



NORTH SYDNEY DISTRICT RUGBY LEAGUE

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Referees' Association Inc.

# Annual Report Season 2014

Notice of Annual General Meeting  
For the Presentation of the  
**Annual Report and Financial Accounts for  
Season 2014**  
To be held at  
**NORTH SYDNEY LEAGUES CLUB LIMITED**  
12 Abbott Street,  
Camberay  
McKinnon Room  
On  
**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2014**  
**At 7:30pm**

North Sydney District Rugby League  
Referees' Association Inc.  
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**AGENDA**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2014**

1. A MINUTE SILENCE IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR FELLOW REFEREES
2. WELCOME VISITORS
3. APOLOGIES
4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
5. CORRESPONDANCE
6. PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET
7. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Nil

8. ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- ×| CHAIRMAN
- ×| EXECUTIVE OFFICER
- ×| DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
- ×| DIRECTOR OF REFEREE DEVELOPMENT
- ×| DIRECTOR OF MEMBER SERVICES

9. LIFE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

THAT NO MEMBER PLACED BEFORE THE MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP FOR THE YEAR 2014.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS (Includes the election of John Quinn Trophy and Life Membership Committees)

**MICHAEL QUAILEY**

**CHAIRMAN**

**WAYNE EDWARDS**

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

## **OFFICE BEARERS SEASON 2014**

### **PATRON**

Mrs Elizabeth Quailey

### **CHAIRMAN**

Mr Michael Quailey

### **EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Vacant (Until 19/2/2014)

Mr Wayne Edwards (From 19/2/14)

### **DIRECTOR OF FINANCE**

Mr Michael Haynes

### **DIRECTOR OF REFEREE DEVELOPMENT**

Mr Wayne Edwards (Resigned 19/2/14)

Mr Chris Hopkins (From 19/2/14)

### **DIRECTOR OF MEMBER SERVICES**

Mr Scot Murray

### **DELEGATE TO NSWRL REFEREES'**

Mr Stan Watson & Mr Nathan Smith

### **DELEGATE TO NORTH SYDNEY JUNIOR LEAGUE**

Mr Michael Colla

### **HONARARY AUDITORS**

Mr Martin Ryan & Mr Geoff McManus

### **CONTROLLER OF PAYMENTS**

Mr Michael Haynes & Mr Michael Quailey

### **PUBLIC OFFICER**

Mr Michael Quailey

## **ACCREDITATION PROVIDER**

Mr Stan Watson

## **LEVEL 2 COACHING STAFF**

Mr Wayne Edwards

Mr Michael Haynes

Mr Colin Jones

Mr Scot Murray

Mr Michael Quailey

Mr Jonathon Stone

Mr Stan Watson

## **LEVEL 1 COACHING STAFF**

Mr James Charman

Mr Graeme Field

Mr Chris Hopkins

## **GEAR STEWARD**

Mr James Charman with Mr Wayne Edwards

## **COMMITTEES**

### **LIFE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Messrs: Michael Haynes, Geoff McManus, Michael Quailey

### **JOHN QUINN TROPHY COMMITTEE**

Messrs: Michael Quailey, Geoff McManus, Michael Haynes, Chris Hopkins, James Charman.

## **NORTH SYDNEY JUNIOR LEAGUE POSITIONS**

### **REFEREES' APPOINTMENTS**

Mr. Michael Quailey

### **ADVISORY BOARD**

Referees Advisors are now appointed by the Association from the pool of qualified CMO Coaches.

### **REPRESENTATIVES ON THE JUDICIARY**

Messrs: Colin Jones, Michael Quailey & Stan Watson

### **INCIDENT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Did not operate

# **North Sydney District Rugby League Referees Association Inc.**

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

**Held at North Sydney Leagues Club on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

**Meeting Commenced:** 19:32

**Acting Chairman:** Michael Haynes

**Attendance:** Michael Haynes, Scot Murray, Wayne Edwards, Nathan Smith, Chris Hopkins, Paul Taylor, Geoff McManus, Dylan Guptill, Jon Stone, Stan Watson, Brian Barry, Colin Jones, Martin Ryan

**Minute Silence:** A Minutes silence was held in remembrance of our fellow referees.

**Guests:** Acknowledgement of visitor Mary McManus, Life Members, junior member Dylan Guptill, and grade members by Acting Chairman Haynes.

**Apologies:** Brian Davoren, Peter Dayhew, Graeme Field, Bill Lalor, Greg Florimo, Michael Colla, Doug Keen, James Charman. Moved Jon Stone, Seconded Colin Jones that the apologies be accepted. Carried.

Leave of absence requested by Michael Quailey. Moved Geoff McManus, seconded Nathan Smith that Mr. Quailey's request be granted. Carried.

**Minutes of previous AGM:** Minutes of the 2012 are included in the Annual Report. Moved that they be taken as read. Geoff McManus. Seconded Martin Ryan. Carried.

**Errors or Omissions:** Nil

**Business Arising:** Nil

**Correspondence in:** Letter from Michael Quailey requesting Leave of Absence for tonight's meeting. Dealt with during Apologies.

**Correspondence out:** Notice of AGM and Annual Report distributed to all members. Moved Nathan Smith, Seconded Brian Barry that the Chairman (Michael Quailey acting in the stead of the Executive Officer) be endorsed. Carried.

### **Presentation of the Annual Report and Financial Accounts**

**Adoption of Annual Report:** The Acting Chairman put forward the Annual Report for adoption. Brian Barry spoke in favour of the report and formally moved for its adoption. Stan Watson seconded Mr. Barry's remarks. The motion was put and was carried.

**Adoption of Financial Accounts:** Martin Ryan spoke on the quality of the accounts and excellent job performed by the Director of Finance on the report. The auditors had made recommendation as to the cost of gear that will be considered by the Board next year. Mr. Ryan moved for adoption of the accounts. Seconded Geoff McManus. Carried.

**Notice of Motion:** Nil.

### **Election of the Board of Directors.**

The Acting Chairman declared all positions vacant.

The meeting indicated that it wished Mr Haynes to stay in the chair.

**Chairman:** Michael Quailey had submitted a written nomination duly proposed and seconded. There being no other written nominations, he was declared elected unopposed.

**Executive Officer:** Nominations were made for Chris Hopkins and Scot Murray who both declined. Email to be sent seeking volunteers.

**Director of Finance:** Nomination for Michael Haynes. There being no further nominations, Mr. Haynes was declared elected unopposed.

**Director of Members Services:** Nomination for Scot Murray. There being no further nominations, Mr. Murray was declared elected unopposed.

**Director of Referee Development:** Nomination for Stan Watson (declined), Col Jones (declined), and Wayne Edwards (accepted). Mr Edwards declared elected unopposed.

### **Life Membership Committee recommendation.**

The Life Membership Committee recommended that Mr. Scot Murray's name be placed before the meeting for consideration of Life Membership.

Geoff McManus spoke for the recommendation. He outlined Mr. Murray's service to the Association as contained in the Annual Report. Mr. Haynes endorsed Mr. McManus' remarks.

