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Tasmanian Amateur Athletic Association
Victorian Amateur Athletic Association
Western Australian Amateur Athletic Association

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### THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNION

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First Session - Tuesday, March 16th 9.30 am to 1.00 pm Second Session - Tuesday, March 16th 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm Third Session - Wednesday, March 17th 9.30 am to 1.00 pm Fourth Session - Wednesday, March 17th 2.15 pm to 6.50 pm

### 1'. OPENING OF CONFERENCE

The Conference was delcared open by the President who welcomed all Officers and Delegates.

### 2. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS AND DELEGATES

There were present: -

Officers: President - C.R. Aitken, C.B.E.; Vice-Presidents-T.C. Blue, A.W. McDonald; Secretary - A.L. Morrison; Honorary Treasurer - E.J. Sumner.

Delegates: New South Wales - R.M. Durie, C.D. Lee; Queensland - J.D. Bailey, T.C. Blue; South Australia -M.R. Aitken, E.R. Graham; Tasmania - G.T. Briggs, N.J. Ruddock; Victoria - F.P. Larkins, R.W. Pannell; Western Australia -F.J. Day, F.T. Treacy, O.B.E.

An apology was received from Mr. A.W. McDonald for his inability to attend the first session of Conference.

The President extended a welcome to new delegate, Mr. R.W. Pannell, and to Life Members, L.B. Curnow, O.B.E. and C.H. Gardiner.

Congratulations were extended to Mr. F.T. Treacy on the award of the 0.8.E.

### 3. ADMISSION OF PRESS, RADIO AND TELEVISION REPRESENTATIVES.

It was resolved to a mit press and broadcasting representatives to the Conference, subject to their not reporting the substance of any discussion held in camera, and to submitting for approval any statements on controversial issues.

### 4. OBITUARY

Sympathy was expressed to the family and friends of Messrs. J.K. Faulkner, R.E. Graham, O.B.E. and C.T. Hansen and reference made to the tremendous contribution made to athletics, both through the Union and their respective Associations, by these men.

Sympathy was also expressed in respect of Mrs. Lanyon-Owen, President of the Queensland Women's A.A.A.

The Conference observed a one minute silence.

### 5. READING AND CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 1975 CONFERENCE.

It was resolved that after adding the word "Committee" at the end of the first sentence in Minute 10.1, the Minutes of the 47th Conference held at Adelaide on March 18, 19 and 20, 1975, be adopted.

### 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- 6.1 <u>Presentation Plaques</u> (page 8) The Secretary requested some direction in this matter. Genference had previously decided that special plaques be available for visiting Vol.P.'s and there was discussion on the possibility of using the Union Medallion with a suitable inscription. It was agreed that the Secretary look further into this matter.
- 6.2 <u>Collation of President's Rulings</u> (page 8) The Secretary tabled a precis of rulings given by the President since the 1975 Conference and it was resolved that these be listed as an Appendix in the Minutes of Conference.
- 6.3 Mr. F.T. Treacy raised the question of whether the Honorary Treasurer should transfer the bank account of the Union to the Commonwealth Bank. Mr. Summer advised that this had already been done.

### 7. EXECUTIVE REPORT

The Secretary advised that the following Mail Votes had been conducted since the 1975 Conference.

- 2/75 Subsidies from International Tours Fund R. Boyd, D. Commons, R. Lethbridge and B. Norman
- 3/75 Subsidies from International Tours Fund -Miss G. Dell, K. Hall and W. Scott
- 4/75 and 5/75 K.E. Morrison, Tasmania Reinstatement.
- 6/75 Subsidy from International Tours Fund R. Walozuk

- 7/75 World Cup Competition
- 1/76 Election of T. & F. Championships Technical Committee
- 2/76 Proposal to Suspend General Rule 218
- 3/76 Subsidy from International Tours Fund Miss D. Robertson
- 4/76 G.A. Hodgins, South Australia Reinstatement

The Secretary reported that with the exception of 3/76 and 4/76 all Mail Votes had been finalised. It was resolved that the Executive meet during the luncheon break to decide on these two items. (Note: Both were approved).

### 8. OBSERVANCE OF UNION LAWS AND RULES

The Secretary reported that no serious breaches had occurred.

- 9. CONFERENCE OF ASSOCIATION SECRETARIES (See also 14A)
- 9.1 <u>Little Athletics</u> The following resolution was inadvertently omitted from the Minutes of the 1975 Secretaries Conference—

That the Conference recommends to the Union Conference that A.A.U. of A. asserts its jurisdiction over all athletes 12 years and over and the Union Inform the Little Athletics Union accordingly and that Member Associations be asked to publicise this fact."

it was resolved that the Secretary draft a letter reminding the Little Athletics Union that when an athlete reaches 12 years of age he should join a senior club.

There was general discussion on this subject and it was agreed that each State Secretary should write to the Union setting out their particular problems.

It was resolved that the Union then suggest to the Little Athletics Union that a meeting of representatives of the two be held on the occasion of their Annual Conference to discuss the future development and relationships between the two Unions.

9.2 Registration Numbers. Mr. C.D. Lee reported on sponsorship being arranged with Goca-Gola Bottlers for the supply of registration numbers. He advised that all Women's Associations, with the exception of South Australia, had accepted the offer of sponsorship. With regard to Men's Associations the following information had been received: Victoria - Accepted

S. Australia - Arrangements already made for 1976-77 but would like to be considered for

1977-78

N.S.W. - Accepted

W. Australia - Sponsorship already obtained.

Although no replies had yet been received from Tasmania or Queensland, delegates indicated that they were both interested.

- 9.3 Registration Sards: Mr. J.D. Bailey reported on contacts made with Ansett Airlines in Queensland and advised that the addresses of all State Secretaries had been forwarded to Ansett for direct contact. It was not up to Individual States to contact Ansett and make their own arrangements.
- 9.4 Australian Record Application Form: Mr. C.D. Lee raised the question of proposed amendments to several items on the record application forms, but it was agreed that as there was still several years stock on hand such amendments be deferred.

The President requested that Associations make every effort to complete the application forms in every detail when submitting a record application.

- 9.5 Meeting with Athletes: It was resolved to accept at a later stage in the Conference a proposal for a format to be presented. (See Minute 1443)
- 9.6 Order of Business for Union Conference Agenda: Reference was made to a request for the observance of Union Laws in relation to the order of business on the Conference Agenda. It was resolved to direct the Secretary to observe the Union Laws in this regard so far as is practicable.
- 9.7 Australian Women's A.A.U.: It was resolved that a meeting be called and the Women's Union invited to meet with representatives from this Union to explore common points of administration of the sport of Athletics with a view to the possibility of eventual amalgamation. Also to discuss the possibility of conducting separate Junior and Senior Championships.

it was resolved that the delegation from this Union comprise Messrs. T.C. Blue, G.T. Briggs, R.M. Durie, E.R. Graham, A.W. McDonald, A.L. Morrison, and F.T. Treacy.

### 10. REGISTRATIONS

10.1 The following statement of registrations for the year 1975-75 was received:

Details of registrations for the 1975-76 season are given below, together with the corresponding 1974-75 figures.

	N.S.W.	QLO	S.A.	TAS	VIC	W.A.	TOTA L
9 mths to 31/12/75	04.07	40((	0.05	277.5	074	F 20	400(4
(actual) 3 mths to 31/3/76	3487	1366	825	777 5	3/4	532	12361
(estimated)	31 0	170	95	82		.93	908
1975 <b>-7</b> 6	3797	1536					13269
1974-75 Increase or decrease	393 <b>7</b>	1515	953	770 5	820	720	1 3715
of 1975/76 against	140	21	33	89	288	95	446
1974/75	Dec	l nc	Dec	l nc .	Dec		Dec
<pre># increase or decrease against 1974/75</pre>	3.56	1.38	3.46	11:56 4	•95	13.19	3.25
Percentage of National Total 1975/76	28.6	11.6	6.9	6.5 4	1.7	4.7	_
1 974/75	28.1			5.6 4	2.4	5•3	

Included in the registration for 1975-76 are 1324 (1974-75 - 1340) athletes aged under 12 years in the following States:-

New South Wales 560 (671); Queensland 381 (443); South Australia 158 (106): Tasmania 217 (210).

Also included are 971 (1017) officials in the following States:

New South Wales 271 (309); Queensland 128 (105); South Australia 62 (58); Tasmania 70 (64); Victoria 348 (375); Western Australia 92 (105).

A.W.A.A.U. Registrations for 1975-76 were:

N.S.W. 2270 (2264); Queensland 533 (490); South Australia 407 (402); Tasmania 464 (411); Victoria 1775 (1771); Western Australia 377 (416). Total: 5826 (5754).

There was general discussion on the decrease in registrations. Dr. Larkins spoke regarding a check made over the last ten years on registration and suggested the possibility of setting up a Development Committee.

It was resolved to ask the Promotions Committee to prepare a questionnaire for State Associations.

### 11. GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE

11.1 Matters arising from the 1975 Conference (Minute 15). The Secretary reported that a meeting had been held with representatives of the A.W.A.A.U. and the Little Athletics

Union. The Department's request that all applications for assistance be channelled through the A.A.U. was discussed but the Little Athletics representatives suggested that a committee representing the three unions should be formed. The report was received.

