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AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COUNCIL

ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

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ALC MEMBERS

*Lacrosse South Australia : Victorian Lacrosse Association
Western Australian Lacrosse Association*

AFFILIATE MEMBERS

*Northern Territory Lacrosse Asscn
New South Wales Lacrosse Asscn
Australian Lacrosse Referees Asscn*

*Tasmanian Lacrosse Asscn
Queensland Lacrosse Asscn
Australian Universities Asscn*

ALC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Auditor

PRESIDENT/PROMOTIONS

ILF
ASC
CAS
AWLC

ADMINISTRATION

Secretary
Treasurer
Multi Sports Secretariat
Historian/Records Secretary
Property Officer

COMPETITION

Exec Director Senior Team
Exec Director U19 Team
Ch'ship Organizations(s)
Lacrosse Team Australia
Exec Director Nat Youth
Elite Player Program
Tournament Committee

National Sports Program
Aust Athlete Support Scheme

COACHING

National Coaching Committee

ACC

DEVELOPMENT

National Development Officer

ASSC
Aussie Sports

SPECIAL PROJECTS
AND TECHNICAL

National Technical Committee
Referee in Chief

AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COUNCIL

OFFICERS - 1993

PRESIDENT MALCOLM STOKES

PORTFOLIOS

DIRECTORS

ADMINISTRATION

DON RUDDERHAM

COMPETITION

PETER HOBBS

COACHING

RAY TREVASKIS

DEVELOPMENT

DOUG FOX

SPECIAL PROJECTS & TECHNICAL

DENNIS MULRONEY

PROMOTIONS

MALCOLM STOKES

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SECRETARY

GEORGE TILLOTSON

TREASURER

LEIGHTON BEAMSLEY

HISTORIAN

TERRY ALLINGTON

PROPERTY OFFICER

GEORGE TILLOTSON

ILF VICE PRESIDENT

MALCOLM STOKES

ILF DELEGATE

PETER HOBBS

REFEREE IN CHIEF

GRAEME REDDAWAY

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

LACROSSE TEAM AUSTRALIA/1994 TEAM

MALCOLM STOKES

1. INTRODUCTION

The Australian Lacrosse Council was incorporated as a Company Limited by Guarantee by the Australian Securities Commission in November 1992. This change in organization structure did not diminish in any way the contribution made by ALC Directors and Officers during 1993. Peter Hobbs and Doug Fox were re-elected as ALC Directors and Don Rudderham was also welcomed back to the Board after Terry Riordan was unable to take up the appointment after his election. This provided stability and continuity with portfolios being retained by the same Directors as the previous year. Doug Fox was elected Vice President.

Outlined below is a summary of progress in specific areas, many of which are expanded elsewhere in this report.

2. MEETINGS

The following meetings were held:

October 30 (AGM)	Teleconference
November 21/22, 1992	Melbourne
February 4, 1993	Teleconference
March 27/28, 1993	Perth
May 14, 1993	Teleconference
July 24/25, 1993	Melbourne
September 29, 1993	Teleconference

3. INTERNATIONAL LACROSSE

The International Lacrosse Federation met in June 1993 in Hong Kong which provided the opportunity to liaise with those involved in lacrosse activity there. Advice has since been received of the official foundation of the Hong Kong Lacrosse Association which is a very positive development. The ILF is working more effectively with several sub-committees established to consider Development, Competitions, Marketing/Promotion and Constitution.

Other developments on the international front are:

3.1 Singapore.

The Singapore Lacrosse Club was accepted as an Associate Member of the ILF at the June 1993 meeting. At least 3 formal contacts from Australia have been made through John Harris, Ian Whitbourn and myself.

3.2 Japan.

Two Australian coaches, John Carter and Rick Benedierks, undertook an intensive coaching program in Japan which was supported with funds from the Department of Foreign Affairs.

A privately arranged tour, endorsed by ALC, was conducted by Koala Crosse and included both Japan and Hong Kong on their program.

3.3 New Zealand.

ALC has continued to support the development of lacrosse in New Zealand and is now examining how best that support may be provided.

3.4 World Lacrosse Championships 1994.

ILF members have supported an English Lacrosse Union proposal to introduce semi-final games into the World Championship program. This will be implemented in Manchester next year. ILF Rules have also been changed to eliminate "alternate" players.

4. AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION

4.1 Australian Tournaments/Championships.

Regrettably there was no Under 21 national competition in 1993 as only one State, Victoria, nominated a team. It has since been decided to eliminate this event from the national competition calendar.

The Senior, Under 17 and Under 15 events were successfully conducted with New South Wales fielding a team in the Senior Tournament.

A new competition in 1993 was the ALC Affiliate States Tournament conducted in Sydney over Easter with two teams from NSW, one from Queensland, one identified as Australian Capital Territory and a Williamstown (Vic) team competing.

4.2 Visiting Teams.

Four teams from USA visited Australia during 1993 with two competing in Australian Tournaments. Visiting teams were Connecticut Valley Lacrosse Club, Kean College, Kingswood College and the US Under 17 All Stars.

4.3 Masters.

Lacrosse was included in the Australian Masters Games for the first time and this was a successful event.

The Australian Masters Tournament played at the time of the Australian Senior Championships was a low key event but enjoyed by all participants.

4.4 Tournament Committee.

This was established with representatives in each State to oversee the organization of national competition on behalf of the ALC Competition Director.

