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ATTA OFFICE BEARERS as at 31 DECEMBER 1991

Delegates:

Australian Capital Territory	Mr Ray Perdriau
New South Wales	Mr Alan Russell
Queensland	Mr Ray Lyons
South Australia	Mr Jerry Fitzsimmons
Tasmania	Mr Bill Atkinson
Victoria	Mr Angelo Tabone
Western Australia	Mr Irwin Parker

Board of Management:

President	Mr Steve Knapp
Vice President	Mr Keith Bowler OAM
Director - Coaching & Development	Mr Neil Harwood
Director - Media, Marketing & Communications	Mr Mike Johns
Director - Finance	Mr John Beer

Staff:

National Executive Director	Mr Rod Lindroth
National Coaching Director	Mr Ron Moule

Life Members:

C. Shaw (Qld)	L.H. Wharmby OAM (Tas)
K. Bowler OAM (NSW)	L. Haycraft (Vic)
L. Hitchen (WA)	J. Jackson (SA)
A. Cleaves (Vic)	P. Pinkewich (NSW)
S. Javor (Vic)	J. Bond (Qld)
R. Vardon (Dec'd)	J. Nies (Dec'd)
R. Jones (Dec'd)	

Auditor: Mr Alan Rouse

Honorary Solicitors: Lee & Partners

Committees:National Selectors

Mr Lansun Zhou
Mr Neville Horder
Mr Bob Tuckett

Veterans Committee

Mr Kevin Langridge
Mr Tom Boyd
Mrs Margaret Walker
Ms Glenys Joliffe

Junior Committee

Mr Marcus Plapp
Mr Derek Kerr
Mr Kevin McDonnell
Mr Keith Mundy

Standing Orders

Mr Laurie Wharmby OAM
Mr Rod Lindroth
Mr Mike Edwards

Records Officer

Mr Neville Horder

Rules Committee

Mr Laurie Wharmby OAM
Mr Neil Harwood

Umpires Committee

Mr Phil Males (Chairman)
Mr Colin Pilgrim (Tas)
Mr Clive Gadd (Vic)
Mr Mick McShane (Qld)
Mr Ivo Astolfi (ACT)
Mr Ian Finlay (NSW)
Mr Doug Luckraft (SA)
Mr Ron Gallagher (WA)

Coaching Committee

Mr Neil Harwood (Chairman)
Mr Ron Moule (NCD)
Miss Frances McCoull (ACT)
Mr Paul Pinkewich (NSW)
Mr Brian Berry (Qld)
Mr Fred Whelan (SA)
Mr David Wilson (Tas)
Mr Keith Mundy (Vic)
Mr Peter Muller (WA)

PRESIDENT

The end of the financial year and indeed the end of the calendar year is a time for reflection and a time to look to the future. In reviewing the financial year ending December 1991, the year cannot pass without reference to the end of an era. I refer of course to the resignation of Laurie Wharmby as President of the Australian Table Tennis Association.

Laurie served as President on three occasions to December 1991 - a total of 15 years. It is a remarkable achievement and one which will surely go unchallenged. In the final analysis it is not the length of service that will be remembered, but rather the quality of service and the dignity with which the role has been performed.

I cannot express within the space of these brief words the debt of gratitude that Australian Table Tennis owes to Laurie for such enduring and unselfish service spanning 15 years at the helm.

From a financial perspective the year was one of consolidation, reflecting a conservative approach to expenditure. The Board has endeavoured to minimise expenditure whilst remaining cognisant of the need to support players and coaches in their endeavours.

On the International scene the Australian Team competed at a number of major competitions. The most significant of these competitions were the World Championships in Japan, the Commonwealth Championships in Kenya, the Noumea International Tournament in New Caledonia, the World Team Cup in Spain, the Oceania Olympic Qualifying Tournament in New Zealand and the Asian Cup in the Philippines where Australia was represented by Dennis Makaling.

Our players also trained in China for three weeks prior to the World Championships, and in Germany prior to the World Team Cup.

Three Australian players were successful at the Oceania Olympic Qualifying Tournament in New Zealand. Whilst three were successful, the Australian Olympic Committee selected only two players to represent Australia at the Barcelona Olympic Games, these being Kerri Tepper and Ying Kwok. We congratulate them on their selection and wish them well.

It is with disappointment that I acknowledge that Dennis Makaling was not selected by the AOC to represent Australia, despite his successful qualification at the Oceania Olympic Tournament. The ATTA made representations to the AOC on behalf of Dennis. However, despite these representations the AOC did not overturn the decision. We are sympathetic to the disappointment that must pervade Dennis and trust that the AOC selection policy will be reviewed in subsequent years.

The ATTA conducted a number of two day Development Workshops in each state and territory. These Development Workshops were conducted under the leadership of Ron Moule (National Coaching Director) and Rod Lindroth (National Executive Director). These Workshops were well received by each of the state and territory associations and remain an integral forum for the sharing and creation of ideas for the development of Table Tennis.

A significant item on the agenda for the Board of Management in late 1991 and early 1992 has been the Melbourne Bid for the World Veterans Table Tennis Championships in 1994. Board members, in particular Keith Bowler, and Rod Lindroth with the assistance of the Melbourne Major Events Company have spent considerable time assessing the feasibility and formulating the plans for the Bid. An excellent Bid document has been produced and submitted to the Veterans World Championship Committee. Hans Westling from Sweden, representing the Committee, visited Melbourne in January this year (1992) to assess the Melbourne facilities. The visit entailed a considerable amount of work and planning by Rod and Keith, and their professionalism should be acknowledged. The final presentation for the Bid will be conducted on 16 April in Stuttgart by Mike Johns, Keith Bowler, Brendan Downey representing the Melbourne Major Events Company and myself.

Table Tennis remains substantially dependent upon the financial assistance of the Federal Government. The ATTA wishes to acknowledge the continued and valuable support provided to Table Tennis by the Australian Sports Commission and the Australian Olympic Committee. Without their support the ATTA would not be in a position to offer financial assistance at the level that it now does.

The Board of Management and indeed the Council face a challenging year in 1992. The year will be punctuated by difficult decisions as the Board strives to redefine objectives and allocate priorities.

The Board of Management has embarked upon a program for the simultaneous development of Table Tennis at a grass roots and elite level. Furthermore, we hope to enhance the professionalism of Table Tennis at an administrative level. We look to the players and the state and territory associations for their support to accept the challenge and seek a common goal.

It would be remiss of me to end the year without acknowledgement of the work done by Rod Lindroth, Ron Moule and Zhou Lansun who have performed their roles tirelessly and without regard for the hours they work. There are many individuals who selflessly give up their time to assist in the administration of the sport and form an integral role within the overall network.

I look forward to a successful and exciting year.

STEVE KNAPP

VICE PRESIDENT, DIRECTOR TECHNICAL

At the 1991 General Personal Meeting of the ATTA, held last March, I introduced a paper based on improving the overall standards of general conditions at venues used for Australian National Championships.

The principle was agreed to by all States and Australian Officials at the meeting.

This policy is in line with criteria established by various Committees of the ITTF and agreed to at the ITTF Bi-Annual General Meeting in Chiba, Japan, in May. Guidelines were decided to allow the ITTF to assess standards of events they approve, the various open internationals held throughout the World.

So we are well in line with ITTF thinking. All States are now committed to new standards for events that the ATTA sanction.

The ITTF President has personally led the ITTF development of a new era in Table Tennis presentation, beginning with a new type flooring, specially made for Table Tennis, he was not satisfied with basketball lines on stadium flooring. This was followed by new colours for tables, so that at the presentation of the 41st World Championships in Chiba, players and spectators saw the sport using blue tables, yellow balls, red flooring and some players in white uniforms, in all a very spectacular and most modern concept.

It is this type of progressive thinking that is badly needed throughout Australia. Our sport is progressing in the recreation areas but our Officials are too content to do with what is available, rather than seek out what the general sporting public will be drawn to.

National Championships

These were successfully conducted in all age groups and at the senior level, the Junior Under U17/U15 events in Kingston, Tasmania, Youth U21/U19 at Geelong, the Veterans Championships in O40, 50, 60 and 70 age groups in Brisbane and the Senior Championships in Adelaide.

At an Oceania Zone Olympic Solidarity Course to be held in Narrabeen, NSW, August 15th-21st, 1992, we will make every effort to up grade all aspects of tournament administration, including refereeing and umpiring, with the tournament administration expert to be Mr. Colin Clemett, the Chairman of the ITTF Rules Committee.

Aspects to be covered in this Course, apart from Coaching, are:

Tournament Administration	Facilities	Management	Presentation
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ATTA Selectors

For the first time, National Selectors ranked all age groups other than Veterans but, again, lacked full tournament results from all States. This is a great pity as it penalises, or could penalise, players in those States. It is hoped that this position will be rectified in 1992.

K. Bowler, OAM

DIRECTOR COACHING AND DEVELOPMENT

1991 has been a very busy year for me in my capacity as National Team Manager. The World Championships were held in Chiba Japan and in conjunction with the Victorian Institute of Sport the team was able to train in Hong Kong and China prior to the event.

