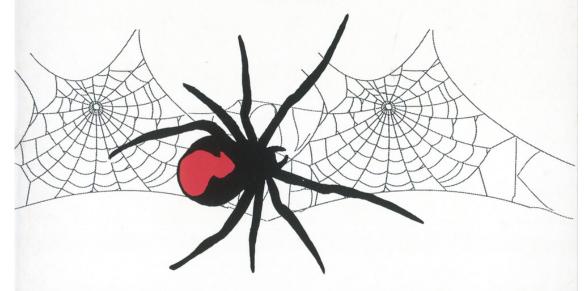


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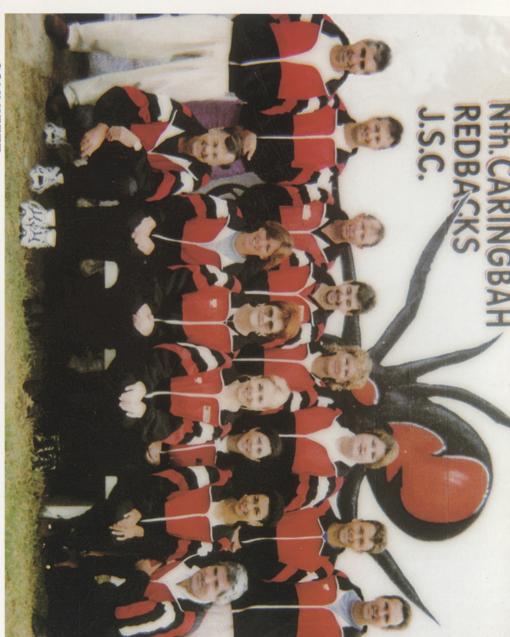
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ORIGINAL CLUB EMBLEM









1999-2000 COMMITTEE

Back Row: John Welsh, Craig Hodges, Michael Thompson, Shane Wells, Jenny Clarke, Lindsay Milsted, Glenn Doyle, Gary Freeland
Front Row: Ian Lumb, Gaynor Howell, Jann Lumb, Janet Knight, Sandra Jorgensen, Rinda Scott, Garry Law.

AN OPEN LETTER FROM JOHN DE WITT



What a joy it is to be asked to write a short foreword to the booklet being published in respect to the 40th playing season of the North Caringbah Redbacks Junior Soccer Club.

In 1960 Ken Chipman and I were coaching teams at Caringbah Rangers. We were swamped with children (over fifty teams) wanting to play soccer. There was a serious problem and the lack of grounds in the area. Even trying to arrange times and places for coaching was very difficult because of the over crowding.

It must be said that at this time there was a great depth of experience of soccer coaching talent in Caringbah Rangers. Ken Chipman was from ex-Doncaster in the UK, Alf Arrighi, Gordon Peddy, Gordon Petty and myself had all played in various clubs in the Canterbury district which always had a good soccer following. The great club Metters, played at Arlington Oval was the focus of the code in the 1930s. However, we still had many problems in getting enough people interested that knew about the game to coach the children.

Ken Chipman came to me at the end of season 1960 and asked if would I be interested in forming another club in the district. He had mentioned that he had been in touch with Sutherland Council regarding the use of the area behind North Caringbah School which at this time was full of pot holes, an amount of low scrub and for a short time a number of brown snakes.

After a lot of opposition from the headmaster of the school and a number of residents, Ken and myself finally won the day.

With the help of some of the original parents; John Oakes, Harry Johnson, Jeff Wright, Evan Craggs and Don Henvillle, we levelled the field, filled in all the holes and squared it all up with an army prismatic compass. In later years, there was always a good number of parents that have helped to improve the conditions and amenities of the club and they are to be congratulated.

Also at this time, Cliff Horsley and a number of other members of Caringbah Rangers, left and formed the Lilli Pilli club.

In the early days of the Club the ladies sold lollies and drinks from a card table under a beach umbrella. In 1962 Ken made a portable canteen which improved conditions 100%. Jack Reid who lived behind the field allowed us to store the equipment and canteen in his garage.