4.5 Lacrosse Team Australia.

This organization is supporting the Australian Team to compete in the 1994 World Lacrosse Championship. The team has been selected from a squad which was developed over four weekend training camps.

5. COACHES, REFEREES AND RULES

5.1 Coaches/Referees Conference.

This inaugural conference was held at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra and positive reports were received from both coaches and referees who attended.

5.2 USA Coaches Conference.

ALC provided financial support to Eddie Toomey to enable him to video conference sessions for use in Australia.

5.3 Coaching Courses.

It is great to welcome 27 Level 1 accredited coaches from New South Wales and Queensland.

5.4 National Coaching Directors Conference.

Coaching Director, Ray Trevaskis, attended this conference at the AIS in Canberra.

5.5 Australian Lacrosse Referees Association (ALRA).

It was pleasing to note the adoption of a new Constitution and Rules for the national body of ALRA.

6. DEVELOPMENT

6.1 National Development Officer.

Matthew Duryea was appointed to this position which is a joint ALC/AWLC project. Positive outcomes have been the establishment of competitions at senior and junior level, representation at a national tournament, hosting of international teams and the Easter Tournament and the involvement of schools, which are acquiring equipment and hiring coaches. An ambitious but achievable Development Plan has been produced by NSWLA.

6.2 Promotional Material.

A lot of effort has gone into the design of promotional material which is to be produced for the 1994 season.

6.3 Queensland.

The annual Tournament in Queensland was conducted successfully and there has been considerable progress toward regular competition with an indoor competition which proved very popular.

7. LIAISON

7.1 Australian Sports Commission (ASC).

Close liaison with ASC is important to ensure that ALC is aware of the wide range of different funding arrangements and programs conducted by ASC, and to ensure ASC is aware of developments in lacrosse and we continue to press the ASC to provide more support for ALC. I attended an ASC conference on planning ("Maintain the Momentum") in November 1992 and met with ASC officers at that time and again on March 4 and September 21.

While there has been some positive outcomes relating to our elite athlete program the level of funding provided to ALC over the next three years has not been improved and will continue to be an issue.

The positive support for the Australian Team was in providing \$20,000 in 1993/94 for the team preparation and a commitment to recommend allocation of \$40,000 for participation in the World Championships in 1994/95. However, the most significant gain was the recognition of international ranking for 4 year periods which provides the opportunity for lacrosse athletes to qualify for assistance through the Australian Athlete Support Scheme. Provided we are ranked first or second in the world the scheme provides \$200 per month for 23 athletes over the 4 year period between championships.

The ALC has agreed to enter a 3 year Co-operative Agreement with the ASC which does provide more support to ALC than any other organization.

7.2 Confederation of Australian Sport (CAS).

I met with CAS officials on several occasions and they are aware and supportive of our discussions on finance with ASC.

7.3 ALC Members and Affiliates.

ALC Board members are elected by member States and all are involved in lacrosse at club or State level in other capacities. The Board invites State Association Boards to meet informally over dinner during ALC Board meetings and all State Presidents accepted an invitation to attend the July 1993 Board meeting for discussion on a range of issues. All ALC Board meetings are open for observers to attend.

8. PUBLICATIONS

Communication is important to any organization and the following publications are one part of the effort made by ALC to communicate with its members and others.

8.1 ALC Calendar.

A 1993 calendar including dates of all ALC activities was distributed to all clubs and associations.

8.2 ALC Directory.

This directory provided contact points for all Australian clubs, associations and ALC Directors and office bearers.

8.3 ALC Bulletin.

Another four editions of the ALC Bulletin were produced to provide regular updates of ALC activities.

8.4 Annual Report.

The 1992 Annual Report was distributed to all clubs and associations as well as ASC, CAS and other organizations.

- 8.5 **Development Plan.**
The 1993-95 Development Plan was distributed to all member associations.
- 8.6 **ALC Tournament Manual.**
This new publication outlined the requirements for hosting an Australian Championship and/or Tournament. This was invaluable to those who accepted responsibility for organization of these events.
- 8.7 **Rule Books.**
New rule books were produced which include all current rules at ILF level which are adopted by ALC.

9. AWARDS

There are many different forms of recognition available for lacrosse people at club, State and national level. ALC awards for 1993 were as follows:

- 9.1 **ALC Fellow.**
Regrettably no member Associations submitted nominations for this highest level of recognition. The ALC Fellows Dinner was held to acknowledge ALC Fellows previously inducted.
- 9.2 **Isaachsen Trophy.**
The winner of this award, which is determined from referees votes cast in the peak senior competition in each State, for 1993 was L Ovens from Victoria.
- 9.3 **ALC Certificates of Merit.**
Awarded to the following for outstanding services to lacrosse: Gordon Elder, Barrie Moore, Bill Stahmer (VLA), Malcolm Muxlow, Rod Flett, Jerry Buxton (SALA), Peter Cann, Frank Poat (WALA).
- 9.4 **ALC Medallions.**
In 1993 these were presented to Australian Championship Team members (Seniors WA, Under 17 Victoria), Australian Championship Best Players, the Isaachsen Trophy winner and retiring ALC Directors.
- 9.5 **ALC Incentives.**
From 1993 the ALC introduced an incentive scheme which offers member State Associations a return of \$1,000 for the formation of one or more new clubs. A reward of \$400 for a 5% increase in junior registrations over the previous year and \$800 for a 10% increase is also offered.

