
The Swan



Districts

National Football Club

▶ **16TH ANNUAL REPORT**

PRESENTED AT.....

THE ANNUAL MEETING

HELD IN THE.....

CLUB ROOMS - BASSENDAN OVAL

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 1949, 8 P.M.

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Voting for Election
of Office Bearers
will take place from
7 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.
Only Members for
1949 Season will be
allowed to Vote.

SWAN DISTRICTS NATIONAL FOOTBALL CLUB
INC. W.A.N.F.L.

Office Bearers, Season 1949

Joint Patrons:

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President:

K. DRAKE-BROCKMAN, Esq.

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Messrs. T. NEILSEN and E. J. PURSLOWE

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Messrs. T. NEILSEN and L. G. LOWRY

Proxy Delegates:

Messrs. H. FORBES and T. MOILER

Players' Representatives:

W. KINGSBURY (Coach), G. KING (League) and J. GREENE (Seconds)

Coach:

W. KINGSBURY

Assistant Coach:

J. GREENE

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Hon. Assistant Secretary:

T. MOILER

SWAN DISTRICTS NATIONAL FOOTBALL CLUB

INC. W.A.N.F.L.



To the Members of the Swan Districts National Football Club.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

It is with a great deal of disappointment I submit to you my fifth, and the Club's 16th annual report, for what seemed to have a bright beginning, and yet despite considerable expense, combing the country for players, the Eastern States tour and country trips, the season could not otherwise be termed than a failure.

Mr. W. Kingsbury was reappointed Coach and Mr. J. Greene his assistant, but the lack of key men again resulted in an unbalanced side. The season opened with a defeat by Claremont, then a win against Subiaco was followed by four defeats in succession before we won again, defeating Claremont at Claremont. A bad defeat by East Perth the next week, followed by a narrow win over Subiaco, then annihilated by West Perth, left officials contemplating the Eastern States tour with misgivings.

However the party comprising 26 players and 15 officials left for Whyalla, Broken Hill and Pt. Pirie, under the managership of Mr. T. Nelson, where a fighting spirit of the players developed and we won all three games. All who participated in that tour were quite satisfied we would re-habilitate our club on resuming the competition, but except for a few spasmodic showings the team again lapsed into its apathetic ways and we did not again meet with success until our final match, defeating East Perth.

The seconds team caught the apathy bug too and it was not until Jack Greene played himself, that we improved and won the last four games, narrowly missing a place in the final four. I consider players of both teams did not give the support to either coach, who spent hours of worry and work on their behalf and deserved for better support.

Ralph Latham was selected as the only player in the club for the State side, to play South Australia, but we failed to gain representation in the team which toured the East.

Congratulations to West Perth on winning the premiership, also to Perth who made such an excellent bid for the final honours.

Jack Murray decided to retire and announced his decision before the final match against East Perth, and it was fitting that he should lead his team to victory in his last game. He was chaired from the field by enthusiastic team mates. If we had more players of his calibre our troubles would be very few.

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
1942			Did not field a side			
1943	4th	17	9	8	—	36
1944	6th	19	7	12	—	28
1945	4th	20	10	10	—	40
1946	7th	19	4	14	1	18
1947	7th	19	4	15	—	16
1948	8th	19	2	17	—	8
1949	7th	18	4	14	—	16

PREMIERSHIP LIST

Position of Clubs at the end of 1949 Season

	League					Pts
	Won	L	For	Ag.	P.c.	
Perth	14	4	1667	1195	139	56
West Perth	13	5	1629	1283	126	52
South Fremantle	13	5	1818	1559	116	52
East Fremantle	11	7	1889	1669	113	44
East Perth	9	9	1470	1501	97	36
Claremont	6	12	1359	1637	83	24
Swan Districts	4	14	1273	1628	78	16
Subiaco	2	16	1256	1844	68	8

	Seconds					Pts
	P	W	L	For	Ag.	
East Fremantle	18	16	2	1901	1054	64
Perth	18	14	4	1466	1021	56
West Perth	18	9	9	1248	1126	36
East Perth	18	9	9	1146	1132	36
Swan Districts	18	8	10	1227	1284	32
South Fremantle	18	6	12	1058	1424	24
Claremont	18	6	12	1162	1363	24
Subiaco	18	4	14	972	1544	16