The club was not flush with money to buy goal posts, balls, nets etc. We even used army camouflage nets for the goals for the first three seasons.

We started with three teams under 8C, 9B and 11C – the 8C's and 9B's both being runners-up in their divisions in the first season. Ken Reid, son of Jack, was the scorer of the club's first goal. By 1964 we had about twelve teams in the club and the REDBACKS had made their mark in the Shire.

In 1965 I was posted to a Tasmanian command and had to sever my connections with the club.

I am pleased and proud to note that all the members who have taken office in the Club after Ken and myself left have done an excellent job in putting the club on the road to many successful seasons in the Shire. It is still there as a shining light in the code, even though our mother club, Caringbah Rangers, no longer exists.

It is a memorable time for me, as one of the founders of the club, to be able to celebrate the anniversary of the 40th playing season with some of the original members, as well as recent past and present members and friends. All of whom are contributing in keeping this great club alive.

I am sure that if my old friend, Ken Chipman, could be with us he would be very proud to see how the club has fared over the years.

I wish all the members of the Redbacks every success in the future years.



John G De W 15⁷⁴ April 20



President's Welcome

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the North Caringbah Redbacks Junior Soccer Club's 40th Anniversary/Reunion Dinner.

The Redbacks first fielded teams in 1961 and the current committee is very proud to celebrate the club's 40th season in 2000. The club has seen many changes in it's 40 years. It has certainly grown from 3 teams in 1961, to today where it is firmly established within the Sutherland Shire Junior Soccer Football Association. The Club has a strong nursery base and is well represented across the age divisions as well as the Sunday amateur league, Over 35s, senior ladies and junior girls.

Many hours have also been put into upgrading the facilities of the Club. The ground has now excellent drainage with lighting being the next improvement project. The clubhouse and canteen facilities have also been improved through the tireless efforts and enthusiasm of the many dedicated committees.

I was persuaded by Carol Tippett to join the Ladies Auxiliary as Canteen Treasurer in 1984, when my son started playing U6's. He is now playing in the Sunday Amateur League. Since then I have served in various positions every year. The year 2000 sees my third year as first female President of the club.

Since beginning to research the club's history and after speaking to one of our founding members, John de Witt, I have been overwhelmed at the sentiment and emotion that runs so deeply within our roots. Those amazing people who had the initiative and foresight, to say nothing of the courage and the determination that it must have taken to form a new sporting club in their local community. They identified a need for their children, and worked tirelessly to address it.

A club like ours brings together people from all walks of life. We work together toward a common goal and strong and lasting ties are formed. It is very important that we never forget our history and should endeavour to keep those memories alive.

The club will continue to grow and improve it's profile within the Shire.

We should all be immensely proud of our achievements over the past 40 years. We have many lasting memories and have formed lifelong friendships.

Thank you to all who are attending tonight. We hope you have a wonderful evening, and are able to take a nostalgic trip down memory lane.

Janet Knight





FROM THE S.S.J.S.F.A.

Once again it is a pleasure to put forward my congratulations to the North Caringbah Redbacks, who this year are celebrating their 40th year of soccer in the Caringbah area.

From the inception of the Club by it's founding members in 1960, the "Redbacks" have grown in strength and numbers, with many changes and improvements occuring.

My congratulations to the office bearers of North Caringbah Redbacks, who continue to carry on the work laid down by the founders all those years ago, and I wish them every success during this Anniversary year and for the future.

> HARRIE DENNING - PRESIDENT - SSJSFA 2000



AIMS & OBJECTIVES

At the monthly meeting held in April 1987 it was unanimously passed that appropriate steps be taken to have North Caringbah Junior Soccer Club become an incorporated body under section (10) of the Associations Incorporations Act 1984. On 10 September 1987 the Business and Consumer Affairs approved of the Club's application and officially became known as North Caringbah Redbacks Junior Soccer Club Incorporated in accordance with the Association Incorporation Act, 1984 No. 143. The constitution of the Club has been partly based on the model rules of this Act (part 1 schedule 1) and the by laws for the day to day administering of the Club were passed at the general monthly meeting held in February 1988.

