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2006 ANNUAL REPORT

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NCCUA UMPIRING AWARDS 2006

UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

Grant Godfrey and Roger Crowhurst

FIELD UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

Grant Godfrey

BOUNDARY UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

Shane Lamborn

GOAL UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

Joe Wenta

CLUBMAN OF THE YEAR

Roy Reichert

GOLDEN WHISTLE AWARD (BEST UP AND COMING UMPIRE)

Adrian Hoffman

BEST FIRST YEAR UMPIRE

Adam Lowe

BLACK DIAMOND AFL AWARDS 2006

UMPIRE OF THE YEAR

Grant Godfrey

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2006 BLACK DIAMOND CUP DEBUTANTS

Field Umpires

Matthew Gestier, Adrian Hoffman and Craig Rogers

Boundary Umpires

Brett Cadona, Ryan Clarke, Colin Goodenough, Riley Hayes, J. Lloyd, Bianca Lowe, Marc Trialonas and Jackson White

Goal Umpires

Paul Best, Mitchell Cosgriff, Wayne Ferrand, Adam Lowe, Bianca Lowe, Jake Lowe, Phil Marriott, Chris Ward and Hugh Wells

MILESTONES IN 2006

Chris Barker 100 total games in the BDAFL

Tony Butler 50 total games in the BDAFL as a Field Umpire

Lee Gardener 150 total games in the BDAFL

50 games in First Division as a Field Umpire and

50 games in Under 18's as a Field Umpire

Grant Godfrey 50 total games in the BDAFL as a Field Umpire

Richard Judd 150 total games in the BDAFL

Shane Lamborn 50 total games in the BDAFL and

50 games in the BDAFL as a Boundary Umpire

Brendan Marriott 50 total games in the BDAFL

Chris Rawling 50 total games in the BDAFL

50 games in the Black Diamond Cup as a Boundary Umpire and

50 games in the BDAFL as a Boundary Umpire

Roy Reichert 50 games in the Under 18's as a Field Umpire

Phil Stone 50 games in the BDAFL as a Field Umpire

John Sullivan 150 games in the BDAFL as a Goal Umpire

Joe Wenta 100 games in the BDAFL as a Goal Umpire

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Austin	Peter				0	6	2		8	9	1		10	18				0	6	2		8	9	1		10	18		
Barker	Christopher			10	10			8	8				0	18	7		39	46	5		37	42	3		11	14	102		
Best	Paul	1		1	2	9			9	5			5	16	3		1	4	15			15	7			7	26		
Butler	Anthony	1			1	6			6	5			5	12	4	2		6	29	1		30	28	4		32	68		
Cadona	Brett		11		11		2		2		1		1	14		11		11		2		2		1		1	14		
Cornish	Richard			7	7			4	4			4	4	15		11	30	41	9		26	35	12		11	23	99		
Cosgriff	Mitchell			1	1			3	3			4	4	8			1	1			3	3			4	4	8		
Crowhurst	Roger	23			23				0	1			1	24	37			37	2			2	1			1	40		
Dinneen	Ray	1			1	16			16	1			1	18	84			84	46			46	8			8	138		
Durrance	Brett				0	1			1	5			5	6				0	1			1	5			5	6		
Edmiston	Bruce	18			18	2			2	2			2	22	29		3	32	28		4	32	20		2	22	86		
Farrand	Scott				0		2		2		2		2	4				0		2		2		2		2	4		
Farrand	Wayne			6	6			5	5			5	5	16			6	6			5	5			5	5	16		
Gardener	Lee	13			13	5			5	2			2	20	23	13	7	43	54	4	4	62	51	3		54	159		
Gestier	Matthew	5			5				0				0	5	5			5				0				0	5		
Godfrey	Grant	18			18	1			1	1			1	20	50			50	4			4	3			3	57		
Goodenough	Colin		14		14		2		2		3		3	19		14		14		2		2		3		3	19		
Harding	Kimberley				0	9			9	12			12	21				0	18			18	13			13	31		
Hayes	Riley		16		16		2		2		5		5	23		16		16		2		2		5		5	23		
Hoffman	Adrian	10			10	8			8	4			4	22	10	1	1	12	12	1		13	8	1		9	34		
Hoffman	Peter						NIL								51		9	60	32		10	42	31			31	133		
Hunter	Robert				0	8			8	4			4	12	14	9	3	26	50	1		51	23			23	100		
Jackson	Paul				0	1			1	16			16	17				0	1			1	16			16	17		
James	Ryan						NIL											0		4		4				0	4		
Judd	Richard	7		4	11	3		3	6	1			1	18	74	1	16	91	32	1	10	43	18		1	19	153		
Kenna	Richard				0	12			12	5			5	17	10		5	15	91		4	95	76			76	186		
Kent	Ashley						NIL														NIL								
King	Bradley	12			12	6			6	2			2	20	13	1		14	11			11	4			4	29		

