

CHESHIRE RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

COMMITTEE'S REPORT

1972/73

COMMITTEE

Eight committee meetings were held during the year and the following is a record of attendances:—

J. E. STARK (President)	8	B. THOMPSON (West Schools)	6
G. C. NODEN (Past President)	7	A. E. KOENAN (Davenport)	7
A. S. CAIN (Past President)	3	M. J. LORD (Chester)	6
W. G. HOWARD (Hon. Trea.—Past Pres.) ...	8	J. MORAN (Crewe and Nantwich)	3
H. V. MIDDLETON (Hon. Sec.—Past Pres.)	8	G. S. BURROWS (Dukinfield)	0
N. A. STEEL (Past President—Rugby Union Representative)	7	R. T. D. JONES (Hoylake)	6
H. M. CURPHEY (Vice-President)	8	A. J. FRASER DACKERS (Lymm)	5
T. C. KNOWLES (Vice-President)	6	M. P. HOLLAND (Macclesfield)	4
E. J. LOADER (Vice-President)	8	D. J. MASON (Old Anselmians)	5
M. COHEN (Ass. Hon. Trea.)	7	J. B. HUNTRISS (Old Instonians)	5
G. C. COX (Ass. Hon. Sec.)	8	N. A. MORRIS (Old Parkonians)	5
B. FALLON (Bowdon)	4	A. H. RUSHTON (Rockferrians)	5
P. G. TURNER (Wilmslow)	8	A. J. HULME (Old Salians)	5
W. S. PLATT (Winnington Park)	6	A. F. HENDERSON (Old Sandbachians) ...	0
V. C. WHITING (Ashton-on-Mersey)	4	N. RADCLIFFE (Old Wirralians)	6
I. M. JENKINS (Shell-Carrington)	6	C. J. HELSBY (Oldershaw Old Boys)	4
E. J. CHARLESWORTH (Chester College) ...	4	C. HOOLE (Port Sunlight)	8
B. WRIGHT (New Brighton)	6	C. J. COVENTRY (Sale)	8
D. I. ADAMS (Caldy)	6	J. A. K. LAWSON (Shell-Stanlow)	7
M. J. FEAZEY (Birkenhead Park)	6	F. POVALL (Wallasey)	8
T. B. NORMAN (Birkonians)	8	H. M. SMITH (Manchester Referees' Soc.)	4
V. E. SEABROOK (Liverpool Referees' Soc.)	4	R. BLAKE (East Schools)	7
		R. A. PULLEN (Moore)	5

The following is a list of Clubs and Schools affiliated with the County and Rugby Union:—

CLUBS

Ashton-on-Mersey	Cheadle Hulme	Moore	Sale
Birkenhead Park	Crewe and Nantwich	New Brighton	Salians
Birkonians	Dane	North West Colleges	Shell (Carrington)
Bowdon	Davenport	Old Anselmians	Shell (Stanlow)
Caldy	Dukinfield	Old Instonians	Simon
Capenhurst	Ellesmere Port	Old Parkonians	Vagabonds (I.O.M.)
Cheshire College of Educn.	Helsby	Old Sandbachians	Vauxhall Motors
Ches. County Fire Brigade	Hoylake	Old Wirralians	Wallasey
Cheshire County Police	Isle of Man, Douglas	Oldershaw Old Boys	Wilmslow
Chester	Lymm	Port Sunlight	Winnington Park
Chester College	Macclesfield	Ronaldsway (Castletown)	(Total 46)
Congleton	Marple	Rockferrians	

SCHOOLS

Altrincham Grammar School	King William's College, I.O.M.	Sale Grammar School
Beech Hall	Knutsford County Grammar School	Sandbach School
Birkenhead School	Lymm Grammar School	Sir John Deane Grammar School
Birkenhead Institute	Marple Hall Grammar School	Stockport Grammar School
Caldy Grange Grammar School	Moseley Hall Grammar School	Terra Nova School
Carlett Park Central College of Further Education	Oldershaw Grammar School	Wallasey Grammar School
Cheadle Hulme School	Park High School	Wallasey Technical Grammar School
Ellesmere College	Prenton Second School	Wellington School, Bebington
Ellesmere Port Grammar School	Ramillies Hall School	Wilmslow Grammar School
Helsby County Grammar School	Rock Ferry High School	Wirral Grammar School
King's School, Macclesfield	St. Anselm's College	Woodchurch Sec. School for Boys
	St. George's Modern Sec. School	(Total 34)

HON. TREASURER'S REPORT

You will be pleased to see the Accounts show a satisfactory Credit Balance of £272 in our Income and Expenditure Account, helped considerably by the excellent financial result of the North West Counties game versus the All Blacks at Workington. B.B.C. Receipts have also been a great help.