The aims and objectives of North Caringbah Junior Soccer Club are to foster and develop soccer football in the area and by affiliating with the Sutherland Shire Junior Soccer Football Association Incorporation, provide competitive and non competitive garaes as required for all players who register in the prescribed manner as directed by that Association.

North Caringbah Junior Soccer Club shall do all things necessary to implement and enforce any decision of the New South Wales Amateur Soccer Federation Limited and the Sutherland Shire Junior Soccer Football Association Incorporation relating to any player, official, or person who is a member of this club or seeks to be member of this Club.







COMMITTEE 2000

PRESIDENT Janet Knight

VICE PRESIDENT Lindsay Milsted

SECRETARY Sandra Jorgensen

TREASURER Rinda Scott

REGISTRAR Garry Law

COMMITTEE Jann Lumb

Gary Freeland Craig Hodges Glenn Doyle John Welsh Shane Wells

Canteen Controllers

Jenny Clark
Gaynor Howell

Gear Controller Michael Thompson

Age Controllers

6s Michelle Cowan

7s Gail Perry

8s Laurie Lesmond

9s-12s Jann Lumb

Ian Lumb

14s-21s Lindsay Milsted

Senior Women Jann and Ian Lumb

19W Michael Thompson

Senior Men Garry Law





Early History of the Redbacks

During 1960 it became apparent to John De Witt and Ken Chipman, who were coaching teams with Caringbah Rangers, that the large influx of players into Rangers had stretched the resources of the Club to a point where it could no longer adequately administer or coach the players.

At the conclusion of the 1960 season Ken approached John to seek support in forming a new club. Along the way other early recruits were Jeff Wright, John Oakes, and Harry Johnson who started the hard work of forming the Club and later on Ewan Craggs and Don Henville got behind the Club. Though the need of another club was obvious, it was difficult getting the Club established. After advertising in the local press and placing posters in strategic parts of the district, results were negligible.

It is interesting to note that on the day of signing on members at Breen Park, Caringbah Rangers signed on approximately 300 players, whilst North Caringbah signed on one. The boy's name was David Forrest. Other players who had previously signed were Peter De Witt, Raymond De Witt, Phillip Chipman, and Harry Johnson.

Unperturbed at this setback, the Committee remained resolute in forming the Club by stopping boys and asking them if they would like to play soccer. This method finally got results and North Caringbah entered three teams in the competition in the under 8, 9 and 11 age groups. The nine year old team consisted of only ten players during the first round of competition, whilst the under 11 team was a composite squad made of both ten and eleven year old players.

The results of the first games played by the Club were:-

8C North Caringbah 3 V Miranda 0 Scorers for North Caringbah: K Reid (2), S. Wright (1).

9B North Caringbah 0 V Miranda 1

11C North Caringbah 2 V Miranda 4 Scorers for North Caringbah: P. Chipman (1), P. Wright (1).

Ken Reid had the honour of scoring the first goal for the Club.

Although there were a number of anxious moments in the early days, the tremendous support and involvement of the parents of the players ensured that the Club quickly became established. Later on the Club was fortunate to gain the experience and support of Les Simmons, Ken Tasker, Cliff Horsley, Les Ambrose and Harry Preece.

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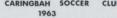




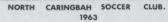
P.Norton C.Gladwell R.Kilkelly D.Evans(Capt) S.Middleton B.Hall B.Stubbs K.McDonald R.Moss V.Derbridge R.Gillingham G.Findley K. Norton (Coach)



NORTH CARINGBAH SOCCER CLUB.















One cannot forget the support and enthusiasm of the ladies in getting the Canteen off the ground. These ladies included Betty De Witt, Audrey Chipman, Dallas Johnson, Belle Wright and Peg Oakes. Audrey was responsible for the buying and controlled the finances with an iron fist. The canteen started out as two card tables underneath beach umbrellas. This was then replaced by a prefabricated construction designed by Ken Chipman which could he bolted together to form an 8 feet by 7 feet construction. This was stored at the end of the day in Jack Reid's back yard.

