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Minutes of Annual Congress, the fifty-second Congress, held at Sports House, Gloucester Street, Sydney, on Tuesday and Wednesday, 18th and 19th March, 1980.

First Session	-	Tuesday, March 18	-	9.30a.m. to 12.30p.m.
Second Session	-	Tuesday, March 18	-	1.45p.m. to 5.05p.m.
Third Session	-	Wednesday, March 19	-	9.30a.m. to 12.25p.m.
Fourth Session	-	Wednesday, March 19	-	1.58p.m. to 4.45p.m.

There were present:

Officers: President - A.W. McDonald, Q.C.; Vice Presidents - Mrs. M. Robinson, MBE, T.C. Blue, M.R. Aitken; Honorary Treasurer - E.J. Sumner; National Executive Director - R.W. Pannell; National Coaching & Technical Director - Dr. J. Roberts.

Delegates: New South Wales - Mrs. F. Wrighter, BEM, Mrs. D. Magee, AM, MBE, R.M. Durie, C.D. Lee.

Queensland - Mrs. E. McMinn, AM, JP, Mrs. J. Bonwick, J.D. Bailey, T.C. Blue.

South Australia - Mrs. W. Ey, BEM, Mrs. N. Shepherd, M.R. Aitken, B. Chapman.

Tasmania - Mrs. M. Ebzery, AOM, Mrs. M. Green, G.T. Briggs, N.J. Ruddock.

Victoria - Mrs. M. McQuiston, BEM, Mrs. A. Burow, Dr. F.P. Larkins, W. Hooker.

Western Australia - Mrs. G. Chester, Mrs. S. De la Hunty, D. Peggs, E. Neimanis.

Observers: A.C.T. - Mrs. J. Cross, D. Hobson

Victoria - J. Bruce

Life Members: Misses L. Neville, N. Gould, Mrs. M. Cahill, Messrs. L. Curnow, OBE, F.T. Treacey, OBE, C.H. Gardiner.

1. The President declared open the Annual Congress of the Union and extended a welcome to all members present.

2. READING OF NOTICE CONVENING THE CONGRESS

The Executive Director read the Notice convening the Congress.

3. ADMISSION OF MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES

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

4. PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS

During the last year the major energies of the Union, its Officers and staff have been directed to lifting the standard of our top men and women track and field athletes.

Criticism was levelled at us after the Commonwealth Games that track and field athletics in Australia was falling behind world standard. After a critical analysis it was apparent that this was generally so.

Our athletes with some justification complained that not only were they geographically disadvantaged in Australia, but that they were not being provided with sufficient opportunities to achieve a standard to enable them to win in international competition. They also requested that a selection criteria be established to help them gain selection in Australian track and field teams.

The last twelve months has witnessed many big changes occurring in an endeavour to improve some short-comings in track and field athletics in Australia. To this end we have received considerable financial support from our sponsors, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, the Commonwealth Government, the Australian Olympic Federation and Alcoa of Australia Ltd.

The sponsorship of the latter corporation enabled the Union to establish a National Coaching Squad.

Throughout the period under review a large number of athletes have been assisted financially, either directly or in a manner which has enabled them to travel overseas for competition. To enable these matters to be achieved, our staff in particular has undertaken a very large administrative burden. Our Executive Director and Technical and Coaching Directress have worked tirelessly for the benefit of our athletes.

It is particularly pleasing to record that our top athletes have responded magnificently to the new opportunities given to them.

At this time some 29 athletes have, during the last twelve months, achieved the top Australian standard for selection and some 27 Australian records have been equalled or bettered.

These changes and advances have been expensive for the Union as will be appreciated from reviewing the financial statements. However, when new programmes were initiated it was appreciated by the Union that it would be so, but it was considered by the Union that in the long run it would be for the advantage of track and field athletics in Australia.

It is at a time when we have lifted our standards and prepared athletes to a standard to enable them to be worthy representatives of Australia during the year 1980 that we must as a Congress face and determine one of the most difficult decisions to be determined by our Union. We must decide whether we shall, as The Amateur Athletic Union of Australia, support the call from our Commonwealth Government to support an effective boycott of the Olympic Games to be held at Moscow in July, and we must decide whether we will nominate a track and field team to compete at the Games. This is a decision which must be taken after serious and sober deliberation for whatever we decide is likely to not only affect track and field athletics in Australia in the short time, but for a considerable time in the future.

We also meet at a time when marked changes are taking place in international track and field. It is a time when our sport is under threat from the use of drugs. We have responded to the call of the International Amateur Athletic Federation in this respect and drug testing will take place at these National Track and Field Championships of Australia for the first time.

I may remark that I find the recently published reinstatement of a number of European athletes who were previously suspended for drug offences very difficult to follow having regard to the IAAF Rules.

It is also apparent at this time that there are considerable pressures from a number of countries to change the whole basis of track and field competition conducted under the IAAF Rules by deleting the eligibility rule therefrom and throwing competition open to both amateurs and professionals. It is likely in my opinion that in the near future changes will probably take place in this area. But while competition is conducted under IAAF Rules it is difficult to follow the decision of the IAAF Council to reinstate a number of athletes who were suspended for infringing their amateur status as competitors.

It is in a climate of difficult times and changes that we meet.

We must stabilise our base in Australia and consider our financial future with care. We must be ready to change and moderate our views with the times, but at the same time, we must be careful not to lose or destroy the principles and ideals that have been the very fabric of our sport in the past.

We must also look to our junior athletes and to their future for it is axiomatic that such athletes will soon be our senior athletes and it will be they who represent our country in track and field competition.

I welcome all delegates and life members and others to the Congress and look forward to you joining in the same with good humour and grace at this most difficult time in our sport.

5. OBITUARY

The Congress observed a one minute silence in memory of Mr. F.J. O'Rourke. It was resolved that the Executive Director should write to Mr. O'Rourke's daughter, Mrs. V. Hind, expressing the feeling of all at the Congress.

6. MINUTES OF THE 1979 ANNUAL CONGRESS

It was resolved that the Minutes of the 1979 Annual Congress be adopted as a true record.

7. MINUTES OF THE 1979 HALF-YEARLY CONGRESS

It was resolved that the Minutes of the 1979 Half-Yearly Congress be adopted as a true record after adding to the Minutes the recommendations from the Ad Hoc Committee:

Recommendations of Ad Hoc Committee formed from Minute 15.1.2 of the Annual Congress, Perth, 1979:

1. That the Union affiliate the ACT AAA as a member Association from 1st April, 1980.
2. The same rules shall apply to team representation at National Championships as for all member Associations and in so recommending the Committee has accepted an undertaking by the present executive of the ACT Branch not to abuse such rights.
3. The boundaries of the ACT AAA will be the legal boundaries of the ACT and include ACT Jervis Bay.

4. Subject to there not being more than 20 members who have been registered with ACT clubs and have resided outside the territory these members may retain membership of their ACT club and register with ACT AAA. For interstate competition and National Championships such members must compete for their state of residence.

Subject to there not being more than 20 members who have been registered with other member Associations and have resided in ACT, these members may retain membership of their club and continue to register with the particular member Association. For interstate competition and National Championships, such members must compete for ACT AAA.

The above two recommendations would only apply to people registered in season 1978/79 and would cease to have effect if the athlete joined an ACT club or changed his place of residence as the case may be.

5. Administrative Representation:
ACT AAA have similar rights to all member Associations as relates to membership of committees and delegates.
ACT AAA be represented at Congress by one delegate with one vote.
This recommendation to be reviewed at the 1980 Half-yearly Congress.
The ACT be invited to send an observer to the 1980 Annual Congress.

These recommendations were adopted by Congress with the following amendment to the last clause because of an amendment made to L 4.6.1 at Congress:

ACT AAA shall be represented at Congress by two delegates, each having one vote.

The Union Constitution was amended as required to give effect to these recommendations.

8. ELECTIONS

8.1 Officers, Delegates and Committees

- 8.1.1 President: Mr. A.W. McDonald (Vic) - nominated by QWAAA, VAAA NSWWAAA, TAAA, AAA of NSW, SAHAAA and SAAA - was elected unopposed to the office of President.
- 8.1.2 Vice-Presidents: Nominations were received for M.R. Aitken (SA), T.C. Blue (Qld), G.T. Briggs (Tas), R.M. Durie (NSW), Mrs. E.Y. McMinn (Qld), Mrs. M. Mahoney (Vic), Mrs. M. Robinson (Vic), Mrs. F. Wrighter (NSW). Mesdames F. Wrighter (NSW) and M. Robinson (Vic) and Mr. M.R. Aitken (SA) were elected. Mr. M.R. Aitken was elected Vice-President to act in the absence of the President.
- 8.1.3 Board of Management: Nominations were received for M.R. Aitken (SA), T.C. Blue (Qld), G.T. Briggs (Tas), Mrs. G. Chester (WA) R.M. Durie (NSW), Mrs. W.M. Ey (SA), R.C. Frith (NSW), F.P. Larkins (Vic), C.D. Lee (NSW), Mesdames E.Y. McMinn (Qld), D. Magee (NSW), M. Mahoney (Vic), M. Robinson (Vic) and F. Wrighter (NSW).

