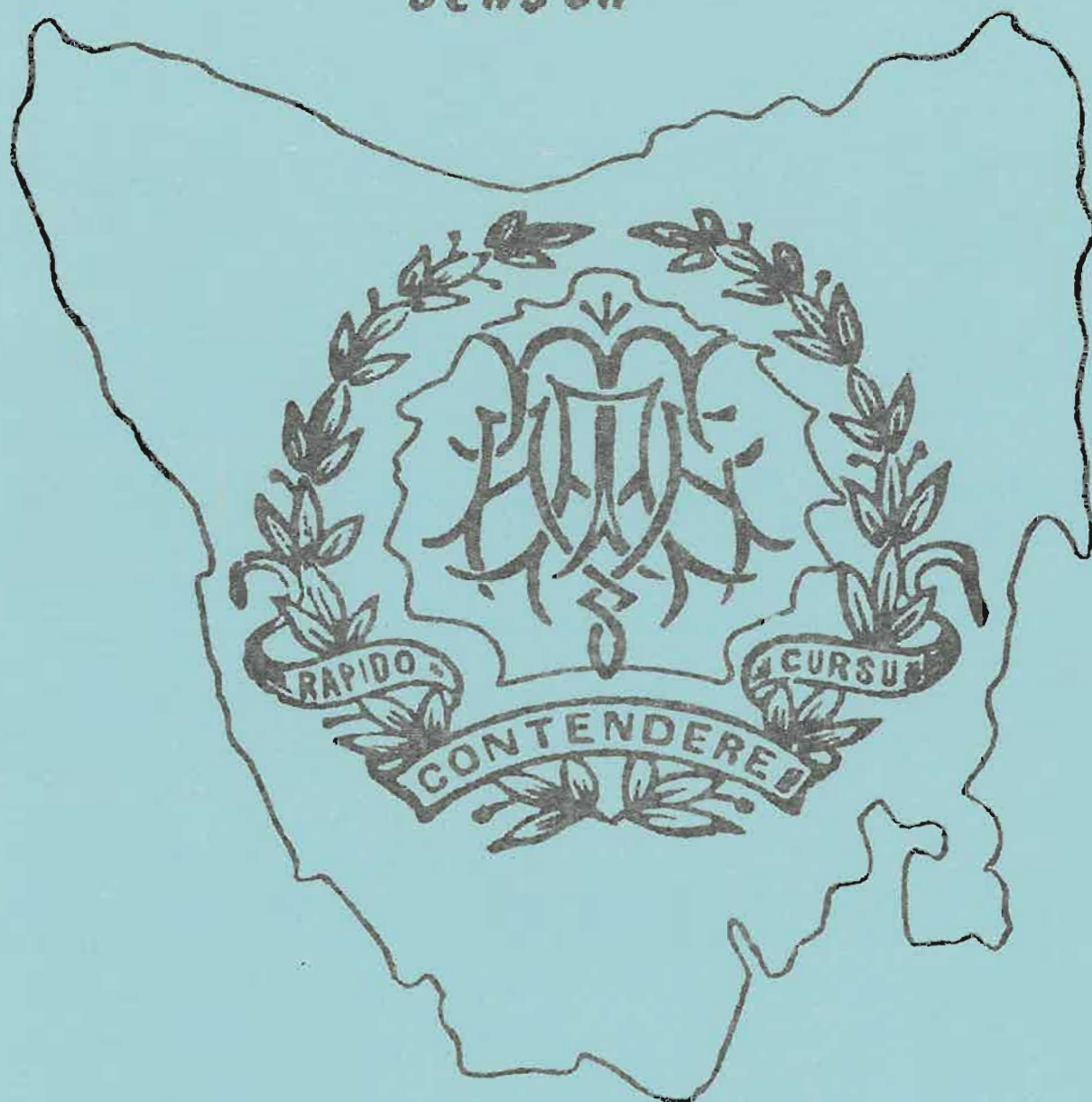


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TASMANIAN AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Members,

It is with pleasure, but also a deal of sadness that this 70th and last Annual Report of your Association, the Tasmanian Amateur Athletic Association for season 1980/81 is presented. After being in existence for 79 years, there must be regrets that the Association is disbanding but also excitement, enthusiasm and optimism for the future of all amateur athletics in Tasmania under the new Association.

The past year has seen a great deal of change the great majority undoubtedly for the good but unfortunately the number of participants has shown an alarming decrease. Hopefully it will be only a temporary decline because without sufficient competitors the sport is in trouble.

Two main changes occurred during last season - the agreement to form the Amateur Athletic Association of Tasmania to control athletics for men and women in the state and the decision that the T.A.A.A. should organise and control all intrastate, interstate and international meetings in the state.

At a meeting in Campbell Town on Sunday 29th March, 1981 it was decided that the A.A.A. of Tasmania should be formed to control all amateur athletics in Tasmania as from the 1st April and to seek affiliation with the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia immediately. An Executive Committee was elected to run the Association until the first Annual General Meeting could elect a full council and a constitution was adopted. The Executive and its management sub committee has worked extremely well so far and there is great optimism for the future.

With the Association responsible for all the major meetings of the year, control was much more effective. Naturally there was still a great reliance on the branches for the actual conduct of the meetings, but the load was spread much more evenly. The decision to appoint a specific organiser for each meeting proved very effective. The overall result was a series of most successful carnivals both athletically and financially.

The decrease in registrations to the second smallest member in the last fourteen years is most disturbing. Especially is this so in the South where the decline to less than 300 from a high of 477 ten years ago is cause for great concern. The new Association must face the challenge of finding the reasons and attempt to discover a remedy or remedies.

One of the highlights of the season was the completion of the building at the Domain Athletic Centre and its official opening by the Lord Mayor of Hobart, Alderman D.R. Plaister M.B.E. on 13th December, 1980. Although the final cost of nearly \$30,000 was far more than could be really afforded, the pavilion has proved its worth and so the money spent has been a good investment. The administration and conduct of all meetings has been improved immensely, the public address and communications equipment are permanent fixtures and so will be less costly to maintain. It is now possible to hold committee meetings and small social functions there and in time the installation of electric timing and photo finish equipment and the establishment of an administrative centre will result in a very full utilisation of the building.

Your Association was honoured to conduct the Shell/Chas Hansen National Under 17 Meeting last January and with the Alcoa Challenge Series Meet made up the two major interstate meetings of the season held in Tasmania. The weather was good for both and high class performances resulted, highlighted by Peter Gandy Australian 200 metres record of 20.3 sec.

The Tasmanian Government again made grants available to assist with the travel costs of the Track and Field team which competed in the Australian Championships in Adelaide and to offset the cost of hiring the Domain Athletic Centre. These grants are greatly appreciated by the council and the members of the state team.

With the withdrawal of the Mars Confectionery sponsorship it was necessary to find another sponsor for registration numbers. Coca Cola Bottles readily agreed to contribute \$750 to cover the cost of both mens and womens numbers and this with \$1,000 given to assist with the conduct of the Tasmanian Schoolchildrens Championship emphasis the generosity of the company and thanks must be extended to Mr. Dean Hall for his effort in this regard.

Adidas again donated 20 sets of competition costumes in state colours and \$250 in cash as well as supplying additional uniforms and track suits at special prices. With six teams representing the state each year and every athlete entitled to one singlet and a pair of shorts free the cost is becoming very significant - over \$3,000 being spent on uniforms last season.

The selection of Stephen Knott in the Australian team to compete in the Pacific Conference Games in Christchurch on 31st January and 1st February was the highlight of the competitive side of the season. Other fine performances were Australian sub junior records by Garry Bissett and Graham Tudor and Gary's selection in the Australian Schoolboys Track and Field Team, whilst your Secretary was appointed Manager of the Australian Pacific Conference Games Team.

Only seven full council meetings were held during the year with the Executive and the Board of Management dealing with routine matters and circulating reports of their actions. Members attendances were: B. McLeod, S. Willis, B. Roe, N. Ruddock 7; G. Briggs, F. Nott, W. Mason, B. Eldridge, A. Gilbertson 6; D. Howard, R. Hood 5; D. Hickman, Mrs. M. Goss 2; M. Bird, M. O'Loughlin, S. Appleyard, D. Lorraine, W. Hearps, D. Scott 1.

REGISTRATIONS

The loss of 107 registrations for the season was a tremendous disappointment and was the lowest figure since 1971/72. All branches dropped - South by 50, North 12 and North West 45. The only redeeming features was that senior registrations increased by 20, perhaps because of the veterans and juniors by 3. All other groups except Under 12 decreased with the worst effected age being Under 15 down 29. New registrations totalled 210 approx. 30%, also a decrease on last season.

Many reasons have been put forward for the decline and possibly all have contributed. Undoubtedly the growth of the Veterans Association has taken a few of the senior athletes likewise Little Athletics is catering for up to the Under 12 group, and Saturday morning shopping had a considerable influence in Hobart. The new Association must undoubtedly take stock and in conjunction with branches and clubs seek ways and means of increasing the attractiveness of the sport.

Details:

South	285	-50	or	14.93%	on	1979/80
North	194	-12	or	5.82%	on	1979/80
North West	204	-45	or	18.07%	on	1979/80
	<u>683</u>	<u>-107</u>	or	<u>13.54%</u>	on	<u>1979/80</u>

REGISTRATIONS (Cont.)

	South			North			North West					
Seniors	108	+12,	22 new	60	+10,	16 new	17	-2,	4 new	185	+20,	42 new
Under 20	24	-4,	5 "	29	,	5 "	18	+7,	6 "	71	+3,	16 "
Under 17	38	-2,	7 "	27	-8,	6 "	19	-8,	6 "	84	-18,	19 "
Under 15	15	-16,	4 "	13	-1,	5 "	7	-12,	3 "	35	-29,	12 "
Under 14	19		8 "	16	-6,	3 "	11	-5,	5 "	46	-11,	16 "
Under 13	19	-14,	8 "	14	-7,	9 "	17	+9,	8 "	50	-12,	25 "
Under 12	32	-21,	16 "	13	+1,	9 "	90	-27,	45 "	135	-47,	70 "
Officials	30	-5,		22	-1,	2 "	25	-7,	8 "	77	-13,	10 "
	285	-50	70 new	194	-12	55 new	204	-45	85 new	683	-107	21 new

Club analysis excluding officials shows:-

South:	Sandy Bay	110	-19	with 22	new members
	Eastern Suburbs	46	-36	" 10	" "
	O.V.A.	38	-13	" 13	" "
	Northern Suburbs	33	-5	" 9	" "
	Veterans	28	+28	" 16	" "
North:	Newstead	69	-3	with 18	new members
	North Launceston	60	-15	" 13	" "
	Tamar	27	+3	" 9	" "
	Riverside	15	+4	" 9	" "
North West:	Burnie/Wynyard	67	-3	with 30	new members
	Ulverstone	62	+8	" 30	" "
	Devon	50	-43	" 18	" "

TRACK AND FIELD

Coca Cola Tasmanian

All School Championships

Hobart

Coca Cola increased its sponsorship to a generous \$1,000 and the organising committee of Barry McLeod, Andrew Willis and Brian Roe invited several Victorian athletes to attend to help promote the meeting. Unfortunately due to an airline strike they were unable to travel and the meeting missed out on this boost.

However the programme was an improvement on previous years and with an increase in entries to approximately 200 athletes the meeting was quite a success. Of the girls 34 events 18 resulted in new records and the boys broke 15 and equalled 2 records including 1 Tasmanian Under 17 record in their 43 events indicating the high standard being reached.

Appreciation of the work of the organisers must be expressed as their efforts resulted in a top class meeting which will improve even further in the years to come.

These Championships were used as trails for the Australian Championships which were held in Sydney and the boys team of 16 and girls of 15 were named immediately afterwards.

AUSTRALIAN ALL SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sydney

13th & 14th December, 1980

The Selectors named a team of 16 to compete in these Championships which were sponsored by Comsteel. Andrew Willis was appointed manager. Of the team of 16, 6 were in the Under 19 group, 8 Under 17 and 2 Under 15.

Conditions for the meeting were quite good - warm to hot but a strong gusty wind on the Sunday hampered performances. Entries were good, in some cases too good so that the standards will need to be reviewed to eliminate some of the additional competitors.

AUSTRALIAN ALL SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS (Cont.)

The outstanding Tasmanian performances was by Gary Bissett who won the Under 17 1,500 metres in 3 min. 59.9 sec. and was second in the 3,000 metres in 8 min. 57.6 sec. only .4 sec. behind the winner. As a result he was named in the Australian Schools Team. Murat Djakic also performed extremely well to finish second in the Under 19 Decathlon scoring 5,679 points, to the winner 5,781, after leading by 87 after the first day. Tasmania's only other medal, a bronze, was won by David Ashcroft in the Under 15 200 metres in 23.17 sec. David also finished fourth in the High Jump clearing 1.76m whilst Graham Tudor was fourth in the Under 17 110 metres hurdles recording 15.02 sec. Special thanks are extended to Owen Oakes for his assistance to the team as liaison officer.

NORTH v SOUTH AND TRIANGULAR

Hobart

6th December, 1980

The weather was excellent for this meeting which has caused quite a deal of discussion over recent years as a result of less than full support received from many athletes. The organising committee under the direction of Brian Eldridge did its job very well and has conducted a survey on ways and means of improving the meeting and will present recommendations to the council in due course.

Competition was quite keen and reasonably even with standards fair to average. Officials were scarce early but finally sufficient reported to enable events to be conducted according to the timetable which certainly needs some revision.

North scored a good win in the North v South and completed the double in the White City competition.

Results: Senior, Under 20 & Under 17	North	361 points
	South	338 points
White City Cup Under 15, 14, 13, 12	North	239 points
	South	184 points
	North West	79 points

PENTATHLON

Hobart

7th December, 1980

Entries improved by four to a total of 16, - 7 seniors, 3 juniors and 5 sub-juniors and all but one completed the event.

To improve the attraction of the meeting events for Little Athletes and City of Hobart Championships were conducted in conjunction with the Pentathlon and as a result a good crowd was in attendance.

In winning the championship Stephen Foster of Ulverstone broke the Tasmanian Allcomers record scoring 3,240 points to improve on Ian Murray's 3,085 points set in 1974. With the withdrawal of Stephen Knott after four events Stephen had a very convincing win.

The Under 20 competition was much closer however and although Murat Djakic (NL) led from the start he received plenty of opposition from Rod McCafferty (R'side) and Shane Foster (Ulv.). His score of 2,956 was only 109 points outside Michael Mol's record.

Jonathan Venn (NL) also led from the start in the Under 17 competition, increasing his lead after every event to have a 371 margin at the finish.

PENTATHLON (Cont.)

Results: Senior (D. Murray Trophy)	1. Stephen Foster (Ulv.)	3,240 points	Tas. Rec.
	2. K. Young (O.V.A.)	2,329 points	
	3. B. Roe (R'side)	2,177 points	
Under 20	1. M. Djakic (NL)	2,956 points	
	2. Shane Foster (Ulv.)	2,752 points	
	3. R. McCafferty (R'side)	2,546 points	
Under 17	1. J. Venn (NL)	2,675 points	
	2. R. Carter (SB)	2,304 points	
	3. T. Donald (NL)	2,207 points	

ALCOA CHALLENGE SERIES

Hobart

11th January, 1981

In direct contrast to last year the weather for this, the second annual Alcoa Challenge Series meeting held in Hobart was excellent. The official programme was conducted between 4.00 p.m. and 6.15 p.m. with invitation events being held earlier in the afternoon. Twelve Alcoa Squad members came from interstate and provided the good crowd with some excellent athletics.

A 100 yards race was programmed to provide the top sprinters Peter Gandy and Bruce Frayne with a chance to break the Tasmanian record of 9.6 secs. However the 200 metres proved to be the highlight with Peter Gandy (NSW) breaking the Australian record with a time of 20.3 sec., Bruce Frayne (SA) was timed at 20.4 sec. and Paul Blackaby (ES) in finishing third set a Tasmanian residential record of 21.3 sec. Naturally Peter Gandy was awarded the Athlete of the Meet Trophy for his performance.

Once again the Alcoa organisation headed by Tom Worrell together with assistance from the A.A.U. staff arranged great promotional lead ups. The set up of the ground showed what could be achieved with expertise and reasonable funding.

A pleasant social function was held at the completion of the competition.

Unfortunately Tasmania can not provide the depth of performers to provide worthwhile competition for squad members brought from other states. It would appear that it may be better to bring complete fields in two or three events to attract spectators other than the regular athletic supporter.

SHELL/CHARLES HANSEN UNDER 17 MEETING

Hobart

17th & 18th January, 1981

Your Association was responsible for the staging of this meeting and the Board of Management undertook the responsibility of its organisation and conduct. Once again the Shell Company provided generous sponsorship in the way of air fares for visiting athletes which included a small team from the A.C.T. for the first time. It also hosted a function for all teams at the Westside Motor Inn on Friday 16th January. The Tasmanian Manager Mr. Graham Cooper and his staff greatly assisted Mr. Frank Nott who was again appointed manager of the state team with Mr. Bob Mazey as his assistant. Selectors named the team a month before which allowed a good preparation.

Conditions on both days were excellent - quite warm and with very little wind.

The highlight of the first day was team Captain, Gary Bissett's easy win in the 1500 metres, whilst Vice Captain Graham Tudor broke his own State 110 metres hurdles record in finishing third in 14.7 secs.

Both these boys again performed creditably on the second day with Bissett outlasting Malcolm Norwood (Vic.) in a punishing finish to the 3000 metres, this taking the distance double. Tudor ran a creditable 57.0 sec. to take 2nd placing in the 400 metres hurdles.

The only other Tasmanian placegetter was Angus Barnes who was 3rd in the 800 metres.

SHELL/CHARLES HANSEN UNDER 17 MEETING (Cont.)

A number of team members performed extremely well but found the competition too strong. Dominic Barber (Javelin) and Peter Sherwood (Triple Jump) gained bronze medals last year with 50.80m and 13.07m respectively, but although they improved to 56.90m and 13.35m they were unplaced this year.

Robert Kay (2000 metres Steeplechase), Alister Howard (Pole Vault) and Hammer Thrower, Emil Djakic produced personal best performances.