The present field in Dianella Street was carved out of the bush only after energetic representation to the Sutherland Council by Mr. Chipman. A lot of work had to be done in getting the field up to a suitable playing condition. This involved levelling, turfing the sandy areas and marking the field. Another added skill was snake catching every now and again.

There was indeed early opposition to the placing of the soccer field so close to the primary school. The issue was debated between School, Council and Soccer authorities with soccer winning out to gain a field in the area.

The red and black colours of the Club were chosen by the original members. Ken Chipman had been associated with a Doncaster club in Yorkshire which played in red and black. John De Witt had played in an army soccer team that also played in red. These colours were then selected because they didn't clash with any other club. At one point in the early sixties a coin was tossed to see if North Caringbah or Georges River would wear yellow or red shirts. It is now history with the club becoming known as the REDBACKS. Later a debate was held within the Club to decide on the emblem, with red robins or spiders being the popular picks. A vote was taken and the Redback spider became the emblem of the Club.

At the second annual general meeting of the Club, held on 5 December 1962, the Ladies Auxiliary presented to the meeting a new style of shirt. It was made of polished cotton, red in colour, with a black collar and cuff. A monogram depicting a Redback spider was on the left breast. J. Craggs suggested that lace could be used in place of the buttons.

"Moved A King Seconded J. Oakes.
That the design as submitted be accepted with an option to use lace or buttons to be left to the Ladies Auxilliary"
Club Minutes - 1962.

Margaret Oliver designed the emblem and Mrs Lansdowne of Taren Point produced it for the shirts.

An article in the St George and Sutherland Shire Leader summed the Club's debut season:-

At the close of the 1961 season, North Caringbah Club is firmly established in junior soccer. Congratulations go to the U8 and U9 teams, runners up in their respective divisions. Condolences to the U11 side, but with three points separating the three teams for runners up positions, theirs was also a creditable performance.















LIFE MEMBERS

KEN CHIPMAN	1965	RON OLIVER	1978		
JOHN DE WITT	1965	NORMA LEACH	1979		
DON HENVILLE	1971	DARREN LEACH	1981		
JACK REID	1971	FRANK MASON	1982		
PAT DERBRIDGE	1972	JOHN OLIVER	1983		
VIC DERBRIDGE SNR	1972	WAYNE EDMUNDS	1983		
KEN TASKER	1972	MICHAEL LEACH	1983		
MIKE BELL	1972	GWEN EDMUNDS	1984		
BOB EDMUNDS	1974	PAUL DERBRIDGE	1984		
MARGARET OLIVER	1975	VIC DERBRIDGE JNR	1986		
GEORGE PENDER	1975	COLIN TIPPETT	1987		
JOAN STAPLES	1975	CAROL TIPPETT	1987		
JIM LAMBERT	1975	MARTIN WHITE	1987		
PETER STAPLES	1977	SHANE FRANCIS	1988		
IAN KERSHAW	1977	SCOTT MURPHY	1988		
JOHN O'TOOLE	1977	GAI EDMUNDS	1989		
RICKY O'NEILL	1977	RODNEY TIPPETT	1992		
GARRY CHAPMAN	1978	NEIL TREADWELL	1992		
	GARRY LAW	1992			
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PRESIDENT, JANET KNIGHT					

GRATULATIONS TO OUR PRESIDENT, JANET KNIGHT
AND VICE PRESIDENT, LINDSAY MILSTED
ON GAINING LIFE MEMBERSHIP TO THE CLUB
IN THE YEAR 2000