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Lamborn	Shane		20		20		2		2				0	22		48		48		9	1	10		5	1	6	64
Lowe	Adam			15	15			15	15			7	7	37			15	15			15	15			7	7	37
Lowe	Jake			5	5		2	8	10			9	9	24			5	5		2	8	10			9	9	24
Lowe	Bianca		1	11	12		3	3	6			12	12	30		1	11	12		3	3	6			12	12	30
Luck	Darrel	21			21	1		1	2	3			3	26	97		2	99	19		3	22	18			18	139
Marriott	Phillip			15	15			15	15				0	30		2	15	17		2	15	17				0	34
Marriott	Brendan		4		4	4			4	11			11	19		30	1	31	4	6	3	13	13	2		15	59
Martyn	Kevin (Tom)						NIL			•		•						0	1			1	1			1	2
McBain	Garry				0	6			6	5			5	11	8		2	10	49			49	33			33	92
Partland	John			13	13			15	15				0	28			23	23			26	26			1	1	50
Rawling	Christopher		20		20		1		1		1		1	22		54		54		8	2	10		4		4	68
Rawling	Jacqueline			5	5			5	5				0	10			22	22			24	24			2	2	48
Reichert	Emily		1		1		4		4	3	4		7	12		1		1		4	2	6	3	4		7	14
Reichert	Roy				0	3			3	7			7	10	2		6	8	31	1	3	35	52			52	95
Rogers	Eric	9			9				0				0	9	82		1	83	39			39	16	1		17	139
Schuck	Melissa		14		14		6		6		3		3	23		21		21		7		7		4		4	32
Smith	lanto (Taffie)	7			7	3			3	7			7	17	9			9	9			9	13			13	31
Stone	Philip	14			14	2			2	2			2	18	37		2	39	15	1	2	18	14			14	71
Sullivan	Edmund			16	16			12	12	4			4	32	1		94	95	7		67	74	27		9	36	205
Trialonas	Marc		12		12		2		2		1		1	15		12		12		2		2		1		1	15
Turner	Neville	3			3	13			13	7			7	23	76		2	78	73		5	78	38		1	39	195
Turton	Jack			4	4			4	4				0	8			8	8			9	9			5	5	22
Ward	Matthew			15	15			16	16				0	31			20	20			20	20				0	40
Welsh	Stephen						NIL								16			16	35			35	33			33	84
Wenta	Joseph			20	20			13	13			1	1	34			62	62			52	52			2	2	116
White	Jackson		1		1				0				0	1		1		1				0				0	1
Wingent	Rachel				0				0			7	7	7				0				0			7	7	7

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the 2006 Annual Report of the Newcastle Central Coast Umpires Association.

On behalf of the Committee of the NCCUA I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank our sponsors who have contributed to the continued success of the Association. Our sponsors in 2006 were — Leadership Management Australia, Members Equity Bank, Swansea RSL Club, The Herald and the Wickham Park Hotel.

I cannot emphasise the importance of sponsors to our Association. Without the funds they contribute, the financial well being of the Association would be in doubt and this would not allow the Association to offer uniforms to new members at discounted prices or keep membership fees where they currently are at. So as always I encourage all members of the Association to use the services that our sponsors offer.

During the 2006 season most of the Association's success would not have been possible without the members of the Committee who give their valuable time and effort to make sure the Association continues to run smoothly and that all the things members take for granted are put in place by the Committee. I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank the Committee members and give you an idea of what they have actually contributed to the Association this year.

Grant Godfrey – Grant this year was approached by the BDAFL and was appointed Umpires Coach by the BDAFL. As Grant would attest it is a difficult and time-consuming job. He had the task also of convening the Appointments panel and unenviable job of re-arranging appointments on a regular basis between Thursday and Saturday each week. As always Grant carried his job out with the utmost professionalism. Again I personally thank Grant also for his input and advice on a number of issues that arose during the year and thank him for his help in improving the professionalism of the umpiring group.