- 11.2 Administration Assistance. A grant of only \$937 had been approved for the year 1975 and the former Minister had ruled that the Union was eligible to receive only one quarter of the total amount allocated to athletics under the administration assistance programme. This decision arose from the theory that there were four controlling bodies, A.A.U., A.W.A.A.U., Veterans and Little Athletics. The Union's objection had not been answered by the time the change in Government occurred. Following the announcement by the new Government that the general programme of assistance had been suspended, a special grant of \$2250 for the six months to 30th June 1976 had been made to the Union on the grounds that we had committed ourselves to the employment of a salaried secretary on the understanding that assistance would be provided.
- 11.3 It was resolved that a Committee be set up to discuss the Union's priorities of requests with regard to any grants that may be forthcoming from an Australian administrative point of view. It was resolved that such Committee be based in Victoria and consist of Messrs. A.W. McDonald, A.L. Morrison (Convener), R.W. Pannell and E.J. Sumner with power to co-opt.
- 11.4 It was resolved that the Conference express its concern at the present Federal Government policy towards funding of amateur sporting organisations in this country and urges reconsideration of the recent decision in order to subsidise amateur athletics on at least a modified scale.
- 12. INTERNATIONAL ANATEUR ATHLETIC FEDERATION (See also part 32)
- 12.1 1976 Congress:
- 12.1.1 <u>Matters Arising from 1975 Conference</u> (Minute 17.2)
- 12.1.2 1AAF Rule Changes proposed by Amateur Status Committee for consideration at 1976 Congress:

The Secretary advised that the Amateur Status Committee Report had been circulated to State Associations, Delegates and Officers as requested. It would come up for discussion In Montreal.

### 12.1.3 Submissions on behalf of the Oceania Regional Groups

The Secretary advised that submissions which had not been presented to the 1974 Congress had now been submitted to the 1.4.4.5. by the Union on behalf of the Regional Group.

12.1.4 <u>Delegates' Expenses</u>: It was resolved to defer until discussion of the Financial Statement and Budget. (See minutes 32.1 and 32.2.1)

### 12.2 Oceania Regional Groups

### 12.2.1 Matters Arising from 1975 Conference (Minute 16.1.2)

it was resolved to deal with the question of the 1975 Congress in Guam under report from the international Affairs Committee. (Minute 31 was not discussed).

- 12.3 World Cup: Report received that a Wail Vate of the Executive had resolved to support a World Cup Competition. General concern was expressed as to how such a competition could be financed. There was general discussion on teams to contest the World Cup with the following alternatives suggested.
  - (i) Selected team from Oceania;
     (ii) that a single member country should be the representative team.

It was resolved to defer further discussion until the International Affairs Committee Report (Minute 31 not discussed).

12.4 Walking Championships: The Secretary submitted a letter received from the LA.A.F. advising that the 50 km Walk in 1976 was to count as a World Championship event. Each country may nominate three athletes. The Championship was to be held in Sweden on the 18th September, 1976, and contestants would be responsible for travel costs to and from Sweden. Local travel costs only would be borne by the Organising Committee. Preliminary entries close on the 30th May - no names necessary.

It was resolved that the Union accept the pro-forma invitation and send it to the Union's Walking Committee for consideration and report; also the Selection Committee to be asked if there were three competitors up to the required standard. It was further resolved to request the Union Walking Committee to contact the Federation of Walking Clubs in Australia for ideas on how such a project could be financed.

12.5 Reports on International Walking Judges: The Secretary advised that a written report had been received from Mr.D.M. Keane (WA); N.S.W. reported that Mr. J.S. McDougall had been very active throughout the past season; South Australia reported that Mr. V.B. Sharp had attended Championship Meetings but not inter-club. Victoria reported that Mr. J. Larkins had officiated regularly.

Mr. J.D. Bailey raised the question of International Walking Judges - there was no incentive when Judges can only reach A Grade and cannot achieve recognition as an international Judge - and stated that it was time the Union amended the

international rule. The President pointed out that Judges appointed to the international Panel were expected to travel to international walking events as and when required, and at their own expense. Being named as an international Walking Judge was not a status symbol; it merely indicated availabuility. States were not obligated to appoint international Judges to officiate at championship meetings.

It was resolved that for future Australian Championships and Selection Trials the Union Walking Committee shall appoint the Walking Judges.

- 13. AMATEUR STATUS AND ELIGIBILITY MATTERS
- 13.1 Matters Arising from 1975 Conference (Minute 17.2) Already dealt with
- 13.2 Notices of Motion:

13.2.1 Notice of motion submitted by the Victorian A.A.A. that law 118(b) be amended by inserting — "after the words 'shall be eligible for reinstatement as a competing athlete' in line 5, the words 'except where that person has not competed as a professional, or violated his amateur status for a period of at least 5 years. In such case and when the member is over 40 years of age, he shall be eligible to compete only in veteran events."

The Law if so amended would then read: -

"118(b) No person having been at any time a member of an amateur athletic club (school clubs excepted), who has competed in any amateur event and has knowingly and wilfully forfeited his amateur status after such event shall be eligible for reinstatement as a competing athlete except where that person has not competed as a professional, or violated his amateur status for a period of at least five years. In such case, and when the member is over 40 years of age, he shall be eligible to compete only in veteran events. An application from any other....."

(Note. The Constitution Committee has reported that the proposed amendment is unacceptable in its present form as it conflicts with 1.4.4.5. rules. To fulfil the intent of the Victorian initiative the Committee recommends that the following motion be presented at 1976 Conference for discussion with a view to referral to the 1.4.4.5.

MA person over the age of forty years, who at an earlier time knowingly and wilfully forfeited his amateur status shall be eligible to apply to the Union for reinstatement as a competing athlete in events for veterans only provided that person has not infringed his amateur status in the preceding five years."

The President read a letter received from the Secretary of the i.A.A.F., Mr. F.W. Holder, indicating that this matter will be discussed at the i.A.A.F. Comgress to be held in July 1976.

The Victorian delegates agreed that the notice of motion be withdrawn, and the procedure recommended by the Constitution Committee was adopted.

### 14. COMPETITION RULES

### 14.1 Metters Arising from 1975 Conference (Minute 18.1.3)

14.1.1. Five Star Award Scheme: The Secretary reported that the South Australian scheme had been approved and should be self-supporting within two years.

The Victorian Association has sent letters to the Shell Gompany seeking sponsorship and has approached the Education Department and will meet in early April.

N.S.W. fully supports the scheme. A recently-formed N.S.W. Schools athletic Association had requested permission to handle the scheme in N.S.W. This should go ahead as of the 1st October, 1975.

Tasmania had approached the Dept. of Sport and Recreation regarding implementing the scheme. An offer had been received of approximately \$500 for administrative expenses and it was hoped that a further donation would be forthcoming shortly.

Dr. Larkins reported on discussions with the B.A.A.B. whilst in London recently. The scheme had proved to be an outstanding success in the U.K. and had greatly contributed to a resurgence of interest in the sport of athletics.

Queenaland indicated interest in the scheme and It had been referred to a Committee for consideration. The Shell Company had expressed interest.

Report received that the Track and Field Coaches Association had agreed to the standards set for the scheme and would like all States to adopt them and not to alter them unless there is mutual agreement.

### 14.2 Notices of Motion:

14.2.1 If General Rule 210 should be amended as proposed, the A.A.A. of N.S.W. will move that Rule 308 be rescinded and the following new rule be adopted:

\*308. The standard distance for the junior steeplechase shall be 2000 metres.

It was resolved to defer for later consideration. (See 18.7.14).

### 14A CONFERENCE OF ASSOCIATION SECRETARIES (Continued)

### 14A.1 Meeting with Athletes:

Consideration of the matter referred to in MInute 9.5 was resumed and it was resolved that athletes from each State appoint two representatives from their State to attend a meeting next year with the Officers and Delegates of the Union and that the meeting be held after the last event on the first day of the Track and Freed Championships.

### 15. COACHING:

### 15.1 Matters Arising from 1975 Conference:

15.1.1 Athletics Team to travel to Muntreal as a separate group: (Minute 19.2.1).

Recent information received from the Secretary-General of the A.O.F. indicated that the Olympic Games Team would travel on a charter aircraft. Athletes not travelling to Commada in the charter will have to pay own fare one way and may return with the team. It was agreed that the Athletics Team travel by the charter aircraft. Applications to travel overseas prior to the Games should be forwarded to the Team Manager.

- 15.1.2. Pre-Games Training Camp Brisbane: (Minute 19.2.2)
  The Secretary advised that the estimated cost of sending the Australian Athletic Team to a pre-Games Camp in Brisbane would be \$13,000. It was resolved that this matter be referred to the Team Manager to canvas the athletes selected and return the results to the Secretary. An application then to be made to the A.O.F. for a grant in this respect.
- 15.1.3 Stopover Japan: (Minute 19.2.3) Advice received from ill. T.C. Blue that the charter aircraft would not stop-over in Japan.
- 15.1.4 <u>Pre-Games Meetings</u> (Minute 19.2.5) The Secretary advised that the estimated cost of sending a team of approx-Imately 30 athletes, plus 3 officials and necessary additional competitors to meetings in Adelaide, Sydney and Brisbane would be \$20,000.

