton	182 - 7	Cardiff	176 - 10
24 July	Cardiff	199 - 6	Brislington	200 - 9
31 July	Imperial	199 - 8	Cardiff	167 - 10
14 Aug.	Midsomer N.	176 - 9	Cardiff	130 - 0
21 Aug.	Cardiff	164 - 7	Newport	Abandoned
28 Aug.	Cardiff	138 - 9	Optimists	139 - 6
30 Aug.	Cardiff	183 - 7	Lansdown	176 - 10
4 Sep.	Swindon	273 - 3	Cardiff	116 - 10

2ND XI RESULTS 1993

Famous Grouse Western League

3 May	Cardiff	228 - 7	Malmesbury	159 - 9
8 May	Cardiff	225 - 8	St. Fagans	158 - 6
15 May	Cardiff	204 - 7	Downend	149 - 8
22 May	Chippenham	141 - 6	Cardiff	Abandoned
25 May	St. Fagans	168 - 10	Cardiff	145 - 10
29 May	Cardiff	167 - 9	Cheltenham	Abandoned
31 May	Westbury-on-Trym	143 - 10	Cardiff	145 - 3
5 June	Keynsham	136 - 9	Cardiff	139 - 0
19 June	Cardiff	229 - 6	Gloucester	155 - 6
26 June	Cardiff	204 - 7	Stroud	182 - 7
10 July	Cardiff	235 - 7	Weston-s-Mare	233 - 7
17 July	Clifton	125 - 9	Cardiff	126 - 6
24 July	Cardiff	180 - 9	Bristolington	170 - 8
31 July	Cardiff	241 - 7	Imperial	169 - 4
7 Aug.	Cardiff	233 - 8	Lansdown	185 - 9
14 Aug.	Midsomer N.	110 - 10	Cardiff	114 - 5
21 Aug.	Cardiff	168 - 10	Newport	Abandoned
28 Aug.	Optimists	163 - 7	Cardiff	164 - 7
4 Sept.	Cardiff	215 - 9	Swindon	213 - 7

Famous Grouse Western League

1st XI Batting Averages 1993

	Matches	Innings	N/O	H/S	Runs	Average
R. M. C. Meggitt	12	11	5	55*	246	41.00
R. O. Jones	9	8	0	74	275	34.37
G. W. McNamee	16	15	1	68	416	29.71
P. M. Clements	8	7	0	64	163	23.28
A. J. Dalton	15	14	0	61	298	21.28

2nd XI Batting Averages 1993

	Matches	Innings	N/O	H/S	Runs	Average
D. W. P. Ricketts	11	9	1	100	396	49.50
R. C. Weston	8	8	1	82	220	31.43
I. Bridgeman	11	9	1	64	200	25.00
G. R. Evans	15	13	0	54	317	24.38

1st XI Bowling Averages 1993

	Overs	M	Runs	Wickets	Nb	Wd	Best	Average
A. L. Powell	54.2	13	175	11	6	13	3-41	15.9
N. J. Wood	157.5	26	560	22	3	2	6-42	25.4
G. W. McNamee	141	16	569	22	7	42	4-43	25.8
S. D. Pearce	94	13	321	12	-	16	4-79	26.7

2nd XI Bowling Averages 1993

	Overs	M	Runs	Wickets	Nb	Wd	Best	Average
M. D. Longley	125	24	402	21			6-60	19.1
C. J. Fowler	168.2	30	615	27			4-69	22.7
M. T. Phillips	234.3	47	766	28			4-63	27.3

CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB CAPTAINS

From 1867 to 1876 there is no record of Captains.

1877	..	E. W. JONES	1935	..	J. T. MORGAN
1878	..	E. W. JONES	1936	..	F. W. MATHIAS
1879	..	E. W. JONES	1937	..	F. THOMAS
1880	..	E. W. JONES	1938	..	W. J. EVANS
1881	..		1939	..	L. G. JONES
1882	..	Names of Captains	1940-45	..	WORLD WAR II
1883	..	not recorded	1946	..	W. J. EVANS
1884	..	J. P. JONES	1947	..	W. H. WILKINS
1885	..	J. P. JONES	1948	..	J. D. RICHES
1886	..	J. P. JONES	1949	..	G. GIBSON
1887	..	W. H. WILLIAMS	1950	..	W. H. WILKINS
1888	..	W. H. WILLIAMS	1951	..	W. H. WILKINS
1889	..	W. H. WILLIAMS	1952	..	G. DAVIES
1890	..	A. MORRIS	1953	..	G. DAVIES
1891	..	A. MORRIS	1954	..	W. H. WILKINS
1892	..	W. H. BRAIN	1955	..	G. K. WILBY
1893	..	W. H. BRAIN	1956	..	G. W. WILBY
1894	..	W. H. BRAIN	1957	..	J. O. WEBB
1895	..	J. H. BRAIN	1958	..	J. PLEASS
1896	..	J. H. BRAIN	1959	..	J. PLEASS
1897	..	J. G. CLARK	1960	..	J. O. WEBB
1898	..	J. G. CLARK	1961	..	J. O. WEBB
1899	..	J. G. CLARK	1962	..	A. THOMAS
1900	..	J. H. BRAIN	1963	..	A. THOMAS
1901	..	J. H. BRAIN	1964	..	A. PRIDAY
1902	..	J. G. CLARK	1965	..	A. PRIDAY
1903	..	V. T. GILL	1966	..	A. PRIDAY
1904	..	V. T. GILL	1967	..	Dr. P. GATEHOUSE
1905	..	J. P. CADOGAN	1968	..	D. O. HERBERT
1906	..	A. GIBSON	1969	..	D. O. HERBERT
1907	..	A. GIBSON	1970	..	K. D. WILLIAMS
1908	..	A. GIBSON	1971	..	D. J. PASK
1909	..	A. GIBSON	1972	..	D. O. HERBERT
1910	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1973	..	P. F. GOOD
1911	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1974	..	D. O. HERBERT
1912	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1975	..	K. D. WILLIAMS
1913	..	J. HORSPOOL	1976	..	R. THOMAS
1914	..	J. HORSPOOL	1977	..	R. W. WEBB
1915-18	..	EUROPEAN WAR	1978	..	DAVID LEWIS
1919	..	J. HORSPOOL	1979	..	DAVID LEWIS
1920	..	H. G. SYMONDS	1980	..	HOWARD SLADE
1921	..	G. E. CORDING	1981	..	HOWARD SLADE
1922	..	G. E. CORDING	1982	..	HOWARD SLADE
1923	..	T. R. MORGAN	1983	..	P. F. GOOD
1924	..	H. W. TAYLOR	1984	..	A. CORDLE
1925	..	F. W. MATHIAS	1985	..	HOWARD SLADE
1926	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1986	..	HOWARD SLADE
1927	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1987	..	G. HIBBERT
1928	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1988	..	R. C. DAVIS
1929	..	A. N. MORGAN	1989	..	GARY HIBBERT
1930	..	A. N. MORGAN	1990	..	GARY HIBBERT
1931	..	N. V. H. RICHES	1991	..	M. J. CANN
1932	..	E. C. DOLMAN	1992	..	A. WILKINS
1933	..	G. L. RATTENBURY	1993	..	D. R. J. HERBERT
1934	..	J. T. MORGAN			

CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLS CLUB

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR SEASON 1993

The season started with another successful annual Dinner Dance held in the top lounge of the Clubhouse on 20th November.

