

THE
Amateur Athletic Union
of Australia

AFFILIATED ASSOCIATIONS:

New South Wales Amateur Athletic Association
Victorian Amateur Athletic Association
Queensland Amateur Athletic Association
Tasmanian Amateur Athletic Association
South Australian Amateur Athletic Association
Western Australian Amateur Athletic Association

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

.. OF ..

THE BOARD OF CONTROL

AT THE

17th BIENNIAL CONFERENCE

HELD AT

HOBART, TASMANIA

on 17th JANUARY, 1936.

H. R. WEIR, Hon. Secretary.

**THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF
AUSTRALIA.**

**MEETING OF THE FULL BOARD OF CONTROL
HELD AT
HOBART, TASMANIA, 17th JANUARY, 1936.**

There were present:—

Messrs. G. E. Langford and H. W. Mackinlay, Victoria.

Messrs. R. P. Heathwood and W. R. MacKenzie, New South Wales.

Messrs. J. I. Brown and J. J. Fitzgerald, Queensland.

Messrs. G. E. Appleton and J. Haire, Western Australia.

Messrs. H. G. Toms and A. H. Bruggeman, South Australia.

Messrs. N. G. Hutton and M. L. I. Round, Tasmania.

Mr. H. R. Weir (Hon. Secretary). Apologies were received from Messrs. A. G. Fenner (President) and W. B. Alexander (Hon. Treasurer).

In the absence of the President, the Hon. Secretary formally opened the Conference at 10 a.m.

After delivering the apologies and a message from the President (Mr. A. G. Fenner), the Hon. Secretary invited the assembled delegates to appoint a Chairman from their numbers in accordance with the Constitution.

Mr. G. E. Langford was unanimously elected Chairman, and immediately took the chair.

Minutes of Previous Board Meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the full Board of Control held at Adelaide, South Australia, on 26th January, 1934, were adopted on the motion of Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.).

Minutes of Executive.

The minutes of the Executive for the two years ending 16th January, 1936, were received.

Correspondence.

The Hon. Secretary read letters of the Amateur Athletic Association of New South Wales, Victorian Amateur Athletic Association, South Australian Amateur Athletic Association, Queensland Amateur Athletic Association, Western Australian Amateur Athletic Association and Tasmanian Amateur Athletic Association, announcing appointment of delegates to the Conference.

Received.

From New Zealand Amateur Athletic Association, presenting Annual Report and Balance Sheet for 1935.

Received and tabled.

From Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, forwarding minutes of proceedings of Forty-seventh Annual Meeting, held at Toronto on 15th, 16th and 17th November, 1934.

Received and tabled.

From International Board of Amateur Athletic Association re Conference of Dominions to discuss Agenda of Congress of International Amateur Athletic Federation.

Received.

From International Amateur Athletic Federation, re suspension of the National Athletic and Cycling Association of Ireland.

Received.

From Amateur Athletic Association, re amendment of Constitution.

Received.

From Victorian Amateur Athletic Association, suggesting revision of the laws governing amateur status.

Resolved to refer the matter to the Executive for action, on the motion of Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), seconded by Mr. L. I. Round (Tas.).

From Alderman J. R. Wallace, offering his services as a delegate to the Congress of the International Amateur Athletic Federation, to be held at Berlin in August, 1936.

Resolved to refer the matter to the Executive, on the motion of Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. G. E. Appleton (W.A.).

From International Amateur Athletic Federation, re suspension of Juan Carlos Zabala, Club Sportive Barracas, Argentine, and Akademijski, Sportive Klub, Primorje, Yugoslavia.

Received.

From Mr. A. J. Hodsdon (N.S.W.), apologising for his absence and wishing the Conference success.

Received.

Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure.

The Hon. Secretary read a letter from the Hon. Treasurer, apologising for his absence and inability to present Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, owing to the fact that he had undergone a serious operation in hospital.

On the motion of Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), seconded by Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), it was resolved to request the Executive to prepare an audited Balance Sheet for presentation to State Associations at the earliest opportunity.

It was further resolved to send a telegram to Mr. Alexander, expressing the sympathy of assembled delegates and wishing him a speedy recovery.

