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Presented to delegates of affiliated Associations at the twenty-first Conference, held at the N.S.W. Masonic Club, 171 Castlereagh Street, Sydney, N.S.W., on Thursday, March 11th, 1971 at 7.30 p.m. and on Friday March 12th, 1971 at 9.30 a.m.

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Ladies,

The Twentieth Report and Financial Statement of the Australian Women's Amateur Athletic Union is presented for your consideration.

Maintenance of high standards is manifest in the performances of our athletes at the Commonwealth Games last year at Edinburgh and the impressive number of world and Commonwealth records credited to Australian women athletes.

Our warmest congratulations to those athletes who represented at Edinburgh and to assistant manager - women, Mrs. Maisie McQuiston for the capable way she carried out her duties.

We are proud to report that Miss Pamela Kilborn was made a member of the Order of the British Empire by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and we extend our congratulations.

No International meet has, as yet, been scheduled for 1971, although it is understood the Los Angeles triangular meet is still under consideration; pending this, we look forward to a strong representation and Australian success at the Munich Olympic Games next year.

REGISTRATIONS

The total membership registered for the past twelve months with constituent Associations, is listed hereunder, together with a comparison of figures for the previous year.

| | <u>1969-70</u> | <u>1970-71</u> |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| New South Wales | 1977 | 2004 |
| Queensland | 240 | 200 |
| South Australia | 472 | 731 |
| Tasmania | 180 | 310 |
| Victoria | 1500 | 1800 |
| Western Australia | 316 | 365 |
| | <u>4,685</u> | <u>5,410</u> |

All constituent Associations, with the exception of Queensland, record a gratifying increase in registrations for the twelve months under review.

CONFERENCE

The Twentieth Conference was held in the Board Room, Victorian Police Association, McKenzie Street, Melbourne, Victoria, on March 12th and 13th, 1970, with Mrs. M. Robinson, President, presiding.

Office-bearers and Committees appointed at the Conference are listed on the inside front cover.

Affiliated Associations were represented by the following delegates.

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| New South Wales | Mesdames D. Magee, MBE, & F. Wrighter |
| Queensland | Mesdames J. Bonwick & S. McMinn, J.P. |
| South Australia | Mesdames M. Cahill & W. Ey |
| Tasmania | Mesdames M. Ebzery & D. Frawley |
| Victoria | Mesdames P. Anderson & M. McQuiston |
| Western Australia | Miss G. Bull & Mrs. E. McKenzie |

Also present, Mrs. J. Davis, Vice President, Miss N. Gould, Honorary Treasurer and Life Member Miss L. Neville.

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS - MELBOURNE 1970

The organization of the Championships was under the control of the Executive Committee and much time and thought was necessary in the planning.

The number one problem was our unenclosed ground at Royal Park West. The realisation of the necessity to recoup the heavy expense involved in the presentation of the Championships, prompted an application to the Victorian Amateur Athletic Association for use of Olympic Park for the final two days. We were grateful for their co-operation in transferring their events to another venue; thus, the way was open for us to apply to the Olympic Park Trust for permission to conduct same at Olympic Park.

It is opportune to state here that at this point of time, we had no idea an all weather track would be laid and ready for the Championships.

A total of 163 entries were received, including one from Papua-New Guinea. It was necessary to hold heats and semi-finals of the Junior 100 Metres.

All teams had arrived by Tuesday, March 10 and everything was ready for the commencement the following day at Royal Park West with the Open and Junior Pentathlon, plus heats of various events.

At the conclusion of the first day's events, all teams paraded in uniforms in readiness for the Official Opening Ceremony which was performed by Lady Connelly, Patroness of the Association, who was accompanied onto the arena by the President of the Australian Women's Amateur Athletic Union and Mrs. Davis President of the Victorian Association.

Pam Kilborn recited the oath of amateurism on behalf of all competitors. At the conclusion of the formalities, Official guests, competitors and Officials were entertained at a buffet luncheon.

Thursday was a wet, miserable day for the second day of the Pentathlon and further heats and we were pleased to get through the programme.

With the new track just completed and no training on same available to the athletes, we were somewhat apprehensive as to whether the athletes would be able to adapt themselves to the new surface. The excellent performance over the Saturday and Sunday proved our worries quite unnecessary as the excellent results indicated.

New South Wales won the Doris Mulchay Shield and Victoria the Doris Magee Junior Shield.

During the Championships, the Lord Mayor of Melbourne Cr. E.W. Best, received visiting Officials and athletes at the Melbourne Town Hall.

A buffet dinner for Officials was held at the Police Club and a Finale Dinner was held for Athletes, Officials and visitors at Royal Park Hall.

Mrs. Doris Magee, M.B.E., President of the New South Wales W.A.A.A., proclaimed the Championships closed and invited all to Sydney for the 1971 Championships.

We extend our sincere thanks to the athletes, who were responsible for such a feast of first class competition, to State Manageresses for their co-operation and all who helped to make the Championships a success.

Maisie McQuiston
Honorary Secretary,
V.W.A.A.A.

AUSTRALIAN TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS - RESULTS
OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Pentathlon: J. Tandy (NSW) 4484 pts; P. McCallum (NSW) 4443pts;
C. Wright (NSW) 4191 pts; P. Smith (NSW) 4149 pts;
J. Arnold (SA) 4043 pts; G. Pitson (Vic) 3770 pts

100 Metres: R. Boyle (Vic) 11.6s; M. Hoffman (Qld) 11.9sec;
K. Holland (WA) 11.9s; M. Caird (NSW) 12.1s; P. Kilborn
(Vic) 12.2s.

- 200 Metres: R. Boyle (Vic) 22.9s; M. Hoffman (Qld) 23.3s;
S. Brown (NSW) 23.5; K. Holland (W.A) 23.9; K. Thomas (NSW)
24.5; E. Frawley (Vic) 24.6;
- 400 Metres: S. Brown (NSW) 52.4; E. Frawley (Vic) 54.2; C. Peasley
(NSW) 54.3; P. Bryden (NSW) 54.4; J. Bennett (WA) 56.2;
K. Holland (W.A) 57.0;
- 800 Metres: C. Peasley (NSW) 2m5.6; J. Hart (SA) 2m7.4; N. Kennedy
(V) 2m8.5; P. McDonald (NSW) 2m9.9; H. Dalziel (NSW) 2m13.9;
R. Thompson (SA) 2m16.7;
- 1500 Metres: R. Thompson (SA) 4m31.4; I. Lincoln (Invit) 4m31.6;
P. Gavin (Vic) 4m36.9; H. Dalziel (NSW) 4m38.7; C. McIntosh
(Qld) 4m45.7; I. Palmer (Vic) 4m50.8;
- 100 Metres Hurdles: M. Caird (NSW) 13.3; P. Kilborn (Vic) 13.3;
P. McCallum (NSW) 13.5; H. Windred (NSW) 14.1; G. Dell (Vic)
14.2;
- 200 Metres Hurdles: M. Caird (NSW) 26.3; P. Kilborn (Vic) 26.5;
G. Dell (NSW) 27.0; P. McCallum (NSW) 27.2; K. Holland
(WA) 28.3;
- 1500 Metres Walk: G. Syrratt (NSW) 7m23.5; D. Behan (NSW) 7m26.5;
E. Inglis (V) 7m35.2; G. Ironside (NSW) 7m52.5; H. Littlejohn
(NSW) 7m54.7; M. Pye (V) 8m26.3;
- Long Jump: D. Pease (NSW) 20' 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ " ; J. Tandy (NSW) 19' 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " ;
K. Bencraft (V) 19' 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ " ; K. Csardis (NSW) 19' 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " ; R. Hindle
(WA) 19' 1" ; D. Cole (WA) 18' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " ;
- High Jump: C. Wright (NSW) 5' 6" ; R. Parke (Vic) 5' 4" ; J. Tandy
(NSW) 5' 4" ; J. Arnold (SA) 5' 3" ; G. Pitson (Vic) 5' 2" ;
J. Hatch (WA) 5' 2" ;
- Javelin Throw: P. Rivers (Vic) 177' 3" ; N. Urbancic (I.V) 175' 9" ;
J. Kennedy (NSW) 159' 1" ; G. Thompson (Vic) 156' 0" ; D. White
(NSW) 151' 7" ; M. Thomas (NSW) 150' 5" ;
- Shot Put: J. Roberts (Vic) 49' 3" ; A. Karner (Vic) 48' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " ;
J. Pringle (Qld) 47' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " ; J. Kennedy (NSW) 43' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " ;
C. Schultz (Vic) 41' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " ; J. Tandy (NSW) 40' 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ " ;
- Discus Throw: J. Roberts (Vic) 166' 6" ; S. Cully (NSW) 158' 9" ;
A. Karner (Vic) 155' 1" ; H. Atkins (NSW) 145' 10" ; M. Curry
(Vic) 136' 12" ; C. Schultz (I.V) 127' 3" ;
- 4 x 100 Metres Relay: Victoria 45.2sec; Queensland 46.2sec;
Western Australia 47.1sec; South Australia 47.5sec;
Tasmania 48.0sec
- 4 x 400 Metres Relay: New South Wales 3m39.0; Victoria 3m42.2;
South Australia 3m50.2; Queensland 3m58.8sec;