As a secret ballot was required, Mary McManus was asked if she would act as scrutineer. Mrs. McManus accepted.

Ballot result: Mr. Murray was elected by unanimous decision.

## **General Business**

### **John Quinn Trophy Committee:**

Nominations

Michael Quailey – written acceptance

James Charman – accepted –

Martin Ryan – declined

Chris Hopkins – accepted (last years' winner)

Wayne Edwards – declined

Brian Barry – declined

Michael Haynes – accepted

Geoff McManus – accepted

Messrs. Quailey, Charman, Hopkins, Haynes and McManus were declared elected.

### **Life Membership Committee:**

Nominations

Geoff McManus – accepted

Brian Barry – declined

Jon Stone – declined

Col Jones – declined

Michael Quailey – written acceptance

Michael Haynes – accepted

Messrs. McManus, Quailey and Haynes declared elected.

## **General Business**

Stan Watson gave a brief rundown of the outcome of the NSWRL Referees' Association AGM. Paul Simpkins new Chairman. Greg McCallum in charge of Referee Development. Nathan Smith made mention of Steve Clark being awarded Life Membership of Head Body along with Brett Lynch. It was mentioned that Michael Colla was training with the Junior Rep Squad.

It was moved by Geoff McManus, Seconded by Nathan Smith that the ballot papers be destroyed. Carried.

Meeting closed 20:06



# Patron's Message

To the Chairman, Board and Members

It has given me great pleasure this year to once again act as Patron of the Association.

I enjoyed a wonderful evening in May when I attended a dinner with the junior referees and their families and it was overwhelming to receive the generous gift of a card, flowers and chocolates, presented by Martin Hopkins on behalf of the juniors.

I would like to congratulate all members on their achievements in 2014 and in particular the juniors, many of whom excelled and were appointed to Grand Finals.

It is a great privilege to be able to make a contribution to assist the first year junior referees start their careers and I look forward to continuing this arrangement in 2015 and beyond

**Elizabeth Quailey**



# Chairman's Report

Fellow Members,

Another season has come to a close and it is time to reflect on what has occurred while looking forward to next year. 2014 was no less challenging than the last few seasons. As always, we rise to these challenges and meet them with dedication and commitment and our accomplishments are there for all to see. Although small in numbers, we are big in heart and North Sydney Referees continue to make outstanding contributions to the game of Rugby League, not only at a local level but at the higher echelons of the game.

We were fortunate to have six new Junior Referees start their careers this year: Nathan Guptill, Martin Hopkins, James Miller, Bradley Schoenmaker, Tyler Brady and Joshua Vale. They all showed great enthusiasm and good ability for their first year. They progressed well as the season went on and were rewarded with appointments on Grand Final Day.

Returning from last year were Dylan Guptill and Pat La Torraca, both of whom led by example. Always willing to listen to advice, they went from strength to strength and were rewarded with Grand Final centre appointments. Congratulations to both of you.

Dylan received the Vince Smith Junior Encouragement Award which was most thoroughly deserved.

2014 saw “graduations” from our junior ranks to senior: juniors Nathan Albertini, Sam Morgan and Tom Murphy. All three continue to demonstrate the ability that will take them a long way and they are valuable members of our on field team.

Michael Colla was selected for the Junior Representative Squad in 2014, a wonderful achievement. Congratulations Michael.

Our Sunday squad performed at a high standard and endured a mixture of games. We were able to assist our friends at Manly on a number of occasions throughout the year. Ably led by Chris Hopkins, Michael Colla, Martin Ryan, Stuart Kidd, Tom Murphy and James Charman all pitched in and covered the games for us.

Midway through the season, James Leane joined us from Wagga Wagga. With only a few opportunities, James made an excellent contribution and displayed the potential to advance to higher age groups. He also has a wicked sense of humour, just ask the barbers on the Northern Beaches!

Our graded members again did us proud with the highlight being Jon Stone's first grade debut on the line. By seasons end, Jon had five games under his belt and I am sure that there will be many more in the future. Jon was also appointed to referee in the finals series of the U20 Holden Cup completion and only just missed out on the Grand Final. Our other graded members Scot Murray and Nathan Smith acquitted themselves well. Congratulations to all.

In baby news, Scot and Adrienne Murray now have a baby daughter McKenna. James and Sally Charman had their second, a baby boy Christopher. Paul and Cassie Taylor also had their second, a baby boy Elijah.

# Chairman's Report (continued)

A special thank you goes to Col Jones who was a most deserving winner of the John Quinn Trophy for 2014. Col's dedication, enthusiasm and commitment to coaching and developing our referees are second to none. Without complaint, he travels to all corners of the district (and Manly) in all sorts of weather. He always provides first class feedback, not only to the active members but to the Appointments Board as well.

It is not often that I mention a referee from other Association but I would be remiss of me not to congratulate my good friend from Manly Referees Jason Walsh. I have known Jason for many years when we both worked in the CBA and I encouraged Jason to take up refereeing after injury curtailed his playing career. Jason has spent many years in grade and not long ago, was looking to retire. But some sage advice from a number of people kept him going. He kept his enthusiasm and his fitness up and the results are there for all to see this year. State of Origin Touch Judge, NRL Grand Final Touch Judge, Test Match Touch Judge & NRL Touch Judge of the Year. All of these honours were richly deserved. Congratulations Jason. You have had a year against which all future endeavours will be judged.

Congratulations to Stan Watson on receiving the Association's Men of League award. This was thoroughly deserved and a fine reward for all your efforts.

Again, we thank the NSW Rugby League Referees Association's continued support in providing grants, which greatly assist in easing the financial burden of running our Association.

Thanks also to the Junior League and in particular Greg Florimo and Brent Pigram. Preparing the appointments each week is so much easier when the draw comes out in advance. Well done gentlemen.

North Sydney Leagues Club continues to support Rugby League in the District and we thank you for your support.

Now to our Board Members:

- Executive Officer Wayne Edwards. Wayne stepped into this role in 2014 and learned quickly what a demanding role this can be on top of his continued work with the Association's web site. He never took a backwards step and we should all thank him for his efforts. Wayne is going through great upheaval off the field but to his credit, he continued to display the outmost professionalism with his Association duties.
- Director of Finance Michael Haynes, as always, continues to maintain sound financial acumen in handling the Association's finances. While his young family demands much of his time, Michael continues to provide a wealth of experience on the Board and our healthy financial position is due to his diligence. But 2015 will be different. Michael has indicated that after 13 years of diligent duty he will not be seeking re-election to this position. Words cannot express how I feel about this. Michael is not only a good friend but a wonderful administrator. Forthright and to the point, he has provided the Association with sound leadership. Our many battles together with the previous Junior League Administrator loom large in my memory. He was a great comrade to have in the trenches. To quote a famous television show, he was not afraid to "put a bit of stick about." Thank you Michael.