An exhaustive ballot resulted in the following persons being elected to the Board of Management: M.R. Aitken (SA), G.T. Briggs (Tas) Mrs. W.M. Ey (SA), Dr. F.P. Larkins (Vic), C.D. Lee (NSW), Mesdames D. Magee (NSW) and M. Robinson (Vic).

- 8.1.4 Honorary Treasurer: Mr. E.W. Sumner (Vic) nominated by VAAA and NSWAAA was elected unopposed to the office of Honorary Treasurer.
- 8.1.5 Honorary Statistician: Mr. P. Jenès (Vic) nominated by NSWAAA, VAAA, VWAAA and SAAA was elected unopposed to the office of Honorary Statistician.
- 8.1.6 Selection Committee: Nominations were received for E. Bartholomeus (Qld), Mrs. J. Bonwick (Qld), G.T. Briggs (Tas), Mrs. W.M. Ey (SA), P. Jenès (Vic), J. Masters (NSW), P.J. May (WA), Mrs. J. Petfield (Qld), Mrs. F. Wrighter (NSW). Mr. Briggs (Tas) withdrew his nomination with regret and the President expressed the appreciation of the Congress for the work done by Mr. Briggs in this sphere over many years. The following were elected: Mrs. W. Ey (SA), P. Jenès (Vic), P.J. May (WA). Mr. May was elected Chairman.
- 8.1.7 Technical Committee: Nominations were received for J. Chugg (Vic), L. Curnow (Vic), R. Frith (NSW), Mrs. R. Frith (NSW), H.J. Lowe (SA), F.W. Napier (WA), J.C. Waller (NSW). An exhaustive ballot resulted in the following persons being elected: L. Curnow (Vic), Mrs. R. Frith (NSW), H.J. Lowe (SA). Mr. L. Curnow was elected Convenor.
- 8.1.8 Coaching Committee: Nominations were received for J.F. Boas (Vic), Mr. L. Hudson (Qld), F. McEwan (SA), N.R. Osborne (Vic), Mrs. A. Schulz (Qld), Mrs. P. Turney (Vic), A. Watson (Qld), Mrs. S. De la Hunty (WA). The following were elected: J.F. Boas (Vic), N.R. Osborne (Vic) and Mrs. P. Turney (Vic). Mr. J.F. Boas was elected Convenor.
- 8.1.9 Officials Committee: Nominations were received for Mrs. J. Bonwick (Qld), D. Ferrier (Vic), M. Finn (SA), J. Forrester (Qld), Mrs. E. Murphy (Qld), Mrs. S. O'Dea (SA), R. Johnson (WA), Mrs. M. Ebzery (Tas), H. Ralph (NSW) and Mrs. F. Wrighter (NSW). The ballot resulted in the election of Mrs. J. Bonwick (Qld), D. Ferrier (Vic), M. Finn (SA), R. Johnson (WA) and Mrs. M. Ebzery (Tas). Mr. R. Pannell was elected Convenor.
- 8.1.10 Walking Committee: Nominations were received for Mrs. M. Cahill (SA), Mrs. D. Clarke (NSW), T. Huxley (NSW), Miss M. Patterson (Vic), Mrs. J. Petfield (Qld), V. Sharp (SA) and Mrs. B. Sockhill (Qld). A ballot resulted in the election of Mrs. D. Clarke (NSW), Miss M. Patterson (Vic) and V. Sharp (SA). Miss M. Patterson was elected Convenor.
- 8.1.11 Scoring Tables & Standards Committee: There being only three nominations received, Messrs. N.J. Ruddock (Tas), R.K. Hood (Tas), R. Morris (Tas) were elected. N.J. Ruddock was elected Convenor.
- 8.1.12 Constitution Committee: There being only three nominations being received, Mrs. M. Robinson, Dr. F. Larkins and I. Jones all of Victoria were elected. Convenor Dr. F. Larkins.
- 8.1.13 Oceania Council Member 1981: Mr. C.D. Lee (NSW) was elected unopposed to the Council.
- 8.1.14 Delegates to Oceania Congress 1981: Mr. C.D. Lee (NSW), Mesdames F. Wrighter (NSW) and M. McQuiston (Vic) were elected.
- 8.1.15 Delegates to Confederation of Sport: Mrs. W. Ey (SA) and Mr. W. Hooker (Vic) were elected.

- 8.1.16 Delegates to A.O.F.: Nominations were received for C.D. Lee (NSW), Mrs. D. Magee (NSW) and A. McIvor (SA). Mr. C.D. Lee (NSW) and Mrs. D. Magee (NSW) were elected.
- 8.1.17 Delegates to A.C.G.A.: Nominations were received for Mr. J. Bailey (Qld), G.T. Briggs (Tas), A. McIvor (SA) and Mrs. D. Magee (NSW). Mr. G.T. Briggs (Tas) and Mrs. D. Magee (NSW) were elected.
- 8.1.18 Merit Awards: The following nominations were received for Merit Awards of the Union:
 J.D. Forrest (Qld) Nominated by the Queensland AAA
 Mrs. M. Heffernan (SA) Nominated by South Australia WAAA
 A ballot was conducted and the President announced that a Merit Award had been conferred upon Mrs. M. Heffernan (SA).
 It was resolved that a nomination for Merit Award from AA of WA for Mr. John Gilmour be not accepted at this stage as it was not received within the specified time.
- 8.2 Life Member: Mr. T.C. Blue was unanimously voted to Life Membership of the Union and was congratulated by the President.
- 8.2.1 The President ruled that Mr. George Carruthers (NSW) was considered a Life Member of the Union.
- 8.3 Honorary Auditor: Mr. J. Barbour of Priestley & Morris (Vic) was elected to the position of Honorary Auditor.
- 8.4 Trustees:
Union: Messrs. A.W. McDonald (Vic) and M.R. Aitken (SA) were elected Trustees of the Union.
- 8.4.2 R.W. Clarke Foundation: Messrs. A.W. McDonald (Vic) and M.R. Aitken (SA) were nominated. There being no further nominations, Messrs. A.W. McDonald (Vic) and M.R. Aitken (SA) were elected Trustees of the R.W. Clarke Foundation.
- 8.5 Jury of Appeal: As Mrs. M. Cahill (SA) was the only nomination, further nominations were called from the floor. As a result of this action, Mesdames M. Cahill (SA), S. McMinn (Qld), F. Wrighter (NSW), Miss L. Neville (Vic), R. Durie (NSW) and D. Peggs (WA) were elected to the Jury of Appeal. Mr. R. Durie was elected Foreman.

9. DRUG TESTING, 1980 AUSTRALIAN TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS:

9.1 It was resolved that the following recommendation from the Board of Management re drug testing be carried:

That the amount allocated for drug testing be increased from \$1500 to \$2000 so as to enable more tests to be carried out, the total amount now being \$4,500.

Tests will be carried out on the first placegetter in every senior event together with those people competing in events who have, before or during the event, equalled or bettered the Australian Qualifying Standard as laid down by the Selection Committee together with such random testing to be determined by the Chief Medical Officer after

consulting with a Sub-Committee of the Board, comprising Mr. T.C. Blue, Mrs. W. Ey and Dr. J. Roberts who shall consult with him for the purpose of maintaining the testing within the budget limits.

Dr. Roberts should advise the Managers' Meeting to be held on the eve of the Championships the procedure of drug testing. Dr. Roberts should also read from the IAAF Regulations for Doping Control "Athletes who take part in the Meeting must take part in Drug Testing, etc."

9.2 Dr. Roberts gave a verbal report on doping control tests to be carried out at the National Championships outlining the procedure to be followed.

10. REPORTS:

10.1 Board of Management Report: It was resolved that this Report be received. (Appendix 1).

10.1.1 It was resolved that the Olympic Team should depart from Sydney on 1st July arriving in Cologne on 2nd July where they will make their headquarters. They will then compete in various competitions and fly to Moscow on 18th July.

10.1.2 re Men's Team in 1981 World Cross Country Championships.