Your Finance Committee is concerned about the continued rising costs of Match Expenses and also the new problem of the large increase in prices of Rugby playing kit in general, including the cost of blazer badges.

Our Cup, Schools and Colts Committees are to be congratulated on the efficient running of their considerable activities so economically. In this connection the Cheshire Cup Committee, as a result of gate receipts in the finals of the last two seasons, have been able to help County Funds by providing £400 for a new Short Term Loan to Crewe and Nantwich R.F.C.—a very good reason why the annual Cheshire Cup Final must be well attended by followers from all Cheshire Clubs.

Individual Membership has risen slightly this season, but we can do a lot better. Members are reminded of the I.M. Tie which is good value at £1.00, from Hon. Sec. or Hon. Treas.

CLUB LOANS

Due to general rising costs it is regretted that the Interest on all Loans to Clubs, as from last payment (February 1973) is now raised from 3% to 5%; this will apply also to certain Clubs with long term loans which have previously paid no interest.

We welcome our new Auditor, Mr. Cyril N. Lane (Chartered Accountant), incidentally a Cheshire Centre of some seasons ago, 1933/34. We should like to thank Messrs. Pannell, Fitzpatrick Co. for their honorary services over many years.

RUGBY UNION REFEREES

Clubs with members who are interested in taking up refereeing are asked to write to the Secretary of the Liverpool and District Referees' Society and/or the Manchester and District Referees' Society at the following addresses:

Manchester & District Referees' Society:
J. C. A. Ormrod, Esq.,
22 Lea Road,
Heaton Moor, Stockport.

Liverpool & District Referees' Society:
A. E. Law,
75 Kirkett Lane,
Bebington, Cheshire.

COUNTY FIXTURES FOR SEASON 1973-74-75-76

1973-74	October 27th	Cheshire v. Lancashire (away).
	November 3rd	Cheshire v. Yorkshire (Chester).
	November 10th	Cheshire v. Durham (Gateshead Fell)
	November 24th	Cheshire v. Northumberland (Gosforth)
	December 1st	Cheshire v. Cumberland & Westmorland (Sale)
1974-75	October 26th	Cheshire v. Lancashire (New Brighton)
	November 2nd	Cheshire v. Yorkshire (away)
	November 9th	Cheshire v. Durham (Birkenhead Park)
	November 16th	Cheshire v. Northumberland (Wilmslow)
	November 23rd	Cheshire v. Cumberland & Westmorland (away)
1975-76	October 25th	Cheshire v. Lancashire (away)
	November 1st	Cheshire v. Yorkshire (Old Birkonians)
	November 8th	Cheshire v. Durham (away)
	November 15th	Cheshire v. Northumberland (away)
	November 22nd	Cheshire v. Cumberland & Westmorland (Chester)

CHESHIRE RUGBY

ACCOUNTS for the year

(SEASON

1971/72	EXPENDITURE	
£		£
	MATCH EXPENSES	
	Trials	197
	British Colleges at New Brighton	165
	Durham at Birkonian	245
	Northumberland at Gosforth	271
	Lancashire at Wilmslow	213
	Cumberland at Carlisle	149
	Yorkshire at Morley	117
	Laundry & Medical	43
1465	(Comparable season 1970/71 £1019)	1400
	GENERAL EXPENSES	
	Committee	139
	Printing & Stationery	133
	Team Insurance	20
	RFU Subscription	2
	County Colours	487
391		781
	OTHER EXPENSES	
58	Corporation Tax	12
8	Coaching Course	12
11	Team Photograph	8
	Grant to Cheshire Colts	100
	Referees Course at Durham	65
	CHESHIRE COLTS	
	Committee	12
	Printing & Stationery	15
	Match Expenses	51
		78
	CHESHIRE CUP	
	Committee	42
	Referees Societies Subscription	8
31		50
	CHESHIRE SCHOOLS	
	Committee	53
	Printing & Stationery	12
	Match Expenses	64
	Ties (RFSU)	35
358		164
302	Balance — Excess Income over Expenditure	272
<u>£2624</u>		<u>£2942</u>

BALANCE SHEET as

1971/72	LIABILITIES	
£		£
	CAPITAL ACCOUNT	
	As at 31st May 1972	7562
	add Transfer from Income & Expenditure	272
7562		7834
<u>£7562</u>		<u>£7834</u>

Examined and found correct.

