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ST. GEORGE DISTRICT AMATEUR ATHLETIC  
CLUB



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33rd  
ANNUAL REPORT  
AND  
FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS

——— For the Year ending 31st March, 1954 ———

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## 33rd ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET

Presented to members at the Annual General Meeting held at  
Kogarah School of Arts, on 28th May, 1954

Gentlemen:

The 33rd Annual Report and Balance-sheet of your club again presents a year of great activity.

Our outstanding athlete for the year no doubt was Jim Bailey, who brilliantly won the Australian 880 yards championship in 1m. 53.2s., which created a record for the event.

Bailey capped an outstanding season by gaining selection to represent Australia in the British Empire Games to be held in Vancouver, Canada, in August, 1954. He has also been awarded the E. S. Marks Memorial Award for the most meritorious performances during the State Interclub Competition.

Probably the outstanding feature of the club during the past 12 months has been the brilliance of its Junior athletes.

Those prominent in the Junior ranks include Keith Short, Dennis Wilson, Harold Sherlock, Colin Clark, Barry Toovey, Tony Puren, Mert Miles, Barry Pery, Albert Thomas.

That notable athletic authority, Mr. Arthur Hodsdon, who is also secretary-treasurer of the A.A.U. of Australia, stated recently that he could not recall a more brilliant team of junior athletes than in our club at the present time, which is indeed high praise.

They won the S. M. Wallace Shield for junior championships, scoring 83 points, 53 ahead of its nearest rival. It included 10 firsts, 7 seconds, 5 thirds, 2 fourths.

These junior athletes probably created a record in this State when they won all championship relay events. In the medley they created an Australian record of 3m 40.4s, and in the 4 x 880 yards they were only one second outside the Australian record.

It would seem that we are going to be very powerful in hurdling when we recall the wonderful running of Keith Short, who created an Australian record of 15.1s over the 120 yards hurdles, and John Lester, who created a new State record for the 90 yards of 11.2s.

We also have in our Sub-Juniors many promising young athletes, including John Lester, Colin Chamberlain, Brian Bennett, Dennis Jolliffe.

During the distance season Jim Bailey won the State Novice Championship at Ramsgate in a gruelling finish with Harold Johnson of Botany, and our club team in this race was only beaten by one point by the Botany club. Our young distance athletes did not do as well as in previous years, although our juniors were again successful in winning the Junior Cross-country Teams Championship.

Senior distance runners again failed as a team, and it is emphasised that success will only come with hard and consistent training.

Club membership has shown a considerable drop to 156 as against 216 last year.

Most clubs have had a drop in membership, but it would seem that on this occasion we failed to secure the new members we usually get after the schoolboy championships.

During the year brilliant young sprinter Peter McInnes, who has recorded 9.6 for the 100 yards, joined the club, but unfortunately an earlier injury came against him, and he was unable to compete. We all hope he will be with us in the coming season, and look forward to some brilliant performances from him which could bring him in line for selection for the Olympic Games in 1956.



## SCHOOLBOY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Held at the Jubilee Oval, Kogarah, on Saturday, September 12, the weather was at its best, and entries were well up to previous standards, the number being 1,538.

The Open Pennant was won by Canterbury High, 51 points; the A. A. Gainsford Shield, Kogarah Intermediate High, 101½ points; L. B. Williams Shield Primary Division, Hurstville, 57 points. Records were made in the under 15 years high jump, and under 16 years hop, step and jump, and the shot putt.

Again the success of the meeting was due to our organiser, Mr. F. Larcombe, and the work of the curator of the Oval, Mr. G. Thompson.

### RESULTS.

Under 9 years: 50 yds., I McDonald (Hurstville), 8 sec. Relay, 4 x 50 yds. (Hurstville), 31.7 sec.

Under 10 yrs.: 50 yds., K. Chappelow (Rockdale), 7.1 sec. Relay, 4 x 50 yds. (Hurstville), 30.4 sec.

Under 11 years: 50 yds., F. Goddard (Peakhurst), 6.8 sec. Relay, 4 x 50 yds. (Hurstville), 29.1 sec.

Under 12 years: 75 yds., K. Morris (Brighton), 9.7 sec. High Jump, R. O'Neill (Marist Bros.), 4ft 1in. Broad Jump, K. Morris (Brighton), 15ft 9½in. Relay, 4 x 75 yds., Marist Bros., 40 sec.

Under 13 years: 100 yds., C. Martin (Marist Bros.), 13.2 sec. High Jump, T. Baumann (Peakhurst), 4ft 4in. Broad Jump, T. Baumann (Peakhurst), 14ft 2½in. Relay, 4 x 110 yds., Peakhurst, 59.6 sec.

### Secondary Division.

Under 13 years: 100 yds., R. Chappelow (Tech. High), 12.1 sec. High Jump, I. Sharp (Canterbury), 4ft 5½in. Broad Jump, J. Davies (Sutherland), 14ft 4in. Relay, 4 x 110 yds., Marist Bros., 56.8 sec.

