Manly Warringah
Football Referees Association
Annual Report and Financial Report
for
Season 2015

67th Annual General Meeting

Monday 16 November 2015

Sebastien Brennan – Referee of the Year - 2015

Manly Warringah Football Referees Association
2015 Annual Report

Notice of Annual General Meeting for 2015

Notice is hereby given that the 67th Annual General Meeting of the Manly Warringah Football Referees Association will be held at the Manly Warringah Football Association, Cromer Park, 101 South Creek Road, Cromer NSW 2099 on Monday 16th November 2014, commencing at 7.30pm.

As per the MWFRA Constitution (March 2012) and the MWFRA By-Laws (May 2012), the order of business shall be:

(a) the chairperson shall open the meeting, welcome guests and call for apologies;
(b) to confirm, as true and correct records, the minutes of the last preceding Annual General Meeting and of any Special General Meeting held since that meeting;
(c) to consider business arising out of the minutes;
(d) to consider any nominations for Life Membership of the Association;
(e) to receive from the Committee reports upon the activities of the Association during the last preceding financial year, unless the meeting decides by majority vote of members present that any or all of such reports shall be taken as printed in the annual report;
(f) to receive and consider any financial statement or report required to be submitted to members under the Act, unless the meeting decides by majority vote of members present that any or all of such reports shall be taken as printed in the annual financial statements;
(g) to consider and vote upon any Special Resolutions that have been properly proposed as business for the meeting;
(h) to elect the office-bearers of the Association, in accordance with Rule 15 – election of committee members and office-bearers - and Rule 16 – term of office;
(i) to consider any other general business; and
(j) the chairperson shall close the meeting

With regards to item (b), the last preceding Annual General Meeting was on Tuesday 18th November 2014.

With regards to item (h), as per the MWFRA Constitution (March 2012) the following positions are up for election:

(k) Vice President-Seniors
(l) Secretary
(m) Floor Member
(n) Registrar
(o) Course Coordinator
(p) Branch Coach
(q) Assistant Secretary (casual vacancy)

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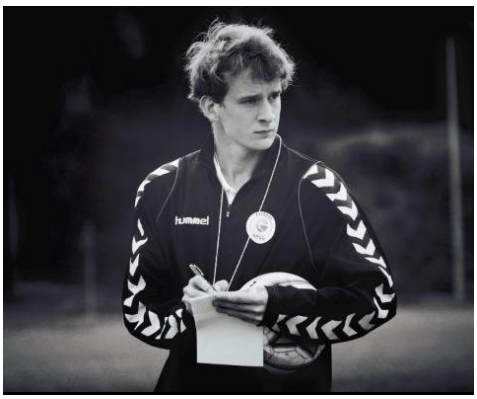
David Le Ban (Secretary) & Gerry Lenihan at the Finals

Cedric Courteille - another happy referee



Ethan Ryan – happy (on the inside)

Office bearers

Led by MWFRA President Robert Brennan, below are the people who helped to run the association in 2015. The positions reflect the changes made in updating the MWFRA Constitution, which NSW Fair Trading registered on Tuesday 6th January 2015.

Executive Sub-Committee

President	Robert Brennan
Vice President Seniors	Nick Barrett
Vice President Juniors	Christine Senior
Secretary	David Le Ban
Treasurer	David Page

Committee

Assessors Convener	Ross Turner
Assistant Secretary	Jack Morales
Branch Coach	Gerry Lenihan
Course Coordinator	Steve Smit
Floor Member	Thomas Lee
Gear Steward	Trevor Croal
Registrar	Craig McBurnie

Other

Administrative Officer	Sigrid Mulherin
Auditor	E. Arapidis & Partners
Member Protection Information Officer	Christine Senior
Reviews Panel	Mark Pryke (Chair)
	Paul Franklin
	Peter Robson
Webmaster	Thomas Lee

Nick Barrett (VP Seniors) at the Finals

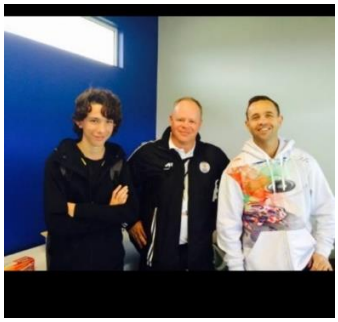
Life Members

Thirty-nine people have been appointed life members of the MWFRA in recognition of their outstanding service to the association and refereeing in the Manly Warringah area.

Fred Adler – 1964 (deceased)
JW Cook - 1966 (deceased)
GH Hudson – 1967 (deceased)
Joe Breen – 1968 (deceased)
Arthur Spence –1970 (deceased)
Gordon Geeves Snr – 1971 (deceased)
Jim Davidson – 1971 (deceased)
JE Boyer – 1973 (deceased)
Bill Van Leeuwen – 1973 (deceased)
Cyril Jack – 1975 (deceased)
John Etherington – 1977 (deceased)
Gordon Geeves Jnr – 1980
Alan Bartlett – 1981
John Geeves – 1981
John Withnell – 1981
Walter Kirk – 1982
Sydney Russell – 1983 (deceased)
Wayne Connor – 1983
Tony Rathbone – 1985
John Brilman – 1987 (deceased)
Col Coupland – 1987
Jack Vincent – 1987
Bill McBurnie – 1988 (deceased)
Shirley Bones – 1988 (deceased)
Kevin Martin OAM – 1989
John Lax – 1989
Dave Hill – 1990
Peter Lovett – 1991
Jim Loke – 1991
Hans Bosschieter – 1991
Bernard Crosweller – 1992
Gerry Muoio – 1993
Ian Massey – 1995
Peter Robson – 1995
Trevor Croal – 2001
Don Gale – 2002
Tony Seaman – 2005
Tom Browne – 2012
Ryan Shepheard – 2012

The man with the good gear!

Our evergreen Peter Robson


Iggy Boyd, Jeremy Denham & Damien Bury

Luciane Lauffer and Socrates

Executive Sub-Committees

Established in 1949 with Fred Alder serving as President for its first 17 years, the MWFRA is in its 65th consecutive year of fostering football refereeing on Sydney's Northern Beaches.

Year	President	VP/VP Seniors	VP Juniors	Secretary	Treasurer	Floor Member
1949	F Alder	J Breen	N/A	I Lewis	I Lewis	A Bowyer
1950	F Alder	J Breen	N/A	I Lewis	GH Hudson	J Smith
1951	F Alder	J Breen	N/A	I Lewis	GH Hudson	D Sinclair
1952	F Alder	J Breen	N/A	I Lewis	GH Hudson	O Scott
1953	F Alder	GH Hudson	N/A	J Breen	O Scott	O Scott
1954	F Alder	J Breen	N/A	GH Hudson	O Scott	GR Hudson
1955	F Alder	T O'Toole	N/A	GH Hudson	O Scott	GR Hudson
1956	F Alder	T O'Toole	N/A	GR Hudson	R Parker	GH Hudson
1957	F Alder	GH Hudson	N/A	JW Cook	R Parker	R Schofield
1958	F Alder	GH Hudson	N/A	JW Cook	R Parker	GR Hudson
1959	F Alder	R Parker	N/A	JW Cook	J Smith	GR Hudson
1960	F Alder	GH Hudson	N/A	JW Cook	J Smith	J Treloar
1961	F Alder	GH Hudson	N/A	JW Cook	GR Hudson	R Schofield
1962	F Alder	C Gavid	N/A	GH Hudson	C Sutton	A Spence
1963	F Alder	C Gavid	N/A	GH Hudson	C Sutton	A Spence
1964	F Alder	GH Hudson	N/A	C Sutton	J Cook	C Gavid
1965	F Alder	GH Hudson	N/A	C Sutton	J Cook	C Gavid
1966	C Gavid	G Antill	N/A	G Anderson	G Geeves Snr	P Scott
1967	C Gavid	G Antill	N/A	GH Hudson	G Geeves Snr	J Withnell
1968	J Davidson	J Withnell	N/A	W Van Leeuwen	G Geeves Snr	GH Hudson
1969	J Davidson	J Withnell	N/A	W Van Leeuwen	G Geeves Snr	GH Hudson
1970	J Withnell	C Jack	N/A	W Van Leeuwen	G Geeves Snr	
1971	C Jack	J Davidson	N/A	W Van Leeuwen	G Geeves Snr	W Kirk
1972	C Jack	J Davidson	N/A	R Duncan	G Geeves Snr	W Van Leeuwen
1973	J Davidson	A Perry	N/A	R Duncan	G Geeves Snr	W Van Leeuwen
1974	J Davidson	W Van Leeuwen	N/A	R Duncan	G Geeves Snr	R Cockman
1975	W Van Leeuwen	J Etherington	N/A	J Brilman / J Connor	G Geeves Snr	C Jack
1976	J Etherington	G White	N/A	P Wood	R Duncan	C Jack
1977	J Etherington	G White	N/A	P Wood	W Harper	C Jack
1978	G White	B Marsh	N/A	W Connor	G Richmond	C Jack
1979	G White	A Bartlett	N/A	W Connor / C Coupland	G Richmond	G Geeves Jnr
1980	G White	A Bartlett	N/A	C Coupland	G Richmond	W Connor