We were accompanied by a medical officer, Dr. Stuart Mitchell, on the Hong Kong and China part of the tour and a sports psychologist, Dr. Tony Morris, at the World Championships. It is a real benefit to have professional help and we must make the most of such opportunities in future planning to ensure that such offers of assistance do not go begging.

I was very pleased to have two of our level three accredited coaches involved at the national team level - David Wilson with the Hong Kong, China, World's trip and Warren Gray with the Junior tour to China. Both coaches, I am sure, learned a lot working with Zhou Lansun and it gives us options for future use.

We travelled to New Zealand in August for the Olympic Qualifying Tournament. Kerri Tepper and Ying Kwok were both selected in the 1992 Olympic Team but, although Dennis Makaling qualified, he did not meet the AOC selection guidelines and was not selected in the team.

On the coaching scheme front I have been delighted with the efforts of our National Coaching Director, Ron Moule. Ron kept the issue alive despite the low level of interest within states. There was no coaching forum conducted this year.

The main development issue of the year was that addressed in the All States Development Seminars. Many issues arose as a result of these seminars and these will be followed up this year. The main points raised, as I see it, are:-

- National Competition - Regional or not, etc.
- Profile of Sport.
- Recruitment and training of officials.
- Recruitment of players.
- Financial.
- Structure - National/State/Association.

My thanks go to Ron and Rod Lindroth for this work - particularly to Ron who took on the development issue as an extra load. Well done chaps.

This year saw the retirement of Laurie Wharmby who gave outstanding service to the game and did not deserve the unjust criticism he had levelled at him in the last couple of years. Steve Knapp, our new president, is a man of energy and vision and I am confident he will ensure that Laurie's efforts of the past 50 years have not been in vain.

Finally I wish to thank my fellow directors and ATTA staff for their assistance and co-operation in 1991.

Neil Harwood.

DIRECTOR MEDIA, MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

The Australian Table Tennis Magazine continues to go from strength to strength although it was disappointing that financial restraints made it possible to produce only 3 issues. After careful negotiations we are now able to reduce the cost per issue for 1992, and I fully expect to produce 4 issues.

Bob Tuckett will be taking over as Editor commencing with the March issue. I will still be involved with the production and advertising, but the appointment of Bob as Editor will allow me more time to develop other aspects of my portfolio.

At the 1991 GPM I was asked to look into the approval of tables, nets and post sets. I produced a paper for the Board and have subsequently written to manufacturers and importers with details of the scheme. This will bring the ATTA a modest financial return but, just as importantly, will ensure that only ITTF approved equipment can be used for National Championships.

Over the last year I spent a great deal of time attempting to launch the National League for 1992. At the time of writing no firm decision had been made but it looks likely that the League will commence in May. I believe that the National League is very important for both the promotion and Development of our Sport.

During the last four months I have been working on the production of a television advertisement promoting Table Tennis. This is to be used on all channels as a Community Services Announcement (free of charge). At the time of writing Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia and Western Australia had approval from their Departments of Sport or State Health Foundation to use their logos. Hopefully the advertisement should go to air for the first time in mid March.

Over the years the ATTA has received many complaints about the lack of publicity our Sport receives. Getting press, radio or TV coverage is very difficult, but to help Table Tennis get a better share Andrew Cornell, a former A-Grade player in Melbourne, and a journalist with the Sun-Herald has been appointed Media Officer for the ATTA. I will be attempting to appoint a media officer in each State to help disseminate National releases for use by the local media.

MIKE JOHNS

DIRECTOR FINANCE

AUSTRALIAN TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1991

<u>1990</u> \$			<u>1991</u> \$
\$233	<u>MEMBERS' FUNDS</u>		
	Accumulated Funds		\$17,314
	Represented by:		
	<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
200	Cash on Hand	200	
3,859	Cash at Bank	14,782	
-	Cash on Deposit	40,434	
3,101	Sundry Debtors	2,330	
-	Prepayments	14,125	
<u>7,160</u>			71,871
	<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>		
13,160	Plant, Equipment & Furniture -	15,645	
	at cost		
1,316	<u>Less: Accumulated Depreciation</u>	3,975	
<u>11,844</u>			11,670
<u>19,004</u>	<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		<u>83,541</u>
	<u>Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
18,771	Sundry Creditors and Accruals	8,568	
-	Unexpended Grants	29,559	
-	Prepaid Income	28,100	
<u>18,771</u>			66,227
<u>\$233</u>	<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>\$17,314</u>

AUSTRALIAN TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Profit and Loss Statement

For the Year ended December 31, 1991

<u>1990</u>		<u>1991</u>
\$		\$
	<u>INCOME</u>	
47,379	Academy Income	-
5,310	Affiliation Fees	5,700
900	Asian Championships	2,000
1,500	Australian Championships	1,800
91,509	Australian International Open	-
19,417	Australian Olympic Commission Grants	11,460
221,000	Australian Sports Commission Grants	215,400
1,300	Ball Approvals	1,400
11,835	Coaching Resources	9,688
-	Commonwealth Championships	14,200
1,279	Interest Received	1,202
2,949	Magazine	2,258
5,335	Oceania Events	4,400
11,939	Overseas Tours	-
2,037	Sales of Book, Badges, Medallions, etc.	2,024
16,139	Schools Championships	10,990
40,000	State Levy	43,000
11,029	Sundry Income	2,104
12,462	Training Camps	7,135
11,805	World Championships & World Cup	23,789
<u>515,124</u>		<u>358,550</u>
	<u>Less: EXPENSES</u>	
93,833	Academy	47,313
29,828	Administration Expenses	23,203
10,784	Administrative Assistant	8,373
10,029	Asian Championships	-
722	Audit Fees	1,596
-	Australian Championships	1,050
91,380	Australian International Open	3,183
14,818	Board Meetings	6,442
-	Commonwealth Championships	22,010
8,130	Coaching Projects	12,119
609	Coaching Resources	5,761
6,930	Development Projects	11,999
3,451	Depreciation	2,659
<u>270,514</u>	c/fwd	<u>145,708</u>

<u>1990</u>		<u>1991</u>
\$		\$
270,514	b/fwd	145,708
5,838	General Personal Meeting	5,716
-	International Meetings	3,000
13,613	Magazine	11,596
33,962	National Coaching Director	38,325
67,762	National Executive Director	47,415
7,982	Oceania Events	8,027
-	Olympic Solidarity Seminar	400
23,246	Overseas Tours	-
4,155	Purchase of Stocks	5,251
24,237	Schools Championships	12,573
1,119	Selectors Expenses	808
18,305	Training Camps	28,923
4,780	Umpires Forum	3,250
23,243	World Championships & World Cup	30,477
<hr/> 498,756		<hr/> 341,469
<hr/> \$16,368	<u>NET PROFIT</u>	<hr/> \$17,081

AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE AUSTRALIAN TABLE
TENNIS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

I have examined the books and records of Australian Table Tennis Association Inc. and from the information made available to me, I have formed the opinion that the Balance Sheet as at 31st of December 1991 and the Profit and Loss Statement for the year ended December 31st, 1991 represents a true and fair account of the Association's operations for the financial year ended 31/12/1991.


ALAN ROUSE ASA

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The following is a summary of my main activities for 1991. It does not list everything, and indeed the most time consuming activities are not even included, eg. telephone dealings, correspondence in and out, routine administration, office supervision, etc.

The Annual Report is not the place to go into great detail - this has been done elsewhere. Therefore the following is primarily an example of the huge range of programs and projects in which we are involved -

- (a) Financial: Severe restrictions were put in place. These proved successful as is shown by the financial statements.
- (b) ATTA Office: In order to conserve funds the office was transferred to Ferny Creek. A personal computer was purchased. Bev Beazley continues to work part-time for us. Our photo copier is in desperate need of upgrading.
- (c) Sponsorship: TSP agreed to provide apparel for the National Team. They also won the Ball adoption rights for 1992 National Championships. Their Managing Director and Deputy visited Australia in July. We thank Nittaku for their support in recent years.
- (d) International Events: We participated in many events:
 - Commonwealth Championships
 - World Championships
 - Oceania Olympic Qualifying Tournament
 - Noumea International Open
 - Asian Cup
 - World Team Cup
 - Australia also played Zhe Jiang (China) at Geelong on 31 July.

A great deal of time is taken up with these activities by myself, the office and Neil Harwood.

- (e) Olympic Matters: The Director Coaching and Development has dealt with this subject adequately. Neil and I constantly liaised about the Olympic program. We are particularly disappointed that our major effort to convince the AOC to take three players to the Barcelona Olympics, instead of two, failed.
- (f) Interstate Visits: During the year I visited all States at least once and some on two or three occasions.
- (g) Australian Sports Commission: The Commission is a vital cog in the Table Tennis wheel. It contributes nearly \$225,000 to our Sport. I constantly liaise with their officers and visited Canberra 5-6 times during the year. It is important to note that Table Tennis is fully accountable to the Commission. So long as we accept their funds we must abide by all of the "attached strings". This affects the Sport at all levels and will increasingly do so.