Election of President.

Mr. A. G. Fenner (S.A.) was proposed by Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.).

Mr. D. S. Carter (Q.) was proposed by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), seconded by Mr. J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.).

A ballot was taken, and Mr. A. G. Fenner was declared elected.

Election of Hon. Secretary.

Mr. H. R. Weir (Vic.) was unanimously re-elected, on the motion of Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.).

Election of Hon. Treasurer.

Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.) was proposed by Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), seconded by Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.).

Mr. W. E. Mackay (S.A.) was proposed by Mr. A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.), seconded by Mr. H. G. Toms (S.A.).

A ballot was taken, and Mr. R. P. Heathwood declared elected.

Election of Two Members of Executive.

Messrs. G. E. Langford (Vic.), D. S. Carter (Q.), N. G. Hutton (Tas.) and A. J. Hodsdon (N.S.W.), having been proposed and seconded, a ballot was taken, and Messrs. Langford and Hodsdon declared elected.

Election of Hon. Auditor.

On the motion of Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), Mr. F. G. Underwood was unanimously elected Hon. Auditor.

Australian Olympic Federation.

Messrs. G. E. Langford and R. P. Heathwood were elected as delegates to Australian Olympic Federation.

Australian British Empire Games Association.

Messrs. H. R. Weir and A. J. Hodsdon were elected delegates to Australian British Empire Games Association.

Headquarters.

On the motion of Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), the Headquarters of the Union for the ensuing two years were fixed at the Amateur Sports Club of Victoria, 343 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria.

Report of Executive on Reinstatements Granted during Years 1934-1936.

The following applications for reinstatement were granted by the Executive for Australian competition only:—

- 24/4/34—W. J. Burfein, Queensland.
- 1/12/34—R. C. Simpson, Western Australia.
- 1/12/34—J. N. McRae, Victoria.
- 1/12/34—J. K. Charles, South Australia.
- 1/12/34—R. B. Charles, South Australia.
- 1/12/34—L. G. Oakes, Tasmania.
- 1/12/34—A. C. Ramsay, Victoria.
- 1/12/34—C. J. Dixon, New South Wales.
- 1/2/35—L. E. Wingrove, Tasmania.
- 30/6/35—W. Land, Victoria.
- 30/6/35—B. Poletti, Victoria.
- 30/6/35—F. G. Pearton, Tasmania.
- 1/8/35—M. Ross, Queensland.
- 1/9/35—D. R. Speedy, Victoria.
- 1/9/35—A. J. Randles, Victoria.
- 1/12/35—C. F. Harrington, Victoria.

The following applications for reinstatement were refused by the Executive:—

- C. R. Penny, New South Wales.
- A. M. Peverill, Victoria.

Received and confirmed.

Records.

The following performances were adopted as the best on record for Australia, and certificates granted on the motion of Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), seconded by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.) :—

Throwing the Hammer: 144 feet 1 inch.—M. E. Rosenblum, at University Oval, Sydney, N.S.W., 21st May, 1935.

100 Metres Running: 10-3/5 seconds.—T. E. Hampson, at Sports Ground, Sydney, 19th February, 1935.

220 Yards Running (Circular Course): 21-3/5 seconds.—H. S. Yates, at Olympic Park, Melbourne, Victoria, 20th January, 1934.

220 Yards Running (Circular Course): 21½ seconds.—H. S. Yates, at Olympic Park, Melbourne, Victoria, 24th February, 1934.

Pole Vault: 13 feet.—F. I. Woodhouse, at Olympic Park, Melbourne, Victoria, 24th February, 1934.

Running Broad Jump: 24 feet 0½ inches.—J. P. Metcalfe, at Sports Ground, Sydney, N.S.W., 13th January, 1934.

Running Hop, Step and Jump: 50 feet 3¾ inches.—J. P. Metcalfe, at Sports Ground, Sydney, N.S.W., 19th January, 1935.

220 Yards Low Hurdles (2 feet 6 inches): 25-1/5 seconds.—M. L. Wade, at Sports Ground, Sydney, N.S.W., 8th December, 1934.