10.1.2.1 It was resolved that this matter be adjourned until after item 13 of the Agenda.

10.1.3 The Executive Director reported that the Union would be applying for Funds for the following projects from the Commonwealth Government:

World Cross Country - Men and Women - Spain - Travel Assistance
400M. Hurdles and 3,000M. - Women - World Championships - Travel Assistance
Decathlon & Heptathlon with New Zealand - Travel Assistance
Northern Territory - Development
IAAF Oceania Coaching Course, Field Events, May, 1981, Auckland - Travel Assistance
Secretarial Assistance - Administration

10.1.4 All other aspects of this Report were adopted.

10.2 Secretary's Report: It was resolved that this Report be received (Appendix 2).

10.2.1 It was resolved that Mr. John Atterton be reinstated as a non-competing amateur.

10.2.2 It was resolved to defer the decision on Mr. F. Maquire until the Half-yearly Congress when more information may be available from the IAAF on this matter.

10.3 Treasurer's Report: It was resolved that the Financial Accounts of the Union, as submitted, be received. (Appendix 3).

10.3.1 The Auditor's letter was read to Congress. It was resolved that this be received. Mr. Barbour advised that specific items referred to therein did not form part of his report.

10.3.2 It was resolved that a Sub-Committee be formed to examine the Financial Accounts of the Union and Messrs. Aitken, Briggs, Larkins, Hooker and the President were subsequently elected to this Sub-Committee. Such Sub-Committee was to report its findings to Congress on the second day, 19th March, 1980.

10.3.3 It was reported that the Sub-Committee had met for 1½ hours examining the budget and financial statements.

10.3.4 Capitation Fees

10.3.4.1 It was resolved that in the event of a member Association being unable to comply with the provisions of Law 1.8.2 requiring registration dues to be paid by 1st April, 1980, that the provisions of Law 1.8.6 be set aside provided such member Association complies with the following schedule of payment of registration dues:

One Third by 1st April, 1980
the second One Third by 1st October, 1980
and the final One Third by 1st December, 1980.

The schedule to be reviewed and varied if deemed necessary by the Board, depending on the cash flow position of the Union.

10.3.5 It was resolved that the Board of Management establish a Finance Sub-Committee to be responsible for the preparation of the accounting reports. The format of the reports is to be designed to ensure that (1) there is a complete disclosure of all income and expenditure on all accounts and (2) a budget is presented in respect of each account. The Sub-Committee should be responsible also for the establishment and monitoring of office procedures so far as they relate to finance.

10.3.6 It was resolved that Government Grants should be shown in income and expenditure statements.

10.4 Executive Director's Report: (Appendix 4)

10.4.1 It was resolved that this Report should be adopted with the exception of the sponsorship of the Australian All Schools Track & Field Championships.

10.4.2 It was resolved that the above matter should be deferred to the next meeting of the Board of Management.

10.5 National Coaching & Technical Director's Report: It was moved and seconded that the Report be received. (Appendix 5).

10.5.1 It was resolved to adopt the specifications for under age men's hurdles as those set out in Dr. Roberts' Report.

10.5.2 Composition of the Alcoa National Squad.

10.5.2.1 It was resolved that the Alcoa National Squad comprise a maximum of 150 members if no further funds to sponsor a Junior Squad were forthcoming from Alcoa of Australia Ltd.

10.5.2.2 It was resolved that if further funds were available, the Squad should be increased to a maximum of 220 members comprising the first 4 placegetters in the National Championships in Senior Events

and the first 2 placegetters in the National Championships in Junior Events.

10.5.2.3 It was resolved that Associations should report as required by the National Coaching & Technical Director on the current performances of any members of the Squad under their jurisdiction and should also report on any athletes not in the Squad who achieved a performance worthy of consideration for inclusion in the Squad and the Selection Committee be requested to regularly review the composition of the Squad based on the information received from Associations and their own knowledge.

10.5.3 It was resolved that the Report compiled by the AAU Coaching Co-ordinating Committee be accepted and the President commended the Report and it was agreed by Congress that this was valuable study and should be continued in 1980. (Appendix 6)

11. CORRESPONDENCE:

11.1 Sue Cook - re recognition of records for Women's 1500M and 3000M. Track Walk.

11.2 Marion Patterson - re recognitibn of records for Women's 1500M., 3000M. Track Walk, 10K. and 20K. Road Walks.

The above two letters were discussed concurrently and it was resolved that records be recognised for the Women's 1500M. and 3000M. Track Walk and that the 10K. and 20K. Road Walks be recognised as Best on Record.

11.3 The Executive Director advised Congress that the Victorian Association had entered Mrs. Sue Cook in the 20K. Olympic Trial and requested clarification regarding acceptance of her entry.

11.3.1 It was resolved that the Executive Director should ring the Secretary General of the IAAF enquiring if women were eligible to compete in the 20K. and 50K. Walking Events at the Olympic Games.

11.4 Adidas - re sponsorship. It was resolved that the item of correspondence be received.

11.4.1 It was resolved that Adidas be advised that the Union has no power to negotiate for State Associations.

11.4.2 It was resolved that the Executive Director should negotiate with adidas on behalf of the Union and that the Board of Management be empowered to act on such recommendations as the Executive Director puts forward.

11.5 S.A. AAA - re application to conduct 1981 Lugano Cup Selection Trials. This item of correspondence was received and it was resolved that it should be dealt with in conjunction with Item 13 of the Agenda.

11.5.1 - re eligibility of Australian professional athletes to compete in amateur events within Australia.

11.5.1.1 It was resolved that the Union should obtain information on this subject from the IAAF and the British Amateur Athletic Board and that such information be circulated to Member Associations and Member Associations be requested to reply within a practicable time so that the Board can meet and advise delegates to the IAAF Congress accordingly.

11.6 AAA of N.S.W. - re future policy of fund raising for international teams.

11.6.1 It was resolved that this matter be fully discussed in conjunction with Item 13 of the Agenda.

11.6.2 - re dispensation to IAAF Rule 186.13 regarding private implements (javelins) being used at inter-club competition.

11.6.2.1 The President ruled that the Rule does not apply to local inter-club competition but as it is an IAAF Rule, State Associations should introduce a Rule to ensure that fair competition is conducted.

11.7 VAAA - request for permission to conduct 1984 Track & Field Championships.

11.7.1 It was resolved that this request be granted as this will be part of that Association's 150th Anniversary celebrations.

11.7.2 - re reinstatement of veteran professionals as competing athletes.

11.7.2.1 It was resolved that this be deferred until the Half-yearly Congress when further information would be available from the IAAF Congress to be held in July, 1980.

11.8 V.WAAA - re events held in conjunction with Australian All Schools Track & Field Championships.

11.8.1 - re alterations to Australian All Schools Track & Field Championships.

11.8.1.1 It was resolved that as there was to be discussion as to the continuation of the Australian All Schools Track & Field Championships, these matters should be deferred until after this decision was made.

11.9 Australian Athletes Association - re participation in Olympic Games.

11.10 VAAA - re Olympic Boycott

11.11 S.A. AAA - re Olympic Boycott

11.12 It was resolved that items of correspondence 11.10 11.11 and 11.12 be received and dealt with under Item 14 of the Agenda.

11.13 VAAA - re payment of capitation fees, 1980.

11.13.1 It was resolved that this matter be deferred until after the Treasurer's Report.

12. NOTICES UPON MOTION:

12.1 It was resolved that as soon as practicable, the Union should re-establish separate positions of Secretary and Executive Director as provided by the Constitution.

12.2 It was resolved that the fares be paid for all members of the National Selection Committee to Meetings of Selectors as determined by the Board.

12.3 It was resolved that this Congress recommends to the Board of Management that the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia should purchase Omega Timekeeping and photofinish equipment for use by the Union and the Member Associations at major meetings, if satisfactory finance can be arranged.

12.4 It was resolved that the Northern Territory shall be permitted to send a team to the All-Schools Track & Field and Cross Country Championships.

13. AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS:

13.1 It was resolved that the following dates and venues for 1980 will apply.

- (I) Cross Country & Road Relay - Victoria - 6 & 7 September
- (II) Marathon Championships - South Australia 27 July
- (III) Road Walk Championships - South Australia 27 July
- (IV) Schools Cross Country Championships - Victoria - 26 July
- (V) Schools Track & Field - Tasmania - 17 & 18 December
- (VI) Pacific Conference Games Trials - A.C.T. - 20 & 21 December

13.2 Fixing Dates for 1981 Events:

- (I) Track & Field Championships - Adelaide - 19-22 March
- (II) Shell Charles Hansen U/17 National Athletics Meet - Tasmania - 17 & 18 January
- (III) Under Age National Women's Match - N.S.W. - 17 & 18 January
- (IV) Cross Country & Road Relay Championships - S.A. - 12 & 13 September
- (V) Marathon & Road Walk Championships - Victoria - 25 & 26 July
- (VI) Schools' T. & F. Championships - Qld. - 12 & 13 December

13.2.1 It was resolved that the date of the 1981 Schools Cross Country Championships be amended to 1st and 2nd August in Tasmania.

