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Mrs J. Millar

**A**nother year concluded, another year of successes for some and disappointments for others. Some won, some lost.

But did they lose? Would they have been better off not competing, not taking part, not trying? I think not.

My message in this report is to promote the value of participation. The value to individuals, clubs and the Union.

It can't be that every year every team wins a flag. It can be that every year every team takes part. I extend my best wishes to all players, all teams and all clubs. For those of you who put in your best effort, I say congratulations. For those of you, who for whatever reason, didn't or couldn't do so, I remind you that there is always another year. The choice is yours; are you going to give it your best shot? Whatever you decide, I thank you for your participation.

Participation extends beyond the playing field. A lot of time, effort and money is required to do a good job of putting a team on the field each week. Clubs with strong off the field support do well on the field. Reflect on your own club experience – I think you will agree with me. I admire the scores of people who do so much voluntary work for the good of their clubs. Their efforts are invaluable.

The corporate structure of the Union is now well in place and showing that it will serve the rugby community of SA well. We have a management, administration and operational structure that works for our common good. The Board of Management is constantly looking for ways in which the running of rugby in SA can be improved. I commend it for its efforts.

The format of the competition needs to be constantly under review. Each year the clubs get together with the Union and decide how they want it to be. This process is a practical example of our rugby community working together for the common good. I remind you that the Union is just that; it is a "union" of clubs and associations, working together in the shared interest of rugby.

Vital to our success is the financial and operational support we get from sponsors. They see us as an opportunity to promote their brands, services and policies. We must, in return, support them. Please do what you can to make our sponsors happy with their investment in us.

As we look forward to another year, another tilt at the Australian Shield, another series of home and away games and another shot at a premiership, lets remember that we have no game without opposition, no game without strong juniors, no game without referees, no game without dedicated supporters and no game without our Union. We need each other to achieve the enjoyment and success we want.

Participation, and the respect we show for it, will ensure we all succeed.

**Geoffrey Holdich**  
**President**

The highlights of the year are numerous. The Black Falcons competing in the Australian Rugby Shield for the first time in night games at Adelaide Oval was a huge success. The Adelaide rugby community and the public in general are to be congratulated for their support, which resulted in the largest crowds for these games nationally. The SARU is extremely thankful to the South Australian Cricket Association for their co-operation and support. This venue and its associated attractions will assist us in building a product, which is marketable and sustainable. The ARU is to be congratulated for supporting the vision which has given our younger players, coaches, managers, referees and supporting staff a clear and unambiguous rugby career path to a higher level of participation. The Black Falcons were successful in winning games against Melbourne and Darwin and due to the results in other rounds made the semi finals, which is a credit to the players, coaches and staff.

Our under 21 team did not fare too well due to many of the available players being in the Black Falcons which will always be a problem due to limited playing numbers and a clash of fixtures.

The State Women's team has lost some of its impetus but none of its desire and we look forward to a resurgence of Women's Rugby based on the talent evident at the Women's Grand Final where Southern Suburbs were worthy Premiers in defeating University. The skills and passion was a revelation.

We have had visits from John Eales, David Campese and the new Chairman of the ARU Bob Tuckey who was very supportive of the general direction of some of our initiatives.

The 2001 premiership was contested by traditional foes Old Collegians and Brighton with Old Collegians victorious. The game was in the balance until the last whistle and both teams are to be congratulated for a wonderful display of rugby.

The Annual Trophy Presentation Dinner was held at the Glenelg Golf Club where 150 attendees listened to Dick Marks as guest speaker. Ted Apted SARU Director and President of Old Collegians Rugby Club was presented with the Federal Government Sports Encouragement Award for his services to rugby. The Don Smith Memorial Medal for the best and fairest player in South Australia was awarded to Braam Bester of the Port Adelaide Rugby Club. Braam is a young South African accountant who has made Adelaide his home and I am sure that we will see a lot more of him.

Another lad we will see a lot more of is Shane Warren from the Onkaparinga Rugby Club who was awarded the RV Williams Medal for the best and fairest junior player in SA, selected for the SA Schools team, Australian Division 2 Schools team and the Australian Under 17 Development Team. He has also been nominated for "The Advertiser" Junior Sports Star of the Year Award.

Its watching the development of youngsters such as Shane and the continuing successes of Brock James in Sydney that makes our collective efforts so worthwhile. We have a great bunch of youngsters who have just experienced their first year at senior level and it is these players who through the Australian Rugby Shield that will make their mark in the future.

We couldn't operate successfully without the support of the ARU, the State Government,

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (Cont.)

or our sponsors. Our very good friend Bob Lightfoot, principal of Suzuki in the City in providing a van for the SARU Development team has helped us to further develop the game. Gilbert Footballs, Sekem Sportswear, Coca Cola, Vodafone, Posh Printing and Physio Direct are all to be thanked for their support and its our job as a part of the rugby community to support those sponsors products or services.

A major announcement may be made for the 2003 Rugby World Cup early next year where Adelaide has put in a bid for some exciting matches. We can only keep our fingers crossed and hope that the draws and venue decisions are favorable. Adelaide Channel Seven has indicated their desire to get closer to local rugby and we will be working in conjunction with them in various promotional opportunities.

The Union simply could not function without the support of the Clubs and its members. I think you will agree that the inclusive and transparent process that we have adopted through members meetings, consultative meetings for formats of the competition and the Presidents forum have all contributed to a happier Union. We are currently still negotiating with Mitcham Council and Southern Suburbs to strike up a new arrangement in relation to Bailey Reserve which will benefit all members. This is still in the commercial in confidence stage but by the time you get this report we will be able to brief you at the General Meeting planned for mid February 2002.

My thanks to John Hudson who has done an excellent job as Operations Manager and as always Julie Millar steady and reliable. Your Board has worked very hard on managing

your game and coping with various difficult issues and I would like to record my thanks to them and to our President, Geoff Holdich who has been outstanding. In conclusion I would like to thank Barry Cooper for his efforts over two years as Coach and six years as Assistant Coach of the Black Falcons. His loyalty and dedication have been unquestionable and his replacement Stephen Boyd I am sure will seek his counsel and input where required.

We know that we are not perfect but will continue to try and seek further improvements for the benefits of all members.

Thank you all for your input and support throughout the year.

### **Michael von Berg, MC Chairman**

Since the last AGM, the Board of Directors has met on 11 occasions to 19th February, 2002.

<b>Attendances were</b>	<b>Board Meetings</b>
E Apted	10
G Collings	8
R Dwyer	9
M Figwer	9
G Millar	9
V Neave	7 (leave of absence May-July)
B O'Neill	10
M von Berg	11
N Whittaker	9

### **ARFU**

Mr M von Berg was our delegate for 2001.

## AUSTRALIAN SPORTS MEDALS

Late last year the Federal Government struck a commemorative medal to recognise individuals for their contribution to sport.

Sporting bodies and local clubs were given the opportunity to nominate any persons they felt would be worthy recipients.

515 medals were awarded for Rugby Union Australia wide with 22 going to South Australians.

The following persons in South Australia received medals.

**Ted Apted, David Ashton, Graeme Burrows, Barry Cooper, John Dawes,**

**Henry Dijkman, George Doughty, Simon Doughty, Alan Dowling, Rod Essery, Ray Herde, Brock James, Margaret James, Theo Londema, Norm Mair, Glen Millar, Michael Rixon, Rosalie Sage, Joyce Spry, Mal Templeton, Michael von Berg and Neil Whittaker.**

The recipients were invited to the Annual South Australian Rugby Union Trophy Presentation Dinner where they were acknowledged for their award.

The South Australian Rugby Union would like to congratulate all winners on their achievement and thank them for their services over many years.

*Australian Sports Medal Recipients*

The year has been one of highs and lows.

Sponsorship has again been difficult to achieve in a very cost conscious environment. However my sincere thanks go to Bob Lightfoot at Suzuki in the City as our major sponsor. No doubt many of you have noticed the sponsored Suzuki van on the streets of Adelaide. I also extend my sincere gratitude to our other sponsors Sekem Sportswear, Gilbert Footballs, Posh Printing, Vodafone, Holiday Inn, Performance Mouthguards and Coca-Cola.

The Don Smith Medal presentation night was once again a huge success and I congratulate all the trophy winners who are recognised in other sections of this report.

The playing season, as determined by all clubs, was far too long (the Grand Finals were held in mid October after a mid March start to the season) and there will be a return to a normal length season in 2002. The criteria to participate in Division 1 and 2 has now been increased. The junior criteria is for those clubs to have a minimum of three junior teams per club and in different age groups.

I congratulate all clubs who participated in the final series and in particular Old Collegians who won the Premiership.