10. APPRECIATION

- 10.1 **Ray Trevaskis.**
Ray has not sought re-election this year and deserves special mention for his contribution to Australian lacrosse as an ALC Director for the last four years. The very positive influence of

Ray has been seen predominantly in the coaching area with a huge increase in the number of accredited coaches, including the conduct of a Level 2 Lacrosse Specific course in 1992. A range of innovations including the National Coaching Clinic with USA coaches in 1991, attendance at the USA Coaches Conference, liaison between coaches and referees, selection processes for Australian Team coaches and many others can be largely attributed to the energy, enthusiasm and commitment of Ray to lacrosse. Knowing that Ray will be continuing his lacrosse involvement primarily in Queensland I wish him well for the future and express appreciation to him on behalf of Australian lacrosse.

9.2 ALC Officers.

There are many people who are appointed by the ALC Board to various positions of importance to lacrosse in Australia who are deserving of recognition. They are acknowledged in this report and I thank you all for your efforts on behalf of ALC. Special mention to Leighton Beamsley who has worked quietly behind the scenes as ALC Treasurer and retires from that position after nine years.

9.3 ALC Directors.

Being a Director of any Company is an enormously responsible position and the Directors of ALC carry out their duties in a very conscientious manner. There are many commercial organizations, whose Directors benefit in a material way, which are not as well served as is the ALC by these volunteer Directors. Many of the issues dealt with by the ALC Board are strategic and decisions taken now may not see outcomes for several years - in some cases the Directors involved may no longer be on the Board. Lacrosse in Australia is set to achieve a greater profile within the Australian community and in the world lacrosse community. The guiding hand of the ALC Directors is responsible for that and I thank each Director for your efforts and your support during 1993.

1. INCORPORATION OF ALC

Following a long 'gestation' period (resulting from delays within the Australian Securities Commission), the Australian Lacrosse Council Ltd was incorporated in November 1992. Accordingly the 1993 Annual General Meeting is the first of the new Company. Since then an Extraordinary Meeting of the Company was held in Melbourne in July to effect some administrative changes resulting from the delayed incorporation. In addition, as a result of changes in the structure of lacrosse in South Australia, SALA Inc resigned and Lacrosse South Australia Ltd was accepted as a member of ALC Ltd.

I would again like to thank Graham Hobbs for his on-going advice and assistance in bringing me "up to speed" with legal issues. I also wish to record my appreciation for the ready assistance given me by member Associations in dealing with legal requirements.

2. ALC BY-LAWS

A number of previous By-Laws became redundant or out of date following incorporation of ALC and release of the ALC Championship Manual. A new set of By-Laws was adopted at the July Board Meeting, however a number of changes and additions will be submitted to the November meeting.

3. ALC DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND CO-OPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH AUSTRALIAN SPORTS COMMISSION (ASC)

Preparation of the Development Plan is becoming less onerous as Directors become accustomed to the "discipline" it imposes. I firmly believe that the process needs to be continued even if it is no longer required by ASC.

This year the ASC requested the preparation of a draft "Co-operative Agreement" between ALC and ASC. While ALC sought the level of funding necessary to support the aspirations of the Board and the sport, the final result was significantly less. I am hopeful however, that given the extensive lobbying undertaken by Malcolm Stokes, circumstances will improve in the future.

Preparation of the draft Co-operative Agreement is a time consuming and demanding task, and I thank Directors for their support and forbearance in meeting very tight deadlines.

4. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH MEMBERS

Previous arrangements included fixed and variable components. In my view this did not impact equitably on member Associations and consequently I proposed an arrangement which resulted in a standard

cost per player being applied to all players in Australia. As part of the package a number of "incentives" were provided. The impact of these incentives are now able to be assessed as the necessary statistics become available. It is in the interest of all members to avail themselves of the incentives.

5. GENERAL

I would like to express my appreciation to the people who have assisted me during the year. These include George Tillotson, Leighton Beamsley (who has provided me with much needed advice and is now standing aside as Treasurer), ALC President and Directors and last, but by no means least, Mavis Owens who invariably responds to my late requests in a positive and helpful manner.

1. INTRODUCTION

The Secretary provides administrative support to the ALC Board and is responsible to the Director of Administration.

2. FINANCE

The presented report embracing the Balance Sheet and Statements of Income and Expenditure for the year ended June 30, 1993, appears as Appendix 1 of this report and reflects a healthy financial situation.

A further repayable advance has been made from the ALC Trust Fund to the England Lacrosse Union as progress payment for participation in the 1994 World Championships in Manchester.

Repayment of the advance from the Trust Fund to the 1992 Australian Under 19 team has been made. Further payments to the Fund are anticipated.

3. STATE OF THE GAME

Statistical data and reports from State Associations have been requested and are awaited. Initial information received from South Australia indicate a further decline in numbers in that State.

4. ISAACHSEN TROPHY

The winner of this trophy for the 1993 season was L Ovens, of the Footscray Club, Victoria, receiving a total of 20 points in 18 home and away games (37%). Runner up was J Vazzola, also from Victoria, with 19 points (35%). Others to vote well were G Morley and C Warren from Western Australia who tied with 18 points and a percentage of 30 for 20 games.

5. ALC CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

ALC Certificates of Merit were awarded to the following in recognition of their contribution to lacrosse:

Jerry Buxton	South Australia
Peter Cann	Western Australia
Gordon Elder	Victoria
Rod Flett	South Australia
Barrie Moore	Victoria
Malcolm Muxlow	South Australia
Frank Poat	Western Australia
Bill Stahmer	Victoria

Nominations have been invited for this award for 1994.