PLAYERS FOR SEASON 1949—LEAGUE SIDE

Name	Games	Goals	Total Games	Total Goals
D. Anderson	18	11	92	17
J. Pearce	18	1	51	16
R. Latham	18	59	78	182
J. Morton	18	—	28	—
E. Brunton	18	—	33	16
V. Ashworth	18	2	68	17
V. Zani	18	5	33	29
R. Hoy	17	8	19	8
T. Radiach	17	2	85	39
G. King	17	15	74	109
B. Baddely	16	5	24	6
L. Bowen	15	1	69	19
R. Lowry	15	24	35	41
J. Murray	14	4	172	38
W. Lewis	13	18	13	18
G. Rakich	12	4	12	4
F. Pearce	11	1	32	14
E. Barker	11	1	40	18
A. Morton	10	—	16	—
C. Martin	10	9	10	9
J. O'Connell	9	—	9	—
R. Till	8	—	76	8
W. Kingsbury	6	—	20	20
R. Buswell	4	6	4	6
R. Teede	4	—	4	—
Allen Anderson	3	—	8	1
A. Lockyer	3	1	17	5
D. D. Brockman	3	—	24	—
J. Candler	3	—	8	—
N. Baty	2	—	37	1
C. Gilbert	2	—	2	—
A. Gosling	2	—	3	—
J. Seal	2	—	3	—

R. Durrant	2	—	5	—
F. Bradley	1	—	1	—
T. Leeson	1	—	1	—
C. Hutt	1	—	1	—

19th played 9 times.

20th played 4 times.

SECOND TEAM

Player	Games	Goals	Player	Games	Goals
J. Cook	17	14	W. Lewis	5	9
R. Durrant	16	1	P. Goudy	5	1
J. Candler	16	3	T. Harper	5	—
J. Gielman	15	9	J. Mitten	5	—
J. Seal	14	19	W. Sidebottom	4	—
A. Anderson	14	4	F. Pearce	4	3
L. O'Reilly	14	3	W. Fitzpatrick	4	—
Alf. Anderson	14	32	R. Smith	4	1
J. Turkich	13	6	J. Hicks	4	—
D. Drake-Brockman	13	—	J. Greene	4	9
A. Lockyer	13	5	E. Ade	3	—
W. Bamford	13	1	A. Brittain	3	1
S. Roberts	11	—	R. Pearce	3	3
P. Mountain	10	1	D. O'Brien	3	—
A. Edwards	10	3	M. Drabble	2	—
A. Gosling	9	—	N. Rooney	2	—
J. O'Connell	9	2	B. Badderley	2	4
F. Motteram	8	1	W. Dobson	2	—
K. Sparks	8	—	R. Till	2	—
L. Passmore	8	—	B. Bailey	2	—
J. Cooper	8	—	C. Doyle	1	—
C. Hatt	8	—	C. Gilbert	1	—
A. Morton	8	1	C. Elston	1	—
R. Anderson	6	—	R. Hoy	1	—
E. Barker	6	3	19th played 10 times.		
W. Baty	5	—	20th played once.		

SANDOVER MEDAL

This club extends to "Sonny" Maffina of Claremont, our congratulations on winning the Sandover Medal, with 17 points from D. Ingraham and L. Crabbe, of South Fremantle, 16 points; J. Pearce, Swan Districts and C. Pestell, of East Perth, 14 points.

The following players of this club gained votes as follows:—J. Pearce, 14; J. Murray, 7; D. Anderson, 6; E. Brunton, 5; V. Ashworth, 5; R. Buswell, R. Hoy, 3; W. Kingsbury, L. Bowen and V. Zani, 2; G. King, A. Morton and F. Pearce, 1.

PRENDERGAST MEDAL

Congratulations are also extended to C. Carr, of South Fremantle, who won the above medal with 13 votes, from F. Bolt of East Fremantle, 11; W. Hannah East Fremantle, 11; and E. Lummis of Claremont, 11 points.

Players of this club recorded the following votes:—J. Candler, 9; A. Edwards, 8; J. Seal, 8; A. Anderson, 4; A. Gosling, A. Lockyer, F. Pearce, J. O'Connell, 3; P. Mountain, J. Turkich, L. Passmore, 2; N. Baty, R. Smith, E. Barker, D. Drake-Brockman, 1.