Phil Stone – Phil has had a very difficult role this year, that of Junior Co-ordinator. Each week Phil made sure that the AFLGSJ (Newcastle) competition has enough umpires to do all the games on a Saturday. This is not an easy task. We have seen some of the junior umpires be regulars at training this year and hopefully at some stage in the future they will progress into the BDAFL competition. Thank you for your hard work this year Phil with the junior umpires.

Neville Turner – Neville again has continued to do an outstanding job as Treasurer. This year saw the introduction of the requirement for the NCCUA to formalise a budget for acceptance as an affiliate of the BDAFL. He is always making sure that accounts are kept up to date and this year saw him take on a different role in having to chase down members who owed money for various reasons to the Association. Neville, another job well done.

Richard Cornish – The Blind Guy does a lot of things that people do not see. He does minutes, up dates the NCCUA web site, keeps an up to date statistical record of the NCCUA membership, organises social events and basically keeps everybody informed of things that are happening. A big thanks to Richard for his work.

Bruce Edmiston – Bruce has been the quiet achiever this year. He has stepped into the chair when I have been unable to attend meetings and offered his thoughts and opinions on a number of issues. He has been there at training to give a hand when required. Thank you Bruce.

Roy Reichert – Roy has been instrumental along with Bruce and Richard in reviewing and putting forward changes to the NCCUA's constitution. Roy like the rest of the Committee offers ideas that may not have been put forward on hard issues. Roy has also been a stalwart in the junior competition and regularly does 3 plus games over the course of a weekend to fill gaps in the juniors. This year Roy's tally exceeded 51 games in the season in the junior competition, plus several senior appointments. Top work Roy, thank you for your help in 2006.

Emily Reichert – Emily has had the difficult task of putting together the article in the football record each week. A valuable learning experience as her umpiring career takes off. Also Emily has been able to fill the gap and take minutes as Assistant Secretary when Richard has been absent. Emily I look forward to reading your articles again with interest in 2007. Thank you for your efforts and hard work this year Emily.

The 2006 season for the Association has seen a lot of changes to the thinking, planning, philosophy and goals not just for the members of the Committee but also for all the umpires.

The major change and shift this year was a closer working relationship with the Black Diamond AFL, in particular the efforts that the following gentlemen have given to the improvement of umpiring in the region – Garry Burkinshaw (General Manager), Ian Granland (President) and John McMahon (Vice President and Appointment Committee member). Without this relationship between the Association and the League I'm sure that umpiring would not be moving forward.

Further this relationship has been enhanced with the NCCUA becoming an affiliate of the BDAFL as a 'Special Interest Group'. This affiliation has guaranteed better lines of communication between clubs, the League and the umpiring group. I have no doubt that again in 2007 that this will continue to improve and develop as an integral of the Black Diamond competition.

The 2006 season started with the BDAFL and NCCUA negotiating what I believe to have been a landmark agreement for the supply of umpiring services in the Hunter and Central Coast regions. The agreement has three key elements – longevity (is enforced for 3 years), implementation of a career pathway (by offering an incentive for Under 18's umpires) and transparency of appointments (through the Appointments panel).

With this agreement now firmly entrenched, the framework is in place for the Association to look at exactly how it carries out the business of organising, training, developing, retaining and recruiting umpires.

Further the Association is looking at how umpires on the Central Coast have a pathway into the BDAFL. In 2006 the trial of a training venue at Mannering Park was implemented and held on a monthly basis.

Unfortunately this was not as successful as anticipated with lack of participation from the Central Coast junior umpires. I would like to thank all the members who attended this training session and gave up their time to travel south.

In 2007 the Committee will be looking at forming a closer working relationship with the Central Coast juniors to help develop, train, mentor and give a career pathway through the Under 18's competition in the BDAFL. This Under 18 career pathway for junior umpires to move into the BDAFL in conjunction with the GSJAFL requirement that both the Central Coast and Newcastle junior umpires form elite junior umpire squads in 2007 should give a clear defined progression for young umpires in their umpiring career. These squads will be mentored and assisted by the BDAFL's top senior umpires, which should assist in the formation of a closer working relationship with the Central Coast junior umpires.

The task of moving the Association forward this season started with the Committee appointing a sub committee to review and recommend changes to the Constitution. This process was concluded in September 2006.