The ATTA expresses its most sincere thanks to the Commission for its support and for the work that it does. We particularly acknowledge the great work done by Tim Wilson and Ken Norris.

- (h) National Coach: Mr Zhou continued as National Coach. However, as from 1 January he was employed by the VIS and therefore became the 'Honorary' National Coach. In order to gain access to his services with National Team activities we provided financial assistance that enabled the employment of H.J. Yang as Assistant VIS Coach.

We wish to record our most sincere appreciation of the involvement of the VIS. The co-operation between both our organisations has been excellent. We record our thanks for the efforts of Bob Ferguson (VTTA), and Frank Pyke and Peter Spence (VIS).

- (i) Veteran World Championships 1994: After much effort we obtained \$175,000 of funds from The Melbourne Major Events Company, providing we win the right to conduct the event. We will continue to pursue this with all our efforts.
- (j) Meetings, Seminars, etc: During the year I attended some 150 meetings and/or seminars.
- (k) Training Camps: Administration of our camps was done by Clare Yang and myself. These were all successful and will be continued.
- (l) Olympic Solidarity Course: We applied for assistance to conduct a Regional Olympic Solidarity Course in August 1992. We were subsequently allocated more than any other Sport, US\$28,500.
- (m) The Academy: I continue to administer the Academy. This takes considerable time with things such as:
- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Player liaison | Visiting players |
| Interviews | Host families |
| Supervision | Scholarships |
| Overseas arrangements | Squads |
| Board meetings | Etc. |

In addition I kept in constant and close touch with our 'European' contingent during their 6-8 months away.

I generally spend one day each week at the Academy.

- (n) Development Workshops: During the year these were conducted in all States. Some were successful - some not so. However, we did gather valuable information on the state of our Sport.
- (o) Other Activities: It is totally impracticable to continue with even the minimal detail as done above. Therefore I will conclude by listing some of the other tasks undertaken during the year:
- * Submissions - Sponsorship, Government, AOC, etc.
 - * Produce discussion papers, eg. Administration, Fundraising

- * Organise and attend BOM meetings and GPM - minutes, attend to 'Action' items, etc.
- * Liaise with ITTF, OTTF, CTTA and other International organisations (particularly New Zealand)
- * Ball Approvals
- * Reports
- * Answer innumerable questionnaires and requests for Calendar details
- * Doping issues
- * Australian International Open
- * Liaise with NCD, National Coach, BOM, Delegates, State Administration, Chairman of ATTUC, Organising Committees of National Championships, etc.
- * National Teams administration, financing, etc.
- * MLC Scholarships
- * Stock items
- * Etc, etc, etc.

There is never a shortage of things being done or to do!

- (p) Appreciation I wish to record my most grateful thanks to Laurie Wharmby for being a wonderful boss (and friend). As we all know, Laurie has retired after 50 years of work for our Sport.

Thank you Laurie.

There is a multitude of people who contribute in many ways towards the Australian Table Tennis Association - far too many to list here. We do appreciate very much the help, both large and small, given by our friends.

However, we would like to particularly thank and gratefully acknowledge the positive support of the following:

- * The Australian Sports Commission
- * Tim Wilson and Ken Norris
- * The Australian Olympic Committee
- * Craig Phillips and Perry Crosswhite
- * Melbourne Major Events Company
- * John Konrads and Del Smeeton
- * Sport & Recreation, Victoria
- * Brendan Downey and Mike Scott
- * M.L.C.
- * Combined Sports Traders
- * Noel Shorter and Paul Pinkewich
- * Victorian Institute of Sport
- * Frank Pyke and Peter Spence
- * Yamato Takkyu Co Ltd (TSP)
- * Takashi Iseki
- * Victorian Table Tennis Association
- * Bob Ferguson, Val Bartolo, Sharon Graham and Alois Rosario

In addition I wish to extend a personal vote of thanks to:

Ron Moule	Neil Harwood
Lansun Zhou	Keith Bowler
John Beer	Mike Johns

without whose help I would not have survived this very hectic and difficult year.

ROD LINDROTH

NATIONAL COACHING DIRECTOR

1. INTRODUCTION

As a subsystem of the whole table tennis structure, coaching can only develop relative to the general state of the overall game. 1991/92 has been another year divided between shaping grass roots development and providing a program to cater for and motivate our better players. It is difficult to talk of a measure of success because there is still much to be achieved for our sport to claim even a medium profile status. This report will indicate that at least our process of development is correct and some goals are being realised.

I would like to thank the State Directors of Coaching for the work they do, particularly the 'stickers' like David Wilson and Peter Muller; my colleagues Lan Sun Zhou, Neil Harwood, Rod Lindroth and Tim Wilson(A.S.C); Ansett Australia, Rothmans Foundation and Petersville Bakeries for the financial support that has enabled projects to be undertaken, To Laurie Wharmby I wish a very happy retirement from the sport and express my thanks for his support and friendship over many years. No O.A.M was better awarded.

2. NATIONAL COACHING ACCREDITATION SCHEME

Figures for the 1991/92 are provided. A small increment continues but until an overdue reassessment of coaches takes place in 1993 the actual number of active coaches will not be known. Level 0 Coaches are not registered with the A.C.C but the numbers should be included on the State Coaching Reports. The annual Coaching Forum was replaced with a Coaching Plan Development Seminar in each state in conjunction with the A.T.T.A Development Visits. The failure of some states to find and hold a Coaching Director represents a great difficulty in the administration of the N.C.A.S and reflects the problems of voluntary people coping with what is increasingly becoming a professional and demanding workload.

3. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF COACHES

On two occasions provision has been made for a coach to accompany the National Coach on overseas training and competition tours. A Level II/III Seminar was conducted at the Academy last June and seven coaches attended. Special efforts have been made to encourage women to attend coaching and women's sport development seminars. The coaching of girls will be a topic offered at the Olympic Solidarity Seminar in August and will be conducted by Jill Hammersly. Only W.A and Victoria appear to have the capacity to operate Coaches Associations but the movement for coaches to take out professional indemnity insurance is growing. The High Performance Coach Award is still being undertaken by the National Coach. A combination of a lack of finance and articles meant the "Accredited Coach " was only one issue strong last year but the former problem has, at least, been solved and four issues for 1992 are financially possible. Coaching articles prepared by Lan Sun and myself have been introduced to the A.T.T.A magazine.

4. OVERSEAS COACHES

The past two years have seen a dramatic increase in the number of coaches seeking work and residence in Australia. Correspondence and discussion with the coaches and immigration involvement are consuming considerable time. The skills of these people will greatly enrich our pool of coaching knowledge but it is a sad reflection on our infrastructure that we cannot utilise all these coaching talents.

5. THE ACADEMY

The shared programmes with the V.I.S has been successful and the Junior Academies in S.A and Tas. are well underway, NSW reports a July 1992 start. The overseas scholarships continued and the performances of players are attracting favourable comment from overseas coaches and the National Championship results speak for themselves. The internal scholarships continued and have now been incorporated into a program to support interstate players moving to Melbourne on a full time basis. Four of our juniors are involved and two New Zealand players have also been attracted to the Academy. The quantity and quality of Lan Sun's work has been

extended to working with coaches at both National Junior and Senior titles and coaching visits to Tas. and W.A.

6. TALENT RECRUITMENT , IDENTIFICATION AND DEVELOPMENT

This is a major concern for a sport with our problems. The long neglect of schools by Table Tennis has been realised and positive steps with Developmental Coaching are under way. School programmes, competitions coaching camps and State Junior Academy programs are growing and the increased number of National Junior Training Camps and overseas visits are good indicators of progress in the Junior ranks. The National Schools Championship in Brisbane last year was well attended and attracted many State and Nationally ranked junior players. There are, however, still serious problems with bridging the youth to adult gap.

7. NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINARS

I indicated in my opening remarks that coaching and player development do not occur in isolation but require a significant network of support mechanisms. Hence a major part of 1991 was devoted to the development of those networks which are essential to a healthy coaching and player development environment. There is still a considerable amount of follow up work to done on the results of the seminars.

8. RESEARCH PROJECTS

The list of Table Tennis Research Projects circulating in Tertiary Institutions has been expanded and updated. Dr.T.Morris of F.I.T has received funding for a National Sport Research Program project to investigate the reasons people take up and drop out of Table Tennis.

9. JUNIOR SPORT POLICIES

The C.A.S-A.S.C Junior Sport Seminar highlighted the importance attached to child-centered Junior Development by sporting authorities. It appears that all states and the A.S.C will operate J.S.P which will require sports to shape school age coaching and competition along prescribed lines. Loss of access to funding is a likely result of non-compliance. Most of our development work is in line with these policies and the model prepared for S.A has been circulated to other states.

11. RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Development of material has been hampered by financial problems and the pressure of an expanding workload. States have been advised of finished materials and incompletd projects are being attended to.

