

VICTORIAN LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

(FOUNDED 1879)

ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET

For Season 1934

Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association, held at the Amateur Sports Club, Melbourne, on the 5th day of March, 1935.

Gentlemen,

Your Committee has very much pleasure in presenting for your approval the Annual Report and Balance Sheet for the 1934 season.

The South Melbourne Technical School and Y.M.C.A. clubs disbanded at the commencement of the season and the North Fitzroy and Ivanhoe clubs amalgamated. Despite this, the 1934 personnel (28 clubs, 60 teams, and 1,039 registered players) compares favourably with the 1933 figures (31 clubs, 62 teams, and 1,068 players). The size of the Association is still some distance behind the record established in 1930, of 30 clubs, 68 teams, and 1,115 players, and it is our earnest desire to create a new membership record for the ensuing season. This objective has already been brought nearer by the formation, during the summer months, of new clubs at Preston and Wattle Park.

The season commenced with the re-naming of the various sections and a reversion to the former playing length of the field. With surprise results becoming the feature of every Saturday's play, it is no exaggeration to state that the season produced the most interesting Senior Lacrosse yet witnessed. Malvern were again the outstanding team and, for the fourth year in succession, won the premiership from M.C.C. Caulfield's greatly improved form won merited recognition, and Coburg advanced to fifth place. Malvern again defeated Williamstown to gain the "B" premiership. Glen Iris gained their first premiership since 1931 in the "C" Section, at Coburg's expense. U.H.S.O.B. won the grand final of "D" Section from Power House, St. Kilda defeated Melbourne Technical College in "E" Section, and Williamstown narrowly gained the "F" Section premiership from their old rivals, Essendon.

The fourth Annual six-a-side tournament, held at Malvern, was again very popular. Malvern and St. Kilda won their respective grades. Club secretaries are asked to assist the management of this tournament by lodging their entries more promptly.

Mr. S. McCorkell performed the amazing feat of winning the best and fairest senior player award for the third successive year, and will receive the trophy presented by Mr. W. B. Grace. One of your vice-presidents, Mr. R. Gibbs (Caulfield), shared this coveted honour with M. J. Bettles (Legacy) in the "B" Section.

The annual fixture with South Australia was played at Malvern, and a fast exhibition of contrasting styles of the game was witnessed. The successful Victorian team comprised Messrs. J. Beattie (Capt.), J. Reid (Vice-Capt.), S. McCorkell, J. Lake, O. Unkenstein, D. Marshall, T. Corrigan, W. Edwards, N. Robson, R. Read, H. Woods, and W. Ashby. Reserves: J. Murrowood, N. Gibbs, and G. Knowles.

A visit to Queensland was arranged during the year, and our thanks are due to the participants who volunteered to go, at their own expense, to assist our friends in the Northern State. The party comprised Messrs. J. Beattie (Captain and Manager), H. Woods, C. Foster, A. Evans, V. Healy, F. Lansbury, F. Tranter, B. Newgreen, K. O'Brien, K. Sitlington, L. Bassett, M. Logan, T. Clancy, R. Cole, L. Jenkin, and H. Anderson.

We thank the New South Wales and Queensland Associations for the lavish hospitality they extended to our players.

Your President, Capt. J. H. Fearon, is also to be highly commended for his action in sponsoring teams from the Williamstown club on enjoyable trips to Launceston and Adelaide, where the home associations also looked after our members in royal fashion.

Interstate visits undoubtedly do more than any other aspect of our game to advance Lacrosse in Australia. We are proud of the leading position, in Australian Lacrosse, gained by our Association by virtue of the prowess of our players and our numerical strength. Such a position carries with it a duty to assist other States, and your Committee is sure you will approve of its action in accepting an oft repeated invitation to visit West Australia. It is hoped to send a representative team to Perth, next August, playing at Adelaide on its return. As fares alone total over £200 (to which the W.A.L.A. is contributing £50), a glance at our Balance Sheet will indicate that your heartiest co-operation is needed.

Malvern again enjoyed a visit to Ballarat, who hope, this year, to play home and home matches in "B" Grade. University had a successful visit to Adelaide.