During March the, then, Wallaby Captain John Eales made a lightening visit to Adelaide as part of a junior promotion. Whilst we were due to receive three full pages of exposure in the Advertiser Newspaper, this was culled to one full page due to the unfortunate passing on of Sir Donald Bradman. Nonetheless the Advertiser Newspaper ran another full-page article on junior rugby during April.

The Wallaby versus New Zealand Maori test match was almost secured to be played at

Adelaide Oval but the deal deflated right at the last hurdle. Australian Rugby opted to play the match at the Sydney Football Stadium but failed to attract a capacity attendance. This truly was an opportunity missed in promoting the game of Union beyond the recognised States.

A major highlight was the initiative to play the Adelaide Black Falcons two home games in the Australian Rugby Shield at the Adelaide Oval. The Advertiser Newspaper again ran a full-page article as coverage for the games. There was also some very good exposure on local radio and television. The attendances at the Falcons home games were the highest throughout the whole competition. I thank both the Southern Suburbs and Woodville clubs for agreeing to forego first division home fixtures to play curtain raiser games, at Adelaide Oval, prior to the Australian Rugby Shield fixtures. Whilst the Adelaide Falcons performed very well at this level, and made the finals play-offs there are still some areas that need to be improved. Indeed there were some very poor training attendances prior to the competition and that attitude needs addressing.

Whilst we still worked very hard to increase our player participation numbers, we had slight decreases in senior, schools and junior ranks. The schools participation figures should receive a huge boost with the inception of a new initiative between the South Australian Secondary Schools Sports Association and SARU with the formation of a schools knockout competition in 2002. SARU Development Officer Matt Nicholls will facilitate the competition.

RugbyNet, the Australian Rugby Union initiative, has proven to be very successful in providing all clubs with internet presence and at no cost. The major advantages will come

## RUGBY OPERATIONS REPORT (Cont.)

to the fore next year as all clubs will process their player registrations "on-line".

There were some problems with the overall management of the South Australian Junior Rugby Union and whilst that created some angst, during the year, I believe all will be well next year. The facilitation of the end of year "Think Tank" by the SAJRU highlighted

most areas of concern and was a good initiative. The under 16 invitational state tournament, fully funded by the ARU has taken a huge financial burden off both the SAJRU and participants. I thank the ARU for that excellent program.

**John Hudson,  
Operations Manager**

## DEVELOPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

### Walla Rugby

**T**he Walla Rugby Coaching Clinics have again proven to be very popular with Primary Schools. We have spent a lot of time promoting the sport in the eastern and northern suburbs. I believe this is certainly having a positive effect in lifting the profile of Rugby but it does not have appeared to bring immediate results in boosting club numbers. Although I'm unsure there is an immediate solution to this problem I believe the clubs need to be more proactive in their quest for junior players.

With the focus on localising the Walla clinics we were once again able to hold a carnival at Womma Park, which consisted of over 200 boys and girls of which several new players were recruited. Much of the groundwork for this carnival was done with the assistance of the Elizabeth district SAPSASA coordinator. We have since had further discussions with SAPSASA to coordinate regional carnivals in all club areas for 2002.

With the Falcons ARS games being played at the Adelaide Oval this year it was a highlight to have the clubs under 8's providing half-time entertainment.

### Senior School Rugby

From a development perspective It was disappointing to have the St. Ignatius/Rostrevor side pull out of the schools comp this year, nevertheless other schools appeared to have quite healthy numbers. Most of these schools have benefited from SARU coaching sessions including one with David Campese.

I was pleased to be able to continue coaching at Westminster School for the second year. Although it was a rather lean year result wise the team consisted of mainly younger students whom most of had a positive outlook for coming years. We hope that the school will also be able to field a junior side next season.

Rugby clinics have been held at Walford Anglican School for Girls and also Blackwood High School. The five-week clinics were an introduction into rugby, which thanks to some assistance, we were able to finish in a game between the two schools. We hope more schools will get involved next year for a possible girls competition.

I would like to thank all the volunteer coaches who assisted with clinics, expo's and carnivals this year, I'm sure your clubs' will benefit from your support.

Plans for next season are already underway, we have several new programs being trialed including a Schoolboy 10's knock-out

competition and an Under 16 Development Program.

**Matthew Nicholls**  
**Development Officer**

## WOMEN'S RUGBY REPORT

The South Australian Women's Rugby season began with the Elizabeth 7's being successfully won by Adelaide University. The domestic competition finally settled with 10-a-side and four teams: Adelaide University, Burnside, Old Collegians and Southern Suburbs. Each team comprised of new players and experienced regulars. By the finals all players had developed their skills and made women's rugby worth watching! The Grand Final between Adelaide University and Southern Suburbs was packed with nail-biting excitement. Southern Suburbs continual attacking pressure forced them over the try line in the last minutes of the game to win the 2001 premiership.

The Southern Warriors, South Australia's Women's State Rugby Team lost to Victoria, 44-0. The experience and skill of the well drilled Victorian ladies over powered the 'fresh' South Australian Development Squad. Glen Millar did a fantastic job with the SA Team in a limited training period and with very short notice.

2001 was a disappointing year for National Women's rugby. The Australian Rugby Union advised they were unable to host and financially support a Women's National Championships but would instead organise an invitational Championships during October in Narrabeen, NSW. SA considered amalgamating with WA to enter a competitive

team but unfortunately very few players could afford to go. Then it was suggested I organise an 'Australian Barbarians' team, as NT, Queensland and Australian Services had also pulled out of the draw. Eventually the Championships were played between NSW, NSW Country, ACT and Victoria, with NSW winning the tournament convincingly.

In early June 2001, I had the opportunity to attend a Wallaroo training camp as the assistant coach of the 'Australia A' squad. It was an interesting week and a valuable experience. The step from state rugby to Australian Rugby is enormous but I believe a number of our South Australian girls are good enough to represent Australia. However they might have to play a season in NSW before they get noticed! The Wallaroos will be competing in the 2002 Women's Rugby World Cup during May in Barcelona, Spain.

Halfway through 2001, the ARU re-formed the Australian Women's Rugby Advisory Committee. I participated in a workshop that discussed the direction and development of Women's Rugby in Australia. The vision is dynamic. Hopefully Women's Rugby in Australia will continue to grow as rapidly as it has done over the last 10 years.

**Meredith Knowler**  
**Coach, Southern Warriors**

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- Arthur Mallison for acting as Honorary Liaison Officer for visiting Australian Rugby Shield Teams
- Australian Rugby Football Union
- Chris Darby, Honorary Solicitor
- SACA for their support with the ARS games
- George Doughty for his assistance throughout the season
- Graham Madden for photography during the season
- To those who assisted with conducting Coaching Courses
- Members of the Referees Association and Judiciary Committee
- Doctor Barry Dowell for his services throughout the season
- Posh Printing for printing various publications during the season
- Woodville Rugby Club for providing their facilities for the U/21 Tournament
- Hamish Cranna for acting as MC at the Trophy Presentation Dinner
- Meredith Knowler for her assistance throughout the season.

### MAJOR SPONSORS

- Office for Recreation and Sport
- Health Promotion SA
- Suzuki in the City
- Sekem Sportswear
- Gilbert Footballs
- Coca Cola
- Vodafone

- Posh Printing
- Physio Direct

### ADELAIDE FALCONS TEAM MANAGEMENT

- Coach—Barry Cooper
- Assistant Coach—Lindsay Ashby
- Manager—John Hudson
- Physiotherapist—Michael Lowe
- Trainer—Graham Mudge

### UNDER 21 TEAM MANAGEMENT

- Coach—Jim Annandale
- Assistant Coach—Michael Laatz
- Manager—Meredith Knowler
- Trainer—Ashleigh Gregory
- Assistant Trainer—Carmen Laatz

### SA WOMENS TEAM MANAGEMENT

- Coach—Meredith Knowler
- Assistant Coach—Glen Millar
- Manager—Naomi Oberscheidt
- Physiotherapist—Karryn Sampson

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

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Your directors present their report on South Australian Rugby Union Ltd (the Company) for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2001.

### **Directors**

The names of the directors in the office at anytime during or since the end of the year are:

E. Apted  
G. Collings  
R. Dwyer  
M. Figwer  
G. Millar  
V. Neave  
B.O'Neill  
K. Phoenix  
S. Smith  
M. von Berg  
N. Whittaker

K. Phoenix and S. Smith's terms expired on 5/3/01.

R Dwyer and M Figwer were appointed directors on 5/3/01 and continue in office at the date of this report.

E Apted, G Collings, G Millar, V Neave, B O'Neill, M von Berg and N Whittaker were directors for the whole of the period and up to the date of this report.

### **Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the company during the financial year were:

- Playing and Promotion of Rugby Union in South Australia
- Stewardship of the accumulated assets of the Company

### **Significant Change in State of Affairs**

The entity is a public, unlisted company limited by guarantee. The liability of the members is limited to \$100. There has been no significant change in the state of affairs of the company during the period covered by this report.