The 5 medals: 2 firsts - 1 second - 2 thirds - whilst not as successful as in 1980, was most creditable considering the higher standard of competition in which 10 Tasmanian Allcomers records were broken.

The following athletes set best ever Tasmanian performances in this competition.

1500 metres	- Gary Bissett	- 3:56.0	(3:58.4)
110 metres Hurdles	- Graham Tudor	- 14.7 sec.	(15.1 sec.)
400 metres Hurdles	- Graham Tudor	- 57.0 sec.	(59.2 sec.)
Javelin Throw	- Dominic Barber	- 56.90m	(53.94m)

Tasmanian results were:-

100 metres	- Julian McGee	- 7th	11.6	winner (10.8)
200 metres	- Vincent Males	- 7th	23.4	" (22.4)
400 metres	- Adam Clay	- 6th	52.2	" (49.1)
800 metres	- Angus Barnes	- 3rd	1:57.8	(1:55.5)
1500 metres	- Gary Bissett	- 1st	3:56.0	(3:56.0)
3000 metres	- Gary Bissett	- 1st	8:37.9	(8:37.9)
110m Hurdles	- Graham Tudor	- 3rd	14.7	(14.3)
400m Hurdles	- Graham Tudor	- 2nd	57.0	(56.0)
1500m Walk	- Glen Smith	- 5th	8:10.0	(6:10.2)
2000m Steeplechase	- Robert Kay	- 4th	6:38.8	(6:18.5)
Long Jump	- Peter Sherwood	- 6th	6.43m	(7.12m)
High Jump	- Anthony Baker	- 5th	1.75m	(2.06m)
Triple Jump	- Peter Sherwood	- 4th	13.35m	(14.18m)
Pole Vault	- Alister Howard	- 4th	3.05m	(3.80m)
Discus Throw	- Eric Robinson	- 6th	35.10m	(49.42m)
Shot Put	- Eric Robinson	- 6th	12.84m	(17.02m)
Javelin Throw	- Dominic Barber	- 5th	56.90m	(60.40m)
Hammer Throw	- Emil Djakic	- 5th	41.82m	(57.14m)

The teams effort in again finishing fifth was extremely good. Final points were:-

New South Wales	- 196	points
Victoria	- 126	"
Queensland	- 106	"
Western Australia	- 87	"
Tasmania	- 85	"
South Australia	- 82	"
Australian Capital Territory	- 37	"

VICTORIA v SOUTH AUSTRALIA v TASMANIA Melbourne 26th January, 1981

The Victorian A.A.A. was host this year and selected the Australia Day holiday for the competition. It conducted a New South Wales v Victoria in conjunction with the triangular match.

With a limit of two athletes per state per event and 19 events in the competition a team of 25 was selected. There were five withdrawals and one replacement leaving 21 to compete under the managership of C.A. "Froggy" Wise.

The team travelled at various times between the previous Thursday and the Monday and stayed at different places making the managers job very difficult.

VICTORIA v SOUTH AUSTRALIA v TASMANIA (Cont.)

The weather was extremely hot with a top of 42.7°C during the competition which drastically effected the performance of the athletes especially those who were in more than one event.

The team performed up to standard with David Huxley 1st in the Hammer 63.36m, Pat Kaufman 2nd 3000m Steeplechase 9 min. 25.8 sec. and David Smith 2nd 3000 metres 8 min. 27 sec. the best. Richard Carter High Jump 1.90m, Andrew Edwards Javelin 58.08m and David Conley 800 metres 1 min. 54.1 sec. all finished third.

This meeting is of great value to athletes who are the best or near best in the state but not quite up to Australian Championship standard - giving them a taste of interstate competition and the experience that could help to lift them to better performances.

Unfortunately the conduct of the meeting was not up to the usual Victorian standards and left a lot to be desired.

Final points:	1. South Australia	136 points
	2. Victoria	131 points
	3. Tasmania	109 points

STATE INTERCLUB

Hobart

1st February, 1981

Weather conditions were excellent for this meeting which was organised by Robin Hood and Frank Nott. The revised and simplified rules assisted in making the day quite successful although there is probably a need for further investigation to improve it even further.

Nine clubs participated - the same as last year but unfortunately the support from the North West was disappointing although understandably. The contest was close between Sandy Bay and North Launceston but the Bay's greater depth enabled it eventually to win quite comfortably and regain the E.W. Barwick Shield.

Results:	1. Sandy Bay	328½ points
	2. North Launceston	202 "
	3. Eastern Suburbs	104 "
	4. O.V.A.	66½ "
	5. Newstead	55 "
	6. Tamar	46 "
	7. Northern Suburbs	30 "
	8. Riverside	23 "
	9. Veterans	9 "

DECATHLON

Hobart

14th & 15th February, 1981

A good field of seven contested the senior events the same as last year, the five in the junior was two little. However the sub junior was very disappointing with only two entries yet it proved to be the best contest. The T.W.A.A. again conducted its multiple event Championship in conjunction - the first Heptathlon Tasmanian Championships. Unfortunately they were not well supported there being only three senior, 1 junior and 1 sub junior competitors.

With very good weather conditions on both days, the Saturdays events interspersed with interclub provided an interesting programme. In an attempt to improve the Sunday selected relay events were scheduled but the response from the clubs was very poor. Hopefully next year if the idea is persevered with, the response will be better.

There were two New South Wales competitors in the senior event whilst the Tasmanian entries were spread - South seven, North four and North West one.

DECATHLON (Cont.)

Steven Knott completely dominated the senior event with the absence of Stephen Foster through injury. He established a 200 point lead in the first event and increased it to a commanding 1,119 at the finish. The only retirement was in the Under 20 event which was won convincingly by Shane Foster by 790 points. In the Under 17 Sandy Bay club mates Peter Sherwood and Anthony Baker had a great tussle. Peter led for three events only to be passed after the high jump but drew level at the end of the first day. Anthony led for the next two events dropped behind after the Pole Vault recovered the lead with a good Javelin Throw and although beaten in the 1500 metres won by 13 points and established a new Tasmanian record.

Results: Senior	1. S. Knott (ES)	6,009 points
	2. K. Young (O.V.A.)	4,890 points
	3. L. Allison (Sutherland N.S.W.)	4,777 points
Under 20	1. Shane Foster (Ulv.)	5,483 points
	2. D. Coombe (T)	4,693 points
	3. R. Carter (SB)	4,272 points
Under 17	1. A. Baker (SB)	5,301 pts. Tas. Record
	2. P. Sherwood (SB)	5,288 points

TASMANIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hobart 28th February, 1st & 2nd March, 1981

The mens and womens championships were again combined with both being spread over the three days which proved extremely successful. However, many scratchings again caused the cancellation of heats after leaving big time gaps in the programme.

Due mainly to the efforts of your President a sponsor - Benders Real Estate - was obtained and the results proved quite satisfactory for both your Association and the sponsor. A direct telecast by the ABC for approx. 2 hours on the last afternoon plus videotape highlights by TV6 gave exceptionally good coverage with the viewing audience swelled considerably by the fact that it rained very heavily from mid afternoon onwards. The value of the all weather track was amply illustrated for after competition was suspended for a short time events were conducted with only the wet and bedraggled officials being really inconvenienced.

Once again tribute must be paid to the officials who performed so well over the three days. Although there were never too many officials available, events were on time for the most part and all stuck to the job even when the rains came.

Entries were down on 1980 as was to be expected with the decrease in registrations - 223 individuals competed compared with 267 whilst relay entries dropped from 72 to 65. A strong contingent from Sydney again competed with St. George under the managership of Alleyne Gainford visiting for the third year in a row. Northern Suburbs and Campbell Town were also well represented.

A total of 114 titles were decided and winners were spread over 13 clubs - the 11 Tasmanian and two from New South Wales. Sandy Bay again showed its strength by winning 37 events, covering all age groups, an increase of 9 on last year. North Launceston although not scoring in Under 12 or Under 11 were only one down winning 26. Then followed Eastern Suburbs 10, O.V.A., Northern Suburbs and Tamar all 7, Newstead and Ulverstone 4, Riverside 3, Burnie/Wynyard 2, Devon 1, whilst St. George won 4 and Campbell Town 2. Ignoring the interstate winners South won 66 titles, North 40 and North West 7.

Sandy Bay completed a very good season by winning the Hobart Harrier Cup convincingly but by a much less margin than in 1980 - 10 as compared to 21. O.V.A. were second and Eastern Suburbs third. Sandy Bay also finished on top in every other age group except Under 14 and Under 13 which North Launceston won convincingly.

TASMANIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Cont.)

In spite of the excellent conditions, overall the standard of performance appeared to be down although two Allcomers and two Residential records were broken in addition to the Senior Pentathlon and Decathlon Under 17 set prior to the Championship meeting. Graham Tudor set new figures for the two Under 17 hurdle events, whilst O.V.A. broke the Resident 4 x 400 metres Relay and Shane Foster the Residential Discus Under 20.

Stephen Knott (ES) was again the pick of the senior athletes winning four events whilst Ian Murray (NS), Martin Craney (SB) and Pat Kaufman (O.V.A.) scored doubles. In Under 20, no-one starred although Shane Foster (Ulv.), Paul Clarke (R'side) and Peter Sherwood (SB) had two wins. On the other hand the Under 17 age group had a number of very good performances. Peter Sherwood (SB) added four wins and a second to his Under 20 wins giving him six titles altogether. Gary Bissett (SB) scored a treble in the middle distance events whilst Graham Tudor (T) won the two hurdle events and the 100 metres Adam Clay (SB) and Anthony Baker (SB) scored doubles.

David Ashcroft (ES) dominated Under 15 with five wins whilst John O'Loughlin (SB) won the 800m and 1500m doubles. The Baldwin twins from North Launceston, performed extremely well in Under 14, Tom had three wins and a second whilst David won the 100m and was second to Tom in the 200m. Keiron Foley (O.V.A.) won two events whilst good performances Under 13 were Charles Walters (NL), Shane Cramer (B/W) and Shane Leslie (NL).

J. Mahoney (SB) with three wins and M. Butterworth (O.V.A.) two wins and two seconds dominated in Under 12 whilst Chris Jacoara (SB) was best of the Under 11's.

RESULTS

SENIORS

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	B. Allender (SB)	J. Sullivan (St.G)	R. Fay (SB)	10.7 sec.
200 metres	J. Sullivan (St.G)	R. Fay (SB)	S. Morley (ES)	22.2 sec.
400 metres	B. Alexander (NL)	J. McLoughlin (St.G)	G. Wilson (T)	49.0 sec.
800 metres	P. Kaufman (OVA)	D. Conley (OVA)	M. Bucher (OVA)	1min. 53.6sec.
1500 metres	P. Brasher (N)	D. Conley (OVA)	G. Bissett (SB)	3min. 52.5sec.
5000 metres	D. Smith (SB)	K. Rayner (SB)	P. Brasher (N)	14min. 38.0sec
10,000 metres	K. Rayner (SB)	D. Smith (SB)	P. Brasher (N)	30min. 13.6sec
3000m S/chase	P. Kaufman (OVA)	D. Thomas (N)	B. Bennett (SB)	9min. 41.2sec:
3000m Walk	D. Moore (NS)	P. Fletcher (NS)	S. Brasher (N)	15min. 30.2sec
110m Hurdles	M. Graney (SB)	D. Tarbotten (CT)	A. Peck (St.G)	15.7 sec.
400m Hurdles	M. Graney (SB)	G. Clark (NL)	P. Kaufman (OVA)	55.0 sec.
Discus	I. Murray (NS)	B. Dengate (CT)	St. Foster (U)	42.90m
Hammer	I. Ison (St.G)	I. Murray (NS)	K. Henry (ES)	46.36m
Javelin	B. Dengate (CT)	P. Harwood (NS)	St. Foster (U)	68.34m
Shot Put	I. Murray (NS)	B. Dengate (St.G)	A. Szolomjak (NL)	13.95m
Pole Vault	S. Knott (ES)	P. Clarke (R)	K. Young (OVA)	4.00m
High Jump	S. Knott (ES)	A. Baker (SB)	R. Carter (SB)	1.95m
Long Jump	S. Knott (ES)	I. Murray (NS)	G. Appleyard (SB)	6.74m
Triple Jump	G. Appleyard (SB)	K. Young (OVA)	P. Sherwood (SB)	13.62m
400m Relay	Tamar	Eastern Suburbs	North Launceston	44.4 sec.
1600m Relay	O.V.A.	North Launceston	Sandy Bay	3min.18.6s TRR
Pentathlon	St. Foster (U)	K. Young (OVA)	B. Roe (R)	3240 pts. TOR
Decathlon	S. Knott (ES)	K. Young (OVA)	L. Allison (Sth)	6009 pts.
Club Championship		1. Sandy Bay	35 points	
		2. O.V.A.	25 points	
		3. Eastern Suburns	22 points	

UNDER 20

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	B. Allender (SB)	P. Parsons (D)	D. Preece (T)	10.8 sec.
200 metres	P. Parsons (D)	B. Allender (SB)	D. Preece (T)	21.9 sec.
400 metres	D. Preece (T)	J. O'Loughlin (OVA)	B. Alexander (NL)	48.4 sec.
800 metres	R. Abberton (St.G)	M. Fisher (OVA)	S. Wood (NSS)	
1500 metres	L. Whitton (NS)	D. Payne (NSS)	P. Wood (OVA)	4min. 2.6sec.
5000 metres	M. Todd (St.G)	D. Payne (NSS)	J. MacMurray (SB)	
2000m S/chase	J. MacMurray (SB)	W. Seen (NL)	R. Gillard (NL)	6min. 7.9sec.
3000m Walk	W. Seen (NL)			16min. 55.8sec.
110m Hurdles	D. Tarbotten (CT)			17.7 sec.
400m Hurdles	R. Habel (N)	D. Tarbotten (CT)		57.1 sec.
Discus	Sh. Foster (U)	A. Scott (St.G)	R. McCafferty (R)	47.80 TRR
Hammer	P. Clarke (R)	T. Lyons (NL)	A. Scott (St.G)	45.00m
Javelin	P. Harwood (NS)	R. McCafferty (R)	Sh. Foster (U)	53.40m
Shot Put	A. Szolomjak (NL)	R. McCafferty (R)	Sh. Foster (U)	15.28m
Pole Vault	P. Clarke (R)	A. Howard (N)	R. Johnston (OVA)	3.25m
High Jump	R. Carter (SB)	S. Goldsmith (SB)	P. Clarke (R)	1.85m
Long Jump	P. Sherwood (SB)	R. Carter (SB)	J. Hardstaff (NL)	6.32m
Triple Jump	P. Sherwood (SB)	R. Carter (SB)	E. Djakic (NL)	13.31m
400m Relay	Sandy Bay	Tamar	St. George	44.1 sec.
1600m Relay	Tamar	North Launceston	Sandy Bay	3min. 25sec.
Pentathlon	M. Djakic (NL)	Sh. Foster (U)	R. McCafferty (R)	2956 pts.
Decathlon	Sh. Foster (U)	D. Coombe (T)	R. Carter (SB)	5483 pts.
Club Championship		1. Sandy Bay	31 points	
		2. North Launceston	27 points	
		3. Tamar	15 points	

RESULTS (Cont.)

UNDER 17

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	G. Tudor (T)	V. Males (NL)	J. McGee (NL)	11.4 sec.
200 metres	A. Clay (SB)	V. Males (NL)	J. McGee (NL)	22.9 sec.
400 metres	A. Clay (SB)	J. Venn (NL)	R. Whitehead (NL)	51.0 sec.
800 metres	G. Bissett (SB)	A. Barnes (SB)	M. Anderson (OVA)	1min. 57.6sec.
1500 metres	G. Bissett (SB)	A. Barnes (SB)	M. Anderson (OVA)	4min. 3.0sec.
3000 metres	G. Bissett (SB)	D. Gillies (NS)	R. Kay (N)	8min. 46.3sec.
110m Hurdles	G. Tudor (T)	P. Sherwood (SB)	A. Baker (SB)	14.7sec. eqTOR
400m Hurdles	G. Tudor (T)	J. Venn (NL)	J. Howard (NL)	55.4sec. TOR
2000m S/chase	R. Kay (N)	M. Anderson (OVA)	D. Flynn (NL)	6min. 30.8sec.
1500m Walk	D. Flynn (NL)	M. Avery (St.G)		8min. 51.7sec.
Discus	J. Hogan (NL)	A. Smith (B/W)	J. Howard (NL)	26.86m
Hammer	T. Donald (NL)			26.68m
Javelin	A. Smith (B/W)	T. Donald (NL)	J. Howard (NL)	48.46m
Shot Put	P. Sherwood (SB)	A. Baker (SB)	M. Stopl (NL)	10.50m
High Jump	A. Baker (SB)	T. Donald (NL)	J. Howard (NL)	1.90m
Pole Vault	P. Sherwood (SB)	A. Baker (SB)		2.40m
Long Jump	P. Sherwood (SB)	J. Venn (NL)	A. Baker (SB)	6.59m
Triple Jump	P. Sherwood (SB)	T. Donald (NL)	J. Venn (NL)	13.28m
400m Relay	North Launceston	Tamar	Eastern Suburbs	47.2 sec.
1600m Relay	North Launceston	Sandy Bay	Eastern Suburbs	3min. 33.3sec.
Pentathlon	J. Venn (NL)	R. Carter (SB)	T. Donald (NL)	2675 pts.
Decathlon	A. Baker (SB)	P. Sherwood		5301 pts. TOR
Club Championship		1. Sandy Bay	51 points	
		2. North Launceston	45 points	
		3. Tamar	11 points	

UNDER 15

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	D. Ashcroft (ES)	A. Hand (SB)		11.8 sec.
200 metres	D. Ashcroft (ES)	A. Hand (SB)	C. Abell (SB)	23.6 sec.
400 metres	D. Ashcroft (ES)	J. O'Loughlin (SB)	C. Abell (SB)	53.8 sec.
800 metres	J. O'Loughlin (SB)	G. Murfett (T)	R. Leersen (NL)	2min. 11.5sec.
1500 metres	J. O'Loughlin (SB)	G. Murfett (T)	M. Potter (NS)	4min. 27.9sec.
100m Hurdles	M. Crew (ES)	M. Avery (St.G)	B. Scott (SB)	17.8 sec.
Discus	R. Brent (R)	D. Baldwin (NL)	M. Fleischman (OVA)	32.80m
Javelin	S. Leslie (NL)	G. Murfett (T)		35.12m
Shot Put	D. Baldwin (NL)	D. Ashcroft (ES)	T. Baldwin (NL)	12.08m
High Jump	D. Ashcroft (ES)	N. Van Dongen (OVA)		1.70m
Long Jump	D. Ashcroft (ES)	G. Murfett (T)	W. Callaway (U)	5.63m
Triple Jump	G. Murfett (T)	S. Carter (SB)	W. Callaway (U)	10.88m
400m Relay	North Launceston	Sandy Bay		51.0 sec.
1600m Relay	Sandy Bay	North Launceston		4min. 0.5sec.
Club Championship		1. Sandy Bay	22 points	
		2. Eastern Suburbs	20 points	
		3. North Launceston	16 points	

RESULTS (Cont.)

