

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN AMATEUR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

1st February 1947.

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting for your consideration and adoption, the twentieth annual report of this Association, which covers the activities of amateur football in this State during 1946.

The last report submitted to you was at the conclusion of the 1941 season, when it was agreed to discontinue our competition until the cessation of hostilities in World War II. Since 1941, several members of your committee have interested themselves in, and assisted to conduct the "Boys' Clubs' Sports Association, whose football competitions were run under the rules of this Association.

Seventeen teams affiliated with the Amateur Association in 1946. Postal Institute Club did not take part in the competition, while University No. 2 team and Fremantle C.F.C. and Old Boys failed to complete the season.

Five new clubs were welcomed into our Association, these being Midland Junction, Weybster, Belmont, V.C.W. and University No. 2. In accordance with our Constitution, Clubs are placed in two divisions of eight each, those in the "A" Division being North Fremantle, Wembley, Mt. Lawley, Claremont, University, Baylands, East Fremantle and Fremantle C.F.C. Old Boys. These Clubs had competed in 1941. In the new division, in addition to the five new Clubs mentioned previously, we had Rosman Park, South Perth and Pelham.

Members of the "B" Division were North Fremantle, who defeated Wembley in the Grand Final, while Midland Junction were successful in the "A" Division, their opponents being Rosman Park in the Grand Final. This year, three new teams will graduate to the "A" division, replacing East Fremantle and Fremantle C.F.C. Old Boys.

The question of playing grounds was one of the main problems in 1946. With so many other sporting bodies desirous of cooperating with our competitions after the war break of the war years, it was found that a dearth of good ovals confronted us all. Through the cooperation and help of the W.A. National Football League, and the Western Sporting Federation, all Amateur Sporting bodies received a fair share of the better ovals. It is anticipated that there may be a few more grounds available in 1947, but it must be remembered that there will be a larger number of teams and players taking part in all sport, than was the case last year, and it is imperative for us to continue to press local governing bodies to provide more and better facilities for the sporting section of their communities.

For the first time in the history of this Association, no meeting of the Protesters and Disputes Board was held. This speaks well for the players and umpires alike, and as long as club members continue to place the love of the game as their primary object in sport, and realise that a poor sport is anything but an asset to a team, then the Protesters and Disputes Board will continue to lead a very quiet existence.

I would like to pay further tribute to the Triples who officiated for us during the season just passed. Those men whose exhibitions I witnessed, were in my opinion, definitely up to the standard of League umpires during recent years. Some of them had been umpiring for the boys clubs during the war years, and had certainly benefited from the advice of the Triples' coach ~~xxxx~~ appointed by that Association. I understand that the National Football League intend appointing a coach for umpires for all junior grades of Football in this State, and would suggest that in the event of their not doing so, this Association should appoint its own Triples' Coach.

On the Financial side, the Association has a credit balance of £125-4-8. The Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and the Balance Sheet attached, give a complete report on this matter. Most of the Clubs will start the 1947 season with a credit, which it is hoped, will be maintained during the season.

In conclusion, I wish to express thanks to all members of this Committee, and to Club Officials, whose co-operation throughout the season ensured smooth working. After a break of five years, the work of reorganising was no small task for all concerned, and having once been a Club Secretary, I fully realise the amount of ~~xxxx~~ time and energy that is required to make a successful Club.

The future of Amateur Football in this State indeed looks very bright, and with the prospect of an Interstate Carnival looming, I can see no reason why this Association should not continue to be the largest Football body in Western Australia.



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Hon. Secy. Barry.

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Balance Sheet as at 31st January 1947.

Liabilities.

Accumulated Funds Balance 1941.	57	2	5		
Add Profit 1946.	41	7	3	98	9
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Amounts held on behalf of					
Sundry Clubs:-					
Feywater	1	7	6		
Belmont	1	10	0		
Claremont-Nedlands	2	0	0		
East Fremantle	1	10	0		
Midland Junction	1	10	0		
Mosman Park	1	15	0		
Mt. Hawthorn	2	15	0		
Nedlands	1	15	0		
Wth. Fremantle	2	15	0		
Palmyra	1	18	6		
University	4	2	6		
Wembley	4	5	0		
W.C.W.	1	12	6		
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	25	7	6		
Less Sundry Debtors:-					
Ft. St. J. C. C. C.	1	7	0		
South Perth	5	6	0	26	15
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Assets.

Commonwealth Savings Bank. 125 4 8

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I hereby certify having examined the Books and Vouchers of the above Association, and found them to be correct.

*M. Phipps*  
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Hon. Auditor.

*H. S. J. J. J.*  
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Hon. Secretary. &  
Hon. Treasurer.

Financial Statement for 1946 Season.Receipts.

Credit Balance at 1.1.46.	7	2	5
Affiliation Fees	17	17	0
Entrance Fees	15	15	0
Good Faith Deposits	30	0	0
Permits	17	9	0
Match Fees	214	7	6
Gate Receipts	12	4	10
Fines	4	2	6
Redemption of Commonwealth Free- of-Interest Loan	50	0	0
Commonwealth Savings Bank Interest		6	9
Annual Soccer Social	7	2	6

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Expenditure.

Umpires	166	19	0
Ground Fees	15	0	0
Honorarium 1942-1945	10	10	0
Insurance on Trophies		9	6
Post Office Box	1	10	4
Affiliation Amateur Sporting Federation. 1945-1946.	2	0	0
Telephone Rental	2	17	9
St. John's Ambulance	10	10	0
Annual Soccer Social	22	1	6
Printing and Advertising	10	2	9
Petty Cash		0	0
Sundry Expenses.		12	0
Balance at 31.1.47.	125	4	2

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