Mr. Gwyn Powell, President of the W.P.G. was guest of honour accompanied by his wife. The honoured guests were Mr. Jimmy Bell of the Scottish Bowling Union and our President Mr. Haydn Wilkins and his wife. Haydn made the presentation of cups to the Club Tournament winners.

Next was "Geoff's Christmas Party" which was a great success complete with an excellent buffet, entertainment, prizes and presents. During the evening, a specially commissioned portrait of Geoff was presented to him by Dave Morris on behalf of the Scottish tourists as a thank you for organising an unforgettable tour to Scotland. Thanks Geoff.

On the evening of Friday the 16th April 1993, the green was officially opened with the first two woods of the season being bowled by Mr. Ray Wiltshire of Ystradfechan B.C. and President of the W.P.G.A., after which we all retired to the pavilion to enjoy a buffet prepared by our ladies, with Malcolm, Len and Les doing sterling work behind the bar keeping everyone's glass filled. Thanks 'boys'.

Captain's Day on 17th April was an enjoyable afternoon, and the friendlies against Barry Athletic the following week were the preparation for the coming season. A report on the playing season will be made by Ken East, the Club Captain.

I have two regrets. One is being unable to fulfil some fixtures through lack of support, and the other was the poor response to help the Blind Bowlers on their Finals Day, but they thanks go to Geoff, Eirwyn, Len and Jim for their much needed help on the day.

The saddest part of the season was the death of Jack Jones, Frank Boulter, Johnny Evans and Trevor Cottle. They will all be missed in different ways depending on how well and how long we knew them.

I have a long list of "thank you's". First to the Management Committee for the support they have given me. To Ken, for being an excellent Captain and enabling both he and I to work together so amicably, his organisation of the Under 50's v. Over 50's which became the Under 60's v. Over 60's, concluding with the buffet he provided afterwards and also to him and his son David, who did the framing for the restoration of the club photographs and plaques to the walls of the pavilion.

To Geoff who organised the Alliance League and his Two Wood Pairs Tournament on August Bank Holiday Monday, and together with (Tea Masher) Les, for the afternoon teas we've enjoyed throughout the summer.

To Dave Morris for organising "Spoons Night".

To Peter for giving us a telephone.

To our Tea Ladies for their excellent preparation and serving of our teas, and more importantly giving up their valuable time to do this.

It's my opinion that the surrounds of the green have been the best I have seen them, this is entirely due to Gareth and his apprentice Len. They worked mornings and afternoons, Monday to Fridays in the early part of the season. Thank you both, it's been a pleasure to just sit and look at the result of your labours.

To Brian Walker and his ground staff for providing a wonderful green throughout the season.

To Alf Heffell and his staff for their assistance and to Tina for supplying passes enabling us access to the club on Saturdays.

To Geoff and Betty Ellerman and their staff for the excellent buffets provided for us and the happy atmosphere that prevails in the club. Finally to Les for bringing the Club Tournaments to a conclusion on the 18th September and all the hours work he has put in to achieve this.

I'd like to congratulate Malcolm for winning the Club Championship and all the other winners, but especially to Jamie for winning the Four Wood Pairs with David Teague and the Two Wood Singles. Commiserations to the losers. Congratulations also to Alan Barry, David Teague, Alan Blackmore and Peter Evans for winning the Bass Bowls Challenge Cup in Cheltenham, and Peter Evans in winning the Worthing Open Tournament. Great effort.

'A' TEAM

I have enjoyed my season as 'A' Team Captain. If we had not lost to Penylan by one shot, and to Rhiwbina by three shots, we would have possibly reached the semi-final of the P.G.2. We started well by beating Barry Athletic in the C.L.2 competition but could not win our two further fixtures, nevertheless I would like to thank everyone who has played in the 'A' Team and hope that they enjoyed themselves and are looking forward to better things next season.

I wish you all good health, hope you winter well and look forward to seeing you next season.

DAVE ASHTON
Chairman

CAPTAIN'S REPORT

With the summer season now over, I want to thank everyone for the honour and privilege you bestowed on me to Captain the Bowls Section in 1993.

To all the members both old and new, there are no trophies to show, but you've all played a part in making this season fairly successful. This is reflected by our results which ended with the club reaching two semi-finals, but unfortunately losing to Lucas S.E.I. in the W.B.A. and then to Barry Athletic in the P.G.1 by 15 shots, who eventually beat Llanelli to become Wales' top private club.

The Alliance League is still popular and I'm sure that because all the results were honourable draws, those taking part enjoyed themselves.

I would like to thank everyone for the support you have given me throughout the season, not only by being available for so many games and the way in which they were played, but for your response and generosity in purchasing raffle tickets necessary to subsidise the cost of touring sides.

My thanks also to the donor of the prizes for his generosity.

I have enjoyed my year of office and wish to thank our Chairman, Section Committee and selection Committee for their help and support given to me whenever it was needed. The Ladies once again worked just as hard as always, so to them I also give my thanks.

To the incoming Captain and to all our members I give my best wishes and hope that he and the club can achieve greater things next year.

KEN EAST
Captain

CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLS CLUB

RESULTS - SEASON 1993

Games	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Shots	
					For	Against
W.B.A.	5	4	1	-	405	342
Lucas S.E.I. (play-off)	1	-	1	-	52	100
P.G.1	8	8	-	-	711	555 ^{3/4}
Barry Ath. (play-off)	1	-	1	-	59	74
P.G.2	12	7	5	-	962	877
C.C.L.1	3	1	2	-	223	213
C.C.L.2	3	1	2	-	227	243
Friendlies (Wed./Sun.)	32	23	8	1	2,818	2,402
W.P.G.B.A.	1	-	-	1	122	122

Skip Results (W.B.A.)	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
A. Barry	2	1	1	-
A. Blackmore	4	2	2	-
P. Evans	4	-	4	-
B. Hawkins	1	1	-	-
G. Hazell	4	3	1	-
D. Teague	5	2	2	1