OFFICERS OF THE CLUB SINCE ITS INCEPTION

President

Mr. K. Drake-Brockman was elected President for his second term this season and has shown great interest in his position.

1934—R. A. McDonald	1942—F. C. Lange
1935—F. C. Lange	1943—E. J. Reilly
1936—F. C. Lange	1944—E. J. Reilly
1937—R. A. McDonald	1945—E. J. Reilly
1938—F. C. Lange	1946—E. J. Reilly
1939—F. C. Lange	1947—E. J. Reilly
1940—F. C. Lange	1948—K. Drake-Brockman
1941—F. C. Lange and J. Fitzpatrick	1949—K. Drake-Brockman

Treasurer

1934—L. R. Latham	1942—A. W. H. Lucas
1935—J. Reilly	1943—J. Hollis
1936—T. H. Neilsen	1944—J. Hollis
1937—T. H. Neilsen	1945—J. Hollis
1938—T. H. Neilsen	1946—J. Hollis
1939—T. H. Neilsen	1947—J. Hollis
1940—A. W. H. Lucas	1948—J. Hollis
1941—A. W. H. Lucas	1949—J. Hollis

Assistant Secretary

Mr. Tom Moiler was appointed to this position for the first time and during my absence in the East in the early part of the season and also during the season carried out his duties with credit to himself and is to be highly commended on his efficiency.

SECRETARY

1934—J. F. Jenner	1942—W. Dobson
1935—J. F. Jenner	1943—W. Dobson
1936—J. Mottram	1944—W. Dobson
1937—J. F. Jenner	1945—L. G. Lowry
1938—J. F. Jenner	1946—L. G. Lowry
1939—R. M. Lethbridge	1947—L. G. Lowry
1940—R. M. Lethbridge	1948—L. G. Lowry
1941—R. M. Lethbridge and W. Dobson	1949—L. G. Lowry

League Delegates

Mr. T. Neilsen and L. Lowry were again appointed League Delegates, while Messrs. H. Forbes and T. Moiler were Proxy Delegates.

Mr. T. Neilsen attended 14 League meetings and 4 permits.

L. Lowry attended 8 League meetings and 9 permits.

T. Moiler attended 5 League meetings.

E. Purslowe attended 1 League meeting.

Date	Versus	Ground	Umpire	Won by	Swans	Scores
16/4/49	Claremont	Subiaco	A. V. Sampson	Claremont	6 10	9 15
23/4/49	Subiaco	Subiaco	A. Pitskas	Claremont	10 17	16 14
30/4/49	West Perth	Bassendean	C. Doig	Subiaco	8 3	13 8
7/5/49	South Fremantle	Bassendean	N. Wendt	Swans	11 10	3 6
14/5/49	Perth	Bassendean	J. Casserley	West Perth	6 7	2 7
21/5/49	East Fremantle	Bassendean	A. Pitskas	Swans	6 10	9 10
28/5/49	Claremont	W.A.C.A.	W. Cook	Swans	9 13	7 4
4/6/49	East Perth	Bassendean	F. Wood	South Fremantle	9 14	15 14
11/6/49	Subiaco	Bassendean	C. Doig	Perth	7 5	10 8
18/6/49	West Perth	Fremantle	C. P. McMahon	East Fremantle	4 11	8 12
16/7/49	South Fremantle	Claremont	N. Cook	East Fremantle	5 8	19 19
13/7/49	Perth	Claremont	J. Campbell	Perth	11 14	9 12
30/7/49	East Fremantle	Claremont	N. Gorn	Swans	13 4	19 19
6/8/49	East Perth	Bassendean	A. V. Sampson	Swans	14 8	9 12
20/8/49	Claremont	Bassendean	J. Campbell	Swans	11 7	12 10
27/8/49	Perth	Bassendean	N. Wendt	Swans	11 7	8 5
3/9/49	Subiaco	W.A.C.A.	A. Pitskas	East Perth	9 9	14 21
10/9/49	East Perth	Loton Park	W. J. Casserley	Swans	10 13	9 12
			N. Wendt	West Perth	3 10	7 9
			J. Chapman	South Perth	6 7	15 15
			C. P. McMahon	South Fremantle	7 5	11 8
			J. Casserley	Perth	13 10	20 14
			E. Holdsworth	Perth	7 4	12 9
			N. Cook	East Fremantle	14 11	13 22
			F. Wood	East Fremantle	8 7	11 17
			W. J. Casserley	East Perth	12 12	16 25
			N. Wendt	East Perth	5 6	10 8
			C. P. McMahon	Swans	5 10	12 17
			J. B. Horsley	Claremont	10 9	8 5
			F. Wood	Swans	7 17	9 13
			A. V. Sampson	Perth	8 4	6 9
			A. Pitskas	Perth	12 12	14 10
			J. B. Horsley	Swans	8 13	5 7
			A. V. Sampson	Subiaco	8 15	9 22
			J. B. Horsley	Swans	10 11	9 4
			N. Wendt	Swans	15 17	12 8