Mr. C.D. Lee read a letter received from a Sydney athlete, Kenneth Elphick, requesting permission to conduct a meeting at the Sydney Sports Ground during May/June. It was resolved that a delegation consisting of Messrs. G.T. Briggs, R.M. Durie, F.P. Larkins, C.D. Lee, A.L. Morrison and R.W. Pannell be appointed to meet with Mr. Elphick to discuss this matter and report back to the President.

It was resolved that Victoria be invited to hold a pre-Games Meet for athletes during May/June and to advise the Union as soon as possible on the practicability of this suggestion. It was further agreed that the proposal to conduct pre-Games meetings in Adelaide and Brisbane be abandoned.

15.2 Report of Coaching Co-ordinating Committee: It was resolved that the Report as submitted be received.

### 15.3 Notices of Motion:

- 15.3.1 On a notice from the Secretary on behalf of the Constitution Committee it was resolved that the following new law be adopted:
- "112A. The Union recognises and approves the Australian Track and Field Coaches Association so long as its objectives are not at variance with those of the Union. Any submissions to the Union from this Association shall be directed through the Coaching Co-ordinating Committee of the Union."
- 15.3:2 Notice of motion received from the Secretary that the first sentence of Law 153 be amended by including after "Fifty cents" the words "and a Coaching and Education contribution of fifteen cents". The relevant part of the sentence, if so amended, would read:-
- "All officials and competing athletes, irrespective of age must be registered members of their respective Associations and each Association shall pay annually to the Union Registration Dues of fifty cents and a Goaching and Education contribution of fifteen cents per registered member."
- It was resolved to defer until later in the meeting. (See 29.7).
- 15.3.3 If his proposed amendment to Law 153 should be adopted, the Secretary will move that the following new Law be adopted:
- \*\*146A. He shall maintain a separate Coaching and Education Account to which he shall allocate all Coaching and Education contributions received from Associations and such other funds as shall be directed by the Union. Payments shall be made from this account for such coaching or education purposes as shall be determined by the Union.

It was resolved to defer until later in the meeting. (See 29.8).

### 16. SELECTION

16.1 Report of Selection Committee: It was resolved that the report be received, and that appreciation be expressed to the Committee for providing information for the 1976 Almanac.

### 17. RECORDS

17.1 <u>Records Confirmed</u>: It was resolved that the following records which had been adopted provisionally by the President and Secretary, be confirmed in the categories indicated.

### A: Open Records

RUDDI ng:		
1 mile 3:56.7	G.D. Crouch (V) 9/1/74	Box H111
15 Miles 1-21:31.8	E.A. Keranen (V) 3/11/74	Huntingdale
400 metres 45.2	S. Chepkwony (Kenya) 4/2/75	Melbourne
800 metres 1:46.4	D.A. Omwanza (Kenya) 5/2/75	
1000 metres 2:19.7	U. Kipkurgat (Menya)8/3/75	Melbourne
1500 metres 3:36.9	G.D. Crouch (V) 4/2/75	Melbourne
25000 metres 1-24:12	E.A. Keranen (V) 3/11/74	Huntingdale
Jumping and Vaulting:		
Pole Vault 5.21	R.M. Boyd (V) 3/2/76	Melbourne
Relay Running:		
4 x 200m 1:23.8	E.Melbourne Hrs.(V)9/3/75	Melbourne
4 x 1500m 15:29.6	E.Melbourne Hrs.(V)9/3/75 Box Hill A.A.C.(V) 8/3/75	Melbourne

### B. National Records

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Running:
             . 3:55.7 G.D. Crouch - as above
1 Mile
15 Miles
            1-21:31.8
                       E.A. Keranen - as above
              3:36.9
1500 metres
                       G.D. Crouch - as above
                       E.A. Keranen - as above.
              1-24:12
25000 metres
Hurdling:
                       W.C. Parr (N)
120 yds
                13.7
                                          4/1/75
                                                  Pagewood
  and
                13.7
                       V.L. Plant (V)
                                          1/3/75
                                                  Melbourne
                                         15/11/75 Pagewood
110 metres
                13.7
                       W.C. Parr (N)
Jumping and Vaulting:
Pole Vault
                       R.M. Boyd - as above
                 5.21
Relay Running - National Teams:
4 x 200m
               1:23.8
                       East Melbourne Harriers -, as above
4 x 1500m
              15:29.5
                       Box Hill A.A. Glub
                                              - as above
Relay Running - Association Teams
               1:23-8 East Melbourne Harriers - as above
4 x 200m
               3:03.9 St. Stephens Harriers (V)
4 x 400m
                                           8/3/75 Melbourne
              15:29.6 Box Hill A.A. Club - as above
4 x 1500m
Relay Running - Club Team:
4 x 100m
                40.4 Glenhuntly A.A.Club (V)
                                           1/2/75 Melbourne
4 x 200m
               1:23.8 East Melbourne Harriers - as above
4 \times 400m
               3:00.9
                       St. Stephens Harriers - as above
4 x 1500m
              15:29.6
                       Box Hill A.A.Club - as above.
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### C. Junior Records (Cont).

1500m 2000m 5000m 10000m	21:31.8 3:43.9 5:17.0 13:58.4 30:46.0 29:22.2 29:11.8	B.C. 8.C. F.R. E.A. G.M.	Keranen (V) Petts (V) Petts (V) de Castella(V) Keranen (V) Barrett (Q) de Castella(V)	3/11/74 4/2/75 5/2/75 4/12/75 22/10/74 21/3/75 17/12/75	Huntingdale Melbourne Melbourne Melbourne Box Hill Adelaide Melbourne
	24:12.0	E.A.	Keranen (V)	3/11/74	Huntingdale
3000m 1- Walking:	46:53.0	E • N •	Keranen (V)	3/11/74	Huntingdale
	12:38.2	P.F.	Nugent (V)	29/6/74	Clifton Hill
	37:14.8		Nugent (V)	29/6/74	Clifton Hil
Hurdling & Ste			0 - 1 - ( )	-21 -1 (	
120 yds					
& 110m	14.0	B.D.	Besanko (V)	1/3/75	Melbourne
3000m 8/chawe	9:06.2	R.F.	Hardwick (S)	22/2/75	Adelalde
	9:01.8	R <sub>•</sub> F <sub>•</sub>	Hardwick (S)	22/2/75	Adelalde
Jump   ng :			n (w)	101117	
High Jump	2.13		Sayers (N)	18/1/76	Pagewood
Triple Jump	16.14		ampbell (V)	10/12/75	Pagewood
Relay Running	16.27		ampbell (V)	17/1/76	Pagewood
4 x 400m	3:20.4		ain A.A.C. (N)	16/3/75	Pagewood
7 2 700111	J12064	O4 1111	2111 M • M • O • (M)	10/1/17	agewood
	D. S.	ub <b>-ù</b> u	nior Records		
Hurdling:	-				
11 Om	14.3	W.A.	Bird (N)	1/2/75	Pagewood
	14.3	A.M.	Pearson (N)	8/2/75	Pagewood
	14-1	D. W	right (Q)	17/12/75	Melbourne
Throwing:	,				•
Discus	50.62		Considine(V)	1/3/75	Melbourne
			Considine (V)	10/10/75	Melbourne
	52.92		Considine (V)	29/11/75	Melbourne
<b>.</b>	54.86	C.A.	Considine (V)	17/12/75	Mclbourne
Shot Put	17.82		Wigney (V)	6/12/75	Heidelberg
Hammer	60.78		Everard (N)	19/2/75	Pagewood
	61.34	J.D.	Everard (N)	5/10/75	Camberra .
Relay Running:				0. 14	
$4 \times 400m$	3:19.9	ASSO	ciation Team N.		17. 11.
				18/1/76	Melbourne

The question of when or where surveyors certificates need renewing was discussed. Mr. J.D. Bailey requested that a copy of Mount Gravatt plans submitted subject to approval of the Technical Committee be accepted for records. It was resolved to refer to the Technical Committee to ascertain whether Surveyors' Certificates should be renewed annually.

### 17.2 Notices of Motion:

17.2.1 On a motion from the Secretary it was resolved that Law 192 be amended by adding after "Australian National Records" the words "and for such other events as the Union in Conference shall from time to time determine".

The affected part of the law will now read:

"192. The Union shall also recognise as Australian Junior Records, performances registered by athletes under the age of nineteen on the date of the performance for such events as are recognised by the Union for Australian and Australian National Records and for such other events as the Union in Conference shall from time to time determine,......"

It was resolved to refer to the Constitution Committee to look at consequential amendments.

17.2.2 On a notice of motion from the Victorian A.A.A. It was resolved that Australian Junior Records be recognised for performances in the 15,000 metres run.

The following notice of motion received from the Victorian A.A.A. lapsed.

- "If law 192 should not be amended as proposed the Victorian A.A.A. will move that Australian Records and Australian National Records be recognised for performances in the 15000 metres run."
- 17.2.3 One notice of motion from the Victorian A.A.A. It was resolved that Australian Sub-Junior Records be recognised for performances in the 5000 metres walk and the 10000 metres walk.
- 17.2.4 It was resolved that the following notices of motion received from the Secretary be deferred: (See 18.7.12 and 18.7.13)
- (i) If Law 192 be amended as proposed Australian Junior Records be recognised for performances in the 2000 metres Steeplechase.
- (ii) If Law 192 should not be amended as proposed Australian Records and Australian Mational Records be recognised for performances in the 2000 metres steeplechase.
- 18. AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS:
- 18.1 Matters Arising from 1975 Conference.
- 10.1.1 Combined Men's and Women's Championships (Minute 22.1.1)
  Already dealt with.