## Chairman's Report (continued)

- Director of Referee Development Chris Hopkins. Chris stepped into this role in 2014 and it was his first year on the Board. Under Chris' guidance, the Association staged number of educational and successful seminars and with his vast experience, provided our active referees with sound and knowledgeable guidance.
- Director of Member Services Scot Murray had a very special year. Not only did he become a father for the first time, he was also rewarded for his years of service to the Association with Life Membership which was thoroughly deserved. I was honoured that Scot asked me to assist with the presentation of his blazer. Congratulations Scot.

To all Board members, thank you and congratulations on your efforts in 2014.

During the season, we worked closely with our friends from Manly to ensure that all games were covered. Many thanks to Shane Charman and Luke Eisenhauer and we look forward to working with you in 2015. At one stage of the season, Luke and I were preparing the appointments in the USA! How modern technology has change the ways we can do our tasks. My wife and I also attended Manly's presentation dinner where we enjoyed fine hospitality and good company.

Just recently, my wife and I were invited to attend the NSWRL Referees presentation night. Upon arriving, I was informed that I would have to give a speech and that I had only three minutes. Not long after I was announced as the Co-winner of the Dennis Braybrook memorial trophy for 2014 becoming the first North Sydney Referee to win this award. I believe that an honour such as this is not just awarded to an individual but is the result of a team effort. We have a wonderful team here at Norths and everyone should share in this award. Due to the short notice and surprise, I did omit to thank three very important people who were in attendance. First Brian Barry. Brian was my inspiration and mentor to become a referee. He also coached me for my referees' ticket which was not easy. Thank you Brian. Second, Stan Watson. Stan's love of the game and especially refereeing cannot be beaten, only matched. His enthusiasm is infectious and inspirational. Thank you Stan. Last but by no means least my wife Lizzie. This was a gross oversight and I certainly was regretful of my forgetfulness for the rest of the night. The lesson is, even if surprised with an award, thank the main people in our lives who have helped us. Lizzie's support means so much and I could not do this job if not for her generosity and encouragement. Thank you so much. Also, thank you to my fellow Board members who put forward my nomination without my knowledge.

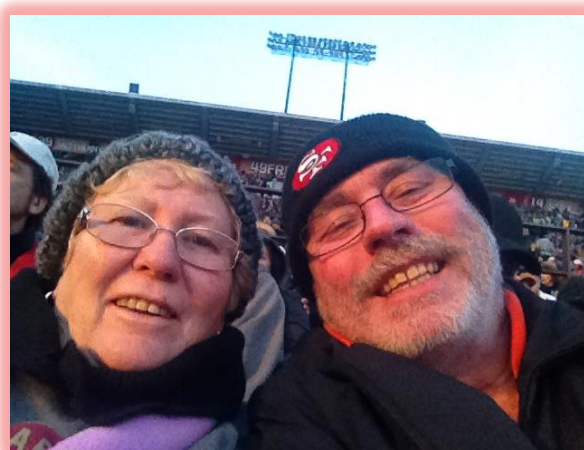
Summer appears to have arrived early this year as the days are already long and hot. While we enjoy our summer passions of Cricket, Baseball and American Football think ahead of the year to come.

2015 promises to be a special year. Not only will it be the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ANZAC but it will be the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of WWII. Such momentous events need to be commemorated. The Director of Member Services and I are looking into something special to mark 2015 and we hope to have an announcement ready for the AGM. See you there.

***Michael Quailey***  
***Chairman***



Chairman Michael Quailey with the State of Origin trophy after it was retrieved by the Blues after an extended sojourn in Queensland.



Half way across the world Lizzie and Michael Quailey enjoy a typical summer evening at Candlestick Park (San Francisco) for the final event ever to be held at the stadium – a Paul McCartney Concert. While back at home the boys get ready for an early start at North Sydney Oval for Grand Final Day.



North Sydney Referees: Steve Betts, Brian Barry, Scot Murray, Michael Quailey, Stan Watson with Doug Keen (NSWRLRA) celebrate Steve Clark's life membership with the NSWRLRA



# Executive Officer's Report

This year I took on the role of Executive Officer in February after it was left vacant for two months. It is different to the Coaching Director role I had last year. There is more administrative work than running training and seminars on Monday nights. Sending the weekly information out was a rewarding experiencing. In February I received my level 2 Referees' Coaching Accreditation. After 15 years of refereeing Grand Finals it was time to let the juniors have a go and they certainly didn't let us down. It was a gratify experience helping our referees behind the scenes. Excellent work guys!

Monday night training was an enjoyable experience. It was great to see young enthusiastic referees attend on a regular basis eager to enhance their skills. Their learning curve was a steep one especially with the shortage of senior referees on Saturdays. Our coaching coordinator Chris Hopkins and Accreditation Officer Stan Watson should be congratulated for making each training session fun and interesting.

Our new technology "One Drive" is a different alternative to sending weekly appointments. After a few teething problems it worked successfully with our Chairman sending the appointments from the other side of the world. This new technology still doesn't solve the problem of referees pulling out at the last minute though.

It was great to see Scot Murray receive his Life Membership blazer at the Presentation Evening this year. He certainly deserved it. I especially liked his 21 century designer jacket. Way cooler than the old style of last century! There is more information about the evening including photos later on in this report. Finally I would like to thank my fellow members for their support throughout the season.

***Wayne Edwards***  
***Executive Officer***



***The boys are back in town!***

# Director of Finance Report

Mr Chairman and members

It gives me great pleasure to act as your Director of Finance for the 2014 season. The 2014 saw me act as your Treasurer/Finance Director for 13 consecutive seasons. This year saw a slight increase in the number of games our members refereed on Saturdays and Sundays, which put pressure on all members. Unlike previous years we did not require outside assistance from our affiliates. There was an increase in match fees from last season.

The Association again made a loss for the third year in a row. The deficit this year was \$1,699. This year's loss can be explained by the following transaction:

- Additional expenditure on coaching and development above our grant allocation;
- No sponsorship income.

The Association made running repairs to the communications equipment purchased last year. Had this expenditure not been incurred a surplus would have been delivered. This running repair is an investment in our active referees and advisors and we can confidently say the performances of our members on the field vindicated this investment.

Financially we are still in a sound position as virtually a self-sustaining Association. We as an Association need to continue to watch our costs and generate additional income to benefit our members. No one goes broke turning a surplus.

Thank you to Mrs Liz Quailey how acted as a Patron for the season and donated the cost of fitting the new junior referees uniforms.

Thank you to Greg Florimo and Brent Pigram of the Junior League/District Club and Dave Chapple of the Junior League for their support for the season.

Thank you to Jimmy Oliveria of the New South Wales Rugby League Referees' Association for his continued support and interest in our Association and ensuring we are looked after.

Congratulations to two great friends of mine and equally great man of the Association, Stan Watson on being our nominee for the North Sydney Men of League Award and our Chairman Michael Quailey on winning the Dennis Braybrook Award. A great achievement by two great men.

Due to business and family reasons this year is my final year I will serve as your Director of Finance. I have served on the Executive/Board of the Association since returning from overseas at the end of 2001 and I have fulfilled the role of Deputy Chairman since the Board model was enacted. I can say I have served with some very good and capable people as well as others who tried hard. Thank you for the privilege to serve this great Association as a board member.