1934—Messrs. T. Neilsen and H. Walker
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 1937—Messrs. T. Neilsen and J. Jenner
 1938—Messrs. T. Neilsen and H. Lucas
 1939—Messrs. T. Neilsen and H. Lucas
 1940—Messrs. T. Neilsen and H. Lucas
 1941—Messrs. T. Neilsen and H. Lucas
 1942—Nil
 1943—Messrs. T. Neilsen and F. Hatton
 1944—Messrs. T. Neilsen and F. Hatton
 1945—Messrs. T. Neilsen and L. G. Lowry
 1946—Messrs. T. Neilsen and L. G. Lowry
 1947—Messrs. T. Neilsen and L. G. Lowry
 1948—Messrs. T. Neilsen and L. G. Lowry
 1949—Messrs. T. Neilsen and L. G. Lowry

TIMEKEEPERS

Messrs. R. Bryant and R. Lowry again officiated at timekeepers in a very excellent manner.

TRAINERS, PROPERTY STEWARDS, DOORKEEPERS and SCORER

Mr. W. Mose was again appointed Head Trainer, his fifth year in that position, and was assisted by J. O'Connell, A. Davies, F. Woolcock, C. Roberts, W. Hicks and A. Close (Trainers). N. Jones again had charge of the gear, while R. Binks watched the boots closely. W. Counsel and J. Batten were doorkeepers and E. Cole as scorer, carried out an important, but seldom recognised job.

AUDITORS

Mr. A. Vaughan and Mr. W. M. Pass again audited the books and were well pleased with the manner in which they were kept.

RETURNING OFFICERS

To Mr. R. Fry and Mr. D. Begley, I offer my sincerest thanks for acting as the above, each annual meeting. The conduct of our ballots is everything that is desired and this arduous and exacting job was carried out with satisfaction to all.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

With Mr. F. Hatton as President, Mr. R. Bryant as Treasurer and Mel O'Neil as Secretary, worked with great zest all the season and were instrumental in raising sufficient to make the Eastern States tour an excellent trip. All the credit for such an outstanding year is due to the ladies and gentlemen who organised and worked untiringly at the Annual Ball, and football matches on Saturdays. This year the players gave the committee excellent support and the following need special mention:—V. Zani, L. Latham, J. O'Connell, R. Till and R. Durrant. To Jack Hollis and E. Purslowe, for the use of their cars throughout the season, at their own expense, we express appreciation.

LIFE MEMBER

Mr. Frank Hatton, who has been working in the interests of football in this district for the last 25 years was elected as Life Member for 1948, an honour well merited. This year the committee have much pleasure in recommending Mr. F. Bryant, who has served as either Head Trainer, Committee, Trainer, Timekeeper and Social Treasurer since the club's inception.

EASTERN STATES TOUR

1949 was an important year for Swans, as it made its first interstate tour under the capable management of Mr. T. Neilsen, who has reported on the trip as follows:—

SWAN DISTRICTS TOURING PARTY

Manager's Report

Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure and pride that I submit my report of the first Interstate Tour of the Members of the Club.

We departed from Perth on Monday, June 20th, and were given a rousing

send off by the large crowd of supporters, who had assembled at the Station to bid us bon-voyage

At Kalgoorlie Allan Morton joined us, which brought our Party up to 41

This addition resulted in extra expense, but I think his exhibitions on the playing arena well earned his trip.