Year	President	VP/VP Seniors	VP Juniors	Secretary	Treasurer	Floor Member
1981	A Bartlett	A Rathbone	N/A	C Coupland	B Rawling	W Connor
1982	A Bartlett	A Rathbone	N/A	C Coupland	D Hill	S Russell
1983	J Geeves	A Rathbone	N/A	C Coupland	D Hill	S Russell
1984	J Geeves	A Rathbone	N/A	C Coupland	D Hill	S Russell
1985	A Rathbone	B Fowler	N/A	J Loke	J Lax	P Lovett
1986	A Rathbone	C Coupland	N/A	J Loke	J Lax	P Lovett
1987	A Rathbone	C Coupland	N/A	J Loke	J Lax	P Lovett
1988	C Coupland	B Crosweller	N/A	J Loke	J Lax	P Lovett
1989	C Coupland	B Crosweller	N/A	J Loke	J Lax	P Lovett
1990	C Coupland	B Crosweller	N/A	J Loke / P Robson	J Lax	P Lovett
1991	P Lovett	C Coupland	N/A	J Loke	P Robson	B Crosweller
1992	C Coupland	J Loke	N/A	L Davies	P Robson	B Crosweller
1993	C Coupland	J Loke	N/A	P Robson	I Massey	B Crosweller
1994	A Rathbone	J Loke	N/A	P Robson	I Massey	B Crosweller
1995	A Rathbone	J Loke	N/A	P Robson	I Massey	B Crosweller
1996	A Rathbone	D Morris	N/A	P Robson	I Massey	B Crosweller
1997	P Robson	K Martin OAM	N/A	D Morris	J Cuttle	D Gale
1998	P Robson	C Stocks	N/A	D Morris	J Cuttle	D Gale
1999	P Robson	C Stocks	T Seaman	V Movsessian	J Cuttle	D Gale
2000	L Hudson	R Shepheard	T Seaman	W Ranson	A Vale	D Gale
2001	L Hudson	R Shepheard	T Browne	W Ranson	A Vale	D Gale
2002	L Hudson	R Shepheard	T Browne	T Browne	A Vale	D Gale / P Robson
2003	T Browne	R Shepheard	P Muir	D Hill	A Vale	C Stocks / P Muir
2004	T Browne	R Shepheard	P Muir	D Hill	A Vale	K Martin OAM
2005	T Browne	R Shepheard	P Muir	D Hill	A Vale	K Martin OAM
2006	T Browne	R Shepheard	P Muir	P Respicio	A Vale	K Martin OAM
2007	T Browne	R Shepheard	P Muir	P Respicio	C Stocks	K Martin OAM
2008	T Browne	J Raphael	P Muir	P Respicio	C Stocks	K Martin OAM
2009	J Raphael	R Shepheard	R Brennan	J Barnes	G Ashcroft	K Martin OAM
2010	J Raphael	R Shepheard	R Brennan	A Smith	G Ashcroft	I Bernard
2011	R Brennan	R Shepheard	S Brennan	M Worwood	G Ashcroft	T Lee
2012	R Brennan	F Best	S Brennan	M Worwood	D Page	No longer ESC position
2013	R Brennan	F Best	S Brennan	M Worwood / D. Le Ban	D Page	No longer ESC position
2014	R Brennan	F Best	M Pryke	D. Le Ban	D Page	No longer ESC position
2015	R Brennan	N. Barrett	C. Senior	D. Le Ban	D Page	No longer ESC position

Honour roll

The MWFRA has been handing out prestigious awards to its best referees since 1981.

Referee of the Year – Syd Russell Memorial Award

1981	Tony Rathbone
1982	John Geeves
1983	Alan Bartlett
1984	Gordon Geeves Jnr
1985	John Geeves
1986	Syd Russell
1987	Dave Hill
1988	Syd Russell
1989	Col Coupland
1990	Syd Russell
1991	Tony Rathbone
1992	Tony Rathbone
1993	Tony Rathbone
1994	Tony Rathbone
1995	Tony Rathbone
1996	Lyle Hudson
1997	Lyle Hudson
1998	Colin Stocks
1999	Andrew Vale
2000	Graham Wilks
2001	Andrew Vale
2002	Andrew Vale
2003	Lyle Hudson
2004	Ryan Shepheard
2005	Ryan Shepheard
2006	Andrew Vale
2007	Ryan Shepheard
2008	James Raphael
2009	Ryan Shepheard
2010	Jorge Martins
2011	Jorge Martins
2012	Jorge Martins
2013	Jorge Martins
2014	Sebastien Brennan
2015	Sebastien Brennan

Under 25 Referee of the Year

1991	Andrew Vale
1992	Greg Coupland
1993	Andrew Vale
1994	Andrew Vale
1995	Andrew Vale
1996	Colin Stocks
1997	Colin Stocks
1998	Nick Dracakis
1999	Ryan Shepheard
2000	Ryan Shepheard
2001	Ryan Shepheard
2002	Ryan Shepheard
2003	Matthew Gillett
2004	Paul Clift
2005	Matthew Gillett
2006	Matthew Gillett
2007	Matthew Gillett
2008	Bradley Duke
2009	Brett Downie
2010	Brett Downie
2011	Brett Downie
2012	Sebastien Brennan
2013	Sebastien Brennan
2014	Alec Smith
2015	Alec Smith

Under 21 Referee of the Year

1985	Annabel Lax
1986	Andrew Eason
1987	Paul Blackwood
1988	Andrew Hill
1989	Greg Coupland
1990	Andrew Hill
1991	Greg Coupland
1992	Scott Bendall

1993	Michael Dine
1994	Michael Dine
1995	Christopher Parratt
1996	Ryan Shepheard
1997	Ryan Shepheard
1998	Mark Higgs
1999	Luke Ventress
2000	Adrian Carratt
2001	Matthew Gillett
2002	Matthew Gillett
2003	Paul Clift
2004	Matthew Gillett
2005	Bradley Duke
2006	Bradley Duke
2007	Bradley Duke
2008	Sam Steindl
2009	Alec Smith
2010	Alec Smith
2011	Sebastien Brennan
2012	Josh Ward
2013	Nick Barrett
2014	Jack Morales
2015	Jack Morales

Under 18 Referee of the Year – Shirley Bones Memorial Award

1983	Murray Connor
1984	Ken Artuso
1985	Oscar Gonzales
1986	Thomas Haerland
1987	Greg Coupland
1988	Greg Coupland
1989	Dean Heffernan
1990	Julian Humphrey
1991	David Goodwin
1992	Michael Dine
1993	Rohan Ashover
1994	Matthew Jordan
1995	Ryan Shepheard
1996	Andrew Jordan
1997	Mark Higgs
1998	Trevor Simonsen
1999	Adrian Carratt
2000	Matthew Gillett
2001	Andrew Best
2002	Andrew Best
2003	Bradley Duke
2004	Bradley Duke
2005	Howard Louis
2006	Adam Trevor
2007	Adam Trevor
2008	Alec Smith
2009	Matthew Collins
2010	Nick Barrett
2011	Nick Barrett
2012	Toby Williams
2013	Jack Morales
2014	Andrew Iles
2015	Joshua Courts

Level 3 Referee of the Year – Peter Clay Memorial Award

1998	Graeme Kellow
1999	Greg Courts
2000	Greg Courts
2001	Richard Cant
2002	Richard Cant
2003	Chris Grant
2004	Matthew Gillett
2005	Paul Clift
2006	Colin Grant
2007	Ed Penny
2008	Paul Respicio
2009	Colin Grant
2010	Colin Grant
2011	Allan Whitford
2012	Not awarded
2013	David Le Ban
2014	Jorge Martins
2015	Luke Petersen

Senior Referee of the Year

2004	John Cuttle
2005	David Torevell
2006	Peter Robson
2007	Niels-Otto Mathisen
2008	Frank Best
2009	Kenneth Lewis
2010	Frank Best
2011	Keith Stewart
2012	Stephen Logue
2013	Gerry Lenihan
2014	Gerry Lenihan
2015	Kenneth Lewis