Under 14 years: 100 yds., M. Lewis (Kogarah), 11.5 sec. 220 yds., M. Lewis (Kogarah), 26.9 sec. 75 yds. Hurdles, R. Davies (Kogarah), 11.3 sec. High Jump, P. Clingan (Marist Bros.), 4ft 7½in. Broad Jump, F. Pender (Sydney High), 15ft 9½in. Relay, 4 x 110 yds., Kogarah, 53.6 sec.

Under 15 years: 110 yds., B. Gardner (Canterbury), 11.0 sec. 220 yds., B. Gardner (Canterbury), 24.4 sec. 880 yds., Div. 1, A. McMillan (Kogarah), 2m 19 sec. 880 yds., Div. 2, G. Ornes (Kogarah), 2m 20.2 sec. 90 yds. Hurdles, R. Gollan (Kogarah), 13 sec. High Jump, R. Gollan (Kogarah), 5ft 4½in (record). Broad Jump, B. Gardner (Canterbury), 17ft 4½in. Relay, 4 x 110 yds., Tempe, 49.5 sec.

Under 16 years: 100 yds., P. Scully (Marist Bros.), 11.1 sec. 220 yds., E. Sheedy (Sydney High), 25 sec. 440 yds., J. Marsh (Tempe), 880 yds., D. Hind (Tech. High), 2m 17.6 sec. 90 yds. Hurdles, B. Miles (Tech. High), 12.6 sec. High Jump, R. Gray (Canterbury), 5ft 1in. Broad Jump, D. Jolliffe (Tech. High), 18ft 6½in. Hop, Step and Jump, D. Jolliffe (Tech. High), 41ft 6½in (record). Shot Putt D. Hind (Tech. High), 42ft 10½in (record). Relay, 4 x 110 yds., Kogarah, 49.9 sec.

Open: 100 yds., G. Tomic (Marist Bros.), 10.8 sec. 220 yds., G. Tomic (Marist Bros.), 23.9 sec. 440 yds., L. Stubbings (Marist Bros.), 54.2 sec. 880 yds., H. Sherlock (Canterbury), 2m 9.7 sec. One mile, H. Sherlock (Canterbury), 4m. 45.7 sec. 90 yds. Hurdles, J. Lester (Kogarah), 12 sec. High Jump, J. Lester (Kogarah), 5ft 4in. Broad Jump, G. Hagan (Marist Bros.), 18ft 10in. Hop, Step and Jump, R. Simson (Canterbury), 39ft 3in. Shot Putt (12 lb.), A. Ackland (Tech. High), 38ft 2in. Relay, 4 x 110 yds., Marist Bros., 47.3 sec.

## TRACK SEASON REVIEW

### HAWKESBURY—OCTOBER, 1953.

Our club travelled to the Hawkesbury Agricultural College for the match against the College, Botany and Manly. As usual, our boys put up some good performances, the best coming from M. Gould, K. Short and new member D. Page.

### N.S.W. SCHOOLBOY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

These championships were held at the S.C.G. in October.

The outstanding boy from our club was John Lester, who brought the under 17 120 hurdles record down to 15.2. He has a great future ahead of him.

### INTER-CLUB COMPETITION.

#### A Grade:

For the first time in many years our sprinters were particularly strong, with K. Thew, C. Clarke, K. Short and R. Shoveller. Our hurdlers dominated all of their events throughout the competition with K. Short, E. Watson, T. Randall and D. Harrison. Our field games results were weakened by the absence through injury of A. Hakelis, so that the bulk of the field games effort was left to F. Eggleton, who won most of his events.

The middle distance men, J. Bailey, D. Wilson, J. Marshall and D. Steele, ran very well indeed, Wilson being still a junior; while J. Bailey established a new inter-club one mile record of 4m 13 sec. Strong support in middle distance events was given by F. Thornton and Ray O'Brien.

Dave Quinan and John Lester competed successfully in the high jump.

The club finished sixth out of the six teams, but deserved a better place. Many matches were very close, as shown by the best performances of club members; J. Bailey, one mile, 4m 13 sec; A. Hakelis, javelin, 174ft 10in; K. Short, Australian junior record, 15m 3 sec; 440 yds. relay, 44 sec.

#### C Grade.

M. Miles, D. Page and B. Pery competed with great success in sprints, hurdles and field events; while B. Toovey and A. Thomas were the best of the middle distance fields. Max Gould and Denver Harrison were rarely beaten in sprints, and made up an excellent relay team. This team should have had more success than the results showed. It finished seventh out of 14 teams, and K. Short and M. Gould recorded the best 100 yards time of 10.4 sec., and the relay team 1m 33.6 sec. for the 4 x 220 yards.

#### D Grade.

We had some good performers in this grade, notably Colin Chamberlain, D. Page and Tom Randall in sprints and hurdles. Brian Bennett won most of the 880 yards and one mile events. Good performances were also put up by R. Davis, D. Sheaves and T. Kelly. The team finished fifth out of eight teams. C. Chamberlain recorded the best 220 yards, 23.3; D. Pages the 220 yds. hurdles, 26.4 sec.; and the relay team 440 yds. 46.4 sec.