13.3 Fixing Dates for 1982 Events:

- (I) Cross Country Championships & Road Relay - Tasmania - 4 & 5 September
- (II) Marathon Championships - Queensland - 24 & 25 July
- (III) Road Walk Championships - Queensland - 24 & 25 July
- (IV) Commonwealth Games Selection Trials - Marathon & Road Walk - Qld. - 24 & 25 July
- (V) Commonwealth Games Selection Trials - Track & Field Events - Qld. - 4 & 5 September
- (VI) Under Age National Women's Match - W.A. - 16 & 17 January
- (VII) Under Age National Men's Match - Queensland - 16 & 17 January
- (VIII) Track & Field Championships - Queensland - 18-21 March
- (IX) Schools' Cross Country Championships - S.A. - 31 July - 1 August
- (X) Schools' Track & Field Championships - Victoria

13.4 It was resolved that the Executive Director should circulate a suggested allocation for 1983 & 1984 and the final ratification can be done at the Half-Yearly Congress.

13.5 It was resolved that Victoria conduct the Track & field Championships in 1984 as part of their 150th Anniversary.

14. INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION:

14.1 IAAF World Championships 1980 - Women's 400M. Hurdles and 3,000 Metres.

14.1.1 It was resolved that athletes be selected in accordance with normal criteria and that if funds be available they be treated as normal World Championships.

14.1.2 It was resolved that applicants could apply to the R.W. Clarke Foundation for assistance and that this Congress strongly recommended favourable consideration by the Trustees.

14.2 It was resolved that a Team be selected for the 1981 World Cross Country Championships for Men.

14.2.1 It was resolved that a Team or individuals be selected for the 1981 World Cross Country Championships for Women, depending on the standard of entries.

14.2.2 It was resolved to formulate a Committee to recommend funding arrangements as in the past.

14.2.3 It was resolved that if sponsorship was not forthcoming, States should accept responsibility to obtain the balance.

14.3 It was resolved that the Board of Management should consider the matter of a Selection Trial for the IAAF World Cup, 1981.

14.4 It was resolved that a Team of men and women be sent to the IAAF Race Walking World Cup for Lugano Trophy, 1981.

14.4.1 It was resolved that the matter of funding such Team be referred to the Walking Committee for recommendation to the Board.

14.5 It was resolved that the Trials for the Lugano Cup Team be held in South Australia at a date to be decided on the advice of the Selectors.

14.6 It was resolved that the matter of sending a Team to the IAAF Track & Field Championships, 1983 be referred to the Board. Mr. Blue advised funding should be available for 1983 from the Australian Olympic Federation.

14.7 It was resolved that with regard to the Australia v. New Zealand Cross Country, 1980, Victoria should endeavour to find accommodation for the New Zealand Team.

14.8 The Executive Director reported that there was a small amount of money available for touring teams this year.

14.8.1 It was resolved to refer this matter to the Board of Management as a matter of urgency.

14.9 It was noted that the VAAA would make application to conduct the World Cross Country Trials.

14.10 It was resolved that the question of the method of fund raising for all international teams be referred to the Board of Management with a recommendation that the Board form a special Sub-Committee, not necessarily from its own members.

15. OLYMPIC GAMES PARTICIPATION

15.1 Mr. Max Binnington was welcomed by the President on behalf of the Union. Mr. Binnington had been asked to attend the Congress in order to put the view of athletes on this important issue.

15.1.1 The President reported that he had directed the Executive Director to include this matter on the Agenda for obvious reasons.

15.1.2 It was moved by Mr. T.C. Blue "The Amateur Athletic Union of Australia supports participation by Australian athletes in the 1980 Olympic Games. Our delegates to the A.O.F. be instructed to support this position at the forthcoming Australian Olympic Federation Council Meeting".

15.1.3 An amendment was moved by Mr. M.R. Aitken "That the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia supports the concepts and ideals of the Olympic Games and consistent with this, the Union supports the view that Australia should compete in the 1980 Olympic Games. Accordingly this Congress directs our Delegates to the forthcoming Australian Olympic Federation Conference to have regard to this view but also to analyse all relative facts presented to that Conference and the conditions existing at that time before going to vote".

15.1.4 After debate, the amendment was lost and the original motion was adopted.

15.1.5 Mr. Binnington spoke to the Congress. He thanked the President for the invitation to attend and the opportunity to put the view of the athletes.

15.2 Announcement of Team

15.2.1 It was moved "that the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia not announce the selected team to be nominated to the Australian Olympic Federation until after the meeting with the Justification Committee of the Australian Olympic Federation and after that meeting they make public the team".

The motion was lost.

15.2.2 It was resolved that when it has been determined as to the names of athletes who will comprise the Team, that the Team shall be announced in alphabetical order, making it clear that they are names nominated to the Australian Olympic Federation for its determination as to who shall comprise the Team.

15.2.3 It was resolved that the Executive Director should write to every nominated team member making it clear that their names had been submitted to the A.O.F. Justification Committee and was subject to final ratification by that body.

15.2.4 It was resolved that the President, the Chairman of the Selection Committee and the Statistician represent the Union before the Justification Committee of the Australian Olympic Federation.

15.2.5 It was advised that Mr. McDonald and Mrs. Magee would not attend the IAAF Congress if it was to be held in Moscow. It was noted that notwithstanding his personal beliefs, Mr. Lee would still attend the Congress.

15.2.6 It was moved that nominations for delegates to attend the IAAF Congress in Moscow be called from the floor.

15.2.7 As no further nominations were received, it was resolved that Mr. Lee should be the Union's sole delegate to attend this Congress.

15.2.8 It was resolved that the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia be responsible for the fares of Mr. Lee to attend the Congress.

16. GENEPAI BUSINESS

16.1 Damage to Currie Hall, Perth.

16.1.1 It was resolved that the President should undertake a full enquiry into this matter and report to the Half-Yearly Congress on his findings.

16.1.2 It was resolved that the President should immediately write to the Bursar of Currie Hall informing that person of the outcome of discussions at the Congress.

16.2 It was resolved that the Fares Equalization Agreement should not apply to the Annual Congress.

16.3 It was noted that Mr. J. Holt, General Secretary of the IAAF recommended that Australia should apply for the World Cup in 1985.

16.3.1 It was resolved that the 1977 Pacific Conference Games Organising Committee be asked if they would form a Working Party to prepare a paper on the feasibility of staging the 1985 World Cup in Canberra and that Working Party meet as required at their own expense and report on their findings to the Half-Yearly Congress.

16.4 Request from NZAAA for Kerri Yaxley to be given approval to enter into Pentathlon in the National Titles.

16.4.1 It was resolved that approval be given.

16.5 Request from Ian Wilson (WA) to be given permission to compete in the Javelin in the National Titles as due to injury he is unable to compete in the Decathlon.

16.5.1 It was resolved that such approval be given.

16.6 It was noted that no date was specified in relation to the termination of the current Board of Management's term of office.

16.6.1 It was resolved that so far as the current Board was concerned it should remain in office until Sunday, 23rd March.

16.6.2 It was resolved that the Constitution Committee should study the whole period of office of Office Bearers, Board of Management, Sub-Committees and Committees.

16.7 It was resolved to refer to the Board of Management, the Report of the Ad-Hoc Committee established by Minute 24.6.2 at the 1979 Half-yearly Congress for consideration and recommendation back to the 1980 Half-yearly Congress. (Appendix 7).

16.8 It was noted that Mr. G. Briggs would be unavailable for the Meeting of the Selection Committee to be held on Sunday evening, 23rd March.

16.9 It was resolved that amendment of the amount for administration fee for Australian Track & Field Championships be considered at the Half-Yearly Congress.

16.9.1 It was recommended by the Executive Director that the amount should be determined from time to time.

16.10 The President instructed that it be recorded in the Minutes that the Union is most appreciative of the work done by Mrs. Shirley Went over the last 10 years noting her voluntary attendances at Congresses and Board Meetings.

16.11 The Delegates were informed that an up-to-date Constitution was now available for purchase.

17. FIXING OF HEADQUARTERS

17.1 It was resolved that the Headquarters of the Union should be in Melbourne.

17.2 It was resolved that in future, the host State to the Congress should organise all accommodation for Congress Delegates.