Rookie Referee of the Year

2009	Hayden Jewell
2010	Adam Powers
2011	Joshua Pierre
2012	Liam Power
2013	Ivica Covic
2014	Alex Zhou
2015	Evan Mitchell

Assistant Referee of the Year

2009	Thomas Lee
2010	Tyler Egger
2011	Courtney Jones
2012	James Hepworth
2013	Reece Senior
2014	Ivica Covic
2015	Ivica Covic

Vice President Juniors Achievement Award

2014	Rebecca Mackie
2015	Jasmine Hill

Football NSW Amateur Cup (State Cup) Final

1980	Tony Rathbone
1983	Syd Russell
1988	Dave Hill (U21)
1993	Andrew Vale
1997	Colin Stocks (U21)
2002	Graham Wilks (U18)
2002	Adrian Barlow (U16)
2002	Greg Coupland (AL)
2009	Jake Parker (W-U12)
2009	Christopher Parratt (AL)
2011	Adam Powers (U14)
2012	Scott Peterson (U16)

Football NSW Champions of Champions Final

1997	Colin Stocks (U18)
1998	Colin Stocks (O35)
2001	Andrew Vale (U18)
2002	Greg Coupland (U21)
2003	Chris Grant (U13)
2004	Ryan Shepheard (U13)
2007	Mitchell Compton (U15)
2008	Matthew Gillett (U21)
2008	Sam Steindl (U16)
2009	Michelle Cole (W-O30)
2009	Nick Barrett (U12)
2010	Chester Lenihan (U13)
2011	Josh Ward (U15)
2012	Toby Williams (U14)
2013	Ken Lewis (U17)
2014	Michelle Cole (W-U21)
2015	Sebastien Brennan (AAM)

NSW Super/Premier Youth League Final

2001	Graham Wilks (U17)
2002	Andrew Vale (U17)
2003	Andrew Best (U13)
2004	Richard Cant (U15)
2005	Howard Louis (U13)
2006	Wayne Ranson (U15)
2007	Adam Trevor (U14)
2009	Alana Wallis (W-U16)
2009	Nick Barrett (U13)
2010	Nick Barrett (U15)

Australian Football Titles

1988 Kevin Martin OAM (U15)

Champions of Champions Final 2015

All Age Men
Referee: Sebastien Brennan
AR's: Jack Morales & Ethan Ryan
4th Official: Gerry Lenihan

Ken Lewis – Senior Referee of the Year with Chris Senior(Junior VP) & Gerry Lenihan(Branch Coach)

Manly Warringah Football Referees Association
Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 18th November, 2014, 7:30pm, Cromer Park

Present MWFRA Committee: Frank Best, Robert Brennan (President), Trevor Croal, David Le Ban, Thomas Lee, Craig McBurnie, Sigrid Mulherin MWFRA (Administrative Officer), David Page, Steve Smit and Chris Senior.

Apologies MWFRA Committee: Mark Pryke

Present MWFRA Members: Michael Asbridge, Joe Balkovics, John Barnes, Nick Barrett, Sebastien Brennan, Andrew Chryssavgis ,Michelle Cole, Ivica Covic, Greg Courts, Joshua Courts, Paul Franklin, Don Gale, David Hill, Jasmin Hill, Steven Jewell, Andrew Jones, Licianne Lauffer, Gerry Lenihan, Ken Lewis, Stephen Logue, Niels Otto Mathison, Kevin Martins, Jorge Martins, Bec Mackie, Jack Morales, Ed Penny, Luke Petersen, James Raphael, Peter Robson, Ethan Ryan, Kevin Santo, Ryan Shepheard, Gary Siddons, Lucas Simonsen, Alec Smith, Jeff Smit, Keith Stewart, Laurel Voss, Toby, Ross turner, Williams, Alex Zhou,

Apologies MWFRA Members: Simon Burchett, Sam Femia, Liam Jewell, Harlan Mulherin, Kieran Nolan, Anthony Lo Surdo, Reece Senior,

Robert Brennan opened the meeting at 7:38pm by welcoming everyone to the 2014 MWFRA Annual General Meeting, paying special attention to the life members of the association present this evening, Trevor Croal, Don Gale, Kevin Martins, Peter Robson an Ryan Shepheard.

Minutes of the previous AGM 2013 were accepted as an accurate record of events.
Moved by Gerry Lenihan, seconded by Paul Franklin
Carried unanimously.

Matters arising from the previous minutes. No issues raised or matters requiring clarification or attention.

Certificates of service to the MWFRA were presented to members with years of service ranging from 3 to over 10 years. Appreciation was shown to these members.

Agenda
Motion: The MWFRA receives the MWFRA 2015 Annual Report.
Moved: Paul Franklin, seconded Stephen Logue.
Carried unanimously.
Life member nominations: Craig McBurnie confirmed no nominations had been received.

Reports: (verbal overview and written reports)
Robert Brennan indicated that Committee reports are available in the Annual Report which is now on the website. These were not read out but Robert Brennan did invite questions from the floor to the committee regarding any of these reports. None were forthcoming at this time.
Steve Smith gave a brief online of the proposed dates for next year's referees courses and the course outline he planned to follow. No comments were made regarding this.

Presidents Report:

Robert Brennan Thanked the MWFRA Committee for their hard work and commitment to the association over the last 12 months. Robert took this opportunity to remind the members that apart from our Administrative Office, Sigrid Mulherin, all committee positions are voluntary.
Robert Brennan invited Treasurer David Page to discuss the MWFRA's financial position. David invited questions but none were forthcoming.
Motion: To adopt the financial report presented at the meeting.
Moved: Paul Franklin.
Seconded: Sebastien Brennan
Carried unanimously.

Constitutional Matters:
Toby Williams lodged a motion for a special resolution of the Constitution whereby office bearers would not be able to hold a committee position for more than two consecutive terms.
This item drew much discussion between the floor and the committee. A vote was taken via a show of hands of this motion and the motion was defeated. The matter was then closed.

Election of Office Bearers:

It was noted that elected positions are for a two year period.

Robert Brennan vacated the chair and Trevor Croal assumed control for the election of office bearers. Trevor recorded a vote of thanks for Roberts work as President this year.

President:
Frank Best nominated Robert Brennan.
Seconded Paul Franklin
Robert accepted. Robert duly elected.

Senior VP (casual vacancy)
Toby Williams nominated Nick Barrett.
Seconded Michelle Cole
Nick accepted. Nick duly elected.

Vice President Juniors.
Toby Williams nominated Ed Penny.
Seconded Nick Barrett
Gerry Lenihan nominated Christine Senior
Seconded Frank Best
Trevor Croal nominated David Le Ban and Trevor Croal as scrutineers. Election occurred by secret ballot. Trevor Croal moved a motion to destroy the ballet papers.
Christine duly elected.

Treasurer:
Frank best nominated David Page.
Seconded: David Le Ban
David accepted. David duly elected.

Assistant Secretary.
David Le Ban nominated Jack Morales.
Seconded Christine Senior.
Jack accepted. Jack duly elected.

Assessors Convenor.
David Page nominated Ross Turner
Seconded Robert Brennan
Ross accepted. Ross duly elected.

Gear Steward.
Christine Senior nominated Trevor Croal.
Seconded Craig McBurnie
Trevor accepted. Trevor duly elected.

Review Panel Chair.
Toby Williams nominated Mark Pryke
Seconded Nick Barrett.
Mark accepted. Mark Duly elected.

Branch Coach.
Christine Senior nominated Gerry Lenihan
Seconded Jorge Martins
Toby Williams nominated Ed Penny
Seconded Nick Barrett

Robert Brennan nominated David Le Ban and Trevor Croal as scrutineers. Election occurred by secret ballot.
Gerry Lenihan duly elected. Robert moved a motion to destroy the ballot papers.
Robert thanked all those who stood for election.

Presentation of Awards:
Perpetual trophies, vouchers and spray jackets were awarded to the following referees.

Referee of the Year: Sebastien Brennan
Rookie of the Year: Alex Zhou
Senior Referee of the Year: Gerry Lenihan
Peter Clay Award, Level 3: Jorge Martins
Assistant Referee of the Year: Joshua Courts
Under 25 Referee of the Year: Alec Smith
Under 21 Referee of the Year: Jack Morales
Under 18 Referee of the Year: Andrew Iles
VP Juniors Encouragement Award: Rebecca Mackie

Congratulations were given to all award recipients.

General Business:

A brief discussion followed regarding appointments and declines for the last season and ways to best assist with reducing this.
There being no other issues raised. Robert Brennan closed the meeting and wished all our members a happy Christmas and new year.