#### E Grade.

We fielded quite a few new members in this grade to let them get the feel of inter-club competition. Alan Morton ran very well in sprint and in the jumps; he was well supported by J. Dunk, R. Varley and Robertson, who was also our best 880 man in this grade. Good support in most events came from P. Venn and O. Lewis. The team finished seventh out of the eight teams.

#### Junior Grade.

We fielded two teams in this grade, but attendances were very poor, and it was once again lack of support to several consistent and fine athletes that placed us well down the ladder. Dennis Jolliffe put up some excellent performances in sprints and all jumping events. In these he was well supported by B. Miles and R. Harvison. The 880 boys, E. Gentile, P. Hoad and G. Byles, went very well indeed for major placings.

This team also had some very close matches and finished a close sixth out of 14 teams. Dennis Jolliffe had the best high jump at 5ft 6in, and the hop, step and jump at 42ft 10½in.

### DUNN SHIELD COMPETITION.

This new competition was started to give the keen athletes of all grades competition right through the season. There were several fine ideas used in this competition which may be utilised in inter-club next season. Many members recorded good times. Keith Short reduce this junior Australian hurdles time to 15.1 sec. on two occasions. Jim Bailey kept up his forceful running, and his mile and 880 times were the best of the competition, 4m 12 sec. and 1m 55.3 sec. respectively.

### STATE RELAYS.

St. George Junior Relay teams won every State title last year. The outstanding of their four wins was the one-mile medley, in which they created a new N.S.W. and Australian record time of 3m 40.4 sec. The team consisted of: 880, D. Wilson; 440, M. Miles; 220, K. Short; 220, C. Clarke. An exceptionally fine run by M. Miles put the issue beyond all doubt in this event. The 4 x 880 team of: B. Bennett, H. Sherlock, B. Toovey and



D. Wilson were only one second outside the Australian record, which they should easily break next season. The 4 x 220 team consisting of B. Pery, M. Miles, K. Short and C. Clarke had a very easy win, as did the 4 x 110 team of C. Chamberlain, M. Miles, C. Clarke and K. Short.

Our senior medley team, who have held the N.S.W. title for two successive years, were beaten into second place by the record-breaking Botany team. Also the sub-junior medley team of K. Robertson, D. Jolliffe, J. Lester and C. Chamberlain finished in second position.

#### ST. GEORGE V. WESTERN SUBURBS CHALLENGE CUP.

We had little difficulty in retaining this cup over a full series of events at Concord Oval, the final scores being St. George 235, Western Suburbs 180. This effort shows that if our teams compete at full strength we are by far the strongest club in N.S.W.

The performances put up by all of our athletes were excellent. The teamwork was there in every event. We fielded full-strength teams right through the series against the club which are State premiers.

As all members competed I cannot mention every athlete, but it was the finest show of athletic ability I have ever seen by the St. George Athletic Club.

#### STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS—JANUARY.

St. George athletes performed remarkably well in this year's State championships, particularly in the junior events, where our boys won half of the complete programme as individuals and won every event as a team.

Jim Bailey retained his one mile title in the very fine time of 4.13. Jim was narrowly beaten in the 880, recording 1m. 55.6s.

George Gedge won the senior 220 yards hurdles in 24.2, and Ern Watson was second in 24.3—both best times for the season.

A. Hakelis was badly handicapped with an injured arm, and gained third place in the javelin, as did F. Eggleton in the discus.

In the junior championships Keith Short won the 120 hurdles in 15.3 (this run gained him selection in N.S.W. team); he also won the 100 yards in 10.2, and was a very close second in the 220, which was won by Colin Clarke, who also put up a very fine performance to record 22.2. Colin was also a very close second in the 100 yards in 10.2.

Dennis Wilson won the 880 in 2m 1.3, and was second in the one mile.

Tony Puren jumped exceptionally well to win the broad jump at 21ft. 9in. and the hop, step and jump at 44ft 9in.

Morton Miles was beaten on the post in the 220 hurdles, and he was again beaten by inches in the hop, step and jump, where he made 44ft. 1in.

Albert Thomas looks like developing into a really fine distance runner; his second in the two-mile to Wakefield of Botany was a great effort.

Barry Pery at last put up the performances he knows he is well capable of. His second in the 120 hurdles in 15.8, third in the hop, step and jump, and third in the 220 yards hurdles show that he has all the ability required if he will only use it.

Barry Toovey's third in the 880, and Bill McAlister's third in the one-mile walk, were both fine efforts, and nowhere near the best of these athletes has yet been seen.

Dave Quinlan jumped 5ft. 8in. for third place in the high jump, the best ever for one of our juniors.

In the N.S.W. sub-junior championships Colin Chamberlain was unfortunate to come up against John Conn, to whom he gained second place in both the 100 and 220. His running throughout the year was very good, and should improve even more next year.

Barry Bennett could have run better-judged races in both the 880 and the one mile, in which he was placed second on both occasions; but they were both fine performances.

John Lester defeated John Conn for the third time in succession to win the 90 yards hurdles in the record time of 11.2. This boy could develop into one of the best hurdlers ever.

Dennis Jolliffe jumped very well in the sub-junior high jump for third place; his 5ft 8in was best ever for a St. George boy. He also gained second place in the hop, step and jump.