WINNER OF DORIS MULCAHY SMIELD - for Open Interstate Point Score-
New South Wales.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Pentathlon: L. Tillett (NSW) 4173 pts; E. Nixon (Qld) 3946 pts;
J. Thompson (V) 3832 pts; A. Measday (SA) 3832 pts;
K. Bencraft (V) 3687 pts; S. Granger (NSW) 3624;
- 100 Metres: A. Ross-Edwards (NSW) 11.8s; D. Robertson (Qld) 12.0s
M. Pegg (NSW) 12.0s; E. Murray (V) 12.1s; H. Rowan (SA)
12.2s; S. Sames (NSW) 12.3s
- 200 Metres: D. Robertson (Qld) 24.6; A. Ross-Edwards (NSW) 24.7;
M. Pegg (NSW) 24.8; M. Sargent (NSW) 25.4; H. Rowan (SA)
25.5; G. Picardi (WA) 25.7;
- 400 Metres: A. Ross-Edwards (NSW) 55.2; D. Robertson (Qld) 56.2;
D. Murphy (Qld) 56.4; D. Huxley (V) 58.0; S. Behan (NSW)
58.2; G. Patmore (Tas) 58.5;
- 800 Metres: J. Orr (Vic) 2m12.3; C. Reeves (NSW) 2m13.8;
L. Gallagher (V) 2m14.4; J. Dalziel (NSW) 2m14.9;
D. Huxley (V) 2m20.7; A. Cook (NSW) 2m24.5;
- 1500 Metres: J. Orr (V) 4m35.0; A. Cook (Ind. NSW) 4m44.4;
C. Reeves (I. NSW) 4m46.2; L. Gallagher (V) 4m50.9;
G. Sweetman (NSW) 4m54.8; J. Connelly (SA) 4m56.4;
- 100 Metres Hurdles: S. Moir (V) 15.1; R. Ward (NSW) 15.2;
J. Knight (NSW) 15.3; F. MacRae (WA) 16.3;
- 800 Metres Walk: G. Syratt (NSW) 3m41.5; C. Ironside (NSW)
3m42.2; D. Behan (NSW) 3m44.3; M. Pye (V) 3m52.3;
S. Clencie (V) 3m54.7; D. Ball (V) 3m56.2;
- High Jump: J. Hatch (WA) 5'3"; J. Thompson (Vic) 5'2"; J. Symon
(SA) 5'1"; L. Hargreaves (NSW) 5'1"; R. Dahl (Qld) 5'1";
A. Measday 4'10"
- Long Jump: K. Bencraft (Vic) 19'2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; D. Cole (WA) 18'11 $\frac{3}{4}$ ";
S. Granger (NSW) 18'7 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; E. Nixon (Qld) 18'5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ";
J. Thompson (Vic) 18'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; S. Scott (I) 17'11";
- Discus Throw: J. Symon (SA) 131'10"; B. Jones (V) 111'2";
G. Sardi (V) 109'11"; D. Cousell (NSW) 108'6";
G. Dunbier (V) 108'11"; T. Hilton (Qld) 102'7";
- Shot Put: J. Symon (SA) 37'9 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; L. Clarke (NSW) 36'4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ";
D. Couell (NSW) 36'4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; G. Dunbier (Vic) 35'8";
G. Hardcastle (I) 33'6"; P. Rivers (V) 33'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Javelin Throw: P. Rivers (V) 155'7"; M. Phillipott (NSW) 151'8";
J. Symon (SA) 145'7"; G. Corke (NSW) 126'1"; A. Brown (NSW)
119'4";

4 x 100 Metres Relay: New South Wales 47.2s; Victoria 47.2s;
Western Australia 48.0s, South Australia 48.0s,
Queensland 48.5s;

WINNER OF DORIS MAGEE SHIELD - for Junior Interstate Point Score-
Victoria.

REPORT OF THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY, FREDERICK,
MARYLAND, U.S.A.

Arrived Tuesday, 17th March at Dulles Airport, Washington. We were met by one of the Jaycees, who drove us to Frederick which is about 20 miles away from the airport. All the athletes were booked into a hotel called the Red Horse. We were taken to the Hospitality Room in the hotel and were introduced to the people who were running the International Cross Country, also met Mrs. Griffin and our hostess, Mrs. Shipley. They showed us the scale model of the course, and it looked as though it was going to be a very good course. We were then handed an envelope, which contained programme, T shirt, travelling valet, information of Frederick, where to shop etc., map of the course, writing pad, two biros and a portfolio.

Wednesday, 18th March. Awoke and found it was snowing, temperature 32°. Trained at 10.00am, over the course, Pam Bagain of U.S.A. showed us the course and also the Irish Team joined us. Everyone was invited to Flood College which has just been completed, and have a look around.

In the afternoon went for another training run over the course. Wednesday night you could either go swimming at Flood College or go bowling.

Thursday 19th March, temperature 38°, and it rained all day. Went training over the course, but found that the snow had melted a little bit, and had to take it easy. It was a free day for the athletes. At night there was a movie for the athletes called Romeo and Juliet. Everything was free, except for meals and lodgings. Trained again in the afternoon retired early.

Friday 20th March, temperature 40°, still raining. Went for a run in the morning, then relaxed for most of the day. 17.30-19.00 there was a buffet supper held at a farm of Mr. & Mrs. G.L. Thomas Jr. The buffet supper was beautiful, and after everyone had eaten we were officially welcomed to Frederick for the 4th Women's International Cross Country by the Mayor of Frederick. Then the athletes were introduced and we all received a lovely glass with the words of 4th Women's International Cross Country, Frederick, Maryland U.S.A. Then a few more speeches were made, and everyone conveyed their good wishes for tomorrow.

1730-1900 there was a Reception and Dinner for coaches which was sponsored by the Home Economics Club of Flood College.

1930-2100 there was a Fashion show and Social Hour for athletes sponsored by the Home Economics Club of Flood College.

1930-2030 Technical Meeting for coaches, which I attended, and the meeting was about the Opening Ceremony, Schedule of Events for Saturday 21st March, 1970 and the drawing of lanes.