Finally I would like to thank the ladies in my life, Claire and Georgia. Thank you to my fellow board members for the year.

***Mike Haynes***  
***Director of Finance***

# Balance Sheet

Statement of Financial Position as at 31 October 2014

	Notes	2014	2013
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash at bank		16,892.68	35,432.11
Deposits		180.00	180.00
Inventory		3,661.85	3,932.19
Accounts Receivables		1,242.61	1,173.60
Other debtors		193.00	55.00
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>22,170.14</b>	<b>40,772.90</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Accounts payable		4,783.41	21,686.92
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>4,783.41</b>	<b>21,686.92</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>17,386.73</b>	<b>19,085.98</b>
<b>Members funds</b>		<b>17,386.73</b>	<b>19,085.98</b>



# Profit & Loss Statement

Income and Expenditure Statement  
For the period ended 01/11/2013 to 31/10/2014

<b>Income Categories</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Donations Received	1,857.47	1,100.34
Fines	74.00	134.90
Footy Tipping	470.00	375.00
Function Income	3,318.00	1,670.73
Gear Sales	698.60	546.10
Grants	6,260.00	5,474.00
Interest	308.75	505.13
Match Payments Received	23,796.00	23,663.00
Membership Fees	2,722.16	2,012.66
Trivia Night (net)	701.40	0.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>40,206.38</b>	<b>35,481.86</b>
<b>Expense Categories</b>		
Administration Expenses	722.00	460.00
Affiliation fees	70.00	0.00
Bank Charges	36.30	68.00
Coaching & Training Expenses (net)	5,522.07	6,048.27
Cost Of Gear Sold	1,770.34	859.60
Gifts & Flowers	427.24	110.00
Footy Tipping	380.00	300.00
Function Expense	7,564.35	5,992.92
Match Payments Paid	23,796.00	23,663.00
Internet costs	475.00	420.00
Trophies	1,142.33	181.95
<b>Total Expense Categories</b>	<b>41,905.63</b>	<b>38,103.74</b>
<b>Net Profit/(Loss) For Year</b>	<b>-1,699.25</b>	<b>-2,621.88</b>
<b>Member's Funds At 1 November</b>	<b>19,085.98</b>	<b>21,707.86</b>
<b>Member's Funds At 31 October</b>	<b>17,386.73</b>	<b>19,085.98</b>

# Notes to the Accounts

<b>Note 1: Functions</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Net</b>
Annual Dinner	3,318.00	6,288.25	-2,970.25
Junior members dinner		557.00	-557.00
Grand Final Function		359.10	-359.10
North Sydney Men of League Dinner		360.00	

Total Function Income	3,318.00	7,564.35	-3,886.35
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## **Note 2: Administration Expenses**

Administration Grant	1,545.00		1,545.00
Administration expense		59.00	-59.00
Accounting software		485.00	-485.00
Bank charges		36.30	-36.30
Internet cost		475.00	-475.00
Filing fees		178.00	-178.00

Total Administration Expenses	1,545.00	1,174.30	311.70
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## **Note 3: Coaching & Development Expenses**

Coaching & Development Grant	3,605.00		3,605.00
NSWRL Retention Grant	515.00		515.00
NRL Recruit a ref grant	595.00		
2014 Coaching Match Officials allowances paid		2,101.32	-2,101.32
HSC Ground Hire 2014 season		1,157.00	-1,157.00
Communications equipment		2,263.75	-2,263.75

Total Coaching & Development Expenses	4,715.00	5,522.07	-1,402.07
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## **Note 4: Match Payments**

Net Payments To Members	18,655.78		
Affiliation Fees	2,602.16		
Fines	74.00		
Footy tips	295.00		
Presentation dinner	1,140.00		
Gear sales	1,391.20		
Donations made	330.46		
Patron's donation	-692.60		

23,796.00

## **Note 5: Cost of gear sold**

Opening Balance of inventory 1/11/13	3,932.19		
Less: Gear to members	1,464.24		
Add: Purchases	1,500.00		
Add: adjustment to opening balance			
2014 gear write off	306.10		
Sub-total	3,661.85		
Association gear as per stock take	3,661.85		

Inventory as per Statement of Financial Position	<u><u>3,661.85</u></u>		
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# Auditor's Report

TO: MEMBERS OF THE NORTH SYDNEY DISTRICT RUGBY LEAGUE REFEREES' ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

We report that we have examined the books, records, and vouchers of the Association for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2014.

In our opinion:

- (a) The accompanying Statement of Income and Expenditure represents a true and fair view of the operation of the Association for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2014.
- (b) The accompanying Balance Sheet represents a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2014.

*Geoff McManus*  
*Hon. Auditor*

*Martin Ryan*  
*Hon. Auditor*



*Referee Coach Colin Jones relaxing at one of the many grounds he visited in 2014*

# Director of Referee Development's Report

The main focus for season 2014 in terms of referee development was to build the competence and confidence of the junior referees to equip them to deal with the challenges of refereeing rugby league in a tough and demanding environment. We spent a great deal of time working on improving our knowledge of the laws of the game and the practical application of the laws in various game situations. There was a noticeable improvement throughout the season in the general knowledge of the laws of the game as a result of regular coaching and some very generous input from our graded members, Jon Stone, Scott Murray, Nathan Smith and Steve Clark. There is no doubt that this gave many of our active referees a renewed confidence in themselves and their ability to referee in tight and stressful situations.

Our training sessions and seminars were well attended this year. We were very fortunate to have our graded members and a number of former graded members attend and contribute to our development through the training and seminars. Of particular interest was the input we received from Greg Florimo when he talked to us about the expectations that players and officials have of referees. This was a refreshing perspective and was well received by all our referees.

Fitness is always an issue for referees. The game is getting faster and faster every year. Coaches are always looking for ways to advance the ball down the field as quickly as possible. Consequently today's referees need to be in peak condition in order to contribute to a free flowing and entertaining game. As a group, the level of fitness of the active referees in North Sydney is excellent. The fact that many of our referees are current or ex-players contributed to an enthusiastic approach to training and fitness. Once the season got into full swing, a number of individual referees recognised the need for improved fitness and it was great to see so many of them turning up for training on Monday nights with this goal in mind.

All our new members have now discovered that they are on a very steep learning curve. They all embarked on an intensive study of the laws of the game which was only the first step in their first year of what we hope will be a long and successful refereeing career. Without exception, every one of our new referees developed their skills and knowledge during the season and demonstrated a significant improvement from their first games at the start of the season. They learned about the practical application of the laws under the watchful eye of the various association coaches.

Colin Jones' patience and experience was appreciated by all the active referees who benefited from his sage advice throughout the year. Colin also contributed significantly to training sessions on Monday nights, generously sharing the knowledge and wisdom he gained from many years of experience at the highest level.

As always, Stan Watson was a major influence on the development of all our active referees this season. The new referees were particularly lucky to have been coached by Stan through the practical component of their level 1 course at the start of the year. Stan's approach to coaching all of us throughout the season created an atmosphere of continuous collaborative learning. His knowledge of the game and his experience working in the NRL environment has been of great benefit to the whole association.