We duly arrived at Port Augusta on Thursday, June 23rd and transferred to the bus for Whyalla, where we arrived at 9.30 a.m., and were met by the President of the League, Mr. C. Heath, and Club representatives with Mr. West, who was acting Secretary.

Our Itinerary was a strenuous one during our stay with a result that the players were beginning to feel the strain.

On Sunday, June 26th, we played a combined team on the Memorial Oval, where we had no difficulty in defeating them. The scores were 18 goals 10—118 points, to 12 goals 7—79 points.

The press reports were loud in their praise of the exhibition put on by the boys.

The trophy presented by the Club was won by Max Horne, Whyalla's captain, and the trophy presented by their Association was won by Ron Hoy, who gave an excellent exhibition at half forward.

The Purslowe trophy was won by R. Lowry.

A third of the population, a record crowd, witnessed the game.

All the clubs provided entertainment, as well as private citizens.

At the social tendered by the League I was presented with a miniature bow of a boat to be hung in the Club Room as a memento of our visit.

Our Tour of the ship building yards and the Model Dairy, the only one of its kind in the Commonwealth, were well worth seeing. Practically everything is controlled by the Broken Hill Proprietary, who seem to be doing a good job with their housing schemes for both married and single workers. It was most unfortunate that Alf Aikam, the Secretary of the League, was taken to hospital prior to our party arriving, and all the members paid him a visit.

We presented the acting Secretary with a Burley Ball autographed by all members, in appreciation of the good work he had done.

To all Club officials and private citizens who helped to make our stay so enjoyable, I tender my sincerest thanks.

We entertained the Members of the League at a dinner before we departed.

Owing to the coal strike, which caused us some worry regarding transport, it was necessary to call the members of the executive and committee together to endorse the action of hiring a bus to take us to Broken Hill, and return the party to Port Pirie, and I wish to thank the manager of the South West Company, and the acting manager of the National Bank for their co-operation.

This necessitated two extra days stay in Whyalla and eventually we left at 8.15 a.m. on Wednesday, June 29th, and arrived at the Palace Hotel, Broken Hill, at 7.30 p.m., after a 300 mile trip.

The President of the Broken Hill League, Mr. Beerworth, and the Secretary, Mr. Ron Bradbury and delegates were waiting to meet us.

The itinerary provided was most outstanding and the visit to the Zinc Corporation Mine was an eye opener and the recollections of same should remain in the party's minds for years to come.

The visit to the Flying Doctor's place was also interesting. The only regret there was that the boys did not take notice of a message received.

On Saturday, July 2nd, we defeated their combined team on the Jubilee Oval by a larger margin than any previous club. We kicked 19 goals 8 behinds—122 points, to 13 goals 14 behinds—92 points.

Our trophy was won by A. Gillespie.

The Purslowe Trophy was won by J. Morton.

The trophy presented by the Broken Hill League was won by W. Kingsbury.

The Drake-Brockman Trophy was won by Joe Pearce, and two other trophies presented by local supporters were won by George King and R. Latham.

Our thanks are conveyed to all officials and others who helped to make our

stay enjoyable.

We departed from Broken Hill at 6.15 a.m. on Monday, July 4th by bus for Port Pirie, where the Secretary of the Association, Mr. John Hocking, met us.

After completing arrangements for the two extra days accommodation, the party left on the diesel and trailer for Adelaide, where we arrived at 10 p.m.

Maurie Bloustein, Secretary of South Adelaide, was waiting to meet us, and after booking in at our hotel the executives were taken to the S.A. League Rooms, where the delegates were waiting to receive us.

Mr. L. Wundkye, the President of the Port Pirie Association, was also present.

On Tuesday, July 5th, we were the guests of the South Adelaide Club to a picture evening where a presentation was made to Maurie for the work he had done.

On Wednesday, July 6th, we were the guests of the South Australian League on a trip to Mt. Lofty, and later to a reception at the League Headquarters.

On Thursday the members visited the famous Onkaparinga Race Course, where we were shown over the committee rooms, etc.

We departed from Adelaide for Pirie on Friday morning, where again we found that the officials of the League and Clubs had arranged a programme for us, which was appreciated. Included was a inspection of the smelters.

On Saturday, July 9th, we played the combined team on the Memorial Oval and were successful in defeating them by 15 goals 10 behinds—100 points, to 7 goals 11 behinds—53 points, and our display received an excellent write-up in the press.

