

AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION

FIFTH BIENNIAL REPORT

and

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

1948.

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Presented to delegates of affiliated Associations at the Sixth Biennial Conference of the Union, held at Sydney, New South Wales, on Thursday, 22nd January, 1948.

Ladies:

Your Executive has much pleasure in presenting its Fifth Biennial Report and Balance Sheet for your consideration.

The Union has, since its last Conference in 1940, passed through years when the attention of the youth of the nation was directed to work of national importance rather than athletic exercise. Although victorious, the nation has not yet recovered from the terrific efforts it was called upon to make to ensure that victory, and consequently even yet we await the return to normal times.

WAR SERVICE.

Your Union feels proud that so many of the members of the affiliated Associations assisted the war effort in His Majesty's Forces, or through special efforts in other essential directions. Some members were unable to do all they desired, and it is consequently felt on that account, and because the numbers engaged were so numerous, that individual mention would be out of place.

AFFILIATIONS.

Owing to so many of their members being engaged in war activities, some Associations were unfortunately forced to suspend their affiliations.

It is indeed regretted that the Queensland W.A.A.A. has been unable to re-form, and it is hoped that an application for reaffiliation will be made at an early date.

The following State Associations are affiliated.

NEW SOUTH WALES
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

VICTORIA
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

CONFERENCE.

The Fifth Conference of the Union was held at Perth Bowling Club, Perth, West. Australia on Thursday, 7th March, 1940, with the President Mrs. M. Chambers, M.B.E. presiding.

The following delegates attended:-

N.S.W.	Miss N. Gould
Queensland	Mrs. T. Peake
Victoria	Miss P. Cantwell
West. Australia	Mrs. L. Drake.

MAIL VOTE: A Mail Vote was held in 1942 at the request of affiliated bodies for the purpose of finalising matters then current, being principally associated with the emergencies created by the war.

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The Fifth Biennial Championships were held at Leederville Oval, Perth on March 7th, 9th and 11th 1940, and resulted in Victoria retaining the custody of the Doris Mulcahy Shield. The Union extends congratulations to the members of the successful team.

The points scored were as follows:-

Victoria	6	firsts	4	seconds
N.S.W.	5	"	1	"
Western Aust.	1	"	4	"
Queensland	-	-	3	-

The existing Australian records were broken in the 90 yards hurdles by Decima Norman of N.S.W. in 12 seconds and by the N.S.W. 440 yards Relay Team who recorded 49.1 seconds.

The following are the Championship results:-

<u>100 YARDS:</u>	L. Forster	Victoria	
	J. Coleman	N.S.W.	
	I. Talbot	Victoria	Time 11.2 seconds
<u>220 YARDS:</u>	J. Coleman	N.S.W.	
	L. Forster	Victoria	
	J. Woodland	West. Aust.	Time 25.9 seconds
<u>440 YARDS:</u>	I. Talbot	Victoria	
	B. Judge	West. Aust.	
	M. Orr	West. Aust.	Time 59.2 seconds
<u>880 YARDS</u>	B. Judge	West. Aust.	
	M. Orr	" "	
	T. Peake	Queensland	Time 2m.26.8 seconds
<u>90 YARDS HURDLES:</u>	D. Norman	N.S.W.	
	D. Carter	Victoria	
	I. Grant	"	Time 12 seconds
<u>880 YARDS WALK:</u>	I. Dowsey	Victoria	
	E. Capel	"	
	J. Gullan	West. Aust.	Time 3m.53.5 seconds
<u>440 YARDS RELAY:</u>	N.S.W.		
	West. Australia		
	Victoria		Time 49.1 seconds

<u>HIGH JUMP:</u>	D. Carter	Victoria	Height 5'
	H. Williams	Queensland	
	P. Howe	West. Aust.	
<u>BROAD JUMP:</u>	D. Norman	N.S.W.	Distance 18'8 3/8"
	T. Peake	Queensland	
	M. Stoltze	West. Aust.	
<u>JAVELIN:</u>	C. McGibbon	Victoria	Distance 120'8 7/8"
	V. Askew	Queensland	
	L. Mitchell	Victoria	
<u>SHOT:</u>	C. Hannan	N.S.W.	
	L. Mitchell	Victoria	
	E. Clifford	West. Australia	
<u>DISCUS:</u>	D. Carter	Victoria	Distance 106'9 3/4"
	E. Clifford	West Australia	
	C. Hannan	N.S.W.	