We were given a paper which had the Opening Ceremony and they had on it, the Pali Bearer, Flag Bearer, the Manageress, Captain and the team, and it showed us the way we had to march on, and where to stand. The flags which were carried by the athletes of Frederick High School, were made by the Girl Scouts, and they did a marvellous job. Then they worked out the different national anthems. Next on the agenda was, Schedule of events, they had at 9.30 a.m., the course was open, 10.30 am Band marches on field, 10.55 am Final call for 11 and Under Race, 11.00 am, 11 and Under Race, 11.25 am final call, 12 and 13 Race, 11.30am 12 and 13 Race, 12.00 Opening Ceremonies, presentation of flags, 12.25 Final call Championship race, 12.30 pm Championship race, 13.00 presentation of 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishes, 13.10 return to headquarters, 14.20 leave from headquarters to banquet, 14.30 - 17.00 Awards banquet, 17.30 bus leaves from banquet to Washington, D.C. Everything on that paper was explained to us. Then the starters who were Mr. C.C. Jackson and Mr. Harry Thompson explained about the start to us, which was on your marks - go. Then the lanes for the race were drawn. Adrienne Beames drew lane 18, 1, lane 27.

20.30-21.30 International Cross Country Union meeting which I attended. On the agenda was-

- 1; Reading and/or approval of the minutes of the previous meeting.
- 2; Treasurer's Report
- 3; Report of Standing or Special Committees
- 4; Unfinished Business
- 5; New Business
 - A. I.A.A.F. recognition/sanction of I.W.C.C.U.
 - B. Greater participation of countries in the International Cross Country Championships
 - C. Course and conduct of the 1970 Championships
 - D. Awarding of the 1971 Championships
 - E. Designation of President for 1971
- 6; Announcements
- 7; Adjourn

What came under great discussion was the South Africa, whether to let them compete in the Cross Country or not, and next year quite a few more countries will compete. Meeting closed at 12.00 midnight. The minutes of the meeting will be forwarded to me, so as soon as I get them I will pass them

on to you Mrs. Hagee.

Saturday 21st March, temperature 42°. Awoke early feeling very nervous. Went for a short run, then relaxed. Left Red Horse Hotel at 10.30 a.m., for the course. The races for the youngsters 11 yrs & Under, 12 yrs and 13 yrs, the distance for them was 1½ miles. At 10.45 a.m., I started my warm up and so did Adrienne Beames. At 11.55 a.m., we were called into the tent which they had assembled for us to keep warm, for the Opening Ceremony. Australia was the first team to march on, they played our National Anthem, announced the country and our names. They did that to every country that same, Canada, Eirie, England, Scotland, Wales and U.S.A. One thing we did not like, and that is, we were the first team to march on, and we get very cold, and our warm up was just a waste, but it certainly was a proud moment for us to represent Australia.

The 4th International Cross Country Meeting was opened by Congressman J. Glenn Beall Watch. The Opening Ceremony took 15 minutes. At 12.15 it concluded and we had 10 minutes to warm up before the race, and we were that cold, we could not even get warm. 12.25p.m. we were called to our lines, they had two starting tapes. At the first starting tape there were plastic bags lying beside our lane numbers. These bags were for your track-suits. 12.30pm, we were called to our marks, then bang we were off, forgot about the cold and wind, only concern was to get up close to the front for a good position, had about 200 yards to do this before we came to our first hill, which was about ¼ mile long. Managed to get into 5th position, lost ground going up the hill, but soon caught up again. I was going well, keeping with-in myself. Had a ¼ mile of down-hill run, then we crossed a bridge, and went up another hill. Still keeping fifth place, moving along easily, came to the 1 mile post then suddenly something happened, I felt as though my muscles had seized, breathing was difficult, had a ½ mile of down-hill and flat, thought I could try relaxing and freeing my muscles, but I could not. Slowly I was losing my position, had a long hill to go up, managed to keep going, went past the 2 mile post, tried to go harder, but I just could not do it, and finished 27th, and Adrienne finished 34th.

I was very disappointed, because I thought of all those people who had helped me to get over here, my country, my State and club. I was asked to go into the tent to keep warm, and I was shivering and ached all over, and had a head-ache. The Technical advisor Mr. Jack Griffin came over to me, and he explained to me what went wrong. It was the change of climate, because when we left Melbourne, it was 90° and arrived in America when the temperature was 32°. There was the time difference, different food and from track season to cross-country running. Adrienne Beames felt the same way as I did. If we had arrived 3 weeks before the event, to get acclimatized and used to the conditions, food, we would have finished much closer than we did.

1.00 p.m. Presentations of 1st, 2nd and 3rd place-getters. They all received a boquet of flowers.

1.10pm we returned to the hotel, to get ready for the Awards Banquet. 2.20pm left the hotel, for the Awards Banquet which was held at Peter Pan, a large restaurant.

2.30pm Awards Banquet started, we were all seated at tables. The food that followed was, fruit juice, soup, chicken, salad and vegetables, dessert and coffee. Then the presentations. We all received a medallion, with the U.S.A. emblem on the front, and on the back were the words 4th Women's International Cross Country, 1970, Frederick, Maryland, U.S.A. finished 27th, and the colour of the ribbon is red, white and blue. We also received a certificate of participation. The teams who finished 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th received lovely plaques.

Winner who was Doris Brown, received a plaque. The winning team received the Billy Morton Trophy, which was England. We also received the results, and in it, it had, the event was 2½ miles, Weather - overcast, Temperature 42°, course - hilly, terrain - grass, winds N.W. 10-15 mph. Then came the individual results and team results.

5.30 pm, bus left the banquet to Washington, D.C. where we all went for a bus tour of Washington.

Sunday, 22nd March, 9.00am, there was a farewell breakfast, sponsored by the Negro Business and Professional Women's Club. The breakfast was beautiful, it consisted of fruit juices, cereals, scrambled eggs, ham and dumplings, toast, jam and coffee. We were all presented with a scarf and a team photograph.

10.30 am, everyone parted and went their own way. We were invited to stay for another week, which we did, and I found out quite a lot about athletics in U.S.A.

Remarks - I was very disappointed over my performance in the race, but I gained a lot of experience. If ever a team goes over to a cold country, it would be best to go there, two or three weeks beforehand to get acclimatized.

The meeting itself was well organized in fact the whole week was, and I made many friends, while I was over there.

I would love to see Australia have an International Cross Country Meeting, it certainly would be a great experience, and it would boost Cross Country over here, because overseas it is very big, and it would also put Australia on the map.

I would like to apologise for taking so long in writing this report, but since I have got back from America I have not been well.

If there is anything you would like to know from this report, please let me know and I will answer straight away.

Thank you very much for letting me go overseas to represent Australia, it certainly makes you quite proud of Australia.

RAIE THOMPSON.

AUSTRALIAN CROSS COUNTRY AND WALKING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 11th Annual Cross Country Championship of Australia and the 4th Annual Road Walking and Road Relay Championships were held at Flinders University, Bedford Park, Adelaide on August 29th and 30th, 1970.

55 competitors, representing Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland and South Australia competed over a hard but ideal course.

Sub-Junior 1500 Metres: A field of 16 competitors took part and this race was a triumph for South Australia with first and third placings and second in the team event. Susan Bott in her first Interstate competition ran an excellent race and finished strongly to withstand a strong challenge from D. Costello (NSW) to win by four seconds in 5 minutes 28.0 seconds. New South Wales won the Stella McMinn Shield by 2 points from South Australia and Victoria in third position.