After the match we were entertained in the Memorial Rooms in the Oval where the trophies were presented.

The Club Trophy was won by L. Veale.

The Purslowe Trophy was awarded to Bill Lewis.

The Pirie Association Trophy to R. Latham, who kicked 29 goals in the three matches.

The trophy for the player who received the highest number of points in the three games was won by George King.

I was the most surprised person in the party when George King, on behalf of the members, presented me with an E.P. Entree Dish, suitably inscribed for services rendered in connection with the trip. It came as a shock to me as all that I endeavoured to do was to make the tour a happy and enjoyable one.

To each of the opposing captains a small memento was presented as a keep-sake.

In Adelaide the party had their photos taken and Mr. Boas presented the club with an enlargement.

We left Pirie on Wednesday, July 13th and arrived back on July 16th.

I will not attempt to thank any individual supporter of our national game at Pirie or elsewhere, for fear that I may leave some one out, for all that they did to make the trip an enjoyable and happy one, as there are many private citizens who gave the boys some wonderful evenings and I simply say thanks to all.

At each centre we had a civic reception accorded to us and received telegrams from South and East Fremantle, the President, Jack Murray and the Bassendean Roads Board.

We made many friends on the trip and have left a good name behind us with an invitation to come back again.

To the Chief Traffic Manager at Port Augusta I tender my thanks for providing the party with an early breakfast and also for his valuable assistance to enable me to secure our passage back, also the Trans Train Crew, who were excellent.

To Len and Erny Purslowe I also extend my thanks for their assistance and to the party as a whole for their co-operation as I had no trouble whatever with them and they did all that the Coach or Len or I asked of them.

As this was the first occasion they were all together for any length of time I hope it will be the means of producing excellent football in the future.

Every member of the committee had a task allotted to him at the various functions and they did good jobs.

Yours faithfully,

T. NEILSEN,
Manager.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD

(19)

Drake-Brockman	13	Forbes	18
Neilsen	17	Moiler	18
Purslowe	17	Hollis	17
Lowry	16	Burrows	16
O'Neil	19	Kingsbury	10
Greene	18	Horner	13
McManus	10	King	9

LEAGUE DIVIDENDS

Year	£	Year	£	Year	£
1934	358	1939	748	1944	246
1935	362	1940	559	1945	712
1936	566	1941	486	1946	1,241
1937	686	1942	nil	1947	1,209
1938	900	1943	235	1948	1,247
				1949	1,712

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Our Juniors again demonstrated that we have the equal of any district. Midland Junction were again premiers of this district on the Temp. League grade and were narrowly defeated by Wembley in the grand final of the State, and we offer our congratulations for a splendid effort.

During the season a Swan Districts' Junior Council was formed and at present is functioning well. A knockout competition for Temp. League under 17 years and Metropolitan Juniors was staged and voted a success, the winners being Bellevue Temp. and Midland Mets., both clubs being the recipient of splendid cups donated by this club.

Next season the Council are endeavouring to stage their own competition among under 18 and 16 years players, and with plenty of support from Swans, re umpiring and control, should be a boon to football in this district. Also every club will have to show more enthusiasm to ensure success.

MIDLAND AMATEURS

Midland Junction, as predicted last year, were a vastly improved side and were undefeated to win the divisional final, but in the inter divisional final, were defeated by Palmyra.

We congratulate them on their promotion to "A" Grade and hope they repeat their record in that grade.

LOCAL GOVERNING BODIES

Local Governing Bodies are again to be congratulated on their continued support and I would like to thank the ground staff of the Bassendean Oval under Ground Manager, Mr. R. McKellor, for their co-operation and consistent help.

COACH'S REPORT

17th October, 1949.

The Committee,

Swan Districts National Football Club.
Gentlemen,

I herewith tender my report for the season ending 1949, and I do so with every confidence in the future.

Although we are not as high on the Premiership ladder as I expected, the results are not a true indication of the games played. With the addition of at least eight more young reserves, and the experience gained by the younger members of the side our prospects are very bright for the forthcoming season.

I would like to congratulate Jack Murray on his efforts during the season and his services with Hughie Forbes and myself on the Selection Committee. Also to Jack Greene and the Seconds Side, which were narrowly beaten out of a position in the final four; and to thank all the players, members of the