Over the next 6 months another sub-committee will look at recommending the implementation of a set of By-Laws, which will go hand in hand with the Constitution and will include portfolios for Committee members. This process will be ongoing as the review of both the Constitution and By-laws are an integral part to the Association functioning professionally and uphold accountability.

Another part of this process is planning via setting a realistic budget and at some point over the next 12 months discussing and implementing a 3-year plan for the Association to give direction of where we want to head in developing, recruiting and retaining umpires.

A key step in this process will be the expansion of junior umpire numbers in both junior competitions (Central Coast and Newcastle) and the relationships we need to form to make the elite junior umpire development squads work. The very best of our elite junior umpires will be attending a weeklong development camp and be involved in umpiring the National Under 18 and Under 15 competitions to be held in NSW in 2007. Mentoring by AFL umpires will also be provided, along with officiating at all elite school competitions.

We need to be able to support the development of these umpires who will be required to be umpiring a number of Under 18 matches to reach the academy standard. This will mean that the senior and junior umpires coaches will need to form a close working relationship to facilitate the development of these young umpires who are the future of umpiring in the region.

NSWAFL has started a program this year to recognise the efforts of developing umpires by having an awards day. The BDAFL, Central Coast Juniors and Newcastle Juniors had umpires recognised at this event. They were umpires who had umpired grand finals, had been awarded the golden whistle award, had mentored other umpires and for umpires graduating from the "Green Shirt" program.

This program is heavily focused on development of junior umpires, as this will be a major source of new umpires in the future, and is recognised as a critical resource when the player participation rate for junior competitions are planned to double over the next 5 years. This will mean that our Association needs to continue to form stronger links to develop junior umpires and the eventual reward will be greater numbers of senior umpires.

This will be evident in 2007 with a small number of junior umpires graduating into the BDAFL, but the majority of this process will be evident in about 3 years time when the Under 18 ranks will be filled with graduating umpires.

The theme for Presentation night this year was 'Recognition of the NCCUA Life Members'. It is important we know where we came from to then have an understanding of where we are going.

The Association had Life Member pins made this year and presented these to our Life Members in recognition of the time and effort which they have put and continue to put into the Association and umpiring.

It was also satisfying to see two members of the Association, John Sullivan and Gary McBain be elected as Life Members of the Black Diamond AFL. A well-deserved honour and we congratulate both men for obtaining this achievement to be recognised for their contributions to football in the local area.

To all our Life Members thank you for your hard work and efforts of getting the Association where it is today and for your continued support. Without these gentlemen we would not be the professional outfit we are today.

A couple of final items, firstly 2006 saw the first female field umpire gain an appointment and perform exceptionally well in the Under 18's BDAFL Grand Final, congratulations to Kim Harding. I hope that this shows other young female umpires that if you set your goals, you can actually achieve them. If you look at our membership base, we now have 5 female umpires and this is increasing each year.

To all the umpires who umpired during the finals series and especially the grand final, congratulations on representing the Association at the highest level and for the quality of the job done under exceptional circumstances.

Congratulations to the umpires who represented the NCCUA at the representative level. They were Roger Crowhurst (Field), Shane Lamborn (Boundary) and Joe Wenta (Goal) who went to Wagga and Phil Stone (Field) who umpired at the Under 18's representative match in Canberra.

Also I would like to thank Roger Crowhurst our fitness advisor. A job well done in making sure that we were a fit bunch of enthusiastic umpires.

In closing thank you to all the umpires who umpired in 2006. I hope that the goals you personally set were achieved. If not then now is the time to reconsider those goals and think about what 2007 might hold for you and how you can make sure you achieve the goals you set.

I look forward to seeing you all in 2007 and certainly look forward to the challenges that I no doubt lay ahead for the Committee, Association and its members in the upcoming BDAFL season.

Darrel Luck President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

This year we had 54 registered members of which 20 of these where first year members and six of whom where Life Members of the Association.

The website this year was updated when possible with news, documents, and photos of the Association activities. During the year we had over 13,981 page requests, and 130MB of traffic (including downloads and picture views). The month of May saw the most traffic for our web site with 1,691 hits and 20MB of downloads.

During the Year we have had nine general meetings and one special general meeting. The general meeting on the Wednesday 3 May 2006 had the greatest participation with 20 members in attendance. We averaged thirteen members attending each meeting with an average of nine apologies.