3,000 Metres Running: 8 minutes 42-4/5 seconds.—C. H. Matthews (New Zealand), at Melbourne Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria, 28th January, 1935.

880 Yards Relay (4 x 220 Yards): 1 minute 27-7/10 seconds.—Victorian A.A.A. (H. S. Yates, R. W. Moffat, M. B. Maher, F. W. W. Scott), at Melbourne Cricket Ground, Victoria, 26th January, 1935.

110 Metres Hurdles (3 feet 6 inches): 14-4/5 seconds.—D. F. McLardy, at Melbourne Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria, 28th January, 1935.

120 Yards Hurdles (3 feet 6 inches): 14-4/5 seconds.—D. F. McLardy, at Melbourne Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria, 28th January, 1935.

Running Hop, Step and Jump: 50 feet 4¾ inches.—J. P. Metcalfe, at Melbourne Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria, 28th January, 1935.

Throwing the Discus (Best Hand): 144 feet 4½ inches.—Matti Sippala (Finland), at Melbourne Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria, 28th January, 1935.

200 Metres Running: 21½ seconds.—H. S. Yates, at Olympic Park, Melbourne, Victoria, 24th February, 1934.

Throwing the Javelin (Best Hand): 217 feet 1¼ inches.—Matti Sippala (Finland), at Melbourne Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria, 28th January, 1935.

Running Hop, Step and Jump: 51 feet 9¾ inches.—J. P. Metcalfe, at Sports Ground, Sydney, N.S.W., 14th December, 1935.

Running Broad Jump: 24 feet 6½ inches.—J. G. Lobban, at Sports Ground, Sydney, N.S.W., 7th December, 1935.

It was further resolved, on the motion of Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), seconded by Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), to forward particulars of the performance of J. P. Metcalfe (51 feet 9 3/8 inches) to the I.A.A.F. for recognition as a world's record.

Eleventh Olympic Games, Berlin, 1936.

The Hon. Secretary read and tabled bulletins issued by the Australian Olympic Federation, featuring preparations for the Eleventh Olympic Games and Australia's representation, which were received.

British Empire Games, Sydney, 1938.

The Hon. Secretary read and tabled minutes of Executive relative to application for British Empire Games to be allotted to Australia in 1938.

By invitation of the Conference, Alderman E. S. Marks, Chairman of the Australian British Empire Games Association, attended and submitted a comprehensive report of negotiations with the British Empire Games Federation and New South Wales Government, which was received and Alderman Marks thanked for his attendance and report.

Venues.—On the motion of Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), seconded by Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), it was resolved unanimously to request the Australian British Empire Games Association, before finally deciding upon the selection of venues for the Athletic Section, to refer the matter to the Union for consideration.

General Protocol. Item 10.—On the motion of Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), it was unanimously resolved to instruct delegates to safeguard the question of appointment of officials by the Union.

Programme of Events.—The following events were submitted for consideration:—

Men.—100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, 880 yards, 1 mile, 3 miles, 6 miles, marathon, 2 miles Steeplechase, 120 yards Hurdles, 440 yards Hurdles, High Jump, Broad Jump, Hop, Step and Jump, Pole Vault, Javelin, Discus, 16 lb. Shot Putt, 16 lb. Hammer Throw, 4 x 110 yards Relay, 4 x 440 yards Relay.

Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.) moved, Mr. G. E. Appleton' (W.A.) seconded, that the Union approves of the programme of events submitted, with the addition of two miles Walking Championship.

Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.) moved, seconded by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), as an amendment, that the programme as submitted be agreed upon.

After the following further amendment, moved by Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (V.), seconded by Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), that the Union approves of the programme submitted, with the exception of 6 Miles and Marathon, had been defeated, the amendment moved by Mr. Hutton (Tas.), that the programme of events as submitted be agreed upon, was carried by 10 votes to 2.

Motion carried by 10 votes to 2.

For: N. G. Hutton (Tas.), M. L. I. Round (Tas.), R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), J. I. Brown (Q.), J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.), G. E. Appleton (W.A.), J. Haire (W.A.), A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.), H. G. Toms (S.A.).

Against: G. E. Langford (Vic.), H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.).