S. M. Wallace Shield: St. George 83 points, Botany 30 points.

Sub-junior pennant: Botany 43 points, Randwick-Kensington 23, St. George 23.

#### AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS—FEBRUARY 11-13.

The 1954 Australian championships were once more held in Sydney after a period of five years, and four of our athletes who represented in 1949 were again competing in 1954. They were J. Bailey, G. Gedge, E. Watson, F. Eggleton. These four were joined by A. Hakelis and K. Short.

Jim Bailey again won the 880, with a tremendous effort, in which he led all the way, in 1m 53.2 sec. His second to John Landy in the one mile was another fine run of 4m 12.5 sec.

Alexis Hakelis regained a little of his form to finish third in the javelin. George Gedge and Ern Watson both made the final of the 220 hurdles, but found that 19 minutes between heat and final is not enough. They finished fourth and fifth respectively.

Fred Eggleton was placed fourth in the discus throw, which was conducted under very bad conditions.

Keith Short, still only a junior, ran nicely in his heat of the 120 hurdles for second place, but in the final he crashed badly at the seventh hurdle when he was in third position and running strongly.

Also on the programme was a special 4 x 110 relay. The St. George junior team of C. Chamberlain, M. Miles, C. Clarke and K. Short opposed two composite teams on handicap. Our boys won this event comfortably.

In the junior one mile A. Thomas came in second to the brilliant Wakefield of Botany.

#### HECTOR HOGAN CARNIVAL—SPORTS GROUND, MARCH 13.

At this carnival Jim Bailey recorded his fastest 880 ever, and created a new State resident record of 1m 52.8 sec. This run also gained him nomination for the British Empire Games team.

Keith Short ran 120 hurdles in 14.9 which was two-tenths faster than his Australian record, but it was disallowed because of wind assistance.

John Lester broke his State 90 yards hurdles record when he recorded 11.2 in a race against the Australian women's hurdle champion.

Tony Puren was second to the Australian champion in the hop, step and jump, and should make the N.S.W. team next year.

Mert Miles won his division of the 220 hurdles in 25.9 secs.

Alexis Hakelis won the javelin at 178ft 8in.

Other St. George placegetters were D. Page, second 120 hurdles; C. Clarke, first in his division of the 220; K. Short, second 100 yards; D. Wilson, third one mile; R. Shoveller, third 220.

#### CITY v. COUNTRY.

Several of our athletes were chosen in the City side in this year's match. Keith Short won the 120 yards hurdles in 15.3, with J. Lester in second position. The 220 hurdles were won by D. Page. M. Miles was second. The time was 25.7.

#### HURSTVILLE OVAL.

The attendance was not as good as the previous year, but the best of our athletes were always there, and all made it a good training night. The point scores were very keenly contested in all grades. Results:—

Senior: T. Randall 46½ points, R. Thew 43½, D. Page 25.

Junior: M. Miles 66½ points, D. Quinan 43, C. Clark 27.

Sub-junior: D. Jolliffe 81 points, B. Miles 81, E. Gentle 23.

Novice: R. Jolliffe 60 points, A. Foster 18, P. Chapman 16½.

#### Club Championships.

All the running events were fully represented and some close races resulted. On the other hand, the field games were not quite so good.

#### Results:—

SENIOR.—100 yds.: R. Shoveller, D. Harvison, M. Gould; 10.6. 220 yds.: F. Thornton, R. Shoveller, J. Bailey; 23.8. 440 yds.: F. Thornton, D. Page, D. Harvison; 52.6. 880 yds.: J. Bailey, D. Steele, J. Marshall; 2m 7.4 sec. One mile: F. Thornton, O. Lewis, D. Sheaves; 4m 50 sec. Three miles: J. Marshall, D. Sheaves, O. Lewis; 15m 51 sec. 120 yds. hurdles: T. Randall, D. Page; 16.2. 220 yds. hurdles: D. Page, T. Randall; 27.7. High jump: T. Randall, 4ft 8in. Broad jump: D. Page, T. Randall; 20ft 1in. Hop, step and jump: T. Randall; 37ft 7in. Shot putt: F. Eggleton, D. Page; 39ft 3in. Javelin: A. Hakelis; 159ft 10in.

JUNIOR.—100 yds.: C. Clark, B. Pery, M. Miles; 10.3. 220 yds.: C. Clark, B. Pery, M. Miles; 23.8. 440 yds.: D. Wilson, C. Clark, A. Thomas; 54.6. 880 yds.: D. Wilson, B. Toovey, A. Thomas; 2m 0.9 sec. One mile: D. Wilson, A. Thomas; 4m 30.2 sec. Two miles: A. Thomas, D. Wilson, B. Toovey; 9m 47.6 sec. 120 yds. hurdles: K. Short, J. Lester; M. Miles; 15.3 sec. 220 yds. hurdles: M. Miles, J. Lester, C. Clark; 26.2 sec. High jump: B. Pery, M. Miles; 5ft 2½in. Broad jump: B. Pery, M. Miles, C. Clark; 21ft 3½in. Hop, step and jump: B. Pery, M. Miles, R. Davis; 41ft 7in. Shot putt: K. Short, M. Miles, C. Clark; 34ft.