We had six social events throughout the year with Putt Putt golf, ten-pin bowling, annual trip to the SCG to watch the Swans play, two nights at the harness races and a golf day. The Putt Putt golf day saw around 20 members attending, ten-pin we had 9 members attending, the annual trip to the SCG we had approximately 30 members attending, the harness racing nights we had about 10 members each event and the golf day we had an attendance of 3 members. All these events were enjoyed by all of those in attendance. But to continue to make these events fun we need continued member's participation.

The major problem this year faced by the Association was the termination of the agreement between the BDAFL and the NCCUA, by the BDAFL. After talks between the two groups a new agreement was agreed upon and the league has provided more support for the Association in regards to a paid coaching role. Also another major incentive of the agreement was the payment of umpires match fees on the day of the game. This encouraged more people to umpire, as payments were readily available after matches instead of having to wait 6 weeks for payment as happened in the past.

Some major correspondence this year included emails between the BDAFL and NCCUA about the agreement. There was also plenty of umpiring information from Graham Glassford (State Umpiring Development Manager – NSW/ACT AFL). We had a total of 46 items of correspondence inwards and 37 items of correspondence outwards.

While we had a total of 54 registered members, we had 84 people umpire BDAFL matches this year, not including club umpires. During the year members umpired 412 games as field umpires, 165 games as boundary umpires, and 327 games as goal umpires.

Major milestones this year included John Sullivan umpiring his 200th BDAFL match as well as many others and plenty of debuts.

We also congratulate Colin and Rachel Goodenough on their wedding day on 23 September 2006. We wish them all the very best in the future for wedded bliss.

And finally to all those new parents with the arrival of:

Rylan Adrian Hoffman to Adrian and Jedda Hoffman; Lucy Amelia Godfrey to Grant and Kate Godfrey; Emily Kate King to Brad and Angie King.

Maybe some umpiring stars of the future.

Richard Cornish Secretary

UMPIRE COACH'S REPORT

Season 2006 was a successful one for the umpiring group of the NCCUA. As coach for the second season it was a great pleasure to work with all members to try and improve their skills and knowledge of umpiring.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members for their positive attitude towards football and your unwavering passion for umpiring. As it is we are one of the most professional groups involved in the league. In fact we leave a lot of the clubs far behind in the level of professionalism displayed. Let's hope this continues in the future.

This season we formed a strong link with the Central Coast junior umpiring group. This proved to be a fruitful union and one that will continue to grow in the future. A number of these umpires took part in the finals this season, with Marc Trialonas going on to umpire the first grade grand final on the boundary. As displayed by this, there is a pathway for umpires from the Central Coast if they wish to be part of the group.

Training was conducted at Hawkins Oval on a Monday and Wednesday night. Training was well attended as a general rule. Roger Crowhurst was appointed Fitness Advisor for the group. Training was varied and as a result many umpires were fitter than in the past. Regular fitness tests were conducted with some very good results being displayed. I would like to personally thank Roger for his support and the enthusiasm he brought to the role.

This season saw the introduction of a Selection Panel comprised of Grant Godfrey, John Sullivan and John McMahon. The selection panel met on several occasion to discus appointments and in particular during the finals. I would like to take the opportunity to thank John McMahon for his input and positive manner he brought to this job.

The finals of the BDAFL demonstrated the quality of the umpiring group we have assembled. The manner in which the umpires conducted themselves was first class with no major controversies.

Out of 21 umpires officiating in the Grand Final, 4 were from the Central Coast. This was part of our development plan and it is pleasing to see a greater input from the southern region.

Another notable achievement was the first female field umpire ever to officiate in the field in a grand final. Kim Harding umpired extremely well throughout the finals and is a credit to the umpiring group. Her and other females add another dimension to the umpiring ranks and more should be encouraged to take up the job.

This year we had 18 people officially gain their accreditation across a number of disciplines. To add to this we had 13 people gain reaccreditation across a number of disciplines. The umpiring group as a whole worked hard to update their skills and knowledge and should be commended.

The future for the group lies in all our hands. We need to nurture our juniors and support our older umpires. If this means the league take a backward step and gets club umpires to umpire the reserves then it will have to put this in place so that in the short term our umpires are managed and supported.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Darrel Luck for the enormous amount of work he puts into umpiring. Without Darrel the group would certainly not be as strong as it is. His leadership and vision is a driving force for the group and his support was certainly appreciated by me.

