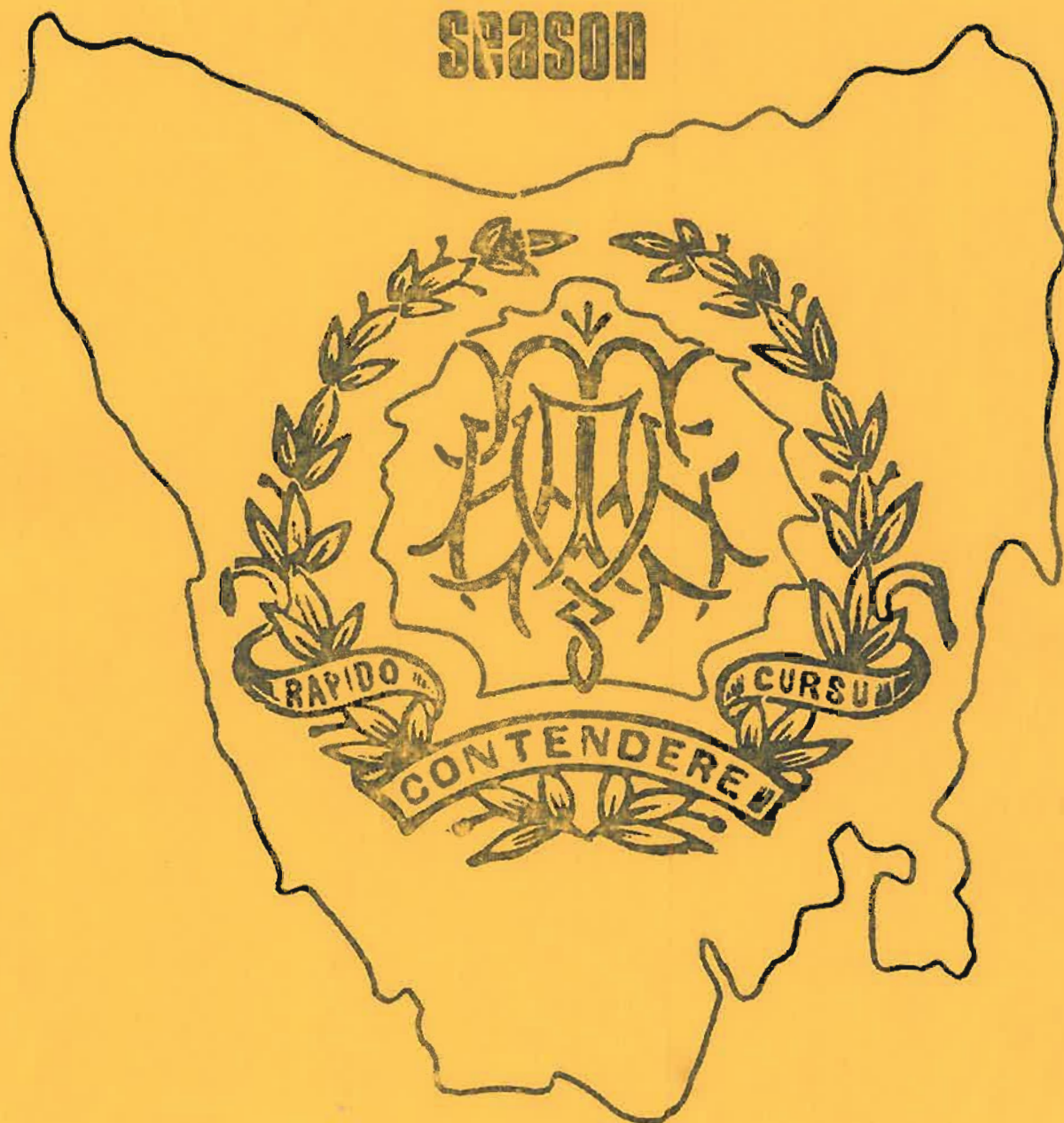


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TASMANIAN AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Gentlemen,

Your Council, in submitting this, the 64th Annual Report of the Tasmanian Amateur Athletic Association, does so with the feeling that much has been accomplished during the year, but in some areas progress has been lacking or has been insufficient. No committee can ever be completely happy with what has occurred, but there is an air of optimism in the council that it is proceeding in the right direction especially in the encouragement offered to the younger athletes and with the Athletic Centre in Hobart that much closer.

For only the second time, (the first being in Hobart in 1951) an Australian Schoolboys Championship was conducted this time by Victoria in December. Although selection of a team provided difficulties, Tasmania was well and worthily represented. Another first was the sub-Junior Match in Adelaide between South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania and in spite of the cost of such a venture it is hoped that this meeting will continue annually.

Tasmania was represented in all Australian Championships except the walks and David Chettle was selected to represent Australia in the Fukuoka Marathon in Japan, the International Teams Cross Country Competition in Rabat, Morocco as well as running in Suan Juan, Peurto Rico.

Considerable progress has been made with the Athletic Centre on the Hobart Domain, both the competition area and outer ground facilities. The one big worry at present is the extent of State Government financial assistance.

Although it was expected with some confidence at the beginning of the year that registrations would increase, this did not come to be. However, it is pleasing to hear of plans for new clubs to be formed and of the good progress being made in Burnie but there still appears to be a worrying lack of interested officials and administrators at all levels in the sport.

REGISTRATIONS

An anticipated record number of registrations, somewhere around 850, did not occur unfortunately, with Southern Branch numbers dropping from 432 to 386 and North from 248 to 224. North West did increase, but only by 2 to 160, this gave a grand total of 770, a decrease of 68 on last years record 838. However, in the case of South circumstances beyond the control of the Branch were undoubtedly responsible for the decline. The shocking weather during the winter was just too much for the North Hobart ground and it didn't recuperate in time for opening of the Track & Field season, in fact it was not used until January. This necessitated the use of facilities at Claremont High School and Clarence Oval, which although the Branch was extremely grateful that they were made available were sub-standard and did nothing to encourage participation and then the Tasmanian Bridge disaster caused transport problems when the North Hobart ground did become available. In the case of the North, the decision to raise the minimum age to 10 years to allow Little Athletics to control the younger age groups, produced a decrease of 46 in the Under 12 group. A pleasing feature is that the figures excluding the Under 12's was 573, a record. The respective club figures were:-

Northern Suburbs 115, Newstead 92, Sandy Bay 91, Eastern Suburbs 90,  
Devon 77, Burnie 74, North Launceston 58, O.V.A. 53, Tamar 40, Riverside 15,  
Exeter 11.

Other statistics were:-

South	386	a decrease of	46	or	10.65%	on	1973/74
North	224	a decrease of	24	or	9.68%	on	1973/74
North West	160	an increase of	2	or	1.27%	on	1973/74
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Total	770	a decrease of	68	or	8.11%	on	1973/74

	<u>SOUTH</u>	<u>NORTH</u>	<u>NORTH WEST</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Seniors	64 (-5)	33 (+1)	9 (+2)	106 (-2)
Juniors	25 (+5)	11 (-4)	13 (+5)	49 (+6)
Sub-Juniors	63 (-8)	35 (+11)	19 (-1)	117 (+2)
Juveniles	33 (+6)	31 (+5)	15 (+6)	79 (+17)
Under 14	43 (-7)	33 (+11)	14 (-1)	90 (+3)
Under 13	39 (-7)	28 (+4)	12 (+2)	79 (-1)
Under 12	83 (-23)	45 (-44)	69 (-9)	197 (-76)
Officials	36 (-7)	8 (-8)	9 (-2)	53 (-17)
	<u>386 (-46)</u>	<u>224 (-24)</u>	<u>160 (+2)</u>	<u>770 (-68)</u>

TRACK AND FIELD

North v South

The Northern Branch was again asked to conduct the annual intrastate competition at White City. It was held in ideal conditions on 14th December, 1974, with a very fast track although the sprinters were inconvenienced by a head wind in the afternoon.

Once again the Southern Branch found difficulty in fielding its best team, but that should not detract from the fine effort by the North in winning both competitions convincingly. Many Northern athletes performed far above expectations and there was plenty of depth in the team. The meeting was an unqualified success and must benefit athletics in Northern Tasmania greatly.

Final points were:-

<u>Seniors</u>	North	359½ points
	South	265½ points

<u>Under 14</u>		
(White City Cup)	North	155 points
	South	87 points
	North West	74 points

Decathlon

The 1975 titles were held at White City on 1st. and 2nd. February. Ian Murray (Northern Suburbs) did not defend his title and 13 entrants faced the starter in the first event, the 100 metres. From the outset the competition developed into a 3 way struggle between Peter Johnston (O.V.A.) and the North Launceston pair, Jim Bolzonello and Arie Van Asch.

Johnston led Van Asch and Bolzonella narrowly at the end of the first day, but then proceeded to win 4 of the 5 events on the Sunday to score a clear win in the Championships. Johnston's tally of 5524 points bettered the State Junior record held by Ian Murray by 339 points.

9 competitors completed the gruelling 10 events.

<u>Results</u>	1. P. Johnston	O.V.A.	5524 points
	2. A. Van Asch	N.L.	5103 points
	3. J. Bolzonella	N.L.	4927 points

<u>Junior</u>	1. P. Johnston	O.V.A.	5524 points
	2. J. Bolzonella	N.L.	4927 points
	3. B. Roe	N.L.	3698 points

<u>Sub-Junior</u>	1. G. Clark	N.L.	4543 points
	2. S. Knott	E.S.	4111 points

Pentathlon

The entry of seven was one down on last year. Again there was only 1 senior and 1 junior with the sub-juniors down to 5. The event was conducted in fine weather by the Southern Branch on the second day of the T.W.A.A.A. Championships.

In the senior competition Ken Smith (N.S.) failed to make a valued Javelin throw otherwise his performances were quite fair. Paul Thompson won the junior competition without opposition but scored 3 points less than last year, when he won the sub-junior event.

Ted West led the other four entrants narrowly all day in the sub-junior event to eventually win by 121 points after quite a keen competition.

It is to be hoped that the Pentathlon Championship can be promoted a little more in the future to make it an attractive event for many athletes.

#### Results

<u>Senior</u>	1.	K. Smith	N.S.	1916	points
<u>Junior</u>	1.	P. Thompson	E.S.	2149	points
<u>Sub-junior</u>	1.	A. West	N.S.	2003	points
	2.	W. Smith	S.B.	1882	points
	3.	W. Oakford	S.B.	1755	points

#### TASMANIAN INTERCLUB PREMIERSHIP

Competition was organised as for last year, with the first day at White City on 15th February and the second at North Hobart on 1st March. Conditions were fine on both days and excellent competition resulted. The Northern Branch suggested a change in the scoring but it was too late to be considered and the premiership was again decided under the system used by the Southern Branch.

It was quite apparent that the North Launceston club had dedicated itself to winning this competition and gain No. 1 club spot in Tasmania.

It was represented in all events and all grades and succeeded because of its organisation and club spirit. There appeared to be more depth in performances on both days which is most encouraging.

There is probably a need for a state recorder to ensure that all athletes are graded similarly throughout the state and that they compete in the grade for which they have qualified.

The final result was:-

1.	North Launceston	88	points
2.	Eastern Suburbs	83	points
3.	Northern Suburbs	82½	points
4.	Sandy Bay	72½	points
5.	Tamar	60½	points
6.	Newstead	56½	points
7.	O.V.A.	4	points

#### AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLBOY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Victorian A.A.A. promoted this event on 17th and 18th December 1974, at Olympic Park, receiving good sponsorship from a commercial enterprise.