Delegates.—On the motion of Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), seconded by Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), it was unanimously resolved that this Conference recommends to the 18th Biennial Conference, to be held at Brisbane, that the delegates appointed at Hobart to the Australian British Empire Games Association be permitted to remain in office as such delegates for a period to cover the completion of the 1938 British Empire Games.

Delegation of Powers to State Associations.—On the motion of Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), seconded by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), it was unanimously resolved that the delegation of powers to State Associations be left in the hands of the Executive, with a definite recommendation that the power of appointing officials remain in the hands of the Union.

Australian National Games.

The Hon. Secretary submitted a report on the preparations for the Australian National Games to be held at Adelaide, S.A., on 25th and 27th January, 1936, and urged delegates to co-operate with the South Australian Council in the matter of representation. The report was received.

Women's Athletics.

On the motion of Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), seconded by Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), it was unanimously resolved to adopt the recommendation of the Executive;—

“That an alliance be granted to Women's Amateur Athletic Union of Australia in accordance with Rule 2d of the Constitution, such alliance to be solely for the purpose of selection for Olympic and British Empire Games Teams.”

Cross-Country Championship of Australia.

The Hon. Secretary read and tabled a report from the appointed representative of the Union (Mr. W. B. Alexander) upon the conduct of the Cross-

Country Championship of Australia held at Parramatta (N.S.W.) on 17th August, 1935.

Received.

Congress of I.A.A.F., Stockholm, 1934.

The Hon. Secretary read and tabled extracts of minutes of proceedings of Congress of International Amateur Athletic Federation held at Stockholm on 28th and 29th August, 1934.

Received.

Olympic Levy.

The Hon. Secretary read and tabled bulletin issued by Australian Olympic Federation, containing details of amounts received from constituent bodies in accordance with Olympic levy.

Subsequent to a suggestion from Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), that in future the levy be paid to State Olympic Councils, instead of to the Union, it was unanimously resolved, on the motion of Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), seconded by Mr. M. L. I. Round (Tas.), that the present method of collection be adhered to, and representations be made to the Australian Olympic Federation that the resolution regarding eligibility for selection shall be enforced on all bodies, in order that the levy shall be on an equitable basis.

Revision of Competition Laws as Passed by the International Amateur Athletic Federation.

On the motion of Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), the following amendments to Racing Laws and Competition Rules, revised and adopted by the Congress of International Amateur Athletic Federation held at Stockholm on 28th and 29th August, 1934, were adopted by the Union:—

HEATS:

Rule 25.—Delete and substitute the following:—

Preliminary rounds shall be held in every event in which the number of Competitors is too large to allow the competitions to be conducted satisfactorily in a single round.

The Heats shall be arranged by the Committee conducting the meeting and the representatives of each State shall be placed as far as possible in different heats.

No subsequent round shall begin earlier than forty minutes after the conclusion of the preceding round.

In all races at least the first and the second shall qualify for the next round.

At least six competitors shall qualify for the final round.

RULES BEARING ON RECORDS:

Rule 1.—Add the following:—

No walking record shall be recognised unless made on a track.

JUMPING EVENTS:

Rule 38.—Delete paragraph 1 and substitute the following:—

In the Running and the Standing High Jumps and in the Pole Vault, three trials only shall be allowed at each height. Dislodging the bar in the course of a jump or vault, or passing the plane of the uprights shall count as a trial.

RUNNING HIGH JUMP:

Rule 39.—Add the following:—

The Competitor shall take off from the one foot.

POLE VAULT:

Rule 41.—Delete paragraph 4 and substitute the following:—

It shall be considered a failure if the pole of the Competitor touches the ground beyond the plane of the uprights.

RUNNING BROAD JUMP:

Rule 42.—Delete paragraph 2 and substitute the following:—

If any Competitor touches the ground beyond the take-off board or its front line extended, with any part of his body, such jump shall not be measured, but it shall be counted against the Competitor as one jump.

Paragraph 3, line 1—Delete word "joist" and substitute the word "board."

Paragraph 3, line 5—Delete "6 millimetres ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch)" and substitute "12 millimetres ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch)".