Meeting closed: 9pm

Honouring Sean Morgan-Smith

Josh Courts (U18 Ref of the year) & I Covic (AR of the year)

Reece Senior looking resplendent

Who can resist a smiling Keith Stewart?

Michelle Cole and her team at the Finals

Committee Reports

The information on the pages below are personal reports from various members of the MWFRA Committee.

President, Robert Brennan

The 2015 football season has flown by with our membership increasing to 740 referees, over 5,000 games played in the MWFA, approximately 250 more than in the 2014 season and more importantly our overall coverage increased to 94.2% as compared with 92.9% in the 2014 season.

One of our key objectives is to improve the training and development of our referees and the introduction this year of a technical training session at most of our general monthly meetings by our Branch Coach – Gerry Lenihan was well received and appreciated by those who attended. In terms of referee qualifications and upgrades we witness 7 of our members improve their qualification from Level 3 referees to either Level 2 (theory) or Level 1 (theory) and 22 referees moving from a Level 4 referee to a Level 3 referee.

From a financial perspective it has been a challenging year with additional costs incurred with the migration to the new Match Referee appointments system and more administration time as result of approx. 20% of the Saturday games being weather affected and rescheduled to mid-week games. The financial accounts indicate a small operating loss for 2016 and initiatives are being explored by the management committee to ensure the 2016 financial year returns to a trading surplus.

We trialled a number of different electronic communication devices this year and whilst they were not 100% reliable when they worked everyone was impressed with the benefits of these systems and we are looking forward to investing in this technology for the 2016 season to assist with both the premier league level games and also assist with the mentoring of Juniors on both a Saturday and Sunday morning.

One of our key challenges remains improving the retention rates for all our referees particularly our juniors and ensuring that we have a healthy balance in terms of the age profile of our referees. Thanks in part to the migration to Match Referee system, the diligence and dedication of our Administration Officer - Sigrid Mulherin and the support from our Treasurer- David Page we managed to process the referee payments on a weekly basis from about the midpoint of the season. Hopefully this was appreciated by our members and will provide reassurance that match payments in future will be processed and paid in a timely manner.

I would like to congratulate the winners of the respective awards and the valuable leadership our Premier League referees have displayed in the development path of our next generation.

I was disappointed to hear that our Registrar – Craig McBurnie has decided to stand down at this year's AGM. Craig has done an outstanding job both as Registrar, *de facto* Constitutional editor and analyst for the management committee in reviewing and manipulating data into a format that provides clarity on the performance and profile of our referees each year.

The untimely death during the year of Sean Morgan-Smith was difficult to accept and comprehend and our thoughts go out to his wife- Beth and children. The committee was pleased to rename the Senior Referee Award as the Sean Morgan-Smith Memorial Award and trust that this will honour Sean's legacy and contribution to our Association.

In conclusion, the management committee deserves your heartfelt thanks as they do an outstanding job as volunteers to ensure that your Association is administered in a professional, supportive and transparent manner, which hopefully meets and sometimes exceeds member's expectations.

Robert Brennan

Vice President – Seniors, Nick Barrett

Firstly, I would like to thank the committee for taking me on this year and assisting me with all aspects of my duties wherever necessary. This season went relatively smoothly, from a senior's perspective, however earlier on in the season with referee injuries and general unavailability came great difficulty in the appointment of our higher level games. The lack of available senior referees who had met criteria did improve as the season progressed and thanks especially to Sigrid for her tireless efforts in chasing referee availability and managing maintain the high coverage rate throughout senior competitions.
The move to the new appointments system this year was not without issue, as we all took a while to understand the availability vs unavailability change, and it all having to be completed by the cut off. With any new system there is always the expectation that with such a large referee base, we were going to experience issues with the implementation of a completely new system. Hopefully, should the committee elect to adopt this same system next year, many of the problems we had experienced this year should have been ironed out.
Finally, there were surprisingly few referee complaints that I received, with the bulk of feedback all being largely positive across the grades. Referee assessments that I received from Ross also reflected these comments made. Thanks particularly to Ed Penny for his contributions this season, in assessing the entire Premier League panel which greatly assisted in the selection of the referee awards.

Nick Barrett

Vice President – Juniors, Chris Senior

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our junior referees for their hard work this past season. It would be remiss of me to also not thank our senior referees who provided support to our younger members. This included both support and encouragement for appointments as centres and as assistant referees.

The season saw the introduction of a new appointments system and a new Junior VP! Fortunately our administrative officer, Sigrid, was a great support to our 185 junior members and myself.
The main objective I had this year was to attempt to provide mentoring to as many junior referees as possible, the priority being our first year referees whilst being mindful of the need to further mentor those juniors with a few years' experience.

Legislation was introduced, that became effective this year, required that all mentors working with junior referees have a current Working With Children Clearance. By the end of the season we had 22 registered mentors with a Working with Children Clearance. Many other people offered to assist with mentoring but unfortunately did not complete their Working With Children Check and were therefore unable to assist. It is hoped to encourage more people to complete this next season to enable them to mentor.

Last season saw the implementation of a spreadsheet to allowed mentors to self-manage mentoring assignments and this was based upon junior appointments. Unfortunately, this season it was unable to operate due to date extraction issues with the new appointments system MatchRef.

It is hoped to have this rectified or modified for the 2016 season. In the absence of this spreadsheet I appointed mentors to games, based on availability of mentors, level of games and experience of the referees to be mentored. This could not have worked without the assistance of those mentors who gave up their time to assist.

The graciousness and enthusiasm our mentors showed was wonderful and much appreciated. During the course of the season 117 junior referees were mentored, ranging from 1st to 4th years, with the bulk of sessions being for our first year referees.

The breakdown of mentoring activities was as follows:
1st years – 65 mentoring sessions,
2nd years 33 mentoring sessions,
3rd years 10 mentoring sessions and
4th years 9 mentoring sessions.

The number would have been significantly higher, but wet weather and late field changes also had a ripple effect on total numbers. By the end of the season some reports were still outstanding and these were not included in the total numbers mentored.

The MWFRA was well represented by some of its junior members at the State Titles, State Cup games, Champion of Champions games, RDP and school tournaments.

This season, following a suggestion from a senior referee, we invited comments from the Assistant Referees on the Premier Panel with regards to how our senior referees work with their juniors. This provided some valuable feedback and was something the Assistant Referees were very keen to continue to be involved in.

I look forward to seeing the return of our junior referees next season, the progression of our “older juniors” to the senior ranks as well as welcoming new referees into our association.

I would also like to thank the MWFRA Committee who supported me in assisting me with my role as Junior VP and, the family members and friends who supported our juniors by getting them to their games.

Christine Senior

Secretary, David Le Ban

The year has been quite interesting with our first year using the new appointments system and the trialling of on-field communications.

As always, I thank my fellow committee members for their guidance and support over the year.

1. Appointments System

During the off-season a sub-committee investigated a replacement for the Schedula system and after investigating & reviewing the alternatives, it was felt that MatchRef was the system that suited

our needs. This was for a number of reasons including: it is a system developed by a football referee specifically for managing an appointing football referees ; being developed locally (Sydney) that meant we could interact with the developer regarding system changes and developments - positive in both access to the developer and reduced timeframes (compared to Schedula where it was extremely difficult to make contact with the organisation to get any problem resolved) and MatchRef has a direct interface with the MWFA system (Compman). This last point made the loading of games into MatchRef an automated process where previously it was a manual process. As with the implementation of all systems there were issues and teething problems that were worked through and fixed. One of the biggest challenges for referees, and Sigrid, was the need for referees to set their UNAVAILABILITY. This setting should become more natural as use of the system continues over the coming years. As mentioned in the Presidents report MatchRef also incorporates a payment system which has dramatically improved the payment timeframes. Who would have thought even one year ago referees would have been paid weekly, especially given that we have over 700 referees registered in the MWFRA. This was a mighty achievement by both Sigrid Mulherin and David Page.

Another huge note of thanks to Sigrid who has been tireless in working the system, getting to understand its finer details, and keeping the system developer on his toes. Her hard work has resulted in a system that has been adapted and modified to help her, and in turn the referees, to make the appointments just that little bit easier. Great work Sigrid!

2. On-Field Communications

During the year we also trialled on-field communications. We trialled two types of equipment, one used by NSW Rugby League / Rugby Union (MTA audio equipment) and the other used by the W-League (Vokkero equipment). Both types of equipment had their pro's & con's depending upon which aspect you focussed on. However, both types of equipment are quite expensive (Vokkero - ~$5,000 & MTA ~$8,000) to purchase that equips a referee team of four. The ongoing costs of this equipment has not been explored at this stage. There is the ability to hire the MTA equipment but not the Vokkero equipment.