The notification that the Championships were definitely on was quite late and necessitated rather quick action to select a team, which certainly was not as would have been desired. However, after calling for nominations and holding some selection trials in conjunction with the Northern Schoolchildren's Championships a strong team of 8 Under 19 and 9 Under 17 and 5 Under 16 was named. David Smith withdrew because of injury and was replaced by Pat Kaufman.

Twelve medals were won by the team, seven seconds, and five thirds, whilst performances generally were good, with only one or two members being a little out of their class, many of the team achieved personal bests.

Mr. Max Cherry was appointed manager of the team and in spite of the difficulty of having team members billeted, performed his duties admirably. Max's coaching ability was of great benefit to the team, many of whom were on their first interstate trip. It would appear that the meeting was most successful athletically and it is certainly hoped that it continues to be held.

AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLBOY CHAMPIONSHIPS (Contd.)

Medal Winners were:

<u>Under 19</u>	R. Smart	2nd	800 m.	1 m. 52.9
	L. Twinning	2nd	1500 m.	3 m. 53.0
	D. Dykes	2nd	Javelin	50.95 m.
	J. Bolzonello	3rd	High Jump	1.865 m.
	J. Bolzonello	3rd	Long Jump	6.55 m.
<u>Under 17</u>	M. Colles	2nd	800 m.	1 m. 57.2
	D. Prosser	2nd	3000 m.	8 m. 59.2
	P. Holmes	2nd	Long Jump	6.19 m.
	S. Knott	2nd	Pole Vault	3.35 m.
	N. Clark	3rd	110 Hurdles	15.0 sec.
	A.E. West	3rd	Triple Jump	13.06 m.
<u>Under 16</u>	G. Clark	3rd	400 m.	51.8 sec.

SUB-JUNIOR MATCH

In spite of many efforts over the past years Tasmania has been unable to break into the East Coast sub-Junior meeting (Vic., N.S.W., and Q.) This resulted in the sub-Junior Correspondence Match being instituted and eventually during the past season to a Sub-Junior Match between Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania in Adelaide held at the same time as the East Coast meet, 18th and 19th January.

Mr. Clive Roper was appointed manager of the team very early during the season and contacted possible team members well in advance. As always, selection of the team was difficult and made more so by the lack of suitable grounds and competition. The squad of 22 was finally named after the North v South meeting which seems to be an absolutely essential meeting as far as a Sub-Junior team is concerned. From the original squad there were two withdrawals due to injury.

The team was billeted whilst in Adelaide. It competed on a grass track under extremely hot conditions, but even so many personal bests were recorded. Unfortunately there was no points scoring as for the Vic. N.S.W. Q. match only the Decathlon table being used. It is felt that it would be better if both systems were used. Western Australia was undoubtedly the best team in Adelaide and finished second to Victoria in the correspondence match. Tasmania finished a sound fourth with 19648 points, which was 530 points more than last year and only 149 below the best ever in 1973.

David Keen with 11.2 sec. for the 100 m. was equal 2nd in Australia with Georgie Clark 50.8 sec. for 400 m. and Craig Anderson 4 m. 10 sec. for 1500 m. finishing 3rd. Again field games were Tasmania's weakness.

Clive Roper has recommended that a team be sent to compete in Perth next year and, finance permitting, this recommendation will undoubtedly be accepted.

Congratulations are extended to all members of the team who undoubtedly gained much experience and were worthy Tasmanian representatives. The thanks of the council is also due to Clive Roper for his efforts as manager. He carried out his duties exceptionally well and developed quite a strong spirit amongst the team.

Final Points were:-

1. Victoria	22094	4. Tasmania	19648
2. Western Australia	21874	5. South Australia	19414
3. New South Wales	20657	6. Queensland	18963

TASMANIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Southern Branch was again responsible for the preparation, programming, time-tabling and conducting the Tasmanian Track and Field Championships held at the North Hobart Oval over the two days. 15th and 16th March, 1975.

TASMANIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Contd.)

It is very pleasing to report that the record entry of last year was equalled and perhaps the outstanding feature of the entries was that in the three senior grades - senior, junior and sub-junior - entries increased by over 70. It will be recalled that last year a qualifying standard for senior athletes was imposed and met with some criticism. Suffice to say that the athletes reacted very well and the big increase this year reflects the continued growth in senior athletics which augurs well for the sport and whilst there is concern over the apparent drop-off in the younger age groups, the bridge disaster and the fading out by the Northern Branch of the under 11 grade.

The timetable appears to get tighter each year but once again the excellent band of officials kept the programme running according to the timetable and all events on both days ran to time.

The weather was not kind, in that it rained very heavily the day before and on the first morning of the Championships - indeed it was almost unsafe to continue. Some of the earlier heats of the 100 and 400 metres were conducted on a track literally afloat and covered in water. Fortunately, the track did dry a little and it reflects great credit on the spirit of the athletes for the manner in which they stuck to their task under very difficult circumstances. The second day was also overcast and at times cold and the track damp and dead. This fact, allied to the fact that the ground surface was not in good condition made it impossible for high standard performances to be recorded.

Probably the outstanding performance was Neil Mickleborough's 400 metres hurdles win. He led throughout on a damp, slow track but still became the second fastest 400 m. hurdler produced by Tasmania when he won in 53.2 seconds. Neil continued his good form the next day when he won a very hotly contested 400 metres from Leigh McConnon and Stan Bailey in the good time of 48.7 seconds.

Another interesting event was the 1500 metres won by Kent Rayner in the good time (in the conditions) of 3 min. 51 secs. Rayner won a tactical battle to defeat Stan Bailey and Anthony Risby. Rayner added the 5000 metres championship to the 1500 metres and 10,000 metres won earlier.

Ian Murray again won four field titles - the long jump, javelin, shot Putt and discus. In addition, he finished 2nd in the hammer throw, 110 hurdles and pole vault and 3rd in the high jump and triple jump.

Paul Blackaby continued his domination of the sprints, winning both the 100 metres and 200 metres sprints in relatively slow times on the damp track.

Last year R. Polden - Devon - won four events in the under 12 age group, and must be one of the best young prospects in Tasmania.

Other outstanding performers were:-

- Rodney Pullen - won the high jump in the sub junior, junior and senior championships and is an outstanding prospect.
- Peter Johnston - won five first placings in Junior events and looks capable of representing the State in almost any field event if he chooses to specialise.
- Geordie Clark - This versatile athlete again was very prominent and won the 100/200/400 metres triple sub-junior, in addition to winning the 400 metres junior hurdles. Geordie was also second in the pole vault and 110 hurdles, sub-junior.
- Philip Young - dominated the Juvenile sprints winning the 100 m., 200 m., 400 m., as well as the Long Jump.
- Don McIntee - won the sprint treble Under 14.
- Warren Smith - four wins Under 14 - 800 m., High Jump, Long Jump and Treble Jump.

The Hobart Harrier Cup for the premier club in the senior division was won very easily by Northern Suburbs. It also was successful over all age groups. The other divisions winners were well sprad, O.V.A. having a good win in Junior, Eastern Suburbs in Sub-Junior, Sandy Bay Juvenile, North Launceston Under 14, Tamar Under 13, and Northern Suburbs the Under 12 and 11.

Another first this year was the live coverage of both days by the A.B.C. Colour T.V. unit. Apparently the presentation was very good and it must have been great publicity for the sport.

Attendance was reasonably good in spite of the weather conditions.

Appreciation must be expressed of the efforts of the conscientious band of officials who conducted the Championships so capably.

RESULTS

Seniors

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	P. Blackaby (ES)	L. McConnon (NS)	P. Cusick (ES)	11.3 sec.
200 metres	P. Blackaby (ES)	L. McConnon (NS)	J. Shephard (ES)	21.8 sec.
400 metres	N. Mickleborough (SB)	L. McConnon (NS)	S. Bailey (T)	48.7 sec.
800 metres	S. Bailey (T)	R. Morgan (DEV)	D. Conley (OVA)	1m 52.3 sec.
1500 metres	K. Rayner (SB)	S. Bailey (T)	A. Risby (SB)	3m 51 sec.
5000 metres	K. Rayner (SB)	A. Bennett (OVA)	H. Nielson (NS)	15m 03.2 sec.
10000 metres	K. Rayner (SB)	A. Bennett (OVA)	H. Nielson (NS)	32m 8.6 sec.
3000m Steeple	B. Baxter (NL)	R. Thompson (NL)		9 m 40.6 sec.
3000m walk	A. Verney (ES)	P. Virth (NS)	M. Wall (BOX HILL)	15m 04 sec.
110 m Hurdles	I. Manning (NS)	I. Murray (NS)	J. Bolzonello (NL)	16.2 sec.
400m Hurdles	N. Mickleborough (SB)	I. Manning (NS)	K. Smith (NS)	53.2 sec.
Discus	I. Murray (NS)	P. Davey (NS)	D. Hardy (NS)	39.66 m.
Hammer	D. Hardy (NS)	I. Murray (NS)	W. Fletcher (NS)	40.08 m.
Javelin	I. Murray (NS)	D. Dykes (NS)	J. Bolzonello (NL)	53.88 m.
Shot Putt	I. Murray (NS)	P. Davey (NS)	D. Rider (ES)	12.56 m.
Pole Vault	J. Conroy (SB)	I. Murray (NS)	P. Podolak (ES)	3.20 m.
High Jump	R. Pullen (ES)	J. Bolzonello (NL)	I. Murray (NS)	1.85 m.
Long Jump	I. Murray (NS)	G. Murray (NS)	I. Manning (NS)	6.84 m.
Triple Jump	G. Murray (NS)	I. Manning (NS)	I. Murray (NS)	15.00 m.
400m Relay	Eastern Suburbs	Northern Suburbs	Sandy Bay	43.6 sec.
1600 m Relay	Sandy Bay	Northern Suburbs	Tamar	3m 24.2 sec.
Decathlon	P. Johnston (OVA)	A. Van Asch (NL)	J. Bolzonello (NL)	5524

<u>Club Championship</u>		
	1. Northern Suburbs	59
	2. Sandy Bay	23
	3. Eastern Suburbs	19

Juniors (Under 19)

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	C. Bell (SB)	B. Guy (NL)	P. Thompson (SB)	11.6 sec.
200 metres	B. Guy (NL)	P. Thompson (SB)	N. Taylor (NS)	24.0 sec.
400 metres	C. Bell (SB)	D. Conley (OVA)	B. Guy (NL)	50.7 sec.
800 metres	D. Smith (OVA)	C. Bell (SB)		1 m 57.5 sec.
1500 metres	D. Smith (OVA)	L. Twinning (B)	W. Ling (SB)	3 m 59.2 sec.
5000 metres	W. Ling (SB)	J. Arnold (NS)	P. Brasher (N)	15m 43 sec.
1500m Steeple	P. Brasher (N)	D. Prosser (N)	N. Griffin (NL)	4 m 28.7 sec.
3000 m walk	A. Verney (ES)	P. Virth (NS)	D. Moore (SB)	15 m 03.8 sec.
110m Hurdles	P. Johnston (OVA)	A. Hughes (OVA)	P. Keogh (NS)	16.0 sec.
400m Hurdles	G. Clark (NL)	B. Guy (NL)	P. Littlejohn (SB)	62.1 sec.
Discus	P. Johnston (OVA)	S. Pitchford (NS)	P. Thompson (SB)	37.32 m.
Hammer	D. Huxley (SB)	G. Thompson (SB)	P. Thompson (SB)	38.72 m.
Javelin	P. Dykes (NS)	P. Johnston (OVA)	P. Robinson (T)	51.29 m.
Shot Putt	P. Johnston (OVA)	P. Thompson (SB)	S. Pitchford (NS)	12.62 m.
Pole Vault	P. Johnston (OVA)	S. Knott (ES)		3.35 m.
High Jump	R. Pullen (ES)	P. Johnston (OVA)		1.80 m.
Long Jump	P. Johnston (OVA)	N. Taylor (NS)	P. Keogh (NS)	5.97 m.
Triple Jump	A. West (NS)	M. Jones (NS)	P. Keogh (NS)	12.75 m.
400m Relay	O.V.A.	Northern Suburbs	Sandy Bay	47.3 sec.
1600m Relay	O.V.A.	Northern Suburbs	Sandy Bay	3 m 36.4 sec.