THROWING EVENTS (in general):

Rule 45.—Paragraph 2, line 4—Delete the words:—

"or clothing or the implement."

Add the following:—

"only throwing implements provided by the Organisers of the meeting can be used at interstate meetings. No harness, instrument or device of any kind which can be used as a support when making the throw or the shot putt shall be allowed."

JAVELIN THROWING:

Rule 47.—Paragraph 2—Add the words:—

"or where the Competitor crosses the scratch line or its extension."

Delete paragraph 7 and substitute the following:—

The throw is measured from the nearest mark made by the point of the Javelin to the inner line of the board or its extension.

THROWING THE DISCUS:

Rule 48.—Add the following:—

Letting go the discus in making an attempt shall be counted as a trial.

TRACK AND LANES:

Rule 35.—Paragraph 1, line 4—Delete the words:—

"should not be more than" and insert "shall be."

110 METRES HURDLES RACE:

Rule 54.—Add:—

Note.—When the new type of the Hurdles is used, the following alterations of these rules shall be observed.

The knocking down of one or more hurdles does not disqualify the athlete, nor does it disentitle him from claiming a record.

COMBINED COMPETITIONS—PENTATHLON:

Rule 78—Delete paragraph 7 and substitute the following:—

The winner shall be the one who has obtained the highest number of points in the five divisions awarded on the basis of the new scoring table for field and track events adopted by the I.A.A.F. Congress in Stockholm, 1934.

DECATHLON:

Rule 79.—Paragraph 6, line 1—

Delete the word "Two" and insert "Four."

Add the following:—

A Record may be claimed even if one or two hurdles are knocked down in the 110 Metres Hurdle Race.

Paragraph 7—Delete the words "Pentathlon and Decathlon Table" and insert "New Scoring Table for field and track events adopted by the I.A.A.F. Congress at Stockholm, 1934."

Rule 21.—Paragraph 2, line 2:—

Delete the word "at" and insert words "on their."

Paragraph 4, line 4—Delete the word "Ready" and insert word "Set."

SPECIFICATIONS OF FIELD GAMES IMPLEMENTS. CIRCLES.

Page 68.—Construction—Delete the words "or rope."

Questions Circulated to Members by International Amateur Athletic Federation.

(a) Whether members are willing to change the 50 Kilometres Walking Race to a 30 Kilometres Walking Race on roads.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. M. L. I. Round (Tas.), to reply in the negative. Eight votes to four.

For: H. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), J. I. Brown (Q.), J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.), G. E. Appleton (W.A.), J. Haire (W.A.), N. G. Hutton (Tas.), M. L. I. Round (Tas.).

Against: H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), G. E. Langford (Vic.), A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.), H. G. Toms (S.A.).

(b) Are members interested in a 10 Kilometres Walking Race on track?

Resolved on the motion of Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), seconded by Mr. J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.), to reply in the negative. Ten votes to two.

For: G. E. Langford (Vic.), H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.), H. G. Toms (S.A.), N. G. Hutton (Tas.), M. L. I. Round (Tas.), J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.).

Against: R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.).

Offer of Shield from Western Suburbs A.A.C. (N.S.W.).

Consideration was given to an offer submitted by the Amateur Athletic Association of New South Wales, of the Western Suburbs A.A.C., to provide a shield for biennial competition in the Cross-Country Championship of Australia, such to be known as the M. J. McKenzie Shield.

It was unanimously agreed on the motion of Mr. A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.); seconded by Mr. J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.), that whilst this Union appreciates the magnificent services rendered to cross-country running in New South Wales by Mr. M. J. McKenzie, it cannot see its way clear to grant a commemoration of other than Union officials for services to the Union.

NOTICES OF MOTION.
VICTORIAN AMATEUR ATHLETIC
ASSOCIATION.

Cross-Country Championship of Australia.