During the finals the MTA equipment was used on Cromer 1 & 2 for the entire weekend for the games that were staged on those fields. This allowed number of different referees and AR's, both senior and junior, the opportunity to try out the equipment and provide feedback on its effectiveness.

On-field communications equipment is not intended to replace a referees skill in adjudicating what occurs on the field. It is intended to provide some additional capability for the refereeing team, including, to communicate quickly between themselves on incidents or issues that may occur on or outside the field of play.

3. Committee Meeting Attendance

Below are to tables showing the attendance records of the Committee for both our monthly general meetings and committee meetings. These meetings are only the official meetings the committee attends within the MWFRA.

Various committee members also spend countless hours attending other meetings with the MWFA (monthly meetings, weekly judiciary meetings, various forums and working groups); FNSW (forums at Valentine Park); preparing referee payments; analysing financial reports; training referees;

preparing material for training courses and in-house training; liaising with our suppliers; evaluating new equipment; and the list goes on.

So when you look at the numbers below just remember all the other activities committee members are involved in.

General Meeting Attendance (7 meetings)

Name/Position	Number Attended	Number Missed
Robert Brennan, **President**	5	2
Nick Barrett, **Senior VP**	6	1
Chris Senior, **Junior VP**	6	1
David Le Ban, **Secretary**	5	2
David Page, **Treasurer**	3	4
Jack Morales, **Ass Secretary**	7	-
Gerry Lenihan, **Branch Coach**	5	2
Ross Turner, **Assessors Convener**	5	2
Steve Smit, **Couse Co-ordinator**	5	2
Thomas Lee, **Floor Member**	4	3
Trevor Croal, **Gear Steward**	6	1
Craig McBurnie, **Registrar**	5	2
Sigrid Mulherin, **Administrative Officer**	6	1

Management Meeting Attendance (9 meetings)

Name/Position	Number Attended	Number Missed
Robert Brennan, **President**	9	-
Nick Barrett, **Senior VP**	5	4
Chris Senior, **Junior VP**	7	2
David Le Ban, **Secretary**	7	2
David Page, **Treasurer**	4	5 (extended holiday/work)
Jack Morales, **Ass Secretary**	4	5 (studies)
Gerry Lenihan, **Branch Coach**	5	4 (Work commitments)
Ross Turner, **Assessors Convener**	7	2
Steve Smit, **Couse Co-ordinator**	7	2
Thomas Lee, **Floor Member**	6	3
Trevor Croal, **Gear Steward**	7	2
Craig McBurnie, **Registrar**	8	1
Sigrid Mulherin, **Administrative Officer**	5	2

I look forward to seeing you all out on a pitch somewhere in 2016.

Cheers,
David Le Ban

Assistant Secretary, Jack Morales

This year has been one of the busiest years for me, but by far one of the best. I have had to juggle between my casual role as assistant secretary, officiating for three different branches, my own external job, as well as fitting in a little bit of university work, just to get me through my degree.

This year was my first season in the committee and I got to work with a great bunch of people who all brought their own skill sets and experiences to the table with a desire to teach, improve and prosper referees of all age groups and levels.

I had the good fortune of assisting Steve Smit for the second year in a row with the referee courses, including the level 4 entry level as well as the level 3 upgrade. There were many enthusiastic juniors in both level courses who displayed the potential to further their careers. Steve and I also ran the courses for the team referees, who proved to test the limits of our knowledge.

I would like to congratulate the FNSW Development Panel referees for their efforts and achievements, especially those who are on the panel for the first time, as it is not an easy job, with travelling and mental pressure being two of the main factors discouraging referees from pursuing a career they have potential in. There are great rewards and endless possibilities for those who persevere and strive to improve.

Just recently, Chris Senior, Sebastien Brennan and myself, attended the NSW State League Awards Dinner at Rosehill Gardens Racecourse. Not only was the dinner hall was filled with some of the best referees from NSW, it was filled with some of the best in Australia, including ex-FiFA referees. Being surrounded by so many talented people is awe-inspiring and fills you with the motivation to strive to do your absolute best. I recommend that the development panel referees, and those who are willing, aim to reach the highest tier of officiating they possibly can.

I would like to thank the other committee members of MWFRA for the opportunity to work closely with them as not only colleagues, but as friends. I would also like to thank the members of MWFRA for their continuous contribution to the association.

Branch Coach, Gerry Lenihan

The role of the Branch Coach is to monitor, support, and improve the standard of refereeing within the association. The areas concentrated on covering and enhancing were:

1. Technical Ability – Laws of The Game knowledge

2. Physical Fitness – Fitness Test and encouragement towards fitness training

3. Mental Fitness – Support and availability to debrief after games

4. Man Management – Working on empathy and management of players & officials

1. <u>Technical Ability</u>

This year we used technology to improve and open up pathways for communication with all our referees. We created the MWFRA Facebook page which has been used to educate and

communicate for all things connected to refereeing. Thank you to Jack Morales & Sigrid Mulherin who were both instrumental in establishing and maintaining the Facebook page.

The second major initiative was the introduction of a weekly quiz half way through the season. This consisted of 4 questions issued via email on Friday and answers delivered on Monday. The response to this was tremendous. The email went out to 700 referees.

Referees were invited to decline future correspondence if they wished and only 33 did so. I had queries and answers over the weeks from a total of 52 referees giving answers to the quiz and also telling me how a particular scenario had actually happened in a game and they knew what to do because of the quiz. Conversely I had referees tell me how they had actually got some decisions wrong but they wouldn't next time. Education & enthusiasm to learn would have to be the two cornerstones of mastering any discipline. It created a great opportunity for referees to raise questions and queries in a non-game situation and I received in excess of 200 emails over the season.

2. Physical Fitness

Just the same as players, a key element for all referees is Fitness. Applying the level 3 Fitness test, we conducted 6 Fitness Tests on various week nights at Narrabeen Academy of Sports on the 400 metre track. It is a test which especially for older referees requires preparation. A total of 48 referees took the test with 43 successfully completing it. My thanks to Christine Senior, Jorge Martins, Nick Barrett & Sebastian Brennan who came and helped conduct the tests.

Thomas Lee ran a Practical & Fitness training Session for juniors and seniors prior to the beginning of the season on one of the pitches at Cromer. Particularly useful was the practical drills for Assistant Referees.

3. Mental Fitness

Understanding the importance that referees feel supported and have an opportunity to discuss aspects of a game after the game, this season we encouraged referees to get together after games, relax and discuss aspects of the game they'd just experienced and discuss decisions they might be questioning after the game. We have just brushed the surface of instigating this and have plans to expand it next season such that it becomes an opportunity for referees to discuss games and mentally recharge.

4. Man Management

It's not enough in the modern game to be fit, know and apply the Laws of the Game. It's incredibly important for referees to be able to manage players and officials in various situations so as to ensure all games are conducted responsibly and fairly. Presentations were made at our regular meetings and discussion sought on various

aspects of man management scenarios at games covering duties of a Referee, 4th official, and Assistant Referees. Hand-outs were distributed on duties of the 4th official and Assistant Referee.

I'd like to thank everyone who helped and contributed to make it a very exciting whilst challenging season. Best wishes for the off season and the coming Christmas and New Year.

Assessor Convenor, Ross Turner

Total assessments numbering over 45 for the year were carried out over a variety of referee categories. Premier league 1st grades to seniors of level 4 status referees moving up to level 3 referee status after passing level 3 exams

Assessments for the senior grades were done by only a few senior assessors to give consistency to the assessments in the groups and allow for a more accurate ranking system outcome

Other assessments were carried out were help was being given to referees who sought coaching/mentoring. Mentoring was also carried out for that sole purpose by several senior referees to assist with less experienced senior's category referee's development. Our Senior's VP took control of the mentoring category, and should have the numbers for this segment.

Observations of the games this year

The implementation of a more stringent anti swearing campaign from this committee, has seen some effect on the pitch particularly were the referees are enforcing the policy

Discipline on the technical bench in the higher grades has been mixed in terms of reasonable conduct. There have been instances were bad bench behaviour has been pushed to the limit in respect of coach/manager disagreeing with refereeing decisions on the pitch...Unless the referee has the ability to enforce his decisions on the pitch and in technical area, reasonable management of the game is compromised and justice will not prevail

I would like to see an active role taken with mentoring next year, especially with new referees entering and for referee development especially younger senior referees looking to progress with MWFRA, as part of a planned and targeted development programme for less experienced referees

Regards,
Ross Turner

Course Co-ordinator, Steve Smit

This was another big year for new branch entrants. Three courses were run prior to the start of the season, as well as one in mid-April.

