

President

In taking on the presidency for the season 1990/91, I wanted to try and stabilise the club's affairs again after the previous unfortunate season. An excellent blend of experience and enthusiasm was elected to the Executive and General Committees for last season, and I would like to take this opportunity to formally acknowledge and thank them for all their individual and collective efforts.

In his first season as treasurer, Warwick Nolan has been an outstanding contributor and the time and effort that he has put into the club is reflected in the finance report which follows. I would also like to praise our club secretary, Darren Nagle who has been the quiet achiever this year. He has put in many hours (and cakes and biscuits and tinnies at my home!) throughout the season. Thanks Spud!! Terry Nagle really turned the club's economic fortunes around with the way that the bar was run. So to him, and all his bar staff, I say well done. An excellent season by you all.

The club functions were reasonably well supported by the members throughout the year. Kerry Fitzpatrick and her helpers were untiring in their efforts to maintain social interest within the club. Thanks so much, Kerry. Danny Fitzpatrick and Mark Wakeling were the club's delegates to the Association and for your time and input in attending the meetings, I thank you both. The quiet man of the Committee, Steve Marshall, had the unenviable job of organising the presentation night. To him I say a job very well done.

As has been the case for countless years at our club, the canteen and afternoon teas were outstanding under the guidance of Ruby Elliott and her staff. Thanks again Ruby for your efforts in supporting the club the way you do and for your fund raising initiatives with your raffle. Hopefully, next season you will see many changes from the canteen with a new A Grade pitch and practice nets. To my sister, Robyn (The Enforcer), I say many thanks for all your help in the canteen, in counter meals and functions etc. Your support is appreciated not only by me but by all the other club members. I would like to thank the members of the Beetroot Head Club for their donation and their continued support of our club. Your efforts are appreciated.

I would like to congratulate Greg Peters, our Captain and Coach, on the wonderful job he has done this season. His captaincy throughout the year, and especially in the semi-final, was outstanding and I believe that his best season batting wise is just ahead of us. To each of the other club captains, Mark Wakeling, Danny Fitzpatrick and Doug McLaggan I would also like to thank you, both on behalf of the club and on a personal level, for your time and effort throughout the season.

Although the season looked promising for all sides prior to Christmas, only the First XI was able to make it to the finals. This, to me, was a major disappointment and I feel with some effective recruitment and a tighter team selection policy, I am optimistic that we will be able to improve on those results. I hope that we can claim a flag or two next season because we are overdue!!

Even though the season has been finished for some time, your Committee has been meeting regularly and one of their major contributions is the review of the club's Constitution. Several changes have been recommended by the Committee for you (the members) to consider. Please note that these changes are *proposed* changes only. It is hoped that these alterations will improve the running of the club. As a result of these amendments, the Constitution to be more up to date and will better reflect the circumstances and needs of the club in the 1990s.

A complete copy of the Proposed Constitution is included for you to read. It will be discussed and voted on at the Annual General meeting.

Finally I would like to thank all the supporters who have followed the various sides each week. Without you people, we would not have the success and the strength that we currently enjoy. To everyone involved in our club I say thank you, well done and see you next season.

Ray Storey
(President)