C. N. Lane, F.C.A.
The Albany, Liverpool.

22nd June, 1973.

FOOTBALL UNION

Year ended 31st May, 1973

(1972/73)

1971/72	INCOME	
£		£
	GATE RECEIPTS	
	British Colleges at New Brighton	151
	Lancashire at Wilmslow	325
	Durham at Birkenhead	179
740	(Comparable season 1970/71 £672)	<u>655</u>
	SUBSCRIPTION RECEIVABLE	
178	Individual Members	185
170	Clubs	183
	Subs collected from Clubs for RFU	62
	Subs paid to RFU	62
		<u>19</u>
19	Bank Interest	19
53	Club Loan Interest (Gross)	69
	INVESTMENT INTEREST	
	Forward Trust Ltd. (Net)	39
176	Liverpool Building Society	119
	OTHER RECEIPTS	
7	Sale of County Colours	6
	Centenary match at Birkenhead Park (Further receipt)	35
	North West Counties v. All Blacks at Workington	445
693	B.B.C.	507
	CHESHIRE COLTS	
	Grant per Cheshire RFU	100
	CHESHIRE CUP	
	Club subs	33
	Cup Final Receipts	179
	Bank Interest	13
200		<u>225</u>
	CHESHIRE SCHOOLS	
	School subs	62
	Sale of Ties (RFSU)	32
	Grants — Middlesex RFU	50
	Cheshire County Council do Season 1971/72	100
		<u>111</u>
338		<u>355</u>
<u>£2624</u>		<u>£2942</u>

at 31st May, 1973

1971/72	ASSETS	
£		£
	LOANS TO CLUBS	
	As at 31st May 1972	2722
	plus New Loan to Crewe and Nantwich R.F.C. per Cheshire Cup Funds	400
		<u>3122</u>
	Less Yearly Club Repayments	568
2722		<u>2554</u>
	STOCKS OF TIES	
84	Individual Members Ties as at 31st May 72	84
	less sold during Season	2
		<u>82</u>
36	Schoolboy Ties as at 31st May 72	36
	less sold during Season	36
	INVESTMENTS	
	Deposit in Forward Trust Ltd.	1000
3185	Deposit in Liverpool Building Society	2303
	BALANCES AT BANKERS	
	General Account	246
	Deposit Account	1101
	Cheshire Colts	22
	Cheshire Cup	223
	Cheshire Schools	303
1535		<u>1895</u>
<u>£7562</u>		<u>£7834</u>

W. G. Howard, Hon. Treasurer,
Middlewood,
Noctorum Road,
Birkenhead.

(Tel.: 051-652-4414)

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

The Selectors and County Coach have worked hard this season. They took the Cheshire squad to Oswestry in July 1972, and this was a successful event, and this season the squad will again go to Oswestry. The new County Coach J. Bone has taken over from B. Wright who I feel sure all in the County thank for the time and devotion he has given to coaching the Cheshire teams.

This season we fielded an under 23XV and a game was played against Staffordshire. The result was a win for Cheshire. Congratulations to S. Smith on gaining his England Caps.

		Northumb'd	Durham	Lancs.	Cumbd. & Westmid.	Yorks.
October 21st	Cheshire 11, Northumberland 16					LOST
October 28th	Cheshire 20, Durham 6					WON
November 4th	Cheshire 6, Lancashire 31					LOST
November 18th	Cheshire 18, Cumberland & Westmorland 12					WON
November 25th	Cheshire 6, Yorkshire 9					LOST
C. Toone	(Sale)	F.B.	F.B.	F.B.	F.B.	F.B.
S. A. Maxwell	(New Brighton)	R.W.	R.W.	R.W.	R.W.	—
†L. Lee Gallon	(Birkenhead Park)	R.C.	R.C.	R.C.	R.C.	R.C.
G. Horner	(Leicester)	L.C.	L.C.	L.C.	L.C.	F.H.
P. Welton	(New Brighton)	L.W.	L.W.	—	—	R.W.
*N. Ross	(Manchester)	—	—	L.W.	—	—
G. W. M. Jones	(Wilmslow)	—	—	—	L.W.	L.W.
A. Maxwell	(New Brighton)	F.H.	F.H.	F.H.	F.H.	L.C.
S. Smith	(Sale)	S.H.	S.H.	S.H.	S.H.	S.H.
N. T. Slater	(Harrogate)	P.	P.	P.	—	—
†A. Dunn	(Birkenhead Park)	—	—	—	P.	P.
J. Lansbury	(Sale)	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.
*†H. Dale	(Sale)	P.	P.	P.	P.	P.
R. K. Stagg	(Sale)	M.R.	M.R.	M.R.	M.R.	—
P. Shufflebottom	(Wilmslow)	M.R.	M.R.	—	—	M.R.
B. Limb	(Wilmslow)	—	—	M.R.	M.R.	M.R.
*†D. Morgan	(New Brighton)	B.S.	B.S.	B.S.	B.S.	O.S.
J. Shippides	(Wilmslow)	L.	L.	L.	L.	L.
R. Haselhurst	(Birkenhead Park)	O.S.	O.S.	O.S.	O.S.	—
*D. Cottrell	(New Brighton)	—	—	—	—	B.S.