- 18.1.2 Junior Competition (Minute 22.10.5) Submission received from the Special Committee appointed to investigate the proposal that a Junior competition be conducted at Annual Track and Field Championships. It was resolved that such a competition be conducted and it be referred to the President and Secretary to endeavour to get someone to do an exercise in order to obtain a means of achieving equitable This item to be placed on the Agenda for the next Conference.
- 18.1.3 Combined Championships (Minute 22.10.6) Already dealt with
- 18.2 Appointment of Jury for Track and Field Championships: Messrs. M.R. Aitken, R.M. Durle, F.T. Treacy and J.D. Bailey were appointed the Jury of Appeal for the 1976 Track and Field Championships. The Jury to appoint its own Convenor or Chairman.
- 18.3 Reports on 1975 Championships: The Secretary advised that all Reports on 1975 Championships had been received.
- 18.4 Recapitulation of Venues and Dates for 1976 Championships and Olympic Trials:
- Track & Field Championships Melbourne 18-21 March (11) Cross-Country Championships - Brighton, Tasmania -
- 11 September
- (iii) Marathon Championship St. Marys, N.S.W. 31 July (Iv) 20 Km Road Walk Championship St. Marys, N.S.W. -31 July
- Marathon & 20 Km Walk Olympic Trials Melbourne -(v) 3 April
- 18.5 Fixing Dates for 1977 Championships and P.C.C. Trials.
- (1) Track & Field Championships - It was resolved that the 1977 Championships be allocated to Hobart on condition that they be allocated to Queensland in 1978. Tasmanian A.A.A. was requested to advise the Secretary of the dates as soon as possible.
- (11)Cross-Country Championships - Queensland. The Queensland A.A.A. to advise the Secretary as soon as possible of the date (Note: 22 Aug.)
- (111) Marathon Championship Longford, Tasmania 6 August
- 50 km and 10 km Junior Road Walks South Australia -6 August
- (v) Pacific Conference Games Trials - Cahberra - The N.S.W. delegates advised that it was anticipated that the Trials would be held in late October, but the Secretary would be advised of the exact date as soon as possible.
- 18.6 Allocation of 1978 Championships:

- (i) Track & Field Championships Queensland (ii) Cross-Country Championships - New South Wales
- (III) Marathon Championship Western Australia (iv) 20 km Road Walk Championship - Victoria

### 18.7 Notices of Motion:

18.7.1 The A.A.A. of New South Wales moved that Law 185 be amended by deleting the word "nineteen" and inserting the word "twenty". The law would read:

"Junior Track and Field Championships of Australia shall be held in such Track and Field events as the Union shall from time to time determine. A Junior for the purpose of these Championships shall be an athlete who is under the age of twenty years on the date of his event.

The motion was lost.

- 18.7.2 On a motion from the Victorian A.A.A. it was resolved that Law 186 be amended by deleting the figure "10000" in lines 1, 3 and 5 and substituting the figures "12000", "8000" and "12000" respectively. The Law, as amended, will read:
- \*186. The Marathon Championship of Australia and the 12000 metres Cross-Country Championship of Australia shall be held annually. An 8000 metres Cross-Country Junior Championship of Australia shall be held in conjunction with the 12000 metres Cross-Country Championship of Australia.\*
- 18.7.3 On a motion from the Victorian A.A.A. It was resolved that Law 139 be amended to read:
- The Union at each Annual Conference held in an oddnumbered year shall allocate the Track and Field Championships (including the Decathlon Championship), the 12000 metres Gross-Country Championship (including the 8000 metres Cross-Country Junior Championship), the Marathon Championship and the 50 kilometres Road Walk Championship to be held in the next odd-numbered year; and at each Annual Conference held in an even-numbered year the Track and Field Championships (including Decathlon Championship), the 12000 metres Cross-Country Championship (including the 8000 metres Cross-Country Junior Championship), the Marathon Championship and the 20 kilometres Road Walk Championship to be held in the next even-numbered year, each to an Association. The Association to which the Championships are allocated shall seek approval from the Annual Conference for the date and place of such Championships in the year in which they are to be held."
- 18.7.4 On a motion from the A.A.A. of N.S.W. it was resolved to amend Rule 210 by deleting "1500 metres" in the third paragraph and substituting "2000 metres". The sentence, as amended, will read:

"If the ground facilities permit a 3000 metres Steeplechase Championship and a 2000 metres Steeplechase Junior Championship shall also be held".

18.7.5 On a motion from the A.A.A. of N.S.W. it was resolved that General Rule 211 be amended by deleting #38. 1500 Metres Steeplechase Junior - Final and substituting #38. 2000 Metres Steeplechase Junior - Final.

18.7.6 On a motion from the Victorian A.A.A. It was resolved that General Rule 211 be amended by interchanging event 6, the 10000 metros Final (First Day) and event 41, the 5000 metres final (Third Day). The sequence of events, as amended, will now read;

### Track Events - First Day

- 100 Metres Decathlon
- 2. 1500 Metres - Heats
- 800 Metres Junior Heats 3.
- 400 Metres Hurdles Junior Heats 4.
- 100 Metres Heats
- <u>ۇ</u>. 5000 Metres - Finel
- 7. 400 Metres - Heats
- 400 Metres Decathlon 8.

### Track Events - Third Day

- 29. 110 Metres Hurdles Junior - Heats
- 90. 100 Metres Junior - Heats
- 31. 1500 Metres Junior - Final
- 32. 3000 Metres Walk [ Final
- 33. 200 Metres - Heats
- 34. 110 Metres Hurdles Junior - Final
- 35. 36. 100 Metres Junior - Final
- 800 Metres Final
- 400 Metres Hurdles Final 37.
- 2000 Metros Steeplechase Junior Final 38.
- 39. 400 Metres Junior - Final
- 200 Metres Final 40.
- 41. 10000 Metres - Final
- 400 Metres Relay Junior Final 42.
- 43. 1500 Metres Relay - Final

18.7.7 On a motion from the Western Australian A.A.A. It was resolved that General Rule 217(a) be amended by deleting the words "one competitor" and substituting the words "two competitors". The General Rule, as amended, will read:

"Each Association may enter two competitors in its official team in each event."

18.7.8 On a motion from the Western Australian A.A.A. It was resolved that paragraph (c) of General Rule 217 be amended by deleting the word Monet and substituting the word Itwo!. The paragraph as amended will read:

MEach Association may enter additional conjections in its official team provided that, if the number of entrants exceeds two, each such entrant must have reached the standard provided in General Rule 218;"

19.7.9 On a motion from the Western Australian A.A.A. it was resolved that General Rule 218 be amended by deleting the words "one competitor" in the first line and substituting the words "two competitors". The relevant part of the Rule, as amended, will read:

Where an Association enters more than two competitors in an event, all of such entrants shall have reached a prescribed standard in the event concerned....."

18.7.10 On a motion from the Victorian A.A.A. it was resolved that General Rules 228, 229, 231, 240, 251, 242, 243, 247, 253 and 257 be amended by deleting #10000# wherever appearing and substituting #12000#, except for Juniors where #10000# will become #8000#.

18.7.11 On a motion from the Victorian A.A.A. It was resolved that General Rule 250 be amended by deleting "not to exceed fourteen in number" in the first sentence. The sentence, as amended, will read:

250. Notwithstanding the provision of General Rule 249, is is permissible for an Association to enter additional competitors for the Marathon Championship of Australia, provided that all of such entrants have reached a prescribed standard within the sixteen months preceding the date of the Championship."

10.7.12 On a motion from the Secretary it was resolved that Australian Junior Records be recognised for performances in the 2000 metres steeplechase.

18.7.13 In view of the fact that law 192 has been amended as proposed a motion from the Secretary that Australian Records and Australian National Records be recognised for performances in the 2000 metres Steeplechase lapsed.

18.7.14 On a motion from the A.A.A. of N.S.W. It was resolved that Competition Rule 300 be rescinded and the following new rule be adopted:

300. The standard distance for the junior steeplechase shall be 2000 metres.

18.8 <u>Schools! Championships:</u> There was a lengthy discussion on the subject of Australian Schoolboy Championships: It was resolved that this item be referred to under General Business for ten minutes discussion. (See 33.1)

### 19. INTERNATIONAL TOURS

### 19.1 Matters Arising from 1975 Conference

- 19.1.1 <u>International Gross\_Country</u> (Minute 23.1)
  Report received from the Team Manager of the Australian
  Team for the 1975 l.A.a.F. International Gross\_Country
  Competition (Mr. G. Carruthers). Itbwas resolved that -
- (a) The Union establish a special fund and a Committee to co-ordinate the raising of adequate funds for the team. The Committee to be based in Victoria and to consist of Dr. F.P. Larkins (Convenor), Messrs. A.L. Morrison and C.J. Wardlaw, with power to co-opt.
- (b) The Australian Selectors be requested to announce not later than 15th May guidelines for selection.

It was agreed that the Secretary write to State Associations stating that the Union does not consider it practicable to fund these teams and request that local distance organisations endeavour to raise funds to send a team to the International Cross-Country Championships every two years. Each State to be asked to select one person to chain the information required and feed it to the Committee.