Skip Results (P.G.1)	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
A. Barry	7	5	2	-
A. Blackmore	4	-	3	1
P. Bowden	6	6	-	-
M. C. Gilmore	1	-	1	-
B. Hawkins	1	-	1	-
G. Hazell	7	6	1	-
E. Hughes	4	-	3	1
D. Teague	2	1	1	-

Skip Results (P.G.2)	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
R. Ash	7	4	3	-
P. Bowden	1	-	1	-
M. Brown	2	1	-	1
A. L. Brunt	7	5	2	-
B. Carter	1	-	1	-
E. Hughes	4	2	2	-
G. I. Jones	7	2	5	-
L. K. Morgan	4	2	2	-
D. C. Osling	4	2	2	-
R. Pullen	2	1	1	-
W. Richards	7	4	2	1
W. Roberts	2	2	-	-

Skip Results (C.C.L.1.)	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
A. Barry	2	-	2	-
P. Bowden	2	1	-	1
M. C. Gilmore	3	2	1	-
B. Hawkins	2	1	1	-
B. D. Hazell	1	-	1	-
D. Teague	2	1	1	-

Skip Results (C.C.L.2)	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
M. Brown	1	-	1	-
A. L. Brunt	1	1	-	-
L. K. Morgan	3	1	2	-
D. C. Osling	3	1	2	-
R. Pullen	3	2	1	-
S. J. Stevens	1	-	1	-

Skip Results (Friendlies Wed./Sun.)	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
R. Ash	3	1	2	-
A. Barry	7	4	3	-
A. Blackmore	11	8	3	-
P. Bowden	12	8	3	1
M. Brown	9	4	3	2
A. L. Brunt	4	2	2	-
B. Carter	7	4	3	-
M. Chapple	7	4	2	1
G. Collins	2	1	1	-
K. East	7	6	1	-
P. Evans	4	4	-	-
J. Gardner	2	1	1	-
M. C. Gilmore	11	8	3	-
B. Hawkins	3	2	1	-
B. D. Hazell	11	6	5	-
G. Hazell	2	2	-	-
L. V. Hazell	2	1	1	-
E. Hughes	6	3	3	-
E. Hull	2	2	-	-
G. I. Jones	6	2	4	-
L. K. Morgan	9	3	6	-
D. H. Morris	2	-	2	-
D. C. Osling	3	1	2	-
R. Pullen	2	1	1	-
W. Richards	5	4	1	-
W. Roberts	6	-	5	1
S. J. Stevens	1	-	1	-
D. Teague	3	2	1	-

PAST CAPTAINS OF BOWLS SECTION

1924 .. J. BATSONE	1959 .. W. DACEY
1925 .. M. WOOD	1960 .. A. P. FORSTER, M.B.E.
1926 .. W. M. DOUGLAS	1961 .. T. PHILLIPS
1927 .. J. PRATT	1962 .. W. H. THOMAS
1928 .. W. H. JENKINS	1963 .. J. DESMOND
1929 .. W. C. WILLIAMS	1964 .. REX LEWIS
1930 .. D. L. EVANS	1965 .. L. M. SPENCE, M.B.E.
1931 .. J. OXENHAM	1966 .. J. ELLIOTT
1932 .. L. C. WATTERS	1967 .. J. A. JUDD
1933 .. F. DAVIES	1968 .. P. E. RIDD
1934 .. W. T. GRIFFITHS	1969 .. G. ARTHUR
1935 .. A. MILSOM	1970 .. R. GOODING
1936 .. A. CALDER	1971 .. L. K. MORGAN
1937 .. C. W. STANDFAST	1972 .. A. G. BOUND, M.B.E.
1938 .. T. STRONG	1973 .. BRYN TALLIS
1939 .. E. RIDD	1974 .. D. H. PRINCE
1940 .. W. J. OLD	1975 .. M. C. GILMORE
1941 .. H. W. TAYLOR	1976 .. I. C. PRICE
1942 .. J. D. ROBERTS	1977 .. D. S. DAVIES
1943 .. W. T. WILLIAMS	1978 .. COLIN WILLIAMS
1944 .. H. J. SALTER	1979 .. S. J. STEVENS
1945 .. A. G. COUZENS	1980 .. R. G. MILLS
1946 .. A. F. MALE	1981 .. S. T. HULL
1947 .. A. E. TAYLOR	1982 .. J. RYAN
1948 .. W. J. POWELL	1983 .. D. H. MORRIS
1949 .. F. E. BONNELL	1984 .. W. ROBERTS
1950 .. S. JONES	1985 .. A. L. BRUNT
1951 .. A. H. USHER	1986 .. D. C. OSLING
1952 .. F. D. ALTON	1987 .. R. PULLEN
1953 .. J. S. LEWIS	1988 .. B. D. HAZELL
1954 .. K. TOOZER	1989 .. E. J. JONES
1955 .. C. B. WATSON	1990 .. G. M. J. MARTIN
1956 .. J. H. WEBB	1991 .. A. E. ROWE
1957 .. E. F. COUZENS	1992 .. A. BLACKMORE
1958 .. L. SMITH	1993 .. K. EAST

CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS CLUB

TENNIS SECTION REPORT:

MAY 1993 – APRIL 1994

The season started well with both Men's and Ladies' teams achieving good results in the winter league matches and so the section looked forward with eager anticipation to the summer season.

Yvonne Hughes again gave generously of her time to prepare the Ladies team for the season as she once again coached the team during February and March.

The summer Doubles league matches gave rise to mixed results for the Men's and Ladies' teams. The Men's First team was forced to withdraw and the third team was relegated from Division Five. On a brighter note, the Second team however played well enough to remain in Division Two.

The Ladies First team had a very good season and finished third in Premier One behind two of the very best clubs in South Wales. The Second team unfortunately were relegated to Division Two.

The Club once again had a tremendous run in the national knock-out tournament sponsored by Silk Cut. The team narrowly lost to the Mackintosh Club from Roath, to miss out on a place in the Area Final.

The season ended on a high note with the Club tournament as always producing a high standard of tennis. Congratulations to the winners:—

- Mens Singles — Martin Mallick
- Mens Doubles — John Paul Barker and David Barker
- Ladies Singles — Robyn Dow
- Ladies Doubles — Robyn Dow and Judith Hopkins
- Mixed Doubles — Martin Mallick and Robyn Dow

In addition, the section would like to thank our outgoing Chairman, Mr. Stuart Dickson, who will not be seeking a re-election of his current post. Stuart has been a staunch and loyal supporter of the Club and section and his counsel will be sorely missed. He will be replaced by Mr. Bob Turner.