UNDER 14

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	D. Baldwin (NL)	T. Baldwin (NL)	X. Thaow (NS)	12.2 sec.
200 metres	T. Baldwin (NL)	D. Baldwin (NL)	R. Brent (R)	25.2 sec.
400 metres	T. Baldwin (NL)	M. Crew (ES)	A. Spata (St.G)	66.4 sec.
800 metres	K. Foley (OVA)	D. Campbell (ES)	A. Spata (St.G)	2min. 21.1sec.
1500 metres	K. Foley (OVA)	D. Campbell (ES)	P. Garrott (SB)	4min. 47.2sec.
High Jump	S. Carter (SB)	P. Vander Der Kraan(SB)	A. Beresford (B/W)	1.41m
Long Jump	T. Baldwin (NL)	S. Carter (SB)	A. Beresford (B/W)	4.99m
Triple Jump	S. Leslie (NL)	S. Carter (SB)	T. Baldwin (NL)	10.77m
400m Relay	North Launceston	Sandy Bay	Eastern Suburbs	54.3 sec.
1600m Relay	North Launceston	Eastern Suburbs	Sandy Bay	4min. 9.3sec.
Club Championship		1. North Launceston	26 points	
		2. Sandy Bay	13 points	
		3. Eastern Suburbs	9 points	

UNDER 13

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	C. Walters (NL)	S. Cramer (B/W)	T. Potter (B/W)	13.1 sec.
200 metres	C. Walters (NL)	S. Cramer (B/W)	G. Jacobson (NL)	26.0 sec.
400 metres	S. Cramer (B/W)	S. Kelly (SB)	R. McNamara (ES)	62.4 sec.
800 metres	P. Nankervis (R)	A. Sheers (NL)	R. McNamara (ES)	2min. 20.0sec.
1500 metres	P. Garrott (SB)	A. Sheers (NL)	M. Petterwood (N)	4min. 47.2sec.
High Jump	S. Leslie (NL)	P. Nankervis (R)	(S. Cashion (ES) (M. Petterwood (N)	1.35m
Long Jump	A. Kallas (SB)	S. Leslie (NL)	B. Voss (SB)	4.82m
Triple Jump	S. Leslie (NL)	G. Potter (B/W)	A. Kallas (SB)	10.44m
400m Relay	North Launceston	Sandy Bay	Eastern Suburbs	54.0 sec.
1600m Relay	North Launceston	Sandy Bay		4min. 21.6sec.
Club Championship		1. North Launceston	25 points	
		2. Sandy Bay	14 points	
		3. Burnie/Wynyard	10 points	

UNDER 12

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	B. Scott (SB)	M. Butterworth (OVA)	G. Turner (SB)	13.5 sec.
200 metres	J. Mahoney (SB)	N. Kelly (SB)	G. Turner (SB)	28.5 sec.
400 metres	J. Mahoney (SB)	N. Kelly (SB)	G. Turner (SB)	65.9 sec.
800 metres	J. Mahoney (SB)	M. Butterworth (OVA)	S. Hennessey (SB)	2min. 30.3sec.
1500 metres	A. Suckling (NS)			5min. 38.4sec.
High Jump	M. Butterworth (OVA)			1.30m
Long Jump	M. Butterworth (OVA)	G. Turner (SB)	J. Mahoney (SB)	4.31m
400m Relay	Sandy Bay			59.00 sec.
Club Championship		1. Sandy Bay	26 points	
		2. O.V.A.	10 points	
		3. Northern Suburbs	3 points	

RESULTS (Cont.)

UNDER 11

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Performance</u>
100 metres	C. Jacoora (SB)	P. Kallas (SB)	S. Hennessy (SB)	14.4 sec.
200 metres	R. Callaway (U)	P. Kallas (SB)	C. Jacoora (SB)	30.5 sec.
High Jump	C. Jacoora (SB)	A. Suckling (NS)	D. Knott (SB)	1.11m
Long Jump	A. Suckling (NS)	C. Jacoora (SB)	S. Hennessy (SB)	3.82m
400m Relay	Sandy Bay			61.9 sec.
Club Championship		1. Sandy Bay	19 points	
		2. Northern Suburbs	5 points	
		3. Ulverstone	3 points	

TOTAL POINTS

	<u>SB</u>	<u>NL</u>	<u>OVA</u>	<u>ES</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>NS</u>	<u>ULV.</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>B/W</u>	<u>D</u>
Senior	35	10	25	23	5	16	8	4	9		
Under 20	31	27	11		15	4	10	14	2	1	5
Under 17	51	45	4	2	11	2			4	5	
Under 15	22	16	3	20	11	1	2	3			
Under 14	13	26	6	9		1		1		3	
Under 13	14	25		3½				5	½	10	
Under 12	26		10			3					
Under 11	19					5	3				
	<u>211</u>	<u>149</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>57½</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>23</u>	22	21½	<u>19</u>	<u>5</u>
								<u>28</u>	<u>15½</u>		

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Adelaide

19-22nd March, 1981

The selectors named a team of sixteen to compete in the Nationals immediately after the Tasmanian Championships comprising six seniors and ten juniors. Prior to departure Kent Rayner and Anthony Baker withdrew leaving a smallish team of fourteen which had Brian Roe as manager with Des Hardstaff his assistant and Max Cherry and Frank Nott as coaches. Steven Knott was appointed Captain and Paul Blackaby Vice Captain.

Team members and their events were:-

Steven Knott (ES)	Long Jump, High Jump
Paul Blackaby (ES)	100m, 200m, 400m
David Huxley (SB)	Hammer
Patrick Kaufman (OVA)	3000m Steeplechase, 1500m
Ian Murray (NS)	Shot Put, Discus
Michael Mol (T)	Decathlon, Pole Vault, Pole Vault Jnr., Long Jump Jnr.
Paul Harwood (NS)	Javelin, Javelin Junior
Rod McCafferty (R)	Javelin Junior
Graham Tudor (T)	110m Hurdles Junior, 400m Hurdles Junior
Anthony Szolomniak (NL)	Shot Put Junior
Shane Foster (UTV.)	Decathlon Junior, Discus Junior
David Preece (T)	400m Junior
Brett Allender (SB)	100m Junior, 200m Junior
John McMurray (SB)	2000m Steeplechase Junior

Four medals were won which was quite pleasing. Steven Knott was second in the Long Jump with a personal best of 7.71 metres. Paul Harwood was second in the Junior Javelin and Rod McCafferty finished third in the same event and Michael Mol third in the Junior Pole Vault. Whilst special mention should be made of Graham Tudor's performance of finishing fifth in the Junior 400m Hurdles in 54.95 sec. an Australian Sub Junior record. Unfortunately a number of injuries were suffered - Pat Kaufman twisted an ankle before he had a chance to compete whilst Brett Allender and Paul Blackaby pulled muscles and Shane Foster had to withdraw from the Junior Decathlon after falling in the 120m Hurdles.

Congratulations must be extended to the women's team who assisted by strong support from the men, won seven medals. Jo Millar was second in the Heptathlon, Penny Gray third in the 800m and the 4 x 400m Relay team was also third. In the Juniors Gail Millar won the 400m, Marianne Hardstaff was second in the 400m Hurdles, Sandra Speers third in the 800m and the 4 x 400m Relay also third.

The mens performances were:-

Steven Knott	Long Jump	2nd	7.71 metres
	High Jump	10th	1.95 metres
Paul Blackaby	100 metres	7th Heat	11.34 sec.
	200 metres	6th Heat	22.53 sec.
David Huxley	Hammer	5th	57.86 metres
Ian Murray	Shot Put	6th	13.09 metres
	Discus	8th	42.64 metres
Paul Harwood	Javelin	7th	62.30 metres
Michael Mol	Decathlon	withdrew after 4 events.	
	Pole Vault	scratched	
Patrick Kaufman	3000m Steeple,	scratched because of injury	
	1500m		

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Cont.)

Juniors:

Brett Allender	100 metres	4th Heat	11.11 sec.
		8th Final	11.26 sec.
	200 metres	5th Heat	22.68 sec.
David Preece	400 metres	4th Heat	48.78 sec.
		7th Final	48.89 sec.
Graham Tudor	400m Hurdles	5th	54.75 sec.
John McMurray	2000m S/chase	5th	6 min. 01.26 sec.
Paul Harwood	Javelin	2nd	64.14 metres
Rod McCafferty	Javelin	3rd	59.80 metres
Michael Mol	Pole Vault	3rd	4.20 metres
	Long Jump	6th	6.96 metres
Anthony Szolomiak	Shot Put	9th	14.61 metres
Shane Foster	Discus	9th	44.76 metres
	Decathlon	withdrew after 7 events.	

ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

The 1979/80 Awards named at last years Annual General Meeting were:

Athlete of the Year	F.A. Rose Trophy	Steven Knott (ES)
Junior Athlete of the Year	J.W. Cooper Trophy	Michael Mol (T)
Sub Junior Athlete of the Year	N.J. Ruddock Trophy	Gary Bissett (SB)
Juvenile Athlete of the Year	G.T. Briggs Trophy	Jonathan Venn (NL)

Without any doubt Steven Knott was the athlete of the 1979/80 season. He finished second in the Australian Long Jump Championship with a leap of 7.60 metres, set a State Pole Vault Record of 4.50 metres, won three Tasmanian Championships and represented the State in the Victoria, South Australia, Tasmania match.

Michael Mol's performances were just as outstanding. He set an Australian Junior Pentathlon Record, finished equal first in the Junior Decathlon between Australia and New Zealand, broke Tas. Junior Pentathlon and Junior 110 metres Hurdles records, won the Australian Schoolboys Under 19 Pole Vault and five Tasmanian titles.

In the Sub Junior group Gary Bissett had strong opposition but his record of a new State 3000 metres and 5000 metres Sub Junior times, three Tasmanian Championships, State representation in the School Track and Field and Cross Country Championships and the Shell/Charles Hansen Under 17 match winning the 1500 metres was sufficient for him to receive the award.

John Venn represented Tasmania in the Australian Schools Under 15 Long Jump. He won three Under 15 Individual Championships and was a member of the two winning relay teams as well as setting a Northern Under 15 Long Jump record.

TRACK & FIELD COACHES ASSOCIATION

The Tasmanian Association has again been led by Ken Box as President and Jenni Arthur as Secretary but Ken has indicated he will not be nominating for office in the coming year.

Since the inception of the Australian Track and Field Coaches Association in 1974 and the branch in Tasmania there has been a steady growth in the number of coaches receiving official recognition. The ability needed to obtain such recognition is much higher now than in those early days but at present there are 87 coaches in Tasmania graded as follows:

Senior	3
Grade II	12
Grade I	72

TRACK & FIELD COACHES ASSOCIATION (Cont.)

Of the Grade I 66 have qualified since 1976 and 9 of the Grade II have been recognised through courses run in this State.

A National Course conducted in Melbourne last August/September was attended by three Grade II Coaches. Unfortunately certain limitations which were not apparent before hand prevented them from qualifying but the experience should result in success in the near future.

Three Grade I Coaches attended a National Grade II Course in Canberra and faced up to a three hour paper subsequently, Grade I candidates were able to undertake a course at the University and Prospect High but unfortunately a third arranged for Penguin had to be cancelled due to lack of support - 20 coaches successfully completed the Grade I examination during the year.

With the retirement of Ken Box as President it is appropriate to express the thanks and congratulations of your Association to him for his Leadership and experience in placing the Coaches Association on a firm basis with a very bright future ahead of it.

CROSS COUNTRY & ROAD

Fields during the cross country and road season fluctuated being down early but quite good towards the end being highlighted by the record 37 starters in the marathon. No senior athlete dominated during the season there being three separate winners of the three championships, however Peter Brasher and Craig Anderson gained places in two events.

In the Junior Derek Thomas and Robert Gillard performed very well whilst Russell Foley retained his 8000 metres CCC Title. Gary Bissett had an extremely successful season winning the 8000m Junior teams race and the 8000 metres Sub Junior CCC as well as being in the second team in the Mt. Relay. David Solomon was very little behind also performing consistently well as did Aubrey Henricks in the Juvenile age group.

Teams were sent to the Australian Championships and performed reasonably whilst eleven schoolboys were selected to compete in the Australian Schools Championships but due to weather only four were able to compete.

1980 MOUNTAIN RELAY

Mt. Wellington 26th April, 1980

Only four teams entered for this, the first of the winter season championships - one less than last year and quite disappointing. Weather conditions were fine at the start but snow commenced to fall when half way up the mountain. With a strong cold wind blowing it was decided to shorten the course and the turning point was made at the 2 mile post.

O.V.A. led all the way and won by nearly four minutes from Sandy Bay. The fastest leg was 3 min. 33 sec. by Tom McCormack. The excellent escort work of the members of the Police Force was greatly appreciated.

Results: 1. O.V.A.	P. Kaufman, S. Haley, A. Bennett, M. Bucher 1 hour 43 min. 46 sec.
2. Sandy Bay	G. Bissett, T. McCormack, P. Williams, R. Beadell 1 hour 47 min. 35 sec.
3. Northern Suburbs	P. Sheehan, M. Potter, J. Dwyer, D. Gillies 2 hours 10 min. 13 sec.
4. Veterans	M. Blazely, D. Meiklejohn, A. Mount, B. Campbell 2 hours 12 min. 42 sec.

BRANCH TEAMS RACE

Penguin

14th June, 1980

Entries were well down on last year with only 43 taking part in the 3 races as compared with 55 last year. The fact that the Marathon Championship was the next weekend probably caused quite a few athletes not to compete.

Leigh Twining (S) won the senior 12000metres race very comfortably although the time was quite a deal slower than last year when Kent Rayner set a best on record for the course. In the Junior 8000 metres Gary Bissett (S) reduced the previous best time of Tony Wing by 30 sec. having a good win over team mate David Solomon.

Aubrey Henricks (N) had a narrow win by 8 seconds in the Sub Junior 4000 metres after a good tussle with Paul Sheehan (S) and Michael Potter (S).

South retained the Senior Teams Race trophy and also won the Junior and Sub Junior teams races.

Results: 12,000 metres

1. Leigh Twining (South) 43 min. 18 sec.
 2. Stephen Halley (South) 45 min. 52 sec.
 3. Don Cox (North) 45 min. 58 sec.
- 13 starters 11 finished

Teams Race: 1. South 1, 2, 4, 7 = 14 points lost
2. North 3, 5, 6, 8 = 22 " "

8,000 metres Junior

1. Gary Bissett (S) 28 min. 15 sec. Best time on record
 2. David Solomon (S) 29 min. 14 sec.
 3. Robert Gillard (N) 30 min. 07 sec.
- 15 starters 14 finished

Teams Race: 1. South 1, 2, 4 = 7 points lost
2. North 3, 6, 10 = 19 " "
3. N. West 5, 7, 11 = 23 " "

4,000 metres
Sub Junior

1. Aubrey Henricks (N) 15 min. 19 sec.
 2. Paul Sheehan (S) 15 min. 27 sec.
 3. Michael Potter (S) 15 min. 33 sec.
- 15 starters all finished

Teams Race: 1. South 2, 3, 4 = 9 points lost
2. North 1, 5, 9 = 15 " "
3. N. West 7, 8, 13 = 28 " "

MARATHON

Cressy

21st June, 1980

Once again this Championship was conducted by the Northern Branch over the Cressy course used for the 1977 Australian Championship which is most suitable in all regards.

A very large field of 37 started of whom 26 finished probably the most ever in a Tasmanian marathon. The inclusion of Veterans including quite a number of women was mainly responsible for this.

Peter Brasher and Craig Anderson ran together for 10 miles before Peter pulled away to win by just over 12 min. As was to be expected with such a large field the elapsed time between first and last was quite considerable just over 2 hours putting rather a strain on the officials. An earlier starting time must be considered.

Derek Thomas won the Junior half marathon in a time 1 min. 12 sec. faster than Russell Foley last year.

MARATHON (Cont.)

Results: Marathon	1. Peter Brasher (S)	2hrs. 24 min. 00 sec.
	2. Craig Anderson (S)	2hrs. 36 min. 03 sec.
	3. Bill Essex (S)	2hrs. 45 min. 57 sec.
	37 started 26 finished	
	Teams Race: 1. E.W. Goss Shield	South 3 points lost
		North 15 points "
Half Marathon Jnr.	1. Derek Thomas (N)	1hr. 11 min. 24 sec.
	2. Robert Gillard (N)	1hr. 19 min. 29 sec.
	3. Darron Gillies (S)	1hr. 22 min. 11 sec.
	9 starters all finished	

12000 METRES C.C.C.

Brighton

9th August, 1980

Five more athletes competed in the 5 events conducted than in 1979, the seniors increased by 4, Sub Juniors 2 and Veterans 5 whilst the Juniors were down 2 and the Juveniles 3.

The weather was good but cool with the course quite firm and times generally were well up to standard. Ric Coyle (SB) had a fairly comfortably 36 sec. win over team mate Peter Brasher in the senior 12000 metres event. Russell Foley (NS) retained his 8000 metres Junior title in a time 12 sec. slower than last year.

Gary Bissett (SB) was too strong for David Solomon (OVA) in the 8000 metres Sub Junior event in a time slower than last year but only just behind the winner of the junior event. Angus Barnes (SB), David Cox (SB) and Aubrey Henricks (NL) made a great race of the 4000 metres Juvenile to finish in that order but with only 9 secs. separating the three of them, whilst in the Veterans 12000 metres Don Cox was too good for Ray Beadell and Tony Hancock.