18. CLOSURE

18.1 The President thanked all Life Members for their attendance at the Congress.

18.2 The President congratulated A.C.T. which formally comes into existence at midnight on 20th March, 1980.

18.3 The thanks of all Delegates were extended to the President.

- 9.1.1 The Board met in Melbourne on the 24th November, 1979.
- 9.1.2 Matters of immediate interest to Associations or requiring their attention have been brought to notice in the course of the normal administrative procedures. A copy of the minutes of the 7th Board meeting were distributed to all Associations.
- 9.1.3 The Board resolved to put the following matters before the Congress for consideration:
- 9.1.3.1 It is recommended that for advertisements in the "elite athlete" category, the dispersment of funds be as follows: 80% retained by the Union, 20% to the State Association. 60% of the 80% retained by the Union be allocated for direct assistance to the athlete concerned.
- 9.1.3.2 It is recommended that all members of the Olympic Team must be in Cologne on July 2 and use Cologne as headquarters where they will then come under the control of the team Management.
- 9.1.3.3 It is recommended that the A.A.U. be represented at the European Congress at all times in future.
- 9.1.3.4 It is recommended that information re winter training facilities in Australia be obtained and sent to European Associations.
- 9.1.3.5 It is recommended that Australia establish a Women's Marathon Championship.
- 9.1.3.6 It is recommended that Australia enter a team in the 1981 World Cross Country Championships.
- 9.1.4 It is recommended that the 1980 Half-yearly Congress of the Union be held on 20th & 21st September.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (AGENDA ITEM 9.2) APPENDIX 29.2.1 Office Staff

Mrs. Jeanette Brown was appointed to the office staff on 22nd October, 1979, such appointment being ratified by the 7th Board Meeting and her position titled administrative officer. Miss Margaret Lonergan resigned on 17th January, 1980 and she has been replaced by Miss Denise Pillar.

9.2.2 Almanac of Records and Results

Unfortunately the publication of the Almanac of Records and Results was again delayed last year due to problems on the part of the printer. It is envisaged that the 1979 Almanac of Records and Results will be available no later than early July.

9.2.3 Annual Report

As resolved in the Minutes of the 7th Meeting of the Board, an Annual Report of the Union's activities will be produced commencing the year ending December, 1979. Most States and Standing Committees have forwarded their Reports as requested and those who have not are asked to do so within the next two weeks. As requested in the memo forwarded to States, any photographs of activities held in States would be appreciated for consideration and inclusion in the Report.

9.2.4 Reinstatement

Mr. F. Maguire
Mr. John Atterton

9.2.5 Registrations

Details of registrations for the 1979-80 year are given below, together with the corresponding figures for 1978-79.

MENS ASSOCIATIONS

	NSW	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	TOTAL
9 months to 31/12/79 (actual)	5311	1977	1161	734	5743	740	15666
3 months to 31/3/80 (estimate)	20	100	79	55	130	40	424
1979 - 80	5331	2077	1240	789	5873	780	18090
1978 - 79	4919	2123	1120	831	6038	860	15891
Increase of 1979/80 over 78/79	412	-45	120	-42	-155	-80	199
Percentage increase over 78/79	8.4	-2	10.7	-18.7	-2.6	-10.2	1.2
Percentage of national total							
1979 - 80	33.50	13.08	7.79	3.82	36.91	4.90	
1978 - 79	30.95	13.35	7.04	5.22	37.99	5.41	

WOMENS ASSOCIATIONS

	NSW	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	TOTAL
9 months to 31/12/79 (actual)	1881	1372	475	376	2245	468	6817
3 months to 31/3/80 (estimate)	49	40	30	24	75	30	248
1979 - 80	1930	1412	505	400	2320	498	7065
1978 - 79	2432	1420	529	632	2418	562	7993
Increase of 1979/80 over 78/79	-502	-8	-24	-232	-91	-64	-928
Percentage increase over 78/79	-20.64	-.56	-4.53	-36.70	-3.76	-11.38	-11.61
Percentage of national total							
1979 - 80	27.3	20.0	7.0	5.7	33.0	7.0	
1978 - 79	30.5	17.8	6.6	7.8	30.3	7.0	

9.2.6 Australian Record

The performances recorded in the minutes of Board Meeting No.6 and No. 7 have been approved as Australian Records together with those records listed below by the President and the secretary.

WOMEN

200 metres, O & N 22.3	D.M. Boyd (Vic)	Sydney	30/12/79
400 metres, O & N 51.68 - E	D.M. Boyd (Vic)	Melbourne	17/1/80
1 Mile O & N 4.43.1	S. Muir (NSW)	Sydney	15/12/79
100 metres hurdles, O & N 13.0 Equal	P.E. Gillies (NSW)	Brisbane	16/12/79
Javelin Throw, N 65.72 metres	P.M. Matthews (Vic)	Brisbane	16/12/79
Shot Put, O & N 18.17 metres	G. Mulhall (Vic)	Melbourne	15/12/79
Discus Throw Sub Junior 43.28 metres	P. Mountfield (NSW)	Sydney	27/10/79

MEN

200 metres Junior 20.5 Equal	P. Gandy (NSW)	Sydney	30/12/79
400 metres N 45.5H (45.63E)	R.C. Mitchell (Vic)	Melbourne	17/1/80
400 metres N 45.4H (45.54E)	R.C. Mitchell (Vic)	Melbourne	23/2/80
2000 metres Junior 5-15.5	M.J. Arens (SA)	Adelaide	22/12/79
5000 metres O & N 13-23.8	W.S. Scott (Vic)	Melbourne	23/1/80
10,000 metres O 27-31.4	H. Rono (Kenya)	Melbourne	6/2/80

10,000 metres N 27-46.6	W.S. Scott (Vic)	Melbourne	6/2/80
400metres hurdles Junior 51.6 Equal	D.Horrobin (Vic)	Perth	23/3/79
1500 metres walk O & N 5-38.2	D. Smith (Vic)	Melbourne	8/12/79
1500 metres walk O & N 5-30.8	W.A. Sawall (Vic)	Melbourne	23/1/80
1500 metres walk Junior 5.54.4	R.S. Huxley (NSW)	Sydney	12/1/80
3000 metres walk O & N 11.51.0	D. Smith (Vic)	Melbourne	17.11.79
3000 metres walk O & N 11.38.0	W.A.Sawall (Vic)	Melbourne	25.11.79
3000 metres walk O & N 11.35.0	D.Smith (Vic)	Melbourne	13.12.79
3000 metres walk O & N 11.31.5	D.Smith (Vic)	Adelaide	25.1.80
Discus Throw Junior 61.16 metres	P. Nandapi (Vic)	Melbourne	24/2/80
Discus Throw Sub Junior 58.98 metres	P.J. Spinoglio (Qld)	Perth	24/3/79
High Jump Sub Junior 2.11 metres	D. Hoyle (Vic)	Adelaide	5/12/79
Triple Jump O & N 17.09 metres	I. Campbell (Vic)	Melbourne	17/1/80
Triple Jump O 17.16 metres	K.L. Connor (GB)	Melbourne	17/1/80

*O denotes Open

*N denotes National

R.W.Pannell
Secretary

THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIA

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1979.

(1) GENERAL FUND

1978	<u>LIABILITIES</u>			1978	<u>ASSETS</u>		
3081	Sundry Creditors		5,089.70	Cash	Commonwealth Savings		
5541	Congress Delegates Fund		-	3516	Bank Melbourne	9,670.88	
	Special Funds			150	Petty Cash Advance	156.32	9,826.80
	Subsidy Administration	14,000.00		2782	Sundry Debtors		1,403.00
5000	Less Allocation to				Accruments		
	31.12.1979	8,000.00	6,000.00		Interest		825.67
047	World Cross Country C'ship		3,367.80	1212	Registration Dues		-
100	Coaching & Education			13934	Investments		
950	Coaching Co-ordinating C'tee				M.W.S. & D.B. of N.S.W.		
0528	Promotion Athletes				Debenture Loan No. 1450 6.3%		
	National Coaching Squad				due 1.7.1980	2,000.00	
	ATcoa	32,729.25			Commonwealth of Australia		
	Commonwealth Govt.	10,000.00			Special Bonds Series 2C 8.4%		
		42,729.25			due 1.10.1980	2,000.00	
-	Less expenditure to date	26,534.67	16,194.58	28,177.38	Australian Savings Bonds		
425	Superannuation Fund			1,292.00	Series 4 9.2% due 1.4.1984	3,000.00	
	Suspense				7 70% due 1.8.1984	11,000.00	
-	Fares Equalization		585.52		8 10% due 1.12.1984	4,000.00	
-	Oceanic Group		10,058.08		10 9.25% due 1.7.1985	1,000.00	
-	Advertising & TV Fees Athletes		680.00	11,323.60	31500	Commonwealth Savings Bank	
	Accumulated Fund				Investment Account		23,000.00
3626	Balance 1.1.79	42,060.17			2390	Stock	5,262.10
	Less adjustment due to				2590	Equipment & Office Equipment	
	change in Accounting				Net of Depreciation		7,620.00
	Method (Note 1)	13,934.05			Suspense		
	Adjusted Balance 1.1.79		28,126.12		Lugano Cup	2,862.50	
	Less excess of Expenditure				Australian Track & Field		
(3434)	over Income for year ended				Championships, 1980	500.00	
	31.12.1979	23,038.00		3458	I.A.A.F. Coaching Course	211.80	3,574.30
	Less Congress Delegates						
	Fund transferred	541.07	22,496.93				
	Balance 31.12.1979		5,629.19				
<u>532</u>			<u>5,629.19</u>				
			<u>51,511.87</u>				<u>51,511.87</u>