Our sincere thanks are due to the members of the Investigation Committee, viz., Messrs. Webb, Fawcett, Dunn, Gay, Pearce, and Grace; to our delegates to the Australian Lacrosse Council and the Amateur Sports Council of Victoria and to the officials of the Amateur Sports Club. We gratefully record that the Press gave us an increased share of publicity during the season. The Permit Committee also had a very busy term of office.

We thank the members of the Referees Association and, in particular, their energetic secretary, Mr. E. Axford, for their help and valued suggestions. A meeting of captains and referees to discuss rule interpretations proved so helpful and popular that this should become an annual fixture to which all players are invited.

There are ample opportunities for experienced players to serve as referees on relinquishing the game, and there is a pressing need for the right man to come forward and form an Old Players' Association. You are requested to assist the compilation of an old players' register by sending in the names and present addresses of former players.

It is pointed out that rule books (6d.) and badges (1/-) are still available for disposal. Also, interstate players may now obtain Victorian blazers.

The attention of Club Secretaries is directed to the need of lodging, as early as possible, their team entries and ground dates. Although the loss to the Association, caused by the recent disbandment of the North Fitzroy club, is considerable, your Committee is confident that a successful season is again indicated. An appeal is made to every member to endeavour to gain one recruit, for his club, before the commencement of the season.

On behalf of the Committee,

- A. E. GORDON WEBB, *Chairman of the Executive Committee.*
D. R. MARSHALL, *Hon. Treasurer.*
A. J. FOWLER, *Hon. Secretary.*

VICTORIAN LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

Revenue Account for Thirteen Months ended 28th February, 1935.

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
To Donations of Sticks to Clubs	£50 5 2	By Referees Fees	£7 15 0
" Printing and Stationery	27 8 6	" Interstate Match—Victoria v. South Australia—Net Profit	34 4 10
" Honorariums	45 0 0	" Registration Fees	129 17 6
" General Expenses	51 1 0	" Application Fees	44 2 0
" Petty Cash	14 0 0	" Fines	33 6 0
" Premiership Medals	9 9 0	" King's Birthday Match	4 10 3
" Semi-Final and Final Games	8 17 6	" Donations	1 1 0
" Surplus for Year	59 18 11	" Sale of Fixtures and Advertising	11 3 6
	£266 0 1		£266 0 1

Balance Sheet at 28th February, 1935.

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
Insurance Fund	£15 0 0	Cash at E. S. & A. Bank Ltd.	£30 12 10
Sundry Creditors—		Cash at State Savings Bank of Victoria	0 10 0
Old Trinity Grammarians	£0 2 0	Box Lacrosse Nets	6 17 6
Melbourne Technical School	0 1 6	Badges	16 9 6
	0 3 6	Typewriter	5 0 0
Western Australian Fund	11 0 8	Jerseys	7 9 3
General Balance at 1/3/34	£46 1 7	Sundry Debtors—	
Add Surplus 1934 Season	59 18 11	Old Caulfield Grammarians	£4 2 10
	106 0 6	Power House	2 5 9
		Glen Iris	1 16 9
		South Melb. Tech. School	9 3 0
		Brighton	8 8 3
		Box Hill	1 13 9
		Coburg	1 5 6
		Teachers' College	5 12 10
		R.A.N.R.	1 5 3
		Sunshine	1 14 3
		Brunswick	4 1 0
		Essendon	4 19 9
		Hawthorn	4 6 6
		Hartwell	1 16 3
		Legacy	1 17 6
		St. Kilda	1 13 2
		University	4 18 6
		Keogh, K.	1 19 9
		Caulfield Technical School	1 10 0
		Richmond Tech. School	0 15 0
			£65 5 7
	£132 4 8		£132 4 8

Melbourne, 28th February, 1935.

Audited and found Correct.