6. **ALC FELLOWS AWARD**

No nominations for this award were received. Nominations have been invited for 1994.

7. **GARLAND McHARG TROPHY**

This trophy was awarded to the Western Australian team following its victory in the Senior Championship held in Perth. The trophy will again be held in trust by the Gallery of Sport, Melbourne, for display purposes.

8. **PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Joint cover has been purchased jointly by the ALC and the VLA achieving a reduction of 50% in the premium payable. Other Associations may consider participating in the arrangement.

9. **AUSTRALIAN SPORTS COMMISSION**

The ALC is at present completing acquittal procedures for grants received for 1992/93. The following allocations have been advised for the period 1993/94 to 1995/96:

1993/94	\$58,000
1994/95	\$38,000
1995/96	\$38,000

The Commission has suggested that these are minimum amounts.

Unlike previous years, funding is now categorized under a Co-operative Agreement on a broad based principle rather than projects.

10. **CONFEDERATION OF AUSTRALIAN SPORT**

ALC has maintained its membership with the Federation as the major lobby organization for Australian Sport. It is providing valuable assistance to ALC in its efforts to gain extra funding.

11. **AUSTRALIAN SPORTS DRUG AGENCY**

The Agency carried out tests on a number of players participating in the 1993 Senior Championship with no positive results. The Agency has indicated that tests will be carried out during the 1994 Championship. Random tests may also be carried out on elite players prior to the Championships.

12. **INTERSTATE CLEARANCES**

Several interstate clearances were processed during the year.

13. OVERSEAS PLAYERS

Enquiries continue to be received from overseas players and coaches seeking lacrosse positions in Australia. Details have been passed to State Associations. Endorsement of applications by clubs seeking overseas players has been made to the Department of Immigration, Local Government and Ethnic Affairs.

14. PROPERTY

In his capacity as ALC Property Officer, the Secretary is seeking from Championship/Tournament organizers the return of ALC perpetual trophies. The response so far has been disappointing.

Some of the most significant advances which lacrosse has seen in Australia have been made during the past twelve months. The appointment of a full-time National Development Officer, based in Sydney, the formal re-introduction of competition lacrosse in both New South Wales and Queensland, and the signs of a more committed take-up of junior recruiting programs in the existing lacrosse States are all encouraging.

1. NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER (NDO)

Matthew Duryea was appointed in December 1992 to the full-time position of NDO, made possible by funding support from the ASC. Matthew's promotional talents and enthusiasm have given lacrosse the "hands-on" attention which it needs to effectively tackle key development priorities.

Being a joint initiative of the ALC and the Australian Women's Lacrosse Council (AWLC), it was a forward thinking and purposeful decision that the NDO appointment be based in Sydney and that the development of lacrosse in New South Wales and Queensland be set as key priorities.

Working closely with Lacrosse NSW, Matthew's achievements in 1993 have been impressive and have significantly advanced our sport's desire to once again become fully national. Increasing work is now being undertaken to assist development in Queensland.

2. PROMOTIONAL RESOURCE MATERIALS

Development work has been completed for a range of lacrosse promotional materials as follows:

- * An eight panel colour promotional leaflet designed for hand out to schools, new recruits and community expos.
- * Multi purpose men's and women's lacrosse colour posters designed with stick-on labels for use in recruiting and junior player awards.
- * Promotional stickers suitable for car windows and school folders.
- * Men's and women's promotional video featuring music-backed action for use in recruiting.

It is expected that printing of these items will be undertaken after a survey of needs of State Associations and clubs. Delivery of materials will be timed to coincide with club recruiting programs for 1994.

3. "ADD ONE" CAMPAIGN

The national "Add One" campaign is being conducted to encourage clubs and State Associations to commit themselves to manageable growth.

It has been difficult to evaluate and compare growth in player registrations across time and between States, owing to the variations which exist in age gradings, team divisions and player registration regulations. Efforts have been made to overcome these problems through the development of a standardized reporting format which will enable realistic comparisons.

Victoria's continuing policy of requiring clubs to maintain minimum levels of junior teams or else face premiership point penalties for senior teams has been effective in achieving solid junior growth. Western Australia is in the process of establishing a similar system.

The total national registered player numbers of 2,749, comprising 1,281 seniors and 1,468 juniors, represents a marginal (1%) decrease in playing numbers compared to the 1992 season. The positive outcome is the 5% increase in junior player numbers and the inclusion of 80 new players from NSW.

4. NEW SOUTH WALES

With the assistance of the NDO Lacrosse NSW has made promising progress which has included:

- * Significant exposure and recruiting through participation in the Sydney Sports Expo.
- * Establishment of lacrosse club nuclei in five communities.
- * Securing of sponsorship support for four men's teams and two women's teams.
- * Conduct of an Easter Men's Classic Tournament which attracted teams from Victoria and Queensland.
- * Conduct of a Level 1 Coaching Accreditation course.
- * Conduct of a sixteen week club competition in men's and women's sections.
- * Hosting in Sydney of international team visits from three men's and two women's teams.
- * Publication of a regular NSW Lacrosse Newsletter.
- * Establishment of a fledgling junior club competition.
- * Participation by both men's and women's teams in National Championships.