In the four Level 4 entry courses run we had 200 people attend (up by 19 on last year). 79 were juniors (which is 8 more than last year), 66 of which were boys and 13 girls. Junior intake is restricted each year as we only need to cover from U12's up (11-a-side football only starts on the Northern Beaches from Under 12). Juniors were encouraged to be assistant referees, so this year a lot more games got extra officials that helped ensure fair play and added to the players' enjoyment of the game. We also had 121 seniors attend the Level 4 courses, 90 of which were 'Team Refs' exclusively.

We added to our pool of 'appoint-able' senior referees (31) in the categories of; Senior full-time (6, none of which were women), and Team Referees willing to accept some appointments (38). With

suitable scheduling and promotion, we are looking to encourage more adults next year to make themselves available to be appointed as a referee to games, thus moving more and more towards our goal that all games can be covered without the need for enforcing a 'team referee' to step in.

We also ran a course on the 8th of March this year for referees wanting to move up to FFA Level 3. This year we only had 14 participants (12 males and 2 females), which is the same as last year. Next season there will be 2 opportunities to do the Level 3 upgrade, one in our association, as well as a full weekend Level 3 'boot camp' being run by Football NSW out at Valentine Park.

If you know anyone who might be interested in becoming a referee (and/or assistant referee), or wanting to upgrade their referee level to be eligible for higher quality games, the dates for the courses are now on our website (or register interest by emailing me so I can advise you of courses on offer). We can also point you to the steps needed should you like to look at even higher levels, including the path needed for becoming a possible A-League Referee or higher.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the committee for their hard work this year especially those that assisted me with running courses at various times of the year. These gentlemen included; Jack Morales, Craig McBurnie and Trevor Croal.

To all my fellow members of the MWFRA, have a great Christmas and a prosperous new year. And I look forward to seeing you around the parks next year which promises to be another great one for Football in general, but especially here on the Northern Beaches!

Regards
Steve Smit

Floor Member, Thomas Lee

As usual, I would like to begin my report on 2015 by thanking those who contributed to a successful season in seeing misconduct on and off the field of play by players, coaches and other team officials being appropriately punished.

The first thanks goes to Ken Lewis who stepped in the Floor Member role for me through the second half of the season while I was away. By all accounts from referees and the MWFA, Ken did a superb job in quickly picking up the ropes and providing reports to the MWFA in a timely manner.

The second thanks goes to all referees who submitted a disciplinary report over the course of the season. Not only were these reports of a high quality but it was also very pleasing to have referees who were prompted to submit their reports do so in a very friendly and timely manner. It seems that the reporting culture amongst all referees in the branch is changing for the better.

The third thanks goes to Rob Brennan and David Le Ban for giving up some of their Wednesday evenings to accompany and support referees who had been asked to attend judiciary hearings to provide further evidence in what could often be very difficult circumstances.

Finally, the fourth thanks goes to the members of the MWFA Judiciary for their unwavering support of referees and their reports throughout the season as well as the MWFA administrative staff who

have ensured that referee reports are available for consideration every Wednesday evening.

All of their efforts have been especially valued because this year was a particularly challenging and tough year in teams of the sheer volume of cases and the severity of some of the cases that came before the Judiciary.

But despite the heavy workload (even through only the first half of the season), it was nevertheless a great pleasure to have been part of this misconduct and judiciary process, as is the case every year, for what was my fifth and final year in the Floor Member position.

Thank you to everyone who made these five great years possible.

(Full statistics including a breakdown of the yellow and red cards across divisions and teams will be available in the MWFA Annual Report.)

Regards
Thomas Lee

Gear Steward, Trevor Croal

We now have most of our referees wearing the Team Rhino uniforms and it was pleasing to see a great percentage of them being worn during the final series.

As you would be aware the majority of stock is stored at my home. To ensure we keep the uniform stock in good condition we purchased new storage containers, especially as the uniforms are delivered in large boxes and not individually packaged.

Due to having open heart surgery, I did miss the early part of the year which restricted me and I could only supervise gear sales. My wife Joan, daughter Heather & grand-daughter Emma managed the sales in my place, and I give my sincere thanks for their help. Thanks also to Jack, Chris & Gerry who provided me a trolley for carrying gear.

Regards,

Trevor Croal

Registrar, Craig McBurnie

The year in numbers …

In 2015, our referee numbers totalled 740 (including 4 non-officiating Mentors/Assessors) which was up 47 (7%) on 2014. Our Junior ranks were up 5 to 185 and our Senior Ref numbers were flat at 154. Our Team Refs, doing only or mostly Team Ref duty games, increased by 38 to 397.

Category	2013	2014	New	Category Transfers	Non-return	2015	Active
Junior	173	180	+93	-16	-72	**185**	178
Senior	512	513	+160	+16	-138	**551**	454
- Ref	125	154	+31	+1	-32	**154**	135
- Team Ref	387	359	+129	+15	-106	**397**	319
Total	**685**	**693**	**+253**	**0**	**-210**	**736**	**632**

('Category Transfers' are e.g. Juniors-becoming-Seniors (16). 'New' includes 42 returning after skipping 2013 and 9 transfers-in from other districts).

As is the undesirable norm, turnover of referees remained high in 2015 – non-returners were 40% of Juniors (31% in 2014), 26% of Senior Refs (24%) and 30% of Team Refs (30%).

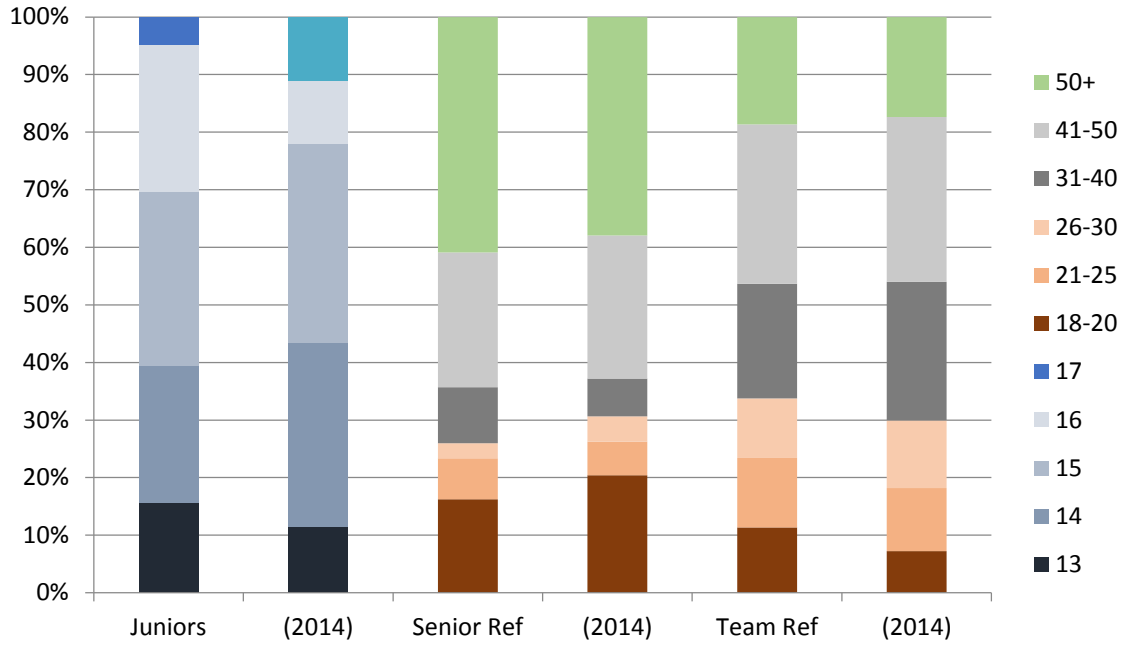
Among Juniors, non-returners are mostly first- or second-year referees (69% in 2015 vs 80% in 2014). Conversely, the first-year effect is not as pronounced among Seniors and Team Refs with non-returners being mostly those with three or more year's experience (57% in 2015 vs 54% in 2014).

Age distribution

The average age of Juniors was unchanged at 14.8 years in 2015. Seniors were on average a year older at 43.5 and Team Refs were nearly a year younger at 37.5.

The proportion of 30 y.o. and under referees was down from 29% to 26% for Seniors but up from 30% to 34% for Team Refs.