<u>Club Championship</u>		
	1. O.V.A.	35
	2. Sandy Bay	28
	3. Northern Suburbs	25



Sub Junior (Under 17)

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	G. Clark (NL)	L. Thorpe (ES)	R. Walker (DEVON)	11.8 sec.
200 metres	G. Clark (NL)	L. Thorpe (ES)	M. Shaw (DEVON)	23.7 sec.
400 metres	G. Clark (NL)	L. Thorpe (ES)	M. Bucher (OVA)	51.8 sec.
800 metres	P. Kaufman (OVA)	C. Anderson (ES)	M. Bucher (OVA)	2 m 01.5 sec.
1500 metres	C. Anderson (ES)	P. Kaufman (OVA)	J. Arnold (NS)	4 m. 08.2 sec.
110m Hurdles	A. Hughes (OVA)	G. Clark (NL)	G. Cayzer (ES)	15.9 sec.
Javelin	P. Robinson (T)	A. Clements (DEVON)	W. Oakford (SB)	40.43 m.
Shot Putt	P. Robinson (T)	S. Putchford (NS)	A. West (NS)	13.08 m.
High Jump	R. Pullen (ES)	R. Jones (DEVON)	M. Bucher (OVA)	1.80 m.
Pole Vault	S. Knott (ES)	G. Clarke (NL)		2.60 m.
Long Jump	A. West (NS)	R. Jones (DEVON)	A. Hughes (OVA)	6.13 m.
Triple Jump	A. West (NS)	J. Churchill (NS)	R. Jones (DEVON)	12.74 m.
400m Relay	Eastern Suburbs	Tamar	Sandy Bay	46.6 sec.
1600m Relay	Tamar	Sandy Bay	Northern Suburbs	3 m 45.8 sec.

<u>Club Championship</u>		
	1. Eastern Suburbs	20
	2. Northern Suburbs	13
	North Launceston	13

Juvenile (Under 15)

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	P. Young (NL)	P. Fox (SB)	M. Billing (DEV)	11.5 sec.
200 metres	P. Young (NL)	P. Fox (SB)	G. Morley (ES)	23.6 sec.
400 metres	P. Young (NL)	G. Clark (OVA)	S. Morley (ES)	53.8 sec.
800 metres	W. Oakford (SB)	T. Moore (SB)	R. Stewart (N)	2 m 07.5 sec.
1500 metres	T. Moore (SB)	B. Drew (SB)	B. Stewart (N)	4 m 31.7 sec.
High Jump	M. Sullivan (OVA)	G. Cayzer (ES)	P. Presnell (B)	1.55 m.
Long Jump	P. Young (NL)	W. Skirving (DEV)	P. Presnell (B)	5.73 m.
Triple Jump	W. Oakford (SB)	M. Churchill (NS)	C. Turner (NS)	11.89 m.
400m Relay	North Launceston	Sandy Bay	Eastern Suburbs	49.1 sec.

<u>Club Championship</u>		
	1. Sandy Bay	19
	2. North Launceston	15
	3. O.V.A.	5
	Eastern Suburbs	5

Juvenile (Under 14)

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	D. McIntee (NL)	S. Bennett (NL)	D. Naden (DEV)	12.2 sec.
200 metres	D. McIntee (NL)	D. Naden (DEV)	S. Bennett (NL)	24.8 sec.
400 metres	D. McIntee (NL)	W. Smith (SB)	D. Naden (DEV)	55.0 sec.
800 metres	W. Smith (SB)	A. Goss (NL)	C. Hey (NS)	2 m. 18.2 sec.
1500 metres	C. Hey (NS)	G. Lynch (N)	V. Goldsmith (OVA)	4 m 45 sec.
High Jump	W. Smith (SB)	J. Hardstaff (NL)	A. Lutwyche (NL)	1.60 m.
Long Jump	W. Smith (SB)	A. Lutwyche (NL)	J. Hardstaff (NL)	5.64 m.
Triple Jump	W. Smith (SB)	A. Lutwyche (NL)	J. Hardstaff (NL)	12.45 m.
400 m Relay	Northern Suburbs	O.V.A.		56.9 sec.

<u>Club Championship</u>		
	1. North Launceston	23
	2. Sandy Bay	14
	3. Northern Suburbs	7

Juvenile (Under 13)

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	R. Polden (DEV)	A. Viney (B)	T. Rundle (N)	13.2 sec.
200 metres	R. Polden (DEV)	A. Viney (B)	B. Maxfield (SB)	27.1 sec.
400 metres	R. Polden (DEV)	A. Viney (B)Z	M. Galgsdies (T)	63.9 sec.
800 metres	R. Polden (DEV)	G. Grant (ES)	M. Galgsdies (T)	2 m 27.8 sec.
1500 metres	G. Grant (ES)	M. Galgsdies (T)	R. Lowe (N)	5. 11 m.
High Jump	R. Mulcahy (ES)	D. Preece (T)	R. Bennett (T)	1.27 m.
Long Jump	M. Galgsdies (T)	A. Viney (B)	P. Conley (OVA)	4.60 m.
400 m Relay	Tamar	Northern Suburbs	Sandy Bay	56.7 sec.

<u>Club Championship</u>		
	1. Tamar	13
	2. Devon	12
	3. Eastern Suburbs	8
	Burnie	8

Juvenile (Under 12)

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	A. Davies (SB)	A. Dillon (NS)	K. Stokell (ES)	14.4 sec.
200 metres	A. Davies (SB)	A. Dillon (NS)	J. O'Loughlin(OVA)	29.1 sec.
400 metres	A. Davies (SB)	K. Stokell (ES)	A. Dillon (NS)	65.0 sec.
800 metres	A. Davies (SB)	M. Watson (NS)	W. Seen (NL)	2 m 32 sec.
1500 metres	B. Schwarger (OVA)	W. Seen (NL)	M. Watson (NS)	5 m 12 sec.
High Jump	A. Dillon (NS)	L. Pearce (DEV)	R. Johnson (OVA)	1.17 m.
Long Jump	A. Dillon (NS)	L. Pearce (DEV)	A. Neward (N)	4.15 m.
400 m Relay	Northern Suburbs	Sandy Bay	O.V.A.	59.8 sec.

<u>Club Championship</u>		
	1. Northern Suburbs	17
	2. Sandy Bay	14
	3. O.V.A.	6

Juvenile (Under 11)

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	T. Brown (ES)	J. Sivonen (NS)	T. Lickiss(ES)	14.9 sec.
200 metres	J. Sivonen (NS)	J. McGee (SB)	T. Lickiss (ES)	30.8 sec.
Long Jump	J. McGee (SB)	J. Sivonen (NS)	K. Jago (NS)	3.58 m.
400 m Relay	Northern Suburbs	Eastern Suburbs	Sandy Bay	61.6 sec.

<u>Club Championship</u>		
	1. Northern Suburbs	11
	2. Eastern Suburbs	7
	3. Sandy Bay	6

Total Points

	<u>Sen.</u>	<u>Jun.</u>	<u>Sub Jun.</u>	<u>Juv.</u>	<u>U14</u>	<u>U13</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>Total</u>
Northern Suburbs	59	25	13	3	7	2	17	11	137
Sandy Bay	23	28	4	19	14	2	14	6	110
North Launceston	12	12	13	15	23	-	3	-	78
Eastern Suburbs	19	8	20	5	-	8	3	7	70
O.V.A.	8	35	12	5	3	1	6	-	70
Devon	2	-	9	3	4	12	4	-	34
Tamar	7	1	11	-	-	13	-	-	32
Newstead	-	6	-	2	2	2	1	-	13
Burnie	-	2	-	2	-	8	-	-	12

## AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The selectors recommended a team of 8 seniors and 9 juniors, to represent Tasmania at the Australian Track & Field Championships held in Adelaide from 21st to 23rd March. However, Leigh McConnon and Stephen Knott withdrew from the team before it departed and David Chettle did not arrive back from overseas in time to compete.

Mr. C. Mickleborough was appointed manager and Mr. C.A. Wise, Assistant Manager Coach, both appointments being made in December to allow plenty of time for preliminary arrangement and organisation.

The final team was:-

<u>Seniors</u>	Neil Mickleborough (SB) Captain	400 metres, 400m hurdles, 4 x 400m relay
	Stan Bailey (T) vice Captain	800 metres, 1500 metres, 4 x 400 m relay
	Paul Blackaby (ES)	100 metres, 200 metres
	Neil Gale (NS)	5000 metres, 10000 metres
	Kent Rayner (SB)	5000 metres, 10000 metres
	Russell Morgan (DEV)	400 metres, 800 metres, 4 x 400 m relay
<u>Juniors</u>	Peter Brasher (N)	1500 metres steeplechase
	Donald Dykes (NS)	Javelin
	Peter Johnson (OVA)	Pole Vault
	Dale Prosser (N)	1500 metres steeplechase
	Rodney Pullen (ES)	High Jump
	David Smith (OVA)	800 metres, 1500 metres
	Leigh Twinning (B)	800 metres, 1500 metres

The team travelled to Adelaide on Thursday 20th March and stayed at the Glen Osmond Motor Inn, Glen Osmond, which was first class accommodation. The liaison officer was ex Tasmanian Terry Nailer who proved of tremendous assistance throughout the stay.

Performances were quite good although only one medal was won, a Junior Bronze by youngest member Rodney Pullen. All senior members of the team turned in top class efforts, whilst the juniors all at their first Australian Championship meeting will undoubtedly benefit greatly from the experience gained. Most members of the team had had some experience on synthetic surfaces and so the "Tartan" track did not worry them.

Col Mickleborough and "Froggy" formed a most capable team in charge and with excellent backing up by the team captain and vice captain Neil Mickleborough and Stan Bailey a most effective administrative and coaching group was obtained. Appreciation is expressed to all four for their efforts on behalf of the council

Individual performances were:-

### SENIORS

<u>S. Bailey</u>	800 Metres	2nd in heat	1m 50.8 secs	(1st. 1.50.7)
	800 Metres	5th in final	1m 50.2 secs.	(1st. 1.48.8)
		(personal best)		
<u>P. Blackaby</u>	100 Metres	3rd in heat	10.9 secs	(1st. 10.7)
	100 Metres	6th in semi	10.9 secs	(1st. 10.8)
	200 Metres	1st in heat	21.7 secs	(1st. 21.7)
	200 Metres	5th in final	21.4 secs	(1st. 20.9)
<u>D. Chettle</u>	did not participate in any event			
<u>N. Gale</u>	5000 Metres	8th in final	14m 18.0 secs	(1st. 14.03.8)
	10000 Metres	6th in final	30 m 08.2 secs	(1st. 29.19.8)
		(personal best)		
<u>N. Mickleborough</u>	400 Metres	7th in heat	49.4 secs	(1st. 46.8)
	400 Metres Hurdles	2nd in heat	53.7 secs	(1st. 53.4)
	400 Metres Hurdles	6th in final	53.3 secs	(1st. 50.7)

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Contd.)