# Director of Referee Development's Report (continued)

North Sydney has a wealth of talent in terms of referee coaches. The following members were active as coaches this season: Wayne Edwards, Colin Jones, Stan Watson, Michael Haynes, Jon Stone, Scott Murray, Michael Quailey, and Graeme Field. The collective wisdom of this group of coaches and advisers is significant.

We can be sure that there are not many associations who could boast such a well-qualified and experienced **active** panel of coaches and advisers. Among that group are people with Test Match, State of Origin, and vast NRL experience. Having three active NRL graded members assist with coaching our referees this year means that our young referees have access to the best advice and some high quality and worthy role models.

Their efforts have been richly rewarded with a noticeable improvement in the standard of the refereeing in North Sydney. This was very evident during the semi-final and finals series. All coaches reported that match officials performed at and above expectations. Thank you again to the coaches and congratulations to the referees who have performed so well. Particular thanks to Colin, Stan and Michael Quailey who regularly gave up their weekends to assist us.

Retention of referees is a priority now more than ever. Over the years we have seen many promising referees quit because of the constant pressure and abuse levelled at them from players, coaches, officials, parents and spectators. As an association we have attempted to equip our referees to deal with the stress, pressure and abuse. We have also defended our referees and attempted to protect them from abuse and inappropriate criticism from other stakeholders. Unfortunately, when the junior league is unable or unwilling to impose suitable sanctions to offenders, we are always going to have a battle to retain our promising young referees.

There were a number of incidents this season where referees were subjected to abuse and most were dealt with appropriately. We expressed our concern over an ugly incident where a club official openly and blatantly abused a referee during a game in full view and hearing of junior players and parents, yet only received a suspended sentence - a mere slap on the wrist and an insult to the referees who expose themselves to this every week.

In the interests of referee development, we will continue to take a stand against such disgraceful behaviour and all referees are encouraged to continue to set the bar high in regard to their expectations of behaviour of players, officials and spectators, and their adherence to the code of conduct. We will set it as a goal for 2015 to establish a common understanding of the expectations regarding the code of conduct and the procedures for referees to follow in the event of breaches of the code of conduct.

There was a marked improvement in the presentation of our active referees in 2014. In years now long past, our beloved president, Mr John Quinn used to invoke that now well-worn truism, "If you can't be a good referee, at least look like one!" Many of our active referees were able to live true to this creed and so benefited by gaining respect simply by being well presented and looking like they knew what they were doing. We will continue to develop this most important aspect of refereeing into the future.

## Director of Referee Development's Report (continued)

In terms of achievements in 2014 we saw Michael Colla gain appointments in the Junior Representative fixtures. He was also appointed as Stand-by Touch Judge in a number of Holden Cup fixtures. This is a wonderful acknowledgement of his talents. There is no doubt that Michael is continuing to develop into an excellent referee. The hard work he has put into training is paying dividends.

There are other referees in our current ranks who have potential to go down this track also. In particular, Sam Morgan and Dylan Guptill have demonstrated potential to progress further. They have been selected to attend an emerging talent squad training program to be held in early December 2014. This is a great opportunity to get a taste of what it is required in order to succeed at the highest level of refereeing rugby league. We wish both these young men all the very best with their participation in this new initiative of NSW Rugby League.

In all, 2014 was a tremendous year for our referees. Every referee improved. Every referee developed new skills. Every referee honed old skills. We now have a very solid core group of referees, who although quite young, are all extremely competent in refereeing at various levels. Our challenge now is to further develop those who wish to pursue refereeing as a career and to give all referees opportunities to enjoy this great game of rugby league at whatever level they are comfortable with. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this wonderful season and we hope to see every one of you back in 2015.

***Chris Hopkins***

***Director of Referee Development***



***Our Director of Referee Development recruiting more junior referees***



# Director of Member Services Report

Mr Chairman and fellow members,

Firstly I would like to acknowledge those members and their families that have lost loved ones over the last 12 months. Only this week, we, as a nation have realised that there is a lot more to life than sport. The tragic passing of Phillip Hughes has reminded us all of this and it is important that we remember those that have passed well before their time was due. Rest in peace Phillip, 63 not out always.

Socially we have had a small but successful year. The annual Charity Trivia Night was back this year (after a small break last season) with over 40 people in attendance. We were able to raise about \$1000 to be split between the Men of League Foundation and our association. We hope to increase the numbers again this year to make it more profitable. I must thank the Men of League Foundation and Cindy Bunyan and her staff at Asquith Leagues Club for their continued support of this event.

Although I was unable to get out of a lot of games this year due to grade and family commitments, I was very pleased with the refereeing I did see. In particular how some of our new junior members are going and how those members that have been around for a while are still continuing to try and better themselves. On this I would like to congratulate Chris Hopkins on refereeing the A Grade grand final... One for the old guys!

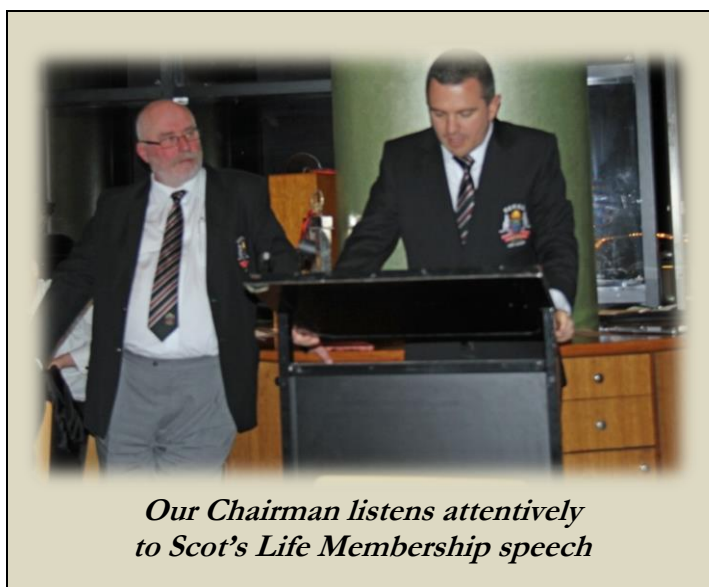
This year saw the annual Presentation Night return to the Vibe Hotel at Milsons Point. Although there were a few small issues on the night (lack of microphone), there were over 60 people in attendance and a great evening was had. I would particularly like to thank everyone that attended and supported me on earning my Life Membership. This is an honour I am very proud of and the blazer will always hold a special place in my wardrobe. Congratulations to the other award recipients - Dylan Guphill (Vince Smith Junior Encouragement Award) and Colin Jones (John Quinn Trophy).

Further to this I would like to congratulate Stan Watson on receiving the North Sydney Referees Men of League Award and Michael Qualey on receiving the Dennis Braybrook Trophy at the recent NSW Referees Association presentation night. This award is an attribute to his dedication to this association.