Chart 1: Age last birthday by Category



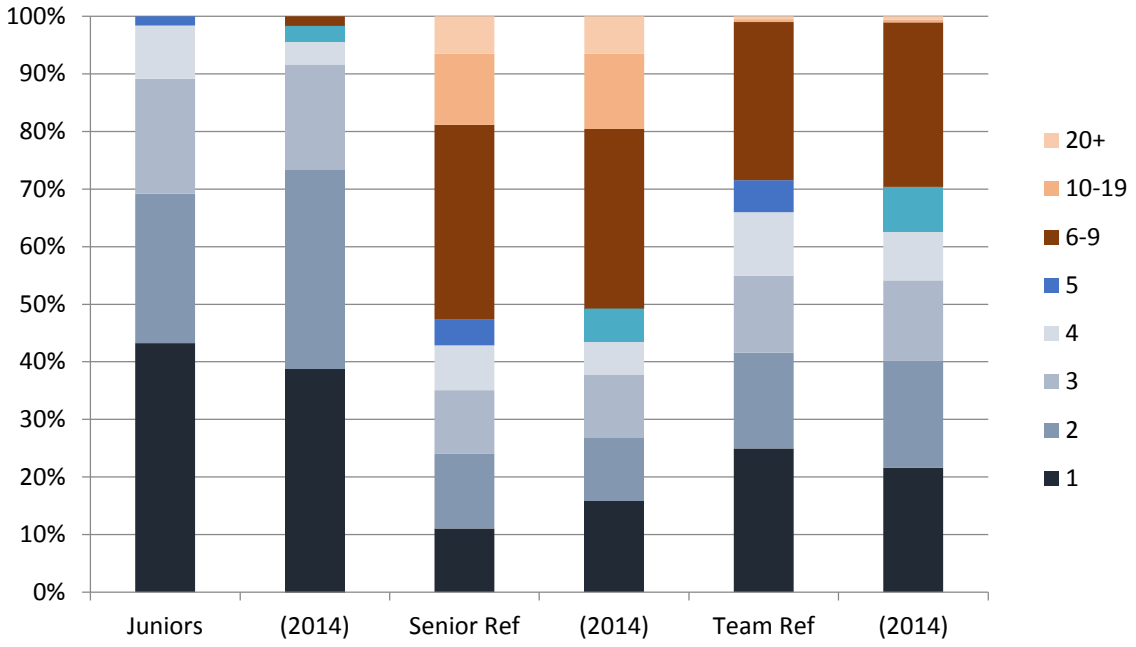
Experience distribution

Notwithstanding the usual influx of new Juniors, Juniors were overall more experienced in 2015 - the % of Juniors with 3 or more year's experience increased from 27% to 31%.

Senior Refs were overall slightly more experienced, with those with 5 or more year's experience increasing from 56.5% to 57.1%. Team Refs went in the other direction with the 5+ years % declining from 37% to 34%.

Luke Petersen and Damien Bury

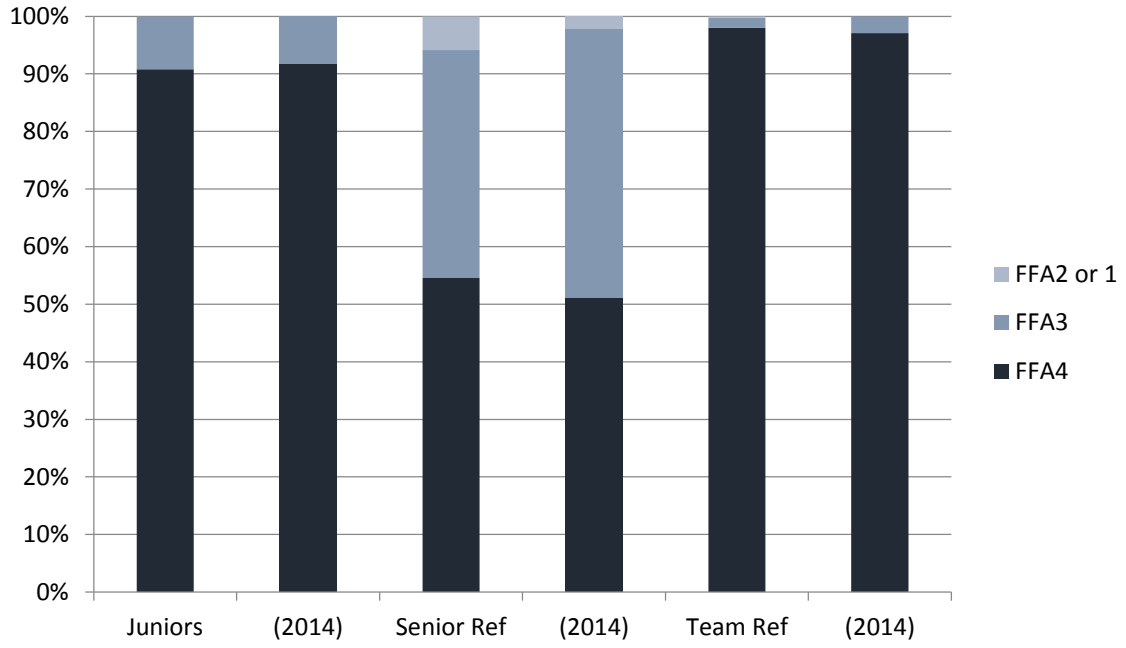
Chart 2: Years of Experience by Category



FFA Referee Level qualifications

Members holding FFA Level 3 or higher qualifications were little changed in absolute terms in 2014 – down from 95 to 93. However, notably, 7 FFA3 members were successful in moving up to FFA2 or FFA1 and there was a net change of +11 at the FFA3 level.

Chart 3: FFA Levels by Category



More members upgraded their FFA Referee qualification in 2015 than in 2014, including 6 moving up to FFA Level 2 (Theory) and 1 member being successful in moving up from FFA3 to FFA Level 2 (Theory) and then to FFA Level 1 (Theory) within the space of 12 months.

The introduction of an FFA3 exam as an FFA3 re-accreditation requirement did prompt 11 members to allow their FFA3 qualification to drop down to FFA4.

75 members re-accredited for another 4 years at their same FFA Level in 2015. The number of re-accreditations in a year is linked to the cohort to which the member belongs – 57 of the 2015 re-accreditations were members in the original 2007 cohort when FFA qualifications were introduced and have had accreditation cycles of 2007-2010, 2011-2014 and now 2015-2018.

Change in FFA Level	**2015**	**2014**
From FFA4 to FFA3	+22	+14
From FFA3 to FFA2	+6	0
From FFA3 to FFA2 to FFA1	+1	0
From FFA4 to FFA3	-11	0
Re-accreditations at same FFA Level	**2015**	**2014**
FFA4	55	41
FFA3	20	3

Refereeing activity levels

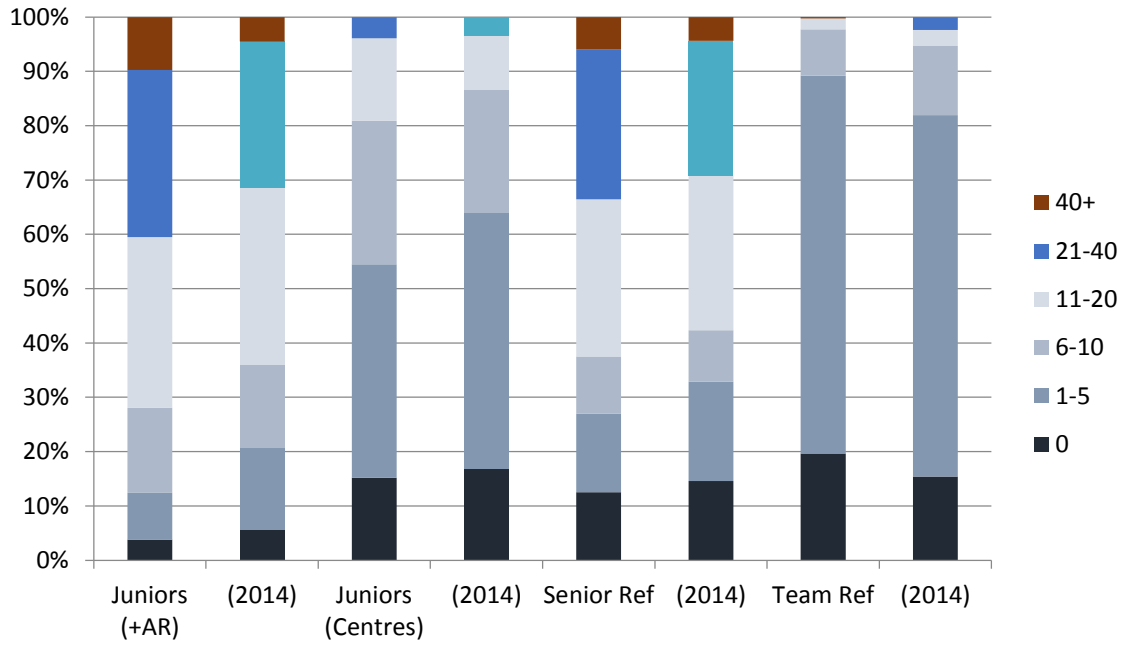
For MWFA competitions in 2015, there were 247 more games than in 2014 (+5% to 5,150) and we increased our overall coverage rate from 92.9% to 94.2%.