<u>R. Morgan</u>	400 Metres	6th in heat	50.3 secs	(1st. 47.4)
	800 Metres	5th in heat	1.53.5 secs	(1st. 1.50.8)
<u>K. Rayner</u>	5000 Metres	7th in final	14 m 17.6 secs	(1st. 14.03.8)
	10000 Metres	5th in final	29 m 53.4 secs	(1st. 29.19.8)

JUNIORS

<u>P. Brasher</u>	1500 Steeplechase	11th in final	4 m 34.0 secs	(1st. 4.09.0)
<u>D. Dykes</u>	Javelin	6th in final	52.70 Metres	(1st. 59.94)
<u>P. Johnston</u>	Pole Vault	5th in final	3.30 Metres	(1st. 3.80)
<u>D. Prosser</u>	1500 Steeplechase	12th in final	4 m 48.0 secs	(1st. 4.09.0)
	It was necessary to seek medical aid immediately after the event.			
<u>R. Pullen</u>	High Jump	3rd in final	1.90 Metres	(1st. 2.00)
	Bronze Medal - personal best			
<u>D. Smith</u>	800 Metres	5th in heat	1.55.0 secs	(1st. 1.51.9)
	1500 Metres	4th in final	4.00.2 secs	(1st. 3.58.8)
	(personal best)			
<u>L. Twinning</u>	800 Metres	6th in heat	1 m 57.6 secs	(1st. 1.51.9)
	1500 Metres			

1600 Metres Relay

N. Mickleborough, R. Morgan, S. Bailey, D. Smith (Junior)  
Time 3 m 21.2 secs.

AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATION

Following an invitation from Japan for Australia to send competitors to the Fukuoka City Marathon on 8th December, David Chettle, following his third in the Australian Marathon Championship, was accepted as an Australian representative. His fare to and from Japan had to be found and a fund was opened which raised all but \$40 of the amount required. A Tasmanian Government donation of \$350 helped considerably in the regard.

David performed exceptionally finishing 12th on a personal best time of 2 hours 16 min. 39 sec. and has undoubtedly profited from the experience gained by running against some of the best runners in the world.

David also was nominated by Tasmania as a member of the Australian team to compete in the International Cross Country Competition held in Rabat, Morocco on 16th March, and accepted by the selectors. Once again no assistance was available with finance from outside the State. Again the Tasmanian Government most generously granted \$475 which was approximately half the cost, the rest being met by David himself.

Most of the team competed in a race in Italy prior to Morocco to get back to the idea of Cross Country running. The 12 kilometre course in Morocco was on a race course which was sandy in parts with not too difficult obstacles - 6 laps. David's correct finishing position is uncertain he thinks 85th whilst 100th has also been put forward. Australia finished 11th as a team, out of 23 with New Zealand 1st. It seems that International Cross Country events are flat out from the start entirely different to the Australian & Tasmanian concept.

There was a third trip overseas for David during the year. He accepted an invitation to compete in a Half Marathon in San Juan, Peurto Rico finishing 13th after practically stepping out of the plane to compete.

Certainly, it was a great year for David Chettle with, it is hoped, an even better one ahead.

Your Secretary was also honoured to be chosen as manager for the Australian team which competed in the 1st New Zealand Games in Christchurch in January. A 27 strong team with 3 officials went to New Zealand and all returned enthusiastic about the concept of these games and hopeful that Australia might get around to promoting a similar type Australian Games in non Olympic or Commonwealth Games Years.

### ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

All branches submitted nominations and the task of deciding winners was quite difficult. In fact, in the sub-Junior section, two athletes were selected equal winners.

To the following winners, congratulations are extended.

F.A. Rose Trophy - Athlete of the Year	- David Chettle (SB)
J.W. Cooper Trophy - Junior Athlete of the Year	- Peter Johnston (OVA)
N.J. Ruddock Trophy - Sub-Junior Athlete of the Year	- (Geordi Clark (NL) Rodney Pullen (ES))
G.T. Briggs Trophy - Juvenile Athlete of the Year	- Peter Young (NL)

David Chettle's performances on the road and to a lesser extent in cross country and the distance events on the track left no doubt as to his being Tasmanian Athlete of the Year. His third in the Australian Marathon Championship and then representing Australia in a Marathon International and Cross Country Race were great achievements during the year. David is a very worthy winner and keeps the standard of winners of the F.A. Rose Trophy very high.

A win in the Tasmanian Decathlon Championship state representative in the Australian Junior Pole Vault and a great versatility in the State Championships earned Peter Johnston the Junior award. Peter has tremendous potential as an all rounder.

The sub-Junior division trophy will be shared by Geordi Clark and Rodney Pullen. Rodney won the Senior, Junior and Sub-Junior High Jump in the State Championships and then gained third place in the Australian Junior High Jump a great effort for a sub-Junior. Geordi is a very versatile athlete who has claimed a world age group best for a 15 year old in the 400 metres hurdles of 58.5 sec. He represented Tasmania in the Australian Schoolboys Championships gaining a second and two fourths and was a member of the sub-Junior team, competing in three events being third fastest in the 400 metres. He also had great success in the Tasmanian and Victorian Track & Field Championship.

Peter Young with three Under 15 State Titles was a convincing winner of the Juvenile award.

### COACHES ASSOCIATION

As a result of the formation of Australian Coaches of Track & Field Association, the Tasmanian Association has been rejuvenated, or perhaps it would be more correct to say a Tasmanian Coaches body has been constituted. With Max Cherry as President Clive Roper as Chairman and Alan McCreary as Secretary it has had quite a number of meetings and members are quite optimistic about its future. Its very commendable aim is to coach coaches. Two of the Office Bearers, Max and Clive attended the meeting of the Australian body and the seminar it held in Adelaide at the time of the Australian Track & Field Championships.

The Tasmanian Association has some bold plans for the future including two coaching camps at the beginning of the Trach season one in Hobart and one at Port Sorell.

### ATHLETICS CENTRE ON THE HOBART DOMAIN

Plans for the completion of the Athletics Centre on the Domain have been accelerated during the year. The Hobart City Council agreed to proceed with the project, provided it received equal contributions from the State and Australian Governments. The latter body promised \$235,000 in total and the Council planned to have the centre completed in time for the 1976 National Championships.

Tenders for the supply and laying of the track have been invited and a decision on the type of surface may be expected shortly.

Plans for a pavilion have been delayed because the position regarding the State's contribution has become somewhat confused during the past few weeks.



CROSS COUNTRY AND ROAD (Contd.)

Several Victorian clubs showed interest in entering but the heavy expense involved in travelling caused them to abandon these plans.

The race was quite a good contest in spite of there being only two teams. The No. 1 team consisting of W. Ling, P. McLeod, R. Smith and R. Beadell eventually pulled away from the opposition to win in 2 hours 14 min. The No. 2 team of C. Bell, C. Roper, A. Risby and S. Rose took 2 hours 15 min. 36 sec.

Marathon

Richmond

17th August, 1974

There were eight starters all from the South for the Marathon which was held in cool conditions with some rain being encountered.

David Chettle, Randal Markey and Neil Gale ran very strongly right from the start and moved away from the other starters. Neil retired after 8 miles and David had a 3 min. lead at the turn in 70 min. 14 sec. He continued to run strongly finishing in a best time on record of 2 hrs. 23 min. 11 sec. Randal was 14 min. behind followed by Junior Stephen Richards nearly another 12 mins. later. Stephen's time of 2 hours 48 min. 56 sec. is believed to be the best time on record for a Junior. Only four of the eight starters finished the course.

A Junior Half Marathon held in conjunction was won convincingly by Bill Ling from Craig Anderson and Peter Brasher.

Results

Marathon

Junior ½ Marathon

- |   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| 1. David Chettle (S) 2 hrs. 23 min. 11 sec. | 1. Bill Ling (SB) 76 min. 15 sec.  |
| 2. Randal Markey (S) 2 hrs. 37 min. 3 sec.  | 2. Craig Anderson (ES) 81 m 25sec. |
| 3. Stephen Richards (S) 2 hrs. 48 m 56 sec. | 3. Peter Brasher (N) 82 m 33sec.   |
| 4. Clive Roper (S) 3hrs. 36 min. 8 sec.     |                                    |

8 starters 4 finished

5 starters

E. Boss Shield South

AUSTRALIAN 10,000 METRES CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

Five Seniors and six Juniors were selected to represent the State in these Championships held at Perth, Western Australia on 27th July, 1974. The Senior team was David Chettle, Randal Markey, Don Cox, Paul Boer and Brian Baxter with the Juniors being John Bender, Stephen Richards, Dale Prosser, Roger Smart, Bill Ling, Craig Anderson and Leigh Twining.

The team travelled on Thursday 25th July and stayed at the Herdsman Motor Hotel about 2 kilometres from the course which was a fast cut track. The obstacles caused much discussion being steeplechase hurdles and a water jump, not true cross country obstacles.

Unfortunately both teams performed poorly, perhaps because of the hot conditions (the temperature was in the low twenties) perhaps because of the different type of course. Only two members of each team ran up to form although all gave of their best under the circumstances.

Frank Hill again acted as manager, performing his duties extremely well and is to be congratulated for his efforts. To help improve Tasmania's chances in future Frank recommended that teams be selected at least six weeks prior to the Australian race and that at least another two 10,000 metres races be held in Tasmania to assist the selectors. Both recommendations have been adopted.

Senior placings were D. Cox 26th, R. Markey 29th, B. Baxter 30th, D. Chettle 37th, P. Boer 40th. The team finished last with 81 points. The Juniors finished J. Bender 14th, L. Twining 19th, S. Richards 24th, D. Prosser 29th, W. Ling 36th, R. Smart 37th, C. Anderson 38th. Team last 44 points.

### AUSTRALIAN MARATHON CHAMPIONSHIP

David Chettle was Tasmania's only representative in the Marathon Championship held at Adelaide on 14th September. But he was certainly a very worthy representative finishing third to John Farrington (N.S.W.) and Brendan Norman (S.A.) in a time of 2 hours 19 min. 44 sec.. Considering that David had run only 2 marathons previously this was a really outstanding performance and his time puts him in the top line of all time Australian Marathon runners.

### AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION CONFERENCES

Your delegates to the 1975 Conference of the A.A.U. of Australia were your President and Hon. Secretary. It was as suggested in the Opening Address, "One of the most important Conferences in the history of the Union". The whole of the administrative structure was reviewed, together with Government financial assistance, and a new Secretary was appointed, as well as many other important items being discussed. Conference commenced at 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 18th March, and sat for between 16 & 17 hours, covering an Agenda comprising 37 items, with 45 Notices of Motion.

Mr. G. Dempster, representing the Secretary of the Department of Tourism & Recreation, addressed Conference giving an outline of the development of the Department and its policies. Some of the points he made were:-

Associations with administrative coaching problems must make an approach with definite objectives in mind.

Six experts were looking at the need for an international sports institute. A National Coaches Seminar was to held at Monash University on 29th, 30th May. The Government is prepared to provide 50% for delegate to attend a meeting once a year.

Subsidies will be paid before the event in respect of international meeting and afterwards for national meetings. Amounts dependent on distance travelled. There was need for a survey of team sizes, possibly with consideration of fixing a maximum number in state teams - based, perhaps, on the number of events.

For administration a maximum grant of \$5000 per year to any one sport.

Problems arose with Mens' & Women's Association, Little Athletics, Veterans, Schools etc.

\$11.5 million had been allocated for improvement of sporting facilities.

Very few sports fully explained their problems. Approaches should be made with any, and all problems, fully detailed.