12. OTHER ACTIVITIES

- * I.T.T.F sponsored schools program
- * Oceania school and junior development
- * Olympic Solidarity Coaching Seminar - Narrabeen
- * Sponsorship applications for players
- * Membership of A.C.C
- * Professional Development Seminars
- * V.I.S and N.T.T Academy Board member
- * B.O.M meetings
- * Australian Secondary Schools Teams Championship
- * Sponsorship for " " " "
- * Planning and Evaluation for Academy and associated programs
- * Oceania Centre of Excellence
- * C.A.P.S Program

13. CONCLUSIONS

1992 will be a significant year for Table Tennis. While there are many who argue that Economic Rationalisation is neither rational nor economic its effect on sport funding will be real. Table Tennis administrators have recieved ample warnings that grants would be matched to administrative performance, self-help, player results, growth and development. It is likely that funding changes will forsee programme and policy changes forced upon us in the near future. I have indicated to the B.O.M that for health reasons I will not be renewing my contract with the A.T.T.A and that I will be working towards a smooth transition of responsibilities.



R. Moule
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National Director of Coaching

AUSTRALIAN COACHING COUNCIL SPORTS SUMMARY FOR TABLE TENNIS

Sport No :56 1991

Level	QLD	NSW	ACT	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	ZZZ	O/S	Totals
1	50	19	1	49	9	41	3	0	11	0	183
2	7	2	0	6	3	2	5	0	2	0	27
3	4	7	0	4	1	6	1	0	3	0	26
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	61	28	1	59	13	49	9	0	16	0	236

NOTE RE ZZZ/9999 STATUS

For Coaches whose names appear in the last report category (ZZZ) we have no current address. Mail has been returned unclaimed/address unknown from the addresses listed. We are always pleased to receive notification of address updates and changes.

AUSTRALIAN COACHING COUNCIL SPORTS SUMMARY FOR TABLE TENNIS

As at 10:22:54 07 JAN 1992

Sport No :56

Level	QLD	NSW	ACT	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	ZZZ	O/S	Totals
1	71	19	1	53	9	42	6	0	6	0	207
2	8	2	0	6	3	2	5	0	1	0	27
3	4	7	0	8	1	6	1	0	1	0	28
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	83	28	1	67	13	50	12	0	8	0	262

RON MOULE B.A.,DipT,Dip.P.E.

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

New Developments

The ACT Table Tennis Association is to build a new Centre as part of the Hockey Centre Stadium at Lyneham. Plans are for the new Centre to house six competition-sized courts and appropriate spectator areas. By agreement, we will use the support, service and social facilities of the Hockey Centre.

We understand that the local Government has unofficially agreed to provide a building grant of \$60,000 which the ACT Association must match. We are looking at ways to build up to this figure. Total cost will be around \$220,000.

Australian Veterans' 1992

The Australian Veterans' Championships are to be held at the Hockey Centre, Lyneham in October 1992. Our new Centre may be in use by then but we are not counting on it. Sixteen tables will be in use in the main hall for this major event. It is our first Nationals, and we look forward to the challenge.

Development Seminar

National Coaching Director, Ron Moule attended a Development Seminar in Canberra in early December 1991, run by the Centre of Continuing Education, ANU. It was attended by fifteen members of this Association and should prove decisive in our development.

Development Strategy

Fundamental to our future prosperity will be a varied and interesting program of competitive activity; sound financial and general administration; continuing good relationships within the Association and the ATTA at all levels; strong links with Government and other sporting and community bodies; recruitment of new members; junior development; increased social activities.

Notable Achievement

Jeff Plumb's domination of local competitive play - Jeff lost only about 3 singles matches in the ACT all year, being undefeated in the Winter Comp, losing one match in the Spring, runner up in the ACT Open, and winning the ACT Resident's. He also won the Victorian Country Senior and Junior Titles, won 11 from 21 matches in the Australian Senior Teams Championships, and achieved a high Top Ten ranking in the Australian U17 age group. Jeff has also been selected as one of the group of Juniors to tour China in January 1992.

Outlook

Our Senior Executive, Ray Perdriau - President, Glenys Joliffe - Secretary and Denis Grahame - Treasurer are unchanged for 1992. With our new Centre and the hosting of the Australian Veterans in the pipeline for 1992 we are in for a busy time.

RAY PERDRIAU

NSW TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

New South Wales Table Tennis remains in the same state of flux as in recent years. The registered number of players is increasing, however there is still a dearth of the younger person taking on the sport. This is evident in that the Veterans are performing very well at the National Championships, whilst the Mens Seniors had one of their poorest years on record.

Development Seminar

A Development Seminar, proposing major changes for the sport, was held in June at the Eastern Suburbs Leagues Club. This was conducted by Rod Lindroth and Ron Moule of the National Executive. The outcomes focussed on developing a 3-year plan, improving administration and communication, obtaining a playing headquarters, and regionalisation. A draft Strategic Plan has since been produced.

Sydney Olympic Bid

With Sydney's Bid to gain the 2000 Olympics, the Association has been seeking the inclusion of training facilities for the athletes, which could mean a Table Tennis Centre. If Sydney is successful, Table Tennis will be played at Darling Harbour, however, training facilities are necessary elsewhere. It is this premise the Association is pushing strongly.

Tournaments

The Association again hosted Open events at Senior, Junior and Veterans levels, the main preferred venue being the E.G. Whitlam Centre at Liverpool. The State Open attracted over 190 entries, by far the largest for many years. No Australian events were hosted by NSW.

The Country Teams Championships were held at St Clair in the Nepean district, the entries for this Championship again being the highest for many years.

Open Tournaments were also conducted by many Associations, the two largest being the Illawarra Open at Wollongong and the Western Districts Open at St Clair.

Sponsorship

Sponsorship was extremely difficult for the Association to attract in a year of recession. With no possible television coverage likely we are going to have to work hard at attracting money to allow certain activities to head towards full-time status. The focus for full-time activities has to be in developmental activities.

NSW Council

The NSW Council restructured its activities following the Annual General Meeting, towards a more professional approach, at the same time enlisting more people to work on different sub-committees, the main focus on the activities being - development, finance, coaching, tournaments and registration.

ALLAN RUSSELL

QUEENSLAND TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

It has been a year of change in Queensland with many energetic people being involved in the administration and running of various Table Tennis activities with some good initial results. It is unfortunate that in the space permitted for this report many will not be given the recognition their efforts deserve.

With the change in Government there has been a new direction in sports funding in this state which will require a more professional approach to the administration of our sport. The 'Australian Society of Sports Administrators', in conjunction with the Government, has run Level 1 & 11 Administration Courses with some representatives of Table Tennis participating in both. It is envisaged that greater numbers will participate in the future in an effort to raise the standard of our administrative personnel. This state appreciates the assistance given it by the Government through its Division of Sport, Racing & Tourism which has made many activities possible.

Its assistance has made possible the employment of our new State Director of Coaching, Terry Dahl, in the latter part of this year and raises hopes for a brighter future in 1992. A new part time Regional coach, Dave Delpratt, is now operating out of the Bundaberg area which is a tribute to that association's efforts (and Dave's himself). Bundaberg also opened its new stadium in the second half of the year and all concerned are to be congratulated on a great effort.

The ATTA Development Workshop in July was well received by the majority of attendees. A special mention must go to Gordon Brydon (Cairns) and Brian Berry (Mackay) for attending as they had to travel considerable distances (equivalent to Sydney and Melbourne). It was with regret we learnt that Gordon has had a stroke and is now seriously ill. His active participation in Table Tennis as an administrator and player over many decades has and will benefit many people.

The hosting of two national events was a credit to the respective organising committees. In particular the problems overcome by Jean Dorries in organising accommodation for all participants in the National Secondary Schools Championships when all the Queensland contingent also required the same was well done. Ken Woodward headed the team which successfully ran the National Veterans and Masters.

There are three extra associations affiliated this year who are eligible for the new 'Club induction Program' which was also approved by the Queensland Board early this year. It is hoped that these clubs will take advantage of the initiative designed to assist establishing clubs become part of Table Tennis. Unfortunately, after the good increase in registered players last year, we have had a slight decrease in 1991. However there has still been an overall gain with the Logan club increasing its membership by 300%.

The recent restructuring of the administration in Queensland Table Tennis has produced a few small problems which were only to be expected and as the system settles in it should prove a more efficient and productive one in the future.

A number of our players achieved good results at national level with the major assistance being from their clubs and families. Kent Jamieson and Sandy McDonnell finished their long junior record in Table Tennis with excellent results. Two other players, Seref Bakanay and Anthony Jeffress, who also achieved National rankings, have been very active with shopping centre displays which generated good results.

Margaret McNae had success with a Table Tennis display at the Brisbane Craft, Hobby and Pet Show. Our top players were unavailable as it clashed with the first tournament of the year in that part of the state and a Table Tennis Robot was judiciously used to produce not only an excellent 2-day display but also a net profit.

We finally have the benefit of a computer courtesy of Dennis Fox and it is expected that a computerised register of all players will be one of the advantages the QTTA will have next year.

The people named and the activities mentioned above are but a few for the 1991 year. Many others deserve a mention but as luck has it they missed out.