PENNY NEWMAN
Captain

CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS CLUB CAPTAINS

	<i>Men's</i>	<i>Ladies'</i>
1923	T. J. HOPKINS	Miss E. CLARE
1924	T. J. HOPKINS	Mrs. G. D. HORSPOOL
1925	T. J. HOPKINS	Miss D. A. CALDER
1926	T. J. HOPKINS	Miss D. A. CALDER
1927	F. C. ORAM	Miss M. GERMAIN
1928	F. C. ORAM	Miss M. OXENHAM
1929	E. R. HANCOCK	Miss M. OXENHAM
1930	W. L. BRIGHT	Miss M. OXENHAM
1931	W. L. BRIGHT	Miss E. TAYLOR
1932	T. W. RICHARDS	Miss W. CORNWELL
1933	D. B. MORGAN	Miss W. CORNWELL
1934	W. DAVID	Miss N. NIGH
1935	W. L. BRIGHT	Miss E. BELMAN
1936	J. BROAD	Miss W. CORNWELL
1937	J. M. HOPKINS	Miss W. CORNWELL
1938	A. C. TAYLOR	Miss M. CORNWELL
1939	J. M. HOPKINS	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	Miss P. RUSSELL
1961	F. P. DAVIES	Miss E. BELMAN
1962	F. P. DAVIES	Miss P. WILLETT
1963	F. P. DAVIES	Miss P. WILLETT
1964	F. P. DAVIES	Miss J. HOWELLS
1965	F. P. DAVIES	Miss J. HOWELLS
1966	F. P. DAVIES	Miss J. HOWELLS
1967	F. P. DAVIES	Miss J. HOWELLS
1968	P. COLLIER	Mrs. J. H. COLLIER
1969	P. COLLIER	Mrs. J. H. COLLIER
1970	P. COLLIER	Mrs. J. H. COLLIER
1971	P. COLLIER	Mrs. J. H. COLLIER
1972	P. COLLIER	Mrs. J. H. COLLIER
1973	D. F. WARD	Miss K. CHIVERS
1974	D. F. WARD	Miss K. CHIVERS
1975	D. F. WARD	Mrs. C. JEANS
1976	A. W. BUTCHER	Mrs. C. JEANS
1977	P. COLES	Mrs. J. RAWSON
1978	T. R. MORGAN	Mrs. J. RAWSON
1979	T. R. MORGAN	Mrs. J. RAWSON
1980	T. R. MORGAN	Mrs. J. RAWSON
1981	B. G. RUSSELL	Mrs. S. UPTON
1982	B. G. RUSSELL	Mrs. S. UPTON
1983	N. DAVEY	Mrs. S. UPTON
1984	N. DAVEY	Mrs. S. UPTON
1985	N. DAVEY	Mrs. S. UPTON
1986	N. DAVEY	Mrs. S. UPTON
1987	N. DAVEY	Mrs. S. UPTON
1988	N. DAVEY	Miss M. DAVIES
1989	N. DAVEY	Mrs C. GREENWOOD
1990	N. DAVEY	Mrs C. GREENWOOD
1991	—	Miss P. NEWMAN
1992	—	Miss P. NEWMAN
1993	—	Miss P. NEWMAN

CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB ANNUAL REPORT 1993/4

A few weeks ago my confidence was very low at the thought of making this report. By a series of unusual events Cardiff Hockey Club was in serious danger of being relegated with all the likely consequences that I found too dreadful to contemplate. However, a good fairy in the shape of Whitchurch H.C. came to our rescue and by their own superb results allowed us to live and fight for another season. This was a lucky escape and one that we must capitalise on to ensure we are not placed in that position again. Indeed, plans are being laid to ensure that will be the case.

The reason for the demise of the 1st XI seems to be a lack of interest and commitment by certain members of the side. Too many times the team played short for numerous reasons, which all sound plausible, but could so easily have been eliminated with a bit of determination. If only the pride that surfaced when we beat West Gloucester in the second match had been evident for the season we would have challenged for promotion. The malaise of indifference seemed to spread throughout the Club with the result that the social side suffered badly and bar takings slumped. I know that playing on some God-forsaken astroturf pitch at a very un-hockey time doesn't lend itself to a social atmosphere, but I'll bet most of the members were drinking somewhere on Saturday evening. Why not at Sophia Gardens?

To continue with the playing side, congratulations are due to the Ladies 1st XI who won their league easily, and have now accepted the invitation to play in the Welsh National League next season.

The Men's 3rd XI, captained by Geoff Medlow, beat Bridgend in the race for the Division 3 title to be promoted as champions. The Mini teams under Jonathan Attar and Andrew Griffiths have run the following teams and obtained these results:—

Three under 12 teams, best league position third, an under 14 team that achieved a unique triple of league, South Wales Cup and Welsh Cup, an under 16 team that finished runners up in both the league and the cup final and an under 18 team which lost in the cup semi-finals.

Congratulations and well done to you all. I must draw your attention to the work done by Jonathan and Andrew with the youth. We owe them a very sincere vote of thanks for all that they have done, and are still doing on our behalf. Make no mistake, Cardiff Hockey Club will need to build on this foundation for our future. We must also recognise that there is a limit to what they can do and they need helpers to share the load.

1993-94 was a double European Year. The men's indoor side, as Welsh champions, travelled to Prague and finished a very creditable 6th despite all the trials and tribulations of their build-up. Congratulations lads.

The ladies were in the 'A' Group of the Cup Winners Cup and your Committee decided to accept the invitation of the F.E.H. to host the event. An organising Committee of the usual old faces was formed, met, worked hard, especially Julie Hunt, and eventually the tournament was here. Everybody arrived, all the workers worked and we hosted a wonderful tournament — I would say the best that Cardiff have ever done, despite the

appalling weather and falling trees. Sadly our results were not what we had hoped for and we finished 8th in Europe.

In the Welsh Cups both men and women lost to Swansea in the latter stages of the competitions. The tournament to find the South Wales Champion Club saw Cardiff share the title with Whitchurch on points but come second on goal difference.

As previously mentioned the social side of the club has been sadly deficient. Even the organised events have been poorly supported and we have lost money on each one.

Your Committee recognise that steps must be taken to bring the Club back into line, and as I have hinted we have plans for systems and personnel who we hope will bring about the changes that are necessary. One of these is the acquisition of a Club Coach for next season, another is a Recruitment Officer. However, these steps will only work if they have the co-operation of all our members.

Finally, on your behalf, I must thank all those who have worked diligently, and in some cases beyond the call of duty, in the interests of the Club. All the Captains have been outstanding in a hard working Committee, but I will nominate Julie Hunt as the revelation of the season. Her work in holding together the European Tournament was so magnificent that the W.W.H.A. have been falling over themselves to sign her up for greater things. Julie, well done.

Our thanks go to the staff of Cardiff Athletic Club, on the ground, behind the bar and in the office. To all the umpires, both volunteered and coerced, many thanks — please don't take the comments to heart, we love you really. To Chris Fookes, keeper of the 'Tin' and the records and last, but certainly not least, to Elaine for preparing and serving our teas in a qualified and friendly manner.