Moving on to next year, I hope to see everyone back and in good spirits to officiate another successful season. There are some pretty exciting things ahead for next season.... So stay tuned for further information.

Lastly, I would like to wish everyone a very pleasant Christmas and New Year along with all your loved ones. May 2015 bring everything you hope for and more.

**Scot Murray**  
**Director of Members Services**



# Accreditation Provider's Report

Now that the referees course can be done on line, means that candidates have time to learn the laws of the game and complete the on line modules prior to registering to undergo the Face to Face component of the course.

This year saw four new candidates join the ranks of our Association. All four candidates completed the on line modules and then underwent the Face to Face component over a period of three weeks.

Once their Face to Face component was completed, the candidates were permitted to referee and touch judge games under supervision of our experienced CMOs.

Not only did the candidates receive verbal and written feedback, most of them received a DVD of their game which proved to be invaluable as the candidates had to provide their own feedback to the CMOs.

***Stan Watson.***

***Accreditation Provider***

## District Club Report

The highlights from the 2014 VB NSW Cup season were few and far between for the Bears. Injuries within their ranks and origin duties for South Sydney restricted their players. Never the less the 17 on the park week in week out never backed down from the challenge, quite often leading some of the toughest oppositions until the 60th minute. We wish Greg Florimo and his Board all the best in 2015, and in their continued efforts for the Central Coast Bears in the near future.

A huge congratulations goes out to the 2014 NRL Premiers, the South Sydney Rabbitohs. It was a well-deserved and long awaited win.

Again the junior representative sides in the SG Ball and Harold Matthews competition were competitive and showed a lot of promise for the future. One of the success stories from the SG Ball is that of a young player by the name of John Olive. John was captain of the Bears SG Ball team for 2014 and has been the first Bears player to make the transition from the SG Ball to the NYC U20's in the same season. South Sydney had a close eye on John and as soon as he had finished his duties with the Bears, he was called straight up.

## Leagues Club Report

Our Association would like to pass its thanks to the catering and functions staff of the North Sydney Leagues Club and Asquith Leagues Club for their help and support throughout the year. They once again provided facilities to hold our meetings throughout the year.

We would also like to thank Luke Simmons and the Board of the North Sydney Leagues Club, along with the Ray Agostino and the board of the Asquith Leagues Club for their help and assistance throughout 2014, and look forward to working together in 2015.



# Junior League Report

Season 2014 saw the North Sydney Junior League battling similar issues as in previous years. At the head of the agenda this season was another alarming drop off in senior teams, continuing what has now become a long running trend. Unfortunately there were only six North Sydney clubs participating in Sunday competitions this season. The large drop off can easily be attributed to the fact that the league is no longer paying for insurance for senior players, meaning that clubs would need to find other ways to try and entice senior players to play the game. Given the limited resources at many of the clubs this proved problematic; however those teams that did take the field in the senior competitions did the district proud.

The junior league is in the process of taking steps to try and ease the loss of players, and an upcoming summit to discuss the state of the game in North Sydney should provide an excellent forum for discussion on how the clubs can best manage existing players and go about attracting new players in the future. This summit will continue what has been a season long discussion amongst members at each junior league meeting.

This season also saw the junior league take a tough stance on code of conduct related matters. From the perspective of the referee's association it is comforting to know that we have a junior league that is willing to back us up and take a hard line approach to dealing with issues such as referee abuse. As the competition got tighter and the finals came around there were a few issues in this area and these matters were dealt with appropriately.

Many thanks must go to Greg Florimo, Dave Chapple and Brent Pigram for their tireless efforts on the board of the junior league this season. Their passion and enthusiasm for the game is always evident. In particular, Greg uses his connections to the NRL and NSWRL to try and find avenues to improve the state of the game in the North Sydney area. I can confidently say that rugby league in North Sydney is the best hands, regardless of where it may be inevitably heading.

Finally, as I was away for eleven weeks of this season, I would like to thank those who assisted in this role in 2014.

***Michael Colla***  
***Junior League Delegate***



**Time out for a Junior League meeting boys!**

# **New South Wales Rugby League Referees' Association Delegate Report**

The North Sydney Referees Association had four members in various grades and squads in season 2014. These members and their achievements are as follows.

Jon Stone: A member of the NRL Squad was appointed as a touch judge in the NRL during the regular season. Appointed as referee in the under 20 National Youth Competition both as a single referee and as a two referee combination during the regular season and during the first three weeks of the semi-finals series. A great achievement from Jon, well done.

Scot Murray: A member of the NSW graded squad. Appointed as a central referee in both the Ron Massey Cup and Sydney Shield competitions during the regular season. Scot was also appointed as the central referee in the first week of Qualifying Finals of the Ron Massey Cup and was stand by referee in the second week of the qualifying finals in the Ron Massey Cup and Sydney Shield competitions. Stand by referee in week 3 of the Sydney Shield qualifying finals.

Nathan Smith: Also a member of the NSW graded squad. Appointed as a touch judge in the NSW State Cup competition during the regular season. Touch judge in week 1 and 2 of the Sydney Shield qualifying finals. Touch judge in week 3 of the Sydney Shield qualifying final. In goal judge during week 3 of the Ron Massey Cup qualifying finals.

Michael Colla: Debut season in the Junior Development Squad. Was appointed as touch judge during the Harold Matthews and S G Ball Cup competitions during the regular season. Michael was also appointed as a stand by referee in week 1 of the Sydney Shield qualifying finals.

A job well done lads. Congratulations on your achievements this season and for flying the flag high for the Association.

***Stan Watson***

***Delegate to NSWRLRA Inc.***

## **Vale**

To all of our members who have suffered a bereavement in 2014, the Association extends its deepest sympathies.

In 2014, we were saddened to learn of the passing of Jack O'Sullivan. Jack was a member of NSW Referees and Western Suburbs Associations. He was on the Advisory Board of the NSWRL for many years and coached guided numerous referees, firstly to reach grade and then in Grade, including many members of our Association. To the O'Sullivan family, North Sydney sends its sincere condolences.