The County congratulates the Cheshire Players who took part in the North West Counties game against the All Blacks and also the other players from the North West Counties.

CHESHIRE CUP

The fourth year of the competition was very successful. It was pleasing to see nearly all Clubs in the County entering the Competition this season.

Final: Sale v. Wilmslow.

Winners: Sale.

TIES AND BLAZER POCKET BADGES

Ties and Blazer Pocket Badge replacements can be obtained only from the Honorary Secretary in writing, enclosing a remittance of £1.25 for a tie and £4.25 for a blazer pocket badge.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBER'S TIE

An individual Member's tie can be obtained from the Honorary Secretary or Honorary Treasurer on payment of 87½p.

CHESHIRE SCHOOLS' RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION — 1972-73 REPORT

Results—Under-19 Group

Cheshire v. Cheshire Colts	WON 13-3
Cheshire v. Warwickshire	WON 20-13
Cheshire v. Lancashire	LOST 9-18
Cheshire v. Flintshire & Denbighshire	WON 50-3
Cheshire v. Durham	LOST 10-18
Cheshire v. Northumberland	WON 27-3

25 Boys played for Cheshire.

2 Boys in England Trials.

1 Boy played for England against Scotland.

Results—Under-15 Group

Cheshire v. Warwickshire	WON 13-10
Cheshire v. Lancashire	LOST 26-6
Cheshire v. Flintshire & Denbighshire	WON 41-0
Cheshire v. Durham	WON 20-4
Cheshire v. Northumberland	LOST 7-10

23 Boys played for Cheshire.

Under-15 Group—Sevens Competition

Sixteen Schools took part in the Competition. The Winners were Sir John Deane's Grammar School, who beat King's School Macclesfield in the final.

Results—Colts

Cheshire v. Cheshire Schools 19-Group	LOST 8-11
Cheshire v. Lancashire Colts	WON 15-12
Cheshire v. Warwickshire Colts	WON 11-3
Cheshire v. Cheshire Police	LOST 0-28

8 Boys took part in England Colts Trial.

2 Boys played in the Final Trial.

1 Boy played for England Colts against Wales Colts.

Mini Rugby

A great deal of work has been done in the County, and boys all over the County have responded well to all Clubs in the County who have staged this type of Rugby. A great thanks to all who have taken interest in this new venture which can do nothing but good for Rugby in the years to come.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Cheshire Rugby Football Club

NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the CHESHIRE RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION will be held at the CHESTER RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUBHOUSE, CHESTER, on THURSDAY, JULY 19th, 1973, at 6-30 p.m.

H. V. MIDDLETON,
Hon. Secretary.

Sunnybank, Flat 1,
Holly Road North,
Wilmslow.

AGENDA

1. Notice of Annual General Meeting.
2. Confirmation of Minutes of the Annual General Meeting dated 13th July, 1972.
3. Adoption of Honorary Treasurer's Report and Accounts.
4. Adoption of Committee's Report.
5. To consider and approve alteration to Rule 35. Selection Committee: Consisting of six named members, not more than one from any one Club, and the County Coach. This Sub-Committee to be appointed in January of each year.
6. Election of Officers for the year 1973-74.
The Committee's nominations:—
(a) President: E. J. Loader.
(b) Vice-Presidents: A. S. Cain, W. G. Howard, T. C. Knowles, N. A. Steel, G. C. Noden, H. M. Curphey, H. V. Middleton, A. E. Koenen, J. E. Stark.
7. The following Officers being eligible and no further nominations being received are hereby elected:—
(a) Honorary Treasurer: W. G. Howard.
(b) Assist. Honorary Treasurer: M. Cohen.
8. Election for Honorary Secretary for the year 1973-74.
H. V. Middleton or
G. C. Cox.
9. Election of the Committee for the year 1973-74. A representative from all Clubs affiliated to the County.
10. Election of Auditors.
C. N. Lane, F.C.A.,
The Albany, Liverpool.
11. Any other business.