### **Operating Results**

The operating surplus for the period 1 November, 2000 to 31 October, 2001 available for appropriation was \$19,596 (thirteen months ended 31 October, 2000: \$10,594)

### **Review of Operations**

During the year, the company continued to engage in its principal activities mentioned above. The results of which are disclosed in the attached financial report.

### **After Balance Date Events**

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affect the operations of the company, the results of those operations or state of affairs of the economic entity in the future financial years.

### **Environmental Issues**

The directors have considered environmental regulations under the law of the Commonwealth and State. The company is unaware of any breaches to these regulations under the law of the Commonwealth and State. The company is unaware of any breaches to these regulations.

### **Directors' Benefits**

No director has received or become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year a benefit because of a contract made by the Company or a related body corporate with a

director, a firm of which the director is a member or a company in which the director has a substantial financial interest.

The company has not, during or since the financial year, in respect of any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the company or a related body corporate:

- Indemnified or made any relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability, including costs and expenses in successfully defending legal proceedings; or
- Paid or agreed to pay a premium in respect of a contract insuring against a liability for the cost or experiences to defend legal proceedings.

SIGNED in accordance with a resolution of the board of directors.

**M. von Berg, M.C**  
**Chairman**

**N. Whittaker**  
**Company Secretary**

ADELAIDE  
10 December 2001

### **DIRECTORS' DECLARATION**

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The directors declare that the financial statements and notes:

- (a) comply with the Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- (b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31 October, 2001 and performance for the year ended on that date of the company.

In the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes are in accordance with the Corporations Law; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

**M. von Berg, M.C**  
**Chairman**

**N. Whittaker**  
**Company Secretary**

ADELAIDE  
10 December 2001

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**  
**For the period 1 November 2000 to 31 October 2001**

	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2000</b>
		<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
		<b>(12 months)</b>	<b>(8 months)</b>
Revenue from operating activities	<b>2</b>	<b>246,418</b>	<b>188,924</b>
Revenue from outside the operating activities	<b>2</b>	<b><u>5,435</u></b>	<b><u>3,805</u></b>
<b>Total revenue</b>		<b>251,853</b>	<b>192,729</b>
<b>Operating profit</b>		<b><u>\$ 19,596</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 8,905</u></b>

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION As at 31 October 2001

	Notes	2001 \$	2000 \$
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash	3	144,451	133,942
Receivables	4	21,584	3,660
Inventories		6,244	1,944
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<u>172,279</u>	<u>139,546</u>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	5	15,008	21,801
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<u>15,008</u>	<u>21,801</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<u>187,287</u>	<u>161,347</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Accounts Payable		17,238	11,281
Borrowings		5,574	5,573
Provision for employee entitlements		13,349	10,884
Other		9,744	7,607
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<u>45,905</u>	<u>35,345</u>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>			
Borrowings		53,065	57,282
<b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b>		<u>53,065</u>	<u>57,282</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<u>98,970</u>	<u>92,627</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u>\$88,317</u>	<u>\$68,720</u>
<b>Equity</b>			
Accumulated Funds		85,032	65,435
Reserves	6	3,285	3,285
<b>Total Equity</b>		<u>\$88,317</u>	<u>\$68,720</u>

**South Australian Rugby Union Ltd  
Statement of Cash Flows  
for the period ended 31 October 2001**

	1/11/00 - 31/10/2001	10/3/00 - 31/10/2000
	\$	\$
<b>CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Receipts from Rugby and other operations	243,071	189,788
Interest received	3,782	2,941
Payments to suppliers and employees	-232,513	-181,625
Borrowing costs	<u>-2,792</u>	<u>-2,290</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	11,548	8,814
<b>CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of property, plant & equipments	<u>-2,039</u>	<u>-269</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	-2,039	-269
 Net increase in cash held	 <u>9,509</u>	 <u>8,545</u>
Add: Opening Cash	134,942	92,856
Add: Term Deposit held		33,541
 Closing Cash (Note 3)	 <u><b>\$ 144,451</b></u>	 <u><b>\$ 134,942</b></u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies**

This special purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views and the Corporations Law.

It is prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention, except for certain assets which, as noted, are at valuation. Unless otherwise stated, the accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous year. Comparative information is reclassified where appropriate to enhance comparability.

**Income Tax**

No income tax is payable as the company is exempt from income tax by virtue of section 50-45 of the 1997 Income Tax Assessment Act.

**Acquisition of Assets**

The purchase method of accounting is used for all acquisitions of assets regardless of whether equity instruments or other assets are acquired. Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given up, shares issued or liabilities undertaken at the date of acquisition plus incidental costs directly attributable to the acquisition. Where equity instruments are issued in an acquisition, the value of the instruments is their fair value as at the acquisition date. Transaction costs arising on the issue of equity instruments are recognised directly in equity.

**Revenue Recognition**

Amounts disclosed as revenue are net of returns, trade allowances and duties and taxes paid. Revenue is recognised for the major business activities as follows:

- (i) *Sponsorship, Club and Player related income, Bailey Reserve income*  
Revenue is recognised where the company is legally entitled to the money.
- (ii) *Gate receipts and Donations received*  
Revenue is recognised when received.

**Receivables**

All trade debtors are recognised at the amounts receivable. Collectibility of trade debtors is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectible are written off. A provision for doubtful debts is raised when some doubt as to collection exists.

**Inventories**

Inventories represent the cost price of items of clothing available for sale that are on hand at year end.

## **Recoverable amount of non-current assets**

The recoverable amount of an asset is the net amount expected to be recovered through the cash inflows and outflows arising from its continued use and subsequent disposal.

Where the carrying amount of a non-current asset is greater than its recoverable amount, the asset is written down to its recoverable amount. Where net cash inflows are derived from a group of assets working together, recoverable amount is determined on the basis of the relevant group of assets. The decrement in the carrying amount is recognised as an expense in net profit or loss in the reporting period in which the recoverable amount written-down occurs.

## **Revaluation's of non-current assets**

Subsequent to initial recognition as assets, land and buildings are measured at fair value being the amounts for which the assets could be exchanged between willing parties in an arm's length transaction. Revaluations are made with sufficient regularity to ensure that the carrying amount of each piece of land and each building does not differ materially from its fair value at the reporting date. Annual assessments will be made by the directors, supplemented by independent assessments at least every three years.

Revaluation increments are credited directly to the asset revaluation reserve, except that, to the extent that an increment reverses a revaluation decrement in respect of that class of asset previously recognised as an expense in net profit or loss, the increment is recognised immediately as revenue in net profit or loss.

Potential capital gains tax is not taken into account in determining revaluation amounts unless it is expected that a liability for such tax will crystallise.

Revaluations do not result in the carrying value of land or buildings exceeding their recoverable amount.

## **Depreciation of property, plant and equipment**

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis to write off the net cost or revalued amount of each item of property, plant and equipment (excluding land) over its expected useful life to the company. Estimates of remaining useful lives are made on a regular basis for all assets, with annual reassessments for major items. The expected useful lives are as follows:

Buildings	20 years
Plant and equipment	2 ½ -10 years

Where items of plant and equipment have separately identifiable components which are subject to regular replacement, those components are assigned useful lives distinct from the item of plant and equipment to which they relate.

## **Trade and other creditors**

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the company prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

## **Borrowings**

Borrowings represent loans owing to Australian Rugby Union and the City of Mitcham. The amount expected to be paid in the twelve months following 31 October, 2001 is classified as a current liability. The remainder is put into non-current liabilities. Loans are carried at their principal amounts which represent the present value of future cash flows associated with servicing the debt. Interest is accrued over the period it becomes due and is recorded as part of other creditors.

## **Employee entitlements**

### (i) *Wages and Salaries, and Annual leave*

Liabilities for wages and salaries, and annual leave are recognised, and are measured as the amount unpaid at the reporting date at current pay rates in respect of employees' services up to that date.