TONY RHYS-JONES
Chairman

FIRST XI REPORT

The season was bound to be different for all involved as we faced the challenge of a new league, albeit some of the opposition we have played in friendlies over the past years. I would imagine that every player who represented the First team in the league would agree that we should not have ended up in the relegation cliff hanging position that we did. There are many reasons why. However there are three key issues that consistently played a part in our lack of ability to perform: these were primarily not fielding a settled side, lack of practising together and fitness.

The results at the end of the year are disappointing. However we finished second in the South Wales league play-off from last year, narrowly losing 2-1 to Whitchurch who ultimately qualified for the National League Division 2. It is ironical that Whitchurch, our most long standing rivals, should have saved our bacon from relegation by qualifying for the National League.

The margins are so tight in the modern game of hockey as so much relies on set pieces and an understanding of the game that unless the team

develops together and commits itself to training, practising and turning out on a weekly basis, a lack of success is inevitable.

The European campaign to Prague was enjoyable and again the margins very tight between ultimate success and finishing in the position that we did. My thanks go to Mike Cleverly for his efforts in organising and his support throughout that campaign, and the season generally.

My congratulations go to the Ladies First XI on winning their league and the commendable effort in hosting and playing in the A Division of the European Cup.

My thanks go to Mark Tuckwell for his support from Second team Captain Tony Rhys Jones as Chairman and the Committee and players who have supported me throughout the past seasons as Captain.

We are fortunate to have within the Club an excellent mini and junior set-up that is the future of the Club. This needs to be harnessed and moulded into the next generation of Cardiff Hockey Club 1st team players. There are moves afoot to bring about change and it is my considered belief that the "chemistry" is right within the Committee to bring about such change. My good wishes go out to my successor, Jeff Medlow, in his role as 1st team Captain for next season.

TIM PERCIVAL

SECOND XI REPORT

A season of mixed fortunes saw a first round exit from the Welsh Cup but resulted in a comfortable mid-table position in the league at the end of the season.

With over forty players being used by the 2nd XI it was difficult to maintain the level of performance required, and goals in particular were hard to come by. Some encouraging youth performances, especially from Craig Clements and John Richards, bode well for next season. Against this a much higher level of commitment is needed both on and off the pitch to achieve league and cup successes.

Many thanks to all those who stood in for me as skipper, at the end of the season, especially Andrew Warlow and Mike x10 Cleverly.

MARK TUCKWELL

THIRD XI REPORT

This season has proved to be very rewarding on several accounts, the most satisfying being our performance in the league. We had a mixture of results — winning 11, drawing 1 and losing 4 — but ended up winning the league and gaining promotion for next season. Lack of a stable side prevented better results — over the season we used a total of 42 players.

During the season quite a number of the club's younger players were involved and showed a lot of potential for the future. We need to nurture this talent in order to make sure that they develop to be an integral part of our higher teams.

The team spirit displayed during the season was particularly pleasing to me. I believe that this was a major factor in overcoming the difficulties arising from the team changes each week, enabling our success in the league.

Finally, congratulations to Trevor Buchanan who won Player of the Season award for the Third XI and special thanks to Andy Griffiths for helping out with the goalkeeping duties in the middle of the season until reinforcements arrived

GEOFF MEDLOW

FOURTH XI REPORT

There are old players and bold players but Cardiff Men's 4th team contains its fair share of old bold players! Dave Parsons is to be congratulated on his continued presence in Cardiff Hockey Club at the age of 62.

In line with pre-season expectations the 4th XI had an enjoyable season touring South Wales and the South West, finishing fourth in South Wales Division 4. The season brought a number of enjoyable tussles with local sides, notably Newport and Whitchurch, and a less popular match against unfortunate Penarth on a waterlogged Sophia Gardens pitch, abandoned at half time due to the threat of drowning. Two senior members, Jerry Shelton and Mike Chinn, barely missed a game all season whilst Ali Marshall was voted Player of the Year. We look forward to carrying on the tradition of enjoyable social hockey through to the 1994/95 season.

CHRIS SUTTON

FIFTH XI REPORT

This season has been one of change for the 5th team. A new name, three different Captains and a rebuilding of the team midway through the season characterised the Cardiff Colts team. The aim, under Jonathan Atter, had been to train the youngsters so that they could be introduced to the higher echelons of the Club. The success can be measured in the fact that by the end of the season so many of the original team commanded regular places in the seconds and thirds.

After Christmas, with the loss of some of the more talented youngsters, you would have thought the side would be weaker, but thanks to some of the under 14s and some new blood, especially Richard Roberts, we continued to have some success. Things to remember include: Daniel Waite's four goals against Cwmbran, and Tom Ryan's clearance off the line against the Fourths. Things to forget include: the eleventh goal scored by Caerphilly, and the one and a half hour wait for Pembroke County.

My thanks go to all those who have played this year, especially Graham Hawkins, James Nicholson and Player of the Year Scott Ramsay, who played in nearly every game. To the 'Evergreen' Dave Parsons and young Jason Perrett, in whom we had the oldest and youngest players in the league.

My greatest thanks go to Jonathan Atter, without whose continued support and encouragement my period of captaincy would have been impossible.

In the end we finished mid-table. If we hadn't lost eight points through bureaucracy we might have finished third. Will it be the bureaucrats who will finish off Cardiff Colts?

ANDREW GRIFFITHS

LADIES FIRST XI REPORT

Having opted out of the Ladies Welsh National League the 1st XI ended up clear winners of the South Wales First Division and as a result will be playing in the National League next season. This season, the only route available for European qualification was through winning the Welsh Cup. Unfortunately, we played Swansea in the quarter final and although we dominated the game the final score was a disappointing 1-0 defeat.

The highlight of the season must surely be the hosting of, and participating in, the European Cup Winners Cup "A" Division Tournament. Cardiff Athletic Hockey Club should be very proud of both (a) the successful tournament that was hosted, and (b) the squad of players that represented Cardiff in the tournament. Although the overall positioning of the Ladies team was rather disappointing, on reflection a great team performance was displayed throughout the entire tournament.

I have great pleasure in presenting the Ladies 1st XI Player of the Year award to our goalkeeper Lisa Wride. Lisa has been with the Club for a number of years, but this year a "new" Lisa emerged. She will most definitely be remembered for the magical performance she gave in the European Cup competition.

Special thanks must be given to Mike Cleverly and Julie Hunt for all the commitment they have shown to the Club throughout the season. I would also like to thank Leanne for her support and wish my successor, Judith Livesey, all the best for the new season. Finally I wish Michelle Robertson good luck in pastures new, she will be greatly missed.