NOTE 1 This reflects the decision by the Conference not to accrue registration fees from affiliated bodies. (Minute 18.2 of the 1979 Congress.) There was also a corresponding decrease in accruments-Registration Dues.

(2) PACIFIC CONFERENCE GAMES FUNDLIABILITIES

<u>Accumulated Fund</u>		
Balance at 1.1.1979	3289.67	
Excess of Income over Expenditure transferred from Income Exp. nditure Account	<u>215.33</u>	3505.00
		<u>3505.00</u>

ASSETS

<u>Cash</u> Commonwealth Savings Bank Melbourne	1570.00
<u>Accruments Interest</u>	54.00
<u>Sundry Debtors</u>	81.00
<u>Investments</u>	
Australian Savings Bonds Series 11 9: 1.9.1985	<u>1800.00</u>
	<u>\$3505.00</u>

(3) RONALD W. CLARKE ATHLETIC FOUNDATIONInternational Tours Fund

Balance 1.1.1979	8848.79	
Interest for year	<u>2967.66</u>	
	11816.45	
<u>Less Subsidies Granted</u>		
S. Foley	1000.00	
AAU of A.	7000.00	
D. Smith	<u>500.00</u>	8500.00
		3316.45
<u>Sundry Creditors</u>		1000.00
<u>Trust Fund</u>		<u>27673.88</u>
		<u>\$31990.33</u>

<u>Cash</u> Commonwealth Savings Bank Melbourne	885.42
<u>Accruments Interest</u>	910.41
<u>Sundry Debtors</u>	1454.50
<u>Investments</u>	
M.W.S. & D. Board of N.S.W. Debentures Loan No. 1290 8.5% 1.12.1980	4000.00
Australian Savings Bonds Series 1 10.5% 1.2.1983	15000.00
Series 7 10 1.8.1984	1740.00
Series 8 10 1.12.1984	4000.00
Series 11 9 1.9.1985	<u>4000.00</u>
	<u>28740.00</u>
	<u>\$31990.33</u>

THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIA

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1979.

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			<u>INCOME</u>		
1978	Affiliation Fees		1978	Affiliation Fees	
345	International Amateur Athletic Federation	399.68	120	Member Associations	120.00
217	Pacific Conference Games Council	223.28		<u>Registration Dues</u>	
15	Australian Olympic Federation	15.00	3194	AAA of NSW	2,727.40
10	Australian Commonwealth Games Association	10.50	1309	Queensland AAA	967.20
50	Confederation of Australian Sports	25.00	635	South Australian AAA	620.75
	I.A.A.F. Oceanic Group Expenses	-	403	Tasmanian AAA	391.30
103	I.A.A.F. Administration Levy	100.00	3946	Victorian AAA	3,945.55
2	Community Recreation Council	-	554	Western Australian AAA	488.15
		773.46	2883	NSW Women's AAA	1,301.30
	<u>Team & Athletes Expenses</u>		1071	Queensland Women's AAA	637.00
153	Women's Team, Honolulu	-	571	South Australian Women's AAA	296.40
739	Women's Cross Country, New Zealand	52.00	634	Tasmanian Women's AAA	274.30
192	Others		2872	Victorian Women's AAA	1,596.40
-	European Tour	(6.42)	683	Western Australian Women's AAA	365.30
-	Sportakaide	138.50			13,611.05
-	Australia v New Zealand	3,305.83			2,687.66
		3,489.91	3173	<u>Interest</u>	
	<u>Special Committees Expenses</u>			<u>Australian Track & Field</u>	
193	Board Meetings	3,252.06	3222	Championships	1,465.99
699	Administration Committee	-	24	<u>Reinstatement Fees</u>	28.00
200	Administration Special Committee	-		<u>Publication Sales</u>	
-	Australian Commonwealth Games Association	1,234.69	54	Almanacs	496.66
-	Ad Hoc Committee, Canberra	232.30	-	Newsletter	1,173.35
-	I.A.A.F. Coaching Course, 1978		713	Others	5,735.41
		4,719.05		<u>Subsidy Administration</u>	
	<u>General Administration</u>		8000	Commonwealth Bank	8,000.00
6407	Advertising	444.80	14050	Commonwealth Government	41,500.00
33	Cables	-			49,500.00
-	Congress Delegates Expenses	741.00	20	<u>Appeal Deposit</u>	
203	Conference Expenses	1,182.23	648	Advertising & TV Fees	-785.02
					75,603.14
3867	C/Forward	9,067.77		C/Forward	

9067	B/Forward		9,067.77	46779	B/Forward	75,603.14
58	Commonwealth Games Trials	(53.70)		55	Hire Films & Video Tapes	75.50
150	Confederation of Sports Seminar				<u>Picture Night</u>	248.00
-	Coaching Films	590.26		15	<u>Ties</u>	6.00
649	Depreciation	848.11			Deficit for year transferred to	
1447	Duplicating, Printing & Stationery	4,432.93		(3434)	Accumulated Fund	23,038.00
-	Delegates Expenses	215.00				
123	Entertainment & Goodwill	264.01				
843	Expenses Oceanic Group Delegates					
-	Expenses Extra Ordinary Conference					
	1978	192.50				
-	Expenses Half Yearly Conference '78	272.57				
-	Electricity	777.85				
605	General Expenses	911.34				
200	Honorarium	250.00				
617	Insurance	873.13				
287	Library	-				
347	Legal Costs	-				
34	Medallions					
194	Officers Expenses	1,212.85				
185	Periodicals	250.57				
663	Postage	1,096.47				
918	Pent	3,519.60				
-	Repairs & Maintenance Office					
	Equipment	169.50				
22431	Salaries	53,536.60				
1705	Selectors Expenses	395.45				
425	Superannuation	1,723.75				
-	Seminar Fees	95.00				
-	Trophies Australian Championships	71.01				
1976	Telephone & Cables	2,743.17				
654	Travelling Expenses Exec. Dir.	2,002.72				
-	Travelling Expenses Coach. Dir.	3,311.55				
200	Typing Assistance	<u>929.23</u>				
			83,000.31			
	<u>Publication Costs</u>					
-	Almanacs	476.15				
635	Others	5,653.80				
-	Newsletter	772.61				
			<u>6,902.56</u>			
\$45413			\$98,970.64	\$45413		\$98,970.64
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WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM - NEW ZEALANDINCOME

Tasmanian Women's A.A.A.	267.00
Victorian A.A.A.	10.00
Queensland Women's A.A.A.	400.00
N.S.W. Women's A.A.A.	568.00
South Australian Women's A.A.A.	250.00
Victorian Women's A.A.A.	<u>944.00</u>
	\$2,748.00

EXPENDITURE

Fares		2,800.00
	Loss	52.00

AUSTRALIA vs. NEW ZEALAND

Gate Receipts	1,759.50
Programme Sales	172.85
Advertising	5,700.00
Australian Olympic Federation	<u>7,500.00</u>
	15,132.35

Less

Fares New Zealand Team	13,323.29
Fares Internal	2,822.87
Manager's expenses	18.55
Numbers	105.00
Printing Programmes	570.00
Printing Invitation Cards	42.32
Sundries	31.65
Entertainment	356.08
Olympic Park Expenses: Gatekeepers	215.60
Pay Roll & Workers	
Comp.	43.12
Cash Handling	40.00
Public Address	40.00
Electrician	160.00
Supervision	120.00
Ground Hire	300.00
Licence	12.00
Groundsman	60.00
Telephone Calls	<u>400.00</u>
	18,660.48
Net Loss	\$3,528.13
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AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIAAUSTRALIAN TRACE & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS
PERTH, MARCH, 1979RECEIPTS