It was resolved that the report be received with thanks.

### 20. PACIFIC CONFERENCE GAMES,

Deferred. Air. Lee advised that Mr. J. Marshall would be unable to attend the meeting.

### 21. CLYMPIC GAMES:

- 21.1 Matters Arising from 1975 Conference.
- 21.1.1 Road Walks (Minute 25.4) The Secretary advised that an acknowledgment had been received from the Hon. Secretary of the 1.4.4.F. advising that strong moves were being made to have the 50K Road Walk restored.
- 21.2 Report by Delegates to A.O.F. It was resolved that the Report as submitted be received and adopted.

21.3 Olympic Solidarity. It was resolved that the 1.0.0. Olympic Solidarity Report be referred to the international Affairs Committee in conjunction with the Coaching Committee to determine the approach to Olympic Solidarity. The Secretary to also circulate all Committees which he considers would be interested in the information.

### 22. COMMONMEALTH GAMES

### 22.1 Report of Delegates to Australian Commonwealth Games Association

It was resolved that the Report as submitted be received and adopted. It was agreed that Commonwealth Games Selection Trials should be held tarly in 1978 - say April - for the Marathon and 20 km Walk events and that these should be held in Melbourne.

22.2 It was agreed that there be included in the agenda for future conferences a list showing the States to which each of the Championships and Games Trials had been allocated over the preceding six years.

### 22.3 New Zealand Games

It was resolved that the Report as submitted be received and adopted.

### 23. AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S A.A.U.

- 23.1 It was resolved that in the year 1977 the Union again make every endeavour to have a combined Track and Field Championship meeting, and that the allocation of profits be on a 50-50 basis.
- 23.1.1. It was resolved that, subject to the Australian Women's A.A.U. accepting the proposal of combined Champion-ships in 1977, the Constitution Committee be asked to examine the Constitution with a view to submitting appropriate notices of motion to the next Conference to cover Rules relating to the conduct of the Championships
- 23.1.2. It was resolved that the original Committee of Messrs. G.T. Briggs, A.W. McDonald and A.L. Morrison be reappointed to negotiate with the Women's Union.
- 23.1.3 It was resolved that this information be conveyed to the Women's Union immediately.

### 24. UNION PUBLICATIONS

24.1 Mr. Treacy raised the question of the size of the current Constitution. It was resolved that when a re-print is required the Constitution be printed in a size to conform with the usual Union publications.

- 24.2 It was resolved that the Almanac and Minutes of Conference be printed in the normal format.
- 25. FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUDGET
- 25.1 Financial Statements for 1975.
  It was resolved that the Financial Statements for 1975
  be received and adopted.
- 25.1.1 It was resolve! that details as to the Clarke Fund quotas and the amounts raised by the various Associations be shown as an Appendix in the Minutes of the Conference.
- 25.1.2 It was resolved that the administration of the Glarke Fund be placed on the Agenda for the next Conference for further discussion.
- 25.2 Budget for 1976
- 25.2.1 It was resolved with regard to the nominal figure of \$8600 budgeted for the Secretary's salary, that the matter be referred to the Administration Committee for decision.

  (Note: The Committee decided that the salary be increased to \$164 per week.
- 25.2.2 It was resolved that an honorarium of \$100 be granted to the Honorary Treasurer.
- 25.2.3 It was suggested that the Budget should make a provision for development.
- 25.2.4 It was resolved that the Budget for 1976 be adopted.
- 26. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES NOT A LITEADY CONSIDERED
- 26.1 Constitution Committee

  It was resolved that the Report as submitted be received.
- 26.1.1 There was discussion on item 3 of the report in relation to law 115 (c) regarding the conduct of amateur and professional events at athletic meetings. The Secretary advised that he had written to the I.A.A.F. suggesting that the word "meeting" in Rule 53 be amended to "event". It was resolved that the President again write to the I.A.A.F. pointing out why it is necessary in certain instances to hold amateur as well as professional events on the same meeting.
- 26.1.2 It was resolved that the Constitution Committee be asked to examine further its proposal that the Union cease to recognize as Australian records performances over most imperial distances, and to prepare appropriate motions for consideration at the next Conference.
- 26.1.3 It was resolved that the report be adopted.

- 26.2 Officials Committee
  No report received.
- 26.2.1 It was resolved that at the next Championships an endeavour be made to activate this Committee by having one member present from each State.
- 26.3 Scoring Tables and Standards Committee
  lt was resolved that the Report as submitted be
  received and adopted.
- 26.3.1 It was resolved that the Junior 15,000 metres and Junior 2,000 metres Steeplechase events be referred to the Committee for the setting of record standards.
- 26.3.2 It was resolved that the Committee also be asked to set a standard for the 4 x 400 metres Sub-Junior Relay Record for club teams.
- 26.3.3 It was resolved that the Committee be requested to review the standards for the 5,000 metres, 10,000 metres and 3,000 metres Steeplechase events in view of the large number of entries received for the current Australian Championships. The President stated that it was the Committee's duty to continuously review all standards.
- 26.4 <u>Technical Committee</u>
  It was resolved that the report as submitted be received and adopted.
- 25.4.1 It was resolved that the Committee be requested to re-examine the "Taggart" scoring tables for under-age combined events.
- 25.5 <u>Walking Committee</u>

  It was resolved that the Report as submitted be received and adopted.
- 1 lnternational Affairs Committee
  1 was resolved that the Report be received and discussion deferred until later in the meeting (see 31).
- Administration Committee

  A verbal report was submitted by the President advising that a number of matters had been dealt with; mainly sponsorship which had been obtained by Vice-President, Mr.A.W. McDonald and the Secretary. The Committee had dealt with many items of business during the year.

### 27. REPORTS OF MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

The Secretary advised that all Reports had been received.

### 28. CORRESPONDENCE

- 28.1 A,A,A, of N.S.W. Information regarding pre-race medicals in respect of Marathon events, with an accompanying letter received from Dr. G. Hession, was received and noted. It was resolved that this information be referred to the I.A.A.F.
  - 28.2 Mr. K. Dynan: Query regarding latin. F. requirements in respect of land. F. track measurements, tapes to be used and inclination of running tracks received. It was resolved to refer to the Technical Committee for comment.
  - 28.3 Bourges A.A.G. (France): Invitation received to send a 4 x 1500 metres Men's Team and a 4 x 200 metres Women's Team to a meeting to be held on June 18th 1977. The Organising Committee will pay for travel accommodation and meals for athletes, coach and an interpreting manager. It was resolved that the invitation be accepted and the details referred to the Selection Committee and the Australian Women's Union. The Secretary to take the usual precautions to ensure that the Union is not financially committed.

#### 29. NOTICES OF MOTION

- 29.1 On a motion from the A.A.A. of N.S.W. it was resolved that Law 102 be amended by deleting the words: "and the City of Broken Hill" and the words "provided that in the case of the City of Broken Hill such jurisdiction shall extend only to athletes resident within the County of Yancowinna)."
- 29.2 Notice of motion received from the Victorian A.A.A. that Law 103 be amended to read:

"Amateur athletic clubs situated in New South Wales within the boundaries of Longitudes 144° and 148° and Latitudes 35° and 36°10' may also become affiliated with the Victorian Amateur Athletic Association. Athletes who are members of the above-mentioned clubs or who reside within the above-mentioned boundaries may also be registered with the Victorian Amateur Athletic Association for competition in Victoria, but they may only represent the Amateur Athletic Association of New South Wales in Interstate and Australian competition."

The motion was lost.

- 29.3 On a motion received from the A.A.A. of N.S.W. It was resolved that Law 103 be deleted.
- 29.4 Notice of motion received from the A.A.A. of N.S.W. that in the first sentence of Law 124 the words !who! and !not! be deleted and the words !none of whom! be included after !Vice-Presidents!. The first sentence would read:

"The officers of the Union shall be: The President, and two Vice-Presidents, none of whom shall be resident in the territory of the same Association, the Secretary and the Honorary Treasurer (hereimafter referred to as the Treasurer) each of whom, with the exception of the Secretary shall be elected at the Annual Conference...."

The motion was lost.

- 29.5 On a motion from the Western Australian A.A.A. it was resolved that Law 128 be amended by adding the following clause:—
- \*(128. There shall be elected at each Annual Conference....)
- (f.f.) A Statisticians Committee of six members, not necessarily from the Conference Delegates, consisting of one member from each Association, and charged with the following duties:
- submit to the Convenor of the Committee on a regular basis detailed results of all track and field, crosscountry, road and walking competitions;
- (ii) Prepare for yearly publication in the Union Almanae
  Australian ranking lists for all senior, Junior (U19),
  sub-junior (U17) track and field events and list
  outstanding performances in cross-country, road
  running and road walking events.

The following nominations for membership of this Committee were received:

N.S.W. — S.H. Suhan S.A. — F.W. Budge W.A. — L.R. Wilson

It was noted that the other States would advise the Secretary as soon as possible of their nominees. The President appointed Mr. S.H. Suhan as Convenor of the Committee.

29.6 On a motion received from the Secretary on behalf of the Constitution Committee It was resolved that Law 137 be amended by deleting the second sentence of paragraph (a) and substituting the following:

"if a member of the Executive is unable to be present at a meeting of the Executive Committee for reasons other than absence from Australia, the President on the recommendation of the Association concerned, may appoint a substitute. In the event of an Executive being away from Australia, the Association concerned may appoint a proxy member for the duration of the absence."