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

		EXECUTIV	VE COMM	ITTEE	\rightarrow
Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Vice President	Registrar /
62	J DeWitt	K Chipman	J Oakes		
63	J DeWitt	K Chipman	J Oakes	J Craggs	
64	J DeWitt	K Chipman	J Oakes	J Craggs	
65	J DeWitt	K Chipman	J Oakes	H Preece	
66	L Simmons	H Preece	J Oakes	L Parker	
67	L Simmons	K Tasker	L Ambrose	K Chipman	
68	L Simmons	K Tasker	M Bell	H Morris	
59	R Walker	M Roche	M Bell	E McLean	J Reid
70	R Walker M Bell	A Breeze	M Bell	K Tasker	P Moore
71	R Walker E Craggs	K Tasker	P Craggs	L Simmons	P Moore
72	K Tasker	J Lambert	M Bell	N Thomas	M Bell
73	F McWilliams	J lambert	M Roche	F Mason	R Oliver
74	J lambert	G Pender	R Edmunds	F Mason	R Oliver
75	V Derbridge Snr	G Pender	T Maynard	F Mason	R Oliver
76	V Derbridge Snr	R Edmunds	F Mason	F Mason	R Oliver
77	V Derbridge Snr	R Edmunds	F Mason	F Mason	R Oliver
78	V Derbridge Snr	R Edmunds	F Mason	A Steele	R Oliver
79	V Derbridge Snr	R Edmunds	F Mason	R Oliver	R Oliver
80	V Derbridge Snr	R Edmunds	F Mason	R Oliver	R Oliver
81	V Derbridge Snr	R Edmunds	F Mason	R Oliver	C Tippett
82	V Derbridge Snr	R Edmunds	F Mason	C Tippett	C Tippett
83	P Derbridge	R Edmunds	G Law	C Tippett	C Tippett
34	P Derbridge	R Edmunds	G Law	C Tippett	C Tippett
35	P Derbridge	R Edmunds	G Law	C Tippett	C Tippett
36	P Derbridge	C Tippett	M White	R Edmunds	G Law
87	V Derbridge Jnr	C Tippett	M White	P Derbridge	G Law
88	G Law	C Tippett	A Eyles	M White	G Law
89	N Treadwell	D Madden	A Eyles	M White	G Law
90	N Treadwell	G Di Stefano	M White	D Madden	G Hempel
91	N Treadwell	G Di Stefano	L Milsted	D Madden	G Hempel
92	D Madden	G Di Stefano	L Milsted	N Treadwell W Balckwood	G Law
93	D Madden	J Hardcastle J Hughston	L Milsted	W Balckwood	G Law
94	W Blackwood J Hughston	L Milsted	J Hughston	W Girdler	G Law
95	J Hughston	L Milsted	J Hughston	W Girdler	G Law
96	J Hughston	G Di Stefano	W Girdler	L Milsted	G Law
97	W Girdler	G Di Stefano	M White	L Milsted	G Law
98	J Knight	G Di Stefano	M White	L Milsted	G Law
99	J Knight	G Di Stefano	M White	L Milsted	G Law
00	J Knight	S Jorgensen	R Scott	L Milsted	G Law

PERPETUAL TROPHIES

Year	Most Goals President Trophy	Most Points Jackson Trophy	Most Improved Forest Trophy
63			
64		11	
65		11B	
66		8B/12C	15B
67	Nursery 2	10A	12A
68	6C	6C	21A
69	12A	16A	11A
	15B	6A	14C
70			
71	18A	14A	13A
72	13A	7B	AL1/14A/6B
73	12C	9C	15A/12C
74	11D	11D	6C
75	11A	11A	18A(1)
76	12A	12A	18A
77	13A	7C	15C
78	7C	10C	60
79	AL5(1)	8C	18C
80	21C	15C/AL5(2)	6A
81	12C	12C	13C
82	6C	6C/AL3(2)	12C/14B
83	AL7	13C/SWA	8B
84	AL7	14B	6F
85	6D	13B	AL7/AL9(2)
86	7E	AL7	10B
87	13B	13B	AL9
88	13C	8H/9C	18A
89	12C	8G/12C/AL3	AL5
0)	10E	10E	12D
90	TOL	TOL	121
91	7H	14B	13C
92	6G	AL7	10C/11C
93	8R	8R/8Q(2)	AL7
94	AL6	AL6	9C/SWC(2)
95	11C	11C	AL12
96	12B(1)	12B(1)	18C
97	SWC	SWC	9A
98	AL7	AL8/AL13	9D
99	AL12(1)	AL12(1)	12E
"	AL12(1)	AL12(1)	IZE