SUB-JUNIOR.—100 yds.: C. Chamberlain, B. Bennett, R. Davis; 10.3. 220 yds.: C. Chamberlain, B. Bennett, R. Davis; 23.9. 440 yds.: B. Bennett, K. Robertson, R. Davis; 53.9. 880 yds.: B. Bennett, E. Gentle, G. Byles; 2m 6.5 sec. One mile: E. Gentle, K. Robertson, G. Byles; 5m 8 sec. 90 yds. hurdles: J. Lester, B. Miles; 11.5 sec. High jump: D. Jolliffe, J. Lester, B. Miles; 5ft 3½in. Broad jump: D. Jolliffe, R. Davis, B. Miles; 19ft 5½in. Hop, step and jump: C. Jolliffe; 39ft 5½in. Shot putt: B. Miles, D. Jeffrey, R. Davis; 38ft 1in.

NOVICE.—100 yds.: R. Jolliffe, R. Dillon; 12.7. High jump: R. Jolliffe; 4ft. 7in. Broad jump: R. Jolliffe, R. Dillon; 15ft. 6½in.

#### Special Awards.

Blackshaw Trophy: While the committee for this award agreed that Keith Short was our outstanding junior athlete, this award has been presented to Dennis Wilson, as no athlete can win the award on more than one occasion. Keith Short had already won this trophy the previous year.

Warn trophy was awarded to J. Lester.

Your committee had a very hard task this year to select the winners. Many athletes were considered in both sections, and only after much thought and consideration were the trophies awarded.



## DISTANCE SEASON REVIEW

With the conclusion of the past distance season it is noted that it was not extremely successful, but it was a very full one.

Our brightest feature in State championships was the winning of the novice 5-mile championship by Jim Bailey, whose time of 27.06 was only six seconds outside the record. The team's effort was also very good, and we were unlucky to be beaten by one point, as we had our four runners home in the first seven places.

John Marshall's efforts in the longer distances earned for him the selection as reserve for the State team which contested the Australian Marathon Championship in Sydney in September. Marshall is the 10 and 15 miles club champion.

We have some very capable athletes in the seniors to mention. K. Harper, G. Freeman, D. Scanlon and R. O'Brien, and competition was keen in club races; but with the exception of G. Freeman, who finished tenth in the State 10,000 metres championship to be first for the club, they did not show out above five miles. We are looking to them for bigger things next year.

This year the senior club championships were distributed between five different lads, the only dual winner being J. Marshall.

The J. Harper Cup for the 5-mile road title was won this year by K. Harper, the son of the donor, in 27m. 50s.

Our registered members numbered 82, this being only six less than last year's total, but we were once again the largest winter club in New South Wales.

Juniors worthy of mention are A. Thomas, D. Wilson, B. Toovey and K. Dick. These lads formed the team that won the junior State teams title to give us our only victory this year.

Albert Thomas had two narrow victories over Dennis Wilson in both the junior club championships. They finished third and fourth respectively in the State title.

In the sub-junior section we found Karl Robertson and Dennis Jolliffe having a very keen struggle throughout the season for the mark of honour. Robertson is our club champion, but in the State title Jolliffe was our first man home, filling sixth place in the race. These two lads were so close during the season in all fields that selectors were unable to separate them for the coveted National Fitness Trophy.

J. Coppock, K. Prosser, R. Warland and I. Robb were consistent performers during the season.

The juveniles did not give Rodney Jolliffe much opposition, as he comfortably won all titles for this section. These were the club championship, point score and most of the fastest times. As Maurice Barber did last year, Rodney gained fastest time in all club races of the season. He also filled third place in the State title.

A. Coppock and F. Lucy were two lads who showed much improved form.

This year the F. McCaffery Cup for annual competition between Western Suburbs and ourselves was contested on the new State course at Carlingford. This is Wests' home ground, but it was a victorious day for the Dragon Killers. The cup has now been up for competition on four occasions, commencing in 1951 on the St. George ground, and then alternately on Wests' home ground. Both clubs have now won the cup on two occasions, and in each case it has been on the other club's home ground.

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Event.	Senior.				Time.
	First.	Second.	Third.		
5-Mile Road	K. Harper	R. O'Brien	D. Scanlon		27m 50s
10,000 Metres	G. Freeman	C. Lawless	J. Marshall		41m 32s
10-Mile	J. Marshall	C. Lawless	D. Scanlon		58m 27s
5-Mile Novice	J. Bailey	D. Wilson	D. Scanlon		27m 40s
15-Mile	J. Marshall	D. Steele	K. McDonough		1h 30m 44s
Marathon	C. Smeal	J. Marshall			2h 58m 41s
Junior.					
2-Mile	A. Thomas	D. Wilson	B. Toovey		10m 16s
5,000 Metres	A. Thomas	D. Wilson	B. Toovey		21m 45s
Sub-Junior.					
1-Mile	K. Robertson	D. Jolliffe	B. Tatham		5m 10s
Juvenile.					
1-Mile	R. Jolliffe	D. Jeffery	F. Lucy		5m 27s