Gate takings	\$2,978.30	
Programme Sales	790.80	
Television Rights	4,000.00	
Commonwealth Bank Sponsorship	5,000.00	
Advertising	1,194.00	
Sale Photo Prints	109.00	
Sundries	37.74	\$14,109.84

EXPENDITURE

Programmes	\$2,397.98	
Gatekeepers	124.00	
Hire of Ground	816.00	
Hire of Public Address	115.00	
Hire of Omega Timing	953.17	
Accommodation & Fares Omega Officials	839.31	
Typing Entries & Programmes	242.94	
Technical Committee Expenses	920.04	
Video Tapes	69.00	
Promotion Expenses	2,211.02	
Medallions	472.05	
Engraving	143.35	
Telephone	60.00	
Cartage	31.00	
Bank Media Awards	250.00	
Accommodation & Fare C.R. Mitten	349.20	
Printing & Stationery	500.00	
Postage	99.68	
Administration Advance	500.00	
Entertaining Media	52.42	
Bank Charges	2.64	
Fares & Accommodation Executive & Coaching Directors	1,128.55	12,277.35
		\$ 1,832.49
		=====
	<u>Profit</u>	

DISTRIBUTION PROFIT

20% A.A. of Western Australia	\$ 366.50
A.A.U. of A.	1,465.99
	<u>\$1,832.49</u>
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The Amateur Athletic Union of AustraliaFinancial Statement European Tour

Income

R.W. Clarke Foundation	7,000.00
Department of Home Affairs	8,000.00
Mars Confectionary	5,000.00
Australian Olympic Federation	<u>8,528.04</u>
	\$28,528.04

Less

Air Fares	14,514.40	
Departure Tax	110.00	
Accommodation and Travel Europe	13,055.12	
Internal Air Travel	318.60	
Telephone & Cables	390.80	
Ties, uniforms, badges	31.50	
Sundries	<u>31.20</u>	
		<u>28,521.62</u>
		\$ 6.42

WORLD CROSS COUNTRY

By Balance in hand	846.64
Western Australian Women's AAA	919.00
Victorian AAA	4,000.00
Tasmanian AAA	600.00
Department of Home Affairs	6,000.00
Western Australian AAA	1,500.00
Swan District AAA A/c. G. Clews	139.00
AAA of New South Wales	1,424.00
South Australian AAA	1,000.00
Queensland AAA	1,600.00
Australian Olympic Federation	<u>3,000.00</u>
	\$21,028.64

To Air Fares	10,671.00	
Accommodation, etc.	5,848.19	
Air Fares - Internal	884.20	
Fees	22.50	
Uniforms	12.15	
Telephone Calls	200.00	
Sundries	<u>22.80</u>	
		<u>17,660.84</u>
Balance in hand		\$3,367.80
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1. Sponsorship

- 1.1 Alcoa of Australia agreed to supplement their present sponsorship with an additional \$6,500 to allow for additional athletes from overseas countries to compete in the Challenge Series.
- 1.2 Coca Cola have agreed to sponsor the Australian All Schools Track and Field Championships for the next three years. Sponsorship for the 1980 Championships will be increased to \$3,000, the amounts for 1981 & 1982 are still to be negotiated.
- 1.3 The Seven Network have agreed to replay rights for the 1980 Track and Field Championships of \$3,000. This will be the first time that the Track and Field Championships have been televised by more than one television network.

2. Competition

- 2.1 Alcoa Challenge Series - the series proved most succesful despite various problems that arose at individual meetings. The most troublesome area was that of photo-finish. This was duly entirely to the company that transported the equipment and thanks must be extended to Bruce Shaw for his assistance and adaptability.
Some meetings were patronised better than others despite good publicity in all states.

Queensland	1500
New South Wales	1215
Victoria	5822
Tasmania	1850
South Australia	1702
West Australia.	

- 2.2 Commonwealth Bank International Meets - These meetings were not well patronised by the athletes for one reason or another. However those athletes that did compete made the meetings well worthwhile by establishing five Australian records over the two meetings. From the performances recorded at these meetings it appears that some form of national competition is need between state Championships and the National Titles.

3. Athlete Advertising

- 3.1 Athletes have been most co-operative to date in requests made for appearances in advertisements and for promotions. The following athletes have used in projects over the past six months:

1.	R.Boyle R.Mitchell G.Mulhall	- Promotion Lifestyle Gymnasiums	\$300
2.	M.Binnington	- C.S.I.R.O.	\$800 plus two year option at \$1000 per year
3.	P.Hadfield W.Jacenko T.McDonald R.Gurr	- Paton Australia	\$280
4.	J.Galic	- Sanyo	\$800
5.	R.Rigby	- Spread Automobiles	\$500
6.	M.Randell K.Henness	- 2WS Promotion	\$200

4. Other

- 4.1 Promotion Olympic Card Series (with Coaching Director)
- 4.2 Department of Home Affairs - tour by two coaches to South East Asia
- 4.3 Administration of the I.A.A.F. Coaching Course, Canberra
- 4.4 Design of presentation banners for use to overseas visitors.
- 4.5 Constant contact is maintained with the media in all states especially N.S.W. and Victoria. Copies of the A.A.U. News is mailed to them together with other newsworthy items.

Rick Pannell
Executive Director

THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIA APPENDIX 5
 HALF-YEARLY REPORT FROM THE
 NATIONAL COACHING AND TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

My activities over the past six months will be listed under separate categories. Often I share the work with the National Executive Director and have so indicated on the projects when this occurred.

1. National Squad (with the Executive Director)

- organised and conducted the first series of four weekend coaching camps in September/October, 1979
- participated in the planning and conduct of the six Alcoa Challenge Series Meets - one in each Capital City
- arranged for two British athletes to compete in the Alcoa Meets

2. Coaching

- attended Executive and Committee Meetings of the Australian Track and Field Coaches Association
- submitted the curriculum for Athletics Coaching Courses to the AAU Board of Management. This curriculum was approved and now forms part of the National Coaching Accreditation Scheme
- wrote a section for the National Coaching Manual (Level 2)
- met four times with the AAU Coaching Co-ordinating Committee
- (with the Executive Director) organised and directed the IAAF Senior Track Coaches Course in Canberra for the Oceania Region (January 20-26, 1980)
- attended a meeting of Australian and Italian Coaches in Sydney, organised by Rothman's National Sports Foundation.

3. Technical

- arranged for Dope Testing to be carried out at the 1980 Australian Track and Field Championships.
- represented the AAU at National Schools' Track and Field Championships and National Marathon and Walks Championships
- with the AAU Technical Committee adjusted the IAAF Scoring System for Sub Junior Women's Heptathlons
- continued working with 1982 Commonwealth Games Foundation

4. "AAU News" (with the Executive Director)

- continued to write and compile editions of the "AAU News" and to advertise the publication in all States

5. Australian Teams and Athletes

- initiated and obtained approval for the Australia vs New Zealand Decathlon and Pentathlon Match held in Sydney, December, 1979
- arranged for overseas athletes from Yugoslavia and Finland to compete in the March, 1980 Commonwealth Bank sponsored Meetings.

6. 1980 Olympic Games Team

- attended the European Athletic Association Calendar Congress in Berlin and made arrangements for the team's travel, accommodation and competition prior to the Games.
- attended a team officials' conference on the Games organised by the Australian Olympic Federation

7. Contact with Schools, Clubs and Groups

- edited all material for the "Moscow Olympic Card Series"
- addressed the Annual General Meeting of the Victorian High Schools Sports Association

8. Meetings and Interviews

- met many leaders of the IAAF and coaches and administrators of almost all European Athletic Federations at the European Calendar Congress held in Berlin, November, 1979. Met also representatives from USA, Japan, Kenya and Canada at the Congress
- met with:
Mr. Bob Ellicott, Minister for Home Affairs
Mr. Graham Dempster - Assistant Secretary, Department of Sport and Recreation, Canberra
- was interviewed several times by:
radio, television and the press in all capital cities, Launceston and Canberra

9. Seminars

- attended a meeting of National Coaching Directors in Canberra
- attended "The 1979 International Coaches Convention" in Edinburgh



JEAN ROBERTS,
National Coaching & Technical Director.

RECOMMENDATIONS1) Hurdle Specifications for Under Age Men
(Minute 15.38.1 Annual Congress 1979)

A motion was received from the Victorian A.A.A. to repeal Competition Rule 307 and substitute new specifications for underage men and women. The matter was referred to me for recommendations.