Sandy Bay retained the seniors team race, there was no race in the Junior whilst Newstead won the Sub Junior and Sandy Bay the Juveniles.

Results: 12000 metres	1. Ric Coyle (SB)	37 min. 58 sec.
	2. Peter Brasher (SB)	38 min. 34 sec.
	3. Craig Anderson (ES)	39 min. 45 sec.
	25 starters	
	Teams Race: 1. Sandy Bay	15 points lost
	2. O.V.A.	28 points "
	3. Eastern Suburbs	37 points "
8000 metres Jnr.	1. Russell Foley (NS)	25 min. 25 sec.
	2. Derek Thomas (N)	26 min. 38 sec.
	3. Robert Gillard (NL)	27 min. 05 sec.
	5 starters	
8000 metres Sub Junior	1. Gary Bissett (SB)	25 min. 58 sec.
	2. David Solomon (OVA)	26 min. 20 sec.
	3. Michael Sherriff (N)	28 min. 06 sec.
	10 starters	
	Teams Race: 1. Newstead	16 points lost
4000 metres Juvenile	1. Angus Barnes (SB)	13 min. 24 sec.
	2. David Cox (SB)	13 min. 31 sec.
	3. Aubrey Henricks (NL)	13 min. 33 sec.
	11 starters	
	Teams Race: 1. Sandy Bay	8 points lost

12000 METRES C.C.C. (Cont.)

Results: 12000 metres	1. Don Cox (N)	42 min. 32 sec.
Veterans	2. Roy Beadell (Vets.)	44 min. 17 sec.
	3. Tony Hancock (Vets.)	44 min. 34 sec.
	13 starters	

AUSTRALIAN CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS Bundoora (Vic.) 6th September, 1980

Six Seniors and five Juniors were selected to represent the State but Peter Brasher withdrew a week prior to the competition so that manager Albert Gilbertson had a team of ten under the captaincy of Ric Coyle. Unfortunately several members made private travel and accommodation arrangements and did not advise the manager or not until very late in proceedings so that he had a very difficult job. Also the motel used was not very central and did not provide meals although the management was most obliging and helpful wherever possible.

The course was a considerable distance from Melbourne and although the organisers indicated transport would be available it was not and it was necessary to use a taxi and Alan Bennetts' car to get the team to the start and also to inspect the course beforehand.

All athletes ran comparatively well, though times were slower than might have been expected. David Solomon was unable to finish and perhaps started too fast.

Team performances were:

12000 metres	R. Coyle	28th	40 min. 20 sec.
C.C.C.	C. Anderson	59th	43 min. 45 sec.
	W. Essex	60th	43 min. 48 sec.
	L. Twining	64th	45 min. 25 sec.
	A. Bennett	65th	48 min. 12 sec.

Teams Race:	1. Victoria	15 points
	2. New South Wales	29 points
	3. New Zealand	
	4. Queensland	69 points
	5. South Australia	76 points
	6. A.C.T.	84 points
	7. Tasmania	98 points

8000 metres	R. Foley	26th	28 min. 04 sec.
Junior C.C.C.	D. Thomas	28th	28 min. 11 sec.
	R. Gillard	32nd	28 min. 26 sec.
	K. Giver	39th	28 min. 57 sec.
	D. Solomon	D.N.F.	

Teams Race:	1. New South Wales	10 points
	2. New Zealand	
	3. Victoria	17 points
	4. Queensland	25 points
	5. South Australia	42 points
	6. A.C.T.	42 points
	7. Western Australia	43 points
	8. Tasmania	52 points

TASMANIAN SCHOOL C.C.C.

Launceston

6th July, 1980

The decision to conduct Schools Cross Country Championships and use them as selection trials for the Australian meeting was quite successful and entries in the Under 15 and Under 17 age group were very good but the Under 19 were very disappointing.

In the girls there were 18 starters Under 15, 6 Under 17 and 2 Under 19; whilst there were 29 boys Under 15, 20 Under 17 and only 1 Under 19.

The course on the Mowbray Race course was reasonably easy and made the organisation much easier.

Results: <u>Girls</u> Under 15	1. S. Solomon (St. Marys College)	7 min. 10 sec.
	2. J. Bradshaw (Dominic)	7 min. 40 sec.
	3. J. Prendergast (Taroona)	7 min. 49 sec.
Under 17	1. L. Prendergast (Taroona)	8 min. 08 sec.
	2. J. Gaby (Wynyard)	8 min. 46 sec.
	3. L. Carr (Smithton)	8 min. 57 sec.
Under 19	1. S. Harris (H.M.C.)	17 min. 21 sec.
<u>Boys</u> Under 15	1. A. Barnes (Hutchins)	14 min. 03 sec.
	2. A. Henricks (Ravenswood)	14 min. 05 sec.
	3. D. Cox (Taroona)	
Under 17	1. G. Bissett (Kingston)	12 min. 50 sec.
	2. D. Solomon (St. Virgils)	
	3. M. Sherriff (George Town)	
Under 19	1. D. Brown (Don College)	

AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS C.C.C.

Bundoora (Vic.)

20th July, 1980

Following the Tasmanian Championships eleven boys and seven girls were selected to represent the state in these Championships. Alan McCreary was again appointed Manager and had the following in his team.

<u>Under 15</u>	<u>Under 17</u>	<u>Under 19</u>
Angus Barnes	Gary Bissett	Darren Brown
Aubrey Henricks	David Solomon	
David Cox	Michael Sherriff	
Michael Potter	Robert Kay	
Paul Garratt	James Merchant	

The team left Tasmania on the Friday evening but had to return because fog prevented the planes landing. The manager did not know that the Northern party had returned until late at night but was assured that all would leave on the 7.00 a.m. flight from Hobart. Appreciation is expressed to those people who billeted athletes overnight in Launceston.

Unfortunately the 7.00 a.m. Hobart flight did not eventuate but the Northern group did get to Melbourne on time. Eventually the southerners were given five seats on a plane leaving at 11.15 a.m. As a postponement of only 30 minutes was all the organisers could allow the Manager took four girls and reluctantly left the boys behind, who were naturally very disappointed to miss the opportunity to represent their State. The efforts of Roger Barnes of TAA and Rick Parnell the AAA Executive Director in doing all in their power to overcome the problems was greatly appreciated.

With the late arrival there was only 15 minutes for warming up etc. so that the athletes were really under both physical and mental disadvantages. All gave of their best and nothing more could be expected. Alan McCreary performed his very difficult duties extremely well and his recommendations that the team travel during the day before and that a manageress should be appointed as well must be implemented in the future.

AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS C.C.C. (Cont.)

Results: Boys	Under 15 4000m	Aubrey Henricks	34th	15 min. 10 sec.
	Under 17 4000m	Michael Sherrif	23rd	13 min. 40 sec.
		Robert Kay	41st	14 min. 29 sec.
	Under 19 8000m	Darren Brown	25th	28 min. 51 sec.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION CONGRESSES

The Half Yearly Congress was held at the Sheraton Hotel, Melbourne on 20th and 21st September, 1980 and the Annual Congress at the Town House, Adelaide on 17th and 18th March, 1981. Your Association was represented at both by your President and Hon. Secretary.

Items of particular interest to Tasmania were:

AT THE HALF YEARLY CONGRESS:

Reinstatement of Veteran Professionals The matter was referred to the IAAF for a ruling.

1985 World Cup A feasibility investigation be continued with a view to Canberra applying to conduct the meeting. Victoria was also considering making an application to conduct it.

Adidas Sponsorship Adidas offered the following proposal to all State Associations for two years from 1st April, 1981.

To supply free of charge equipment to the value of \$1000 per annum plus extra items and other products at special prices.

To make available each year two prizes of equipment valued at \$200 retail to the outstanding Junior boy and girl in each State.

In return the State Association endorse Adidas as the official supplier of uniforms and allow one free advertisement in each Summer Handbook.

Competing Amateur Eight letters were received from professional athletes seeking information regarding reinstatement as competing amateurs following the IAAF decision to reinstate Warren Edmonson, John Smith and others in March this year.

Following the precedent set by the IAAF and the action of the athletic Congress of the USA of reinstating professionals for domestic competition, it is recommended that the AAU reinstate athletes who have previously infringed their status for competition within Australia.

Board of Management The Board held three meetings since the 1980 Annual Congress.

The Board submitted the following matters to Congress for consideration:-

Ad Hoc Committee of Messrs. Briggs, Aitken, Bailey and Mrs. F. Wrighter together with four other people nominated by the Queensland associations appoint the remaining officials from all States and Overseas for the 1982 Commonwealth Games.

The 1980 All Schools' Track & Field Championships be conducted in New South Wales.

That the Union establish a Schools' Sub-Committee and members of the Australian Secondary Schools' Sport Federation should be invited to join such Sub-Committee.

Officials Committee It was recommended that examinations be held at the time of the National Titles. The Executive Director agreed to approach English speaking countries for details of their officials training schemes.

Pacific Conference Games It was agreed to support the policy of staging the Games every two years.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION CONGRESSES (Cont.)

World Cross Country Team Fund Raising Each Association to be liable to voluntarily contribute \$500 whether it has an athlete in the team or not and the balance to be conducted by each Association or athlete.

Report Executive Director The Department of Home Affairs had verbally advised a grant of \$83,000 had been given to the Union.

\$22,000 employment of National Executive Director

\$22,000 " " Coaching Director

\$17,000 International Competition Overseas

\$10,000 " " in Australia

\$10,000 Coaching Projects

\$ 2,000 International Meetings

Recommended that the \$10,000 for competition in Australia be used to bring athletes to meetings in March, i.e. Brisbane Series, Sydney Challenge Series and the National Track & Field Championships.

A Junior to be selected in the Pacific Conference Games must compete at the Trials in Canberra in December.

The motion submitted by T.A.A.A. regarding Sub-Junior's records and the name of groupings was held over for further consideration by the Board of Management.

A schoolboy or schoolgirl now has no age limit on being able to compete in school sports without risk of infringing status.

A Mens 25000 metres has been included as an Australian Championship.

Associations may have one representation only instead of two in Australian Track and Field Championships. If more are entered, all must have reached the Australian standard.

A motion by the Queensland A.A.A. to have Australian Sub Junior Championships instead of Schoolchildrens Championships was lost as was a motion to increase the age for a female junior athlete to Under 20 years.

AT THE ANNUAL CONGRESS:

Elections took up a great deal of the first day and resulted as follows:

President: Mr. A.W. McDonald (Vic.)

Vice Presidents: Mesdames M. Robinson (Vic.), F. Wrighter (NSW) & Mr. M. Aitken (SA)

Board of Management: Doris Mayer (NSW) and Mabel Robinson (Vic.) were replaced by Flo Wrighter (NSW) and Margaret Mahoney (Vic.)

The Tasmanian Standards & Scoring Titles Committee of Robin Hood, Rex Morriss and Noel Ruddock was re-elected.

Tasmania's representative on the Officials Committee is Mavis Ebzery.

Wayne Fletcher was elected to the Walking Committee whilst Graeme Briggs was re-appointed delegate to the Australian Commonwealth Games Association and Noel Ruddock was elected as a delegate to the Australian Olympic Federation.

Your President Graham Briggs was honoured by receiving the only Merit Award conferred although there were 9 nominations. There were four nominations for Life Membership but none received the three fourthsmajority required.

Other items of interest were:-

The Union can recognise records created by women in events in which they compete against men.

An award may be made by the Board of Management to an athlete in recognition of service to athletics in Australia. It may be made whilst the athlete is still active in the sport.

It was agreed a submission be made to stage the 1985 World Cup in Canberra.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION CONGRESSES (Cont.)

\$35000 has been granted to the AAU by the Commonwealth Games Association for pre games preparation.

The tabling and receipt of the Report of the Team Manager 1980 Olympic Games Moscow incorporating reports by the Manageress, Team Coach and Team Captains.

Mr. Klaus Roth wrote to the AAU enquiring about the Northern Territory affiliating as a member Association. A sub committee was formed to investigate the matter.

The Australian Track and Field Coaches Association requested affiliation status on the AAU Coaching Committee, a representative at all AAU Congresses with the right to vote on all matters concerning coaching. A decision was left over until the next Half Yearly Congress. The A.A.A. of New South Wales was allocated the staging of the selection trials for the 1983 World Cross Country Championships.

Venues & Dates of Championships & Trials etc.

	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>
Under 17 Match Men		16th 17th Jan. A.C.T.	15th 16th Jan. Sydney
Under 15 Match Women		16th 17th Jan. Perth	15th 16th Jan. Melbourne
Track & Field Championships		13-21st March Brisbane	17-20th March Hobart
C.C. & Road Relays	12th 13th Sept. South Aust.	19th 20th June Tasmania (date altered by Congress)	Queensland
Marathons & Walk	25th 26th July Victoria	24th 25th July Queensland	23rd 24th July West Aust.
Road Races	4th 5th July Perth	14th 15th Aug. N.S.W.	25th 26th June South Aust.
Schools C.C.	1st 2nd Aug. Launceston	31st July 1st Aug. South Aust.	30th 31st July A.C.T.
Schools T & F	12th 13th Dec. Brisbane	11th 12th Dec. Tasmania	10th 11th Dec. South Aust.
C/wealth Games Trials	2-4th October Brisbane (Mini Games)	4th 5th Sept. Brisbane	
World Cup	4-10th Sept. Rome		
Walking World Cup	3rd 4th October		
Commonwealth Games		30th Sept. 9th Oct. Brisbane	

CONFERENCE OF STATE SECRETARIES

Two meetings were held at the time of the AAU Congresses. Main items of discussion were a review of the Alcoa Challenge Series and the National Squad, and consideration of the coming season with ways and means of improvement.

It was felt that a calendar of dates of all first class meetings to be held in Australia be compiled and circulated. It would be necessary of course for Associations to submit their calendar as soon as possible to make these at all worthwhile.

Commonwealth Games New Zealand interested in competing in the Australian trials. The relay from Albany (WA) appears to be a goer. Associations will need to promote meetings in July and August 1982 to assist athletes in their preparation and training.

The Institute of Sport in Canberra will contribute towards the cost of its athletes competing at National Championships. Details will be worked out in due course.

MERIT AWARDS

Nominations were called according to Constitutional procedure and those received were referred to the specially appointed sub committee. It recommended to the 1980 Annual General Meeting that Les Spears and Brian Baxter be the recipients.

Your President made the presentation of the plaques as separate ceremonies - to Brian Baxter at a dinner in Launceston and to Les Spears at the official opening of the administration building at the Domian Athletic Centre in Hobart.

The citations on which the awards were made were:

- Brian Baxter - North Launceston competitor since 1966, Life Member 1979.
Club Delegate 1969-70. Represented North in Track & Field on 5 occasions and Cross Country 6 times. Tas. Cross Country Team 1973, 1974. Won Tas. 3000 metres Steeplechase 1975.
- Leslie Spears Eastern Suburbs Coach 1955-65, Committee 1955-65, President 1966-69, Life Member. Timekeeper Southern Branch for 13 years, Committee Member 1958-62. President and Life Member of the Southern Amateur Athletic Branch, Southern Delegate to the TAAA 1955-62.

DOMAIN ATHLETIC CENTRE

The erection of the pavilion was the main improvement at the Domain Athletic Centre during the year. The pavilion was in use for the first meeting of the season and was an outstanding success.

Further improvements are required but these must wait until finance is available.

The pavilion was declared open by the Lord Mayor of Hobart at a function after the seventh round of the Southern premierships competition on 13th December, 1980. That day featured the Lionel Skeggs and Tas. Bevis memorial races, which are organised by the Eastern Suburbs Harrier Club. The Associations Merit Award was presented to Mr. L.W. Spears during the meeting. Mr. Spears was a stalwart of the Eastern Suburbs Club, Life Member of the Association and the Southern Branch and prominent officials during the past twenty years were involved to what was a memorable occasion.

BRANCH REPORTS

SOUTH

The season could be termed as moderately successful. It was not a roaring success because registrations were down and there just didn't seem to be the depth in performance which has come to be expected over the past few years.

Nevertheless, there was only 1 Interclub round which was abandoned because of a down-pour. The rest of the programmes were conducted in an efficient manner but a lack of officials again did point to the need for the Branch to look very closely at the training of the people who actually allow events to happen.

The Board of Management did a fine job during the season and their dedication and determination helped to ensure that athletics developed along sound lines during the year.

It was a delight to have representatives from the womens' clubs again this year and the input by the delegates was excellent. Added to this, the Veterans Association was represented at the committee table because that Association was recognised as a club within the organisational structure of the Branch. Although naturally not successful in terms of winning many events because of the obvious inability to compete in under age events, the advent of this group of dedicated athletes certainly added a great deal to the competitive nature of our sport.

The Chairmen of our Sub-committees must be thanked for their tasks undertaken during the season and particular mention is made of the Finance Committee which, led by Noel Ruddock did a very good job and the indication of the success of their work may be seen in the very healthy balance sheet with which will be carried into the next season.

There were however, one or two areas which definitely need strengthening over the next season. The Equipment Committee failed to function as it should have done, mainly because of the additional work load which the original chairman Mr. Bert Ginn had to undertake as a private consultant. Nevertheless equipment was kept up to standard and a move has been made to refurbish the equipment for the beginning of next season.

Following on from a very dedicated Secretary last season, Glen Appleyard, the Branch was most fortunate to gain the services of Wayne Mason and mention must be made of the excellent manner in which he performed his most onerous duties.

With the formation of the new controlling body the Branch will invite womens' clubs to join in the administration and will take the opportunity to reconstruct its administration and adopt a new Constitution.

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

Of some concern during the track and field season was the fall off in attendances by both athletes and spectators at the Domain Centre. A number of special events including Tuesday night twilight meetings, City of Hobart Championships and Special Relay events were organised in a bid to lift interest and to promote the sport but these disappointingly met with only minimal support.

It is hoped that this is only a temporary trend which will be arrested in the new season.

Despite this disappointing aspect the track and field season had several highlights. Probably the most outstanding performance was the brilliant Australian 200 metre record run by Peter Gandy during the ALCOA meet in January. In one of the best races witnessed at the Domain, Gandy was pushed all the way by Bruce Frayne with local star Paul Blackaby hot on their heels with a state record equalling run of 21.3 secs.