## POINT SCORE RESULTS.

	First.	Second.	Third.
Senior	J. Marshall 58	A. Gainsford 53	C. Lawless 50
Junior	D. Wilson 68	K. Dick 64	A. Thomas 61
Sub-Junior	J. Coppock 84½	D. Jolliffe 69½	K. Prosser 67
Juvenile	R. Jolliffe 77	A. Coppock 73	B. Thomas 68

## FASTEST TIMES RESULTS.

	First.	Second.	Third.
Senior	G. Freeman 5	D. Scanlon 3	K. Harper 2
Junior	A. Thomas 7	D. Wilson 4	H. Sherlock 3
Sub-Junior	D. Jolliffe 6	K. Robertson 4	R. Allen 2
Juvenile	R. Jolliffe 10	D. Jeffery 2	C. Wragg 1

## SPECIAL AWARDS.

The National Fitness Trophy for the outstanding lad under 17 years was this year shared by two very good mates and keen rivals in K. Robertson and D. Jolliffe.

The A. Stockdale Trophy for the most improved Sub-Junior was won by J. Coppock.

The G. Gedge Trophy for the most improved Juvenile was presented to A. Coppock.

## SOCIAL.

We held our socials in the Scarborough Park Hall, thanks to the co-operation of the Scarborough Park branch of the National Fitness Association.

Despite the efforts of two members of the unofficial ladies' committee our social of presentation evenings were not successful as members failed to hold any interest, but were always on the mark for picking up their trophies.

To these ladies, Mrs. Coppock, Mrs. O'Hanlon and Mrs. Smeal, we offer our sincere thanks for their good work during the season in preparing afternoon teas and suppers.

At Kingsgrove we were made welcome by Mr. R. Cutler and his band of workers, who were assisted by F. O'Hanlon and E. Palmer.

The Coppocks again displayed a fine collection of trophies for the 12-mile road race and junior races.

At South Hurstville the G. A. Keep, A. Blythe, A. Henderson and F. Slater trophies were available, together with the local businessmen trophies presented for the fastest times.



## St. George Ladies' Club

We congratulate the St. George Ladies' A.A.C. on their success during the year. They had good attendances at Hurstville Oval each Tuesday night, and with the help of their officials we were able to arrange our programmes to suit both clubs.

Miss N. Gould, Mrs. G. Gosling and Miss J. Baumann work very hard for their club, and the club's finances reflect this work.

The club won the B and Junior Grades of the Interclub Competition, Miss J. Baumann the State 440 yards, Miss J. Dronfield the 880 yards; and they were represented in the Australian championships in Perth by J. Baumann, J. Dronfield and B. Hill.

## The A.A.A. of N.S.W.

Your club gave full support to the A.A.A. and its hon. secretary, Mr. G. Soper, during the year.

Your president was a member of the Olympic Council and a N.S.W. delegate to the Australian Council, member of the Harrier Committee, and acted as chairman of Council on occasions.

W. R. Mackenzie was a member of the Coaching Committee.

M. J. Moroney, walking judge, was elected chief at the Australian championships; he also acted as Chief Marshal all the season.

F. Eggleton, field games judge, E. Williams, A. Henderson, J. Coppock Harrier Board officials.

J. Coppock, R. Jolliffe, E. Robertson, R. Short and A. Gould assisted as stewards at the State and Australian championships.

Your hon. general secretary, W. Ahern, referee for all competitions during the year, chairman of the Interclub Management Board, member of the Gear, Officials and Sports Committees.

## Appreciation

We extend our thanks to the following for donations and for assistance during the season:—J. F. McGrath, B. Graham, C. Evatt, D. Cross, Dr. H. V. Evatt, Mrs. Brangwin, W. Fogarty, C. C. Cooper, D. Scanlon, G. Freeman, May's Furniture, O'Connor Bros., Turner Bros., W. Peatfield, F. Slater, K. Slater, R. Thompson, G. Carpenter, H. Harper, A. Henderson, A. Blythe, R. F. Taylor, W. Crabtree, S. Watson, G. Watts, P.D.S. Kogarah, P. Hollands, L. Dean-Jones, H. Carnell, L. Williams, R. Skinner, W. Siddens, R. Milham, G. Skinner, J. Gibbs, H. Gibbons, J. Marshall, B. Button, F. Sanderson, F. Wilson, G. Gedge, J. Coppock, Mrs. Coppock, Mrs. Smeal, R. Kelleher, G. A. Keep, R. Cutler, E. Palmer, Mr. Turner, Mr. J. Gray, Mr. J. Mead, Mr. O. Marr, Mr. M. Barter, Mr. R. Bennett, Mr. W. Chancellor, F. O'Hanlon, Parry's Milk Bar, A. Gainsford, K. Marstaeller, C. Smeal, E. J. Moroney, J. J. Walsh, W. R. Mackenzie.

## Club Membership

Our membership dropped quite a lot this year. It was noticed most in the Sub-junior section. We did not seem to get the same number of schoolboy athletes as in previous years. But there was a falling-off in most of the major clubs in Sydney.

Our numbers are: Seniors 68, Juniors 28, Sub-Juniors 60; total 156. And three officers.