EIRIAN GRIFFITHS

LADIES SECOND XI REPORT

The Ladies 2nd XI had an unexpected and tough season, the main problem being the lack of a settled side which resulted from a disappointing level of commitment and communication within the side. Consequently, the team faced relegation to the 3rd Division of the South Wales League. A last minute reprieve in the form of a play-off saw the 2nd XI maintain their position in the 2nd Division by taking a well deserved and eagerly fought victory.

Many thanks go to Mary Girvan (Vice-Captain) and to the girls for their support through this difficult season. Let's hope we learn by our mistakes and take the 2nd Division by storm next season. Congratulations to Dawn Story who was Player of the Year, and good luck to Gaynor Martin in her leadership next season. Here's to the 1st Division of the South Wales League.

LEANNE BRUSTAD

CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB

Summary of results for season 1993-94

	P	W	D	L	A	For	Against
1st XI	32	10	5	16	1	39	59
Ladies 1st XI	33	21	1	11	-	82	35
2nd XI	25	9	3	13	-	36	44
Ladies 2nd XI	27	9	5	13	-	32	46
3rd XI	23	13	4	6	-	53	27
4th XI	23	11	7	5	-	28	20
Youth XI	15	6	3	6	-	26	22
Club Totals	178	79	28	70	1	296	253

Leading Goalscorers:

Tim Percival	17
Sue Percival	16
Jane Rowley	16
Marita Williams	14
Craig Clements	12
Geoff Medlow	12
Paul Silver	10
Daniel Waite	10

A total of 66 players
scored 293 goals with 19
of them only scoring once

Representative Honours:

Wales	Lisa Wride, Michelle Robertson
Wales U-21	Nicola Robinson, Jo Butt
Wales U-16	Daniel Waite, Danielle O'Sullivan
Wales U-15	Craig Clements
S. Wales U-16	Amy Rees
S. Wales U-14	Jason Perrett, Andrew Thomas

HOCKEY TEAMS RESULTS 1993-94

FIRST XI RESULTS

1993						1994					
Sept. 18	F	Brean	H	2-2		Jan. 8	F	Hereford	H	1-1	
Oct. 2	L	Clevedon	A	1-2		15	F	Whitchurch	A	0-5	
9	L	West Glos.	A	3-2		16	C	Swansea	A	0-2	
16	L	Llan & Llan	H	1-2		22	L	Llan & Llan	A	1-0	
23	L	East Devon	A	0-2		29	L	East Devon	H	0-0	
24	C	Newtown	A	2-1		30	C	Monsanto	A	1-0	
30	L	Bristol	H	0-1		Feb. 5	L	Bristol	A	0-2	
Nov. 6	L	Marlborough ..	A	1-0		12	L	Marlborough ..	H	1-0	
13	L	West Wilts.	H	1-2		26	L	Yeovil/S'brne ..	H	2-0	
21	C	Llan & Llan	A	1-2		27	C	Swansea	A	0-2	
28	C	Penarth	A	2-2		Mar. 5	L	Otter Vale	A	3-2	
Dec. 4	L	Clevedon	H	1-0		12	L	West Wilts.	A	3-4	
11	L	West Glos.	H	1-2		19	F	Penarth	A	1-1	
12	L	Yeovil/S'brne ..	A	3-4		20	T	Whitchurch	A	1-2	
18	L	Otter Vale	H	0-3		26	T	Swansea	H	2-0	
						Apr. 9	F	Newport	A	2-3	
						16	F	Weston	A	2-8	

SECOND XI RESULTS

1993						1994					
Sept. 18	F	Brean II	A	1-0		Jan. 8	F	Hereford II	A	2-4	
25	F	West Glos. II ..	A	1-3		22	L	Penarth	A	0-4	
Oct. 2	L	Whitchurch II ..	H	0-3		29	L	Pembroke C.	H	2-0	
9	L	Cwmbran	A	3-0		Feb. 5	L	Bridgend	A	1-1	
16	L	Penarth	H	1-5		12	L	Llan & Llan II ..	H	3-0	
23	L	Pembroke C.	A	1-2		19	L	Abergavenny ..	A	2-0	
30	L	Bridgend	H	1-2		Mar. 5	L	Swansea II	A	1-1	
31	C	Whitchurch A ..	H	0-1		12	L	Oystermouth II ..	H	0-3	
Nov. 6	L	Llan & Llan II ..	A	4-0		26	F	Westbury UB II ..	A	0-3	
20	L	Oystermouth ..	A	0-0		Apr. 9	F	Newport II	H	1-4	
27	L	Swansea II	H	1-2		16	F	Weston II	H	5-2	
Dec. 4	L	Whitchurch II ..	A	1-2							
11	L	Cwmbran	H	3-1							
18	F	Swansea II	H	2-1							

THIRD XI RESULTS

1993						1994					
Sept. 25	F	West Glos. III ..	H	2-2		Jan. 8	F	Hereford III	H	1-1	
Oct. 2	L	Chepstow II	A	0-1		15	F	Whitchurch III ..	A	3-1	
9	L	Whitchurch IV ..	H	2-0		22	L	Bridgend II	H	2-0	
16	L	Bridgend II	A	0-2		29	L	Brit. Steel III ..	A	1-3	
23	L	Brit. Steel III ..	H	4-0		Feb. 5	L	UWC Cardiff III ..	H	3-0	
30	L	UWC Cardiff III ..	A	5-2		26	L	Swansea III	A	3-0	
Nov. 13	L	Pembroke C. II ..	A	2-1		Mar. 12	L	UC Swansea II ..	H	1-1	
20	L	Swansea III	H	2-0		19	L	Pembroke C. II ..	H	2-1	
27	L	UC Swansea II ..	A	2-3		26	F	Westbury UB III ..	H	3-2	
Dec. 4	L	Chepstow II	H	8-0		Apr. 9	F	Newport III	A	2-3	
11	L	Whitchurch IV ..	A	4-1		16	F	Weston III	A	0-0	
18	F	Swansea III	A	1-3							

FOURTH XI RESULTS

1993				1994			
Sept.	18	F	Brean IV	A	3-1	Jan.	8 F Hereford IV A 1-0
	25	F	West Glos. IV .	A	0-3		15 L Penarth III H 1-1
Oct.	2	L	Whitchurch VI	H	2-1		22 L Newport IV A 3-1
	9	L	Bridgend III	A	0-0		29 L Oystermouth II H 1-0
	16	L	Newport IV	H	5-0	Feb.	5 L Whitchurch V . A 0-2
	23	L	Oystermouth II	A	1-0		12 L Cwmbran II H 3-1
	30	L	Whitchurch V	H	0-0		19 L Penarth III A 0-0
Nov.	6	L	Cwmbran II	A	1-0	Mar.	12 L UC Swansea III A 0-4
	20	L	Cardiff Meds. ..	A	0-2		18 L Cardiff Meds. ... H 2-1
	27	L	UC Swansea III	H	0-0		26 F Westbury UB IV A 0-1
Dec.	4	L	Whitchurch VI	A	3-0	Apr.	9 F Newport IV H 1-1
	11	L	Bridgend III	H	1-1		