With 1991 behind us, Queensland Table Tennis looks forward to bigger playing numbers in 1992. Table Tennis is about people playing a game, not just a game.

RAY LYONS

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

A number of sub-committees have been very active and a great number of programs commenced.

In the area of Junior Development, the program is well underway, with affiliates promoting their areas and benefiting from a Grant received from the Foundation SA.

We saw a Junior competition organised last year, which was a fore-runner for future competitions. With rules being revamped for this year and a further discussion for improvement next year, we could see a flourishing competition up and running. Other affiliates will be invited to enter teams, which will play on Saturday mornings.

A Promotions Sub-committee was formed, with ideas on publicity and promotion. This initial meeting was attended by top players and interested Club Officials. The discussion on doubles was broached, but as the decision had been made by the Presidents and Secretaries, that doubles be included, especially in Super League, to make the grade more competitive, the players were advised that any approach concerning the change of rules would have to be done by their Club Officials. No further approach had been made. Some good work has been done by this Committee in the area of publicity.

An approach by Umpires to the Council resulted in the formation of the SA Qualified Table Tennis Umpires Sub-committee. In future we will see more information provided about the rules and recruitment of more Umpires.

The Women in Sport Co-ordinator, Mrs Janet Sior, has been quietly working behind the scenes attending seminars and generally canvassing Clubs and Associations for an appointed contact within their own ranks. Early in the year a 'womens only' grade was offered in the Winter Competition, but no nominations were received. One bonus was the introduction of the women's section of the Butterfly Top 10 Tournament, which was very well received.

The Tournament Committee has not yet come up with the answer in the Regulations for organising tournaments Statewide. A number of events are being offered, but many are being cancelled due to lack of support. Results from all 'open' tournaments are sent to Australian Selectors interstate, from which Australian rankings and seedings are done.

The SA Junior Academy has recently commenced operations, with the testing of players and programs prepared. Fund-raising is a very important part of the future survival of the Academy and the Academy Committee is actively seeking support and sponsorship. I thank those parents who are giving their time and energy to the success of the project. Affiliates will be contacted soon regarding vacancies at the Academy and nominations will be considered.

The schools competitions are progressing well with numbers slightly down due to the lack of teachers' support. We saw the inaugural Independent Schools Competition organised by Mr Ron Moule. Many thanks to Ron for the time and effort he puts into the Sport. Ron was also involved in the organising of the Australian Secondary Schools Teams Championships, held in Brisbane, with three of our schools competing (P.A.C., Murray Bridge and Jamestown).

The "Butterfly" SA Top 10 Tournament was very successful, giving spectators the chance to see various styles of games. Thank you to Ken Sleep Trading for their support.

Some Ballarat players visited SA and competed in a day of competition against some of our younger players. Country players were also involved, and the visit was very successful. Thanks to Mrs Oxley and Mr Hoad and parents who assisted in the organising of the visit.

A Development Workshop, organised by the ATTA, was held in Adelaide and approximately 15-20 people attended. It was disappointing to see that a large number of affiliates did not take the opportunity to attend and discuss ideas and the future of Table Tennis throughout Australia.

The hosting of the Quit & Win National Australian Table Tennis Championships was one of the highlights of the year. With \$7,000 Grant allocated from the Foundation SA, our Committee was able to promote our Sport on a wider basis. The Nationals Committee was congratulated by Interstate visitors for the success of the Championships and in particular the attendances on finals night at Apollo Stadium. The number in attendance at the finals topped any number at a Nationals throughout Australia. Special thanks to Foundation SA for their support.

It was disappointing that the Country Carnival and affiliated championships were cancelled. The Tournament Committee thought the new concept would be supported, so further discussions must be held to get this Championship running.

Many of our players have received Australian Rankings, and Teams who won GOLD were: U21 Womens, O40 Womens, O60 Mens - all at their respective National Championships. Congratulations to these players!

CYNTHIA LANGLEY.

TASMANIAN TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

The year saw the rise of the TTTA to a position where it probably now does set the standards for its six Branches for the first time ever, rather than responding to one or two strong sectors. Recent restructuring from 3 to 5 Branches and the addition of a 6th Branch in 1989 have changed the face of the administration and have allowed a greater participation in decision making.

Peter Ma Sen, continued as a State Development Officer of high profile and popularity, and has become a "legend" with schoolchildren throughout the state. The benefits of the skills and enthusiasm engendered by this state government-assisted programme should begin to show in the next two years or so.

Tasmania also opened its Table Tennis Academy alongside the Tassie Devils basketballers at the Elizabeth College gymnasium in the centre of Hobart. Again, this is an attempt to raise the profile of our sport as well as providing the opportunities for advanced levels of player coaching. This venture received a high-level of ATTA assistance, yet also required considerable financial input from selected players.

Elizabeth College also included Table Tennis as one of its selected sports for the HSC Athlete Development Program, enabling players to pursue excellence and a sound background in their chosen sport and to count the result as a subject for "matriculation" purposes. Tracy Auchterlonie was our "guinea pig" and was not only successful, but was chosen as the College Athlete of the Year, even ahead of sportspeople of the calibre of national boxing star, Justin Crawford.

Tasmania's method of computer rankings, now trialled over several years, is still as good and as simple to operate as anything we have yet seen, worldwide. During 1991, the Tasmanian Association purchased its own Macintosh computer (with expanded memory) and a Stylewriter printer in order to be assured of maintaining quality records and databases, writing the state Newsletter and any other secretarial tasks which might be assisted by the age of electronics.

Tasmania conducted the Australian Junior Championships at Kingston in June, with feedback indicating that this duty was again capably performed (except perhaps for the tardiness of the final result service !). We now look forward to the conduct of the 1992 Australian National Championships at the same venue, next September.

Tasmania does not yet win the numbers of national championship events to which it feels entitled so it is with great pride that we record Margaret Walker's achievement of winning the national Veterans title for the third year in succession - a performance unparalleled in TTTA history.

The ATTA Development Seminar, conducted in Hobart in October, was rated as very successful by the large number of administrators who attended. They felt that many of the organisational and motivational aspects which came under discussion could assist the further development of Tasmanian Table Tennis during the 1990s.

It had been hoped to restructure the administration of the TTTA so that the majority of policy implementation could be undertaken by a Board of Directors displaying expertise in particular aspects (much like the ATTA structure and that of several states). However, work "overload" for an unpaid Executive Committee and a worrying period of medical treatment for the President, the prime mover towards this restructuring, have forced this plan to become a 1992 priority.

Brian Dale, highly-respected TTTA Secretary and Delegate to the ATTA for several years, retired from all positions at the AGM in February, 1991. TTTA President, Bill Atkinson, took over the role of Delegate for the first time, while the widely-experienced Colin Pilgrim joined the Executive Committee and became yet another excellent State Secretary, albeit probably only for the one year at this stage.

The TTTA wishes to pay tribute to its greatest and longest-serving leader of the past, Laurie Wharmby, on the occasion of his retirement from Table Tennis administration after 50 years of outstanding service which have been recognised by Life Memberships at local, state and national levels, as well as by the deserved granting of the OAM. He has led us all very well.

BILL ATKINSON

VICTORIAN TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

This year has been a stabilising one for the Victorian Table Tennis Association both program wise and administratively.

Increased participation numbers in tournaments and pennant have been a pleasing outcome of the previous year's work and would indicate that our development activities are on track.

A revamped management structure introduced in March 1991 is giving greater autonomy to members of the Board to develop their areas of expertise to further benefit the game of Table Tennis in Victoria, injecting a more professional approach to the game and its development.

Competitively, to date, Victoria has again remained the most successful State in Australia.

Our Juniors won all teams events on offer at the National titles and a majority of the individual titles, giving National top 10 rankings to all who represented this State.

The Youth Team was almost as successful, winning three of the teams titles and being runners up in the fourth, again placing all participants in the top 10 of their age rankings.

At the recent Senior titles in Adelaide Victoria again proved its superiority, winning the Mens Team event and being runners up in the Womens event. Individually we were winners or runners up in all events except the Womens Singles and placed 8 out of 9 competitors in the National Top 10. The Veterans, after competing in Queensland in October, returned with equally impressive results, winning 3 teams events and 39 individual medals.

From a program perspective we met all goals we set, having a very successful year with the Victorian Schools Table Tennis Championships (approximately 4,000 competitors), Tabten Schools Teams Competition (approximately 500 teams), the Coaching Development Program running Level 0, 1 & 2 Courses, and the Umpires Association conducting Development and Rule Interpretation Seminars.

Junior Development has been an Association priority, and with this in mind we have conducted a number of camps for children aged between 8 - 17 as part of our Arthritis Awareness Table Tennis Program funded by VicHealth.

The camps have proved an enormous success both in promotion of the game and development of Juniors to further come through the system via Clubs and Associations to become State representatives.

The major program conducted by the VTTA is the Arthritis Awareness Table Tennis Program. Funded by the Victorian Health Promotion Foundation and sponsored by the Arthritis Foundation of Victoria, this program provides Table Tennis with the opportunity to develop the Sport on the State level across all age groups. Table Tennis is put before the community as a means of assisting people to have a healthy lifestyle and specifically as a means of promoting and developing an awareness and understanding of arthritis and its associated problems.