## Finance

Our financial position is not good, but it has remained steady during the past year. This is no doubt due to the interest of our new treasurer Arthur Gould, and I extend my thanks for his work. Our hon. auditor Mr. W. Firth also praised his method of keeping the club's accounts. To W. Firth I also express thanks for his continued interest in the club.

## Conclusion

My thanks again to all club officials, also to the athletes for their co-operation. To my assisting secretaries, F. Slater Distance and E. Watson Track, my thanks for their good work. It was pleasing to see the club spirit existing among the athletes under the direction of these two men.

In my thoughts now all I see are the Olympic Games, Melbourne, 1956. How many St. George athletes can represent? I think many. This club now has some of the best juniors in the State. In two years—who knows! It will mean sacrifice, but this will only be once in a lifetime, so I suggest to all athletes: work and work to this goal. I am already making my own plans so that I can represent in my official capacity and take my family to view this wonderful spectacle. See what you can do!

On behalf of the members of the St. George Amateur Athletic Club,

W. AHERN,

Hon. General Secretary.

# ST. GEORGE DISTRICT AMATEUR ATHLETIC CLUB

## Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ending 31st March, 1954

RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
BANK BALANCE at at March 31, 1953		45 15 5	ADMINISTRATIVE—		
SUBSCRIPTIONS .....		62 17 6	Printing, Stationery, Petty Cash ..	80 18 8	
DONATIONS .....		23 9 0	Rentals .....	15 0	
COMPETITIONS—			Telephone .....	18 11 6	100 5 2
Track Entry Fees .....	13 15 3		A.A.A. of N.S.W.—		
Distance Entry Fees .....	14 10 3	28 5 6	Registrations and Affiliations .....		37 0 0
PROMOTIONS—			COMPETITION—		
Socials .....	17 0		Race Fees .....	2 0 0	
Schoolboy Championships .....	38 6 1		Open Orders .....	19 3 0	21 3 0
Club Ball .....	102 2 6		PROMOTIONS—		
Gate Takings (Hurstville) .....	63 11 6		H'ville, Kogarah, Scarborough Ovals	18 17 0	
Sutherland .....	3 7 6		Schoolboy Championships .....	11 10 6	
Sub-normal .....	13 1 0		Club Ball .....	98 17 2	
Raffles .....	12 1 6	233 7 1	St. George Ambulance .....	18 18 0	148 2 8
GENERAL—			GENERAL—		
Telephone .....	2 13 0		Honorarium .....	5 5 0	
Badges .....	4 11 0		Gear .....	18 6 8	
Rentals .....	2 12 0		Bank Charges .....	1 5 0	
Gear .....	3 10 6	13 6 6	Cartage .....	4 12 6	29 9 2
			BALANCE AT BANK .....		71 1 0
		£407 1 0			£407 1 0

## Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 1954

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
CLUB FUNDS .....	156 3 10	CASH AT BANK .....	71 1 0
		EQUIPMENT—	
		Track .....	85 16 7
		Office .....	6 11 0
		Less 10 p.c. Depreciation .....	92 7 7
			9 4 9
		STATIONERY .....	83 2 10
			2 0 0
	£156 3 10		£156 3 10



## CLUB RECORDS

Senior Best on Record. Registered in any class of competition in Australia

100 Yards	J. Mumford	9.8	1937
220 Yards	J. Mumford	21.5	1937
440 Yards	J. Mumford	48.4	1937
880 Yards	J. Bailey	1.52.8	1954
1 Mile Run	J. Bailey	4.12	1954
2 Mile Run	J. Bailey	9.27	1953
3 Mile Run	A. Thomas	14.52.6	1954
4 Mile Run	A. Gainsford	20.56.4	1928
5 Mile Run	A. Gainsford	26.21	1928
6 Mile Run	A. Gainsford	31.49	1928
7 Mile Run	A. Gainsford	37.14.8	1928
8 Mile Run	A. Gainsford	42.41.4	1928
9 Mile Run	A. Gainsford	48.09.2	1928
10 Mile Run	A. Gainsford	53.31.4	1928
1 Mile Walk	E. Austen	6.45	1924
3 Mile Walk	E. Austen	22.13	1924
7 Mile Walk	E. Austen	55.49.2	1924
120 Hurdles	E. Watson	15.2	1951
220 Hurdles	G. Gedge	23.9	1950
440 Hurdles	G. Gedge	53.6	1952
Broad Jump	B. Dickinson	24'6 1/2"	1938
Hop Step & Jump	B. Dickinson	51'3 3/8"	1935
High Jump	P. Tancred	6'2"	1941
Pole Vault	C. Oates	12'0"	1948
Hammer (16lb)	F. Eggleton		1954
Discus	F. Eggleton	140'1"	1953
Shot Putt	W. Mackenzie	45'5 1/2"	1937
Javelin	A. Hakellis	208'8 3/4"	1951
Marathon	G. Smeal	2hr.46m.45s.	1951
5,000 Metres	E. Brooke	16.33.6	1938
10,000 Metres	A. Gainsford	32.58	1928
15,000 Metres	A. Gainsford	49.55.4	1928
Mile Medley Relay	(J. Bailey, G. Gedge, D. Harvison, E. Watson)	3.32.2	1953
1500 Metres	J. Bailey	3.56.7	1953