TAXATION SERVICES OF AUSTRALIA LIMITED,

A. H. CHARLES, A.C.P.A., Auditor.

VICTORIAN LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

1934 Season's Results

"A" SECTION (Joel Fox Cup).							"D" SECTION.								
	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.		P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.
1. Malvern	20	19	1	—	273	97	76	1. U.H.S.O.B.	19	17	2	—	285	82	68
2. M.C.C.	20	13	7	—	168	167	52	2. Power House	20	16	4	—	288	95	64
3. Caulfield	19	13	6	—	177	166	52	3. Sunshine	18	12	6	—	143	133	48
4. Williamstown	19	12	6	1	153	120	50	4. R.A.N.R.	16	11	5	—	156	105	44
5. Coburg	18	10	7	1	162	136	42	5. Essendon	17	8	8	1	180	155	34
6. Camberwell	18	9	8	1	148	127	38	6. Hawthorn	15	7	8	—	92	168	28
7. University	18	7	11	—	132	202	28	7. Adult Deaf	17	6	10	1	71	181	26
8. M.H.S.O.B.	18	4	12	2	90	157	20	8. Camberwell	17	5	12	—	86	285	20
9. North Fitzroy	18	3	14	1	101	232	14	9. University	16	3	13	—	44	191	12

"B" SECTION (Hugh Woods Cup).							"E" SECTION.								
	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.		P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.
1. Malvern	20	20	—	—	213	43	80	1. St. Kilda	19	14	3	2	205	90	60
2. Williamstown	20	16	3	1	216	104	66	2. Williamstown	18	15	3	—	251	94	60
3. Caulfield	19	13	6	—	183	147	52	3. Melb. Tech. (No. 1)	19	15	3	—	220	84	30
4. Legacy	19	12	6	1	199	144	50	4. Old Trinity	18	15	3	—	293	113	60
5. Essendon	18	10	8	—	181	146	40	5. U.H.S.O.B.	17	12	4	1	196	97	50
6. Artillery	18	7	10	1	106	133	30	6. Brighton	17	8	6	3	162	131	38
7. Camberwell	18	6	11	1	127	193	26	7. Coburg	17	9	8	—	134	152	36
8. University	18	4	14	—	86	243	16	8. Malvern	16	7	8	1	108	170	30
9. Ivanhoe	18	3	15	—	86	242	12	9. M.H.S.O.B.	16	6	10	—	47	141	24

"C" SECTION.							"F" SECTION (Fearon Colts Cup).								
	P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.		P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Agst.	Pts.
1. Glen Iris	19	17	2	—	234	84	68	1. Williamstown	16	15	1	—	236	78	60
2. Coburg	19	12	6	1	195	115	50	2. Essendon	17	13	3	1	205	62	54
3. Hawthorn	18	15	3	—	164	103	60	3. U.H.S.O.B.	15	7	8	—	125	123	28
4. Hartwell	17	11	6	—	158	123	44	4. Deaf Boys	14	6	7	1	82	120	26
5. Williamstown	18	14	3	1	173	79	58	5. Caulfield	14	5	8	1	126	172	22
6. Teachers' College	17	8	9	—	109	113	32	6. Trinity Grammar	12	4	7	1	94	164	18
7. Malvern	17	6	9	2	150	111	28	7. Melb. Tech. (No. 1)	9	5	4	—	91	72	20
8. Brunswick	17	7	10	—	144	133	28	8. Melb. Tech. (No. 2)	9	—	9	—	12	170	0
9. Brighton	17	5	11	1	89	160	22								
10. Box Hill	17	3	11	3	99	178	18								
11. M.H.S.O.B.	17	2	13	2	71	185	12								
12. Caulfield	17	—	17	—	68	272	0								

SENIOR INTERSTATE.

Victoria (20 goals) v. New South Wales (8 goals) at Sydney, 25th July, 1934.
 Victoria (11 goals) v. Queensland (7 goals) at Brisbane, 28th July, 1934.
 Queensland (18 goals) v. Victoria (9 goals) at Brisbane, 1st August, 1934.
 Victoria (25 goals) v. South Australia (10 goals) at Melbourne, 11th August, 1934.

JUNIOR INTERSTATE.

Victoria (Williamstown) (15 goals) v. Tasmania (Launceston) (10 goals) at Launceston, 4th August, 1934.

INTERVARSITY.

Melbourne (12 goals) v. Adelaide (8 goals) at Adelaide.

MID-WEEK COMPETITIONS.

HIGH SCHOOLS. M.H.S.O.B. and U.H.S.O.B.—Equal Honours.
 No Play-off for Premiership—each to hold Fearon Cup for six months.

TECHNICAL SCHOOLS (R. O. Moore Shield). Melbourne Technical School—Premiers.
 Caulfield—Runners-up.