5. QUEENSLAND

An eight-match indoor competition of mixed lacrosse was conducted in Brisbane during the July-September period and promotional work was undertaken in Universities to prepare for future development. The annual "Paradise Tournament" attracted eight field lacrosse teams to

Surfers Paradise in October and ground work is being laid to achieve formal field competitions in 1994. A Level 1 Coaching accreditation course was organized in July.

The ALC and AWLC are assisting with financial support for equipment and infrastructure through ASC funding and with direct input from the NDO.

6. FUTURE DIRECTIONS

ASC financial support has been secured to continue the appointment of a NDO over the next three years in conjunction with the AWLC. Some additional funding has also been provided to assist with development programs.

Priorities in 1994 are to progress further towards making lacrosse fully national by consolidating and building upon the base established in New South Wales and by assisting Queensland with their plans for a field lacrosse competition.

General nation-wide support for development will be greatly assisted by the availability of the promotional posters, brochures, stickers and videos and the possible conduct of workshops on recruiting and junior player development.

The season has seen a continuation of policies employed previously in the competition portfolio together with the introduction of new variations which have enhanced the year's activities. Disappointments have been encountered with some lack of responsibility from member States to the sport and to each other.

1. AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

1.1 Seniors.

These championships were conducted in Perth and from all reports very capably organized and well attended. The championships were in the end won by Western Australia after very strong competition from the other States. The competition was enhanced by the introduction of a team from New South Wales which contained far more residents of New South Wales than have been seen for many a long year. A team from the Kean College of the USA also participated but unfortunately were not up to the standard required for this competition.

1.2 Under 21.

These championships were intended to be conducted in Melbourne and it was a great disappointment to the ALC, VLA And the Caulfield Club that Western Australia and South Australia did not field teams and this is why all those who had done much work in the organization for these championships were entitled to feel let down and disappointed. It should be noted that it had been arranged for Connecticut Valley Lacrosse Club to take part and that they were there and the other teams not.

1.3 Under 17.

These championships were conducted in Adelaide by the Brighton Club and were a highly successful event. They were won by Victoria and from all reports all participants thoroughly enjoyed and benefited from the experience. Whilst the crowd at the final day was pleasing it was disappointing to note that the SALA conducted, in competition to that game, their own home and away games.

1.4 Under 15 Tournament - Perth.

This tournament contained a total of six teams being two from each of the member States and was hosted by the Wanneroo Club and once again proved to be an outstanding success. Hosts, participants and officials should be congratulated on making this event a success and one which will be remembered by all involved for a long time. It is pleasing to note that in future years teams may be participating from our affiliate States and that this will further enhance the competition. The rostering of school holidays by the various State Education Departments continues to play havoc with the timing of this tournament, and the Under 17 championship, and it is hoped that it can be settled to a consistent date in the very near future.

2. INTERNATIONAL VISITS

2.1 Kingswood Oxford.

The team from the United States which had previously visited this country was Kingswood Oxford who also visited again this year. However, they only visited our member States of the SALA and VLA. This was a high school team and participated in matches in both of these States and from all reports thoroughly enjoyed their stay, as did their hosts.

2.2 Connecticut Valley Lacrosse Club.

This lacrosse club had also visited Australia in previous years and returned this year to visit all three member States. I understand that matches were played in all States and that they were keenly contested. The team was not up to the standard of State senior competition, but it is clear that they would have been up to the standard of the Under 21 Tournament in Melbourne, in which it had been intended that they participate.

3. WORLD SERIES - MANCHESTER 1994

The full complement of officials for this championships have now been chosen and in recent weeks the players including three emergency players were chosen. For the first time for many years the team will comprise of twenty three only following a decision of the ILF in June 1993. Executive Director, Malcolm Stokes, and Head Coach, John Denic, are highly organized in their endeavours to lead this team to success next year. To say that success is required is an understatement as Federal Government funding would now appear to be effectively geared to the sports which can attain positions of one and two in the world, rather than sports who by their own efforts have proven that they cannot be successful. We remain optimistic concerning efforts of this team ten months hence.

4. UNDER 19 WORLD SERIES - 1996

This world series to be held in Edogawa Stadium, Tokyo, is in the pre-planning stages for the Under 19's. Nominations have been called for the positions of Executive Director and Head Coach. I am currently receiving nominations and it is hoped that appointments can be made shortly of officials who can lead this team to success in 1996. This will be the first men's championship held in Japan, a recent addition to the lacrosse family.

5. COACHING TOUR TO JAPAN

Coaches, John Carter and Rick Benedierks, were appointed by the ALC to undertake a coaching tour to Japan for a period of three weeks in March/April of 1993. This tour was made possible by the generosity of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in Canberra and the ALC appreciates the help of that Department and of the Japan Lacrosse Association and its personnel. John and Rick undertook coaching of players and coaches, and coaching clinics in Tokyo and Kansai areas

of Japan and were enthused by what they saw and heard. Both have given the ALC comprehensive reports of their activities and these have been sent to Canberra.

6. PRIVATE TOURS

A privately organized tour was conducted of Hong Kong and Japan by a men's team and a women's team, also in March this year. This team was the first to visit Hong Kong for many years, and undertook a playing tour of the universities over wide areas of Japan. The tour was highly successful and one would hope will lead to further tours of these countries by Australian nationals. It is interesting to note that Hong Kong has in recent weeks formed their own lacrosse association and is now being very active in the promotion of lacrosse throughout the colony.