### (ii) *Long service leave*

A liability for long service leave is recognised, and is measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using interest rates on national government guaranteed securities with terms to maturity that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

## **Cash**

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes deposits at call which are readily convertible to cash on hand and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

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<b>Note 2. Revenue</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2000</b>
	\$	\$
<b>Revenue from operating activities</b>		
Services	<u>246,418</u>	<u>188,924</u>
	<u>246,418</u>	<u>188,924</u>
<b>Revenue from outside operating activities</b>		
Interest	<u>2,941</u>	<u>2,941</u>
Other	<u>1,653</u>	<u>864</u>
	<u>5,435</u>	<u>3,805</u>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u>251,853</u>	<u>192,729</u>
<b>Operating profit</b>	<u>\$19,956</u>	<u>\$ 8,905</u>

Operating profit before income tax includes the following specific net gains and expenses:

### **Expenses**

Borrowing costs expenses	3,342	2,290
Depreciation of Non-Current assets		
Buildings	7,805	4,735
Plant and Equipment	<u>1,027</u>	<u>763</u>
Total Depreciation	<u>8,832</u>	<u>5,498</u>

### **Note 3. Current assets – Cash**

Cash on hand	909	149
Cash at bank	67,781	100,252
Term Deposit (ANZ Trustees V2)	<u>75,761</u>	<u>33,541</u>
	<u>\$144,451</u>	<u>\$133,942</u>

### **Note 4. Current assets – Receivables**

Trade debtors	17,584	4,660
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	16,584	3,660
Amount receivable – Onkaparinga RUFC	<u>5,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total receivables	<u>\$21,584</u>	<u>\$ 3,660</u>

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<b>Note 5. Non-current assets</b>		
<b>Property, plant &amp; equipment</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2000</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Buildings and improvements	136,250	134,570
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>123,560</u>	<u>115,755</u>
	<b>12,690</b>	<b>18,815</b>
Plant and equipment	23,126	23,126
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>22,414</u>	<u>22,126</u>
	<b>712</b>	<b>1,000</b>
Office furniture and equipment	25,035	24,676
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>23,429</u>	<u>22,690</u>
	<b>1,606</b>	<b>1,986</b>
Total Property, plant & equipment	<u><u>\$15,008</u></u>	<u><u>\$21,801</u></u>

### Note 6. Equity—Capital reserves

Capital reserve	<u>3,285</u>	<u>3,285</u>
	<u><u>\$3,285</u></u>	<u><u>\$3,285</u></u>

The capital reserve represents the net equity transferred from South Australian Rugby Union Incorporated to the Company, when the incorporated body was wound up (on 10 March 2000).

### Note 7. Directors' remuneration

No director directly or indirectly received any remuneration from the company for services as a director during the year.

### Note 8. Related parties

Transactions between the company and members include:

- Payments by clubs for season affiliation and team fees,
- Grant payments to South Australian Junior Rugby Union (\$15,000), South Australian Schools Union (\$5,000) and South Australian Rugby Referees Society (\$2,000).
- Lease payments by Southern Suburbs Rugby Football Club (\$8,500 GST exclusive) for lease of Bailey Reserve. These payments are on normal commercial terms.

## Independent audit report to the members of South Australian Rugby Union Ltd

### Scope

We have audited the financial report of South Australian Rugby Union Ltd (the company) for the year ended 31 October, 2001. The Company's directors are responsible for the financial report. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the Company.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide a reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. Our procedures include examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements and the Corporations Law in Australia so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Company's financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

### Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of the Company is in accordance with:

- (a) The Corporations Law, including:
  - i. Giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 October 2001 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
  - ii. Complying with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations; and
- (b) Other mandatory professional reporting requirements

Perks Chartered Accountants

Stephen J Noble  
Partner



Date \_\_\_\_\_

## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN RUGBY UNION LTD A.C.N. 091 684 409

### NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER, 2001

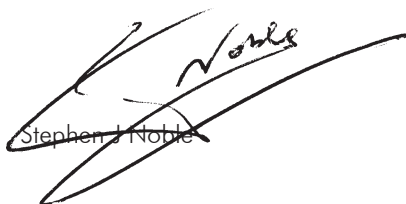
#### Additional Information Disclaimer

The additional financial data presented in these financial statements is in accordance with the books and records of the South Australian Rugby Union Ltd which have been subjected to the audit procedures applied in our review of the company for the year ended above. It will be appreciated that our audit did not cover all details of the additional financial information. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on such financial data and no warranty of accuracy or reliability is given.

In accordance with our firm policy, we advise that neither the Firm nor any member or employee of the Firm undertakes responsibility arising in any way whatsoever to any person (other than the above company) in respect of such data, including any errors or omissions therein, arising through negligence or otherwise however caused.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2002

PERKS – CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS



Stephen J Noble

## Income and Expenditure Statement for the period 1 Nov 2000 to 31 October 2001

	1-11-00 to 31-10-01	10-3-00 to 31-10-00
<b>INCOME</b>		
<b><i>Sponsorship and donations</i></b>		
Sponsorship and grants	150,751	96,972
<b><i>Club and player related income</i></b>		
Team & affiliation fees	61,193	64,644
Fines	182	30
Coaching courses	204	314
	<u>61,579</u>	<u>64,988</u>
<b><i>Bailey Reserve related income</i></b>		
Ground and Tent hire	13,484	9,545
Gate receipts	18,784	17,419
	<u>32,268</u>	<u>26,964</u>
<b><i>Other income</i></b>		
Sales of clothing/equipment	7,760	449
Interest received	3,782	2,941
Sundry income	1,653	415
	<u>13,195</u>	<u>3,805</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>257,793</b>	<b>192,729</b>
Less Cost of Goods Sold	5,940	-
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b><u>251,853</u></b>	<b><u>192,729</u></b>

## EXPENDITURE

### ***Rugby related expenses***

ARU affiliation fees	2,066	1,500
Grants to Juniors, Schools and Referees	22,000	16,778
Development expenses	3,288	1,081
Clothing and equipment purchases	1,359	969
Equipment and tent hire	5,722	3,010
Don Smith Presentation Night	1,972	-787
Referees match fee payments	15,180	12,420
SARU Representative Teams	19,213	19,094
Trophies	1,138	788
	<u>71,938</u>	<u>54,853</u>

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### ***Bailey Reserve operating costs***

Payments to curator	15,694	11,553
Repairs and maintenance	4,750	4,103
Cleaning		600
Electricity	2,369	2,621
Gas	484	531
Water	976	502
Insurance	4,716	1,024
Security	988	173
Interest accruals and payments	2,792	1,802
	32,769	22,909

### ***Administrative expenses***

Motor vehicle expenses	6,545	5,457
Sponsor Support expenses	390	587
Printing, stationery and postage	6,807	4,450
Telephones	4,271	2,439
Travel and hospitality	2,101	2,428
Legal costs	0	2,248
	20,114	17,609

### ***Employment related expenses***

Employment expenses (note 8)	10,880	7,999
Salaries and wages (net of subsidies received)	77,746	65,125
Leave provisions	2,466	4,563
	91,092	77,687

### ***Finance expenses***

Audit fees	3,200	500
Bank and government charges	1,857	488
Depreciation expense	8,832	5,498
	13,889	6,486

### ***Other expenses***

Inventory shrinkage	1,096	345
Sundry expenses	289	3,935
	1,385	4,280

Total Expenditure	<b>232,257</b>	<b>183,824</b>
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Surplus for the year	<b><u>\$19,596</u></b>	<b><u>\$8,905</u></b>
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*To be read in conjunction with the attached notes to the accounts*

Adelaide University, Brighton, Burnside, Elizabeth, North Torrens, Old Collegians, Onkaparinga, Port Adelaide, Roseworthy College, Southern Suburbs, Woodville.

## **PREMIERSHIP WINNERS**

Division 1	–	Old Collegians
Division 2	–	Brighton
Division 3	–	Old Collegians
Women	–	Southern Subs.

## **DON SMITH MEMORIAL MEDAL**

Braam Bester	–	Port Adelaide
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## **SIR NORMAN JUDE TACKLING TROPHY**

George Taka	–	Onkaparinga
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## **PRESIDENT'S TROPHY MOST OUTSTANDING FORWARD**

Matt Connor	–	Woodville
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## **CHAIRMAN'S TROPHY MOST OUTSTANDING BACK**

Braam Bester	–	Port Adelaide
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## **RAY HERDE SHIELD BEST UNDER 21 PLAYER**

Warren Duff	–	Woodville
Wayne Londema	–	Brighton

## **DEVELOPMENT TROPHY**

Rod Sadler	–	Old Collegians
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## **H.J. ROGERS MEMORIAL TROPHY**

