Since it started functioning five years ago, the District Nursing Service Co-ordinating Committee has contributed £1478/-18/3 ( £2957.82) to the Gosford District Hospital.

This was revealed in the annual report to Sunday's meeting, attended by 40 members, at the Saratoga Progress Hall.

Distinguished visitors present were the Shire President Cr. R. M. Vaughan and Mrs. Vaughan, Matron Inskip, the District nurse Sister Lackey, hospital Secretary Mr. N. Boyce, and the Rev. Kerr.

Balance sheet for 1965-66 showed an amount of $591.47 donated to the hospital, leaving a credit balance of $137.24.

Election of officers, conducted by Cr. Vaughan, resulted in the election unopposed for the sixth year in succession of the executive of Mr. T. Lister (president), Mr. J. Kiele (hon. secretary) and Mr. W. Hadden (hon. treasurer).

Others elected unopposed were vice presidents, Mrs. E. L. Dangar, Miss A. G. MacGregor and Mr. E. Bullow.

Elected to the management committee were Mrs. J. M. Elder, Mr. M. O. Pitt, Mrs. E. L. Dangar, Miss A. G. MacGregor and Mrs. M. medley.

It was resolved to apply to the Chief Secretary's Department for permission to increase the membership of the management committee from five to seven members.

Concern was expressed at the falling off in workers, mostly caused by sickness and old age.

Ways and means to supplant the present method of house to house collection will be studied by the incoming committee.

Attempts will also be made during the coming twelve months to establish local committees in areas not yet contributing to the District Nursing Service.