Most of the increase was in Junior games (+178), which accounts for the increased share of games covered by Junior Referees (from 19% to 21%).

	MWFA games			
Covered by:	**2015**	**%**	**2014**	**%**
Juniors	1,098	21%	920	19%
Senior Refs	2,538	49%	2,510	51%
Team Refs	1,127	22%	1,063	22%
Total MWFRA	**4,763**	**92.5%**	**4,493**	**91.6%**
Forfeits	88	1.7%	64	1.3%
Covered by Non-MWFRA Ref	299	5.8%	346	7.1%
TOTAL	**5,150**		**4,903**	

Juniors and Seniors were somewhat more active in 2015 with an increasing proportion of members doing >10 and >20 games over the season.

Chart 4: No. of Centres by Category (also shown as Centres+ARs for Juniors)



	% of members doing no. of games greater than …			
	2015		2014	
	>10	>20	>10	>20
Juniors (centres+AR)	72%	41%	64%	32%
Juniors (centres)	19%	4%	14%	3%
Seniors (centres)	63%	34%	58%	29%
Team Refs	2.3%	0.3%	5.3%	2.4%

Rebecca Mackey & Courtney Halford

TOP 10s – Number of Games for 2015 MWFA Competitions

TOP 10 – ALL ROLES, ALL GAME TYPES	
Andrew Chryssavgis	90
Stuart Alcock	79
Cedric Courteille	79
Ivica Covic	79
Joshua Courts	73
Malcolm Olsen	72
Austin Devaney	68
Niels-Otto Mathisen	68
Laurel Voss	67
Damien Bury	62

TOP 10 - CENTRES, ALL GAME TYPES	
Stuart Alcock	79
Andrew Chryssavgis	72
Malcolm Olsen	69
Cedric Courteille	64
Hubert Donders	60
Bruce Scheffers	53
Anthony Ruttyn	51
Laurel Voss	51
Damien Bury	45
Wayne Ranson	43

TOP 10 - AR, ALL GAME TYPES	
Ivica Covic	61
Austin Devaney	50
Joshua Courts	49
Reece Frith	47
Alexander Leach	43
Jacob Gallagher	39
Ryan Chambers	39
Mikey O'Neil	38
Jack Wood	38
Rebecca Mackie	34
Joshua Haithwaite	34
James Crosbie	34

TOP 10s – Number of Games for 2015 MWFA Competitions

TOP 10 - CENTRES, Junior Boys' games	
Richard Illy	31
Malcolm Olsen	25
Anthony Ruttyn	23
Cedric Courteille	21
Jeffrey Smit	19
Stuart Alcock	18
Miho McKay	18
Scott Rickard	16
Liam Power	16
Darcy Bornstein	16
Juanyk Bornstein	16

TOP 10 - CENTRES, Junior Girls' games	
Joshua Courts	13
Alex Molchanoff	13
Andrew Chryssavgis	12
Bruce Scheffers	12
Richard Socratous	11
Frank Maiuolo	10
Malcolm Olsen	10
Darcy Bornstein	9
Joshua Cook	9
Austin Devaney	9
Michael Weekes	9
Alex Zhou	9

TOP 10 - CENTRES, Senior Men's games (including appointed Team Ref games)	
Laurel Voss	31
Andrew Chryssavgis	26
Bengt Beyer-Ebbesen	24
Stuart Alcock	23
Simon Burchett	23
John Barnes	22
Wayne Plant	22
Damien Bury	21
Gerry Lenihan	20
Kenneth Lewis	20
Wayne Ranson	19

TOP 10 - CENTRES, Women's games	
Hubert Donders	26
Anthony Ruttyn	24
Stuart Alcock	22
Cedric Courteille	21
Michael O'Shanassy	21
Paul Markarian	21
Niels-Otto Mathisen	20
Malcolm Olsen	19
Brian Haslam	18
Matthew Tilley	18
David Hill	17

TOP 10s – Number of Games for 2015 MWFA Competitions

TOP 10 - CENTRES, Team Ref Duty games	
Hubert Donders	31
Paul Franks	15
Max Dudfield	14
Leon Brilman	12
Alexander Paulin	11
Alex Dokic	11
Benjamin Zalai	10
Aaron Darkiewicz	10
Matthew Palatucci	10
Peter Stephens	10

Alex Zhou at the Finals

2015 SERVICE CERTIFICATES

20 YEARS SERVICE

John Barnes

10 YEARS SERVICE

Michelle Cole

Richard Illy

Thomas Lee

Kenneth Lewis

Richard Lloyd

Jeffrey Smit

5 YEARS SERVICE	5 YEARS SERVICE	5 YEARS SERVICE
Russell Atkin	Jason Hinson	Wesley Ryder
Joe Balkovics	Paul Kleiner	Luke Scali
Brian Barkworth	Simon Kotowski	Cameron Smit
Timothy Barras	Kenneth Mackenzie	Anthony Stevens
Russell Colling	Enzo Melani	Matthew Tilley
Aaron Collock	Christopher Melville	Miles Van Rijn
Daniel Cox	Jack Morales	Matthew Wilkinson
Stephen Davies	Colin Moyes	Scott Williams
Jonathan Duckett	Luke Nolan	Jeremy Winer
James Dundas	Myles Phelan	Karl Wood
Michael Evans	Martin Richards	Mitchell Zalai
Matthew Hedges	David Richardson	

2015 SERVICE CERTIFICATES

3 YEARS SERVICE – Commenced as a Junior	
Thomas Adema	Quentin Lovett
Matthew Allan	Sean MacDonald
Alexander Bain	Kyle Matthews
Joseph Blagg	Ryan McLafferty
Ivica Covic	Kieran Mobbs
James Crosbie	Alex Molchanoff
Amelia Davies	Joseph Morton
Benjamin Davies	Lachlan Murphie
Matthew Defina	Rahil Narayan
Liam Doherty	Thomas Newcombe
Euan Donald	Mikey O'Neil
Patrick Ellem	Pierce O'Toole
Reece Frith	Luke Reid
Dylan Garland	Kevin Santo
Tom Garman	Simreet Singh
Joshua Haithwaite	Lachlan Vella
Fraser Hall	Thomas Walmsley
Adam Hansen	Daniel Ward
Sean Harlen	James Wardman
Jack Heysmand	Michael Weekes
Tahlia Hovian	Hugo Weston
Tom Howcroft	Brendan Witt
Sam Kelly	Matthew Wong
Luke Kerrigan	

TOTAL SERVICE YEARS ACHIEVED	
20 years	14
10 years	28
5 years	268
3 years	101

Regards, Craig McBurnie

Financial Report

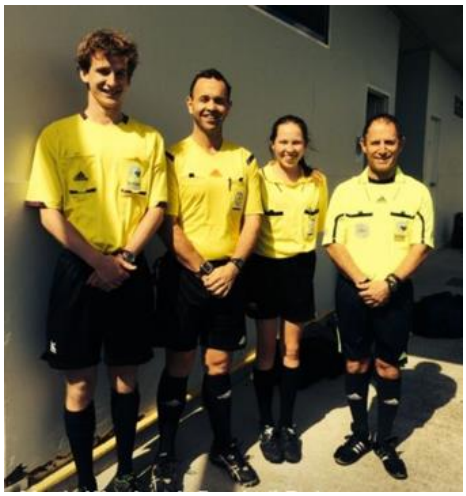
The 2015 financial report is a separate attachment

Regards
David Page

Election of office bearers

The term of the office of the following MWFRA officials – Vice President Seniors, Secretary, Floor Member, Registrar, Course Co-ordinator, Branch Coach – has expired so these positions are up for election. Additionally, there is a casual vacancy for the position of Assistant Secretary that requires election.

Position	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder	Elected
Vice President, Seniors				
Secretary				
Registrar				
Floor Member				
Course Coordinator				
Branch Coach				
Assistant Secretary (casual vacancy)				

Notices of motion

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