## Honour Roll - Life Membership

1935 S. Morris (Senior)*	1966 J. Montgomery OAM*	1993 M. Quailey
1939 M. Hogan*	1967 B. Barry	1994 R. Kiddle
J. Turner*	1969 J. Quinn *	1997 M. Ryan
1942 J. Burden*	1975 G. McManus	2003 S. Watson
1945 R. Smyth*	1977 J. Porteous*	2006 M. Haynes
1950 A. Galbraith*	1978 B. Minnett	2008 J. Stone
A. Leane*	1980 E. Carroll*	2013 S. Murray
1951 D. Haldeman*	1981 R. Hammond	*Member Deceased
1953 H. Carrick*	1983 B. Davoren	
1955 T. Bellew OAM*	1985 S. Betts	
1956 A. Jones*	1986 A. E. Brown	
1959 B. Cowley*	1989 C. Jones	
S. Morris (Junior)*	1990 J. Byrne	
1960 E. Tinsley*	1991 W. Lalor	
1963 R. Carey*	1992 J. Boyle	

## The John Quinn Memorial Trophy

(FORMERLY THE BOB PURCELL TROPHY 1962-2009)

1962 B. Burke	1982 C. Jones	2002 G. Bailey
1963 J. Montgomery	1983 J. Boyle	2003 S. Watson
1964 K. Hubbuck	1984 E. Carroll	2004 N. Smith
1965 G. McManus	1985 M. Quailey	2005 S. Watson
1966 B. Barry	1986 J. Boyle	2006 J. Stone
1967 J. Quinn	1987 M. Quailey	2007 M. Haynes & S. Watson
1968 B. Daveron	1988 J. Melville	2008 L. Kelso
1969 B. Minnett	1989 S. Clark	2009 S. Murray
1970 J. Porteous	1990 M. Ryan	2010 W. Edwards
1971 E. Carroll	1991 Not Presented	2011 J. Charman
1972 J. Quinn	1992 J. Neal	2012 W. Edwards
1973 R. Atkinson	1993 R. Kiddle	2013 C. Hopkins
1974 E. Carroll	1994 S. Watson	2014 C. Jones
1975 F. Payne	1995 J. Boyle	
1976 A.E. Brown	1996 S. Edwards	
1977 D. Haberman	1997 M. Ryan	
1978 R. Hammond	1998 M. Quailey	
1979 S. Betts	1999 M. Haynes	
1980 E. Carroll	2000 N. Smith	
1981 D. Haberman	2001 A. Devcich	

## Erle Carroll Memorial Trophy

1985 J. Neal	1997 D. Lombardo	2009 N. Smith
1986 J. Neal	1998 D. Lombardo	2010 S. Murray
1987 S. Clark	1999 A. Lewis	2011 S. Kidd
1988 S. Clark	2000 A. Devcich	2012 C. Hopkins
1989 J. Boyle	2001 A. Brownlow	2013 M. Colla
1990 P. Guilbert	2002 A. Devcich	2014 C. Hopkins
1991 P. Guilbert	2003 A. Devcich	
1992 P. Guilbert	2004 N. Smith	
1993 M. Guilbert	2005 N. Smith	
1994 J. Boyle	2006 N. Smith	
1995 D. Lombardo	2007 J. Stone	
1996 D. Lombardo	2008 S. Murray	

## Vince Smith Junior Encouragement Award

1990 D. Lombardo	2000 C. Dowel	2010 T. Murphy
1991 S. Edwards	2001 N. Halliday	2011 N. Albertini
1992 M. Haynes & S. Mamari	2002 J.H. Kay	2012 S. Morgan
1993 N. Thurgood	2003 D. Ruhan	2013 B. Boath
1994 A. Brownlow	2004 D. Paton	2014 D. Guphill
1995 I. Budai	2005 J.A.M Kay	
1996 N. Smith	2006 L. Kelso	
1997 J. Stone	2007 M. Colla	
1998 S. Murray	2008 D. Mammone	
1999 M. Clay & A. Osborn	2009 M. Dayhew	

## Members with NSWRL Referees' Association Honours

Life Members	Col Pearce Medal	George & Amy Hansen Trophy
1951 Ray Smyth 1961 Tom Bellew OAM 1967 Ernie Tinsley 1969 Bert Cowley 1973 John Montgomery OAM 1974 Brian Barry 2000 Steve Betts 2014 Steve Clark	2006 Steve Clark 2007 – 2010 Tony Archer	
	<b>Michael Stone Medal</b>	2001 Martin Ryan 2013 Brian Barry
	2010-2011 Jon Stone	<b>Dennis Braybrook Memorial Trophy</b>
	<b>Bill Harrigan Trophy</b>	
	2011 Jon Stone	2014 Michael Quailey

# Membership & Meetings Attended – 2014

MEETINGS HELD: GENERAL = 3, AGM = 1, TOTAL = 4

BOARD = 3

LIFE MEMBERS *		BOARD MEMBERS		HONARARY MEMBERS	
B. Barry *	1	M. Quailey *	5 L/A(2)	FR. T. Bell	-
S. Betts *	-	W. Edwards	7	P. Dayhew	-
J. Boyle *	-	M. Haynes *	6 A(1)	S. Goncharoff	-
A.E Brown *	-	C. Hopkins	5 A(2)	L. Heckendorf	-
J. Byrne *	-	S. Murray *	5 A(2)	P. Taylor	3 A(1)
B. Daveron *	-	SENIOR ACTIVE		JUNIOR ACTIVE	
R. Hammond *	-	N. Albertini	1 A(1)	B. Boath	-
R. Kiddle *	-	M. Brady	1	T. Brady	1
C. Jones *	3	J. Charman	- A(3)	D. Guptill	4
W. Lalor *	- A(1)	M. Colla	1 A(1)	N. Guptill	2
G. McManus *	4	I. Crawford	- A(1)	M. Hopkins	1 A(1)
B. Minnett *	-	G. Field	- A(1)	P. La Torraca	1 A(1)
M. Ryan *	2 A(2)	S Kidd	1	J. Miller	-
J. Stone *	2 A(1)	J. Leane	1	B. Schoenmaker	-
S. Watson *	4	S. Morgan	1 A(1)	J. Vale	1
		T. Murphy	1 A(1)		
		S. Palin	-		

A = APOLOGY, L/A = LEAVE OF ABSENCE

## Men of League Dinner

On August 2, North Sydney Junior League hosted a Men of League dinner at North Sydney Leagues Club.

Each Junior League Club was represented as well as our Association and a few Legends of the game.

Men of League donated an award to each Club to recognise the outstanding service of a member.

Our Board chose Stan Watson to accept this prestigious award with Mike Haynes saying some kind words of appreciation.

*(Stan Watson and Mike Haynes with the award)*





# Presentation Evening

For those who were not able to attend here is a summary about the prestigious awards that were presented.

## **Erle Carroll Memorial Trophy to Chris Hopkins** (presented to Chris on Wednesday night)

Chris is one of our most experienced and respected referees. He led by example at training by joining in with the boys rather than standing there barking orders. His rapport with the A graders is friendly but stern. The players know that will get a fair go with Chris as shown when he refereed the A Grade Grand Final this year.

## **Vince Smith Junior Referee Encouragement Award to Dylan Guptill**

Dylan is a keen and enthusiastic referee who is always willing to listen to others about how to improve his game. He was rewarded this year with his first u/10 Grand Final at North Sydney Oval and didn't let anyone down. Dylan is a credit to the junior referees of our association.

## **John Quinn Trophy to Colin Jones**

Colin is an excellent mentor who has a vast knowledge and experience in all types of refereeing (NRL to park footy). He has spent many hours every Sunday (rain, hail or sunshine) writing reports for our senior referees (even throwing in the occasional tip for our eager junior touch judges). If that was enough he would turn up to training on a regular basis to help out as well.

## **Life Membership to Scot Murray**

It was an honour to attend Scot's Life Membership Evening. It was wonderful to see how much support he receives from his family and mates. His dedication and perseverance to get graded should be admired. There were many stories to hear about Scot on the night. He is a valuable asset to our Association.