	Norman Judge Award	Best & Fairest U14 Steven Jefferies	Carol Tippett Memorial Award
81	Neil Treadwell	Jason Facey	
82	Martin White	Adrian Henderson	
83	Paul Derbridge	Mark Hardy	
84	Gai Edmunds		
85	Garry Law	Brian Lumsden	
86	Elvis Hidalgo		
87	Keiron McGrath	Jason Nuell	
88	Neil Treadwell		
89	Fiona Madden	George Kounnafis	
90	Michael Feehan	Troy Blackwood	Lindsay Milsted
91	Giulio Di Stefano	\	Janet Knight
92	Warwick Blackwood Warren Girdler		Jann Hardcastle Jill Hughston
93	Sharyn Girdler	Gavin Knight	Fiona Madden
94	Michael Thompson		Robyn Pirie
95	Paul Lucas		Sharyn Girdler
96	Michael Littlejohn		
97	Giulio Di Stefano	Matthew Hughston	Lindsay Milsted
	Martin White		
98	Garry Law		Debbie De Boer
99	Shane Wells		Jenny Clarke
			Gaynor Howell

























OPENING OF NEW CLUBHOUSE - 1995















PAST PRESIDENTS MESSAGES BOB EDMUNDS

Vice President

1986

Secretary

Treasurer

1974

1976 - 1985

I feel great pride in putting together these words for Redbacks 40th Anniversary birthday. My family joined the Club around 35 years ago, back when our two boys started to play soccer.

At that stage the Club was in its infancy, but it was solidly established. Pioneer family names like Chipman, De Witt, Bell and Derbridge come to mind. I am sure they will figure prominently in our celebrations along with many others.

Like everybody else, I started in a Club role when somebody "conned" me by saying "It won't take up much time and it's very rewarding". Now, after 35 years, I'm not sure about the time bit, but I guess the rewards are when some happy healthy 40 something walks up to you and says: "How are you going, you old bugger". With some difficulty, you eventually realise that you coached him when he was in the Under 8s.

I suppose after 35 years around the Club, there should be some memories to share. Let me mention a couple:-

The Christmas Tree: When I was refereeing an Under 7 game on our field, the little Redback team was getting quite a hiding. At around 6-0 down I called them together and showed them that the pencil marks that showed the goals on the match card were forming a pattern. "Yes. That's pretty" said one lad, "It looks just like a tree." The team gave a murmur of excitement. At 13-0 they all gave a cheer as we had all the branches. At the end of the game, it was 23-0 and we had the biggest cheer of all. We had made a Christmas tree! There were no real losers that day.

The Lady and the Baby: One day at our field we saw a young mother with her head in a pram crying over a little baby. Concerned Ground Controllers rushed quickly to her aid. "What's wrong. Is the baby sick?" we asked. "No", she replied, "I'm really very happy. My little boy just scored his first goal in soccer and I didn't want him or others see me crying". A priceless moment.

The Canteen Door: The canteen doors on the old canteen is similar in size to a goal. In fact many of the early all age teams mistook it for the real ones. I think some of them used to have a contest to see how many lolly jars could be dislodged in one shot. It was all summed up by one angry and frustrated canteen lady after a direct hit on the lolly jars again as she shouted across the field: "Hey you guys! Keep your balls on the field. Next time you won't get them back!" It worked, the lollies were saved.

No 26. The Coffee Shop: No 26 was the old green house at the top of Dianella Street. It disappeared in 1990 when the Units came along, however, it has many memories for my family because it was our home for over 30 years. The coffee and gossip sessions were better known as soccer meetings and was the birthplace of many North Caringbah Soccer Club careers.

My good wife Gwen would spike the coffee with a little something, and bingo, another one would be hooked. Current product (captives) are our current President Janet and Vice President Lindsay along with long standing Registrar Garry. Sorry guys, but where would we be today without you lot. There are also many other graduates of No 26 who helped make the Club what it is today. God bless you all because you are the main reason the Club will roll on for at least another 40 years. Anyway, was only kidding, there was nothing in the coffee.