The performance of Gary Bissett in winning the 1500/3000 metres double in the Australian Sub Junior Match held at the Centre, the selection of Steven Knott in the Australian Pacific Conference Games team and his subsequent silver medal in the long jump in Christchurch together with the selection of our hardworking treasurer Noel Ruddock as manager of that Australian team were further highlights.

The Sandy Bay Club continued their dominance of the Interclub competition with their sixth successive track and field premiership win. Their numerical strength, organisation and club spirit was again too much for other clubs and enabled them to win every interclub round.

Cross Country continues to thrive with large fields contesting events throughout the winter. Of note was the increasing number of athletes competing for the Veteran's Club but the highlight of the season was the winter premiership win by Eastern Suburbs who brought to a halt the outstanding twelve year winning sequence of Sandy Bay.

The Branch acknowledges the assistance of the news media throughout the year. The Mercury, radio stations 7HT, 7HO and 7ZR and television stations, Channel 2 and 6 provided a good coverage of events. It is hoped that the excellent relationship enjoyed will continue in future years.

Once again the combined Men's and Women's State Championships were held over three days of the March weekend. Despite the deluge which occurred on the third day, the meeting was a success and this is due in no small way to the dedicated officials of the Branch, the T.A.A.A. and the T.W.A.A.A.

The 1980 Cross Country and Road Season started on a high note with Eastern Suburbs dominating the early rounds. As the season progressed Sandy Bay and Northern Suburbs improved dramatically. With three rounds remaining any of the three teams could have won but Eastern Suburbs managed to hand on to win by two points from Northern Suburbs. Their win ended a sequence of twelve consecutive premiership successes by the Sandy Bay Club.

The competitiveness between the clubs was at an all time high and this helped produce many fine performances.

<u>Final Points:</u>	Eastern Suburbs	45
	Northern Suburbs	43
	Sandy Bay	38
	O.V.A.	33
	Veterans	23

Once again the T.A.A.A. Mountain Relay was restricted to entries from Southern clubs. O.V.A. revealed their potential to be a forerunner in winter competition with a fine victory from Sandy Bay and Northern Suburbs.

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

The Southern team dominated the North vs South vs North West race at Penguin but the closeness of the event to the T.A.A.A. Marathon (one week before) robbed it of most of the top athletes. Southern athletes - L. Twining, S. Haley, A. Bennett and A. McCreary finished 1st, 2nd, 4th and 7th respectively in the event.

At the conclusion of the season two stalwarts of Cross Country, Frank Hill and Michael O'Loughlin indicated that they would not be seeking re-election to their respective positions of Chairman and Treasurer of the Cross Country Committee. Both have been tireless workers in this area of Branch activities and their contribution has led to the development of cross country to the strong position that it enjoys today. The loss of their knowledge and experience will be difficult to overcome. To both, the Branch offers its thanks for their services.

RESULTS OF S.A.A.B. CHAMPIONSHIPS -

ROAD TITLES

<u>16000 Metres Senior</u>			<u>16000 Metres Veterans</u>		
1.	P. Brasher	SB 52 min. 40 s.	1.	B. Longmore	Vets 57 min. 06 s.
2.	R. Pemberton	ES 54 min. 28 s.	2.	R. Beadell	Vets 58 min. 17 s.
3.	W. Essex	NS 55 min. 26 s.	3.	D. Hancock	Vets 62 min. 48 s.

<u>8000 Metres Junior</u>			<u>4000 Metres Juvenile</u>		
1.	G. Bissett	SB 26 min. 29 s.	1.	M. Potter	NS 13 min. 42 s.
2.	N. Bryce	ES 29 min. 14 s.	2.	P. Garrott	SB 13 min. 47 s.
3.	J. Merchant	SB 29 min. 15 s.	3.	S. Edgerton	ES 14 min. 34 s.

CROSS COUNTRY TITLES

<u>6400 Metres Senior</u>			<u>6400 Metres Veterans</u>		
1.	C. Anderson	ES 20 min. 09 s.	1.	B. Longmore	Vets 23 min. 13 s.
2.	G. Cronley	SB 20 min. 37 s.	2.	G. Fennell	Vets 23 min. 14 s.
3.	A. Bennett	OVA 21 min. 19 s.	3.	B. Wise	ES 24 min. 56 s.

<u>6400 Metres Junior</u>			<u>6400 Metres Sub Junior</u>		
1.	R. Foley	NS 21 min. 05 s.	1.	G. Bissett	SB 20 min. 16 s.
2.	J. Tinning	ES 23 min. 09 s.	2.	D. Solomon	OVA 21 min. 55 s.
			3.	D. Gillies	NS 22 min. 27 s.

<u>6400 Metres Juvenile</u>		
1.	A. Barnes	SB 23 min. 08 s.
2.	M. Potter	NS 24 min. 07 s.
3.	P. Garrott	SB 25 min. 04 s.

CITY TO CASINO

The Eighth Annual City to Casino was held on 18th May, 1980 in fine, mild conditions. Another large field faced the starter in this the largest sporting event held in Tasmania. Mainland athletes Steve Austin and Bill Scott added to the glamour of the event and finished 1st and 2nd respectively, while Simone Solomon proved herself a star of the future with a strong win in the women's section.

During the past few years this event has been conducted by a group divorced from the athletic movement and while the merit of such organisations as those that benefit from the run is not doubted it is of some concern that this Branch has no current involvement with the event.

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

TRACK & FIELD INTERCLUB COMPETITION

A total of 15 interclub rounds were scheduled during the 1980-81 track and field season. As appears to be the norm each season, one of these, round 6, was abandoned because of rain. Weatherwise the Branch was much more fortunate than during the wind marred 79/80 season and for the main part enjoyed favourable conditions for competition.

Sandy Bay made the interclub competition a one horse affair by winning every round clearly to record their sixth successive premiership win. It is obvious that the other clubs will have to recruit well during the winter months if they are to have a chance of matching it with the strong Sandy Bay team.

<u>Final Premiership Points:</u>	Sandy Bay	84
	Eastern Suburbs	66½
	O.V.A.	56
	Northern Suburbs	46½
	Veterans	14

There were a number of highlights during the interclub season. These included:-

The conduct of rounds one and two as twilight meetings. Weather conditions were not always the best but the experiment was worthwhile.

The opening of the new pavilion to house the announcer and recorders. Certainly the former appreciates the new surroundings and the recorders were able to work more efficiently with increased comfort. The pavilion will also eventually house photo finish equipment.

The respective victories of Paul Blackaby and Kent Rayner in the Lionel Skeggs and Tas Bevis Memorial Races held as part of round 7. Rayner's run in particular was a courageous effort.

State record breaking performances by -

Patrick Kaufman	Senior 3000 metres steeple	9 min. 2.5 s.
	Senior 2000 metres	5 min. 23.5 s.
John McMurray	Junior 2000 metres steeple	6 min. 02.5 s.
Anthony Baker	Sub Junior high jump	1.97m
Gary Bissett	Sub Junior 5000 metres	14 min. 42.5 s.
	Sub Junior 3000 metres	8 min. 28.6 s.
David Ashcroft	Juvenile 100 yards	10.6 s.
David Huxley	Senior Hammer Throw	61.44m
Paul Harwood	Senior/Junior Javelin	66.0m

To the dedicated group of capable, hard working officials who week after week gave up their free time to engage in the often thankless task of conducting the sport, the Branch owes a big debt of gratitude.

SOUTHERN ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARD

Through the sponsorship fo A.J. Connor and Company, a weekly award was presented throughout the track and field season to the athlete adjudged as the athlete of the week in interclub competition. The awards were not only presented to the champion athlete but also to those athletes whose performances at any level of competition were considered meritorious.

At the conclusion of the season, Paul Harwood (Northern Suburbs) was selected as the Athlete of the Year for his fine 66.0 metre javelin throw, which broke the State senior and junior records.

We thank Connors and Mr. Barry McLeod for the part they played in presenting this award.

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

SOUTHERN ALL SCHOOLS TITLES Saturday and Sunday October 25th and 26th

Blessed by superb weather, these championships, traditionally the first meeting of the season were held after the Independent Schools this year.

The result of this allocation of dates was, as expected, not conducive to a good support by schools.

The reason for the alteration was brought about by the new building being constructed at our headquarters and in consequence the public address system and other communications were not available and in retrospect the decision not to go ahead with the meeting as the first of the season was a wise one.

This year, 66 schools provided 560 individual entries in an extended programme because more field events were added and more distance events for girls were included in the programme. The old 150 m. distances were abandoned.

Saturday was a good day's competition with excellent fields but Sunday was a disappointment with numerous scratchings resulting in the cancellation of the majority of heats.

However, the depth of performance was quite satisfactory - 37 records were broken and this speaks rather highly for the calibre of athletes competing.

The whole programme was efficiently run and the officials did a very good job again.

The Shell Oil Company again sponsored the programme and provided funds to print entry forms, certificates and programmes. The company also offered a number of Merit Badges for outstanding performances for both boys and girls across all age groups and 16 athletes were recipients of these.

SOUTHERN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL SPORTS

Excellent weather conditions on October the 11th saw some outstanding performances in the combined sports at the Centre.

The most brilliant competitor in relation to school performance was St. Virgils College athlete, David Ashcroft, who won 5 events - 100, 200, 400, High Jump, Long Jump and then anchored his school winning relay team.

Keryn Nylander (Fahan) did well by winning the 100 and 200 and breaking the long jump record in her age group.

Simone Solomon (St. Mary's) gave an excellent display of middle distance running by taking 12 seconds off the under 14 800 m. event and then set an inaugural record in the open 1500 m.

In girls events, 6 new, 2 inaugural and 2 equal records were set in track and 8 new field records established.

The boys set 8 new and equal 2 track records and 8 new field records. St. Virgils set up an early lead and held that for the entire programme but Hutchins always looked capable of upsetting the titleholders.

Sacred Heart went ahead in the early events and were never in danger of defeat.

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

SOUTHERN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL SPORTS (Cont.)

Final points:

<u>Boys</u>		<u>Girls</u>	
1. St. Virgils	657	1. Sacred Heart	333
2. Hutchins	630	2. Collegiate	268½
3. Dominic	415	3. Fahan	261
4. Friends'	366	4. St. Mary's	212½
		5. Friends'	189½
		6. Dominic	185
		7. Mt. Carmel	183½

STATE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

It was expected that a close tussle would ensue between St. Patricks College and St. Virgils in the boys and Marian College and Sacred Heart in the girls.

The predictions proved correct as 11 points separated the two boys schools and a mere 1½ points the two girls colleges.

As a comment, the programme for this prestigious event is too tight. There is no provision for breaks in the programme and if problems do occur, it is impossible to catch up. The organisers need to review this aspect of an excellent days athletics.

Again, the outstanding performer was David Ashcroft. He repeated his 5 southern wins. This young athlete has the right background for athletics. His father, John was a former record and title holder in State events and his mother, the former Denise Skeggs was a brilliant young sprinter.

Boys set 9 records and equalled 2 while the girls set an incredible 23 new marks!

Gail Millar (Marian College) had an excellent day. She broke records in the 100 m. long jump and shot put and by running a superb second leg of the relay set her team up for a sub 50 seconds relay record.

Results: Final Scores

<u>Boys</u>		<u>Girls</u>	
1. St. Patricks	409	<u>Division 1</u>	
2. St. Virgils	398	1. Marian College	294½
3. Hutchins	347	2. Sacred Heart	293
4. Scotch/Oakburn	269	3. Scotch/Oakburn	240½
5. Grammar	264	4. Fahan	237½
6. Marist	244	5. Collegiate	197½
7. Friends'	207	6. St. Mary's	192
8. Dominic	179	7. Broadland House	181
		<u>Division 2</u>	
		1. Marist	221
		2. Friends'	183½
		3. Mt. Carmel	165½
		4. Dominic	155½
		5. Grammar	151½

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

3RD INTRA STATE HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

This event was again organised by Alan McCreary and in contrast to the previous year, the competition was much closer and it was good to see that the North West Association provided a far greater number of competitors than they did previously.

The Tasmanian Amateur Athletic Association trophy was won by the Northern team who were excellently coached and performed very well in relays. In the girls competition, this was won by the South East region.

This meeting will grow in stature and in a few years should hopefully rival the standard evidenced in the Independent School Sports. It could be possible that a representative team might travel to Interstate competition in future years. With this kind of incentive available to athletes then the performances will surely lift.

2ND COCA COLA TASMANIAN ALL SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

These were held on the 8th November at the Centre in very good conditions and demonstrated that there is a depth of talent within this State which has to be nurtured and brought along quietly in order that the overall standard of athletics in the State can be lifted. There is no doubt that the raw potential is there and if this can be worked on by judicious coaching then the performance of Tasmanians at National level will be noted in a few years to come.

45 schools sent representatives to these sports and the programme was very tight and ran from 10.30 and concluded at 5.20 with the relays.

The stars of the meeting were Gail Millar (Marian College) and Anthony Baker (Hutchins) who were named athletes of the meeting.

Gail was outstanding, breaking records in the four events in which she took part - the Under 19, 100, 200 and 400 metres and the shot put.

Anthony Baker added 1 cm to Steven Knott's State U17 record when he cleared 1.95 metres to win the U17 high jump. At the conclusion of the meeting a State team was named to take part in the Australian All Schools Championships in Sydney on December 13th and 14th.

Members of the Southern Branch who were named in that team were David Ashcroft, Adam Clay, Gary Bissett, Peter Sherwood, Anthony Baker, Richard Carter, Matthew Fisher, Robert Johnston and the girls were Simone Solomon, Julie Hooper, Lisa Wood, Marie Johnson, Marion Priest, Gillian Dalton, Robbie Marshall.

It should be recorded that in the girls events & there are only U15, U17 & U19, Divisions', 20 records were broken whilst the boys broke 17.

NORTH vs SOUTH

Held on Saturday 6th December, this event was a fairly good indication of the relative strength of the North West, North and South in open competition.

Unfortunately, there is always some slight disagreement in relation to the point scoring situation, the number of events that competitors may enter and the weight of implements. This is not conducive to harmonious relations and it would be hoped that in future events these points of disagreement might be settled.

However, competition was very keen during the day and the very long programme commencing at 10.00 and concluding at 5.00 saw some very close contests and some very interesting interbranch rivalry.

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

NORTH vs SOUTH (Cont.)

Unlike last year, the Southern Branch was well represented by officials and there could be no real concern in relation to this as there was last year.

There are two separate competitions on the day for men's Branches and in the Senior Cup where competition is confined to seniors, junior (U20) and sub-juniors (U17), the northern team scored 361 points to defeat the South with 338 points. In the White City Cup for Under age competitors there is a three way contest between the North, South and North West for U15, U14, U13 and U12 competitors, the final scores were North 239, South 184, North-West 79.

Congratulations are offered to the Northern Branch on winning both of these trophies because they were well organised and had athletes who were prepared to compete in the number of events.

THE ALCOA CHALLENGE SERIES

On Sunday January the 11th, the Branch was pleased to join with the Little Athletics Association of Tasmania in presenting an excellent programme. During the course of the day the Little Athletes performed very well and showed their excellent organisation of events and it is hopeful that this type of dual competition will continue in the future.

The meeting was highlighted by a magnificent performance by Peter Gandy from New South Wales who set a new Australian 200m record when he defeated Bruce Frayne from South Australia in the time of 20.3 seconds. Frayne recorded 20.4 and Paul Blackaby established a new Tasmanian record with a superb 21.3. No where in Australia could be seen a better event and it was greeted with delight when the Australian time was announced.

There were several other fine performances and one of these was the State 3000 metres U17 record being broken by Gary Bissett who ran 8 minutes 28.6 seconds. To add a little more interest to the competition, a rather rare event nowadays, the 100 yards was organised and again Peter Gandy was too fast for his rivals Frayne and Blackaby and recorded a 9.6 seconds which in old terms was 4 yds. inside even time.

Because of the performances by Gandy, he was named Athlete of the meet and deservedly won a magnificent silver salver donated by the Alcoa Company.

At the conclusion of the meeting it was very pleasing to hear the promotor of the meeting indicate that the afternoon's competition was as good as he had seen in Australia and this reflects very creditably on the officials we were using that afternoon.

PENTATHLON

Again the Southern Branch was asked to conduct this event and did so by combining it with a City of Hobart championships series which were run over slightly differing events from normal where 100 yards and mile events were the highlights of the meeting.

The entries in this year's events were up on last year although for some unknown reason this event does not attract as many athletes as it should do because it is after all only five events and is a very good lead up to the decathlon held later on in the season.

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

PENTATHLON (Cont.)

The City of Hobart championships saw some good performances but there were a number of scratchings and the actual number of entries was for all intents and purposes most disappointing.

It is hoped that these titles will be continued in the future and that greater support will be given by local athletes in order that they gain further experience and more days of competition which can only help to improve their standards.

THE SHELL/CHARLES HANSEN NATIONAL U17 MEETING

The Branch was delighted to be hosts to this event this year.

The sponsors Shell organised a most successful pre-event welcoming function at the Westside Motel where all teams gathered, in uniform and were welcomed and presented with mementoes of their selection in these championships.

The organisers of the event were most grateful for the very ready assistance given by a number of people who acted as liaison officers and to the officials who again did a first rate job in what must be described as a most successful meeting.

The standard of competition as would be expected, was excellent and indicated the depth of talent we have in this country.

New South Wales won the competition with a solid all round performance. 10 Tasmanian allcomers records were broken.

The highlight for Tasmania would have to be the dual win by Tasmanian Captain, Gary Bissett, who took out the 800 and 1500 events and he is to be congratulated on this performance.

DECATHLON AND HEPTATHLON

For the first time this year the Heptathlon event was conducted for our female athletes and the Branch was pleased to be the first to host this competition.

Once again, the Branch arranged for the Little Athletics Association to run events for their members and special events were put on for members of the Southern Branch.

There is no doubt that the Little Athletics Association took this event most seriously and that the athletes of the Southern Branch deserve some condemnation, in fact, for their lack of support for those events which were put on for them. In the decathlon, entries were not as good as expected - in fact 7 senior, 5 juniors and 2 sub-juniors made up the total fields. The heptathlon was even more disappointing - 3 seniors, 1 junior and 1 sub-junior was all that could be mustered and this is just not good enough for the multiple events which should deserve a great deal more support than they receive at this present stage.