Brett O'Neill, SARU Director, Member of SSRUFC

## **TAMAKI CUP, MINOR PREMIERS, DIVISION 1**

Old Collegians

## **BOB HOGARTH TOP TEAM TROPHY MOST TRIES**

Old Collegians – Division 1

## **WEST END TROPHY**

Old Collegians

## **RAY ROSSER MEMORIAL TROPHY COACHES AWARD**

Rob Sadler – Old Collegians

## **EDNA REILLY MEMORIAL TROPHY BEST WOMEN'S PLAYER**

Kelly Sylva – Southern Suburbs

## **DARRYL RYAN MEMORIAL TROPHY BEST GROUND FACILITIES**

Woodville

## PREMIERSHIP TABLES

<b>Division 1</b>	<b>Played</b>	<b>Won</b>	<b>Draw</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>Bonus (1)</b>	<b>Bonus (2)</b>	<b>Bonus (3)</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Diff.</b>	<b>Points</b>
Old Collegians	22	18	0	4	18		22	940	353	587	112
Port Adelaide	22	18	1	3	15	1	21	751	301	450	111
Brighton	22	18	0	4	14		22	767	330	437	108
Southern Suburbs	22	13	1	8	12	2	22	641	439	202	90
Burnside	22	11	0	11	10	5	22	629	473	156	81
Woodville	22	8	0	14	5	3	22	428	545	-117	62
Onkaparinga	22	5	0	17	6	1	22	377	796	-419	49
Adelaide University	22	4	0	18	6	3	17	377	981	-604	42
Elizabeth	22	2	0	20		1	21	188	880	-692	30

### Division 2

Burnside	22	16	0	6	10	2		593	231	362	76
Brighton	22	15	0	7	9	4		583	200	383	73
Onkaparinga	22	15	0	7	10	3		500	301	199	73
Southern Suburbs	22	14	0	8	6	2		550	307	243	64
Old Collegians	22	12	0	10	9	3		563	354	209	60
Port Adelaide	22	13	0	9	5	1		421	441	-20	58
Elizabeth	22	9	0	13	4			313	436	-123	40
Woodville	22	3	0	19	3	1		226	854	-628	16
Adelaide University	22	2	0	20	3	3		239	864	-625	14

### Division 3

Old Collegians	21	17	0	4	15			730	230	500	83
Burnside	22	14	0	8	13	1		674	384	290	70
Onkaparinga	20	14	0	6	9	1		582	265	317	66
Brighton	22	12	1	9	12	2		533	374	159	64
Roseworthy	21	11	0	10	8	2		423	502	-79	54
North Torrens	22	6	1	15	6	2		340	654	-314	34
Southern Suburbs	22	0	0	22		1		109	982	-873	1

### Women

#### 10 a Side

Southern Suburbs	9	7	0	2	5			190	64	126	33
Adelaide University	9	5	0	4	2	1		175	154	21	23
Burnside	9	3	0	6	3	1		157	196	-39	16
Old Collegians	9	3	0	6	3			107	215	-108	15

## FINAL ROUND RESULTS

### DIVISION 1

Elimination Final	Burnside	29	Southern Suburbs	17
Qualifying Final	Brighton	22	Port Adelaide	19
Major Semi-Final	Brighton	19	Old Collegians	16
Minor Semi-Final	Port Adelaide	27	Burnside	14
Preliminary Final	Old Collegians	14	Port Adelaide	13
<b>Grand Final</b>	<b>Old Collegians</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>Brighton</b>	<b>20</b>

### DIVISION 2

Elimination Final	Southern Suburbs	11	Old Collegians	10
Qualifying Final	Brighton	17	Onkaparinga	0
Major Semi-Final	Burnside	17	Brighton	6
Minor Semi-Final	Onkaparinga	11	Southern Suburbs	10
Preliminary Final	Brighton	18	Onkaparinga	17
<b>Grand Final</b>	<b>Brighton</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Burnside</b>	<b>10</b>

### DIVISION 3

Elimination Final	Brighton	66	Roseworthy	5
Qualifying Final	Burnside	17	Onkaparinga	5
Major Semi-Final	Old Collegians	40	Burnside	7
Minor Semi-Final	Onkaparinga	20	Brighton	11
Preliminary Final	Burnside	15	Onkaparinga	13
<b>Grand Final</b>	<b>Old Collegians</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Burnside</b>	<b>10</b>

### WOMEN

Elimination Final	Old Collegians	30	Burnside	0
Qualifying Final	Southern Suburbs	10	University	5
Preliminary Final	University	21	Old Collegians	17
<b>Grand Final</b>	<b>Southern Suburbs</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>University</b>	<b>15</b>

### THE ADELAIDE FALCONS

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The Adelaide Falcons improved their performance this season by ending fourth in the Australian Rugby Shield Competition.

Their first game was against Melbourne at the Adelaide Oval and the Falcons were triumphant with a late try to win the game 25-20.

*Action from Adelaide Falcons vs Melbourne at Adelaide Oval*

The second game was in Rockhampton against Queensland Country. The half time score was 22-0 to Queensland Country but the Falcons fought back with the final score being 34-14 to Queensland Country.

The Falcons then travelled to Darwin where they managed to score in the dying minutes to secure a 27-19 win.

In the next game at Adelaide Oval against "Perth Gold" the Falcons were leading 18-10 at half-time but unfortunately Perth ended up eventual winners 30-21.

The Falcons then toured to Gilgandra only to be beaten by the well drilled and talented "NSW Country Cockatoos" 70-3.

With two wins and two losses under their belt the Falcons managed to qualify for the finals and toured to Shoalhaven where they lost 88-19 to the "Country Cockatoos".

The "Country Cockatoos" went on to win the competition in the final against "Perth Gold" by a margin of 39-19.

With two years now under their belt, the Falcons can look forward to next year's campaign and hopefully improve their performance in 2002.

### THE UNDER-21 TEAM

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The Under-21 Tournament was held in Adelaide with three teams competing. The Adelaide "Buffaloes", NSW Country and Victoria.

The "Buffaloes" played NSW Country first up. With twenty minutes of the game gone the score was equal at 3-3. At half time the score was 18-3 to NSW Country and finally, early in the second half the "Buffaloes" scored to make the score 25-8. NSW Country registered four more tries which made the final score, 46-11.

The "Buffaloes" played far better than the score indicated by playing very well in both attack and defence but unfortunately turned over far too much ball at the breakdowns.

Unfortunately the "Buffaloes" had to turn up the next day to play Victoria.

The score at half-time was 33-0 to the Victorians who ran out eventual winners 73-0.

## REVIEW OF THE SEASON

In support of the Buffaloes" they never gave up and kept taking it to the Victorians. It was not conducive to a good game, the fact that the "Buffaloes" had to play two games in two days. NSW Country won the Tournament in a close encounter against Victoria.

For the game to improve at this level South Australia needs to have a development squad who need to play more games which would give the players more exposure at a higher level.

*Adelaide Falcons*

*Under 21 Team*

### ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY

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**T**he AURUFC got off to a great start in Season 2001, with both men's and women's teams winning the Elizabeth 7's tournament in March. The dual victories served to boost both the confidence of the players for the season ahead, and also the club's finances.

Fielding teams in Divisions 1 and 2 proved once again to be challenging in terms of player numbers, but a few new recruits and some active management from the existing players saw both teams provide much stronger opposition than in the previous year. This culminated in the season high victory for our Division 1 team over Burnside.

Unfortunately, the men's teams lost momentum during the mid-season Australian Rugby Shield, which saw the four best players from Division 1 unavailable for club competition, and stretched already limited player resources to the limit. A few heavy defeats during this time saw club spirit and team morale at a low.

Towards the end of the season, both men's team managed to recover some of their earlier strength and cohesion, and retaliated to finish the year on a high, with the Division 1 victory over Onkaparinga.

The Women's Team had a highly successful year, winning the majority of their games, combining with Southern Suburbs to win all three Barbarian matches, and contesting their second Grand Final in as many years. After leading all game they lost 17-15 to Southern Suburbs in the last 40 seconds of the match.

The AURUFC provided thirteen State Representatives for season 2001 - four

Adelaide Falcons, seven Southern Warriors and two U/21's.

This season the club farewelled men's coaches Kima Ramanumanu and Ata Satala. Both have done the club great service in their roles over the past three years and will be sorely missed.

### BRIGHTON

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**T**here have been many ups and downs for the Brighton Rugby Club in 2001.

On the up side, immense pride can be attributed to all Brighton senior and junior players. All Brighton teams played in Grand Finals except one, and that team participated in the finals narrowly missing out on the penultimate game.

Brighton Rugby Club is very proud to have registered more senior and junior players than any other club in Adelaide and have more senior and junior state representatives than any other club in South Australia. The future of the club is Under 8's and 10's and they both had full teams.

On the down side, despite Brighton's attempts at securing a fourth side for the senior competition, this was not to be. Intransigencies relating to the affiliation fee resulted in the team withdrawal prior to the competition start.

Brighton sponsored high schools and primary schools (without any outside financial assistance) and this is an increasing financial liability on club resources.

Overall the Brighton Club has seen a marked decrease in the income potential of our club

room facility. Whilst this may have some basis in increased levels of alcohol awareness, other reasons out of control of the Brighton Club Management did contribute largely to a downturn in the club's revenue and numbers at many varied social events.

Those with the long term view towards development of the game in South Australia will have to look closely at these problems if all clubs expect to expand in 2002.

All our members give great thanks to our club sponsors and in particular, Maxima Group.