On the motion of Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), seconded by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), it was unanimously resolved that Paragraph 1 of Rule 12 (Handbook) be rescinded and the following substituted:—

“A Cross-Country Championship of Australia shall be conducted once every two years over a distance of 10,000 metres. Such championship shall be held on a course at least two-thirds of which shall be of a genuine cross-country nature, with a reasonable number of natural obstacles, such as fences, ditches, hedges, and creeks (any barbed wire must be adequately covered to prevent injury). A plan of the course must be submitted to the Union at least 28 days prior to the meeting, and such course must be approved prior to the race by the appointed representative of the Union, and also a representative of each Association competing. In the event of a difference of opinion, the majority shall decide.”

Delegates to Australian Olympic Federation and
Australian British Empire Games Association.

On the motion of Messrs. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.), it was resolved that delegates to the Australian Olympic Federation and Australian British Empire Games Association shall be appointed from members of the Executive and/or members of the Council of an affiliated Association.

Carried. Seven votes to four.

For: H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.), H. G. Toms (S.A.), G. E. Appleton (W.A.), J. Haire (W.A.).

Against: J. I. Brown (Q.), J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.), N. G. Hutton (Tas.), M. L. I. Round (Tas.).

Writing for Press, Lecturing or Broadcasting.

On the motion of Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), seconded by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), it was unanimously resolved that Rule 8, Section 1 of the Handbook be amended by adding the following clause:—

“By writing or lecturing or broadcasting upon athletics and athletic competitions for payment, unless he can prove that such writing, lecturing and broadcasting furnishes the main source of his livelihood.

Trophies.

It was decided on the motion of Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), seconded by Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), to refer to the Executive consideration of Rule 73 of the Handbook, re prizes.

TASMANIAN AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

Australian Track and Field Games Championships.

Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.) moved, Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.) seconded:—

“That in future when the Australian Track and Field Games Championships are held in the same year as the National Games, the Union endeavour to arrange that the State controlling the former shall have choice of dates, provided such choice be made before the end of July preceding the championships.”

Carried unanimously.

Position of Amateurs Competing at Picnic Sports.

It was resolved on the motion of Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), seconded by Mr. M. L. I. Round (Tas.), to refer to the Executive for consideration the position of amateurs competing at picnic sports.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

British Empire Games, 1938.

Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.) moved, Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.) seconded:—

“That provision be made to ensure that the representatives of the Union on the Australian British Empire Games Association shall confer with the officers of the Union or their representatives on any vital matter.”

Carried unanimously.

Olympic Games.

On the motion of Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas), it was unanimously decided:—

“That the Executive of the Union be required to assess and prepare for submission to the Australian Olympic Federation the claims of Australian athletes for inclusion in Australian Olympic teams and that the athletic selector on the Olympic Selection Committee be directed not to depart from the order so determined.”

Track and Field Championships of Australia.

Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.) moved, Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.) seconded:—

“That, in future, Australian Track Championships be conducted over metric distances.”

Lost by 8 votes to 4.

For: R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), J. I. Brown (Q.), J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.).

Against: H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), G. E. Langford (Vic.), A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.), H. G. Toms (S.A.), N. G. Hutton (Tas.), M. L. I. Round (Tas.), G. E. Appleton (W.A.), J. Haire (W.A.).

Invitation to Japanese Athletes.

Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.) moved, Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.) seconded:—

“That the Amateur Athletic Association of New South Wales be granted permission to negotiate for the appear-

ance of Japanese athletes in Australia during the 1936-37 summer season in connection with the 50th year of the Association, and that such permission include the right to co-operate with the New Zealand A.A.A. and such of the State Associations as may be interested in the venture."

Carried unanimously.

Canberra A.A.C.

It was unanimously resolved on the motion of Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.) :—

"That the Canberra Amateur Athletic Club be placed under the immediate jurisdiction of the Amateur Athletic Association of New South Wales, subject to the condition that athletes in Canberra will be eligible to compete for the State whence they came, provided that they had had bona fide residence in that State for at least six months (see Minutes, 23/12/27 and 24/1/30); provided that the matter be placed on the Agenda for discussion at next Conference."

Australian Track and Field Championships.

Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.) moved, Mr J. I. Brown (Q.) seconded :—

- "(1) That the Australian Track and Field Championships be conducted annually and that the allocation of venue for the various fixtures be as follows:
- (a) Present biennial roster to be adhered to.
 - (b) The extra competitions (i.e., between the present series) to be allocated to Victoria, Queensland and New South Wales in turn.
- "(2) That the local Association of the State wherein such meeting is held, subject to the sanction of the Union (vide Clause 10), shall have complete control over the same in financial matters, bearing any loss and receiving any profits, provided that when the net profits exceed £100. 50 per cent. of such net profits shall be paid to the Union."

After discussion the motion was withdrawn.

Pentathlon.

Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.) moved, Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.) seconded :—

"That the rules governing the Pentathlon Competition be amended to provide for the following events (to be run

in the order mentioned):—100 Metres, Broad Jump, 110 Metres Hurdles, Shot Putt, and 800 Metres, and that this alteration be recommended to the International Amateur Athletic Federation.”

Motion lost by 10 votes to 2.

For: R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.).

Against: H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), G. E. Langton (Vic.), A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.), H. G. Toms (S.A.), N. G. Hutton (Tas.), M. L. I. Round (Tas.), G. E. Appleton (W.A.), J. Haire (W.A.).

Competition Laws.

Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.) moved, Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.) seconded:—

“That Rule 56, paragraph 4 (Competition Laws), be deleted and the following substituted:—‘In the 440 Yards Hurdles Race, ten hurdles shall be used and each hurdle shall be 3 feet high. The first hurdle shall be placed 49½ yards from the scratch mark, the remaining hurdles shall be placed 38½ yards apart and the distance from the last hurdle to the winning post shall be 46½ yards.’”

Carried unanimously.

QUEENSLAND AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

Australian Track and Field Games Championships.

Mr. J. J. Brown (Q.) moved, Mr. J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.) seconded:—

“That walking events be deleted from the programme of the Track and Field Games Championships of Australia.”

Lost by 10 votes to 2.

For: J. J. Brown (Q.), J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.).

Against: R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), G. E. Langford (Vic.), A. H. Bruggeman (S.A.), H. G. Toms (S.A.), G. E. Appleton (W.A.), J. Haire (W.A.), N. G. Hutton (Tas.), M. L. I. Round (Tas.).

Olympic Games.

Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.) moved, Mr. J. J. Fitzgerald (Q.) seconded:—

“That the Union appoint three selectors for the purpose of selecting the athletic team for the Olympic Games, and from these three selectors, one shall be appointed to act in conjunction with the other Olympic selectors for the purposes of finalising the full team.”

After discussion the motion was withdrawn.

Track and Field Games Championships of Australia.

It was resolved unanimously on the motion of Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), seconded by Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.):—

“That in view of the British Empire Games and Australian Championships, both scheduled for 1938, the latter to be held in Queensland, the Track and Field Games Championships of Australia be held at the end of 1937, provided not earlier than first of December, and be used as a basis for the selection of the team for the Empire Games.”

Shield for National Games.

It was decided to refer to the Executive for consideration the following motion submitted by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.):—

“That the Union provide a shield for competition at the National Games, such shield to be known as the “E. S. Marks” Shield, in recognition of the munificent services rendered to Amateur Athletics by Alderman E. S. Marks. That the shield should be competed for on the lines of the Richard Coombes Shield at the Track and Field Games Championships of Australia. That, if necessary, the affiliated State Associations be requested to subscribe for the purchase of such shield, if approved by Conference.”

Life Members.

The Chairman ruled out of order the following motion submitted by the Hon. Secretary:—

“That the Constitution be amended to provide for the appointment of Life Members of the Union, such Life Members to be eligible to attend Biennial Conferences of Full Board of Control, but without voting powers.”

"That in view of the sterling services rendered to the Union since its foundation, and to Amateur Athletics generally, Alderman E. S. Marks be appointed a Life Member of the Union.

Alderman E. S. Marks.

It was unanimously resolved on the motion of Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.):—

"That this Conference express thanks to Alderman E. S. Marks for his attendance to report on his delegateship to Australian Olympic Federation and Australian British Empire Games Association, and, further, that the Conference record its appreciation of his sterling services to the sport."

Australian British Empire Games Association.