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TO  
SCOT MURRAY



# Dennis Braybrook Memorial Trophy

This year our Chairman Michael Quailey was awarded with the Dennis Braybrook Memorial Trophy.

This prestigious award from the NSWRLRA is given for outstanding services the administration of a District Association and to junior referee development.

This is the first time it has been won by a member of our Association.

Michael has spent many a weekend observing and assisting our Junior referees when needed. His perseverance and dedication to nurturing our younger referees in the North Sydney Junior Rugby League is invaluable.



A brief history about our illustrious Chairman Michael Philip Quailey:

- Michael joined the North Sydney District Rugby League Referees' Association in 1979;
- Michael was an active member of the Association from the time of joining until 1994;
- In 1994, Michael ceased being competitive in relation to Sunday football and joined the referees advisory board;
- From 1994 until 2012 Michael continued to referee on Saturdays assisting with the junior competition as well as advising the junior referees;
- In 1997, the junior league appointed Michael as Secretary of the Appointments board. Since 2005 Michael has been Chairman of the junior league appointments board;
- Michael holds a level 3 referees accreditation as well as a level 2 CMO accreditation;
- Since 1994 as a member of the coaching panel, Michael has spent an enormous amount of time to developing young referees. Since the time of Michael becoming a referees' coach, he has become a great mentor to young men, the following referees have been graded from the North Sydney Referees' Association ranks while Michael put his energy into coaching;
- Tony Archer 1995, Gerard Bailey 2002, Adam Devcich 2004, Jon Stone 2008, Nathan Smith 2010 and Scot Murray 2011.
- Michael's heart and soul is the North Sydney District Rugby League Referees' Associations. As a referees' advisor/coach/mentor for 20 years, 6 members of our Association have been graded, that is an average of 1 North Sydney referee entering grade every 3 years. For a small Association, with the majority junior referees that is a very good average.
- Michael's commitment to the Association doesn't diminish, while spending nights preparing appointments, Michael has been the Associations Chairman since December 2000 and continues in this role today. Without fail Michael attends Monday night training at Waitara Oval to mentor and coach all referees.

Mike Haynes  
Director Finance & Deputy Chairman



# 2014 Grand Final Appointments



**U9 Referee: Sam Morgan**  
Touch Judges: P. LaTorraca & B. Boath



**U10 Referee: Dylan Guptill**  
Touch Judges: T. Murphy & B. Schoenmaker



**U11 Referee: Pat LaTorraca**  
Touch Judges: S. Morgan & N. Guptill



**U12 Referee: Tom Murphy**  
Touch Judges: D. Guptill & M. Hopkins



**U14/2 Referee: Michael Colla**  
Touch Judges: N. Albertini & S. Morgan



**U19 Referee: Michael Colla**  
Touch Judges: T. Murphy & S. Kidd  
In-goal: D. Guptill & M. Hopkins



# 2014 A Grade Grand Final Appointments



**A GRADE Referee: Chris Hopkins**  
Touch Judges: S. Kidd & M. Colla  
In-goal: M. Hopkins & D. Guptill



Father and Son A Grade Grand Final team! Is this a first?



## IT'S TIME TO REFEREE

Season 2014 - A steep learning curve for all Junior referees (+ an older ref)



Penalty



Who me!



Last tackle



Keeping up



Half time



Now that's how to pack a scrum!



Off side



Footy talk



Safe play



Stripping



Full time boys!



## THE ART OF TOUCH JUDGING

Who said all those flag drills at training were a waste of time?



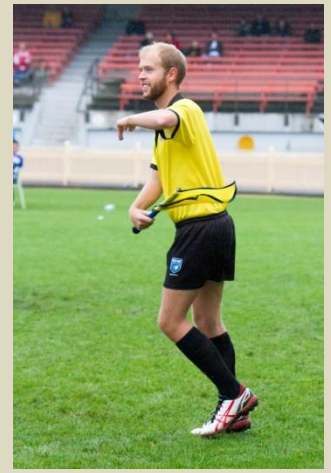
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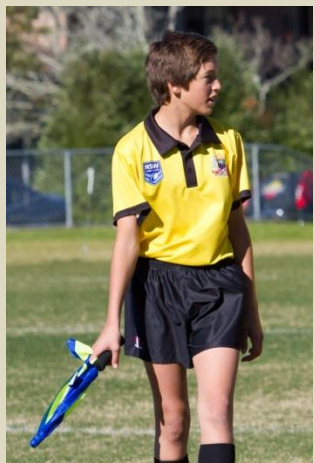
Tyler



Nathan



Michael



Bradley



**GOAL!**



Chris



Marty



Brendan



Patrick



Tom

# CONGRATULATIONS TO

- ❖ All grade members on their respective appointments
  - Jon Stone's first grade debut on the line and his appointment to referee in the final series of the u20 Holden Cup
  - Graded members Scot Murray and Nathan Smith
- ❖ Michael Colla for being selected in the Junior Representative Squad
- ❖ Scot and Adrienne Murray with the birth of their baby daughter McKenna
- ❖ James and Sally Charman with the birth of their second baby, Christopher
- ❖ Paul and Cassie Taylor with their second baby, Elijah
- ❖ All members on their Grand Final appointments
- ❖ Colin Jones on receiving John Quinn Trophy
- ❖ Dylan Guptill on receiving Vince Smith Junior Encouragement award
- ❖ Stan Watson on receiving the Association's Men of League Service Award
- ❖ Michael Quailey for receiving the Dennis Braybrook Memorial Trophy
- ❖ Steve Clark for receiving life membership NSWRLRA
- ❖ Scot Murray for receiving life membership NSDRLRA

# APPRECIATION TO

- ❖ All active members for their hard work in 2014
- ❖ Our wives, girlfriends, mothers and fathers for help and support throughout the year.
- ❖ The Junior League clubs who have looked after our members at various grounds throughout the year. Thank you for your generosity
- ❖ All kindred associations for their kind invitations to attend various functions
- ❖ The executive of the NSW Referees' Association for their help and support throughout the year
- ❖ All advisory members and coaches for their time and effort into referee development in the district
- ❖ North Sydney and Asquith Leagues clubs for providing their facilities which enable us to undertake meetings and seminars throughout the year.

# Election of 2015 Board of Directors

**Chairman**

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**Executive Officer**

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**Director of Finance**

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**Director of Referee Development**

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**Director of Members Services**

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## MEETING DATES 2015

### Board Meetings

18<sup>th</sup> February 2015, Venue T.B.A

13<sup>th</sup> May 2015, Venue T.B.A

9<sup>th</sup> September 2015, Venue T.B.A

### General Meetings

25<sup>th</sup> March 2015, Asquith Leagues Club

17<sup>th</sup> June 2015, Asquith Leagues Club

19<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> August 2015, Asquith Leagues Club \*

### AGM

9<sup>th</sup> December 2015, North Sydney Leagues Club

All dates to be confirmed pending venue availability

\*August Meeting depends on date of Junior League Grand Finals