It is interesting to record the results of the heptathlon, the first one of these events to be held in this State and it saw Jocelyn Millar from Riverside win from Susan Johnson from Eastern Suburbs with Victorian competitor Gayle Anderson coming home in third position. As this was an inaugural event Jocelyn's score of 5,023 points stands as a State record. In the junior event Catherine Denis won that event again with a very good point score of 4,533 and in the sub-junior competition Amanda Coombe from Eastern Suburbs scored 2,274 points.

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

TASMANIA v SOUTH AUSTRALIA v VICTORIA MATCH

The annual match was conducted in Melbourne on 25th January, 1981 in extremely hot and humid conditions. The temperature reached 42.7 degrees (cel.) during competition and adversely affected the performances of competitors, particularly those who had to compete in more than one event. Nevertheless all athletes performed up to their standard in all events with David Huxley (Hammer Throw), Pat Kaufman (Steeplechase), David Conley (800 metres) and David Smith (3000 metres) turning in the best performances of the day.

RESULTS OF S.A.A.B. ATHLETES -

100 metres	P. Blackaby	10.9	7th
200 metres	P. Blackaby	21.7	4th
400 metres	R. Fay	51.1	5th
800 metres	D. Conley	1.54.1	3rd
	M. Bucher	1.55.3	4th
1500 metres	P. Kaufman	4.23.1	6th
3000 metres	D. Smith	8.27.0	2nd
3000 metres Walk	K. Green	15.58.1	5th
4 x 100 relay		44.5	4th
High Jump	P. Sherwood	1.90	3rd
	A. Baker	1.85	7th
Long Jump	G. Appleyard	6.29	5th
	P. Sherwood	6.19	6th
Triple Jump	G. Appleyard	13.38	6th
	P. Sherwood	12.83	7th
Pole Vault	G. Stowards	3.70	5th
Shot Put	I. Murray	13.50	4th
Discus	I. Murray	46.04	3rd
	K. Henry	35.12	6th

THE BENDER'S REAL ESTATE TASMANIAN TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Although the responsibility of organising this event was not undertaken by the Southern Branch, the majority of officials certainly came from our Branch and the organising committee comprised mostly Southern organisers.

These championships for the first time were most generously sponsored by Mr. Ray Bender and it is hoped that this support can be continued into the future. It is understood that Mr. Bender was extremely pleased with the publicity which preceded the titles and was also impressed by the television coverage which came from both Channel and TVT6.

The titles were held on February 28th and 1st and 2nd March and included all women's events over the three days which was a major success.

The first two days of competition were held under ideal weather conditions but the third day, the Monday, was a disaster in terms of weather. It absolutely poured during the mid portion of the day and competition had to be suspended for a short time. However, the value of a synthetic track certainly showed when events did continue despite the very heavy downpour and the water which lay on the track.

Once again, tribute must be paid to the officials who did such an excellent job over the three days. It is a most onerous task to give up so much time and to concentrate for such a period of time and yet I can recall only a couple of decisions which might have been queried. It is fairly easy to sit in the stand and make judgements on time keeping and judging but it's a very much more difficult job when one is right at the centre of the action. I have no doubt that our officials are as good as any in Australia.

BRANCH REPORTS - SOUTH (Cont.)

THE BENDER'S REAL ESTATE TASMANIAN TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS (Cont.)

It was most pleasing to welcome as competitors a very large contingent of athletes from New South Wales. The clubs, St. George, Sunderland and Northern Suburbs had approximately 35 athletes here for the weekend and their most generous comments in relation to the organisation of the meeting were noted by officials with a great deal of pleasure.

There were some excellent performances during the three days and one of the highlights would have to be the brilliant performance by Southern athlete Brett Allender who as a junior won both the senior and junior 100 metres championships. Two other performances of note were those of Peter Brasher from Newstead who for the fourth year in succession won the prestigious 1500 metres event and the women's events were highlighted by a great performance by Sally Whiteway of Devon who won the 3 senior sprint events in very convincing fashion.

The only club competition which does take place in these championships is for the Hobart Harrier Club Cup. This is awarded for senior events only on the basis of 3 points for first, 2 for second and one for third and was won by Sandy Bay comfortably from Northern Suburbs and Eastern Suburbs.

NATIONAL TRACK & FIELD TITLES

The National Titles were held in Adelaide from 19-22nd March, 1980 at the Olympic Sports Field. In a pleasing overall performance Tasmanian athletes, men and women, collected eleven medals.

RESULTS BY SOUTHERN ATHLETES -

- Paul Harwood - confirmed his potential with a silver medal in the junior javelin, throwing 64.14 metres. Paul finished seventh in the senior javelin.
- Steven Knott - followed up his medal in the Pacific Conference Games with a silver medal in the long jump. Once again he was able to lift himself for the big occasion with a leap of 7.71 metres. Withdrew from the high jump at 1.95 metres to finish 10th.
- Brett Allender - Unfortunately strained a hamstring muscle which hampered his performances. Semi finalist in the Junior 200 metres and finalist in the 100 metres for the second year in succession.
- Paul Blackaby - Another sprinter unable to perform at his best because of injury. Was unplaced in 100 metres heat but made semi finals in both the 200 and 400.
- John McMurray - finished 5th in a too large field of 16 in the junior 2000 metres steeplechase.
- Ian Murray - returned to State team representation with solid performances in the shot (6th) and discus (8th).
- Pat Kaufman - After a 'big' season on the track was disappointingly put out of action by an ankle injury incurred on the day of competition.

BRANCH REPORTS (Cont.)

NORTH WEST

The President - Mr. Les. Gore tendered his resignation in February and same was accepted with regret. The Branch has functioned without a President since, and has just managed a quorum at meetings by accepting the women's Clubs delegates to the Committee.

Registrations for the season were down in numbers, Burnie/Wynyard 69 (1 down), Ulverstone 62 (8 up) managed to keep on a par with previous season, but Devon 48 (45 down) showed a very disappointing decrease. In all there were 41 O/12 - 28 U/12 Burnie/Wynyard; 28 O/12 - 34 U/12 Ulverstone; 24 O/12 - 24 U/12 Devon at the time of registering, total 179. Officials registered numbered twenty seven.

Cross Country was conducted each Sunday, rotating venues around the three areas. Fifty one registered during this period and there was a good attendance of athletes each week. Special events included State teams Title at Penguin, Forth Triangle, Wynyard to Burnie and the East Devonport Circuit for the perpetual trophies. The three latter events were all handicapped.

The North West Schoolchildrens Championships, sponsored by the Examiner Newspaper opened the track season, at the Devonport Oval on 18th October and from that date each Saturday combined competition was conducted at Ulverstone, on a point scoring system. Each week attendances excelled and this kept the organisers well occupied in seeing the programmes ran to schedule.

The Carnivals were well patronised, namely (1) Burnie Pageant where only Coastal Clubs competed on a club basis, for the positions to receive portions of the \$500 Government grant, all events were championships; (2) The Professional Carnival at Ulverstone, events conducted by Amateur Officials were for older athletes only; and (3) Forth Carnival included events for all age groups. At the latter two venues all events were handicaps.

Ulverstone conducted an age Championship meeting on the Monday holiday in January which proved most successful with representation from some of the other State Clubs giving the competition a lift.

Coastal Championships were all held at Ulverstone over three days in February. Certificates were presented to the first three place getters in all events.

Coastal representation at the Triangular meet and the State Championships was very limited. Travelling and accommodation expenses perhaps being the main reason for athletes not making themselves available for selection.

NORTH

This season has again been one of concern with the problem of a suitable ground. It is pleasing to note that the Northern Athletic Centre Board established to negotiate for an Athletic Centre reports that work has commenced on the track at St. Leonards.

Two major events have occurred since our last annual report:

1. The Branch appreciates the co-operation of the Northern Womens Combined Clubs whereby five combined programmes were held during the season with the possibility of a totally combined programme for the coming year.
2. It is also noted that a new Association has been formed in Tasmania to control Athletics - to be known as The Amateur Athletic Association of Tasmania and the Branch looks forward to the combining of the Men's and Women's Clubs in the Northern area.

BRANCH REPORTS - NORTH (Cont.)

The Branch Committee has met regularly and has had regular representation at the Association meetings.

The Branch expresses its congratulation to the Athletes for the achievements gained in the various State competitions and, in particular, at the Australian and State Championships.

CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

A successful 1980 Cross Country Season commenced on 5th April and concluded with Trophy Night on 4th October.

Sincere appreciation is placed on record of the work of Mr. Ian Stocks who for a number of years largely carried the responsibility of Cross Country, and who following the 1979 Season resigned from the Cross Country Committee.

It is pleasing to see the number who compete on either a regular or spasmodic basis; the number of girls competing is also on the increase.

Winners of N.A.A.B. races were:

24th May (Launceston to Longford)

N. Woods (Senior 21 km)	D. Thomas (Junior 11.8 km)
A. Flanagan (Under 15 3.2 km)	D. Sweet (Under 13 1.6 km)
F. Harper (Girls 1.6 km)	

7th June (Cross Country Titles)

S. Patchett (Senior 12 km)	D. Thomas (Junior 8 km)
A. Henricks (Juvenile Under 15 Under 13 4 km)	
S. Moore (Girls 4 km)	

28th June (Malvern Handicap)

Doris Feier (Senior 6.4 km)
P. Scott (Under 15 3.2 km)
D. McGillivray (Under 13 1.6 km)
D. Bantick (Girls 1.6 km)

26th July (Perth to Newstead)

D. Cox (Senior 15 km)	I. Sweet (Junior 6.4 km)
M. Petterwood (Juvenile Under 15 Under 13 2.4 km)	
E. Harper (Girls 2.4 km)	

23rd August (NAAB Road Titles)

P. Brasher (Senior 15.00 km)	D. Thomas (Junior 8.22 km)
A. Henricks (Under 15 3.2 km)	G. Nicholas (Under 13 1.6 km)

State Representatives

Congratulations to the following who represented Tasmania as members of the State Cross Country Team at the Australian Championships held at Melbourne on Saturday, 6th September:

Derek Thomas	Newstead
Kurt Geier	Newstead
Robert Gillard	North Launceston

TRACK AND FIELD SEASON REPORT

The 1980/81 Track Season has once again seen keen competition and fine performances from the four affiliated clubs.

Club duties at Interclub meetings were handled responsibly although the lack of officials needs to be rectified.

The drop in underage competitors is disturbing, and all clubs should continue to promote athletics in their areas to arrest this decline. Greater club liaison with Little Athletics must be encouraged to aid transition into senior ranks.

BRANCH REPORTS - NORTH (Cont.)

TRACK AND FIELD SEASON REPORT (Cont.)

Clubs should endeavour to retain present members in addition to recruiting new ones to maintain and increase NAAB registrations.

NORTHERN SECONDARY SCHOOLS TITLES

These Championships were held at Grammar on Sunday, 26th October. The date was later than normal, being held after the Northern and State Independent Schools Sports, and the entries were reduced considerably with only 122 competitors. However, the standard was maintained with 26 new records, although 7 of these were from events held for the first time.

Athletes of the meet were:

Girls Track	M. Whayman (KM)	Boys Track	G. Tudor (LCC)
Girls Field	J. Abraham (KM)	Boys Field	P. Bayes (KM)

NORTHERN INTERCLUB 1980/81

Twelve Interclub rounds were conducted during the past Track Season. Most of them were at Churchill Park, however, four meetings were held in conjunction with the Women at York Park.

The final results in the Men's Competition were as follows:

G.L. Boon Shield (A.B.C.D.)

North Launceston	6,873 points
Newstead	2,453 points
Tamar	2,106 points
Riverside	1,265 points

Moore Cup (Under 15)

North Launceston	1,616.5 points
Tamar	721.5 points
Newstead	540.5 points
Riverside	375.5 points

Mansell Shield - Interclub Premiers (Aggregate)

North Launceston	8489.5
Newstead	2993.5
Tamar	2827.5
Riverside	1640.5

Senior Athlete of the Year

Robert Gillard (NL)	69 points
Graham Tudor (T)	57 points
Brian Roe (R) (R)	42 points
J. Venn (NL)	40 points

Under 15 Athlete of the Year

P. Nankevuis (R)	69 points
T. Donald (NL)	53 points
S. Leslie (NL)	53 points
R. Brent (R)	49 points

Senior Top Points Scorer

Brian Roe	660 points
Tony Donald (Runner-up)	634 points

Under 15 years Top Points Scorer

Tony Donald	305 points
Paul Nankervis (Runner-up)	238.5 points

NAAB Handicap Events

Howard 100 metres	M. Nunn (NHC)
Harris 200 metres	A. Goss (NL)
N.H.C. 1 Mile Cup	R. Gillard (NL)
G. Boon 3000 metres	W. Seen (NL)
NAAB High Jump	E. Djakic (NL)
NAAB Discus	E. Djakic (NL)
Under 15 NAAB 200 metres	C. Boon (NHC)
Under 15 NAAB Long Jump	A. Scott (T)

BRANCH REPORTS - NORTH (Cont.)

NORTHERN INTERCLUB 1980/81 (Cont.)

The Bob Simmons Memorial Trophy

This Trophy, in the form of a shield, is presented to the fastest 1600 metre Relay Team at Interclub Meetings. This year Tamar Club won the Shield with an all Junior Team consisting of Grant Wilson, David Preece, Graham Tudor and Craig French. Their time of 3 minutes 28.3 seconds was a Northern Junior Record.

Twilight Meetings were successful and afforded good competition. The meeting in early February proved most popular and the combined programmes at York Park were favourably received.

COCA COLA TASMANIAN ALL SCHOOLS (Domain, Hobart 8th November, 1980)

Northern Athletes won sixteen Gold medals at these championships. Murat Djakic broke the Under 19 400 metres Hurdles record, running 56.4. He added the Long Jump (6.19 metres) to make a fine double. Tony Donald was the only other northerner to put his name in the records, equalling the Under 15 Long Jump record with a leap of 5.87 metres. He also added the Javelin and Triple Jump victories to his tally. Others to take out championships were Tim Rundle (100 metres and 200 metres), Grant Wilson (400 metres), Quentin King (Hammer Throw), Vincent Males (100 metres and 200 metres), Graham Tudor (110 metres Hurdles), Dominic Barber (Javelin), Emil Djakic (Hammer Throw, Pole Vault) and Aubrey Henricks (1500 metres).

NORTH vs SOUTH

The Annual Intrastate clash was held at the Domain on Saturday, 6th December, in warm and pleasant conditions.

A bus was chartered and a great number of athletes availed themselves of this innovation. The Northern team despite a few absentees performed creditably to win both competitions thus reversing last season's senior result.

Senior:	North	361 points	South:	338 points
Juvenile:	North	239 points	South:	184 points
			Nth West:	79 points

AUSTRALIAN ALL SCHOOLS TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS Sydney, 13th & 14th December, 1980

Tim Rundle was named Captain of the State Schoolboys Team to compete at the Australian All Schools Championships. Other members selected from the North were Grant Wilson (T), Murat Djakic (NL), Vincent Males (NL), Graham Tudor (T), Tony Donald (NL) and Dominic Barber (NL).

The outstanding Northern athlete at the Championships was Murat Djakic who finished second in the Under 19 Decathlon only 102 points behind the winner, with a score of 5,679 points. His silver medal was the only medal won by a Northern athlete at a competition affected by a very strong wind on the second day.

STATE MULTIPLE EVENT TITLES

North's domination of these events in recent years ended this season although John Venn and Murat Djakic (NL) were successful in winning the sub-junior and junior pentathlon titles respectively.

NAAAB athletes were in fact quite prominent in the entries for the pentathlon which was held on Sunday, 7th December, following North vs South. The fields for the decathlon had only four Northern competitors included amongst them.

Dale Combe in the juniors was the only NAAB athlete to win a medal.

BRANCH REPORTS - NORTH (Cont.)

SHELL CHARLES HANSEN COMPETITION

The National Under 17 competition was held in Hobart on Saturday, 17th and Sunday 18th January. Gary Bissett (SB) was captain and Graham Tudor (Tamar) was vice captain.

Northern members of the team were James McCracken, Alister Howard and Robert Kay (Newstead); Dominic Barber, John Venn, Vincent Males, Emil Djakic and Julian McGee (North Launceston) with Frank Nott as Manager.

ULVERSTONE CARNIVAL

Once again a number of Northern athletes competed successfully at Ulverstone on Monday 26th January. Placegetters were as follows:

Under 15	A. Henricks (NL)	Eq. First	23 points
Under 17	J. Venn (NL)	First	25 points
	J. McCracken (N)	Second	22 points
	J. Howard (NL)	Third	13 points
Under 19	R. Gillard (NL)	First	24 points
Senior	G. Clark (NL)	First	21 points

SOUTH AUSTRALIA v VICTORIA v TASMANIA Olympic Park, Melbourne, 26th January, 1981

Five Northern athletes were chosen to compete in this annual match between the three south eastern states. Owing to the very hot day, with the temperature around the 40^o mark, performances were not quite up to standard. It was also disappointing that Victoria didn't enter its best athletes, which further lowered the standard of competition. Peter Brasher withdrew due to injury before the team left, Graham Tudor (T), Brooke Alexander, Tony Szolomiak, Murat Djakic (North Launceston) all competed. Graham Tudor ran a creditable 16.0 sec. for the 110 metres Hurdles, while Murat's 56.3 for the 400 metres Hurdles was very commendable. Mr. C.A. Wise from Hobart was Team Manager.

NORTHERN PENTATHLON TITLES

The Sanders Northern Pentathlon Championships were conducted at Churchill Park on 31st January, 1981.

Records were set by Murat Djakic (NL) in winning the senior title. His score of 2,859 points broke the existing northern senior and junior records.

John Venn's (NL) total of 2,650 points in the sub junior competition was also a new record.