We at Brighton look forward to 2002 with eager anticipation, getting it right on and off the field in full support of our members at a club and state level.

### **BURNSIDE**

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**A**lthough producing no premierships, season 2001 was very successful. One minor premiership, all senior teams in the finals and two grand final appearances augur well for 2002. The highlight was without a doubt, the junior resurgence regarding player numbers. Several plans are already in operation, specifically targeting an under 16 team.

On a low note the clubs must reconsider the length of season 2002. Common sense must prevail, with the season extending from April through to September. Any season longer than this will be detrimental to playing numbers and committee volunteers.

The club finished in the black financially thanks to great support from our many sponsors, and a very active social committee.

### **ELIZABETH**

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**W**hat a season!! After a good showing at the Elizabeth Sevens that heralded well for the season, the Club was brought back to earth with a thump as the appointed Coach, Steven Potter resigned for personal reasons between the Sevens and the start of the season proper.

Dennis Martin took over at very short notice and did his best but was not given enough support during the week by the players.

However, the season started well if unsuccessfully, with a number of close losses. This appeared to cause a loss of confidence that resulted in more lost games. The only good thing to be said is that the effort on the field was non-stop. They did not know they were beaten and tried hard to the end.

The Club is grateful to those players who not only played for the Second XV but also then not only stood by for the First XV but some also played both games.

The juniors also started well but also continued well and most teams made the finals but fell at the last hurdle.

In 2002 we hope to put the woes of 2001 behind us and progress. The Senior Coach(es) for 2002 will be Paul Douglas and Paul Cowans and we anticipate turning out a Third XV (of mainly older players) for the first time since the attempt in 1999.

Juniors, the future of the Club, will again be emphasised with John Farren returning to head our Junior Committee and we expect to turn out teams from Under 12 upwards.

### NORTH TORRENS

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The North Torrens "Dragons" may not have won a grand final this year, but the club has done some important growing. We have welcomed some new young players and a few older ones too. We welcome back others who have been absent for a year or two. In the middle of the long 2001 season we suffered the loss of a number of players and key officials to the Golden Oldies festival in Toulouse. However this enabled the new young players to gain valuable experience under difficult circumstances, back home on Adelaide's wintry pitches. Gradually however the Oldies trickled back (although one has yet to return!), and soon there were plenty of reserves and helpers. This lifted our club and its performance towards the end of the season, ending on a positive note with a decisive win over one of the eventual grand-finalists.

### OLD COLLEGIANS

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Season 2001 was a very successful one for the Club, particularly the on field performance of the senior teams.

Our junior teams reflected a drop in player numbers as well as the much needed coaching and managing resources so vital to the development of young players. We will be addressing this in 2002.

Season 2001 saw the birth of the "Crocs" (Div III), combining some of our champion players of earlier seasons with a sprinkling of newer and younger players. The formula produced a great outcome, although we had many players on the bench at most fixtures, giving thought to another team in 2002.

The on field performance of Division I reflected in increased supporter numbers resulting in good bar and canteen takings.

Division II suffered again from the need to support Division I with players, particularly during the Australian Rugby Shield, but the experience gained by these players should show in 2002.

Our Women's Team started slowly but showed strong improvement leading into the finals and unlike most teams would like the season to have gone on another couple of weeks.

We look forward to next season with enthusiasm, particularly buoyed by the success of our many Division I younger players in 2001.

### ONKAPARINGA

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Onkaparinga can report a generally successful 2001 season. The obvious highlight being premier-ships to the under 14s and under 16s. The under 18s making it to the grand final, although not winning, still had a terrific season. The under 12s just missed out on a grand final berth. The under 8s and 10s were well supported having two teams in each grade. Junior players from under 12, 14, 16 and 18 represented the club at state level. Onkaparinga was awarded the Eastwood Trophy for best junior club of the year.

Onkaparinga's star junior Shane Warren was selected in the Australian Under 17 Development Team and Australian Schools Division 2 Team. Shane also received the R.V. Williams medal for best SA junior.

The Club is pleased to be inundated with so many juniors keen to play the game. To have such depth in junior players plus willing coaches and helpers can only be good news for the future of Onkaparinga.

Division 1 struggled this year with only a few victories. Perhaps the most important was winning the Bill Chapman Cup (the first match played against Woodville each year).

The Division 1 best and fairest trophy has been renamed the "George Doughty Medal" and the inaugural tied winners were George Taka and Hamish Hooper. Divisions 2 and 3 both had good seasons only to go down in the preliminary finals

George Taka and Jason Rehutai were both selected to play for the Adelaide Falcons in the Australian Shield. James Irvine, Marcel Anthony and Jordan Shelton were selected for the South Australian under 21 squad.

### **PORT ADELAIDE**

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**P**ort Adelaide had a very successful year in 2001 climbing from second to bottom to finishing second at the completion of the minor round.

Our success can be mainly contributed to our coach, Lindsay Ashby and some good recruitment. The Pirates have always had a good nucleus for a team and I believe this is where Lindsay was able to have a major influence.

We would like to thank our major sponsors including Challenge for their support during the year.

Financially we ended in the black and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ports committee on a job well done and in particular Lynn and Dave Mattin.

Finally but not least the Pirates would like to thank the Viking's coaches and their Committee for the great work that they did this year.

### **ROSEWORTHY RAMS**

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**R**oseworthy enjoyed a solid start to the season with some new faces coming in to the team and bringing some valuable experience with them.

Towards the middle of the season things were looking very promising for the team and we enjoyed a couple of good battles with some tough teams.

It was refreshing to see teams such as Onkaparinga and Old Collegians dedicating full squads to the third grade competition.

However toward the end of the season we incurred bad injuries to some of our key players and others moved on due to work, study and other sporting commitments leaving us badly undermanned and lacking experience at the important end of the season.

Despite these things we will regroup, recruit and battle on and hopefully soon enjoy another premiership win.

### SOUTHERN SUBURBS

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**S**outhern Suburbs has now completed the second year of its three year rebuilding plan. Progress is according to our planned schedule. We have consolidated the gains of last year and we continue to grow in strength.

This season a Women's team was added, which won the Grand Final in their first year of competition, an unprecedented success story. Kelly Sylva epitomised the Women's success by winning the Edna Reilly Memorial Trophy for the Best Women's Player.

Our junior programme is steadily expanding. Despite a horrific and unparalleled level of serious injuries to the senior grades, our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Division teams made the finals. However the level of injuries did impact upon the performance of our 3<sup>rd</sup> Division team which without doubt will improve next year.

Once again Southern Suburbs contributed a significant number of junior, senior and women state team representatives, too numerous to mention in this brief summary. Worthy of note however is that for the second year in succession, a Southern Suburbs junior, Jonathon Khoury, won the Ken Grayling Scholarship.

Pre-season, we competed in the Darwin 7's competition once again making the final rounds. Next year's plan includes another visit to Darwin where hopefully we can successfully compete in the final.

Congratulations go to Adam Henderson who won the All Make Trenchers 1<sup>st</sup> Division Best Team Man award. As part of the award, Adam has won an expenses paid holiday for two to Singapore.

Southern Suburbs is actively recruiting and continues to attract new members and sponsors. For anyone new to the State or looking for a change, you will find yourself very welcome at the most progressive and exciting club in South Australia.

In closing, Southern Suburbs would like to thank the following major sponsors: All Make Trenchers; the Avoca Hotel; Coopers; Physio Direct; Pickles Auctions; Schweppes Cottee's; Singleton Transport; Snap Printing (Parkside); Sportspower (Castle Plaza); and The Body Workshop. Without this support our ever increasing success would not be possible.

### WOODVILLE

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**W**oodville's year started well with a good AGM with all positions being filled. Player numbers were up and enthusiasm was high.

For the first three games "A" grade played well without winning and the "B" grade won their first three games. Then our season long curse struck with a vengeance. Injuries across the board and especially key players crippled our "A" grade who had injury problems all year. Players being promoted to "A" grade to cover gaps, leaving the "B" grade with problems. Despite the problems, "A" grade performed well, winning games and were very competitive in the games lost. A little luck would have seen more games won. To come sixth was good under the circumstances.

Woodville, again, had state representatives. Matt Connor and Dave Potter in the Falcons and Warren Duff and Shane Hunt in the U/21's. Matt Connor won the SARU trophy for the most valuable forward and Warren Duff

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was equal best U/21. Our President Mr. A. Mallison served as Liaison Officer with the Falcons visiting teams. Woodville won the trophy for best presented ground and club.

We were pleased to host the Interstate U/21 tournament after all other grounds were too rain affected.

Woodville's commitment to the Junior Western Vikings remained high with many club members contributing. The Vikings go from strength to strength. A few more games won would have been good.

Woodville looks forward in anticipation to season 2002.