YOUTH XI RESULTS

1993				1994			
Oct.	2	L	Whitchurch VII	A	1-0	Jan.	22 F Llan & Llan IV H 1-2
	9	L	St. David's UC	H	0-0		29 L Cwmbran III A 0-0
	16	L	Llan & Llan IV	A	0-1	Feb.	5 L Caerphilly H 0-11
	23	L	Cwmbran III ...	H	4-0		12 L Pembroke C. III A 3-0
	30	L	Caerphilly	A	0-2		26 L Brit. Steel IV A 2-4
Nov.	6	L	Pembroke C. III	H	0-0	Mar.	5 F UC Swansea IV ..H 6-0
	20	L	Brit. Steel IV	H	1-0		
	27	L	UC Swansea IV	A	1-2		
Dec.	4	F	Cwmbran III ...	A	7-0		

LADIES FIRST XI RESULTS

1993					1994						
Sept.	11	F	Redland	A	2-1	Jan.	9	L	Cwmtawe	A	4-1
		F	Swansea	A	0-2		15	F	Bracknell	A	1-1
	18	F	BAC	H	2-0		22	F	Weston	H	2-0
	26	F	Southampton	A	3-2		30	C	Llanfair (Wpl) .	A	2-0
Oct.	2	F	St. Fagans	A	1-0	Feb.	6	F	Cheltenham ...	H	3-2
	16	L	British Steel	H	5-0		12	L	Porthcawl	H	0-1
	23	L	Porthcawl	A	9-0		19	L	Llan & Llan	A	3-0
	24	F	Pickwick	H	3-2		26	L	O. Howardians	H	5-3
Nov.	30	L	Llan & Llan	H	7-0	Mar.	5	L	Cwmtawe	H	2-0
	6	L	O. Howardians	A	3-0		6	F	East Gloucs. ...	A	2-3
	21	C	Whitchurch	H	3-0		12	L	C.I.H.E.	H	4-0
	27	L	C.I.H.E.	A	3-1		19	L	St. Fagans	A	7-0
Dec.	11	L	St. Fagans	H	3-0	Apr.	26	F	Swansea	A	1-2
	18	F	Redland	H	1-3		1	T	Bayer L'kusen .	H	1-3
					2		T	Balsam L'ster ..	H	0-2	
					3		T	Portadown	H	0-2	
					4		T	Aldeasa V'luz .	H	0-1	
					9		C	Swansea	H	0-1	

LADIES SECOND XI RESULTS

1993					1994						
Sept.	25	F	O. Howardians	H	3-6	Jan.	8	F	Clifton II	A	0-2
Oct.	2	F	Bargoed	A	1-0		16	F	Newport II	H	2-1
	9	F	St. Fagans II	H	1-2		22	F	O. Howardians	A	3-4
	10	F	Swansea II	H	2-0		23	L	Dowlais	H	0-0
	16	L	Barry	A	0-4		29	F	Bargoed	H	3-1
	23	L	Chepstow	H	0-0	Feb.	5	L	Barry	H	3-2
	30	L	Swansea II	A	0-2	Mar.	5	L	Dowlais	A	0-2
Nov.	6	L	Risca	H	0-4		12	L	Whitchurch	H	0-1
	20	F	Whitchurch II	A	2-0		19	L	Rhondda	H	1-0
	27	L	Whitchurch	A	0-0	Apr.	16	L	Risca	A	1-1
Dec.	4	F	Penarth II	A	3-2		17	L	Chepstow	A	0-2
	11	L	Rhondda	A	0-0		23	F	Redland II	H	2-5
	18	F	Redland II	A	1-2		24	L	Swansea II	H	1-2

CARDIFF HOCKEY CLUB – RECORDS OF PAST SEASONS

Season	Captain	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
1896-97	E. W. BENNETT	Records not available					
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. B. M. BULMER	16	12	2	2	62	23
1908-09	E. R. SWEET-ESCOTT	23	17	3	3	101	26
1909-10	B. TURNBULL	18	14	0	4	109	26
1910-11	H. H. SWEET-ESCOTT	18	14	2	2	107	22
1911-12	J. W. DUNCAN	18	15	1	2	95	26
1912-13	H. REDFORD	15	10	0	5	70	57
1913-14	J. O. TURNBULL	22	19	2	1	115	30
1919-20	B. TURNBULL	17	10	2	5	64	45
1920-21	H. S. STEPHENS	14	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	Records not available					
1925-26	A. T. HARPER	Records not available					
1926-27	W. H. FAIRLAMB	Records not available					
1927-28	R. J. RICHING	Records not available					
1928-29	D. G. SHAW	Records not available					
1929-30	F. L. LAMARQUE	12		4	9	79	59
1930-31	F. L. LAMARQUE	30	17	3	10	126	50
1931-32	K. G. HUGHES	29	16	4	9	87	77
1932-33	S. C. BANBURY	28	13	6	9	77	77
1933-34	S. C. BANBURY	30	11	5	14	53	57
1934-35	S. C. BANBURY	34	13	7	14	64	71
1935-36	G. R. FAULKS	27	14	2	11	60	64
1936-37	G. R. FAULKS	25	11	6	8	48	50
1937-38	G. R. FAULKS	31	20	3	8	64	40
1938-39	G. R. FAULKS	25	14	6	5	62	30
1945-46	G. PERCIVAL	32	25	2	5	139	49
1946-47	G. PERCIVAL	20	10	3	7	65	36
1947-48	K. G. HUGHES	26	14	3	9	57	42
1948-49	G. A. L. TUCKER	26	15	1	10	72	45
1949-50	W. N. FRANCIS	32	22	3	7	110	56
1950-51	W. N. FRANCIS	26	14	8	4	87	44
1951-52	W. N. FRANCIS	30	17	6	7	96	47
1952-53	W. N. FRANCIS	30	18	8	4	98	43
1953-54	N. C. PALLOT	30	18	6	6	89	34
1954-55	N. C. PALLOT	29	20	6	3	100	31
1955-56	W. A. THOMAS	29	19	3	7	103	52
1956-57	M. MEGGITT, T. THOMAS	28	16	5	7	83	59
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	11	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	100	23
1981-82	R. B. WILLIAMS	36	27	5	4	120	36
1982-83	H. D. J. WILLIAMS	39	27	5	7	92	31
1983-84	H. D. J. WILLIAMS	38	32	2	2	149	22
1984-85	A. GOWMAN	33	25	4	4	117	32
1985-86	A. GOWMAN	30	22	5	3	103	27
1986-87	A. GOWMAN	30	16	5	8	112	45
1987-88	S. G. SPARKES	36	27	3	6	127	44
1988-89	S. G. SPARKES	30	19	7	4	84	31
1989-90	T. J. PERCIVAL	38	18	4	16	100	67
1990-91	T. J. PERCIVAL	36	20	5	11	115	81
1991-92	S. G. SPARKES	37	27	5	5	119	41
1992-93	T. J. PERCIVAL	31	16	0	15	53	60
1993-94	T. J. PERCIVAL	32	10	5	16	39	59