Do Girls really play Soccer?: It was only last year that a man was standing on the sideline. He was looking at the game. "Look. There are girls playing" he remarked. We all secretly congratulated him on his wonderful observation. Little did he realise that girls had joined the soccer world in the Shire some 24 years before. I remember in 1976 when Ron Oliver of our Club and Ron Trip of Caringbah Rangers did the preliminary work to start girls soccer in our Shire. That was a great significance for my family because our 11 year old daughter Gai had been pleading for a game for some years. Little did we know then that 24 years later she would still be playing out there in our senior ladies team. Someone's forgot to remove her battery. But then again, we can be very grateful; to our Club for the opportunity to enjoy soccer over all those years. How much longer can they play?







The Miranda Connection: Over our 40 years history we have been influenced greatly by our neighbour Miranda Magpies. Over the years there has been a migration from Magpies to Redbacks. Many of these people have made great contributions to the Club with Giulio Di Stefano and Neil Treadwell the main examples. But our greatest link with Magpies was with their long standing Secretary/Registrar Shirley Yardley. Shirley has showed us all what the spirit of junior soccer is all about. On the occasion of our 40th a big thank you should go to Shirl for being our friend.

In conclusion, we are lucky people to be associated with North Caringbah. The Club has effectively managed the balance between soccer excellence and community spirit.

Thanks to the Committee for giving me the opportunity to be a part of the celebrations.

Bob Edmunds.



JOHN HUGHSTON

President 1994-1996

This period of North Caringbah Redbacks' history was probably the most exciting and most demanding since the original members founded the club 40 years ago.

I had never attended a committee meeting so I was very surprised, to say the least, when I was voted in as President. The meetings undertook a strange direction until I mastered the format, but I was lucky to have more experienced members of the Executive Committee to guide me.

For many years prior to 1994 committee members, club members and parents and friends had all put their hand in their pocket to raise money for a new Clubhouse. The primary fund raising ventures included meat raffles at Taren Point Hotel, Saturday morning raffles at the field and social functions for all ages.

It was a credit to all members when the Redbacks could proudly boast of having over \$40,000 in the investment account. But alas with only a \$10,000 grant from the Department of Sport and Recreation and a promised \$12,000 from Council we were way short of the total required (approximately \$110,000).

In 1994 the members of the Building Committee retired. "Enough is enough" they chorused. Who could blame them? After many years of hard work and Council bureaucracy we had the prospect of a shortfall in funds and no Building Committee to drive this project.

I volunteered to lead the revamped Building Committee (very nervously), but I was pleased to see some other eager beavers also raising their hands. The Club had a Building Committee comprising myself, Fiona Madden and Ian Ross. We were not alone as Peter Brooker (the Architect) continued on as Planner and Overseer of the whole project and Jill Hughston (the Treasurer) helped not only on the financial side but wherever she was needed. In fact all of the then Committee assisted greatly.

The first step was to approach Council to contribute more then the promised \$12,000. After much lobbying they agreed to contribute \$45,000 towards the toilet facilities which were to be a part of the building.

The next stage was to get the plans passed. This was a little more difficult because initially we had been told that the plans were approved prior to 1994 but this was not the case. The building was considered to be in the wrong position because it was infringing upon the cricket boundary line. It had to be repositioned and the site redrawn and resubmitted. This slight movement of the building meant more concrete and more expense but that was something we would face further down the track.



The services of a structural engineer and geo-technical engineer would be required. Keighran & Associates Structural Engineers donated their services free of charge to design and document the Clubhouse slab. Grant Alexander Geo-technical Engineer subsidised his fees as well.

Finally! The plans were approved and it was time to seek out possible tenders for the work.

The special building committee meetings that were held took on an air of tenseness as we all argued the pros and cons of the three nominated builders. After much debate Daledan Constructions were chosen and contracts were drawn and signed.

There was much movement at Dianella Street as the old kick board was removed and the ground prepared in readiness for the concrete trucks, buildings supply trucks, brickies trucks, plumbers and our trusty committee members cars as they dashed here and there.

It was an exciting time. Jill and I raced up to watch the concrete slab being poured and excitedly took photos. At last work was under way and we thought that the worst was all behind us.