Junior 3000 Metres: Jenny Orr (Victoria) ran a tremendous race to win her third successive title. Jenny dominated the field of 14 competitors with G. Reeves (NSW) and Judy Connelly (SA) in the minor placings. Judy Connelly was most unfortunate when she fell about 200 metres from the finishing line. Connelly gamely fought on but could not regain second position. New South Wales again won the team shield from Victoria and South Australia in the minor placings.

5000 Metres: A field of 11 competitors faced the starter and with Raie Thompson leading the field it was evident that the race was going to be one of the closest and most interesting of the series.

Raie Thompson showed fatigue and in the last circuit turned off the course before the turnoff. Mrs. Thompson ran herself out of a placing but it is doubtful if she could have withstood the team work of the Victorian athletes or the fighting finish of P. Gavin (Vic), E. Stanford (NSW) and I. Palmer (Vic).

3000 Metres Walk: 12 competitors started with New South Wales filling the first three places. The walk and Relays were conducted within the University grounds and although the traffic hazard was not eliminated, it was certainly not as dangerous as if it had been held on public roads.

The relays were most exciting with South Australia winning their first gold medal in the 3 x 800 Metres Sub-Junior Championship.

Jenny Orr gave one of her best efforts to take the lead in the 3 x 1500 Metres Relay.

The 3 x 3000 Metres Relay was a classic event with South Australia and Victoria running neck and neck till Pat Gavin drew away in the dying stages to win the race by 4 seconds.

All competitors were entertained at a tea at the Tonsley Motel where Mrs. Bolton, Patroness of the South Australia Association, bid the teams farewell.

M. CAHILL.

Saturday 29th August, 1970

1500 Metres 14 Years and under Cross Country.

S. Bott 40 (SA) 5m28.0; D. Costello 15 (NSW) 5m32.0;
S. Halpin 45 (SA) 5m41.0; I. Trundle 16 (NSW) 5m45.0;
N. Chapman 18 (NSW) 5m46.0; D. Exton 6 (Qld) 5m48.0;
A. Joyce 17 (NSW) 5m49.0; E. Allison 23 (Vic) 5m50.0;
L. Bickley 24 (Vic) 5m50.0; E. Stubbs 53 (SA) 5m56.0;
C. Keating 31 (Vic) 5m56.0; W. Buttery 42 (SA) 6m04.0;
K. Backhouse 4 (Qld) 6m05.0; K. Cardell 3 (Qld) 6m20.0
J. Carter 5 (Qld) 6m20.0; L. Knight 33 (Vic) 6m24.0;
Stella McMinn Shield - NSW 11, SA 13, Vic 25, Qld 29.

3000 Metres Junior

J. Orr 37 (Vic) 11m35.0; C. Reeves 11 (NSW) 12m05.0;
J. Connelly 44 (SA) 12m06.0; L. Doyle 12 (NSW) 12m14.0;
J. Sweetman 13 (NSW) 12m20.0; M. Verco 55 (SA) 12m28.0;
R. Moss 36 (Vic) 12m39.0; J. Moss 35 (Vic) 12m40.0;
M. Butler 57 (SA) 12m49.0; M. Johnson 30 (Vic) 12m51.0;
K. McIntosh 2 (Qld) 13m04.0; K. Wells 14 (NSW) 13m22.0;
L. Barralet 1 (Qld) 13m24.0; M. Wellnitz 56 (SA) 13m27.0;
Nell Gould Shield: NSW 11, Vic 16, SA 18; Qld 21;

5000 Metres Senior:

P. Gavin 28 (Vic) 20m01.0; E. Standard 17 (NSW) 20m02.0;
I. Palmer 38 (Vic) 20m25.0; A. Ryan 8 (NSW) 20m30.0;
R. Thompson 54 (SA) 20m42.0; J. Hart 47 (SA) 21m00.0;
M. Carlon 43 (SA) 21m20.0; L. Gallagher 25 (Vic) 21m32.0;
R. Maloney 34 (Vic) 22m00.0; T. Bell 9 (NSW) 22m50.0;
C. Bryson 41 (SA) 23m14.0;
Mirror Shield: Vic 12; NSW 15; SA 18;

Sunday 30th August

3000 Metres Road Walk

D. Behan 19 (NSW) 15m31.0; G. Syrratt 20 (NSW) 15m43.0;
J. Phillips 21 (NSW) 16m20.0; L. Harper 46 (SA) 16m30.0;
E. Macfarlane 50 (SA) 16m54.0; M. Pye 39 (Vic) 17m00.0;
T. Smith 52 (SA) 17m11.0; R. Knappe 32 (Vic); B. Patmore 22 (NSW); L. Krieg 49 (SA); K. Herbert 48 (SA); L. Malbut 51 (SA);

Lillian Neville Shield: N.S.W. 6; S.A. 16.

3 x 800 Metres 14 years and Under Road Relay.

South Australia 7m52.0; (S. Halpin 45 2m35.0; E. Stubbs 53
2m43.0; S. Bott 40 2m34.0)
Queensland 7m 58.0; (J. Carter 5 2m38.0; K. Backhouse 4
2m41.0; K. Cardell 3 2m 39.0)
New South Wales 8m04.0; (I. Trundle 16 2m42.0; A. Joyce 17
2m43.0; D. Costello 15 2m39.0)
Victoria: 8m08.0; (L. Bickley 24 2m41.0; G. Keating 31 2m49.0;
E. Allison 23 2m38.0;

3 x 1500 Metres Junior Relay.

Victoria 15m56.0; R. Moss 36 5m18; J. Moss 35 5m38;
J. Orr 37 5m 0.0;
New South Wales: 15m50.0; L. Doyle 12 5m15.0; J. Sweetman 13
5m34.0; C. Reeves 11 5m09.0;
South Australia 16m08.0; M. Verco 55 5m16.0; M. Butler 57
5m39; J. Connelly 44 5m13.0;
Queensland: 17m26.0; L. Barralet 1 5m44.0; D. Exton 6
5m51.0; K. McIntosh 2 5m51.0;

3 x 3000 Metres Senior Relay:

Victoria 34m18.0; L. Gallagher 25 11m55.0; I. Palmer 38
11m21.0; P. Gavin 28 11m02.0;
South Australia 34m22.0; C. Bryson 41 11m56.0; M. Carlon 43
11m21.0; R. Thompson 54 11m05.0;
New South Wales: 36m 07.0; A. Ryan 8 11m39.0; T. Bell 9
12m56.0; E. Stanford 7 11m32.0;

IXth BRITISH COMMONWEALTH GAMES - 1970
EDINBURGH - SCOTLAND

Team Personnel

| | |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Raelene Boyle | 100M., 200M., 400M. Relay |
| Sandra Brown | 400M. Relay Reserve |
| Maureen Caird | 100M. Hurdles, 400M. Relay |
| Marion Hoffman | 100M., 200M., 400M. Relay |
| Anne Karner | Shot Put, Discus Throw. |
| Pamela Kilborn | 100M. Hurdles, Relay Reserve |
| Jennifer Lamy | 100M., 200M., 400M. Relay |
| Penelope McCallum | 100M. Hurdles. |
| Cheryl Peasley | 800M., 400M., |
| Petra Rivers | Javelin Throw |
| Jean Roberts | Discus Throw, Shot Put. |

PRE-DEPARTURE

Interstate members of the team arrived in Sydney on the Friday before departure and were billeted by members of the New South Wales Women's Amateur Athletic Association.

The A.A.A. of N.S.W. and the N.S.W.W.A.A.A. in conjunction with the Randwick Botany Harriers Club, organised a Meet at the Hensley Field on Sunday afternoon, July 5.

The competition was invaluable and, it was unfortunate more competition on a comparable basis was not available to our girls.