Senior Club Records. Registered where St. George Club has complete control

100 Yards	G. Gedge	10.1	1953
220 Yards	G. Gedge	22.3	1951
440 Yards	G. Gedge	49.8	1953
880 Yards	J. Bailey	1.57.8	1953
1 Mile	J. Bailey	4.16.6	1953
2 Mile	E. Evans	4.37.2	1939
3 Mile	E. Evans	15.7	1939
4 Mile	A. Gainsford	20.56.4	1928
5 Mile	A. Gainsford	26.21	1928
6 Mile	A. Gainsford	31.49	1928
7 Mile	A. Gainsford	37.14.8	1928
8 Mile	A. Gainsford	42.41.4	1928
9 Mile	A. Gainsford	48.09.2	1928
10 Mile	A. Gainsford	53.31.5	1928
1 Mile Walk	E. Austen	7.15	1924
3 Mile Walk	C. Laughton	23.44.6	1928
120 Hurdles	W. Watson	15.6	1951
220 Hurdles	G. Gedge	24.0	1951
440 Hurdles	H. Gould	58.3	1938
Broad Jump	B. Dickinson	23'4 1/2"	1939
High Jump	C. Oates	5'8 3/4"	1948
Hop Step & Jump	B. Dickinson	48'0"	1937
Pole Vault	C. Oates	11'0"	1948
Hammer (16lb)	W. McKenzie	88'11 1/2"	1933
Discus	W. McKenzie	128'10 1/2"	1936
Shot Putt (16lb)	F. Eggleton	41'9"	1953
Javelin	A. Hakellis	183'2"	1952
5,000 Metres	E. Brooks	16.33.6	1928
10,000 Metres	A. Gainsford	32.58	1928
15,000 Metres	A. Gainsford	49.55.4	1928

Junior Best on Record

100 Yards	K. Short	19.1	1953
220 Yards	C. Clark	22.2	1954
440 Yards	G. Gedge	50.5	1948
880 Yards	J. Bailey	2.00.6	1948
1 Mile	D. Wilson	4.29.4	1953
120 Hurdles	K. Short	14.9	1954
220 Hurdles	G. Gedge	24.9	1949
Broad Jump	G. Gedge	23'2"	1948
Hop Step & Jump	B. Dickinson	48'6"	1932
High Jump	D. Quinan	5'8"	1954
Discus	J. Mumford	108'5"	1935
Javelin	B. Sheiles	148'0"	1929
Shot Putt (12lb)	R. Taylor	42'1"	1952
Pole Vaule	A. Briggs	10'6"	1951
440yds. Relay	(T. Gleeson, T. O'Reilly, G. Gedge, R. Estella)	43.4	1949
880yds. Relay	(T. Gleeson, T. O'Reilly, G. Gedge, R. Estella)	1.31.7	1949
1 Mile Walk	W. McAllister	7.18	1953
1 Mile Medley	(D. Wilson, M. Miles, C. Clark, K. Short)	3.40.4	1953

Junior Club Records

100 Yards	K. Short, C. Clark	10.2	1953
220 Yards	C. Campbell	23.2	1947
	G. Gedge	23.2	1949
440 Yards	F. Thornton	53.1	1949
880 Yards	J. Bailey	2.00.4	1948
1 Mile	D. Wilson	4.32	1953
120 Hurdles	K. Short	15.3	1954
220 Hurdles	M. Miles	26.2	1954
Broad Jump	P. Ford	22'0"	1947
Hop Step & Jump	B. Dickinson	46'8"	1933
High Jump	B. Wallis	5'5 1/4"	1934
Discus	J. Mumford	108'5"	1935
Javelin	B. Sheiles	148'	1929
Shot Putt (12lb)	P. Stubbings	38'5 1/2"	1951
Pole Vaule	E. Watson	9'6"	1944
	H. Briggs	9'6"	1944
2 Miles	A. Thomas	9.47.6	1954

Sub-Junior Best on Record

100 Yards	C. Chamberlain	10.0	1954
220 Yards	K. Short	23.2	1952
440 Yards	B. Bennett	53.0	1953
880 Yards	B. Bennett	2.3.5	1953
1 Mile	D. Wilson	4.34.8	1952
90 Hurdles	K. Short	11.2	1952
	J. Lester	11.2	1954
High Jump	D. Jolliffe	5'8 1/2"	1954
Broad Jump	J. Chambers	21'1 1/2"	1950
Hop Step & Jump	D. Stables	42'5"	1950
Shot Putt	B. Mitchell	45'5 1/2"	1950

Sub-Junior Club Records

100 Yards	C. Chamberlain	10.0	1954
220 Yards	K. Short	23.2	1952
440 Yards	D. Harvison	53.8	1948
880 Yards	B. Toovey	2.6.5	1954
90yds. Hurdles	J. Lester	11.9	1954
	K. Short	11.5	1952
High Jump	D. Jolliffe	5'3 3/4"	1950
Hop Step & Jump	D. Stables	42'5"	1950
Broad Jump	K. Short	20'5 1/2"	1951
Shot Putt	A. Ackland	44.4	1953