### Hon. Ass. Sec. Treas.

Clive Lee tabled his resignation as Honorary Assistant Secretary, Treasurer of the Union.

### Registrations

The Secretaries Conference was asked to retain the item of "Falling Registrations" on its agenda and to continue exchanging ideas with the idea of improving the position. Details of Registrations were given showing an increase of 165 to 13807. N.S.W., Tas. & W.A. showed decreases.

A Notice of Motion will be submitted to the next Conference to have Under 12 athletes pay registration fees to the Union.

### Australian Championships

Where practicable, Associations were asked to forward a draft copy of programmes to other states prior to the meeting.

In view of the Government policy to fund an Australian Schoolboys Championship the Secretary was asked to liaise immediately with the Government to formulate a policy to support such a meeting and to ensure applications are channelled through the Union.

The Mens' & Women's Unions are to discuss possibility of conducting separate Senior & Junior Championships.



AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION CONFERENCES (Contd.)

<u>1975 Venues &amp; Dates</u>	10000 m C.C.C.	Adelaide	13th Sept.
	Marathon	Melbourne	9th August
	50 Kilo Road Walk	Perth	16th August
<u>1976 Venues &amp; Dates</u>	Track & Field	<u>Hobart</u>	<u>18-21st March Union</u>
		<u>to be advised by</u>	<u>31st Dec. if able.</u>
	10000 m C.C.C.	-Hobart	11th Sept.
	Marathon	Sydney	31st July
	20 Kilo Road Walk	Sydney	to be advised
	Road Walk Olympic Trials	Melbourne	" " "
<u>1977 Venues</u>	Track & Field	Brisbane	
	10000 m C.C.C.	Brisbane	
	Marathon	-Tasmania	
	50 Kilo Road Walk	Adelaide	
	Pacific Conference Games Trials	Canberra	

Tasmania's motion to include a 5000 metres Junior and a 400 metres Relay Junior and the sequence of events was carried.

Amateur Status

Tasmania's definition of a schoolboy was adopted and a Western Australian motion to discuss the definition of an Amateur, with the aim of updating it and bringing it into line with modern day thought to allow professional sportsmen, in sports other than athletics, to join an amateur athletic club and compete in competition conducted by amateur athletic associations, was deferred until next Conference.

Coaching

Rothmans National Sports Foundation had assisted in the formation of the Australian Track & Field Coaches Association and so would not be likely to proceed with plans to appoint a National Coach.

In regard to the Olympics it was resolved -

- (1) to recommend to the A.O.F. that the athletics team travel as a separate group
- (2) to apply for a grant to provide a training camp in Brisbane for up to 2 weeks
- (3) team management be announced in December 1975, providing Headquarters staff has been previously appointed.

The Union recognised and approved the Aust. T. & F. Coaches Assn. and applauded its objective. The Constitution Committee was asked to frame a rule covering coaching under the heading "Jurisdiction".

International Tours

Cross Country

It was agreed that selection should be on athletic ability and not ability to pay fares, and that an endeavour be made to send a Senior and Junior team in 1977 and every two years thereafter.

New Zealand Games

In future occasions, when such invitations are received, endeavours be made for the Selection Committee to nominate those athletes it considers to be the best for the events to be held.

Olympic Games

Headquarters staff nominations close with A.A.U. on 30th May and with A.O.F. on 30th June, 1975,

Commonwealth Games

The Union agreed to submit a Notice of Motion to the Australian Commonwealth Games Assn. to amend its constitution to allow one member from each state division.

Merit Award

Following a secret exhaustive ballot the Merit Award was conferred on Messrs. N.J. Ruddock (Tas.) and R.C. Frith (N.S.W.)

AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION CONFERENCES (Contd.)

Election of Officers, Delegates & Standing Committee

President	C.R. Aitken
Vice Presidents	T.C. Blue & A.W. McDonald
Secretary	A.L. Morrison
Hon. Treasurer	E.J. Sumner
<u>Delegates</u>	
Pacific Conference Games	L.B. Curnow & C.D. Lee
Aust. Olympic Federation	C.D. Lee & A.W. McDonald
Aust. British C/wth. Games Assn.	G.T. Briggs & C.D. Lee
Scoring Tables & Standards Committee	R. Hood, R. Morriss, N. Ruddock(Convener)
Selection Committee	A. McIvor
Walking Committee	C.A. Wise Tasmania's Representative

Union Administration

The special report by a select committee presented to the Extra Ordinary Conference and various matters and submissions were discussed for a considerable time early in the Conference and then later when it was resolved -

- (1) That the Union employ a full time Secretary and that he be paid \$145 gross per week for remuneration and allowances
- (2) Subject to appropriate compensations that the administration and financial responsibility for conduct of Australian T. & F. Championship be handed to the Union
- (3) The Secretary attempt to achieve government and private financial support to make the above feasible
- (4) A committee report within 6 months as to feasibility of the above and if it does not appear feasible an Extra Ordinary Conference be convened
- (5) An office be rented at not more than \$1200 per annum
- (6) The officers of the Union comprise the Administrative Committee to supervise Secretariat.

Following the handing over of conduct of Australian Track & Field Championships to the Union it was agreed that:-

- (a) \$500 of sponsorship be allocated to Women's Union for 1976 Championships
- (b) Entries for T. & F. Championships close with Union
- (c) Television Fee be negotiated by the Union
- (d) Sequence of Track & Field Events still be at the discretion of the Union, after consultation with the relevant Association
- (e) Estimates of expenditure to be submitted by Controlling Association 3 months prior to Championships
- (f) The Union shall pay to the Controlling Association \$500, plus 20% of Union's share of Profit as a management fee and provision for equipment.

Promotion of Athletics

Probably because Tasmania has pressed this matter for many years a Special Committee for the two Tasmanian delegates, with power to co-opt, was asked to prepare a paper for discussion at the next Union Conference.

1977 Pacific Conference Games Satellite Meetings

During a recess in the Union Conference a meeting of state representatives was held to hear of organisation to date. Meetings will be held Perth, Hobart and Brisbane, Wednesday 7th December, Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney, Saturday, 10th December. Athletes will be divided into 3 equal satellite teams of 60 - 70 and the state will be expected to meet expenses of accommodation, programmes, Entertainment & Presentation. Accommodation should not be better than that provided in Canberra at the C. of A.E. and would probably be from Monday 5th December to Thursday 8th December.

An extraordinary conference of the Union was held at the Chevron Hotel, Melbourne on 28th September, 1974 and was attended by your President and Hon. Secretary. The unexpected early retirement of Mr. A.J. Hudson as Hon. Secretary Treasurer of the A.A.U. necessitated the calling of a conference to discuss the future administration set up of the Union. A report was received from the Committee appointed at the 1974 Annual Conference to examine certain aspects of the administration. The report was quite radical in its recommendations, the main one being the appointment of a full time salaried officer to conduct the affairs of the union. It was agreed that such an appointment be costed and means of financing investigated, and that an Honorary Treasurer be appointed.

#### CONFERENCE OF STATE SECRETARIES

The sixth Conference of Association Secretaries was held at The Chevron Hotel, Melbourne on Friday 27th and Sunday 29th September, 1974. All states were represented and a most worthwhile meeting resulted.

Items of interest discussed were:-

#### All States Sub-Junior Meet

There had been no further progress with regard to the Shell Company extending its sponsorship. The Hon. Secretary undertook to make enquiries of the Department of Tourism & Recreation as to the possibility of it financing an Australian Sub-Junior match.

#### Registrations

The matter of falling registrations and the way to increase the attractiveness of competition was discussed at great length. Ideas submitted were Championships at all age levels; the need for athletes to assist in coaching; Victoria had started Coaching Camps with great success; the need for variance of competition.

#### Australian Championships

It was agreed that a Junior 500 metres and a 400 metres relay events should be added to the Championship programme. Tasmania was asked to formulate a recommendation to be submitted to the A.A.U. Conference for the holding of Australian Championships on an individual basis only.

#### Registration Numbers

No sponsorship had been obtained but it was agreed that the matter continue to be investigated.

#### Schoolboys Athletes

Tasmania's submission of a definition of a schoolboy was approved.

#### Combined Mens' & Womens' Athletes

It was agreed that ideally men and women's athletes should be combined, from Australian Championships down.

#### Australian Championship Programmes

It was agreed that a draft copy of all programmes for all Australian Championship events could and should be forwarded to all participating associations before competitors arrived at the venue.

#### Australian Schoolboys Championships

Victoria indicated it would attempt to stage such a meeting and it was agreed Union approval should be sought. The possibility of having Under 15 competition in addition to Sub-Junior was discussed and approved in principle as a stimulus for young athletes to continue in the sport.

#### Cross Country Courses

Tasmania raised the question of Cross Country Courses, with the idea of attempting to obtain some measure of uniformity. This suggestion was regarded as being impracticable but Associations were asked to make sure contour maps of the course plus the nature of the surfaces to be traversed be provided to all States.

Next Meeting - is to be held in Melbourne on Saturday and Sunday 20th and 21st September, 1975.

## BRANCH ACTIVITIES

### North West

The branch had quite a successful season, with a small increase in registrations being made by both Burnie and Devon Clubs.

At the time of compilation, the branch is happy to report that all ground work for forming a new Club at Ulverstone has taken place, and should be in operation at start of the new track season.

### Track Season

Both Clubs held weekly meetings from late October. During November a combined meeting was held at Burnie and the following week at Devonport, from which the Coastal teams were selected for the Triangular meeting in Launceston on December 14th. The usual Coastal School Childrens Championships were held on October 12th at Devonport, and once again proved quite successful, although the start was delayed for half an hour by rain.

On December 7th the Burnie Pageant Carnival was once again conducted by branch officials. This year 5 clubs competed for the Government Grant in both men and womens section, each club received a portion of grant towards purchase of new equipment. A good days competition was witnessed in both track and field events with clubs finishing in following order. North Launceston, Devon, Burnie, Newstead, and Tamar.

### Inter-club Premiership

Neither Burnie nor Devon Club showed any interest in travelling to either days and it would appear that this meeting is out to Coastal Clubs with so much travelling and the lack of numbers in top grades.

### Triangulars

Although the Coast fielded full teams in each age group the standard of performances was down on that shown in other years. Those to finish in places were, R. Morgan, D. Keen, L. Taylor, R. Polden, G. Morse, R. Jones, D. Naden, D. Douce, L. Pearce.

### State Titles

A team of 20 athletes made the trip to Hobart for the Championships, with the younger members being most successful, R. Polden 4 - 1st., A. Viney 4 - 2nd., R. Jones and D. Naden 3 placings each, L. Pearce 2 - 2nd., were the best of the Coastal brigade.

### Cross Country

Once again very little interest was shown in this section of athletes. The only Coastal competitors were L. Twining and P. Buck in the Junior 10000 metres.

### Coastal Championships

The titles were spread over four days, Burnie and Devonport each conducting two days. A Pentathlon was held at Devonport in mid January, with the other events through February. Fields were up to the usual standard, with competition being very keen, several new Coastal records were set. The best being by R. Morgan in senior 800 metres.

### Special Carnivals

Five handicap carnivals were held during the summer months, at Forth, Henley on Mersey, Maidstone Park, Apex Regatta and the Dahlia Festival which continued into the night. All meetings were well supported and proved very popular with all age groups.

### State Teams

The Branch had its best representation for years, with R. Morgan being selected in the Track & Field team for the fourth occasion, L. Twining gained a berth in both the Junior Track and Cross Country teams, D. Keen made the trip to the Australian School Childrens Titles in Melbourne and also to the Sub-Junior Match in Adelaide, while A. Clements although selected for Adelaide was forced to withdraw through injury.