7. TOURNAMENT MANUAL

The tournament manual was used for the second time this year in the conduct of tournaments. It was disappointing to note that it had not been given a very wide spread by our member States as the ALC still receive continual questions from coaches, managers and organizers for information contained in the manual, which they had not received. States are asked to give this wide publicity whilst organizing championships and in organizing State teams.

8. STATE TEAM MANUALS

The VLA has produced a very good State Team manual which has been forwarded with commendation by the ALC to the other States. In order for States to make competition easier, more efficient and with fewer problems it is suggested that States should adopt their own manuals for their own assistance.

This portfolio continues to be a very time consuming one which requires much attention to communication and correspondence. Thanks are expressed to many officials and supporters of the various States for their support during the year and to the new tournament sub-committee which took office prior to this year's championships and assisted greatly in the operations of these championships.

DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL PROJECTS/TECHNICAL

Dennis Mulroney

In 1992 the Technical area was reviewed and structures and policies drafted. This year has seen the definition and acceptance of those policies with several goals achieved.

The inaugural Coaches and Referees Conference was conducted as a special project.

1. AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE REFEREES ASSOCIATION (ALRA)

The proposed re-structure of this body was completed at the July Annual General Meeting of ALRA. The constitution of ALRA now gives its member State bodies representation on the Executive and is aligned to the role and practice of the ALC's National Technical Committee. This exercise has generated much needed communication within the ALRA body.

2. REFEREE IN CHIEF

Graeme Reddaway was appointed in November 1992 for a two year term. His appointments of Chief Referees for 1993 were:

Victoria	Don Reyment
South Australia	Denis Marsden
Western Australia	Lindsay Scott

3. NATIONAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

The aims of this committee are being achieved. Graeme Reddaway, Lindsay Scott and ALRA (Victoria) are commended for their work in providing much of the material needed.

Referee accreditation courses are progressing. Level 1 and 2 have been adopted. Drafts of Level 3 and 4 are being discussed.

Improved assessment continued in two areas this year.

At the national carnivals the referee panels were controlled by:

Seniors	G Reddaway, L Scott, W Gaunt
Under 17's	J Buxton
Under 15's	L Scott, G Reddaway, W Gaunt.

At a State level, ALRA (Victoria) trained a group of lacrosse observers to provide referee assessments. It is hoped to extend this training program to other States. The value of this work is apparent in the standards of consistency now exhibited at national carnivals.

A selection process for international appointments was established. Eleven nominations were received for the 1994 World Series. At the conclusion of the Senior championship a squad consisting of F Hastings, C Wilson, P Noble, M Slattery and G Elder was announced. The two successful referees will be named soon.

In the 1994 summer each State ALRA will be conducting pre-season training camps, and production work will begin on a referee training video.

4. RULES

In late 1992 the International Lacrosse Federation ratified changes to the International Rules of Lacrosse. These were adopted by the ALC for the 1993 season.

Considerable effort went into preparing responses and submissions to the ILF and briefing materials for ALC delegates to the ILF meeting on rules. The rule changes necessitated a complete reprint of the rule book. Its distribution was severely hampered by the poor quality copy received and printing problems.

A summary of the changed and affected rules prepared by G Reddaway was presented at the national conference and circulated to States to enable pre-season briefings.

5. NATIONAL COACHES AND REFEREES CONFERENCE

This conference, a first for Australian Lacrosse, was held at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra.

It was successful in the following ways:

- * Achieving the stated aim of effective communication and interaction between referees and coaches.
- * It was well attended (proportionally referees were very well represented) and all were committed to the future of Australian lacrosse.
- * Motivation. The presentation by Tony Stewart and the AIS environment were inspirational.
- * Establishing a much needed forum for the review of our game and its rules.
- * The formation of a National Coaches Association. A much needed body which, if activated, will greatly assist the game.
- * Raising our profile with the ASC.

The resulting feedback has been very supportive and future conferences are planned on a biennial basis. This reflects the financial resources of our sport, but remains timely in relation to world series events and related rule changes.

AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COUNCIL
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1993

<u>1992</u>		<u>1993</u>
\$ 33,992	Balance July 1, 1992	\$ 27,389
<u>(6,603)</u>	Surplus (Deficit) from Operations for Year	<u>32,096</u>
<u>\$ 27,389</u>		<u>\$ 59,485</u>

REPRESENTED BY:

Assets

14,752	Cash at Bank	34,573
10,000	Deposit - Australian European Finance Corp	10,384
(126)	Cash on Hand - Petty Cash unallocated	250
2,189	Debtors - Refer Schedule 1	13,705
144	Flag	144
5	Filing Cabinet	5
225	Dictaphone	225
<u>200</u>	Fax Machine	<u>200</u>
\$ 27,389		\$ 59,486

Less: Liabilities

<u>0</u>	Sundry Creditors	<u>0</u>
<u>\$ 27,389</u>		<u>\$ 59,486</u>

Garland McHarg Trophy held in the custody of the Australian Lacrosse Council.

AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
1st JULY, 1992 to 30th JUNE, 1993

<u>1992</u>	INCOME	<u>1993</u>
\$ 30,160	Administration - Refer Schedule 2	\$ 49,700
15,179	Coaching - Refer Schedule 3	10,401
14,590	Competition - Refer Schedule 4	12,350
17,568	Development - Refer Schedule 5	46,780
0	Promotion - Refer Schedule 6	0
138	Technical - Refer Schedule 7	2,200
<u>0</u>	Conference - Refer Schedule 8	<u>2,053</u>
\$ 77,635		\$123,484
	 EXPENDITURE	
28,790	Administration - Refer Schedule 2	22,002
18,002	Coaching - Refer Schedule 3	9,088
15,426	Competition - Refer Schedule 4	10,340
17,167	Development - Refer Schedule 5	38,922
2,667	Promotion - Refer Schedule 6	831
2,185	Technical - Refer Schedule 7	3,524
<u>0</u>	Conference - Refer Schedule 8	<u>6,681</u>
\$ 84,237		\$ 91,387
	 NET	
1,370	Administration	27,698
(2,823)	Coaching	1,313
(836)	Competition	2,011
401	Development	7,858
(2,667)	Promotion	(831)
(2,047)	Technical	(1,324)
<u>0</u>	Conference	<u>(4,628)</u>
\$ <u>(6,602)</u>	SURPLUS/(DEFICIENCY)	\$ <u>32,096</u>

AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COUNCIL

SUPPORTING SCHEDULE

1993

SCHEDULE 1 - DEBTORS

Invoices June 30, 1992 and prior

Victorian Lacrosse Association	160.00	
Western Australian Lacrosse Association	(1,000.00)	
Queensland Lacrosse Association	50.00	
South Australian Sports Institute	14.70	
Australian University Sports Association	35.00	
G Reddaway	170.00	
Paul Mollison	100.00	
S Williams	<u>100.00</u>	
		\$ (370.30)

Invoices Current Year

Accounts Rendered February, 1993

Victorian Lacrosse Association	5,286.00
Western Australian Lacrosse Association	3,272.00
South Australian Lacrosse Association	4,617.00
Tasmanian Lacrosse	50.00
Northern Territory Lacrosse	50.00

Accounts Rendered June, 1993

Victorian Lacrosse Association	400.00	
Western Australian Lacrosse Association	<u>400.00</u>	
		\$ <u>14,075.00</u>

Balance \$ 13,704.70

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1993

SCHEDULE 2 - ADMINISTRATION

INCOME

Travel Levy	\$ 9,000
Fee - Japan Coaching Clinic	760
Donation	1,520
Sale Sofcrosse Manuals	28
Interest	494
Grants - Administration	5,000
Grants - International Meetings	2,000
Refund - Kelly & Co (Incorporation)	357
Affiliation and Registration Fees	27,000
Lacrosse Victoria - AMP Insurance	1,094
Grants - Administration	2,000
Interest - Bank	195
Interest - Deposit	<u>252</u>
	<u>\$ 49,700</u>

EXPENDITURE

Postage - Petty Cash	45
Telephone - Petty Cash	63
Bank Charges	19
Lacrosse Victoria - Photocopying	161
Lacrosse Victoria - Secretarial	263
Lacrosse Victoria - Postage	45
Lacrosse Victoria - Telephone	527
Lacrosse Victoria - Airfare	498
ILF - Subscription	785
Australian Airlines	278
Confederation of Australian Sport	350
D Rudderham - Expenses	180
P Hobbs - Expenses	189
Lacrosse Victoria - Telephone	71
M Stokes - Airfare etc	375
Lacrosse Victoria - Photocopying	92
Lacrosse Victoria - Secretarial	60
Bank Charges	8
P Hobbs - American Express	199
Accommodation - Albany Motor Inn	416
Directors - Expense reimbursements	2,400
Executives - Expense reimbursements	1,700
Lacrosse Victoria - Telephone	538
Lacrosse Victoria - Photocopying	99
D Rudderham - Airfare	143
Australian Airlines - Trevaskis, Mulroney	595
Brentwood Press - Letterhead	224
Lacrosse Victoria - Photocopying and Secretarial	278
AMP General Insurance	2,188

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1993

SCHEDULE 2 - ADMINISTRATION

EXPENDITURE (cont.)

Lacrosse Victoria - Telephone	482
Bank Charges	18
G Tillotson - Petty Cash	
Postage	177
Phone	129
Envelopes	<u>2</u>
	308
Lacrosse Victoria - Fellows Dinner (Humphreys)	70
Trevaskis Porter - Airfare (Trevaskis)	669
Trevaskis Porter - Airfare (Fox)	553
Lacrosse Victoria - Telephone	62
Go Graphics - Calendar	369
D Rudderham - Refreshments	41
Photocopies	13
RAC Travel - ILF Meeting	1,361
R Trevaskis	97
Australian Airlines	1,022
Amex - G Tillotson	1,017
Snap Printing - Voting Cards	67
M Stokes - Flowers (C Hobbs)	50
P Hobbs - ILF	1,622
Uniprint - Envelopes	135
Lacrosse Victoria - Photocopying and Secretarial	697
M Stokes - ILF	466
Bank Charges	98
Dishonoured Cheque	213
Dishonoured Cheque - Repaid	<u>(213)</u>
	<u>\$ 22,006</u>

AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COUNCIL

SUPPORTING SCHEDULE

1993

SCHEDULE 3 - COACHING

INCOME

Grants	\$ 5,000
Grants	3,000
ASC Refund	80
Conference Receipts	<u>2,321</u>
	<u>\$ 10,401</u>