29.7 A motion submitted by the Secretary (see minute 15.3.2) was amended to provide that the first sentence of Law 153 be amended by deleting "fifty cents" and substituting "sixty five cents". The relevant part of the sentence will read:

"All officials and competing athletes, irrespective of age, must be registered members of their respective Associations and each Association shall pay annually to the Union, registration dues of sixty five cents per registered member of such Association, except those under twelve years of age ....."

29.8 It was resolved that the Administration Committee Investigate the feasibility of establishing a coaching and education fund and report to the next Conference.

29.9 The Tasmanian A.A.A. moved that Law 153 be amended by deleting — "except those under twelve years of age."
The motion was defeated.

29.10 Notice of motion received from the Secretary that Law 166 be amended by adding the following sentence -

"The President may disallow a question submitted for a mail vote if, in his opinion, the effect of carrying it would be to vary a decision of an Immediately preceding Conference and there had been no change in any relevant circumstances under which the decision had been made."

The President ruled the notice of motion out of order.

### 30. PROMOTION OF ATHLETICS

### 30.1 Report by Special Committee appointed at 1975 Conference (Minute 38.11.3)

Mr. Briggs spoke to the report. It was resolved that Associations be asked to consider the report in time to permit discussion at the 1975 Conference of Association Secretaries and that the matter be placed on the agenda for the next Annual Conference. Conference recorded its appreciation of the Committee's work.

### 31. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES (Continued)

### 31.1 International Affairs Committee:

Mr. Lee spoke to his report advising that two members of the Committee had not contributed in any way.

It was resolved that comments from the Committee on recommendations received from Messrs. Durie and Ruddock be referred now to the Administration Committee and where

appropriate they be submitted in the future to all Team Managers, when appointed, for information.

There was discussion on the possibility of information and news with extracts from I.A.A.F. Bulletins being included in a regular newsletter. It was resolved to proceed with such a publication and thank Mr. Lee for his offer to produce it.

There was discussion on the possibility of enlarging this publication in the future to become a Union quarterly newsletter.

Mr. Briggs referred to the recommendation that there be an athletic member in the Advance Party to travel to Montreal, but as this was impossible, Mr. Blue offered to follow up any queries that the Team Manager may have in this regard.

It was resolved that the Report be received and thanks recorded to the Committee.

### 32. INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR ATHLETIC FEDERATION

32.1 It was agreed that the Union could not afford to pay for the fares and accommodation of Delegates to the 1.A.A.F. Congress in Montreal. It was resolved that a daily allowance of \$50 be paid to each delegate for the duration of the Congress and two additional days, a total of five days.

### 32.2 Oceania Regional Groups

### 32.2.1 Matters Arising from 1975 Conference (Minute 16.1.2) -Delegates Expense Fund.

It was resolved that the Union would not pay fares or accommodation expenses for Delegates to the 1976 Group Congress in Noumea in August next.

### 33. GENERAL BUSINESS:

#### 33.1 Schools Championships: It was resolved that -

 (i) Australian Schoolboys! Championships be held annually, if practicable.

 (ii) applications from Member Associations to conduct these Championships to be lodged with the Union in time for the Annual Conference to determine the venue for the following calendar year;

(iii) This decision be reviewed upon the formation of an Australian Schools! Association:

(iv) The Union accepts no financial obligation for the conduct of the meetings;

The 1976 Championships be allocated to Victoria; (v)

(vi) The 1977 Championships be allocated to N.S.W.

#### Amateur Status:

It was resolved to place on the Agenda for the next Conference the matter of amateur status rules as affected by any changes which may be made at the 1976 Congress.

33.3 Photo-Finish Equipment

· A query was raised regarding the Accutrack equipment at present held by the Victorian A.A.A. The Victorian delegates advised that this equipment would be made available to other Associations on payment of the cost of transportation and provided they have an operator capable of handling the equipment.

### 33.4 Reinstatement of a Professional

Following upon discussion of a case in which a professlonal had been reinstated as a competing amateur, it was resolved that the Constitution Committee be requested to examine Laws 114 and 115 and report back to the next Conference.

33.5 1978 Conference
| t was resolved that the Administration Committee be asked to consider and report to the next Conference a suitable manner in which to celebrate the 1978 Conference which will be the 50th Conference of the Union.

33.6 <u>Promotion Committee</u>
It was resolved that the Promotion Committee be requested to prepare a statistical and factual report on the question of membership in recent years for presentation to the next Conference.

Pacific Conference Games

It was resolved that the Report from Delegates to the Pacific Conference Games Organising Committee be received and adopted.

It was resolved that a report from the A.A.A. of N.S.W. incorporating a comprehensive report and press redease from the Organising Committee, on the organisation of the Games be received.

Mr. Lee spoke to the Report. He formally apologised for the absence of the Chairman of the Organising Committee. Mr. John Marshall, who wished to attend the Conference of the Union to present the report, but was prevented from doing so by Government business in Camberra.

It was resolved that, having received a written report from the A.A.A. of N.S.W. and a comprehensive verbal report from Mr. Lee on the progress of the organisation of the Pacific Conference Games, Conference expresses its satisfaction on the current situation and complete confidence in the success of the project.

#### 34. CONSIDERATION OF MERIT AWARD NOMINATIONS:

The following nominations for Merit " wards of the Union had been received:

J.D. Bailey (Queensland) - nominated by the Queensland Association, F.J.W. Budge (South Australia) - nominated by the South

Australian Association
E.D. Eastham (Victoria) - nominated by the Victorian
Association

A.H. Mclvor (South Australia) - nominated by the South Australian Association

Het. Ralph (New South Wales) - nominated by the New South Wales Association

M.F. Synnott (Western Australia) — nominated by the Western
Australian Association
G.A. Wise (Tasmania) — nominated by the Tasmanian

Secret ballots were then conducted and the President announced that Merit Awards had been conferred upon Mr. A.H.

Mclyor (South Australia) and Mr. J.D. Bailey (Queensland).

### 35. ELECTION OF OFFICERS, DELEGATES AND STANDING COMMITTEES AND THE APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS AND TRUSTEES.

Association.

- 35.1 Officers: Mr. C.R. Altken (South Australia) was reelected unopposed to the office of President; Messrs. T.C.
  Blue (Queensland), V.J. Chalwin (New South Wales) and A.W.
  McDonald (Victoria) were nominees for the position of VicePresidents; Messrs. Blue and McDonald were elected.
  Mr. McDonald was elected Vice-President appointed to act in
  substitution for the President. Mr. E.J. Sumner was reelected unopposed to the office of Honorary Treasurer.
- 35.2 <u>Delegates</u>: Messrs, C.D. Lee and G.A. Martin were elected Delegates to the International Amateur Athletic Federation Congress; Messrs, J.W. Chugg and J.A. Noseda were elected Delegates to the I.A.A.F. Oceania Group Congress; Messrs, A.W. McDonald and A.L. Morrison were elected Delegates to the Australian Olympic Federation; Messrs, G.T. Briggs and A.L. Morrison were elected Delegates to the Australian Commonwealth Games Association.

### 35.3 Standing Committees:

- 35.3.1 Executive Committee: The following were elected to the Executive Committee: Messrs. T.C. Slue (Queensland), G.T. Briggs (Tasmania), R.M. Durie (New South Wales), E.R. Graham (South Australia), R.W. Pannell (Victoria), F.T. Treacy (Western Australia).
- 35.3.2 <u>Coaching Co-ordinating Committee:</u> Messrs. R. Chugg, B. Hodgson and J.H. Schubert, all of Victoria, were appointed to the Goaching Co-ordinating Committee.

  Convener: Mr. Schubert
- 35.3.3 Constitution Committee: Messrs. J.C. Draper, F.P. Larkins and A.W. McDonald, all of Victoria, were appointed to the Constitution Committee. Convener: Dr. Larkins.
- 35.3.4 Officials Committee: Messrs. G.T. Briggs (T), H. Grane (Q), D.G. Ferrier (V), M. Finn (S), H.L. Ralph (N) and M.F. Synnott (W) were appointed to the Officials Committee. Convener: Mr. Briggs.
- 35.3.5 Scoring Tables and Standards Committee: Nominations received for Messrs. R. Hood, R. Morris and N.J. Ruddock, all of Tasmania; and Messrs. T.P. Greene, S.H. Suhan and J.C. Waller all of New South Wales. A ballot resulted in the appointment of Messrs, R. Hood, R. Morris and N.J. Ruddock. Convener: Mr. Ruddock.
- 35.3.6 Selection Committee: Nominations received for Messrs. S. Bartholomeuez (Q), G.T. Briggs (T), S. Gilmour (W) and H.L. Ralph (N) for the vacancy on the Selection Committee occasioned by the expiration of Mr. Briggs' three-year term of office. Following a secret ballot, Mr. Briggs was declared re-elected. Convener: Mr. Briggs.
- 35.3.7 Technical Committee: Nominations received for Messrs. A.S. Graves, R.C. Frith and J.C. Waller, all of New South Wales; Messrs. J.W. Chugg, L.B. Curnow, J.L. Patching, and K.L. Taggart, all of Victoria. A ballot resulted in the appointment of Messrs. L.B. Curnow, J.L. Patching and K.L. Taggart to the Technical Committee. Convener: Mr. Curnow.
- 35.3.8 Walking Committee: Messrs. S. Bray (0), E.V. Horsley (W), A. Johnson (T), J.S. McDougall (N), A.E. Robinson (V) and V.B. Sharp (S) were appointed to the Walking Committee. Convenor: Mr. McDougall.
- 35.4 <u>Honorary Auditor</u>: Nominations were received for Messrs. R. Mill and O.L. Watt, both of Victoria. A ballot resulted In Mr. R. Hill being appointed as Honorary Auditor.
- 35.5 Trustees:

- 35.511 General: Messrs. C.R. Aitken (S) and A.L. Morrison (V) were appointed Trustees to the Union.
- 35.5.2 R.W. Clarke Foundation: Messrs. C.R. Aitken (S) and A.L. Morrison (V) were appointed Trustees to the R.W. Clarke Foundation.
- 35.6 LAAAF. Council and Committees: It was resolved that the Union's nomination for the Oceania Regional Group representative on the I.A.A.F. Council be Mr. A.L. Morrison (Victoria); Member of I.A.A.F. Technical Committee Mr. G.B. Stringer (Victoria); Walking Committee Mr. V.B. Sharp (South Australia).
- 35.7 Mr. G.B. Stringer was elected as Australian representative on the Council of the Oceania Group.
- 35.8 The President advised that Lord Exeter had retired and it was resolved that appreciation be expressed to him for tremendous amount of work done over many years. It was resolved that Mr. F.W. Holder be nominated for the position of President of the l.A.A.F.
- 35.9. It was resolved that in future the Union Conference elect its Delegates to any International Conference in the year prior to the year in which such International Conference is to be held.
- 35.10 It was resolved that this Union call for nominations if necessary for the position of Honorary Secretary—Treasurer of the Oceania Group of the I.M.A.F.; the matter to be referred first to the Administration Committee for investigation of the Oonstitution to ascertain whether there is a requirement that a member of the Group Council be elected to the position of Secretary—Treasurer. Nominations to be called for to close on the 15th Way next and a Mail Vote then be conducted.

### 36. FIXING OF HEADQUARTERS:

It was resolved that the Headquarters of the Union for the ensuing year would be at Melbourne, Victoria.

### 37. CLOSURE

The President thanked all members present; the Victorian Association for providing excellent facilities for the Conference, the provision of refreshments and an excellent luncheon.

Appreciation was also expressed to the Commonwealth Bank for the equipment provided.

Mr. T.C. Blue on behalf of the Delegates, expressed appreciation and thanks for the manner in which the President had conducted the Conference.

The Conference closed at 6.50 pm.

## APPENDIX "A" SUMMARY OF REGISTRATIONS 1947-48 to 1975-76

(a) ACTUAL NUMBERS

(a) 10	ONE HOID	2.110					
	N.S.W.	οιο	S.A.	TAS.	VIC.	W.A.	TOTAL
1947-48	1586	3 <b>5</b> 0	282	136	2637	391	5381
<b>1948-4</b> 9	1817	390	324	157	2885	4 51	6034
1949-50	1925	301	266	115	2864	485	5956
1950-51	1682	450	310	136	24 91	500	<b>5</b> 569
<b>1</b> 951-52	1572	325	330	103	2446	4 95	5271
<b>1</b> 952 <b>-</b> 53	1601	371	302	177	254 <b>1</b>	548	5540
1953-54	1640	316	274	119	2424	500	5273
1954-55	1349	317	300	152	2649	474	5241
1955-56	1474	334	284	189	2967	572	5820
1956-57	1752	407	301	219	3471	449	6599
1957-58	1977	816	445	309	4264	689	8500
1958-59	1819	964	544	<b>3</b> 30 .	4190	779	8626
1959-60	1822	801	502	383	4190	817	8515
1960-61	2213	899	521	344	3696	787	8460
1961-62	2052	908	608	358	3607	<b>8</b> 60	8393
1962-63	2032	1042	639	501	385 <b>7</b>	1082	9153
1963-64	2387	1 04 1	888	456	3994	1054	9820
<b>1</b> 964 <i>-</i> 65	3162	1038	850 -	627	4258	911	10846
<b>1 965 –</b> 66	3283	1121	925	460	4281	747	10817
1966-67	3476	700	1 064	503	4694	648	11 085
1967-68	3847	1034	1120	687	5276	694	12658
<b>1968-</b> 69	4725	964	1013	696	5990	879	14267

### APPENDIX "A" (Cont.)

(a	)	ACTUAL	NUMBERS

	N.S.W.	οιο	<u>A.8</u>	TAS.	VIC.	<u>W.A</u> .	TOTAL
1967-70	4748	1180	1061	753	5837	880	14459
1970-71	4700	1 085	1003	816	5650	873	14127
1 971 -72	4618	1091	915	668	େ <b>୦</b> 55	909	14256
1972-73	4808	1258	949	820	6117	929	14879
1973-74	4113	1378	.837	8 <b>3</b> 8	56 <b>30</b>	846	1 3642
1974-75	3937	<u>1515</u>	953	770	5820	720	13715
1975 <b>-7</b> 6	3696	1506	859	<u>859</u>	5588	654	13162
(b) PERO	CENTAGES	-					
	N.S.W.	<u>QLD</u> .	S.A.	TAS.	VIC.	<u>₩.A</u> .	TOTAL
1947-48	29.4	<b>໒</b> •5	5.2	2.5	49.0	7.4	100.0
1948-49	32.3	5•1	4.5	1.9	48.1	8.1	100.0
1949-50	30.1	6.5	5.4	2.6	47.8	.7.6	100.0
1950-51	30.1	8.5	5.4	2.3	44.6	໌9∙0	100.0
1951-52	29•7	6.2	6.3	2.0	46.4	9•4	100.0
1952-53	28.8	6.7.	5•5	3.2	45.9	9•9	100.0
1953-54	31 •1	6.0	5.2	2.3	46.0	9.4	100.0
1954-55	25.6	6.1	5•7	2.9	50.6	9.1	100.0
1955-56	25•4	5•7	4.9	3.2	51.0	9.0	100.0
1956-57	26.6	6.2	4.6	3.2	52.6	6.8	100.0
1957-58	23.3	9.6	5•2	3.6	50•2	8,1	100.0
1958-59	21.1	11.2	6•3	3.8	48.6	9.0	100.0
1959-60	21 .4	9•4	5•9	4.5	49.2	9.6	100.0
1960-61	26.1	10.5	6.1	4.2	43-7	9•3	100.0
1 961 -62	24.4	10.8	7.3	4.3	43.0	10.2	100.0

### APPENDIX "A" (Cont.)

### (b) PERCENTAGES

	N.S.W.	δτο	. <u>A. 2</u>	TAS.	VIC.	· A. W	TO TA L
1962-53	22.2	11.4	7.0	5.5	<b>2</b> 2•1	11.0	100.0
1963-64	24.3	10.6	9.0	4:7	40.7	10.7	100.0
1964-65	29.1	9.6	7.8	5•8	39•3	8.4	100.0
1965-66	30.4	10.4	8.5	4.2	39.6	6.9	100.0
1966-67	31 .4	6.3	9.6	4.5	42.3	5•9	100.0
1967-68	30.4	8.2	8.8	5•4	41.7	5•5	100.0
1968-69	33•1	5•7	7.1	4.9	42.0	6.2	100.0
1969-70	32.8	8,2	7-3	5•2	40.4	6.1	100.0
1970-71	33.2	7-7	7.1	5.8	40.0	6.2	100.0
1971-72	32 .4	7•7	6.4	4.7	42.5	6.4	100.0
1972-73	32.3	8.5	6.4	5•5	41.1	6.2	100.0
1973-74	30.2	10.1	6.1	6.1	41.3	6.2	100.0
1974-75	28.1	11.0	7.0	5.6	42.4	5.3	100.0
1975-76	28.1	11.4	6.5	6.5	42.5	.5.0	100.0

### APPENDIX "B"

### ANALYSIS OF REGISTRATIONS 1975-76

	N.S.W.	orp.	S.A.	TAS.	VIC.	W.A.	TO TA L
Athletes:							
Senior (over 19 years)	1127	292	411	1 25	2275	235	4465
Junior (Under 19 yr å over 17 yrs)	s 257	120	88	81	432	68	1046
Sub-Junior (Under 17 yrs & over						•	
12 yrs)	1441	594	194	367	2519	255	5370
	2825	1006	693	573	5226	558	10881
Officials	268	143	57	95_	362	96	1021
	9093	1149	75 o	658	5588	654	11902
Athletes: Juvenile (Under							
12 years)	603 .	<u>357</u>	109	191			1260
Total Registrations	3696	1506	859	859	5588	654	13162
Number of Clubs	76	34	20	12	96	14	252
Average Membership per Club	49	44	43	72	58	47	52

### APPENDIX "C"

### PRECIS OF RULINGS GIVEN BY THE PRESIDENT SINCE THE 1975 CONFERENCE

Question: Clarification of I.A.A.F. Rule 116-3

Ruling: The interpretation of the appointment of officials hinges on the words "if this has not been previously arranged". Mormal procedure is for the Committee to allocate the Judges before a meeting and for the referee to specify their duties. If Judges have not been allocated to an event, the Rule empowers the referee to do so.