It was moved by Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), seconded by Mr. G. Appleton (W.A.), and carried unanimously:—

"That owing to an alteration of the Constitution of the Union rendering him ineligible for nomination, this Conference regrets its inability to appoint Alderman E. S. Marks as one of its representatives on the Australian British Empire Games Association. This Conference views with concern the possibility of his services being lost to the Association, and would respectfully suggest that a new position of independent chairman be created and that Alderman E. S. Marks be appointed to fill the position."

New Handbook.

On the motion of Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), seconded by Mr. W. R. MacKenzie (N.S.W.), it was decided to refer to the Executive for consideration the question of issuing a new Handbook.

Track and Field Games Championships of Australia.

The following roster of dates for future championships was unanimously agreed upon:—

1942, Melbourne; 1944, Sydney; 1946, Adelaide; 1948, Hobart.

Cross-Country Championship of Australia.

It was decided to conduct the Cross-Country Championship of Australia at Adelaide in 1937.

Closing of Entries.

Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.) complained that Victoria had not complied with Rule 11 of the Handbook in lodging entries for Australian championships. He merely wished to have complaint recorded, and suggested that State Associations be requested in the future to assist the controlling State by lodging entries in time.

The Chairman ruled that States could enter any number of athletes within the prescribed time, but in accordance with rules could start three men only in each event.

Official Starter.

Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.) asked why Mr. E. R. Cullen, whose name had appeared in the programme as Official Starter, had not officiated.

The Hon. Secretary explained that, in response to a request for ruling from the Tasmanian A.A.A., the Executive had resolved that the Union disapproved of the appointment of any person who is not an amateur in accordance with the Union Handbook.

Team Manager Acting as Official.

In response to a question from Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), the Chairman ruled that, in accordance with

Rule 2 of Racing Laws, no track team or club team manager shall act as an official at any championship meeting.

Votes of Thanks.

On the motion of Mr. R. P. Heathwood (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. H. W. Mackinlay (Vic.), a vote of thanks was passed to the Directors of the Y.M.C.A., Hobart, for the use of the Board Room.

A vote of thanks was passed on the motion of Mr. N. G. Hutton (Tas.), seconded by Mr. J. I. Brown (Q.), to the Chairman (Mr. G. E. Langford) who suitably responded.

The Chairman then declared the Conference closed at midnight.



THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIA.
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE TO 18th JANUARY, 1936.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Balance Brought Forward	£69 8 3	Printing and Stationery	£20 10 7
Subscriptions, 1934:—		Typing, Postage, etc.	21 0 10
New South Wales	£4 4 0	Presentation	1 1 6
Queensland	4 4 0	Advance to Secretary (Petty Cash)	5 0 0
South Australia	4 4 0	Cartage	1 4 7
Tasmania	4 4 0	Subscriptions:—	
Victoria	4 4 0	International A.A. Federation, 1934	£2 10 5
Western Australia	4 4 0	Australian Olympic Federation—	
	25 4 0	1933/34	2 2 0
Subscriptions, 1935:—		1934/35	2 2 0
New South Wales	£4 4 0	1935/36	2 2 0
Queensland	4 4 0	Empire Games Association, 1934	2 2 0
South Australia	4 4 0		10 18 5
Tasmania	4 4 0	Secretary's Expenses	3 15 0
Victoria	4 4 0	Treasurer's Expenses	1 3 6
Western Australia	4 4 0	Bank Charge, Exchange, etc.	1 18 6
	25 4 0	Donations:—	
Olympic Levy Collections	113 12 0	R. Coombe's Testimonial	21 0 0
Sale of Stationery Press (Sydney)	1 15 0	Empire Games Association	10 0 0
	£235 3 3		31 0 0
		Secretary's Expenses to Conference	12 0 0
		Olympic Levy (Exchange Deducted)	113 6 10
		Balance, being Cash at Bank	12 3 6
			£235 3 3

BALANCE SHEET.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
Balance, Surplus Assets over Liabilities	£12 3 6	Cash at Commercial Banking Co. of Sydney Ltd., Exchange Branch	£12 3 6
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W. B. ALEXANDER, Honorary Treasurer.
 Sydney, 14th March, 1936.

Audited and found correct,
 F. G. UNDERWOOD, Hon. Auditor.