BRANCH ACTIVITIES (Contd.)

Social Activities

Both Clubs organised end of season dinner dances, which proved popular with all members and supporters. At Burnie top trophy winners during season received their awards.

C. Johns Perpetual Trophy

<u>Special Merit</u>	P. Anderson
<u>Athlete of the Year</u>	L. Twining
<u>All Round Champion</u>	A. Viney

Devon's wind up took form of a picnic luncheon at Oval on the day of last track meeting. A large gathering of athletes and supporters attended with the main trophies being awarded by Mr. P. Williams the Club Patron. These awards were:-

<u>Most Outstanding</u>	R. Morgan
<u>Most Outstanding Runner up</u>	D. Keen

Perpetual Awards

<u>Advocate Track Coastal Titles</u>	R. Morgan
<u>J. Treanor Field " "</u>	R. Jones
<u>G. Girdlestone Most Improved</u>	D. Keen
<u>Pentathlon Handicap</u>	R. Brown
<u>Distance Runners Handicap</u>	P. Brown

North

The formation of a new club at Riverside now gives a total of 5 clubs affiliated with the N.A.A.B. and it continues to use White City as headquarters during the Track season. Once again the Branch is indebted to the Newstead Harrier Club for its willingness to assist in conducting cross country events.

Highlights of the season were:-

- \* Selection of four athletes to compete in Australian 10,000 metres cross country titles in Perth (W.A.)
- \* Success in both Senior and under age divisions at the North - v - South meeting.
- \* Performances of Northern boys selected to represent the State in Australian School boy titles in Melbourne and Australian Sub-Junior Correspondence meeting in Adelaide.
- \* Medal successes in Victorian Championships.
- \* A world age group record
- \* A Northern Club won the State Interclub competition.
- \* 23 titles by northern athletes in State Championships.
- \* Stan Bailey's close 5th in the National 800 metres finals in Adelaide.

NORTHERN SCHOOLCHILDREN' TITLES

An innovation this season was the division of these Championships into Secondary and Primary meetings. The scheduled date for the Secondary titles, Sunday 13th October was washed out and they were then held on Sunday 24th November, at White City.

17 records were broken and 2 were equalled in what proved to be a most successful meeting.

The Primary section was conducted on Sunday 8th, December and these too met with good response from Schools. Additional events were a feature and this meeting seems assured of success.

INTERCLUB COMPETITION

Thirteen rounds were held at White City and the only interference suffered with the weather was when the 11th January meeting was transferred to the Sunday afternoon. Another meeting was split and held as a twilight fixture midweek.

BRANCH ACTIVITIES (Contd.)

The burden thrust upon the shoulders of the limited number of Officials is worrying for it poses a very real problem. The Clubs must encourage parents to assist in this field, but it was pleasing however, to note the number of senior athletes who assisted the officials in conducting events this Season.

A new Club, Riverside affiliated and although numerically well down on the other city Clubs, would appear to have established a solid foundation on which to build.

North Launceston made a clean sweep of Interclub Awards while Tamar continued to improve, particularly in under age divisions. Newstead was slightly disappointing in the Senior section, where it missed the experience of former Club members.

<u>Mansell Shield (Seniors)</u>	<u>R.K. Moore Cup (U/age)</u>	<u>Chaplin Shield</u>
1. North L'ton 7262 pts.	1. North L'ton 1509 pts.	
2. Tamar 4176½ pts.	2. Newstead 1077 ½ pts.	1. Exeter 214
3. Newstead 2023 pts.	3. Tamar 639 pts.	
4. Riverside 908½ pts.	4. Riverside 304½ pts.	
	5. Exeter 214 pts.	

INTERCLUB PREMIERS (AGGREGATE)

1. North Laundeston	8771
2. Tamar	4815½
3. Newstead	3100½
4. Riverside	1213
5. Exeter	214

VICTORIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

A group of North Launceston athletes contested the 1975 Victorian Championships. By returning with 8 Gold medals, 1 Silver medal and 2 fourth placings it indicates the talent of the younger athletes. Congratulations are extended to Geordie Clark, Peter Young, Donald McIntee, Paul Schamm, Jason Cox and Jim Bolzonello on their performances.

WORLD AGE GROUP RECORD

An unprecedented performance was witnessed at an Interclub meeting on 8th February. The World best recorded performance for a 15 year old in the 400 metres Hurdles (59.4 secs.) held by Jan-Olof Sundin from Sweden was bettered by one of our Northern athletes. Geordie Clark ran 58.7 to clip 7/10 sec. from this time and later in the Victorian Championships lowered this time to 58.5 secs.

A claim has been forwarded to have this performance ratified as a world age group record for this event.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Northern athletes fared particularly well in the 1975 state titles held at North Hobart. A record 23 titles were brought northwards and this compares favourably with 18 last season and 13 in 1973.

Highlights were Stan Bailey's Senior 800 metres; Geordie Clark's 5 titles in the Sub-Junior section; Tamar's relay successes in U/12 4 x 100 metres and sub-Junior 4 x 400 metres and impressive wins to promising sprinters, Peter Young (U/15) and Donald McIntee in the Under 14 age group.

BURNIE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Despite problems with top dressing of the oval in the weeks preceding the Pageant this event was again held and created quite a deal of Club interest. The weather was fine and sunny and some excellent times were recorded. The Senior 800 metres with Stan Bailey, Russel Morgan and Leigh Twining was a highlight.

BRANCH ACTIVITIES (Contd.)

RESULTS:

- |                     |           |                      |           |
|---------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| 1. North Launceston | 441 pts.  | 2. Devon             | 306½ pts. |
| 3. Burnie           | 283½ pts. | 4. Newstead Harriers | 272½ pts. |
|                     |           | 5. Tamar             | 268½ pts. |

Pentathlon Championships

This season Northern Pentathlon titles were re-introduced and named City of Launceston Pentathlon Championships. The idea of staging under age events proved popular and the success of these events together with the organisation was due to the efforts of Brian Roe.

- Results:
- Senior: F. Nott (NL) 2476 pts.
  - Junior: J. Bolzonello (NL) 2312 pts.
  - Sub-Junior: G. Clark (NL) 2253 pts.
  - Juvenile: M. Scott (R) 2080 pts.
  - Under 14: G. Lutwyche (NL) 1214 pts.
  - Under 13: P. Hammond (T) 4825 pts.
  - Under 12: B. Pickett (NL) 2700 pts.
  - Under 11: W. Capes (R) 2720 pts.

Australian Championships

Four Northern Athletes were selected in the Tasmanian team for the 1975 Australian Championships in Adelaide; Stan Bailey (vice captain) 800 metres; Dale Prosser and Peter Brasher in Junior 1500 metres Steeplechase and Bruce Roberts-Thompson in Junior High jump. Roberts-Thompson however, withdrew before the State Championships and only 3 Northerners represented Tasmania.

Baily ran extremely well in finishing 2nd in his heat and recording a personal best of 1:50.2 in finishing a close up fifth after appearing a medal chance with 150 metres to go in the final. Both Brasher and Prosser found the opposition too strong and were unplaced.

TROPHY EVENING

An innovation this season was a Branch Trophy Evening where the major individual and club trophies were presented.

Max Cherry from Hobart was guest speaker and the voting for Northern athlete of the Year in senior and juvenile sections created great interest. The votes for these awards were counted publicly on similar lines to the V.F.'s Brownlow Medal.

INDIVIDUAL

ATHLETE OF THE YEAR - SENIOR

(N.A.A.B. TROPHY)

- 1. G. Clark (NL) 62 pts.
- 2. A. Van Asch (NL) 53 "
- 3. S. Bailey (T) 52 "

ATHLETE OF THE YEAR U/15

CHAPLIN TROPHY

- 1. P. Young (NL) 61 pts.
- 2. D. McIntee (NL) 56 "
- 3. P. Hammond (T) 37 "

AGGREGATE INTERCLUB POINTS

Senior: A. Van Ash (NL) 1106 pts.      Juvenile: M. Scott (R) 451 pts.

The news that Athletics has been included in phase 1 of the proposed Churchill Park development is most heartening. Naturally, an all-weather track is still a long way off but with the advent of a steering committee fresh developments will be passed on to the Branch, Clubs and individuals.

It is hoped that the track at White City can be "top-dressed" during the winter for this must assist in raising the standard of the sport in the Northern area.

Two areas which could greatly assist in the development of Athletics are:

- 1. Coaching.
- 2. Promotion.

## BRANCH ACTIVITIES (Contd.)

During the past season there have been some positive steps taken in the coaching field with a Tasmanian Coaches Association being established. Although the majority of personnel involved are in Hobart, interest has been shown by Norther members. In addition Clubs are becoming more aware of the benefits of coaching at Club level and this is a step in the right direction.

Promotion of Amateur Athletics is somewhat restricted at present with coverage in press, fairly good, but limited in radio and television. Club officials need to be more conscious of promotion of the sport to aid recruiting and perhaps the Branch should sponsor an athlete or athletes to the Victorian Championships or even send an N.A.A.B. team.

The Cross Country season commenced in April with the Branch and Newstead conducting the majority of events. It was pleasing however to note that North Launceston and Tamar both held an event during the season at Lilydale and the Batman Bridge respectively.

### Assistance for State Representatives

During the Season the N.A.A.B. continued the policy of assisting State representatives in the Australian Schoolboys titles in Melbourne and the Australian Sub-Junior Championships in Adelaide. The State Senior teams in the Cross Country titles in Perth during the winter and in the recent National Track and Field Championships in Adelaide received assistance with air fares from the Federal Government.

### Stalls

The efforts of Mr. Albert Gilbertson as convener for arrangements with luncheons at the North - v - South and State Interclub meeting is appreciated. The ladies from the different Clubs who assisted on the Stalls and with the luncheon were commended by the visiting officials.

### South

The very wet 1974 winter season played havoc with the North Hobart Oval. However, this really could not be used as a valid reason for some 600 athletes to be deprived of a home for so long. In fact, the Branch competed on North Hobart for the first time on January 17th - some 17 weeks after the conclusion of the football season.

As a comparison, Val Evans of the Friends' School had 15 athletic meetings on his oval during October and the Friends' Oval was all but devoid of grass after the conclusion of their football activities.

However, the S.A.A.B. does have friends in many places. David Probert of Claremont High School, knew of the predicament and helped out for 4 weeks and then the Clarence Council for a further 4 weeks.

The Tasman Bridge collapse in early January was a real blow to Track and Field (as well as other sports). The infrequent and unpredictable ferry services had a detrimental effect on athletes and officials alike many under age boys did not resume when activities moved back to North Hobart. Officials however, were excellent and continued to assist despite great difficulties.

Very few state records were broken because of the interrupted season, but standards still continued to rise. The depth of performance is quite encouraging despite the loss of some of the top class athletes. The depth in Sub-Junior and Junior ranks was the best seen for some years and the number of participants in these age groups in the State titles bears this out.

The move towards a Committee of management was taken a step nearer fruition this year. The Committee has worked hard and well and has kept the sport in a healthy position. The loss of Don Murray's services as Secretary was a real blow to us, but Janine Pitman (now Mrs. Frank Hill) and Frank Hill coped with the secretarial duties until December and in February Mrs. Gwen Markey most capably filled this onerous position. The Branch must ensure that a Secretary is appointed early for the coming season.

The formation of a Coaches Association was an excellent move and close and harmonious relations already exist.



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2nd City to Casino Run

Held on July 14th in ideal weather conditions, this event attracted 262 entrants who started at the Glenorchy Post Office to run the 10,000 metres (approx.) to the Casino car park.