Question: 1.A.A.F. Rule 181-1 and 181-2. Should the order in which competitors take their trials be re-drawn before the eight competitors with the best performances proceed to take their three additional trials?

Answer: No. The additional trials are not a final, but a continuation of the event.

Question: Clarification of the requirement in 1.A.A.F. Rule 181-5 that the competitor shall leave the circle from the rear half.

Answer: The competitor is required to place at least one foot in the part of the circle behind the bisecting line and then to leave the circle in such a manner that the first step outside it is in the area behind the bisecting line or its extension.

Question: Whether an Association may accept the registration as an official of a gentleman who is the president of a specialist Club and who has in the past accepted money for coaching.

Answer: Law 115(0) prohibits him from competing as an amateur so he must be regarded as a professional in terms of the definition in Law 114. Law 153 makes it possible for people in this category to be appointed to positions such as Patron or coach of affiliated clubs. The section of the Law goes on to say "provided that he is not a registered official of such Association." The interpretation is that we may not register any person who is not an amateur and so make him a member.

<u>Question:</u> Whether an \*unregistered schoolboy\* may claim an Australian record.

Answer: Neither the Constitution Laws nor the General Rules exclude non-registered athletes from claiming records. It is, therefore not necessary for an athlete to be a registered member of a State Association to claim a record, either State or Australian.

<u>Questions</u> Whether a record could be invalidated if one of the three timekeepers held a second watch for timing other competitors.

Answer: Provided the "official" watch is clearly identlfied before the commencement of the race, there is no reason
why a second watch should not be held. Timekeepers should
always be aware of the risk of divided attention in such a
case.

Question: I.A.A.F. Rule 171-5. In a situation where the arena manager had granted permission for rubber strips to be placed on the runways, may a cometitor elect to use either the portable mat or the original run-up? If so, could a competitor using the portable mat be considered to gain a "material advantage" over the cometitor who did not use it?

Answer: There is no i.h.A.F. Rule to cover the situation and in theory a competitor could use either surface provided the referee agreed. The President considered that this would create an impracticable situation because of the time and energy consuming factors. The fact was that competitors were obligated to use the facilities provided. If the Arena Manager in consultation with the Field Games Referee decrees that a certain strip shall be used, competitors have no option. If the Field Games Referee allowed optional strips, there could not be any action against a competitor on the grounds of assistance for using either one.

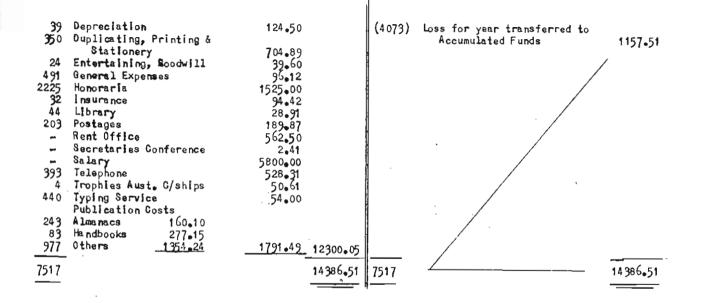
#### APPENDIX "D"

### THE RONALD W. CLARKE ATHLETIC FOUN ATION

Statement showing quotas allocated to States and contributions made by States to 31st December, 1975.

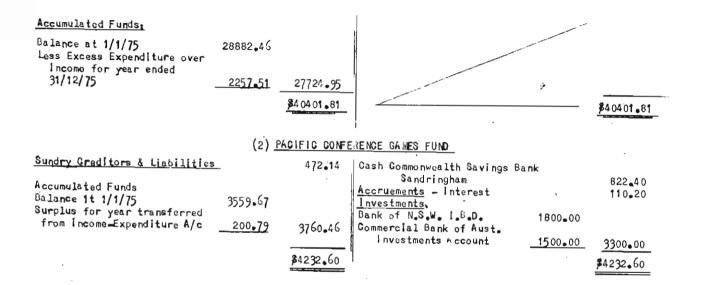
State	Quota	Contribution
	**	<b>\$</b>
New South Wales	18000	2770
Queens la nd	6000	6000
South Australla	4000	4180
Tasmania	1000	800
Victoria	18900	9220
Western Australia	3000	100

	INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1975						
1974	EXPENDITURE	(1) GENER					
,,	Affiliation Fees		Affiliation Fees				
156	International Amateur Athletic		60 Member Associations 75.00				
	Federation 178.14		91 Australian Women's A.A.U. 179.96	254•96			
68	Pacific Conference Games						
	Council 296.25		Registration Dues				
4	Australian Olympic Federation 15.00		1947 A.A.A. of N.S.W. 1436.50				
11	Australian Commonwealth		700 Queensland A.A.A. 541.00				
	Games Association 10.50	499.89	482 South Australian A.A.A. 403.00				
	1.A.A.F. Oceania Group Expenses		383 Tasmanian A.A.A. 305.00				
40	Administrative Levy	40.00	2941 Victorian A.A.A. 2724.50				
	A.A.U. Special Funds:		359 Hestern Australian AAA 297.00	5707•00			
<b>35</b> 0	I.A.A.F. Congress Delegates		1				
	Fund 400.00		1348 Interest	1418.77			
<b>35</b> 0	Officers Conference Expenses 600.00						
300		1200.00	Share of Profits of Australian	4.000 05			
	Team & Athletes Expenses:		1485 Track & Field Championships	1938.85			
8	Athletes to Overseas		16 Fines & Reinstatement Fees	10.00			
**	Commonwealth Games Team of 1974 (30.23)		Publication Siles				
50		250.57	204 Almanacs 70.20				
	Special Committee Expenses:		- Handbooks 222.50				
573	Administration Special Committee		1414 Other 1902.20	2194.90			
-	Joint Australian Track & Field	,					
	Championships 96.00	96.00	- Subsidy Administration	1625.00			
	General Administration:						
59	Cables & Telegrams 33.28		160 Sundry Income	79•52			
-	Badges Lapel 16.74						
-	Conference Expenses 104.00			13229.00			
_	Complimentary Dinner Expenses 553.40						



BALANCE SHEET AS AT STST DECEMBER. 1975						
	(1) GENERA	L FUNDS	4 C D			
LIABILITIES_		ASSETS	4			
Sundry Creditors:	62.00	Cash: Commonwealth Savings				
Congress Delegates Expenses Fund		Bank, Sandringham	7 <b>3</b> 56 <b>.</b> 69			
		• • •	1166.30			
		Sundry Debtors:	1100.30			
Allocation for 1975 400-00		Accruements:				
1624.67	44.00.05	Registration Dues 6180.50				
Deposit Montreal 221.72	1402.95	Interest 601.72	6782.22			
Officars Conference Expenses Fund:			•			
Balance 1/1/75 262.15		Investments:   Bank of NaSaWa LaBaDa 3000a00				
Allocation for 1975 600.00		1 1				
Commonwealth Government Subsidy 57.00		N.S.W. D.B. of N.S.W.				
929.45	'	Debentures 7000.00				
Adelaide Conference 354.00		Commonwealth of Australia				
Secretary's Travel 115.65 469.55	459.80	Special Bonds 2000.00				
Geretary's Travel	,	Commercial Bank of Aust.				
Selectors Expenses Fund		Investment Account 5000.00				
Balance 1/1/75 707.11		Commonwealth Savings Bank				
Allocation for 1975 200.00		Interest Bearing Deposit 5000.00	22000.00			
907.11		01 - 1-	2221.60			
Less Expenses 30.00	877-11	Stocks:	250,400			
Special Funds	111	Equipment: at cost less depreciation	875.00			
Subsidy Australian Track & Field		Equipment: at cost less depreciation	0//•00			
Substidy Australian Frack a Fred						
Championships 1976 5000.00						
Administration 6500,00		1				
Less Allocation to	0075 00					
31/12/75 <u>1625.00</u> <u>4875.00</u>	9875.00					

BALANCE SHEET AS AT Stot DECEMBER, 1975



RONALD W. CLARKE A THIE ITO FOUNDATION					
International Jours	Fund	7075 05		Cash Commonwealth Savings Bank	
Balance at 1/1/75		7875 • 85	ļ	Sandringham	950•09
Interest for year		2200 98	ì	A	1061.21
•		10,076.83		Accruements Interest	1001.21
Subsidy D. Commons	250.00	-7-1		Investments	
				Commercial Bank of Australia	
" R. Boyd	250.00				
	250.00				
" B. Norman	250.00			M.W.S.D.Bd. of NSW Debentures 9500.00	
•	250.00			Bank of N.S.W. Interest	
<b>—</b>				Bearing Deposits 2500.00	28500.00
	250.00				20,000,00
	250.00				
R. Walczak	250.00				
Transfer to					
Accumulated Fund 5	00 000				
	000.00	,	,		
Less Bank Charges	<u> </u>	6999-19	3077•64		
Irust Fund					
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### AUDITOR'S REPORT:

I report that I have examined the books and records of the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia for the year ended 31st December, 1975 and have obtained all the information and explanations required by me. In my opinion the above Calance Sheet as at 31st December 1975 and the accompanying Income and Expenditure Account agree with the books of the Union and are properly drawn up so as to present a true and fair view of the Union's affairs.

P.W. Lucas, A.A.S.A., A.C.I.S. Registered Companies Auditor.