Our budget for 1991 was \$65,000, which allowed us to consolidate our program and introduce some very important new initiatives such as State League and a Womens program, which have both proved to be very successful and a great promotional tool for the Sport and arthritis.

1991 was also the year that Table Tennis came of age as one of 13 inaugural scholarship sports in the Victorian Institute of Sport. This was a whole new experience for our athletes, requiring them to make real commitment to Table Tennis, not only from the playing perspective but also that of fitness, strength, development and education/career.

The Victorian Institute of Sport program has had a very successful year, boasting 8 out of 12 scholarship holders gaining National Open rankings for 1991.

Along with any sport and the programs they offer is the desire to achieve publicity and coverage of its activities. Table Tennis has met with reasonable success in this area, particularly in Regional Victoria where TV coverage and print media were the rule rather than the exception. This unfortunately was reversed in the Metropolitan area, but we are making inroads to the papers here and they are starting to contact us for stories.

1992, we hope, will continue in this vein, with programs and services continuing to consolidate to better serve the Table Tennis playing community.

Managerially we hope to further extend our network in Regional Victoria with the setting up of a network of coaches to better service schools and organisations and create a feeder system back to the controlling Associations. It is hoped this will give us the much needed impetus to kick the Sport along in our Regional centres.

Other aspects, such as the organisation of our first Regional Championships, a School Information Kit consisting of lesson plans, draws, etc., the visit from Chinese Taipei Veteran teams, and the upgrading of our newsheet into a bimonthly magazine are making next year a busy and exciting prospect.

These activities, along with already established programs of the Arthritis Awareness Table Tennis Program and our VIS Program are continually helping to establish Table Tennis as a viable competitive and recreational Sport in Victoria.

ANGELO TABONE

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

During the year ended 31 December 91 the Association's Board of Management comprised:

	2.11.90-1.11.91	1.11.91 onwards
President	Mike Johns	Mike Johns
Directors:		
Executive/Finance	Irwin Parker	Irwin Parker
Tournament	Chris Hibbert (resigned 7/91)	Vacant
Match	Chris Marsh	Vacant
Coaching	Peter Muller	Peter Muller
Publicity	Greg Lette (resigned 3/91)	Vacant
Promotions	Mike Andrews	Vacant
Social & Fund Rais.	Morten Kilden	Vacant
Lyn Garth continued as Minute Secretary		

As was the case during 1990, all programmed events were conducted in spite of resignations. However, in view of the poor response at the Annual General Meeting, it is doubtful if this will be possible in 1992. Hopefully, by the time this report is circulated, the various vacant positions will have been filled.

Financial

The Association's financial position improved slightly over the year (a \$1,179 profit was recorded) enabling \$2,319 in interest free loans to be cleared. However, the profit was insufficient to reduce the deficiency in working capital, although it must be remembered that the Association Centre (building and contents) is unencumbered. Gross sponsorship, etc. amounted to \$36,281 including the State Government (\$14,000), Healthways (\$12,500 of which \$3,909 related to the financial year), Town & Country Bank (2,600), Alcoa (\$1,900) and Irene's Park Tavern (\$1,400). Without this large contribution from sponsorships and the significant contribution of Centre profit (\$12,243 including canteen and sports profits) the Association would not survive.

Coaching

Under the Directorship of Peter Muller, it is pleasing to report that this is one of the most fruitful areas of Association activities. The third of three 10-day visits by Zhou Lansun, under the Alcoa Coach in Residence Scheme, continued to build upon the benefit of earlier visits. The number of young W.A. players in the National Under Age Ranking lists is testimony to this.

In the schools area some active involvement with up to 20 schools was achieved. In addition to Schools Championships, approximately 100 coaching sessions were conducted. Funding from the Women in Sport Foundation and Healthways (W.A. Health Promotion Foundation) ensured that Coaches Ron Cubbage and Phil Ranger received some financial assistance for their efforts.

Country and City Club Development

Although contact was made with groups in Northam, Esperance and Busselton, there were no new country affiliations. Again both Albany and Geraldton conducted Open Championships, and State Country Championships were held in Perth.

As an Association initiative a Club was started from scratch in Wanneroo (a Northern suburb 25 km north of Perth) and it is planned, with the assistance of Healthways funds, to start a club in Fremantle next year.

General

An Umpires Association was formed during the year and it is hoped that it will help increase both the number of qualified and active Umpires in W.A.

The Association's congratulations are extended to Stuart Gallagher in winning both the National U15 Singles and Mixed Doubles Titles and topping it off with National Junior Team selection. Also congratulations are extended to Doreen and Gerry Bridson on their titles at the New Zealand Veterans Championships.

I hope that the current problems the Association has will be overcome quickly so that it can meet its State and National responsibilities in 1992 and future years.

IRWIN PARKER

CHAIRMAN - UMPIRES COMMITTEE

On the National scene very little happened. The 1991 Australian International Open was cancelled, therefore Umpires and Referees did not have the opportunity to gain extra international experience. The regular National Championships were held in the various States and by all reports Umpires and Referees performed well.

Australia provided two Umpires for the World Championships in Chiba in May, and an Australian Umpire went to Barcelona for the World Team Cup in November. Hospitality was provided by the host Associations, but these Umpires paid their own travel expenses.

The planned Umpires Seminar and Annual Meeting was postponed until 1992, when they will be conducted in conjunction with the Olympic Solidarity Seminar at Narrabeen in August.

We have the Olympic Games in Barcelona coming up and Australia will provide two Umpires for the Oceania Umpiring Team.

I am pleased to announce that I have been nominated by Oceania to be their representative on the ITTF Jury for the Olympic Games - a very great honour. Therefore it appears, at this stage, that Australia will have the distinction of having more officials at the Games than players.

We are looking forward to a better year in 1992, and hopefully State Delegates, whoever they may be, will attempt to increase our umpiring ranks with plenty of new Umpires.

PHIL MALES

UMPIRES COMMITTEE REPORT - QUEENSLAND

At the 1991 Annual General Meeting, permission was given to disband the present committee and form an Umpire's Association. Wheels have turned slowly and this has not yet been formed, however Umpire activity and training has continued.

Three seminars were held during the year, two at Logan and one in Townsville. From these, ten candidates passed their Association level and six later attempted the written test with five papers yet to be confirmed. Four candidates passed the practical tests and one of these is yet to attempt the written test.

Support for tournaments was mainly supplied by the Association holding the event as umpires here rarely travel. Hopefully the new association will assist in changing this attitude. The player-umpire system is a plague on the game and some action by the ATTA is urgently needed, e.g. when seeking information for allocation of tournaments insist on a higher quota of umpires. Don't ask "how many tables?"; ask "How many umpires?"; they are as important as tables.

Two overseas trips to the World Championship and the World Cup by the Chairman have helped to raise interest in umpiring.

B.M. McSHANE

UMPIRES COMMITTEE REPORT - SOUTH AUSTRALIA

An Umpires Committee has been formed within the SATTA framework as a step towards getting umpires more involved with tournaments, but this so far has not produced a lot of results, however, it has only been going a few months.

We have supplied referees and umpires for several tournaments this year, including the Australian National Championships, and hope to be more organised during 1992 and be available for all tournaments.

DOUG LUCKRAFT

UMPIRES COMMITTEE REPORT - TASMANIA

State Umpires

Eastside Umpire, Jamie Simmons successfully completed his period of probation for the qualification of State Umpire. Jamie was presented with his State Umpire badge by the TTTA President, Bill Atkinson, at the Unisys Eastside Open Championship in March.

Probationary State Umpires

Four members of the Eastside League undertook the State Umpires Examination theory component during February and completed the practical section at the Unisys Eastside Open Championship held in March. Michael Barry, Jenni Brumby, Sue Loveless and Andrew Smith are now Probationary State Umpires.

National Championship

International Umpire, Felicity Novy was invited to umpire at and attended the Quit and Win 47th Australian National Table Tennis Championships held in Adelaide in August-September 1991.

The Annual General Meeting of the Australian Table Tennis Association's Umpires' Committee which was to have been held in conjunction with the above Championship was cancelled.

Eastside Umpire of the Year

Felicity Novy, a very active International Umpire in Tasmanian Table Tennis, was elected Umpire of the Year by the Eastside Table Tennis League's Umpires.

COLIN PILGRIM

UMPIRES COMMITTEE REPORT - VICTORIA

Our activities seem to follow the usual pattern, but it would seem that there are a far greater number of Tournaments held in Victoria than in any other State.

We have three seasons of Pennant Competition for which we supply a Referee for Tuesday and Wednesday nights plus any umpires we can entice, and also umpires for Pennant Finals.

The following Tournaments were held at the Table Tennis Centre, Albert Park during the year under review.