*Old Collegians, Division 1 Premiers 2001*

## 2001 REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

The following players represented the Adelaide Falcons during the 2001 season:

### ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY

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Gerhard Du-Toit, Jack Glover, Amani Levula, Save Lutumailagi

### BRIGHTON

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Andrew Brown, Joe Krajina, Paul Leonard. Wayne Londema, Chris Morshead, John Nataadra, Josua Vatu, Richard Wasley

### BURNSIDE

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Scott Ashby, Matt James, John Leger, Anthony Russell.

### OLD COLLEGIANS

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Andrew Beare, Richard Czeglik, Shaun Gough, Sam Reynolds, Ben Suttel, Kini Tavui.

### ONKAPARINGA

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Jason Rehutai, George Taka

### PORT ADELAIDE

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Braam Bester, Shane Elliot, James Lodge, Aaron Mattin, Shane Oest, Tavita Raikiwasa, Selestino Tuikaba

### SOUTHERN SUBURBS

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Craig Emslie, David Tito

### WOODVILLE

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Matt Connor, David Potter

### SA BLACK FALCONS MANAGEMENT

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Coach	Barry Cooper
Assistant Coach	Lindsay Ashby
Manager	John Hudson
Physiotherapist	Michael Lowe
Trainer	Graham Mudge

### RESULTS

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Adelaide Falcons	25	vs	Melbourne	20
Adelaide Falcons	14	vs	Queensland Country	34
Adelaide Falcons	27	vs	Darwin Mosquitoes	19
Adelaide Falcons	21	vs	Perth Gold	30
Adelaide Falcons	3	vs	NSW Country	70
Adelaide Falcons	19	vs	Semi-Final, NSW Country	88

## 2001 REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

The following players represented the South Australian Under-21 Team “the Buffaloes” during the 2001 season:

### **ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY**

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Matthew Nicholls, Josh Sutcliffe.

### **OLD COLLEGIANS**

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James Bradley, Andre Brummer, Mark Cross, Christian Tedge, Tim Williams

### **ONKAPARINGA**

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Brian Annandale, Marcel Anthony, Andrew Irvine, James Irvine, Jordan Shelton

### **PORT ADELAIDE**

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Aaron Mattin, Tim Mattin, Aaron O’Neill

### **SOUTHERN SUBURBS**

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Phil Noble, Declan Scragg, Mutz Ushewokunze

### **WOODVILLE**

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Warren Duff, Shayne Hunt, David Potter

### **UNDER 21 MANAGEMENT**

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Coach	Jim Annandale
Assistant Coach	Michael Lattz
Manager	Meredith Knowler
Trainer	Ashleigh Gregory
Assistant Trainer	Carmen Lattz

### **RESULTS**

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NSW Country	46	vs	South Australia	11
Victoria	73	vs	South Australia	0

## 2001 REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

The following players represented the South Australian Women's Team "the Southern Warriors" during the 2001 season:

### **ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY**

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Kelly Anderson, Celena Hayward, Penny Morton, Emma O'Neill, Jody Peterson, Amy Slocombe, Rachel Stevens, Amanda Walsh

### **BURNSIDE**

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Sally Anderson, Catherine Arnfield, Lori Harris

### **SOUTHERN SUBURBS**

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Jo Bathern, Sarah Gardiner, Sarah Hardy, Linda Herraman, Susan Hunt, Debbie Kiore, Cathy Paish, Aryn Perryman, Kelly Sylva, Michelle Tucker, Erin Walling

### **SOUTHERN WARRIORS MANAGEMENT**

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Coach	Meredith Knowler
Assistant Coach	Glen Millar
Manager	Naomi Oberscheidt
Physiotherapist	Karryn Sampson

### **RESULTS**

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Lindroth Trophy				
South Australia	0	vs	Victoria	44

*"The Southern Warriors"*

During the 2001 season, the members of the Judiciary Committee comprised:

**Kevin Whitton – Chairperson**  
**Don McInnes – Secretary**  
**Stuart Glenn**  
**Patrick Talbot**

Issues addressed by the Judiciary Committee during the 2001 season included the following.

### **ASSAULT OF A MATCH OFFICIAL**

Because of an incident during a match played during the Elizabeth Sevens, a player was deemed guilty of assaulting a Match Official. The player was subsequently suspended for a period of 9 months. Upon hearing an Appeal lodged by the player, the Appeal Committee increased the penalty to two years.

During the deliberations of the Judiciary Committee, it was established that the evidence of the Match Official could not be trusted.

The circumstances of the Report made it necessary for the Judiciary Committee to decide between the following options:

1. Judge the player on the basis of defending himself from an assault by a person not known to be a Match Official; or,
2. Judge the player on the basis of assaulting a Match Official.

These options were subject to considerable debate by the Judiciary Committee. The arguments for the second option prevailed.

The Judiciary Committee were aware of unique circumstances associated with this

case and that arriving at a decision that was just for all the parties was difficult.

### **SEND-OFFS ABSENCE OF REFEREE'S REPORT**

A Referee, in two different matches, sent off players. However, the Referee's Reports were not submitted to the SARU. This was despite repeated and emphatic instructions and guidance by the SARU Referees' Association and diligent appeals by the Operations Manager of the SARU.

While no incident subject to a Referee's Report is trivial, one of the incidents was at the serious extreme. It related to stomping an opponent.

The absence of the Referee's Report disempowers the Judiciary Committee from hearing the matter and gives rise to a potential for justice and the best interests of Rugby not to be served.

### **VERBAL ABUSE OF A MATCH OFFICIAL**

Three players were sent off for verbal abuse of a Referee. In all cases, the players underrated the seriousness of the offence and expressed surprise when informed that the "Normal" suspension (in accordance with the Schedule of Offences adopted by the SARU) is eight matches.

It may benefit Rugby in South Australia if players were made aware of the following consequences of abusing a Match Official:

1. A disincentive is created for players to contribute to Rugby by becoming a Referee; and,
2. The number of matches for which the player will be suspended will disadvantage their team and Club.

## JUDICIARY REPORT (Cont)

### CLUBS: PLAYERS NOT SUBJECT TO A SEND-OFF

The Judiciary Committee acknowledges that no player in the women's competition or from the North Torrens and Roseworthy Clubs were

deemed guilty of any action by a Referee that was serious enough to warrant being sent from the field of play.

**Don McInnes**  
Chairman

### DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS – DETAILS APPLICABLE TO

The following Schedule details information related to the Disciplinary Hearings conducted by the Judiciary Committee during the 2000 season.

CLUB	OFFENCE	SENTENCE
Elizabeth	Head butting	10 matches
Elizabeth	Punching Touch Judge.	9 months & as a result of an appeal sentence increased to 2 years
Adelaide Uni.	Punching	3 matches
Woodville	Punching	3 matches
Old Collegians	Punching	3 matches
Elizabeth	Striking	2 matches
Souths	Interfering with opponent	1 match
Brighton	Dissent	8 matches & as a result of an appeal sentence reduced to 4 matches
Woodville	Rucking	1 match
Old Collegians	Punching	3 matches
Elizabeth	Dissent	8 matches
Onkaparinga	Punching	2 matches
Souths	Repeated infringements	1 match
Brighton	Stomping	Report from referee not received in time for meeting so player automatically suspended for 1 week as per SARU Judiciary Rules
Old Collegians	Cited for charging by SSRUFC	Citing dismissed due to lack of evidence
Burnside	Abuse	Report from referee not received in time for meeting so player automatically suspended for 1 match as per SARU Judiciary Rules
Port Adelaide	Striking	Failed to appear so unable to play until his case has been heard
Burnside	Dangerous tackle	"
Souths	Dangerous tackle	5 matches

We started the season off well with our annual 'Pre-season Weekend Seminar', this year held at the "Tatachilla Lutheran College and Conference Centre" (in the heart of the McLaren Vale wine region); Thanks to Andrew Collins the 'Referee Development Officer' this was a great success once again. The seminar was well attended by most of our referees. Sessions were presented by Andrew, Bruce Cook from the A.R.U. (the National Referee Training Officer) and David Procopis the Western Australian R.D.O. (as our guest – kindly at the expense of the A.R.U.) Unfortunately only a small number of club coaches attended the 'Law Update' session. This was a real disappointment, as it was an ideal opportunity to run through these issues before the season got underway. Yes, all clubs were notified and invited!

This year we managed to entice three new referees to our ranks, welcome to Steve French, Ben Allgrove and Mel Scott. Additionally young Olwyn Williams was awarded a referee "Schools Scholarship", lets hope he follows it right through and one day referees a 'Test Match' in the 'World Cup'.

The Elizabeth 7's was our next get-together with a few new referees getting a taste of open fast running rugby.