Results:

<u>Under 12</u>		
1.	M. Petterwood (N)	717 points

<u>Under 15</u>		
1.	G. Murfett (T)	1793 points
2.	A. Hendricks (NL)	1065 points
3.	P. Clancy (N)	916 points

<u>Under 13</u>		
1.	P. Nankervis (R)	1171 points
2.	A. Speers (NL)	936 points

<u>Sub-junior</u>		
1.	John Venn (NL)	2650 points
2.	T. Donald (NL)	2336 points
3.	J. McCracken (N)	2335 points

<u>Under 14</u>		
1.	D. Baldwin (NL)	1594 points
2.	A. Scott (T)	1224 points
3.	T. Baldwin (NL)	1114 points

<u>Junior</u>		
1.	D. Coombe (T)	2212 points
2.	D. Preece (T)	2199 points
3.	R. Gillard (NL)	2186 points

BRANCH REPORTS - NORTH (Cont.)

NORTHERN PENTATHLON TITLES

<u>Senior</u>			
1.	M. Djakic	(NL)	2859 points
2.	G. Clark	(NL)	2457 points
3.	R. Farrell	(T)	2004 points

STATE INTERCLUB

Competition for the E.W. Barwick Shield was held on Sunday, 1st February at the Domain with a new scoring system and using the new Southern Branch rules. The meeting, while producing some good individual performances, was most lopsided for Clubs.

Sandy Bay with almost double the number of competing athletes than any other Club dominated the proceedings and the smaller clubs had absolutely no chance of winning.

NAAB HANDICAP

The NAAB Handicap events held on 4th February, 1981 were enthusiastically contested due to the large number of competitors - especially in the senior section - and also to the close handicapping.

Results:

Senior 100 metres

1.	Michael Nunn	(N)	10.9 sec.
2.	Robert Habel	(N)	
3.	John Venn	(NL)	

Senior 200 metres

1.	Alan Goss	(NL)	21.8
2.	John Hogan	(NL)	
3.	Julian McGee	(NL)	

Senior High Jump

1.	Emil Djakic	(NL)	1.85 m
2.	Paul Clark	(R)	
3.	Steven Cameron	(NL)	

Under 15 - 200 metres

1.	Craig Boon	(N)	25.1
2.	Greg Murfett	(T)	
3.	Paul Clancy	(N)	

Senior Mile

1.	Robert Gillard	(NL)	4:56:8
2.	Ricky Maynard	(NL)	
3.	Warren Seen	(NL)	

Senior 3000 metres

1.	Warren Seen	(NL)	10:29;4
2.	David Flynn	(NL)	
3.	Ricky Maynard	(NL)	

Senior Discus

1.	Emil Djakic	(NL)	48.78
2.	John Venn	(NL)	
3.	D. Davis	(NL)	

Under 15 - Long Jump

1.	A. Scott	(T)	4.72
2.	K. Cowley	(T)	
3.	Greg Murfett	(T)	

NORTHERN TRACK AND FIELD TITLES

The first combined mens and womens Northern Titles were conducted in excellent conditions at York Park on February 21st and 22nd.

The performances of the athletes and an excellent crowd together with the usual dedication shown by officials made the Titles one of the best meetings held in Launceston in recent years.

Sponsorship was obtained from TNT9 enabling the winners of all individual and relay events to receive gold medallions and the placegetters to get certificates.

Events for men were conducted in four age groups only - senior, under 17, under 15 and under 13. Fields were good for most events in the two older age groups, but under age entries as they had been all year were most disappointing.

BRANCH REPORTS - NORTH (Cont.)

NORTHERN TRACK AND FIELD TITLES (Cont.)

The "Athletes of the Meet" were Marianne Hardstaff, Jocelyn Millar and Graham Tudor. Tudor's performance of 55.5 in the 400 metres Hurdles not only created three Northern records, but also matched the standard for the Australian sub junior record.

In all, eighteen records were broken on the two days indicating the high standard of performances. Apart from Tudor's effort, the highlight was probably the 4 x 400 metres relay in which North and Tamar staged a titanic struggle. Each team set a new Northern record, North in Senior and Tamar in Junior.

TASMANIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS Domain - 28th February, 1st and 2nd March

Northern athletes performed creditably at the 1981 State Titles winning 41 championships only two below the best ever total of 43 in 1979. However, the number of placings was well down mainly due to decreased entries in younger age groups.

Placings:

	<u>First</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Third</u>	<u>Total</u>
1978	33	51	30	114
1979	43	42	30	115
1980	39	38	52	129
1981	41	35	36	112

North Launceston was again the most successful club with 26 victories.

Riverside's improvement with 4 wins and 13 placings was noteworthy.

Poor fields in under age track events and the lack of provision for under age throwing events were major disappointments.

North Launceston showed its depth by winning 7 of the 14 relays and being placed in 5 others.

AUSTRALIAN TRACK AND FIELD TITLES

Five Northern men and six women were selected in the Tasmanian team for the National Titles which were held in Adelaide from 19th - 22nd March.

David Preece (T), Graham Tudor (T), Michael Mol (T), Rod McCafferty (R) and Tony Szolomiak (NL) were the athletes chosen, whilst Brian Roe (Manager), Des Hardstaff (Asst. Manager) and Frank Nott (Coach) accompanied the team.

In all, the Tasmanian team won eleven medals at the Titles, four by the men and seven by the women.

Rod McCafferty took third place in the Junior Javelin throwing 59.80 m whilst Michael Mol recorded a similar performance in the Pole Vault clearing 4.20 m. He also finished 6th in the Junior Long Jump (6.96m).

Graham Tudor fought well to finish fifth in the Junior 400m Hurdles, setting a new Sub-junior Australian record of 54.75. David Preece was by no means disgraced in the Junior 400m in which he finished seventh in 48.87.

BRANCH REPORTS - NORTH (Cont.)

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Once again this year the Social Committee formed from each club assisted with the success of the various occasions when the social side of NAAB activities were enjoyed.

One of the highlights of the year was the evening of 15th November at the ABC Bowls Club, Racecourse Crescent, when North Launceston Club stalwart and top Northern sportsman, Brian Baxter was presented with his TAAA Award of Merit by TAAA President, Mr. Graeme Briggs. Forty people attended, with Mr. Briggs informing them of some interesting information regarding the early preparations for the 1982 Commonwealth Games to be held in Brisbane.

Although the Social activities at NAAB level seemed limited over the past year compared to some in the past, all the clubs seemed to increase their activities in this direction with fund raising evenings etc.

At the NAAB Presentation Evening on Saturday 21st February, the Social Committee with the assistance of the clubs organised the supper arrangements which was appreciated by those present.

RECORDS 1980/81

Possibly because of the greater number of competition days held at York Park, track records outnumbered field events this season; a reverse of last year. Perhaps field athletes were disadvantaged to some extent by the uneven run ups for javelin, jumping for distance and the lack of concrete throwing circles. This is borne out by only one triple jump and no javelin records.

36 individual and 3 relay records were equalled or bettered during 1980-81.

With 10 hurdles records to his credit, Graham Tudor of the Tamar Club heads the list (in addition he bettered the Tasmanian Sub-junior 400 Hurdles record and the time standard set by the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia to claim a similar record - not yet ratified).

Murat Djakic (NL) and Philip Clarker (R) three records each; Ross Brent (R), Tony Donald (NL), Tim Baldwin (NL) each with two records headed the best of other record holders.

GRADING

Once again the NAAB grading system have proved its worth. Last season the standard of performance was excellent and competition was keen in all grades. Each week many athletes attained a standard which was sufficient to have them up-graded.

The season ended with an excellent weekend's competition at the Northern Championships. Some of the performances over this weekend made the season's efforts worthwhile and gave great satisfaction to all those who give their spare time to help foster athletics in the North.

REGISTRATIONS

Registrations this season have remained on a par with 1979-80. A total of 182 registrations were received, of these, 58 or 31.8% were new athletes registering with the Branch for the first time. Riverside had the highest new athlete total - 53.33% of its membership; followed by Tamar 36.66%, North Launceston 31.14% and Newstead 28%.

As with last year, Riverside had the largest increase in membership, 36.36%, Tamar improved by 25%, Newstead by 2.7%, but North Launceston was down 19.74% on its high total of last year.

BRANCH REPORTS - NORTH (Cont.)

FINANCE

No special fund raising efforts or functions were conducted by the Branch this season to ease the burden of expenditure. The budget approved, allowed for increase in ground rental and levies as well as an increase in registration fees to the state association. However, it was not expected that the state levy would be three times the budget figure, so it was with some relief that the state waived one third of the levy due to a higher income than was anticipated.

Athletes registration fees to the Branch were increased as was to be expected and this assisted in maintaining a credit balance.

The Branch sincerely thanks the ladies who collected gate and entry fees each week, not forgetting the hard working band of raffle ticket sellers.

Because of a handsome credit balance in a special fund for Mrs. Shirley Brasher, she was again fully covered with her expenses to attend the World Veterans Championships that were held in New Zealand in January this year. There still remains a sizeable balance in this account.

Some equipment was purchased during the season, but expensive pieces such as landing bags have yet to be made, this cannot be done unless some funding arrangement can be made.

FINANCE

This season's budget was, as usual, a break even one and although this was almost the case (an excess of receipts over payments of \$384 in an amount of \$47,000 could be consider break even). The many items were well out. Some occasioned by the fact that council decided to take over the organisation of all intrastate, interstate and international meetings, others by the formation of the new Association, and various other reasons. The Intrastate and Interstate meetings netted a profit of \$4,450 a very handsome amount allowing the levies on the branches to be cut by a third, the stock of uniforms to be built up and a levy to be paid to the A.A.A. of Tasmania to enable it to function in the formative months before income starts to be received.

The Handbook showed a loss of \$272 only, due to \$250 sponsorship by the ANZ Bank, but they are so useful that this is not considered to be too costly. A major feature, of course, was the cost of the Pavilion \$28,192, plus \$732 for furniture. This expenditure was covered by Donations from the Southern Branch, transfer from investments and payments from the No.2 Account but some endeavour must be made to recoup a large percentage of this.

The Tasmanian Government again generously made two grants of \$4000. One to offset the cost of hiring the Domain Athletic Centre and the other to assist athletes who competed in the Australian Track and Field Championships this being distributed in proportion to all members of the mens and womens teams.

Overall the year has been quite a good one in which to wind up the Tasmanian Amateur Athletic Association.

APPRECIATION

The Tasmanian Government continued to support amateur athletics in the most practical manner by making two \$4000 grants as detailed above. This generosity is greatly appreciated, as is that of the various companies who have assisted with sponsorship - Coca Cola Bottlers, Adidas, The Shell Company and the ANZ Bank which assisted with the Handbook.

The Branch committees, various sub committees of the Association, the officials of state teams have all contributed by carrying out their respective duties effectively and efficiently.

As always all sections of the media have been most generous in the publicity given to athletics. Unfortunately with the withdrawal of the Mars Sponsorship the media Awards presented last year could not be continued, but hopefully they may be reinstated some time in the future.

To all others who have assisted during the last year and all the other seventy nine of the Tasmanian Amateur Athletic Associations existence sincere and grateful thanks is extended.

On behalf of the Council

N. J. RUDDOCK,
HON. SECRETARY.

1980/81 RANKING LISTS

All listed performances were made in Tasmania. The key to the venues is:-

DAC Domain Athletic Centre, Hobart
 YP York Park, Launceston
 CP Churchill Park, Launceston
 LCG Launceston Church Grammar School

Age groups: Junior (J) Under 20; Sub Junior (SJ) Under 17; Juvenile (Juv.) Under 17.
 The performances in brackets alongside the first and last ranking is the relative one for last season.

100 METRES

10.7 sec.	(10.6)	B. Allender	(SB)	DAC	J	2.3.81
10.8 sec.		P. Blackaby	(ES)	DAC		6.12.80
		R. Fay	(SB)	DAC		2.3.81
		S. Knott	(ES)	DAC		2.3.81
10.9 sec.		P. Parsons	(Devon)	DAC	J	2.3.81
11.0 sec.		T. Rundie	(N)	YP		30.11.80
		S. Morley	(ES)	DAC		2.3.81
		M. Schulze	(N)	DAC		2.3.81
		M. Graney	(SB)	DAC		2.3.81
11.2		R. Habel	(N)	DAC	SJ	8.11.80
		D. Preece	(T)	DAC	J	1.2.81
		E. Tudor	(T)	DAC	SJ	2.3.81
	(11.1)	W. Mason	(ES)	DAC		2.3.81

100 YARDS

9.6 sec.		P. Gandy	(NSW)	DAC		11.1.81
9.7 sec.		B. Frayne	(SA)	DAC		11.1.81
10.0 sec.		P. Blackaby	(ES)	DAC		11.1.81

200 METRES

21.3 sec.	(21.6)	P. Blackaby	(ES)	DAC		11.1.81
21.9 sec.		P. Parsons	(Devon)	DAC	J	11.1.81
		D. Preece	(T)	DAC	J	14.2.81
22.0 sec.		B. Allender	(SB)	DAC	J	1.3.81
22.3 sec.		R. Habel	(N)	DAC	SJ	1.3.81
22.4 sec.		S. Morley	(ES)	DAC		14.2.81
22.5 sec.		R. Fay	(SB)	DAC		1.2.81
		P. Gore	(B/W)	DAC	J	1.3.81
22.6 sec.		M. Graney	(SB)	DAC		20.12.80
		M. Schulze	(N)	DAC		28.2.81
	(22.6)	J. O'Loughlin	(OVA)	DAC	J	1.3.81

400 METRES

48.8 sec.	(48.8)	D. Preece	(T)	DAC	J	2.3.81
		P. Blackaby	(ES)	DAC		21.2.81
49.0 sec.		B. Alexander	(NL)	DAC	J	1.3.81
49.2 sec.		J. O'Loughlin	(OVA)	DAC	J	1.3.81
49.4 sec.		G. Wilson	(T)	DAC	J	1.3.81
49.5 sec.		G. Cayzer	(ES)	DAC		7.2.81
49.6 sec.		R. Fay	(SB)	DAC		13.12.80
49.7 sec.		S. Knott	(ES)	DAC		1.3.81
49.9 sec.		M. Bucher	(OVA)	DAC		22.11.80
50.3 sec.		P. Gore	(B/W)	DAC	J	8.11.80
	(50.8)	B. Allender	(SB)	DAC	J	3.1.81

800 METRES

1 min. 53.0 sec. (1m 52.6)	P. Kaufman	(OVA)	DAC		1.2.81
1 min. 53.4 sec.	D. Conley	(OVA)	DAC		3.1.81
1 min. 54.0 sec.	P. Brasher	(N)	DAC		3.1.81
1 min. 54.2 sec.	G. Bissett	(SB)	DAC	SJ	3.1.81
1 min. 54.4 sec.	M. Bucher	(OVA)	DAC		3.1.81
1 min. 55.9 sec.	S. Phillips	(N)	YP		22.2.81
1 min. 56.0 sec.	R. Robinson	(OVA)	DAC		6.12.80
1 min. 56.7 sec.	S. Halley	(Devon)	DAC		7.10.80
1 min. 57.0 sec.	M. Fisher	(OVA)	DAC	SJ	14.2.81
1 min. 57.1 sec. (1m 56.7)	R. Foley	(NS)	DAC	J	14.2.81

1500 METRES

3 min. 52.5 sec. (3m 46.4)	P. Brasher	(N)	DAC		1.3.81
3 min. 53.7 sec.	D. Conley	(OVA)	DAC		1.3.81
3 min. 55.8 sec.	P. Kaufman	(OVA)	DAC		20.12.80
3 min. 56.0 sec.	G. Bissett	(SB)	DAC	SJ	17.1.81
3 min. 58.5 sec.	D. Smith	(SB)	DAC		15.11.80
3 min. 59.3 sec.	S. Phillips	(N)	YP		21.2.81
4 min. 02.4 sec.	R. Foley	(NS)	DAC	J	21.10.80
4 min. 02.6 sec.	L. Whitton	(NS)	DAC	J	28.2.81
4 min. 02.8 sec.	P. Lamont	(SB)	DAC		21.2.81
4 min. 03.5 sec. (4m 00.7)	G. Cronley	(SB)	DAC		7.2.81

5000 METRES

14 min. 33.4 sec. (14m 13.9)	D. Smith	(SB)	DAC		1.2.81
14 min. 34.5 sec.	K. Rayner	(SB)	DAC		13.12.80
14 min. 36.5 sec.	P. Kaufman	(OVA)	DAC		12.12.80
14 min. 42.5 sec.	G. Bissett	(SB)	DAC	SJ	7.3.81
14 min. 46.7 sec.	C. Anderson	(ES)	DAC		1.2.81
14 min. 55.9 sec.	P. Brasher	(N)	YP		22.2.81
15 min. 00.2 sec.	R. Foley	(NS)	DAC	J	7.10.80
15 min. 1.9 sec.	D. Cronley	(OVA)	DAC		14.2.81
15 min. 28.1 sec.	R. Gillard	(NL)	CP	J	14.2.81
15 min. 37.4 sec. (15m 19.7)	J. McMurray	(SB)	DAC	J	24.1.81

10000 METRES

30 min. 13.6 sec. (30m 3.9)	K. Rayner	(SB)	DAC		2.3.81
30 min. 23.8 sec.	D. Smith	(SB)	DAC		2.3.81
31 min. 11.0 sec.	C. Anderson	(ES)	DAC		7.2.81
31 min. 19.6 sec.	P. Brasher	(N)	DAC		2.3.81
31 min. 27.0 sec.	R. Foley	(NS)	DAC	J	21.2.81
31 min. 44.0 sec.	G. Cronley	(SB)	DAC		21.2.81
32 min. 04.0 sec.	G. Bissett	(SB)	DAC	SJ	21.2.81
32 min. 05.0 sec.	D. Solomon	(OVA)	DAC	SJ	7.2.81
32 min. 16.0 sec.	R. Coyle	(SB)	DAC		15.11.80
32 min. 34.0 sec. (32m 40.2)	R. Pickup	(N)	DAC		7.2.81

3000 METRES WALK

14 min. 38.0 sec. (13m 36.5)	W. Melville	(SB)	DAC		6.12.80
14 min. 38.0 sec.	K. Green	(SB)	DAC		6.12.80
15 min. 13.1 sec.	D. Moore	(NS)	DAC		20.12.80
16 min. 8.8 sec.	W. Seen	(NL)	DAC	SJ	6.12.80
16 min. 16.5 sec.	W. Fletcher	(NS)	DAC		1.2.81
16 min. 33.1 sec.	Mrs. S. Brasher	(N)	DAC		1.2.81
16 min. 56.3 sec.	L. Marsh	(SB)	DAC		21.10.80
17 min. 00.7 sec.	A. Johnson	(Vets)	DAC		1.2.81
17 min. 26.6 sec.	G. Smith	(SB)	DAC	SJ	20.12.80
18 min. 04.9 sec. (21m 52.9)	P. Bradshaw	(Vets)	DAC		7.2.81