SYMPATHY.

The deepest sympathy of the Executive is expressed to our President, Mrs. Chambers, whose husband passed away since our last Conference.

It is also with regret that we record the passing of Mr. E.S. Marks for many years President of the A.A.U. of A., a member of the Olympic Federation and a very valued friend of this Union.

AUSTRALIAN RECORDS.

The following records were granted at the 1940 Conference of the Union and during the past seven years:-

90 Yards Hurdles	D. Norman	N.S.W.	Perth 1940	12 secs.
880 Yards	B. Judge	West. Australia	" 1940	2m. 24.7 secs.
440 Yards Relay	N.S.W. (D. Norman, J. Coleman V. Jones & N. Gould)		" 1940	49.1 secs.
Discus	C. Hannan	N.S.W.	Sydney 1940	112'10 1/8"
Broad Jump	D. Norman	Australia	" 1938	19'0 3/4"
Javelin	R. Higgins	Canada	" 1938	127'7 1/4"
	C. McGibbon	Victoria	Melbourne 1939	128'4"
Awaiting recognition.				
Javelin	C. McGibbon	"	" 1947	135'1 1/2"
220 Yards	B. McKinnon	N.S.W.	Sydney 1947	25.1 secs

APPRECIATION.

Your Union desires to express its appreciation to the A.A.U. of A. for their co-operation and assistance; to the Hon. Auditor, Mr. G. Carruthers for his valued assistance, and to the Executive members for the splendid manner in which they have carried out their duties.

CONCLUSION.

The Union looks forward to the future with confidence, after having, through strenuous efforts assisted the nation and at the same time being able to keep our Associations active.

The Australian Championships are being resumed, and as a result it is confidently anticipated, our strength will exceed that obtained in 1939.

Considerable work lies ahead - the election and training of Olympic representatives in the near future, but an even greater responsibility, that of training our post-war young women in the art of participating in amateur athletics.

On behalf of the Australian Women's Amateur Athletic Union.

DORIS I. MAGEE,
Hon. Secretary.

ADDENDUM.

On behalf of the Union Executive Members, I would like to place on record, the work of Mrs. Doris Magee, Hon. Secretary, A.W.A.A.U.

Mrs. Magee took over the duties of Hon. Secretary in 1942, a very difficult period, and is to be commended for keeping the Union active during that time.

Courteous and helpful to all States, Mrs. Magee has endeared herself to all members of the Women's Athletic Associations. We all wish her much success in her future work.

On behalf of the Union,

MARY CHAMBERS,
President.

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR PERIOD 1ST FEBRUARY, 1944,
TO 30TH NOVEMBER, 1947.

<u>R E C E I P T S.</u>		<u>P A Y M E N T S.</u>	
Balance as at 1st Feb. '44	71. 3. 2	Printing of Letter Heads	14. 0
<u>Affiliations:</u>			
New South Wales	12.12. 0	Balance at 30th November,	
Victoria	12.12. 0	1947	
South Australia	12.12. 0	At Bank	111. 8. 2
Western Australia	6. 6. 0	On Hand	3. 3. 0
	<u>£115. 5. 2</u>		<u>£115. 5. 2</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH NOVEMBER, 1947.

<u>L I A B I L I T I E S.</u>		<u>A S S E T S.</u>	
Accumulated Funds	128.11. 2	Medallion Dies	6. 0. 0
		Typewriter at cost	8. 0. 0
		Cash at Bank	111. 8. 2
		Cash on Hand	3. 3. 0
	<u>£128.11. 2</u>		<u>£128.11. 2</u>

N. GOULD, Honorary Treasurer.

G. CARRUTHERS A.I.C.A. Honorary Auditor.

9th December, 1947.