A number of referees trained at 'Bailey Reserve' as a group, prior to the season proper starting, and spasmodically throughout the season – good on you, men.

The competition kick-off was much appreciated by most referees with what seemed to be a fairly skilful and even first five rounds. Injuries then started to take their toll, on both players and referees. The result - some poor performances. We still need to

increase our depth of numbers in the association. On more than one occasion we had referees officiating three games on a given Saturday.

The 'Australia Rugby Shield' was a certainly a highlight. Andrew Collins refereed the first senior state game played on Adelaide Oval and Don Murray the second (his first senior state game – congratulations Don). What a great venue, imagine playing our grand finals there.

Before too long the exchange weekend was upon us again. This year one referee travelled to Canberra and three to Melbourne. All four referees commented on the invaluable experience they gained whilst away. The Victorians in turn sent three of their referees to us, we certainly hope that they got plenty from the experience (and that they can forget the nasty incident with the spectators at a particular ground – enough said about that!).

On the administration side of things, the 'Referees Site' on the 'Web' was a tremendous leap forward in technology for our society. It has certainly cut down the time it takes to get messages out to the rank and file. It has also reduced our mailing expenses considerably. All appointments were posted on the 'Web', which made it easy for not only the referees, but also the clubs to find out who had been appointed to what. I imagine that it also would have cut the phone bill of Jimmy Jones (our registrar). There was a lot of information extracted by our members from other 'referee sites'. These will become even more important to referee coaches and referees alike as trends and new coaching techniques are posted just as soon as they evolve. This should keep every one up to speed with the changes to our great game.

## SARU REFEREES' ASSOCIATION (Cont)

As the season drew to an end, the finals produced some of the best rugby played in this state for quite some time. All games were fiercely contested. The score line in most games so close it was a shame that one team had to loose.

Finally our congratulations go to the referees that were appointed to grand finals:

Division 1	Andrew Collins
Division 2	Don Murray
Division 3	Phil Bengner
Women's	Jim Jones
U/18	George McDonald
U/16	Mike Beresford
U/14	Josh Sutcliffe
U/12	Ben Allgrove

**Richard Morgan,  
Secretary**

*Andrew Collins supervises the "coin toss"  
at the 2001 Grand Final*

**W**e have just completed our 2001 season. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Management Committee for all the hard work that was done throughout the season.

I would like to thank Brett Watson for his work as Secretary in the first half of the season and, also Paul Horne for the work he did when he took over as Secretary when Brett had to step down due to ill health.

Neil Whittaker did a fantastic job as treasurer for the SAJRU, having money in the bank at the end of the season.

To Alan Dowling, thank you for all your work in the canteen and the State Under 16 Team. Thank you very much to the parents that helped in the canteen and on the hamburger stand.

The Committee would like to thank the SARU for all their support throughout the season, and the South Australian Crippled Crows Golden Oldies Rugby Club for their kind donation of \$3500.00 to help send the Under 14 Team to Canberra and the Southern Regional Boys to Sydney. The Committee hopes this support can continue in 2002.

I would like to congratulate all the boys who made the State Teams Under 12, 14, 16, and 18, and to the managers, coaches, strappers of each team, well done.

The Griff Hunt this year was played in South Australia where we performed very well drawing with Victoria. The Under 14 team went to Canberra this year and to each of the boys I want to say very well done. I have had glowing reports on how well you played from ACT and NSW management.

Congratulations to the management team on a job well done. I hope that this success can continue next year.

The Southern Regional team played NSW Under 17 in Sydney and they won the game by 15 – 13. Very well done to the boys in this team and the to the management team for a great outcome this year.

Well done to the Under 16 team who went to the inaugural ARU tournament. We look forward to better things in 2002.

I would like to congratulate Shane Warren on receiving the “RV Williams Memorial Trophy” for the best junior player in 2001 and all the other boys who received awards at the end of the season.

Congratulations to Brighton for winning the Under 12 and 18 competition and Onkaparinga for winning Under 14 and 16 state titles.

I would also like to thank the Referees Association for their support throughout the 2001 season.

The Under 8 and 10’s are very important to our development of rugby in South Australia. The Committee thanks all the girls and boys who played at Bailey this year.

The Committee would like to thank the persons, clubs and referees who attended the “think tank” that was held at the Old Collegians Club, and for the good ideas that came out of this meeting. It will give the new committee many things to follow up to help make the 2002 season a success.

## SA JUNIOR RUGBY UNION (Cont.)

In closing I would like to thank Matthew Nicholls, the Development Officer for all the good work he is doing in developing rugby in South Australia.

Thankyou to all the clubs for their support in 2001 and, while it has been a difficult year I hope 2002 can be a better season.

**Gavin Collings,  
President**

## SA SCHOOLS' RUGBY UNION

**T**he 2001 Schools Rugby season was somewhat disappointing with only six schools taking part. Three of the schools fielded junior teams (year 9 and 10) and played a round robin competition on Wednesday afternoons.

The senior competition was scheduled as usual on Thursday afternoons. It is pleasing to note that Westminster School entered a team this year. They were a young and inexperienced team and suffered regular losses, but they turned out each week to play and the Rugby co-ordinator at the school reported that the boys finished the season feeling keen and confident about their 2002 season.

Also, a group of junior schoolboys (mostly year 9) was assembled and managed and coached by the Adelaide University Club. We could not accept this team into the regular schools match draw, but they made private arrangements with the three schools that fielded junior teams all of, which were happy to play 'friendly matches' when that school had the bye. We are hopeful that these boys will be able to stimulate some interest in their respective schools upon which we can build.

The schools participating this year were:  
Pembroke School, senior & junior

St Peters Collegiate, senior & junior  
Sacred Heart College, senior  
Blackwood High, senior & junior  
Prince Alfred College, senior  
Westminster School, senior  
Adelaide University, junior

The S.A. Rugby Union Development Officer coached the Westminster team.

We have had several meetings and many discussions aimed at addressing the falling number of participating schools. Several problems have been identified and now we seek solutions to these. A summary of our findings follows:

It is crucial to find a 'Rugby keen' staff member within the school.

If that staff member cannot or has insufficient time to coach a team, those resources need to be supplied from within other areas of the S.A. Rugby community.

The S.A. Rugby community has been shrinking in the past decade, so these resources are difficult to attract.

The need to have at least two afternoons available to coach the team limits our choice of potential school manager/coaches.

We believe that a small financial reimbursement may make a coaching position attractive to students with appropriate Rugby background and personal qualities.

We have had a meeting with the South Australian Secondary Sports Association (SASSA) with the view to conduct Rugby 10-a-side lightening carnivals throughout high schools. This is appealing to that association and they have committed to the organisation and administration of this initiative in 2002. Our aim here is to identify schools where there is some interest in Rugby and to build on that interest.

As usual, we conducted the Schools 7-a-side competition at the start of the season. In line with the year, the number of entries disappointed. Both the senior and junior divisions were won by Pembroke, defeating Blackwood HS in both finals.

In the home and away competition, Pembroke School looked like it might dominate all season. However, four other teams all improved markedly through the season and by season end, all except Westminster were remarkably close. Blackwood HS rose to the big match and defeated Pembroke for the premiership in a fast, entertaining game that was in doubt until the final whistle.

### **Representative Programme**

We planned two fixtures for the State Schools Rugby Team: The Astar Schools 10-a-Side tournament in Sydney and the Australian Championships in Darwin. The opportunity of preparing the selected squad for the Championships by taking them to Sydney was assisted by some funding from the ARU, which helped greatly keep the costs down. State training began in June so as to accommodate the Astar 10-a-side competition in Sydney.

Most of those who attended continued to train for Darwin and came to believe they were capable of acquitting themselves at the higher level.

Our arrival in Darwin provided a steep learning curve with weather conditions severely testing the fitness of the squad. With Tasmania and Western Australia withdrawing due to the Ansett collapse the rearranged program saw S.A. face Northern Territory in the first game and win with a **Kurt McKinley** penalty in an other wise lacklustre game. The next game against Victoria provided a stern challenge but Victoria proved too strong running out winners 44 to nil. The second game against N.T was an end to end spectacle but tries from **Shane Warren** and **Michael Douglas** again South Australia victors 20 to 10. Injuries were now causing problems with **Matthew Rae** and **Digioa** ruled out. The last game against Victoria with two imports from N.T proved too much of a hurdle with Victoria again winners 63 to 8. Consequently, at the end of the week four players were selected for the Australian Division 2 team - **Shannon Hall, Jeremy Thewlis, Michael Regler and Shane Warren**, who was also selected for the Development side.

Dialogue continues with the SAJRU to combine resources so as to improve the player base in the state. They will have to consider many of the implications regarding the playing season state training and proposed finals.

**Rob Lewis, President**  
**Ian Walker, Secretary**