On the Monday prior to departure, Interstate members of the team were accommodated at the Canberra-Oriental Hotel, Kings Cross, Sydney.

A farewell function was tendered the team on the Monday night at the Hurstville Civic Centre. Preceding this function, Mr. Tunstall, our General Manager, briefed the team on all details pertaining to the trip, with special emphasis on team behaviour.

UNIFORM

It was obvious that much thought had gone into our uniform, particularly in relation to weather conditions. Throughout our stay, in Edinburgh, temperatures varies between 50-60 degrees; rather cold for a summer season. Added to the low temperatures, we also endured cold winds and a good deal of rain. Therefore, our uniforms of all wool were most suitable.

The departure from the usual blazer was much appreciated by the girls. Their five piece official outfit consisted of a green tweed jacket, slacks and culotte of the same material, gold colour fine wool frock and blouse with tie scarf. Almond coloured crinkle patent shoes, with a hand bag of a similar colour were additions to their ensembles. Two hats were issued made from the respective materials.

Further to the official uniform, the girls received a cream coloured polo neck jumper, a pale yellow plastic rain cape, underwear, stockings, knee socks, gloves, two towels and a woollen track suit.

All team members were delighted with their outfits which were extremely smart for the Games; all agreed it would be a most practical addition to their wardrobes. I consider we were fortunate to have our Union Secretary, Mrs. Doris Magee, MBE, on the Uniform Committee and, her advice on the selection of the outfits, which the girls claimed the smartest ever, to be commended.

It is opportune, under the heading of Uniforms, a warm tribute be made to Mrs. Peg. Tunstall. She was responsible for the distribution of the women's clothing. Our girls convey their appreciation to Mrs. Tunstall for her supervision and attention to detail in relation to our uniforms and all the extra accessories which we received in Edinburgh.

Mr. Jack Pross with the co-operation of his friends arranged the following donations of clothing which proved

invaluable in the weather conditions encountered in Edinburgh. Taft waterproof jacket and trousers, two 'T' shirt and wind-cheater suitably inscribed.

TRAVEL

We travelled by Qantas, with two brief stop-overs en route at Singapore and Teheran. After 26 hour flight, we were then faced with a three hour drive through the Scottish countryside to Edinburgh and the Games village.

We were very tired on arrival, maybe some thought could be given, when such a long journey is necessary, to a 24 hour stop-over which would be beneficial to all team members.

FACILITIES

The halls of residence at the University of Edinburgh were the homes for all teams. Turner House had been allocated to the Women's teams. It was here that the second floor was reserved for the Australians. With all of the Australian Women's team together on one floor, we became a very close unit. Thus, we were happy for each girl's prowess and commiserated with those who were not so successful. Washing machines were provided on the first, third and fifth floors, with a drying room on every floor. A well fitted kitchen was supplied each day with tea, milk and sugar. The house staff were untiring in their efforts to keep the girls comfortable and we were grateful for their kindness.

DINING HALL

Food, of excellent quality and variety was available for all meals. One could elaborate on this facet of village life; however, it is sufficient to say that the girls weighed themselves every morning. I did not record their weight, nor did I see a lessening of appetite. Tastefully packed lunches were provided for those members who were away training at meal times.

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Tunstall, General Manager, called a meeting of all Sectional Managers at 7.30 every morning until the commencement of the Games, thereafter when important matters arose. These meetings afforded all Managers an opportunity to present their requirements and the General Manager was able to impart decisions on matters discussed at the ensuing meetings of all General Managers. Therefore, the two-sided meetings were an advantage to all and members were assured of obtaining all necessary information first hand.

TECHNICAL MEETINGS

Through the courtesy of Mr. Graeme Briggs, our Sectional Manager, I attended all the meetings of the Track and Field Technical Committee, chaired by Mr. R.B. Forman, Director of Athletics. I had

never been present at same on this level and the co-operation from Mr. Briggs was much appreciated. Our athletes were informed as soon as possible of their heats and lanes, as well as their order of throwing in field events.

ENTERTAINMENT

A recreation Hall, within the village, provided dancing and table tennis; the limited floor space was always crowded. The nightly exhibitions of Scottish dancing was a delight and it was pleasing to see so many of the young folks wanting to learn real dancing.

This entertainment finished at 10.00pm and the adaptation to the long twilight was hard for some to master with only television in the women's lounge. This was probably a difficult period in which to settle down until dark.

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

The highlight was the Royal Garden Party at Holyrood Palace. Most members had an opportunity to speak with Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, The Duke of Edinburgh, the Prince of Wales and Princess Anne.

A bus tour to Edinburgh Castle, visits to private homes arranged through our Headquarters and the finale party at the Murrayfield Town Hall were other activities.

TRAINING

The training facilities were very good, in that the athletes were permitted to train at the Main Stadium (Meadowbank) until two days prior to the Official Opening.

The warm up area was of Oriplay an all weather composition plus two long strips of tartan. Training was also available at the University Oval, which was some distance from the village. It was a grass area with Oriplay sprint and hurdle track. The girls followed their schedules prepared by their own coaches. It had been arranged between the Sectional Manager and the two coaches that Mr. Pross take charge of the women's relay team. It is obvious that some girls need hard competition to bring them to their 'peak'.

Training is not enough preparation for International competition. Pam Kilborn had been given permission to travel ahead of the team and gained valuable competition in Europe before the Games, she said, her good form was due to this competition. Our other girls had no serious competition since the Australian Championships the previous March. We must do all we can to eliminate this state of affairs for the future.

PRE GAMES COMPETITION

On Saturday, July 11, a few of the girls travelled with Mr. Pross to Kinlochleven, which is some 100 miles from Edinburgh. However, the anticipated needed competition did not eventuate due to the bad weather. Team members who made the trip were compensated by an enjoyable outing and warm hospitality.

The following day the majority of the team attended a Meet at Grangenmouth, again shocking weather, late entries from some teams and general confusion with the organisers precluded our last opportunity for a solid work out.

We were all glad to get home to our shilling in the slot heaters.

OPENING CEREMONY

The Opening Day dawned bleak and cold, with rain. However, it was fortunate that the weather improved for the afternoon as we were to wear our gold frocks. It had been decided that the boys would take our rain capes in their pockets and if needed we would wear them over our frocks.

We were delighted when Pam Kilborn was named as Flag Bearer. This was a great honour for Pam, our Union and we felt it was a fine gesture to all Australian sportswomen.

Whilst we were waiting to enter the arena for the Opening Ceremony, the gallant gentlemen of our team kindly removed their coats to give to the girls to keep warm.

The Scottish press next day in relating the opening paid the following compliment to our girls - 'The Australian girls in their golden frocks brought a ray of sunshine to the bleak day!'

HEALTH

Maureen Caird was our only athlete with a serious ailment. She had a virus and was confined to bed for two days and unable to train for five. Further mis-fortune followed her when she sprained her foot in the heat of the hurdles. Unfortunately, she was never 100% fit. It was due to the foot injury that she was withdrawn from the realy team.

Apart from slight colds and muscle soreness, the other members of the team maintained good health. Our Medical Officer, Dr. Robert Tinning, was always available; his kindness and understanding was appreciated by all. Mr. George Saunders, Team Masseur, was ever ready to help. He worked from morn till night and could always minimise "that ache in the leg" with his bright repartee.