Grant Godfrey Umpires Coach

JUNIOR UMPIRES COORDINATOR'S REPORT — AFLGSJ (NEWCASTLE)

2006 was the inaugural season for the AFLGSJ-Newcastle regional competition.

My principle aims at the commencement of the season were to:

- a. expand the pool of young umpires,
- b. provide development opportunities for the more experienced young umpires and
- c. continue to reduce the number of matches without an appointed umpire.

Although one umpire was lost to the group late in the season, four young people joined the ranks and showed steady improvement throughout the year. This recruitment rate equalled last year's number of new umpires and there is now a stable group of young umpires who will hopefully continue on into the next season. All are showing promising development, with the more experienced of the umpires showing the maturity and competence to officiate matches without direct adult supervision.

Representative and finals appointments were granted to most of the umpires who are in their second season or more and, without exception, each performed excellently. These umpires graduated from the green shirt system either at the start of the season, or shortly thereafter and are currently working through the Level 1 accreditation process.

During this season, no more than a handful of matches were conducted without officially appointed umpires, continuing the trend from previous seasons of reducing the number of matches, which require club umpires. The main reason for this was the growing number of young umpires but some cunning secondment of Black Diamond Cup umpires also helped.

If there has been one shortcoming in the umpire structure, it is the number of adult mentors available to supervise learning umpires. The same group of four adults has now been undertaking this role for more than four years and there is a real need for more (younger) adults to become involved in umpiring.

Looking forward to 2007, I recommend that the following actions be taken with respect to AFLGSJ-Newcastle umpiring:

- a. recruitment of at least two (in total) adult age umpires from participating clubs who have an interest in longer term umpiring activity,
- b. continued development of current junior umpires resulting in Level 1 accreditation for those entering their second year,
- c. recruitment of an additional four 'green shirt' umpires and
- d. orientation training for all AFLGSJ- Newcastle club goal and boundary umpires.

Phil Stone
Junior Umpire Coordinator
AFLSGJ (Newcastle)

TREASURER'S REPORT

BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2006

Balance B/Forward 1 November 2005 918.26

Plus Deposits 10091.45

11009.71

Less Payments 9636.01

Balance as at 30 November 2006 \$ **1373.70**

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2006

Balance B/Forward No 1 Account		918.26
Plus Income Received Transfer from No 2 Account Registration Fees Sponsorships Uniforms Game Payments BDAFL - Medal Night	226.80 520.00 4300.00 2777.00 435.00 350.00 197.00 470.00 209.15 490.00 114.05 2.45	10091.45 11009.71
Less Expenses Dept Fair Trading Accreditations Purchase of Carlton Jumper Affiliation Fees Australia Post Box Athletics Oval Hire Uniform Logos BBQs & Social Functions Insurances Purchase of Radios Trophies Rep Games & Tribunals Swans Bus Trip Ten Pin Bowling Flowers Stationary Final Series Massages BDAFL Medal Night Uniforms DVD's – Training Donation – Sids & Kids Bank Fees	64.00 517.00 125.00 40.00 60.00 58.00 412.50 669.65 254.45 197.00 583.30 435.00 750.00 40.00 218.00 90.45 750.00 350.00 3820.30 33.00 150.00 18.36	
Total Expenses		<u>9636.01</u>
Balance as at 30 November 2006		\$ <u>1373.70</u>

INVENTORIES

NCCUA UNIFORM STOCK ON HAND AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2006

Item	Price (\$)	S	М	L	XL	XXL	4XL	Total (\$)
F/B Shirt	30	1	2	4	3	2		360
G SS Shirt	30	1	2	1	2	1	1	240
G LS Shirt	30	1	3	1	2		1	240
Shorts	12	2	6	4	2	2		192
Socks	7			1				7
Sweatbands	7	17						119
Tracksuits	75		1 top only					40
Polo Shirts	22				5			110
Caps	7	4						28
Flags	40	1						40
TOTAL								1376

All prices quoted above include the addition of GST at 10%.

NCCUA MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS ON HAND AT NO COST

Item	Quantity
Green uniform	2xS, 4xM, 2xXL
Green Socks	8
Green Beginners Pack	10
Intro Pack	6
Green Bags	18
Green Caps	11
Drink Bottles	19
Whistles	15

Neville Turner Treasurer