How wrong we were! Anyone who has built a new home will tell you that the hard part is picking out the colour scheme and when you have a committee with very different tastes I must leave it to your imagination as to how many hours were spent selecting bricks, the roof colourbond colour, tiles for the toilets (floors and walls), the kitchen, the taps, the kitchen bench top.

It was then decided that there were too many committee members to please, so Fiona and Jill bit the bullet to take charge of these issues. I remember the afternoon well. It went something like this:-"Do you like this Fiona?" asked Jill "Yes, Jill. Do you?" replied Fiona. A nod was given. "Great! That's settled" I sighed. In all of 1 hour we had selected the bricks, the roof colour, the paint work, decided on the tiles. The kitchen could wait till next week. Fiona and Jill went out the following week and picked up a laminex sample for the cupboards and benches. It was the same routine as before "Do you like this Fiona?" asked Jill "Yep, Jill. Do you?" said Fiona. "Whew." I sighed, "We are all done!" I am sure that you will agree that the Clubhouse was tastefully completed.

After much hard work the Clubhouse was completed and on one fine morning on the first round of the 1995 soccer season the Club was opened by Harrie Dening and Sutherland officials.

There wasn't a dry eye amongst the Committee members who gathered that morning. By that evening (or should I say by the wee small hours of the next morning) there was not a clear eye in the Club as we held a party to end all parties to celebrate and reflect upon the summer days when every man woman and child bore a paint brush, carried bricks, scattered 20 tons of soil and did all manner of things required to achieve the end result: - a clubhouse to proudly serve the future Redbacks.







In 1996 I started my own business and had to resign from the Presidency. I felt confident that the Club was in safe hands and would be for years to come.

I would like to congratulate Janet Knight and all of the current committee members who have worked together for the Club. The new Club strip it is just an example of their endeavours - it looks great and I am sure that is the envy of many other Clubs.

I have been away from the Club for 3 years but have come back to coach the Under 21C squad and it is an unbelievable feeling - just like coming home after a long absence.

As we all celebrate the 40th anniversary year let us not forget what has made this Club unique nor the Committee Members who have dedicated their time to maintain and foster the spirit of soccer under the North Caringbah Redbacks Junior Soccer Club banner.

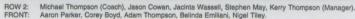
HAPPY 40th ANNIVERSARY REDBACKS

John Hughston.

















UNDER 13 Cs.

TOP ROW: Lindsay Milsted (Manager). Andrew Rogers, Glenn Miller, Mark Harris, David Milsted, Brenton McLean-Oliver, Michael Thompson (Coach). ABSENT: Mick Feehan (Coach) & Sam Brooker. FRONT ROW: Paul Burns, Sean O'Keefe, Andrew Feehan, Tim Broady, Craig Boyd, Aaron Thompson.



Nathan Barratt, Clayton Black, Joshua Milton, Matthew Salmon.

Aaron Parker, Jason Cowan, Laura Edgecomb, Adam Thompson
Benjamin Sutton, Nigel Menzes.

Henry Thompson

MANAGER: Davison Street Street

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COACH:





















"MINTIE MAN"





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Johnie Gramat, Sean Wheatley, Tyler Ryan-Welsh, William Savopoulos, Ben Barratt, Dane Milton, Blake Head, Christopher Kounnafis MANAGER: Tracey Milton John Welsh



FRONT ROW:

COACH:

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Marco Colakovic, Byron Doyle, Chritopher Perry, Jamie Ross, Benjamin Wells Hamish McCluggage, Guy Howarth, Adam O'Grady, Adam Puckeridge, FRONT ROW: Mathew Kirley, Lacee Maree Slater

COACH: Glenn Doyle MANAGER: ABSENT: Paul Turner



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BACK ROW:

Justin Moldin, Nigel Tiley, Nathan Barratt, Clayton Black, Joshua Milton, Benjamin Sutton Galvin Menzese, Aaron Parker, Shivanitha Sivakumar, Adam Thompson, Jason Cowan, Elyco Peard, Nigel Menezzes Linc Tiley MANAGER: Rhonda Barratt FRONT ROW:

COACH:







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