GAMES COMPETITION

Our team of eleven girls won medals in the following events-

GOLD - FIRST PLACE

| | | |
|-----------------|---|-----------|
| 100 Metres | Raelene Boyle | 11.2secs |
| 200 Metres | Raelene Boyle | 22.7secs |
| 100M. Hurdles | Pamela Kilborn | 13.2secs |
| Javelin | Pejra Rivers | 170' 7" |
| 4 x 100M. Relay | Jennifer Lamy, Pamela Kilborn, Marion Hoffman, Raelene Boyle | 44.1secs. |

SILVER - SECOND PLACE

| | | |
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| 400 Metres | Sandra Brown | 53.6secs |
| 100M. Hurdles | Maureen Caird | 13.7secs |
| Discus | Jean Roberts | 167' 5" |

BRONZE - THIRD PLACE

| | | |
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| 100 Metres | Marion Hoffman | 11.3secs |
| 800 Metres | Cheryl Peasley | 2m 06.3sec |
| Shot Put | Jean Roberts | 50' 3" |

It can be noted from the above results that our girls made their contribution to the overall success of the Australian Team.

APPRECIATION

I would like to thank the Australian Women's Amateur Athletic Union for my nomination and the Australian British Commonwealth Games Association for my appointment.

The General Manager, Mr. Tunstall, was untiring in his efforts to see that all our requirements were attended to.

Mr. Graeme Briggs, Sectional Manager, who at all times gave me his support and spared nothing to keep me informed on every facet related to the Athletic programme.

Our coaches, Messrs Stewart Embling and Jack Pross - any approach which I made to them on behalf of the girls was always accepted in a gracious manner.

To Mr. Pross and friends for the waterproof track suits 'T' shirts and windcheater.

The Australian Women's Amateur Athletic Union for the competition uniforms.

To Mesdames - Lamy, McCallum and Peasley of the New South Wales Women's Amateur Athletic Association who billeted interstate members of the team prior to departure.

The team, I am more than grateful for their loyalty, co-operation and above all, the dignity with which they behaved on all occasions. We can indeed be proud of them all.

CONCLUSION

We left the Village for our long journey home to the swirl of the Pipe Band playing "Auld Lang Syne". "Should auld acquaintance be forgot" - I am sure no one will forget the warm hearted Scots, their hospitality, the ceremonial splendour of the Opening and the Informality of the Closing ceremonies; but most of all the over-all success of the Australian team.

"And here's a hand my trusty freen
And GPes a hand o' thine"

In conclusion I would say that these words symbolise fully the atmosphere which prevailed throughout the IXth British Commonwealth Games, Edinburgh, 1970.

It was a privilege to be associated with such a grand team.

Maisie McQuiston,
Assistant Manager/Women

DETAIL PERFORMANCES OF OUR TEAM

100 Metres - 1st Round

| | | | |
|---------|------------|-----|---------|
| Heat 1: | J. Lamy | 1st | 11.8sec |
| Heat 2: | R. Boyle | 1st | 11.4sec |
| Heat 4: | M. Hoffman | 3rd | 11.5sec |

Semi-Finals:

| | | | |
|---------|------------|-----|---------|
| Heat 1: | M. Hoffman | 2nd | 11.4sec |
| | J. Lamy | 5th | 11.7sec |
| Heat 2: | R. Boyle | 1st | 11.3sec |
| FINAL: | R. Boyle | 1st | 11.2sec |
| | M. Hoffman | 3rd | 11.3sec |

W.A.

200 Metres - 1st Round

| | | | |
|---------|------------|-----|---------|
| Heat 2: | R. Boyle | 2nd | 23.5sec |
| Heat 4: | M. Hoffman | 1st | 23.8sec |
| Heat 5: | J. Lamy | 2nd | 23.5sec |

Semi-Finals

| | | | |
|---------|------------|-----|---------|
| Heat 1: | R. Boyle | 3rd | 23.3sec |
| Heat 2: | J. Lamy | 1st | 23.6sec |
| | M. Hoffman | 3rd | 23.8sec |
| FINAL: | R. Boyle | 1st | 22.7sec |
| | J. Lamy | 6th | 23.6sec |
| | M. Hoffman | 7th | 23.7sec |

400 Metres - First Round

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| Heat 2: | S. Brown | 2nd | 53.8sec |
| FINAL: | S. Brown | 2nd | 53.6sec |
| Winner | M. Neifville, Jamaica | 51.0sec | World Record |

800 Metres

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|-----------|------------|-----|-----------------------|
| Heat 1: | G. Peasley | 3rd | 2m5.0sec |
| Final: | G. Peasley | 3rd | 2m6.3sec |
| Shot Put: | J. Roberts | 3rd | 57' 3" |
| | A. Karner | 4th | 47' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " |
| Discus: | J. Roberts | 2nd | 137' 5" |
| | A. Karner | 4th | 158' 0" |

100 Metres Hurdles - First Round

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|---------|-------------|-----|---------|
| Heat 1: | P. Kilborn | 1st | 13.4sec |
| Heat 2: | M. Caird | 1st | 13.7sec |
| | P. McCallum | 3rd | 13.9sec |
| Final | P. Kilborn | 1st | 13.2sec |
| | M. Caird | 2nd | 13.7sec |
| | P. McCallum | 4th | 13.8sec |
| | P. Rivers | 1st | 170' 7" |

Javelin:4 x 100 Metres Relay:

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| Lamy, Kilborn, Hoffman, Boyle | 1st | 44.1sec |
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AUSTRALIAN RECORDS

The following Australian Records have been accepted by the Records Committee and will be confirmed at the Union Conference March, 1971:

OPEN:

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| 200 Metres | 22.9s equal | Raelene Boyle Victoria | Olympic Park, Melbourne, 15th March, 1970 |
| 400 Metres | 52.4s equal | Sandra Brown N.S.W. | Olympic Park, Melbourne 14th March, 1970 |
| 200 M. Hurdles | 26.0s | Pamela Kilborn Victoria | Lang Park, Brisbane 9th November 1969 |
| 4x400 Metre Relay | 3m39.0s | N.S.W. State Team { P. Dryden, G. Peasley, N. McDonald, S. Brown. | Olympic Park, Melbourne, 14th March, 1970 |
| 4 x 220 Yards Relay | 1m35.8s | Australian National Team { M. Hoffman, P. Kilborn, R. Boyle, J. Lamy. | Lang Park, Brisbane 9th Nov. 1969 |

OPEN RESIDENT:

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| Shot Put | 51' 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (15m64c) | Anne Karner Victoria | Hensley Athletic Field, Pagewood, NSW 5th July, 1970. |
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OPEN:

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| Javelin | 202' 8" (61m 77c) | Petra Rivers Victoria | Royal Park West, Melbourne, 17th October, 1970. |
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JUNIOR:

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| 100 M. Hurdles | 15.1s | Lynette Tillett N.S.W. | Royal Park West, Melbourne, 11th March, 1970 |
| 100 M. Hurdles | 15.1s | Sally Moir Victoria | Olympic Park, Melbourne, 14th March, 1970 |
| Long Jump | 19' 5 ³ / ₄ " | Kerri Bancraft Victoria | Olympic Park, Melbourne, 14th March, 1970 |
| 100M. Hurdles | 14.7s | Janet Hatch West. Aust. | Perry Lakes Stadium, Perth, 14th Nov. 1970 |
| Long Jump | 19' 5 ³ / ₄ " (5m93c) | Erica Parkin | Perry Lakes Stadium, Perth, 14th Nov. 1970. |

G. BULL - RECORDER

18th November, 1970.

N.S.W. WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

It is with pleasure that I submit the 1970/71 report of the New South Wales Women's Amateur Athletic Association.

Our Track Season has been a very busy one. In addition to our usual Saturday afternoon competition at the Sydney Sports Ground, we have had to use this ground on four Sundays to enable us to get through our fixtures. We also had two night meetings when our R.H. North Trans Tasman Match with New Zealand was held. Competition was again conducted on our five suburban grounds.