It was an extremely well organised event and competitors and spectators all knew what to do both at the start and the finish.

Only one competitor failed to finish the course and he was a tiny 5 years 11 months old tyro who found the distance just a little too far.

The event was a battle between the two pre race favourites, Randal Markey and Neil Gale, with a stirring tussle developing over the entire course. Neil led most of the way but Randal stormed home in the last 400 metres to record a great 31 minute 43 seconds victory.

The oldest to finish was Bill Richards (who owns up to being 56) and he took 71 minutes and 24 seconds to complete the distance. The youngest was 6 year old Greg Rose who went past the post in 66 minutes and 15 seconds.

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In speaking of officials, the job they did was first class. A very hard working band ensured the success of the day and also kept all events running right to time. The S.A.A.B. has won unstinted praise for their management of large programmes like this one, over the years and 1974 was no exception.

It was wonderful to have such co-operation from the Friends' School Principal, Mr. Rod Grosvenor. He willingly made the ground and all facilities available once again. Val Evans, back from his well earned long service leave was again a magnificent curator. Nothing seems to be a trouble to this doyen of Tasmania's groundsmen. The track was in first class order after a sever pounding during the football season and competitors had no worries regarding the facilities.

The Shell Oil Company of Australia again were most generous in their sponsorship. They gave \$100 and this helped immeasurably to offset the cost of printing and placegetters certificates. This generous donation was most appreciated and the Branch is indebted to them for their sponsorship of Schoolchildrens' athletics.

Because of the strong wind for most of the day, records were hard to obtain. 7 records were broken and 2 equalled and of these 1 only was by a boy.

Best results were by:

Sally Cuthbertson (Friends')	Open High Jump	5'2"
Sally Lansky (Claremont)	Open 400 metres	62.0sec.
Anne Egan (St. Marys')	Under 16 Long jump	16'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
Kath Fenner (New Town)	Under 10 80 metres	12.1 sec.
Jane Lonergan (Glenrochy)	Under 9 80 metres	13.0sec.

The day was most successful, although entries were down on last year - 725 against 800 and 57 schools against 70. Mention must be made here of two outstanding efforts by small schools - Corpus Christi had 66 entries and Franklin State had 28 Both Mrs. Mary Smith at Corpus Christi and John Morris at Franklin are great supporters of athletics.

## ATHLETICS AT THE T.C.A. GREYHOUND RACING MEETING

For the 3rd year, a combined athletics and Greyhound meeting was held at the T.C.A. on the 24th February.

Approximately 50 athletes were invited by the Branch to compete in the 100 and 1500 metres handicap events plus 2 top sprinters to run against 2 greyhounds.

The 100 metres attracted the best 27 sprinters in the south and 3 heats saw 9 runners start in the final. John Shepherd (ES) won from Ken Smith (NS) in a very close finish.

Chris Bell (SB) won the 1500 metres when he broke away with 200 metres to go and the pack behind him couldn't bridge the gap.

The feature event was the Man v Greyhound. This year, it was decided to run 2 dogs against 2 athletes. It worked very well. Neil Mickleborough and John Shepherd started at the 270 metre mark and the dogs ran 500 metres. It was an exciting event. Neil won by 1 metre from Tapsam, John Shepherd 1 metre away 3rd and Kawenda a further metre back in 4th place. This was good handicapping.

A most successful raffle was held and realised \$170 towards the expenses of Southern Athletes in the State T. and F. team. Mrs. Wise and Mrs. Mickleborough really worked hard and deserved great credit for their efforts.

Special thanks to the H.G.R.C. and Ron Mason and Chris Cohen for their assistance in making this such a great night for all concerned.

## Interclub

To say that the 1974/75 interclub season was disappointing would be an understatement.

BRANCH ACTIVITIES (Contd.)

Because of a very wet winter and lack of forward planning by the City Council our athletes were not able to perform on North Hobart until January 1975.

The first three interclub athletic meetings were held at the Claremont High School. The Branch will always be indebted to Mr. David Probert and the Claremont High School for their co-operation in allowing the use of their ground as a venue for meetings.

However, the surface and layout of the oval was not conducive to top grade performances and in fact, several of the 'A' grade athletes refrained from competing at the venue because of the possibility of serious injury.

After successful negotiations with the Clarence Council, the venue for our December meetings was transferred to the Bellerive Oval.

However, because of other sporting commitments, it was necessary to hold these meetings on Sunday afternoons instead of Saturday mornings.

This interclub committee decision was met with a good deal of mixed feelings by Club athletes, but the different time slot was more than compensated for by the improved track and field conditions.

The Branch is indebted to the Clarence Council for their co-operation in providing a suitable alternative venue for our interclub meetings. In fact, the general attitude of the Clarence Council to our athletic needs was very encouraging and indeed was a refreshing experience for us all.

Our athletic activities eventually moved to North Hobart on 17th January for the first day of the City of Hobart Championships. The first interclub meeting was held at North Hobart on 1st March, 1975.

After a period of more than three months since the commencement of the athletic season, athletes and officials alike were pleased to be at North Hobart at last. However, all were initially disappointed at the condition of the oval, particularly the 100 metres track and sections of the finish of the 200 metres track.

If there is only one lesson to be learnt from this last season's debacle, it is that athletics in this State will never reach Australian or Olympic standards without a venue which is exclusively prepared for, and used by, our track and field athletes.

Not only will it result in consistently high standards of performance, but will also re-generate a lagging public interest in our athletics.

To know that such a venue is less than twelve months away is indeed an exciting thought.

Our continued appreciation of the Hobart City Council's endeavours must be recorded, although we must always reserve the right to criticize constructively any facet which we consider to be detrimental to our athletics in general.

Once again Northern Suburbs were successful in the Interclub Competition, winning their twelfth consecutive premiership.

The Branch congratulates both the athletes and the willing band of officials and office bearers of that Club for their contribution to athletics in this State over the last decade.

North did not have it all their own way this year however, as Eastern Suburbs challenged their supremacy for most of the year.

In fact, at the Christmas recess, East led North by one premiership point but were not able to match North's all round strength in the New Year.

BRANCH ACTIVITIES (Contd.)

The final interclub premiership points for the season were:-

Northern Suburbs	51
Eastern Suburbs	47
Sandy Bay	34½
O.V.A.	29½

It was pleasing to note that the collapse of the Tasman Bridge did not materially affect the attendance at our athletics at North Hobart, although all Clubs were affected.

It was indeed sad to see the demise of the A.Y.C. Club prior to the commencement of the season. Many great athletes and officials were associated with this Club and it is unfortunate that general lack of interest resulted in the Club being voted into recess.

However, it is encouraging to know that many of the athletes and officials who have been associated with this Club over the last few years have joined other Southern Clubs and are still actively involved in athletics, both on and off the field.

Because of the absence of top class conditions for most of the season, there were very few records broken.

FINANCE

The season showed an excess of receipts over payments of \$91.34. This was brought about mainly because registrations were higher than estimated and the Union fees were not raised giving a surplus of \$455 against the budget figure of \$300. The expense of being represented at the Extraordinary Conference of the Union and the Secretaries Conference was \$87.00 higher than anticipated. At present the No. 1 account with a balance of \$112.07 is reasonably healthy considering that no attempt is made to do more than break even.

The No. 2 account shows a small excess of receipts over payments which is quite satisfactory. However, an amount of \$94 raised from two raffles conducted at the Track and Field Championships has not been distributed as yet. It will be paid to the branches at the same time as the Australian Government Travel Subsidy is received. An amount of \$599 was received from Trans Australia Airlines for advertising rights, this was used to buy two dies for Championship Medallions, to pay the travel expenses of the managers of the Schoolboys and Sub-Junior Team and your President to Melbourne to show a Hobart City Council employee the Olympic Park Athletic Centre set-up, and a donation of \$200 towards David Chettle's expenses to Japan.

APPRECIATION

Now that Arthur Hodsdon has retired as Hon. Secretary Treasurer of the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia appreciation of all he has done to assist Tasmania in particular and Australian athletics in general should be recorded. Arthur was one of the finest administrators of any sport in Australia and was held in the highest regard throughout the amateur athletic world. He was a great friend of Tasmania in that he always recognised that although a small state it ranked equally with the other associations. A tangible expression of the council's feelings was made with a presentation of a piece of unique Tasmanian stone with an association badge attached, at a farewell dinner given in Adelaide at the time of the Australian Track & Field Championships.

Locally Alf Upton has indicated he will not seek re-election next year. Alf will be missed as he has been a real enthusiast, one of the very few officials who had no family attachment to the sport, but could get things done either by his own efforts or through others. Our sport can ill afford to lose such stalwarts.

APPRECIATION (Contd.)

To all, who have assisted the Association in anyway, during the past season, whether as members of the council, committees, sub-committees, Branch or Club officials, or through Press, Radio and Television with publicity which in comparison to other states and most other sports is extremely good, sincere appreciation is expressed.

On behalf of the Council

N.J. RUDDOCK  
HON. SECRETARY

TASMANIAN RANKINGS

TASMANIAN PERFORMANCES ONLY

100 Metres

1.	10.7 sec.	P. Blackaby	E.S.
2.	10.9 "	L. McConnon	N.S.
3.	11.0 "	N. Mickleborough	S.B.
4.	11.1 "	W. Mason	E.S.
		P. Cusick	E.S.
6.	11.2 "	M. Portwin	E.S.
7.	11.3 "	C. Hines	N.S.
		I. Whitfield	E.S.
		I. Manning	N.S.
10.	11.4 "	D. McConnon	N.S.
		R. Morgan	Dev.
		A. Bond	E.S.
		M. Bird	S.B.
		A. Podolak	E.S.
		G. McGee	S.B.

200 Metres

1.	21.8 sec.	P. Blackaby	E.S.
2.	22.0 "	L. McConnon	N.S.
3.	22.5 "	G. McGee	S.B.
4.	22.7 "	M. Portwin	E.S.
		N. Mickleborough	S.B.
6.	22.9 "	J. Sheppard	E.S.
		S. Bailey	T.
8.	23.0 "	D. McConnon	N.S.
9.	23.1 "	B. Blackaby	N.L.
10.	23.2 "	W. Mason	E.S.
		I. Manning	N.S.

400 Metres

1.	48.7 sec.	N. Mickleborough	S.B.
2.	48.9 "	L. McConnon	N.S.
3.	49.7 "	S. Bailey	T.
4.	50.3 "	J. Sheppard	E.S.
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6.	50.5 "	G. McGee	S.B.
7.	50.7 "	C. Bell	S.B.
8.	51.1 "	D. Conley	O.V.A.
9.	51.3 "	G. Clark	N.L.
10.	51.4 "	R. Simmons	T.

800 Metres

1.	1m51.1s.	S. Bailey	T.
2.	1m51.3s.	R. Morgan	Dev.
3.	1m52.1s.	R. Markey	S.B.
4.	1m53.6s.	D. Conley	O.V.A.
5.	1m53.7s.	J. Denholm	E.S.
6.	1m55.6s.	N. Mickleborough	S.B.
7.	1m56.6s.	R. Smart	S.B.
8.	1m57.0s.	D. Smith	O.V.A.
9.	1m57.5s.	A. Risby	S.B.
10.	1m57.8s.	N. Gale	N.S.

1500 Metres

1.	3m45.2s.	R. Markey	S.B.
2.	3m50.4s.	A. Risby	S.B.
3.	3m50.7s.	J. Denholm	E.S.
4.	3m51.0s.	K. Rayner	S.B.
5.	3m53.8s.	S. Bailey	T.
6.	3m55.4s.	N. Gale	N.S.
7.	3m58.0s.	D. Smith	O.V.A.
8.	4m01.8s.	W. Ling	S.B.
9.	4m02.3s.	L. Twining	B.
10.	4m04.9s.	A. Bennett	O.V.A.