110 METRES HURDLES

15.7 sec. (15.8)	M. Graney	(SB)	DAC		2.3.81
16.2 sec.	G. Tudor	(T)	DAC	SJ	7.3.81
18.1 sec.	C. Johnston	(SB)	DAC		7.10.80
18.2 sec.	G. Stowards	(ES)	DAC		6.12.80
18.6 sec.	S. Cameron	(NL)	YP		21.2.81
19.3 sec.	B. Roe	(R)	DAC		6.12.80
21.8 sec.	Q. King	(T)	YP	J	21.1.81
22.3 sec.	R. Farrell	(T)	CP		1.11.80
23.5 sec. (21.3)	P. Milwood	(NL)	CP		7.2.81

400 METRES HURDLES

55.0 sec. (53.07)	M. Graney	(SB)	DAC		28.2.81
55.3 sec.	G. Clark	(NL)	DAC		1.2.81
55.4 sec.	M. Djakic	(NL)	DAC	J	1.2.81
	G. Tudor	(T)	DAC	SJ	28.2.81
57.1 sec.	R. Habel	(N)	DAC	J	1.3.81
57.3 sec.	R. Johnston	(OVA)	DAC	J	8.11.80
57.5 sec.	P. Kaufman	(OVA)	DAC		28.2.81
61.1 sec.	C. Monaghan	(OVA)	DAC		21.10.80
61.2 sec. (62.7)	B. Roe	(R)	CP		12.2.81

3000 METRES STEEPLECHASE

9 min. 2.5 sec. (9m 8)	P. Kaufman	(OVA)	DAC		21.2.81
9 min. 5.5 sec.	P. Brasher	(N)	DAC		21.2.81
9 min. 36.3 sec.	J. McMurray	(SB)	DAC	J	1.2.81
9 min. 40.2 sec.	B. Bennett	(SB)	DAC		6.12.80
9 min. 41.0 sec.	D. Thomas	(N)	DAC		6.12.80
10 min. 00.1 sec.	W. Seen	(NL)	DAC	SJ	1.2.81
10 min. 06.1 sec.	L. Whitton	(NS)	DAC		21.2.81
10 min. 09.3 sec.	R. Pickup	(N)	DAC		6.12.80
10 min. 17.0 sec.	N. Hyland	(OVA)	DAC		15.11.80
10 min. 18.1 sec. (10m 45.4)	S. Hailey	(OVA)	DAC		15.11.80

LONG JUMP

7.55 metres (7.60)	S. Knott	(ES)	DAC		15.11.80
6.59 metres	P. Sherwood	(SB)	DAC	SJ	2.3.81
6.54 metres	G. Appleyard	(SB)	DAC		15.11.80
6.49 metres	I. Murray	(NS)	DAC		10.1.81
6.35 metres	J. Venn	(NL)	DAC	SJ	2.3.81
6.30 metres	J. Hardstaff	(NL)	DAC	J	6.12.80
6.29 metres	A. Baker	(SB)	DAC	SJ	7.3.81
6.23 metres	Stephen Foster	(Ulv)	DAC		7.12.80
6.19 metres	M. Djakic	(NL)	DAC	J	8.11.80
6.18 metres (6.09)	K. Young	(OVA)	DAC		6.12.80

TRIPLE JUMP

14.00 metres	(14.31)	G. Appleyard	(SB)	DAC		20.12.80
13.38 metres		P. Sherwood	(SB)	DAC	SJ	26.10.80
13.32 metres		J. Hardstaff	(NL)	CP	J	14.2.81
13.16 metres		C. Birchall	(N)	CP		10.12.80
13.03 metres		M. Djakic	(NL)	CP	J	10.12.80
13.00 metres		K. Young	(OVA)	DAC		28.2.81
12.97 metres		J. Venn	(NL)	CP	SJ	10.12.80
12.68 metres		T. Donald	(NL)	DAC	SJ	28.2.81
12.58 metres		S. Murray	(NS)	DAC		24.1.81
12.57 metres	(12.30)	B. Roe	(R)	CP		22.11.80

HIGH JUMP

1.97 metres	(2.01)	A. Baker	(SB)	DAC	SJ	14.2.81
1.95 metres		R. Carter	(SB)	DAC	SJ	17.1.81
		S. Knott	(ES)	DAC		28.2.81
1.94 metres		S. Payne	(SB)	DAC	J	10.1.81
1.85 metres		S. Ruddock	(SB)	DAC	J	13.12.80
		S. Goldsmith	(SB)	DAC	J	14.2.81
1.83 metres		D. Ashcroft	(ES)	DAC	SJ	15.11.80
1.80 metres		R. Pullen	(ES)	DAC		4.10.80
		R. Hand	(ES)	DAC	J	6.12.80
	(1.77)	I. Murray	(NS)	DAC		24.1.81

POLE VAULT

4.00 metres	(4.50)	S. Knott	(ES)	DAC		1.3.81
3.75 metres		G. Stowards	(ES)	DAC		20.12.80
3.40 metres		P. Clarke	(R)	DAC		1.3.81
3.25 metres		K. Young	(OVA)	DAC		1.3.81
3.20 metres		A. Howard	(N)	YP	SJ	21.2.81
3.10 metres		R. Johnston	(OVA)	DAC	J	8.11.80
		D. Bresner	(T)	DAC	J	1.2.81
3.00 metres		M. Djakic	(NL)	DAC	J	1.2.81
2.90 metres		R. Carter	(SB)	DAC	SJ	1.2.81
2.80 metres		G. Clark	(NL)	DAC		6.12.80
	(3.00)	E. Djakic	(NL)	DAC	SJ	1.2.81

SHOT PUT (161b)

13.96 metres	(13.36)	I. Murray	(NS)	DAC		1.2.81
13.13 metres		A. Szolomiak	(NL)	DAC	J	6.12.80
12.14 metres		Stephen Foster	(U1v)	DAC		2.3.81
11.07 metres		M. O'Toole	(N)	LCG		25.10.80
10.77 metres		G. Stowards	(ES)	DAC		15.11.80
10.59 metres		S. Pitchford		DAC		4.10.80
10.53 metres		M. Djakic	(NL)	DAC	J	6.12.80
10.23 metres		E. Djakic	(NL)	DAC	J	6.12.80
10.13 metres		A. Edwards	(ES)	DAC		6.12.80
10.12 metres	(9.84)	M. Bird	(SB)	DAC		1.2.81

DISCUS (2 kg)

42.90 metres	(38.98)	I. Murray	(NS)	DAC		2.3.81
39.94 metres		Stephen Foster	(Ulv)	DAC		2.3.81
34.22 metres		Q. King	(T)	DAC	J	6.12.80
33.18 metres		M. Djakic	(NL)	DAC	J	6.12.80
32.32 metres		Shane Foster	(Ulv)	DAC	SJ	7.12.80
30.94 metres		P. Davey	(NS)	DAC		1.2.81
30.90 metres		K. Henry	(ES)	DAC		10.1.81
30.54 metres		G. Stowards	(ES)	DAC		21.2.81
30.26 metres	(27.24)	E. Robinson	(SB)	DAC	SJ	20.12.80

JAVELIN (800 gr)

66.00 metres	(62.30)	P. Harwood	(NS)	DAC	J	24.1.81
58.70 metres		S. Edwards	(ES)	DAC		6.12.80
57.94 metres		R. McCafferty	(R)	DAC	J	6.12.80
57.56 metres		Stephen Foster	(Ulv)	DAC		7.12.80
51.04 metres		Shane Foster	(Ulv)	DAC	SJ	8.11.80
50.02 metres		D. Bresner	(T)	DAC	J	6.12.80
48.40 metres		G. Stowards	(ES)	DAC		1.11.80
48.20 metres		M. Djakic	(NL)	DAC	J	7.12.80
47.60 metres		D. Coombe	(T)	CP	J	7.2.81
47.12 metres	(45.24)	D. Barber	(NL)	DAC	SJ	8.11.80

HAMMER (161b)

61.44 metres	(38.72)	D. Huxley	(SB)	DAC		3.1.81
41.48 metres		I. Murray	(NS)	DAC		28.2.81
40.18 metres		K. Henry	(ES)	DAC		14.2.81
38.12 metres		A. Clarke	(R)	DAC		28.2.81
37.18 metres		P. Clarke	(R)	DAC	J	1.11.80
29.38 metres		W. Fletcher	(NS)	DAC		24.1.81
25.72 metres		M. O'Toole	(N)	CP		22.11.80
24.08 metres		E. Djakic	(NL)	DAC	SJ	6.12.80
22.36 metres		B. Roe	(R)	CP		22.2.81
18.52 metres	(20.82)	G. Clark	(NL)	CP		22.11.80

4 x 100 METRES RELAY

43.9 sec.	(42.9)	Southern A.A.B.		DAC		6.12.80
44.1 sec.		Sandy Bay Under 20		DAC		28.2.81
44.3 sec.		Tamar Under 20		DAC		28.2.81
44.4 sec.		Tamar		DAC		2.3.81
44.5 sec.		Eastern Suburbs		DAC		7.2.81
44.6 sec.		Newstead		YP		21.2.81
44.9 sec.	(44.2)	Sandy Bay		DAC		7.2.81
45.0 sec.		Northern A.A.B.		DAC		6.12.80
45.0 sec.		Northern A.A.B. Under 20		DAC		6.12.80
45.2 sec.		North Launceston		DAC		2.3.81
		Tasmania Under 17		DAC		17.1.81

4 x 400 METRES RELAY

3 min. 18.6 sec. (3m 19.5)	O.V.A.	DAC	28.2.81
3 min. 24.4 sec.	North Launceston	DAC	28.2.81
3 min. 24.6 sec.	Sandy Bay	DAC	28.2.81
3 min. 25.0 sec.	Tamar Under 20	DAC	1.3.81
3 min. 26.1 sec.	Tamar	YP	22.2.81
3 min. 27.6 sec.	North Launceston Under 20	DAC	1.3.81
3 min. 30.7 sec. (3m 31.3)	Tasmania Under 17	DAC	18.1.81
3 min. 33.3 sec.	North Launceston Under 17	DAC	28.2.81
3 min. 34.6 sec.	Sandy Bay Under 17	DAC	28.2.81
3 min. 34.9 sec.	Sandy Bay Under 20	DAC	1.3.81

Compared on the Decathlon tables the best performances in each event scored as follows with last years placings and points in brackets.

1.	Hammer	954 points	(18th 635)
2.	Long Jump	931 points	(2nd 941)
3.	10,000 metres	929 points	(3rd 939)
4.	3,000 metres Steeplechase	923 points	(7th 904)
5.	200 metres	922 points	(8th 887)
6.	5,000 metres	900 points	(1st 947)
7.	1,500 metres	883 points	(3rd 939)
8.	100 metres	879 points	(6th 905)
9.	800 metres	876 points	(9th 884)
10.	400 metres	861 points	(12th 861)
11.	400 metres Hurdles	846 points	(5th 913)
12.	Javelin	833 points	(14th 789)
13.	High Jump	831 points	(11th 865)
14.	Pole Vault	807 points	(4th 932)
15.	Triple Jump	780 points	(13th 811)
16.	110 metres Hurdles	777 points	(15th 767)
17.	Discus	742 points	(17th 665)
18.	Shot Put	725 points	(16th 688)
	Average	855	848

Seven events improved, 10 dropped back and one remained the same. The Hammer moved from last to first due to David Huxley breaking the state record. It is pleasing to see the throwing events improving and the field games overall showing an average of 35 points more than last year 825 to 790. Only three track events improved which is most disturbing.

A comparison of the tenth performance is also interesting, the average dropped from 626 to 624 but ten events improved, five were down and one was the same. Best tenth place was the 800 metres 799 points compared to the 1500 metres in 1980 at 810. Poorest was the Hammer both years 257 this and 308 last.

It is interesting to compare the events which have been top and bottom over the past seven seasons and the points scored.

	<u>First</u>		<u>Eighteenth</u>	<u>Average</u>
1974-75	10000m 976		Shot 656	818
1975-76	800m 951		Hammer 646	837
1976-77	1500m 984		Shot 671	845
1977-78	10000m 984		Shot 663	857
1978-79	5000m 971		Hammer 635	836
1979-80	5000m 947		Hammer 635	845
1980-81	Hammer 954		Shot 725	855

MERIT AWARD HOLDERS

South Murray Bird, June Bowring, Max Cherry, Lorne Copping, Peter Eustace, Wayne Fletcher, Phyllis Gaffney, Roger Gillow, Bill Halley, Robert Hamilton, Robin Hood, Neil Littlejohn, Alan McCreary, Ian Manning, Colin Mickleborough, Neil Mickleborough, Rex Morris, Michael O'Loughlin, Harold Rennie, Clive Roper, Jack Smallhorn, Ted West, Chris Williams, Barrie Wise, Phyllis Wise (1978); John Caufield (1979); Leslie Spears (1980).

North Walter Bailey, Beryl Bailey, Geoffrey Chaplin, Don Cox, Josephine Lutwyche, Margaret Moore, Reginald Moore, Terry Nailer, Frank Nott, William Prosser, Alan Smith (1978); Brian Baxter (1980).

North West Mavis Goss, Herbert Smith, Ruth Squibb (1978); Malcolm Evans (1979).

TASMANIAN AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS TO 31ST MAY, 1981

RECEIPTS

<u>1979/80</u>	<u>Budget</u>			
60	85	Affiliation Fees		65.00
	2,070	Levies		2,070.00
789	1,590	Registration Fees		1,437.50
321		Publications		184.25
64	50	Interest		54.66
404	400	Medallions & Certificates		55.80
47	40	Registration Cards		41.70
441		Handbooks - Sales	418.20	
648		Advertising	<u>680.00</u>	1,098.20
		Share TV Rights - 1980 Alcoa Meets		250.00
297		Track Suits, Uniforms, Ties		1,221.60
1,500	1,000	Sponsorship		750.00
265	200	Administration Fees		121.32
		Raffles		221.00
		Badges, Scarves etc.		57.40
		Tasmanian Government		
4,000		Subsidy Travel Track & Field Team		4,000.00
4,000		Subsidy Hire Domain Athletic Centre		4,000.00
		Donation, Southern Branch		5,000.00
		Transfer from Investment A/c		19,700.00
		Intra & Interstate Meetings		
	100 Profit	Schools		
		Admissions	323.50	
		Entry Fees	329.80	
907		Sponsorship	<u>1,000.00</u>	1,653.30
		North v South		
	200 Profit	Alcoa		
609		Admissions		529.00
	100 Profit	State Interclub		
		Admissions		994.50
459	140 Profit	Sub Junior Match		
		Admissions		326.00
	1,100 Profit	State Championships		
		Entries	485.05	
		Admissions	2,377.50	
		Sponsorship	<u>500.00</u>	3,362.55
111		Sundries		
90		Contras		50.30
<u>15,012</u>	<u>7,075</u>			<u>47,581.08</u>

<u>1979/80</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>LESS</u>	<u>PAYMENTS</u>	
10	20		Affiliation Fees	20.00
167	170		Printing & Stationery	88.86
408	810		Registration Fees 1979/80	810.67
	1,200		1980/81	<u>1,096.00</u>
314			Publications	1,906.67
1,028	200		Engraving	169.33
142	150		Postages	75.20
329	350		Telephone	143.53
1,097	100		Loss Handbooks	211.57
1,477	1,000		Track Suits, Uniforms, Ties	1,270.50
	1,000		Registration Numbers	3,338.93
			Building - Domain Athletic Centre	486.31
			Furniture - " " "	24,980.00
186	300		Travel Subsidies - Managers, Delegates	731.97
207	200		Refreshments	364.50
			Badges, Scarves etc.	62.00
			Levies	85.00
	442		World Cross Country Team	500.00
			A.A.A. of Tasmania	500.00
120	120		Insurance - Officials	120.00
			Pacific Conference Games Team Members Fares	285.10
			Tasmanian Government	
4,000			Subsidy Travel Track & Field Team	4,000.00
4,000			Subsidy Hire Domain Athletic Centre	4,000.00
			Intra & Interstate Meetings	
798			Schools	887.98
			North v South	147.90
365			Acloa	165.90
			State Interclub	125.00
354			Sub Junior Match	413.40
			State Championships	1,012.78
750	750		Honorarium & Office Assistance	1,000.00
32			Wreaths	30.00
5			Cheque Books	10.00
130	130		Sundries	13.70
90			Contras	50.30
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(994)	133		Excess of Receipts over Payments	47,916.93
1,283			Balance C/F	384.15
289			Balance Commonwealth Bank C/F	288.59
				<u>\$ 672.74</u>

N.J. RUDDOCK HON. TREASURER

I have examined the books of the T.A.A.A., and, in my opinion, the above statement shows the true position according to the books and information available to me.

C.A. BLANTON HON. AUDITOR

TASMANIAN AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

NO.2 ACCOUNT

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR SEASON 1980/81

RECEIPTS

Interest		135.82	
Advertising		1,304.17	
Air Fares - State Teams	12,651.41		
General	<u>7,636.57</u>	20,287.98	
Globe Hotel Sports Fund		2,350.00	
Sundries		3.10	
Contras		<u>231.60</u>	24,312.67

PAYMENTS

Administration Expenses - Advertising		121.32	
Air Fares - State Teams	12,292.35		
General	<u>8,251.55</u>	20,543.90	
Hire of Buses - State Teams		100.00	
Advertising		120.00	
T.O.C. Olympic Appeal		50.00	
Building Domain Athletic Centre		3,212.00	
Cheque Book		5.00	
Sundries		4.00	
Contras		<u>231.60</u>	24,387.42
Excess of Payments over Receipts			75.15
Balance Brought Forward			<u>2,640.16</u>
Balance Commonwealth Bank C/F			<u>\$ 2,565.01</u>

N.J. RUDDOCK,
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