FEBRUARY	DOUBLE FISH JUNIOR
MARCH	MOOMBA
APRIL	YASAKA EASTER Classic
MAY	ALL VICTORIAN (Vic. CLOSED)
JUNE	WEEKLY TIMES VIC. COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS
JULY	VIC. OPEN
JULY	STATE LEAGUE FINALS
AUGUST	CITY OF MELBOURNE - SENIOR
SEPTEMBER	CITY OF MELBOURNE - JUNIOR

Other Tournaments held outside Melbourne proper for which we appointed Referees/Umpires were as follows :-

OTHER VICTORIAN :

MARCH	MORNINGTON VETERANS
APRIL	CROYDON MASTERS (VETERANS)
	GEELONG OPEN
AUGUST	DANDENONG
AUGUST	CROYDON MASTERS (SENIOR AND JUNIOR)
JULY/AUGUST	AUSTRALIAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS (GEELONG)

Four of our people went to Adelaide and worked on the Australian Closed with Gadd as invited Assistant Referee and Singer, Ireland and Tonkin as invited umpires. All these people worked hard and attended their duties in a truly professional manner.

On the overseas scene Yuka Braun umpired at the world Championships in Chiba, Japan and the South Pacific Games held in Papua New Guinea, (Lae) was attended by Angelo Tabone who was invited as a Referee but finished up in other different roles such as Technical Director and Tournament Director.

Angelo also conducted an Umpire Course and judged one prospective Umpire for an Oceania Certification. We would like to know about this qualification.

Finally. The VTTUL carried out its usual functions in addition to the heavy load already stated. We continue our efforts to recruit new umpires and for the year passed Grant Everitt & Lothar Pilz into the Probationary stage (yet to be ratified) and instructed and eventually passed seven members into the Club Umpire Class (our own innovation). Hopefully some of these people could progress into the State Umpire status.

We supplied speakers to the three seasons of Pennant at the new players welcome when they are informed on the standards and expectations of behaviour and adherence to the laws and dress for Table Tennis Competition.

A speaker was supplied for Level 1 coaches and also the juniors prior to the Albury visit.

The Chadband Memorial Trophy was awarded to a worthy recipient namely Jim Kilderry which was presented at our Yasaka Easter Tournament.

CLIVE GADD

UMPIRES COMMITTEE REPORT - WESTERN AUSTRALIA

This part of my brief in W.A. was slightly neglected this year due to time spent on other table tennis matters.

The number of active umpires in W.A. increased by three in 1989 with Greg Letts, Ralph Kober and John Matthewson all passing their exams to become Probationary Umpires. This increases our active list to:-

P.G. Ranger)	
P.E. Muller)	
R. Gallagher)	State Umpires.
A. Padley)	

Mr. Lee Swe Leong	International Umpire.
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R. Kober)	
G. Letts)	Probationaries
J. Matthewson)	

I have held two short (3 hrs) informal seminars with the W.A. Umpires and interested parties, both were prior to the Italian National Teams visit to W.A. I was invited to discuss at a coaches meeting, the new rules to be enforced as of January 1990. I have planned a further seminar to discuss the new rules in January, prior to the new season starting. This is to be an open forum meeting so that all interpretations can be assessed.

The idea of a "club umpire" to adjudicate in pennant matches appeals to both players and officials of clubs in the metro area, and I have therefore arranged to discuss it further at a meeting to be arranged with all club delegates and secretaries.

I would hope that within the next 12 months, I can find more people to qualify as umpires and maybe persuade those already qualified to take their qualifications a stage further.

RON GALLAGHER

HONOURS

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>WINNER</u>	<u>RUNNER UP</u>
<u>NATIONAL</u>		
Mens Singles	D. Makaling (Vic)	P. Quach (Vic)
Womens Singles	Y. Kwok (NSW)	G. Hui (NSW)
Mens Doubles	D. Makaling(Vic)/J. Perry(Vic)	P. Pinkewich(NSW)/H.J.Yang (Vic)
Womens Doubles	Y. Kwok (NSW)/K. Tepper(Vic)	M. Chang(NSW)/G. Hui(NSW)
Mixed Doubles	P Pinkewich(NSW)/Y. Kwok(NSW)	M. Smythe(Vic)/G. Hui(NSW)
Mens Teams	Victoria	South Australia
Womens Teams	New South Wales	Victoria

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 21 CHAMPIONSHIPSYOUTH SINGLES

Mens Singles	J. Perry (Vic)	D. Makaling (Vic)
Womens Singles	S. Zhou (Vic)	K. Ledenac (SA)
Mens Doubles	D Makaling(Vic)/J. Perry(Vic)	P. Langley(SA)/R. Moore(Vic)
Womens Doubles	C. Dillon(Vic)/C. Zhou(Vic)	M. Marcen/M. Tobin (Vic)
Mixed Doubles	K. Chaiwatanatorm/C. Dillon(Vic)	R. Moore (Vic)/K. Gould(SA)
Mens Teams	New Zealand	Victoria
Womens Teams	South Australia	Victoria

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 19 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mens Singles	B. Clarke (Vic)	M. Smythe (Vic)
Womens Singles	C. Dillon (Vic)	K. Gould (SA)
Mens Doubles	B. Clarke/R Lavale(Vic)	B. Rajab/M. Smythe (Vic)
Womens Doubles	C. Dillon/S. Zhou (Vic)	T. Epps/K. Pitcher (NZ)
Mixed Doubles	K. Chaiwatanatorm/S Zhou (Vic)	M. Smythe/S. Ebejer (Vic)
Mens Teams	Victoria	Western Australia
Womens Teams	Victoria	New Zealand

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 17 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Boys Singles	K. Jamieson (Qld)	B. Rajab (Vic)
Girls Singles	S. McDonnell (Qld)	T. Auchterlonie (Tas)
Boys Doubles	A. Fox/B. Rajab (Vic)	G. Raber(NSW)/R. Lavale (Vic)
Girls Doubles	S. McDonnell/E. Widdup (Qld)	C. Dillon/S. Zhou (Vic)
Mixed Doubles	K. Jamieson/S.McDonnell (Qld)	B. Foley/E. Widdup (Qld)
Boys Teams	Victoria	Queensland
Girls Teams	Victoria	Queensland

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 15 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Boys Singles	S. Gallagher (WA)	P. Burton (Vic)
Girls Singles	S. Zhou (Vic)	K. Pon (WA)
Boys Doubles	G. Guzzo/J. Muir (Vic)	T. Brown/P. Burton (Vic)
Girls Doubles	L. Savige/S. Zhou (Vic)	V. Makaling/V. Webster (Vic)
Mixed Doubles	S. Gallagher(WA)/V. Makaling(Vic)	D. Knott (SA)/J. Hartley (NZ)
Boys Teams	Victoria	Western Australia
Girls Teams	Victoria	New South Wales

AUSTRALIAN VETERANS CHAMPIONSHIPSO/40 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mens Singles	P. Pinkewich (NSW)	D. Schull (Qld)
Womens Singles	M. Walker (Tas)	B. Bird (SA)
Mens Doubles	P. Pinkewich/K. Cole (NSW)	A. Batts/W. Borkhardt (Qld)
Womens Doubles	P. Rosario/I Trnka (Vic)	J. Coombes/C. Langley (SA)
Mixed Doubles	P. Pinkewich/J. Brown (NSW)	I. Klaf/I. Trnka (Vic)
Mens Teams	New South Wales	Queensland
Womens Teams	South Australia	Victoria

O/50 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mens Singles	I. Klaf (Vic)	B. Bates (Vic)
Womens Singles	P. Holden (Vic)	B. Bird (SA)
Mens Doubles	E. Herman(SA)/I. Klaf (Vic)	P. Humphries/K. Langridge(Vic)
Womens Doubles	J. Tregea/J. Whisson (Qld)	Y. Braun/P. Holden (Vic)
Mixed Doubles	E. Herman(SA)/J. Tregea(Qld)	I. Klaf/P. Holden (Vic)
Mens Teams	Victoria	South Australia
Womens Teams	Victoria	Queensland

O/60 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mens Singles	B. Bates (Vic)	T. Boyd (NSW)
Womens Singles	D. Sanders (Vic)	U. Fitzgerald (Qld)
Mens Doubles	M. Schwarzbaum/T. Boyd (NSW)	H. Berresheim/E. Hoff (SA)
Womens Doubles	J. Guggenheim/D Sanders (Vic)	U. Fitzgerald/J. Woodward (Qld)
Mixed Doubles	B. Bates/D. Sanders (Vic)	R. Poon/J. Guggenheim (Vic)
Mens Teams	South Australia	Victoria
Womens Teams	Victoria	New South Wales

O/70 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mens Singles	M. Schwarzbaum (NSW)	E. Solik (Tas)
Womens Singles	C. Knauer (Germany)	P. Beard (SA)
Mens Doubles	M. Schwarzbaum(NSW)/ S. Wynaik (Vic)	P. Colthup/R. Thomas (Vic)
Womens Doubles	H. Franzini/J Morris(Vic)	P. Beard/M. Gleeson (SA)
Mixed Doubles	R. Thomas/J. Morris (Vic)	V.Kwok/A. Stevenson (NZ)
Mens Teams	New South Wales	Presidents
Womens Teams	Victoria	Victoria
		South Australia

MICHAEL SZABADOS AWARD FOR THE JUNIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Sandi McDonnell - Queensland

VICTOR BARNA AWARD FOR THE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Ying Kwok - New South Wales

Commonwealth Championships

The 10th Commonwealth Table Tennis Championships were conducted at Nairobi, Kenya from 14-20 April 1991. Australia was represented by:

MEN

K. Jamieson
R. Moore
P. Pinkewich (C)
G. Tepper

WOMEN

C. Dillon
K. Gould
J. Langridge (C)

Manager N. Shorter

Final teams placing saw the mens team finish 5th and the womens team finish 8th.

