

Swan
Districts
National
Football
Club
(Inc.) W.A.N.F.U.



Seventh Annual Report

and
Balance Sheet

Season 1940

Presented at

The Annual Meeting

Held in the

Club Rooms

Bassendean Oval on

Thursday, Dec. 5th, 1940

at 8 p.m.

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Voting for the Election of Office Bearers will take place from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the day of the Annual Meeting with Mr. George Roberts, c/o Walker's Butchers Shop, Perth road, Bassendean (opp. Bassendean Hotel) and from 7 to 8 p.m. at the place of meeting.

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Only Members for 1940 Season are eligible to vote.

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ADMISSION BY 1940 BADGE OR BONA FIDE CREDENTIALS.

MEMBERSHIP FEE 1941, 5/-

F. C. LANGE,
President.

R. M. LETHBRIDGE,
Secretary.

Swan Districts National Football Club (Inc.)

W.A.N.F.L.

Office Bearers, Season 1940

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F. C. LANGE, Esq.

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Messrs. G. ROBERTS, H. FORBES, W. DOBSON.

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Messrs. T. NIELSEN and A. W. H. LUCAS

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Messrs. C. F. ROSEWARNE (Captain and Coach) and T. MOILER

Match Committee:

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H. FORBES and W. DOBSON

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Swan Districts National Football Club (Inc.)

W.A.N.F.L

ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET, SEASON 1940

To the Members of the Swan Districts National Football Club

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

In submitting to you on behalf of the Management Committee the Seventh Annual Report and Balance Sheet for season 1940, I regret having to record that your team for the first occasion since entering League ranks has finished on the bottom of the Premiership Table.

We experienced a very difficult season in many ways, commencing without the services of Jim Ditchburn, who had definitely retired; George Krepp, who left for the Goldfields; Harold Andrews and Max Chester, who were overseas with the Navy; Joe Pearce and Jack Clark, who returned to their homes in the country; and "Blue" Lambert, who was in the R.A.A. Barracks. Andy Zilko, Bonnie Sweetapple, and Bert Randall had all hinted at retirement, but reconsidered their decision and rendered much assistance to their team. To make matters worse Ted Holdsworth, our champion goalsneak, who had returned from the Goldfields, was prevented from playing in the opening games owing to his clearance being delayed. We were unable to draw on last year's seconds as their leading players were unavailable. Dick McDonald and Alf Shepherd were in the Navy; "Blue" Slater was nursing an injured ankle caused through mistaking a piece of rock for a football; Billy Baker had left for Darwin; and George Mercer and Charlie Avery, who are overseas with the A.I.F.

After the first match Jack Murray announced his retirement for the season owing to a broken bone in his wrist, and from then onwards we experienced a series of setbacks. Ralph Arkley, the ex-St. Kilda player, who showed much promise, was required to play with the Air Force team where he is stationed; Jack Jones left for Darwin; Paddy Harnett was transferred to Collie; Andy Todd and Ray Vigar decided to give the game up; Arthur Roberts returned to his club in Cannington; Bill Mose was injured in the second match and he was unable to play for the rest of the season; Alex Jamieson was unable to play in the final seven games owing to an injured knee; Don McDonald enlisted in the A.I.F., as also did our popular coach, Spec Sinclair. Spec is now overseas and I am sure you will join with me in wishing him the best and a safe return. Andy Zilko could not spare the time from his vineyard, and he was forced to withdraw; and Laurie O'Neil was called up by the Navy.

"Snooky" Kelly from Pemberton spent his holidays in Perth, and played one match with the team, and showed just what an asset he would be. Bob Currie made the trip from Northam on three occasions, but we are still experiencing difficulty in finding employment for our recruits and we were unable to retain their services.

Prior to the conclusion of the season Max Chester and Dick McDonald were in port on leave, and both offered their services. Max played two games and Dick one, both showing what assets they would have been during a very trying season.

Once again injuries played havoc with the team, and it is interesting to note that only two players, Rupe Maynard and George Oakley, have not missed a match through illness or injury.

Bonnie Sweetapple has joined the ranks of the "centurions," he

having reached the century mark during the season. We offer our congratulations to Bonnie, and hope that he will continue to assist his club by his deeds on the field.

Premiership

Once again we extend to Claremont our heartiest congratulations on winning the 1940 Premiership. This young club has battled hard for supremacy and we wish them all the best.

PREMIERSHIP LIST

Position of Clubs at end of 1940 Season (not including Finals)

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Against	Points
Claremont	20	15	5	—	2208	1603	60
South Fremantle	20	15	5	—	2079	1687	60
East Fremantle	20	14	5	1	2035	1661	58
East Perth	20	13	7	—	1688	1483	52
West Perth	20	11	9	—	1769	1622	44
Subiaco	20	5	14	1	1571	1980	22
Perth	20	4	16	—	1552	1845	16
Swan Districts	20	2	18	—	1382	2403	8

CLUB'S POSITION RECORD (not including Finals)

Year	Position	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points
1934	7th	21	7	14	—	28
1935	5th	18	6	12	—	24
1936	7th	20	9	11	—	36
1937	3rd	21	14	7	—	56
1938	3rd	20	11	9	—	44
1939	6th	20	7	13	—	28
1940	8th	20	2	18	—	8

PLAYERS FOR 1940 SEASON

Matches played, 20; Goals kicked, 195; Players, 43.

