
THE SWAN DISTRICTS NATIONAL FOOTBALL CLUB



(Inc.) W.A.N.F.L.

8TH ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET, SEASON 1941

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. Only members for 1941 are eligible to vote.

ADMISSION BY 1941 BADGE OR BONA FIDE CREDENTIALS.

MEMBERSHIP FEE, 1942, 5/-

F. C. LANGE, President. R. M. LETHBRIDGE, Secretary.

Presented at the Annual Meeting held in the Club Rooms, Bassendean Oval on Thursday, December 4th, 1941 at 8 p.m.

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Office Bearers, Season 1991

Joint Patrons:

P. A. CONNOLLY, Esq., E. P. BYRNE, Esq., F. J. ABERLE, Esq.

President:

J. FITZPATRICK, Esq., and F. C. LANGE, Esq.

Vice-Presidents:

Messrs. T. NIELSEN and E. DORSETT

Management Committee:

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

Delegates to W.A.N.F.L.:

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

Proxy Delegates:

Messrs. R. M. LETHBRIDGE and W. DOBSON

Players' Representatives:

Messrs. H. MOSEY (Captain and Coach) and F. SWEETAPPLE

Match Committee:

Messrs. H. MOSEY (Coach), F. SWEETAPPLE (Vice-Captain), A. ANDREWS,
L. JAMIESON, T. MOILER

Trophy Committee:

Messrs. F. C. LANGE, T. NIELSEN, A. W. H. LUCAS

Hon. Auditors:

Messrs. E. WICKS and E. F. TRAYLEN

Solicitors:

Messrs. DWYER, DURACK & DUNPHY

Hon. Physicians:

Dr. B. BUTTSWORTH, Dr. BEECH,
and Dr. BELL

Hon. Trustees:

Messrs. S. FAITHFUL and
C. GOODRIDGE

Hon. Timekeeper:

Mr. D. BEGLEY

Hon. Treasurer:

A. W. H. LUCAS

Hon. Secretary:

R. M. LETHBRIDGE

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ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET, SEASON 1941

To the Members of the Swan Districts Football Club

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I am able to submit to the members of my Club the following report.

I firstly wish to thank members for again electing me to the position of President on the retirement of Mr. Fitzpatrick last June. The season from a playing position was not too satisfactory due mainly to the fact that we had, owing to military pressure, great difficulty in obtaining players for any regular periods, thus disorganising the team. I must here thank sincerely the junior bodies for coming to our assistance by allowing us to make use of their players, sometimes to their own disadvantage, and I hope that those and other juniors who are eligible to play with us this season will do so, and by so doing enable us to again retain our position in the football world.

Our social and financial activities I am very pleased to say have this year been of the highest standard.

To the Social Committee for their wonderful efforts I tender my sincere congratulations.

At the beginning of 1939 your club was in debit some £600, when your Committee took drastic steps to right the position and gradual progress has been made in that direction until I can proudly say that at the close of this year's activities you have submitted to you a balance sheet which speaks for itself. To my Committee and other workers I heartily and sincerely thank for assisting to bring this about.

In conclusion I wish to appeal to all members to endeavour to increase our membership and by so doing help the Committee to carry on their good work.

We would like to report that Speck Sinclair, who has been missing for the past nine months, is now a prisoner in Crete, his wife having received a card from him this week.

Premiership

We extend to West Perth our heartiest congratulations on winning the 1941 Premiership. This club has battled hard for supremacy and we wish them all the best.

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
1941	8th	20	3	17	—	12

SANDOVER MEDAL

This season we were very pleased to congratulate that very popular sportsman and gentleman, Haydn Bunton, of the Subiaco Football Club, who won the coveted Sandover Medal.

In 1935 George Krepp tied with Lou Daily of Subiaco for first place in the Sandover Medal.

PRESIDENTIAL

1934—R. A. McDonald, Esq.	1939—F. C. Lange, Esq.
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1936—F. C. Lange, Esq.	1941—F. C. Lange, Esq.
1937—R. A. McDonald, Esq.	1941—J. Fitzpatrick
1938—F. C. Lange, Esq.	

SECRETARIAL

1934—J. F. Jenner	1938—J. F. Jenner
1935—J. F. Jenner	1939—R. M. Lethbridge
1936—J. Mottram	1940—R. M. Lethbridge
1937—J. F. Jenner	1941—R. M. Lethbridge

TREASURER

1934—L. R. Latham	1938—T. H. Nielsen
1935—J. Reilly	1939—T. H. Nielsen
1936—T. H. Nielsen	1940—A. W. H. Lucas
1937—T. H. Nielsen	1941—A. W. H. Lucas

DELEGATES

Messrs. T. Nielsen and H. Lucas represented your Club at the W.A. National Football League meetings, and Messrs. R. Lethbridge and W. Dobson acted as proxies. The following have represented your Club:

1934—Messrs. T. Nielsen and H. Walker
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1938—Messrs. T. Nielsen and F. Lange
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1941—Messrs. T. Nielsen and H. Lucas

LIFE MEMBERS

1935—Mr. C. R. Wicks
1936—Mr. T. H. Nielsen
1937—Mr. R. A. McDonald and Dr. E. Kyle
1938—Mr. F. C. Lange
1939—Mr. J. F. Jenner
1940—Mr. E. P. Byrne
1941—

COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD 1941—Number Held, 23.