World Championships

The 41st World Championships were conducted in Chiba, Japan from 24 April to 2 May 1991. Australia was represented by:

MEN

D. Makaling
J. Perry
H.P. Quach
A. Rosario

WOMEN

G. Hui
Ying Kwok
K. Tepper

R. Tuckett (NPC)

Zou Lansun (NPC)

Manager - N. Harwood

Final teams placings saw the mens team finish 31st and the womens team 25th. A feature was the performance of Ying Kwok who was undefeated in teams matches.

Noumea International Open

The 3rd International Championship of Noumea was conducted in New Caledonia from 15-20 July 1991. Australia was represented by:

AUSTRALIA 1

B. Clarke
R. Moore
J. Langridge

AUSTRALIA 2

D. Makaling
P.H. Quach
Ying Kwok

Final teams placings were Australia 1 4th and Australia 2 3rd.

Oceania Olympic Qualifying Tournament

This tournament was conducted in Palmerston North, New Zealand from 16-19 August 1991. Australia was represented by:

MEN

D. Makaling
J. Perry
P.H. Quach

R. Tuckett (NPC)

Manager - N. Harwood

WOMEN

Ying Kwok
J. Langridge
K. Tepper

Zou Lansun (NPC)

D. Makaling, Ying Kwok and Kerri Tepper all qualified to represent Australia at the 1992 Barcelona Olympic Games.

Asian Cup

This event was held in the Phillipines during September 1991.

D. Makaling was invited to represent Australia.

World Teams Cup

This event was conducted in Barcelona, Spain from 19-24 November 1991. Australia was represented by:

MEN

D. Makaling
J. Perry
P.H. Quach

WOMEN

G. Hui
Ying Kwok
K. Tepper

AUSTRALIAN SENIOR RANKINGS - 1991

<u>Men</u>			<u>Women</u>	
1.	D. Makaling	(Vic)	Ying Kwok	(NSW)
2.	P.H. Quach	(Vic)	G. Hui	(NSW)
3.	R. Javor	(SA)	K. Tepper	(Vic)
4.	B. Clarke	(Vic)	J. Langridge	(Vic)
5.	J. Perry	(Vic)	J. Tepper	(Vic)
6.	N. Ward	(SA)	K. Ledenac	(SA)
7.	K. Jamieson	(Qld)	M.J. Chang	(NSW)
8.	S. Bakanay	(Qld)	K. Gould	(SA)
9.	P. Langley	(SA)	C. Dillon	(Vic)
10.	R. Moore	(Vic)	G. D'Arcy	(Qld)

AUSTRALIAN U/21 YOUTH RANKINGS

<u>Men</u>			<u>Women</u>	
1.	J. Perry	(Vic)	S. Zhou	(Vic)
2.	B. Clarke	(Vic)	K. Ledenac	(SA)
3.	R. Moore	(Vic)	K. Gould	(SA)
4.	M. Smythe	(Vic)	N. Freeland	(Vic)
5.	P. Langley	(SA)	C. Dillon	(Vic)
6.	M. Palmay	(NSW)	M. Marcen	(Vic)
7.	R. Lavale	(Vic)	L. Gauci	(SA)
8.	T. Schultz	(SA)	M. Tobin	(Vic)
9.	B. Peel	(Vic)		
10.	A. Jeffress	(Qld)		

D. Makaling (Not ranked owing to insufficient
 K. Jamieson (performance in this age group

AUSTRALIAN U/19 YOUTH RANKINGS

<u>Men</u>			<u>Women</u>	
1.	B. Clarke	(Vic)	C. Dillon	(Vic)
2.	M. Smythe	(Vic)	C. Gould	(SA)
3.	B. Foley	(Qld)	S. Zhou	(Vic)
4.	R. Lavale	(Vic)	M. Marcen	(Vic)
5.	P. Langley	(SA)		
6.	M. Gallagher	(WA)		
7.	M. Palmay	(NSW)		
8.	D. Webb	(Vic)		

AUSTRALIAN U/17 RANKINGS

<u>Boys</u>			<u>Girls</u>	
1.	K. Jamieson	(Qld)	S. McDonnell	(Qld)
2.	B. Rajab	(Vic)	S. Zhou	(Vic)
3.	R. Lavale	(Vic)	T. Auchterlonie	(Tas)
4.	D. Webb	(Vic)	C. Dillon	(Vic)
5.	B. Foley	(Qld)	M. Marcen	(Vic)
6.	G. Raber	(NSW)	E. Widdup	(Qld)
7.	J. Plumb	(ACT)	W. Phipps	(NSW)
8.	A. Fox	(Vic)	B. Williams	(Qld)
9.	R. Pronibis	(Vic)	M. Tobin	(Vic)
10.	P. Lao	(Vic)	L. Gauci	(SA)

AUSTRALIAN U/15 RANKINGS

<u>Boys</u>			<u>Girls</u>	
1.	S. Gallagher	(WA)	S. Zhou	(Vic)
2.	P. Burton	(Vic)	K. Pon	(WA)
3.	J. Muir	(Vic)	L. Savige	(Vic)
4.	F. Knott	(SA)	V. Makaling	(Vic)
5.	B. Dorries	(Qld)	N. Poole	(NSW)
6.	G. Guzzo	(Vic)	M. Dillon	(Vic)
7.	T. Brown	(Vic)	A. Pon	(WA)
8.	J. Gock	(NSW)	V. Webster	(Vic)
9.	R. Pronobis	(Vic)	N. Keioskie	(Qld)
10.	P. Lao	(Vic)	D. Cheung	(NSW)

AUSTRALIAN VETERANS RANKINGS - 1991

<u>Men</u>		<u>O40</u>	<u>Women</u>	
1.	P. Pinkewich	(NSW)	M. Walker	(Tas)
2.	M. Johns	(WA)	B. Bird	(SA)
3.	I. Klaf	(Vic)	I. Truka	(Vic)
4.	D. Schull	(Qld)	P. Tait (Holden)	(Vic)
5.	D. Beaumont	(NSW)	J. Burford	(SA)
6.	J. Kilderry	(Vic)	J. Coombes	(SA)
7.	G. Yeo	(Qld)	C. Langley	(SA)
8.	T. Samuelssen	(NSW)	J. Tregoe	(Qld)
9.	G. Happel	(WA)	J. Munn	(Vic)
10.	T. Webb	(Qld)	K. Holcomb	(NSW)
11.	E. Herman	(SA)	G. Joliffe	(ACT)
12.	P. Sheedy	(Vic)	J. Brown	(NSW)

O50

1.	I. Klaf	(Vic)	P. Tait (Holden)	(Vic)
2.	P. Humphries	(Vic)	B. Bird	(SA)
3.	E. Herman	(SA)	J. Tregoe	(Qld)
4.	W. Bates	(Vic)	J. Whissen	(Qld)
5.	L. Hurst	(Qld)	S. Fitzgerald	(Qld)
6.	G. Bigalake	(SA)	J. Brown	(NSW)
7.	J. Leggett	(NSW)	P. Rosario	(Vic)
8.	K. Langridge	(Vic)	E. Edwards	(NSW)
9.	K. Sands	(NSW)	Y. Braun	(Vic)
10.	P. Fischer	(Vic)	C. Hughes	(NSW)
11.	S. Feige	(Qld)	D. Sanders	(Vic)
12.	B. Evans	(Tas)	B. Davies	(NSW)

O60

1.	W. Bates	(Vic)	D. Sanders	(Vic)
2.	T. Boyd	(NSW)	S. Fitzgerald	(Qld)
3.	F. Molyneux	(SA)	V. Walsh	(Vic)
4.	R. Poon	(Vic)	J. Guggenheim	(Vic)
5.	H. Berresheim	(SA)	I. Silias	(NSW)
6.	J. Craig	(NSW)	T. Beaumont	(NSW)
7.	J. Nicholson	(SA)	S. Drake	(NSW)
8.	C. Roden	(NSW)	J. Woodward	(Qld)
9.	K. Woodward	(Qld)		
10.	G. Hoff	(SA)		
11.	R. Brown	(Qld)		
12.	E. Kimber	(Qld)		

O70

1.	M. Schwarzbaum	(NSW)	H. Franzini	(Vic)
2.	E. Thomas	(Vic)	P. Beard	(SA)
3.	E. Solik	(Tas)	M. Gleeson	(SA)
4.	S. Wynack	(Vic)	J. Morris	(Vic)
5.	R. Vincent	(Tas)		
6.	P. Colthup	(Vic)		

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