Registrations are still increasing in numbers, particularly in the nine to eleven years age group. Affiliations numbered twenty six Metropolitan Clubs and forty Country Clubs, with others in the process of being formed.

Again, with the support of the Shell Company grant, we had a very successful Promotional and Coaching Tour to many country centres. Our country people are grateful for this tour, and very much appreciate the coaching that it brings to so many of their athletes.

We were honoured to have had five of our athletes selected for the British Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh, these being Cheryl Peasley, Jennifer Lamy, Penny McCallum, Sandra Brown and Maureen Caird, all of whom performed well.

It is indeed a privilege for our Association to be conducting the 1971 Australian Titles. These are to be held at the Sydney Sports

Ground on 10th, 11th, 13th & 14th March, and we sincerely hope that all who visit our State for these Championships will enjoy their stay with us. To the athletes participating, we wish them all the very Best of Luck.

Flo Wrighter
Honorary Secretary
N.S.W.W.A.A.A.

QUEENSLAND WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The 1970-71 Season has not been as successful athletically as has previous Season. With Marion Hoffman competing very occasionally, and then having an urgent operation, competition has been lacking any great zest for the other "A" grade competitors, and although the number of athletes is increasing slowly each week, there does not yet seem to be any replacement for Marion.

The 1970 Cross Country Season was a huge success and although only a small Team went to Adelaide, the Sub-Juniors managed to come second in the Road Relay. We are looking forward to a greater Cross Country Season in 1971, and to the Australian Championships to be held in Brisbane.

Over 600 entries were received for the Schoolgirl Track Championships and almost 200 for the Schoolgirls Cross Country Titles, entries coming from all parts of the State.

The North Queensland Titles held at Sarina, and organised by Sarina Club, will give the North a real boost, as Sarina now has its own Track, provided by the people of the surrounding districts.

The new Sunshine Coast Club organised the Country Titles at Maroochydore and both these Clubs warrant congratulations for their efforts.

Two top Officials travelled to Sarina and several went to Maroochydore and gained an inside view of the trials of these Country centres, in their efforts to promote athletics.

We would like to congratulate the Australian Team on their performances in Edinburgh last July.

Still increasing in Club strength, we now have 11 Metropolitan Clubs and 12 Country Centres, with the promise of two or three more for 1971-72.

In conclusion, we would like to wish the New South Wales W.A.A.A. the greatest of success for the 1971 Australian

Championships, and a happy and interesting week for us all.

We extend an invitation to all States to attend the Australian Cross Country, Road Walking and Road Relay Championships being held in Brisbane in late August, 1971.

J. Bonwick
Honorary Secretary,
Q.W.A.A.A.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The 1970-71 season has followed in a pattern of last year, with sub-juniors and juniors out numbering senior competitors.

Inter-Club competition was conducted with juveniles and Sub-Juniors competing in the morning and juniors and seniors in the afternoon. Junior athletes dominated many of the events and proved that they had benefited by competing against the senior athletes.

The schoolgirls championships were again a great success with country schoolgirls proving successful in many of the events contested.

A team of 12 athletes, travelled to Melbourne to contest the Victoria v South Australia Challenge Match. We went down by 25 points but were in no way disgraced. Our team consisted of 9 juniors and 3 seniors and they were able to score 3 first placings. We were surprised to see our team record as well, as several country athletes were very inexperienced and were overawed by the strong Victorian team with 3 Olympians and one British Commonwealth Games representative in their team.

Lillian Harpur broke the Victorian 1500 metres walk record in her first Interstate track walk. Mrs. Harpur has already broken the S.A. 1500 metres walk record twice in her first season of competitive walking.

The Annual L.C. Mills Cup Contest and the State Championships remain to be contested and we are looking forward to keen competition from all contestants.

We extend to New South Wales our best wishes for a successful and happy Australian Track and Field Games Championships.

Margaret Cahill.
Honorary Secretary,
S.A.W.A.A.A.

TASMANIAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

A pleasing feature of the Tasmanian athletic scene has been the continued interest and enthusiasm shown in Cross Country running in the South. The season consisted of 12 runs held at different venues in and around Hobart, although the weather was wet, cold and bleak during most of the runs, it failed to dampen the spirits of the girls and good fields faced the starter at all times. The Cross Country Championships was won by Michele Downie (Sandy Bay Club).

The standard of Field games has improved greatly all over the State. The 14 year old Residential Javelin record was broken by Ruth Squibb of the North West Coast. In the North, Ngaire Hanrahan has been the most outstanding competitor. In the South, Helen Thomas bettered the Shot Put record, and threw well in Javelin and Discus events.

The same number of registrations as last year has been maintained, the largest number of these are in the Sub-Junior section, the Juniors are also well represented. It is gratifying to note among our Senior members are many girls who were State representatives before they were married.

The Men and Women's clubs are combining in fund raising efforts for our new Athletic Centre. To date the response has been very good, as athletes as well as officials realize the need for this Centre if athletic standards are to improve in this State.

M. Ebzery
Hon. Secretary.

VICTORIAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The Honour of M.D.E., conferred on Pam Kilborn, by Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, is a proud introduction to our report.

Pam has now retired and, we feel, everyone will wish her every happiness in her marriage which will take place later this year.

The membership of the Association continues to grow. We have now passed the 2,000 mark including our Officials.

The format of our Interclub competition was changed this year. The 14 year olds are now in open competition and, the I.A.A.F. Women's Scoring Tables are used with points allotted for ability.

With 120 senior teams and 70 junior teams divided between our two venues, Royal Park West and Sandringham, our officials work non stop every Saturday afternoon to complete the programme.

Our Country Clubs continue their interest and with 24 clubs affiliated with the Association and to maintain their interest we introduced four country interclub meetings to be held at Royal Park West on a Sunday during the season.

Cross Country continues to 'grow', particularly in junior and sub-junior sections. The climax of an excellent season, was the Australian Cross Country Championships conducted by the S.A. W.A.A.A., to whom we extend our congratulations on same together with appreciation for their generous hospitality to our team.

The second match with South Australia for the West End Challenge shield was held at the beginning of the month. We were fortunate to win a close contest.

The sub-junior match for the L.C. Mills Cup will be held during the A.N.A. holiday week end in Adelaide.

A record entry of 1,002 entries were received for the Victorian Championships which are being held during January.

To the members of the Commonwealth Games team our congratulations on their performances.

The New South Wales W.A.A.A. will conduct the 1971 Australian Championships and we extend our very best wishes for a happy and successful Championships.

Maisie McQuiston
Honorary Secretary
V.W.A.A.A.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

It is with pleasure that the Western Australian Association reports for the season 1970-71 an increase in membership has been achieved. This increase is all in the sub-junior and junior sections and it is a little dis-heartening to see our senior ranks so depleted.

The 'Little Athletic Association' is still expanding rapidly with another new centre opening in Belmont. The figures taken in November were;

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|-----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| Melville | 1089 | Last year | 962 | girls & boys |
| Perry Lakes | 1289 | " " | 1056 | |
| South West | 386 | " " | 30 | |
| East Goldfields | 142 | " " | 137 | |
| Belmont | 725 | " " | - | |
| | <u>3631</u> | " " | <u>2185</u> | |

Within the next few years it will be interesting to see what percentage of Little Athletes join the senior Association.

Our Interclub season commenced on Saturday 7th November with a break on Saturday 26th December for Boxing Day, and will conclude on the weekend 27th and 28th March with the State Championships.

For the first time the Schoolgirl and Schoolboy Championships were conducted over the weekend 31st October and 1st November. The two days proved more successful and less of a strain in getting the programme through in one day.