	Games Played	Goals Kicked		Games Played	Goals Kicked
Maynard, R.	20	3	Sinclair, S.	7	2
Oakley, G.	19	6	McGlew, E.	7	1
Mosey, H.	18	1	Harnett, A.	4	3
Randall, A.	18	—	McDonald, D.	4	2
Moiler, T.	17	1	Townsend, E.	4	—
Williams, J.	17	3	Roberts, L.	4	—
Annesley, R.	17	19	Weston, A.	4	—
Greene, J.	16	9	Roberts, A.	3	2
Wicks, W.	16	15	Currie, R.	3	1
Bastow, C.	16	—	O'Neil, L.	3	—
Holdsworth, E.	16	73	Chester, M.	2	—
Rosewarne, C.	15	22	Alday, H.	2	—
Sweetapple, F.	14	15	Mose, W.	2	—
Darmody, T.	14	1	Vigar, R.	2	—
Burns, P.	13	3	Todd, A.	2	—
Grey, E.	13	1	Jones, J.	2	—
Holmes, R.	12	—	Murray, J.	1	—
Armstrong, L.	11	—	Kelly, H.	1	—
Grljusich, T.	10	3	McDonald, R.	1	—
Hulme, J.	10	5	Davis, C.	1	—
Jamieson, A.	9	3	Dale, L.	1	—
Zilko, A.	8	—	Arkley, R.	1	—

The 19th man played on 17 occasions

RECORD OF MATCHES PLAYED, 1940

Date	Versus	Ground	Umpire	Won by	Scores	Opponents
April 29	Claremont	Claremont	Sparrow	Claremont	10	18 11
May 4	South Fremantle	Bassendean	Chapman	South Fremantle	8	18 9
May 11	East Fremantle	Bassendean	Ryan	East Fremantle	9	10 13
May 18	East Perth	Subiaco	Kneale	East Perth	8	11 12
May 25	Perth	Bassendean	Black	Perth	7	13 11
June 1	Subiaco	Bassendean	Sparrow	Subiaco	6	11 12
June 8	West Perth	Bassendean	Owens	West Perth	9	10 10
June 15	South Fremantle	Fremantle	Ryan	South Fremantle	11	11 11
June 22	Claremont	Bassendean	Black	Claremont	14	14 14
June 29	East Fremantle	Fremantle	Owens	East Fremantle	13	6 18 21
July 6	East Perth	Bassendean	Sparrow	East Perth	9	8 18 20
July 13	Perth	W.A.C.A.	Chapman	Swan Districts	18	9 10 22
July 20	Subiaco	Subiaco	Owens	Swan Districts	16	13 11 13
July 27	West Perth	W.A.C.A.	Black	West Perth	7	12 7 22
August 10	South Fremantle	Subiaco	Owens	South Fremantle	13	10 24 10
August 17	Claremont	Claremont	Black	Claremont	7	15 33 22
August 24	East Fremantle	Bassendean	Donoghue	East Fremantle	9	16 12 16
August 31	East Perth	Bassendean	Ryan	East Perth	8	13 9 14
September 7	Subiaco	Subiaco	Ryan	Subiaco	11	12 22 18
September 14	West Perth	Bassendean	Duckwood	West Perth	7	6 20 16

Swan Districts, 195 goals 217 behinds; Opponents, 343 goals 335 behinds
Matches played, 20; Home 10, Away 10.

TOTAL SCORES

Year	Goals	Behinds	Points For	Goals	Behinds	Points Against
1934	255	252	1782	308	320	2163
1935	212	233	1505	249	237	1731
1936	246	226	1702	273	278	1916
1937*	287	258	1980	276	281	1937
1938*	262	294	1866	266	261	1857
1939	221	251	1577	274	242	1886
1940	195	217	1387	343	335	2393

*Includes First Semi-Final Games

AVERAGE POINTS PER MATCH

Year	For	Against
1934	85	103
1935	84	96
1936	85	96
1937	90	97
1938	89	88
1939	79	94
1940	69	120

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Previous holders of the above, which is presented to every player who has played in 50 games, are as follows:

Name	Games played	Name	Games played
H. Mosey	137	E. Holdsworth	78
S. Sinclair	109	T. Darmody	76
A. Zilko	108	J. Pemberthy	76
F. Sweetapple	107	T. Moiler	72
G. Krepp	100	C. Bastow	67
A. Randall	92	C. Avery	56
K. McInnerney	91	H. Andrews	53
J. Park	87	J. Ditchburn	52
J. Murray	85		

The possible is 142

No player is entitled to a certificate this year

LIST OF ALL PLAYERS SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE CLUB

Showing games played and goals kicked

Name	Games	Goals	Name	Games	Goals
H. Mosey	137	1	J. Park	87	113
S. Sinclair	109	51	J. Murray	85	28
A. Zilko	108	—	E. Holdsworth	77	387
F. Sweetapple	107	115	J. Pemberthy	76	37
G. Krepp	100	10	T. Darmody	75	21
A. Randall	92	25	T. Moiler	72	30
K. McInnerney	91	39	C. Bastow	67	8