5000 Metres

1.	14m20.2s.	K. Rayner	S.B.
2.	14m23.0s.	R. Markey	S.B.
3.	14m29.2s.	D. Chettle	S.B.
4.	15m03.4s.	D. Cox	N.
5.	15m05.8s.	A. Bennett	O.V.A.
6.	15m08.0s.	N. Gale	N.S.
7.	15m12.2s.	A. Risby	S.B.
8.	15m22.8s.	B. Baxter	N.L.
9.	15m27.3s.	J. Bender	S.B.
10.	15m34.2s.	P. Kaufman	O.V.A.

10,000 Metres

1.	29m32.2s.	N. Gale	N.S.
2.	29m32.8s.	K. Rayner	S.B.
3.	31m01.2s.	J. Bender	S.B.
4.	31m19.0s.	D. Cox	N.
5.	33m06.5s.	B. Baxter	N.L.
6.	33m16.0s.	M. Bell	T.
7.	33m35.0s.	I. Stocks	N.
8.	33m37.8s.	A. Bennett	O.V.A.
9.	33m46.8s.	H. Nielsen	N.S.
10.	34m05.0s.	P. Brasher	N.

110 Metres Hurdles

1.	15.9 sec.	I. Manning	N.S.
2.	16.4 "	I. Murray	N.S.
3.	17.2 "	A. Hughes	O.V.A.
4.	17.3 "	P. Johnston	O.V.A.
		A. Van Asch	N.L.
6.	17.4 "	P. Keogh	N.S.
		J. Bolzonello	N.L.
8.	18.9 "	P. Littlejohn	S.B.
9.	19.0 "	K. Smith	N.S.
10.	19.5 "	B. Nichols	E.S.

400 Metres Hurdles

1.	53.2 sec.	N. Mickleborough	S.B.
2.	56.8 "	I. Manning	N.S.
3.	58.7 "	G. Clark	N.L.
4.	59.4 "	A. Van Asch	N.L.
5.	59.9 "	K. Smith	N.S.
6.	61.7 "	B. Guy	N.L.
7.	63.4 "	B. Simmons	T.
8.	63.6 "	B. Nichols	E.S.
9.	63.7 "	A. Hughes	O.V.A.
10.	64.5 "	A. Willis	T.

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3000 Metres Steeplechase

1.	9m40.6s.	B. Baxter	N.L.
2.	10m09.5s.	R. Thompson	N.L.
3.	10m28.8s.	P. Brasher	N.
4.	11m14.5s.	S. Eldridge	N.
5.	11m35.6s.	R. McArthur	N.

Without Water Jump

1.	10m13.0s.	H. Nielsen	N.S.
2.	10m25.4s.	P. Kaufman	O.V.A.
3.	10m42.4s.	K. Whitfield	E.S.
4.	10m43.6s.	P. Upchurch	S.B.
5.	11m50.8s.	E. Wade	E.S.

1500 Metres Walk

1.	6m43.5s.	R. Foster	N.S.
2.	7m03.6s.	P. Virth	N.S.
3.	7m13.0s.	R. Paterson	E.S.
4.	7m13.3s.	A. Verney	E.S.
5.	7m20.9s.	T. Kilworth	N.
6.	7m28.7s.	E. Wolfhagen	S.B.
7.	7m41.2s.	M. Grant	S.B.
		R. Verney	E.S.
9.	8m05.0s.	D. Moore	S.B.
10.	8m23.3s.	B. Baxter	N.L.

3000 Metres Walk

1.	14m12.4s.	R. Foster	N.S.
2.	14m39.4s.	A. Verney	E.S.
3.	14m43.2s.	P. Virth	N.S.
4.	15m22.4s.	R. Paterson	E.S.
5.	15m54.9s.	T. Kilworth	N.
6.	16m05.5s.	D. Moore	S.B.
7.	16m21.4s.	M. Grant	S.B.
8.	16m28.2s.	W. Fletcher	N.S.
9.	17m20.8s.	R. Verney	E.S.
10.	18.42.9s.	P. Schwamm	N.L.

Pole Vault

1.	3.66 m.	E. Stowards	Ind.
2.	3.46 m.	S. Knott	E.S.
		P. Podolak	E.S.
		I. Murray	N.S.
5.	3.43 m.	P. Johnston	O.V.A.
6.	3.35 m.	J. Conroy	S.B.
7.	3.05 m.	K. Smith	N.S.
8.	2.97 m.	D. Millwood	E.S.
9.	2.95 m.	A. Van Asch	N.L.
10.	2.91 m.	G. Clark	N.L.

High Jump

1.	1.85 m.	R. Pullen	E.S.
		P. Johnston	O.V.A.
3.	1.83 m.	B. Roberts-Thomson	N.L.
		I. Murray	N.S.
		J. Bolzonello	N.L.
6.	1.77 m.	S. Knott	E.S.
7.	1.75 m.	K. Smith	N.S.
8.	1.70 m.	P. Millwood	E.S.
		G. Clark	N.L.
		R. Jones	Dev.

Long Jump

1.	7.00 m.	I. Murray	N.S.
2.	6.77 m.	G. Murray	N.S.
3.	6.71 m.	I. Manning	N.S.
4.	6.48 m.	J. Bolzonello	N.L.
5.	6.27 m.	P. Podolak	E.S.
6.	6.19 m.	P. Johnston	O.V.A.
7.	6.13 m.	T. West	N.S.
8.	6.07 m.	A. Podolak	E.S.
9.	6.06 m.	B. Roe	N.L.
10.	6.01 m.	M. Gaffney	N.S.

Triple Jump

1.	15.00 m.	G. Murray	N.S.
2.	14.62 m.	I. Manning	N.S.
3.	14.23 m.	I. Murray	N.S.
4.	13.46 m.	G. Appleyard	S.B.
5.	13.11 m.	R. Morriss	S.B.
6.	13.09 m.	W. Smith	S.B.
7.	13.08 m.	J. Bolzonello	N.L.
8.	13.07 m.	J. Churchill	N.S.
9.	12.97 m.	T. West	N.S.
10.	12.80 m.	M. Lutwyche	N.L.

Shot Putt - 16 lbs.

1.	12.87 m.	I. Murray	N.S.
2.	11.93 m.	D. Rider	E.S.
3.	11.81 m.	P. Davey	N.S.
4.	11.61 m.	P. Johnston	O.V.A.
5.	11.48 m.	I. Manning	N.S.
6.	11.46 m.	G. Murray	N.S.
7.	11.12 m.	P. Thompson	S.B.
8.	11.10 m.	A. Van Asch	N.L.
9.	11.08 m.	W. Fletcher	N.S.
10.	11.03 m.	D. Hardy	N.S.



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Discus - 2 Kg.

1.	39.80 m.	I. Murray	N.S.
2.	37.98 m.	P. Davey	N.S.
3.	35.65 m.	P. Johnston	O.V.A.
4.	34.70 m.	D. Hardy	N.S.
5.	34.35 m.	W. Fletcher	N.S.
		P. Thompson	S.B.
7.	33.36 m.	G. Murray	N.S.
8.	31.63 m.	S. Pitchford	N.S.
9.	31.53 m.	W. Smith	S.B.
10.	31.28 m.	A. Van Asch	N.L.

Javelin - 800 gm.

1.	57.45 m.	I. Murray	N.S.
2.	56.18 m.	D. Dykes	N.S.
3.	54.73 m.	A. Edwards	S.B.
4.	49.18 m.	P. Johnston	O.V.A.
5.	49.10 m.	G. Stowards	Ind.
6.	46.68 m.	J. Bolzonello	N.L.
7.	45.52 m.	T. Smith	B.
8.	43.62 m.	A. Van Asch	N.L.
9.	43.50 m.	G. Murray	N.S.
10.	41.60 m.	P. Robinson	T.

Hammer - 16 lbs.

1.	41.55 m.	D. Hardy	N.S.
2.	35.86 m.	I. Murray	N.S.
3.	34.55 m.	W. Fletcher	N.S.
4.	30.50 m.	P. Davey	N.S.
5.	30.43 m.	K. Smith	N.S.
6.	29.10 m.	W. Halley	E.S.
7.	27.63 m.	A. Van Asch	N.L.
8.	25.56 m.	P. Thompson	S.B.
9.	24.13 m.	F. Nott	N.L.
10.	22.33 m.	M. Jones	N.S.

Compared on the decathlon tables the best performance in each event ranked as follows:-

1.	10,000 metres	976 points
2.	1500 metres	950 "
3.	5000 metres	932 "
4.	800 metres	914 "
5.	400 metres hurdles	906 "
6.	Triple Jump	880 "
7.	100 metres	879 "
8.	400 metres	866 "
9.	200 metres	865 "
10.	Long Jump	820 "
11.	3000 metres steeple	797 "
12.	110 metres hurdles	757 "
13.	Javelin	730 "
14.	High Jump	725 "
15.	Pole Vault	717 "
16.	Discus	682 "
17.	Hammer	680 "
18.	Shot Putt	656 "

A very tru indication of Tasmanian standards.

TASMANIAN AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1975

Balance B/F 20.73

Receipts

<u>1973/74</u>		<u>Budget</u>	
28	Subscriptions	28	18.00
534	Registrations	675	741.25
60	Affiliations	60	60.00
128	Publications	125	12.03
5	Interest	5	7.70
59	Medallions, Certificates	60	132.64
165	Levies	460	360.00
298	Uniforms - Ties		15.00
6	Reinstatement Fee		10.00
1283		1413	1,356.62

Payments

88	Printing & Stationery	90	37.28
20	Affiliations	20	20.00
198	Registrations	375	286.50
159	Publications	160	18.70
51	Postages	60	61.29
63	Telephone, Telegrams	70	102.37
295	Uniforms		
23	Medallions, & Engravings	155	178.50
89	Secretaries Conference	125	212.80
	Certificates		70.84
3	Cheque Book		3.00
6	Reinstatement Fee		10.00
	Subscription		4.00
100	Honorarium	100	100.00
160	Travel Subsidy - Aust. T. & F. Champ.	200	160.00
25	Donation A.C.G.A.		
6	Sundries	50	
1286		1405	1,265.28

Excess of Receipts over Payments 91.34

Balance A.N.Z. Bank C/F \$112.07

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Certified as correct.

C.A. BLANTON.  
HON. AUDITOR

TASMANIAN AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY, 1975

NO. 2 ACCOUNT

Balance C/F		633.80
<u>Receipts</u>		
Interest	F.A. Rose Bequest	31.87
	General	51.88
Advertising		599.49
Aust. Government Team Subsidies		1671.00
Raffle		94.00
D. Chettle Appeal		515.00
Tas. Government - D. Chettle - Japan		350.00
	Morocco	475.00
Air Fares - General		4610.65
State Teams	Fares	6645.45
	Uniforms	630.75
	Accommodation	817.00
Sundries		9.50
		16501.59
<u>Less Payments</u>		
Cheque Books		3.50
Aust. Government Team Subsidies		
branches		1572.17
Medallion Dies		201.20
Managers fares etc.		288.30
Sports Seminar Reg. Fees		35.00
D. Chettle - Fare Japan		1065.00
D. Chettle - Fare Morocco		475.00
Air Fares - General		4610.65
State Teams		
1974 Track & Field Team		46.51
Fares		6705.00
Uniforms		658.23
Accommodation		817.00
		16477.56
Excess of receipts over payments		24.03
Balance C/F		\$657.83

Subject to Audit