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB GOLFING SOCIETY

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The golfing season began with the meeting at Llanishen Golf Club in April, where Brian Mark welcomed 60 plus competitors to his home club for his Captain's Day. The course, as always, was immaculate. The Captain's Trophy was won by Bob Phillips and Alan Wilkins with a 4 ball B/B Stableford, score of 43 points.

The season continued with the meeting at Cardiff Golf Club for the Rhys T. Gabe Cup, a Singles Stableford Competition won by Howard Pearce with 34 points, whilst Joe Burke with 37 points won the Best Guest prize. Another well supported meeting and many old friendships renewed in the atmosphere of the after proceedings.

Whitchurch Golf Club hosted our July meeting for the CRFC Centenary Cup. As always, a fully subscribed meeting combined with the warm hospitality typical of this Club ensured another memorable occasion, particularly for Martin Stevens and Tony Perkins who won the trophy with a score of 46 points.

August saw the Society and Guests compete for the Hubert Johnson Trophy at Glamorganshire Golf Club, another splendid course with its innovative water hazards. The winners with 41 points (22 on back 9) from Mike Cole and Alf Norman, were Elfed Davies and Brian Rowlands. Here too, celebrations went on well into the late evening.

Radyr Golf Club was visited in September and the Gwyn Nicholls Rose Bowl was won by C. D. Williams with a score of 40 points in this his year of captaincy at that Club, whilst the Best Guest prize went to Tommy David (35pts).

Finally, the Founders Trophy, for members only, a foursomes competition was played at Creigau Golf Club. This was an exceptionally well attended meeting and proved a highly successful golfing and social occasion, the winners being Brian Mark and C.D. Williams. The new Clubhouse, combined with the warmth of the welcome, proved a suitable back-drop for the conclusion of our golfing season.

The Society has this year enjoyed good golf, good company, friendship and a warmth of reception reserved only for premier societies that have established their reputation over a period of many years. We were pleased to welcome the host Captains at each of our meetings as our guests for the day and afterward at our table for supper.

The Annual Dinner in January was another splendid affair. Members and guests were feted and feasted at Cardiff Athletic Club, where the continued high standard of catering (both wet and dry) remain unsurpassed. Alan Wilkins and Russell Hopkins, OBE, were the guest speakers and our thanks are due to them for being with us and giving freely their company and eloquence.

The Annual General Meeting saw Jeff Thomas installed as Captain in succession to Brian Mark, who has nominated Trefor Seaton as his Vice-

Captain. We would like to congratulate John Saunders on being installed as the Captain of Royal Porthcawl and wish him every success during his period of office.

My personal thanks are due to Brian Mark for the pleasant manner in which he has performed his duties, to our President Haydn Wilkins for his total support and to all participating members for their co-operation and attitude which continues to maintain the Society's high reputation wherever we visit.

BRIAN JOSEPH

Hon. Secretary

Cardiff Athletic Club Golfing Society

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB MALE VOICE CHOIR

REPORT 1993-94

The year has been one of mixed fortunes for the Choir. On the plus side the quality of the choristers has improved out of all recognition under the baton of our Musical Director Edgar Taylor and our accompanist Mary Jones, both have played a major role in shaping the choristers to produce a quality of sound not found in many choirs. We are indeed indebted to them both. Not forgetting of course our deputy "unpaid" Musical Director Steve Gunning.

Our President Haydn Wilkins takes a keen interest in all the activities of the Choir and we would like to thank him and the Club for all their hospitality to the Choir.

The Choir can be justifiably pleased at the amount of money raised once again for charitable organisations. Concerts given over the last year include:

The Monmouth Festival
Willows High School
Llanishen Fach Primary School
Trowbridge Festival
Warmley Community Christmas Concert
The Friendship Force
Two Christmas Concerts at Dyffryn Gardens

We were also delighted to entertain Australians and Canadians in the Clubhouse. A new departure for the Choir at Christmas was carol singing outside Stephens the Joke Shop, on Christmas Saturday in aid of Help the Aged. I think the choristers were singing *Silent Night* in their sleep for weeks after.

Members of the choir also form a joint Cardiff choir on Thursday nights, this is made up of members from the five Male Choirs in the Cardiff and Penarth area. It gives the opportunity to the choristers to sing some of the larger choral works which smaller numbers are unable to perform.

A number of choristers went to Atlanta as part of the World Choir. Those of us that went had a very enjoyable and pleasant time. The highlight for us was the concert held in the Peach Tree Presbyterian Church at which over a thousand came to hear the choirs. Regrettably many choristers were unable to make the trip due to the collapse of the chartered flight plans, and the additional cost involved.

We look forward to the coming year, which promises to be an exciting if busy year for the choir. Part of our itinerary will be travelling to Scotland for the Wales v. Scotland game, visiting Germany and taking part in the World Choir V.E. Concert in Wembley Stadium. Some members are going to South Africa with the World Choir Organisation. There may even be a trip to Southern Ireland for a week next September. The Choir are looking for sponsorship to help defray the cost of travel, if you are able to help please

contact myself or Steve Gunning. All contributions, however small, will be acknowledged in the Choir programmes.

As with all male choirs, we are always looking for new members to complement our numbers, so if any of you reading this report would like to join with us on a Monday night, rehearsal starts at 7.30 p.m. in the Top Lounge of the Club. There is no voice test and the ability to read music is not required. A warm welcome awaits you.

Did you hear the one about the young chorister at the home of his girlfriend, on the Saturday of the Wales England game (he was one of the rare ones that had a ticket for the game). He was being pushed to set the date for their wedding. In desperation to get along to the club, he finally agreed on the 28th of October.

The following day he again went to his girlfriend's house, totally forgetting he had agreed a wedding date. It was not long after he arrived his would be mother-in-law told him she had started making the arrangements. He was totally taken aback with this news, however, and it was not long before he announced that they could not possibly get married on this date. When asked why, the answer came back clear and strong.

Our 25th wedding anniversary would fall on the night of the choir's annual concert.

VIC PEARCE
Hon. Secretary