New specifications for under age women's hurdles were presented to the 1979 Half Yearly Congress and adopted.

The main problems with the existing specifications for under age men are:

a) Too large a progression from under 16 (90m race with 8 metres between hurdles) to the under 17 (110 m race with 9.14m between hurdles)

b) The 7 metre distance between hurdles is only suitable for beginners. Stride length has to be shortened when even a low level of competence is achieved. Seven metres between hurdles currently applies to both under 13 and under 14 age groups.

The following recommendations for under age men's hurdles are presented. They have been designed for a gradual progression through the age groups and are shown with the women's hurdles specifications to illustrate that only four movements of hurdles on the track would be required to meet requirements for all competition from under 13 to open in both men's and women's short hurdle races.

(See attached chart)

2) Composition of the Alcoa National Squad.

In November last year a mail vote was taken on the following proposal submitted by the A.A.A. of N.S.W..

"That any athlete who equals or betters the standard achieved by the second ranked athlete in the National Squad in any event be added to the Squad".

The proposal was approved by six votes to five.

Early in February this year I met with the Honorary A.A.U. Statistician on this matter and we determined that seventy-nine athletes, who were not members of the Alcoa National Squad, had bettered or equalled the standard agreed upon by the mail vote. The largest group occurred in the Men's 100 metres where twenty-five athletes had run 10.6 or faster. This was not surprising considering the wind conditions prevailing at the last National Championships.

I reported the figure to the President and after conferring we agreed not to add these athletes to the squad due to the large number (which we estimated would further increase as State Championships began), the problems associated with contacting all these athletes and adding them to a squad which would cease to exist six weeks later and the fact that no coaching or material assistance could be given at that stage.

It is impossible to plan a programme for a squad which fluctuates greatly in size. For financial and administrative reasons, there must be a maximum number of members in the squad. The original proposal, accepted at the 1979 Annual Congress, stated that athletes could be added at the discretion of the selectors. I recommend this ruling apply.

MEN

Distance of race	No. of Hurdles	Hurdle Height /6cm	Dist. to 1st H. 12m	Dist. b/w 7m	Dist. to last H. 12m	Age
80m	9	76	13	8	13	13
90	9	76	13	8	13	14
100	10	84	13	8.5	10.5	15
100m	10	91.5	13	8.5	10.5	16
110	10	91.5	13.72	9.14	14.02	17
110	10	99	13.72	9.14	14.02	19
110	10	106.7	13.72	9.14	14.02	Open Men IAAF Stand.

WOMEN

Distance of race	No. of Hurdles	Hurdle Height 76cm	Dist. to 1st H. 12m	Dist. b/w 7	Dist. to last H. 12m	Age
80m	9	76	12	7	12	13
80	9	76	12	7	12	14
90	9	76	13	8	13	15
90	9	84	13	8	13	16
100	10	84	13	8.5	10.5	Open

Identical Track Markings:

1. Men U 13, Women U13 & U 14.
2. Men U 14, Women U15 & U 16.
3. Men U 15 & U 16, Women Open.
4. Men U17, U19 and Open.

THE PROGRESS OF SELECTED AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR MALE ATHLETES APPENDIX 6
AND
A COMPARISON OF AUSTRALIAN AND WORLD RANKINGS

Introduction:

As a result of observations of under 19 male athletes competing in the National Championships over a period of years, it was felt that in many cases their performances deteriorated on successive appearances. Further, it was felt that many did not improve on reaching senior ranks.

To determine whether these subjective observations were correct, it was decided to review the performances of finalists in selected junior events, trace their individual progress and compare senior Australian performances with world standards.

The depth of the study restricted the number of events which could be analysed. For the same reasons women's performances could not be included.

Data:

The first six place times, heights and distances were used for analysis from the period 1972/73 to 1978/79 in the following events:-

100 metres
 110 metres hurdles
 400 metres
 1500 metres
 High Jump
 Long Jump
 Triple Jump
 Shot Put

The 5000 metres event was used only in the comparison between Senior and World Ranking.

All hand times were converted to their electric equivalent by the addition of 0.24 seconds for 100 metres and 110 metres hurdles and 0.14 seconds for the 400 metres.

No adjustments were made to performances affected by adverse weather conditions nor to wind assisted performances in National Championships.

Wind assisted performances were excluded from the Australian and World top twenty ranking lists.

World performances were taken over the calendar year whereas Australian performances were taken from April 1st to March 31st of the following year.

Summary of Results:

For the period and events studied.

1. The majority of top junior athletes have not been successful in senior championships.
 - (1) Of 94 junior champions only 11 became senior champions.
 - (2) Out of 94 junior champions only 21 went on to represent either Australia or Oceania in senior competition.
 - (3) Of 242 junior finalists 114 never appeared in the National top 20.

2. In junior performances at the National titles (the mean of the top 6) there has been no improvement apart from the Shot Put.
3. In senior performances at the National titles there has been no improvement apart from the 400 metres and also a slight improvement in the High Jump.
4. Generally there has been a small improvement in the mean of the Australian top 20 performances.
5. The rate of improvement in the Australian performances is generally less than the rate of improvement in the same event mean of the World top twenty.

Suggested Causes of Trends:

The study showed a lack of improvement in junior performances possibly due to:-

- (i) Few incentives
- (ii) Too few competent coaches
- (iii) Lack of full complement of essential training facilities and equipment; e.g. Weight Training Centres.
- (iv) Lack of access to facilities all year round.
- (v) Inadequate liason with competent physiotherapist and sports medicine specialists.
- (vi) Lack of competition within their own age group.
- (vii) The failure of many coaches and athletes to aspire to a high enough standard.
- (viii) Too big a jump between under 19 and senior competition because of the difference in the standards.

It is felt that the same explanations apply equally to the seniors except for the last item.

Recommendations:

- (i) Incentives for junior athletes in the form of squads and financial assistance and competition be provided.
- (ii) Incentives for seniors in the form of squads and financial assistance and competition be continued and expanded.
- (iii) The encouragement of coaches and athletes to develop their potential to their full be emphasized.
- (iv) The encouragement of coaches to further their education and practical participation in coaching.
- (v) Each major centre to have at least one full complement of training facilities for year round preparation.
- (vi) The identification of qualified Sports Medicine and Physiotherapy personell be made and their co-operation be obtained.
- (vii) Junior international matches be organised and more competition provided within Australia for them.

Note: The data used in this study are available from the AAU.

Norman Osborne)	AAU Coaching
Brian Hodson)	Co-ordinating
John Ooas)	Committee

ESTABLISHED BY MINUTE 24.6.2. AT THE 1979 HALF YEARLY CONGRESS

Minute 24.6.2

That two representatives from the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia and two representatives from the Australian Secondary Schools Federation, plus a representative from the New South Wales Schools Athletic Association meet and draw up a proposal the steps to be taken to bring about the conduct of just one National Schools track and field Championships and one National Schools Cross Country Championships and present a paper to the March 1980 Annual Congress, such paper to be distributed to state associations by the 1st of February 1980.

Present: Messrs Gifford (N.S.W. Secondary Schools Athletic Ass.
Mahoney (Aust. Secondary Schools Sports Fed.) Lee (A.A.U.)
Pannell (A.A.U.)

Apologies: Mrs. Dobson (Aust. Secondary Schools Sports Fed.) Dr. J. Roberts
(A.A.U.)

The Committee were advised by Mr. Mahoney that championships in the following sports were now conducted by the Australian Secondary Schools Sports Federation.

Football - Australian Rules
- Soccer

Netball

Hockey - Girls
- Boys

Cricket

Track and Field

Cross Country

Volleyball

Tennis

Golf

Mr. Mahoney also advised that presently the affiliate organisations of the Australian Secondary Schools Sports Federation in some states did not represent all schools.

Following discussion, it was resolved to recommend the following to the 1980 Annual Congress:-

1. Each state establish an all schools athletic Association Committee comprising delegates of all school groups in the state. No school or individual should be disadvantaged and allowances should be made for individual schools to participate.
2. Once the above Associations are established an "Australian Schools Athletic Union" be formed to consider development of school athletics.
3. A meeting of interested parties be convened by the Union at the 1980 Australian All Schools Cross Country Championships to consider the formation of an Australian Schools Athletic Union.

It is envisaged that once firmly established, the conduct of both the track and field championships and the cross country championships would be the responsibility of the Australian Schools Athletic Union.

R.W.Pannell

for and on behalf of

Mr.A.Gifford

Mr.B.Mahoney

Mr.C.D.Lee