

THE AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COUNCIL

Annual Report for the year ending 31st March, 1950,
presented at the Annual Meeting held at the Commercial
Travellers Club, Melbourne on Friday, 26th May, 1950.

Officers 1949

President	Mr. C.E.M. Hickey
Vice Presidents	Messrs. A.E.G. Webb and C.A.M. West
Hon. Secretary	Mr. I.J. Taylor
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. A.E.G. Webb
Hon. Auditor	Mr. K.H. Boykett

Mr. President and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I submit the nineteenth Annual Report of the Australian Lacrosse Council, covering the operations for the year 1949, for your consideration and approval. From the table set out below, it will be seen that there has been a slight improvement of the number of teams and registered players when compared with the previous season. Victoria shows the greatest increase which was mainly due to the formation of an under 14 years of age competition. It is also very gratifying to record the progress of the Pt. Pirie Association which now comprises 51 players divided into four teams. In Western Australia, and also in other States, the acute shortage of sticks is seriously retarding the advancement of the game. Taking everything into consideration the year's increase of just over 100 players must be deemed satisfactory under the prevailing conditions.

Registered Players The following table sets out the number of registered players and teams in each state compared with the previous season and the pre-war year of 1939.

	<u>1949</u>		<u>1948</u>		<u>1939</u>	
	<u>Teams</u>	<u>Players</u>	<u>Teams</u>	<u>Players</u>	<u>Teams</u>	<u>Players</u>
Victoria	47	770	42	702	68	1139
South Australia	39	560	38	535	55	809
Western "	30	467	30	464	24	417
Queensland	5	66	4	61	12	186
New South Wales	4	50	4	40	4	63
	125	1913	118	1802	163	2614

Financial The Treasurer when submitting the financial statement will be able to report a credit balance of £38. 10. 8 at the Commonwealth Bank.

International Federation of Amateur Lacrosse Following preliminary talks in London between the English and American Lacrosse Officials represented at the Olympic Games in 1948, Mr. G. H. Bark, Secretary of the English Lacrosse Union visited Canada and the United States last year, and an endeavour was made to revive the International Federation of Amateur Lacrosse. Comment on this subject is withheld pending the receipt of Mr. Bark's official report.

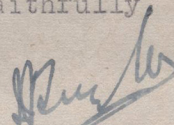
Olympic Games The question of endeavouring to have lacrosse included in the Olympic Games to be held in Melbourne in 1956 was at the last meeting of the Council referred to a sub-committee for report. As this matter is bound up with the revival of the International Federation, no action has been taken pending the receipt of a report from the English Lacrosse Union.

Equipment Our suppliers of lacrosse balls, Messrs. Dunlop Ltd. have been able to meet our requirements and I am pleased to report that reasonable supplies are now available. The position as regard lacrosse sticks is still very acute and is having the constant attention of the Council. A special report on this subject will be submitted to a meeting of the Council to be held during the Carnival.

Certificate of Service and Merit The draft for the Certificate of Service and Merit has been approved and is now ready for printing. It is anticipated that certificates to those members who have been recommended by Member Associations and approved by the Council will be issued in a few weeks time.

Conclusion In conclusion I desire to thank the secretaries of Member Associations who have assisted me in the execution of my duties.

Yours faithfully,



I. J. TAYLOR
HON. SECRETARY

AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENT YEAR ENDING 31ST MAY, 1950

1949 Receipts

Balance from 1949
 Bank Interest
 Subscriptions:-
 South Australia
 Victoria
 Queensland
 Western Australia

£39. 8. 11
 16. 4
 £2. 2. -
 £2. 2. -
 £2. 2. -
 £2. 2. -

£48. 13. 3

1949 Expenditure

Honorarium Typists
 Printing
 Sundries
 Balance at Bank

£5 5. -
 £3. 12. 7
 £1. 5. -
 £38. 10. 8

£48. 13. 3

Liabilities

Liabilities Nil
 Balance of Assets over
 Liabilities

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Assets

Cash at C/wealth Bank
 Outstanding Fees N.S.W.

£38. 10. 8
 £2. 2. -
 £40. 12. 8

Audited and Found Correct
 (Sgd.) K.H. BOYKETT A.I.C.A.
 HON. AUDITOR
 16th May, 1950.