

## Hockey

Mirabile Dictu!

On Sunday 9th August, 1987 at Queen Elizabeth Reserve, West Lindfield the Bar beat the Solicitors 4-2 (Warburton 3 goals, L.G. Stone 1) in the annual hockey match and regained the coveted Noonan Trophy for the first time since 1973.

The Bar played determined and vigorous hockey throughout and deserved to win. They were significantly assisted by the enthusiastic barracking from, amongst others, the President, the Registrar and Meares Q.C.

Katzmann again was magnificent in goal and she successfully withstood a number of umpire assisted attacks by the Solicitors late in the match involving an extravagance of short corners of dubious necessity. As wing halves Graham Q.C., and Masterman Q.C., were busy and effective. As in the past few years, Warburton was dominant as centre forward and indeed, his was a match winning performance, properly rewarded by the award to him of the Player (formerly Man) of the Match trophy. Warburton was well supported in the forward line by Bellanto and L.G. Stone and G.H. Johnson terrorized the young Solicitors with a vigorous spell on the field in the second half.

The post-match celebrations were joyous and excessive and continued well into the evening. Callaghan remains confident that the Bar will win (again!) next year. □

## Brysonalia

Bryson J:

(1) "The real world is only a matter of perception in any event, but the probabilities are that it is also there".

(2) Learned Senior Counsel (after digressing along many tangential branches) "If I may continue with the Affidavit your Honour, and move along forward".

Bryson J:

"Really Mr. (Learned Senior Counsel), you should not offer me such temptations".

## Golf

The annual match against the Services was played this year at Elanora Country Club on Friday 17 July 1987. The match had been played for some years past at Royal Sydney Golf Club.

This match was first played in 1933, when there was only one trophy for competition. According to Judge Head, who first played in 1936, all the games before the war were played at the Lakes Golf Club. When the competition resumed in 1946, the matches were played at Elanora Country Club, and later on there was a move to the Australian, and then to Royal Sydney. Two additional trophies were introduced in 1946 and 1949, and since 1949 there have been three separate competitions, first, an A-Grade (with a combined handicap up to 29); secondly, a B-Grade competition (with a combined handicap of 30 and over); and an aggregate competition.

This year, for the second successive year, the Bench and Bar team won all three trophies. 21 matches were played. Although the Services team has completed the hat trick on many occasions, the Bench and Bar team has only achieved complete success before in 1955 and 1972.

Tony Bannon and Peter Barbour had the best score with 47 points. Good scores (in order) were recorded by Judges David Freeman and Brian Wall; Dennis Flaherty and Jeff Ryder; Alan Hughes and Neil Francey; and John Steele and Ian Roberts. Stephen Finch hit the longest drive in the B-Grade competition.

We were all made very comfortable at the Club, and those who had difficulty with the greens could admire the beauty of the course.

A small team is playing a match against the Canberra Bar in October. The next regular match will be the game against the Solicitors at the Manly Golf Club on 28 January 1988. □

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