Mr. J. Fitzpatrick	12	Mr. R. Lethbridge	10
Mr. T. Nielsen	15	Mr. T. Moiler	6
Mr. Dorset	9	Mr. C. Rosewarne	6
Mr. H. Lucas	23	Mr. J. Maloney	14
Mr. H. Forbes	20	Mr. F. C. Lange	16
Mr. G. Roberts	19	Mr. H. Mosey	14
Mr. W. Dobson	21	Mr. R. Maynard	8

Mr. Lucas attended every meeting of the League, and Mr. Nielsen only missed one meeting, when your Club was represented by Mr. Dobson.

TIMEKEEPER

Once again we received splendid service from Mr. Dan Begley as Official Timekeeper, and we express our thanks to him for his loyalty to his very responsible position.

TRAINERS, PROPERTY MAN, AND DOORKEEPERS

Mr. Les Jamieson carried out the important position of Head Trainer with credit. Mr. Jamieson's expert knowledge of athletes was an important factor in his success. Messrs. Jim O'Connell, Les Keating, Arch Davies, and Len Lowry carried out the important positions of Trainers. Mr. Dan Dunt again rendered excellent service as Property-man and kept a watchful eye on all gear and property. Messrs. Wally Counsel and Tom McDonough again acted as Doorkeepers—a thankless job—and Mr. Bill Dobson was always on duty to attend to the players' boots. We convey our very sincere thanks to the above very necessary officials.

MEDICAL

During the season Drs. Buttsworth, Bell and Beech rendered valuable service to the injured players and we convey our thanks to these three professional men.

Our thanks are due to the Ambulance men who were on duty every Saturday to attend to the players.

AUDITORS

Messrs. P. Traylen and E. Wicks again gave their services as our Auditors, in which capacity they have acted since 1934.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

We are pleased to record that excellent service is being rendered in our district by a body of men who are devoting their time and ability to junior football. Your committee realises that the juniors of today are the league players of tomorrow and we have done all within our power to assist the junior organisations. The Cobbers and the Under 17 Temperance League both won their division finals only to be defeated in the grand final, and the Under 19 Temperance League also finished in the final four of their division, only to be beaten in the semi-final.

The Midland Metropolitan Juniors reached the final four of their Association, but were beaten in the final.

During the season the Bassendean State School Team made the trip to Busselton, and your members subscribed to an appeal to assist the finances of the trip.

We also donated balls to some of the schools in our district.

COLLIE TRIP

On August 23 after the One Day Premiership your Club made the trip to Collie, where on Sunday, August 24, they played a match against the combined Collie-Bunbury team, which our team won. Players and officials voted this the best trip that the Club has ever conducted.

COACH'S REPORT

To the Committee of the Swan Districts Football Club.

Gentlemen,—

In my annual report as coach of the above club for 1941, a survey of its activities produces feelings of pride in the face of adverse conditions. Although our position on the premiership table was not with the leaders, this does not detract from the performances against these

clubs. Many of our key men have answered the call of duty and coupled with unexpected injuries, tended to reduce our strength; despite this the players responded, and shouldering the extra burden, defended the good reputation held by the Swan Club. At this stage I would appeal to all older members to assist in keeping the Club alive in the future.

A tribute must be paid to the efforts of the junior players who have taken their place in the league side. These boys, although inexperienced in league games, acquitted themselves well, thus proving that Swan's future is assured.

The Metropolitan Juniors and Temperance Club are to be congratulated on bringing further laurels to the district, the latter in gaining premierships in their grades and the former in being runners-up.

I now take this opportunity of thanking all members, including players, trainers, property steward, and doorkeepers for their assistance in helping me to uphold the traditions of the Club.

In conclusion I wish to thank the members of the committee for their co-operation; our excellent financial position is the result of their untiring efforts, and one of which any club would be justly proud. Not forgetting the Club Doctors who have ably assisted us in attending to players' injuries and keeping them in the field. Wishing the Club every success in the future.

Yours faithfully,

F. H. MOSEY.

DONORS

We wish to thank all donors of cash or kind, including trophy donors and all who helped the Club in many ways. We are grateful for the support of the following:

Messrs. E. P. Byrne, P. A. Connolly, F. Aberle, E. Dorsett, L. Brennan, M. Coleman, A. J. Purslowe, E. J. Reilly, F. C. Lange, H. Dimond, J. Hollis, Caris Bros., D. Begley, J. McFarlane, W. D. Johnson, M.L.A., E. Payne, V. B. Mursell, J. F. Roe, H. Jones, M. Jones, J. H. Armstrong, L. Stewart, C. Wicks, T. Nielsen, J. A. Wilson, J. Loughridge, A. Mills, F. W. Godfrey, S. Waltho, Dr. Buttsworth, D. M. Campbell, A. Brear, P. Frost, H. L. Kirke, R. A. Yelland, J. Maloney, A. W. Pauley, C. Brear.

DIVIDENDS

The following table shows all dividends received since 1934:

1934	£358
1935	362
1936	566
1937	686
1938	900
1939	748
1940	559
1941	486

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. Lucas, reports that the Club has had a very successful season financially, notwithstanding the falling off of revenue from gate receipts, donations and other sources to the extent of £200.

Confronted with a deficit of £227 at the commencement of the season, your Committee, by a sheer concentrated effort, have liquidated this amount, and I am in a happy position to be able to inform you members that we are again on top, with the satisfaction of knowing that all creditors have been paid twenty shillings in the pound, while a credit balance of £75/14/3 is shown at the bank.

As you have thought fit to elect me again to the position of