EXPENDITURE

Sports Coach	15
Fiona Ross	27
R Trevaskis - Photocopying and Airfare (Net)	118
Clive Sheppard	75
Trevaskis Porter - Photocopying and Postage	805
Australian Coaching Council	60
E Toomey	2,000
B Bell - Refund	100
Australian Airlines	228
A Stewart - Publications	900
Exexecutive Folders	1,080
Australian Coaching Council	120
Australian Lacrosse Supplies	950
J Harris	394
Trevaskis Porter	1,219
J Harris	338
C Sheppard	328
Australian Sports Commission	61
Australian Coaching Council	120
Australian Lacrosse Supplies	50
M Duryea - Expenses	<u>100</u>
	<u>\$ 9,088</u>

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1993

SCHEDULE 4 - COMPETITION

INCOME

Reimbursement - Referee Travel	\$ 1,280
Franchise Fee - 1992 National Championships	1,000
Dept Foreign Affairs - Grant	2,440
Licence Fee - Under 17's	300
Australian Sports Commission	7,080
Cancellation Fee - WA	<u>250</u>
	<u>\$ 12,350</u>

EXPENDITURE

Schultz, Hobbs, Duthy - Telephone	100
Unley Travel - P Hobbs (U/15 Tournament)	278
ALRA - Referee Travel	442
R Benedierks - Airfare Japan	1,220
J Carter - Airfare Japan	1,220
Lacrosse Australia - 1994	1,473
Lacrosse Australia - 1994 - SA	1,032
Lacrosse Australia - 1994 - Victoria	2,526
Lacrosse Australia - 1994 - WA	<u>2,049</u>
	<u>\$ 10,340</u>

AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COUNCIL

SUPPORTING SCHEDULE

1993

SCHEDULE 5 - DEVELOPMENT

INCOME

Government Grants	\$ 4,000
Government Grants	8,000
Government Grants	2,500
Government Grants - From AWLC	6,000
Government Grants - From AWLC	4,000
Government Grants - From AWLC	9,000
Donation - M Hickey	250
Australian Sports Commission - Grant (NDO)	3,000
Australian Sports Commission - Grant (Progression)	2,500
Australian Sports Commission	500
AWLC	7,000
Department of Sport - NSW	<u>30</u>
	<u>\$ 46,780</u>

EXPENDITURE

Mirror Australian Telegraph	467
ASC - Sofcrosse Pamphlets and Manuals	1,650
Lacrosse Victoria - Equipment	70
John Fairfax Group	861
Workcare - NSW Staff	91
M Hickey - New Zealand	800
M Duryea - Salary (December)	1,969
M Duryea - Salary (January)	1,969
M Duryea - Salary (February)	1,969
M Duryea - Salary (March)	1,969
Group Tax - December	498
Group Tax - March	1,494
M Duryea - Petty Cash Float	300
F Clark - Airfare	235
Brentwood Press - Business Cards	209
Australian Airline - M Duryea	278
M Duryea - Stationery	221
Travel	5
Postage	85
Entertainment	43
Video Tapes	198
Conference	150
Equipment	65
Fax Machine	999
Telephone	<u>228</u>
ACT Sports House	10
Lancer Sports	425
Bladon	280
Stahis Pacific	343
NSW Lacrosse Inc	<u>1,625</u>
(Previous 4 amounts cost of Apple Mac Computer)	2,673

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SCHEDULE 5 - DEVELOPMENT

EXPENDITURE (cont.)

M Duryea - Steel for goals		1,449
M Duryea - Salary		7,401
AMP - Superannuation (M Duryea)		306
D Fox - Sydney Tournament		613
NSW Lacrosse - Re NSW Grant		500
Trevaskis Porter		538
Australian Sports Commission		61
Australian Coaching Council		600
Lancer Sports		332
Brine		136
L Holmes		450
M Duryea -	Stationery	224
	Travel	781
	Postage	52
	Telephone	228
	Lacrosse Goals	2,885
	Lacrosse Nets	878
	Trophies	<u>28</u>
		5,075
M Duryea -	Telephone	96
	Photocopying	180
	Office Equipment	679
	Office Sundries	50
	Postage	229
	Goals	54
	Balls	118
	Travel	519
	Luncheon	<u>30</u>
		<u>1,955</u>
		<u>\$ 38,922</u>

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SCHEDULE 6 - PROMOTION

INCOME

0

EXPENDITURE

Sheridans Badges	171
M Stokes - Mounting Plaque	30
Confederation of Australian Sport - Photographs	150
M Stokes - ASC Workshop	250
ANZ - Visa (Dinner)	<u>230</u>
	<u>\$ 831</u>

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SCHEDULE 7 - TECHNICAL

INCOME

Grants	1,000
Sale of Rule Books	<u>1,200</u>
	<u>\$ 2,200</u>

EXPENDITURE

Australian Airlines - Mulroney and Marsden	757
D Mulroney - Expenses	172
Australian Airlines	329
D Mulroney - Expenses	221
Art Offset	1,824
Lacrosse Victoria	<u>221</u>
	<u>\$ 3,524</u>

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1993

SCHEDULE 8 - CONFERENCE

INCOME

Grants - Refer Schedule 8 - Technical	
Attendances - per D Mulronev	<u>2,053</u>
	<u>\$ 2,053</u>

EXPENDITURE

Australian Institute of Sport	500
Risley Street Travel	1,138
Trevaskis Porter - Photocopying	214
Australian Airlines	189
Australian Institute of Sport	1,010
Australian Sports Commission	2,682
ALRA - WA	1,278
G Reddaway	100
M Slattery	100
Australian Sports Commission	<u>(530)</u>
	<u>\$ 6,681</u>