The South West Championships are being held at Hands Oval Dunbury, on Monday 1st February and another first-class Championship meeting is anticipated.

To date we have had the run-up for the long jump and high jump covered with rubberised bitumen. This has been done both on the main ground and also the warm-up track. We are anxiously waiting for the track to be converted and this will depend largely on weather conditions as the temperature is required to be in the 90's for the job to be done by the Perth City Council.

We wish to compliment Victoria on the conducting of the 1970 Australian Championships, and to convey to New South Wales our best wishes for a happy and successful 1971 Championship meeting.

In conclusion, we extend an invitation to all States to attend the 1972 Championships in Perth on Wednesday 8th, Thursday 9th, Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th March, 1972, to be conducted at the Perry Lakes Stadium.

Gwen Bull,
Honorary Secretary,
W.A.W.A.A.A.

APPRECIATION

The very sincere thanks are expressed on behalf of the Union to W.D. & H.O. Wills (Australia) Ltd. for their generous sponsorship of the 1971 Australian Women's Track and Field Championships.

We again thank the Honorary Secretary of the A.A.U. of Australia, Mr. A.J. Hodsdon, M.B.E., and the Officers of that Union for their continued co-operation and assistance.

We record our very sincere appreciation to our Honorary Auditor, Mr. H.G. Carruthers, F.A.S.A., for his long and valued service to the Union and to Mr. D. McKenzie, L.L.B., our Legal Adviser.

In conclusion, as Honorary Secretary, I would like to express my personal thanks to our Officers and Committees and the Honorary Secretaries of our Constituent Associations for the enthusiastic and competent assistance which is so readily available at all times.

CONCLUSION

The past twelve months under review must again afford satisfaction as, in all spheres, we record continued progress.

Whilst looking forward to a brief respite during the next few months, we must not be unmindful of a busy season ahead, preparing for a "special" Australian Championships at Perth and the 1972 Olympic Games at Munich which will follow. It will be necessary to enthuse our competitors in the comparatively routine year intervening, to prepare for this major fixture.

Our main inspiration in this direction is the evidence of such outstanding potential material amongst our junior members. This must obviously indicate a prospect of many young new recruits nearing selection standards to represent Australia in International competition.

Australia pro-rata of a particularly small population, maintains a proud position in International rankings and it behoves us all to exert our utmost efforts to maintain its continuance.

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

Doris I. Magee,

Honorary Secretary.

ADDENDUM

Once again it is my pleasure to express on your behalf appreciation to our Secretary, Mrs. Doris Magee, for her continuing efforts to further the interests of women's athletics. I also express thanks to our Treasurer, Miss Nell Gould and to the Executive and members of the various sub-committees on whose shoulders falls the greater part of the work of the Union.

The reports show that officials in all States are doing their share to implement the aims of the Union by catering for the athletic needs in their various States. My thanks go to all those throughout Australia who have contributed in any way to maintain Australia's high standing in women's athletics.

Mabel E. Robinson
President

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AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNIONSTATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

and

BALANCE SHEET

for

Period Ending

10th February, 1971

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AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION
Receipts and Payments for Period Ending 10th February, 1971

| <u>RECEIPTS</u> | | |
|-------------------------------|------|--------------|
| Balance as at 10/2/70 | | 1920.60 |
| <u>Affiliations</u> | | |
| 1970/71 | NSW | 10.00 |
| | S.A. | 10.00 |
| | Tas | 10.00 |
| | Vic | 10.00 |
| | W.A. | <u>10.00</u> |
| | | 50.00 |
| 1971/72 | Qld | <u>10.00</u> |
| | | 60.00 |
| <u>Levies:</u> | | |
| Addit. | | |
| 1969/70 | NSW | 20.40 |
| | Vic | <u>37.20</u> |
| | | 57.60 |
| 1970/71 | NSW | 400.80 |
| | Qld | 40.00 |
| | S.A. | 109.40 |
| | Tas | 62.00 |
| | Vic | 360.00 |
| | W.A. | <u>73.00</u> |
| | | 1102.80 |
| Forms & Handbooks | | 58.45 |
| Donation R. Clarke Foundation | | |
| WVCC Team | | 200.00 |

| <u>PAYMENTS</u> | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--------|
| "A.A.U. of A. | | |
| Affil. WVCC | 13.76 | |
| Postage " | 2.10 | |
| Publications | 14.10 | |
| Cable N.Z. | .60 | |
| Affil. IAAF/ABCGA/ PCG/AOF. | <u>106.86</u> | 137.42 |
| Printing & Stationery | | 64.48 |
| Postages & Petty Cash | | 36.22 |
| Levies - Teams' Account | | 551.40 |
| Trunk Calls & Phonograms | | 111.01 |
| <u>Conference Expenses</u> | | |
| Travelling Exps. | 115.90 | |
| Annual Reports | 15.00 | |
| Minutes | 64.40 | |
| Agendas | <u>7.75</u> | 203.05 |
| Stamp Duty | | 2.09 |
| R. Thompson/A. Deames Donation | | |
| R. Clarke Found. | | 200.00 |
| Uniform Donation | | 16.13 |
| WAAA - ABC TV Rights Aust. | | |
| Championships | | 500.00 |

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| ADC TV Rights Australian Championships (Victoria) | 500.00 |
| Profit Australian Championships (WAAA) | 401.38 |
| Donations ABCGA Team | 146.00 |
| Badges | 1.00 |
| Alliance Holdings - Interest | 357.66 |
| Bank Interest | 28.49 |
| | <u>\$4776.38</u> |

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| Merit Award Badges | 46.60 |
| Cheque Book | 2.50 |
| Transfer to Savings Bank- General A/c | 1500.00 |
| ABCGA Team - Donation | 146.00 |
| | <u>\$3516.90</u> |
| Balance at Bank | 1259.48 |
| | <u>\$4776.38</u> |

AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION
INTERNATIONAL TEAMS' FUND

| <u>RECEIPTS</u> | | <u>PAYMENTS</u> | |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Balance as at 10/2/70 | 1315.34 | Balance at Bank | 1900.35 |
| Levies 1970/71 | 551.40 | | |
| Bank Interest | <u>33.61</u> | | |
| | <u>\$1900.35</u> | | <u>\$1900.35</u> |

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

General Account

| <u>RECEIPTS</u> | | <u>PAYMENTS</u> | |
|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Transfer from Cheque A/c | 1500.00 | Balance at Bank | 1504.68 |
| Bank Interest | <u>4.68</u> | | |
| | <u>\$1504.68</u> | | <u>\$1504.68</u> |

AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNIONBALANCE SHEET AS AT 10th FEBRUARY, 1971

| <u>LIABILITIES</u> | | <u>ASSETS</u> | |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| International | | Investment | |
| Teams' Fund | 6900.35 | Alliance Holdings | 5000.00 |
| Futurian Press | 45.50 | Medallion Dies | 70.00 |
| QAAA Affil. in | | Typewriter | 20.00 |
| Advance | 10.00 | IAAF Handbooks | 13.75 |
| Accumulated Funds | 2815.21 | Pentathlon Scorers | 2.80 |
| | | <u>Commonwealth Bank</u> | |
| | | Trading | |
| | | Bank | 1259.48 |
| | | Savings Bk. | |
| | | General | |
| | | A/c | 1504.60 |
| | | Teams' Fund | 1900.35 |
| | | | <u>4664.51</u> |
| | <u>\$9771.06</u> | | <u>\$9771.06</u> |

H. G. Carruthers, F.A.S.A. - Honorary AuditorN. Gould - Honorary Treasurer

Date 23/2/71.

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