

# LACROSSE



AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL LACROSSE TEAM

vs.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Saturday, March 17, 1962 — 2:00 P.M.

SCOTT STADIUM



## THE ROAD TO SUCCESS:

### Highlights of Lacrosse at Virginia

LACROSSE, a game hitherto unknown at the University, was introduced into the local sports scene in 1925 by a group of students in a venture that was under the guidance of Dr. Allen Voshell. The first game was played the following year when the Cavaliers sustained a loss to L'Hirondelle Club.

However, this early start of the Cavalier stickman was short-lived; the sport died out within a few years after it was initiated. But by 1937, Harry Gaver as player-coach had Lacrosse on the upswing; only to see it fade again just before the Second World War.

Just after that same war, Randall C. Coleman, a law student, was appointed coach and in 1948 there was same tangible evidence that the corpse of the Indian game was very much alive as the Wahoos beat Union, Delaware, and Loyola among others.

In 1949, Charlie Guy became the mentor of the team and he produced the first winning Virginia stick squad; a team that beat RPI in a stunning upset. Bob Proutt won the distinction of being the first Cavalier All American in that same year.

The following spring saw the Wahoos chalk up an 8-3 won-lost record while the great Billy Hooper was named All-American.

Pic Fuller became coach in 1951 and his coming brought with it the real hey-day of the sport. The team drew forty-five hundred spectators for its game here with Johns Hopkins; got its first wins over Maryland and Duke; and received honorable mention for the Wingate Trophy.

1952 saw the national championship come to Charlottesville as the Cavaliers won seven and lost just one to tie for the collegiate title with RPI. Gordy Jones won All-American honors and the Jack Turnball trophy for his attack play, and the team beat Princeton, Hopkins, and Navy for the first time.

The 1953 Cavaliers finished third in the ratings and rang up a 7-2 record with one and three goal losses to Navy and RPI. Tom Compton made All-America at the midfield and the Wahoos beat Maryland, Duke, and Hopkins among others.

In 1959, the Cavaliers were top drawer in Lacrosse in this country. Bob Sandell took over the helm as Varsity Lacrosse coach. Bob's finest team was the 1955 squad, which won the Dixie League Title and held Maryland's great national champions to an 11-9 score. During the 1958 season, Bob's team upset a strong Navy team.

In 1959, Gene Corrigan came from Virginia's traditional rival, Washington and Lee University, to become Varsity Lacrosse coach and Varsity Soccer coach. Since his arrival, Coach Corrigan has had many fine Lacrosse teams, all ranked among the top five in the country. Despite his heartbreaking losses in last year's season such as the 8-7 loss to the Co-National Champions, Navy, Gene is going into the 1962 season with a four-game winning streak. The last game of the 1961 season was the greatest victory of his coaching career—a decisive, overtime 10-9 win over the Co-National Champions, Army, in Baltimore. This year the Cavaliers are in strong contention for the national title. It is because of Coach Corrigan's incessant efforts that Virginia's progress in Lacrosse in the last three years has been outstanding.

Some of the All-Americans who have played for the University of Virginia since 1946 include:

|                 |                   |         |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------|
| Bobby Proutt    | 1st Team          | 1949-50 |
| Billy Hooper    | 1st Team          | 1950-51 |
| Gordan Jones    | 1st Team          | 1952    |
| Dick Godine     | 2nd Team          | 1952    |
| Tommy Compton   | 1st Team          | 1953    |
| Jimmy Grieves   | 1st Team          | 1953-54 |
| Tom Scott       | 2nd Team          | 1953    |
| Bo Moore        | 2nd Team          | 1954    |
| Don Nichols     | 2nd Team          | 1956    |
| Sandy Hoff      | 2nd Team          | 1957    |
| Jay Wheatley    | Honorable Mention | 1959    |
| Punchy Peterson | 1st Team          | 1961    |
| Booty Nice      | Honorable Mention | 1961    |
| Hy Levasseur    | 3rd Team          | 1961    |

## Lacrosse in Australia

Melbourne has the honor of being the birthplace of Australian Lacrosse.

In 1874, there arrived in this city Mr. L. L. Mount, a Canadian, who was an enthusiastic Lacrosse player, and he had brought with him a number of lacrosse sticks in the hope of introducing his beloved game into the land of his adoption.

Mr. George Beech, who has been acclaimed the father of Lacrosse in Australia, was the first Australian Lacrosse player.

Among the other pioneers of the game were Mr. Joel Fox, who was President of the Lacrosse Association for many years; E. Phillips Fox, the artist, and Mr. Phillip Shappere, who also filled the presidential chair of the association.

The Victorian Lacrosse Association was founded in 1879 and, two years later, the "Herald" was able to report on the 29th of June, 1881: "Lacrosse, the great national game of Canada, is promising to become a favourite pastime for Victorians. There are now six clubs and more than 200 members." From that date, the game continued to prosper, until the advent of the war of 1939, when there were approximately 80 teams and 1300 players.

Like other amateur games, Lacrosse suffered a setback by the war from which it has not yet fully recovered. Another post-war factor which has retarded the game is the acute shortage of sticks owing to the dollar position. Only one Australian sporting goods manufacturer makes lacrosse racquets and other equipment, but the supply has failed to satisfy the demand. Many players are still playing with battered, pre-war Canadian racquets as though they were family heirlooms.

Although Lacrosse has a small following compared with other sports, the game is well organized in the three states in which it is played. Lacrosse today is played in only three of Australia's six states—Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia—and has a following of about 1500 players, a much lower strength than in the pre-war years. Almost since Lacrosse was introduced into Australia in 1874, there has been healthy interstate competition. Interstate carnivals are held on a three-yearly basis, each competing state taking it in turns to organize the series. These Australian Lacrosse Carnivals were inaugurated in 1910, and since that date fourteen carnivals have been played, of which Victoria has won ten and has been runner-up in four.

The formation of the Australian Lacrosse Council was accomplished only after many years of negotiation between the various Lacrosse bodies. At the Adelaide Conference of 1926, the formation of a Council was agreed to and a Committee, comprising of Messrs. H. R. Balmer, the late J. W. Schafe, and the late Captain J. H. Fearson, was appointed to draw up a draft constitution. This constitution with a few amendments was then submitted to the State Associations for confirmation in 1929. Western Australia, Victoria, and Queensland subsequently ratified the constitution at a meeting held in Melbourne on June 8, 1931. New South Wales was admitted in 1932, and in the following year South Australia joined.

No history of the Australian Lacrosse Council would be complete without reference to the late "Ike" Taylor, Honorary Secretary of the A.L.C. from 1934 until his death in 1958. During his twenty-five years of service, "Ike" devoted an untold amount of time and energy to the furtherance of Lacrosse in Australia, and the enduring strength and unity of the Council is a fitting monument to his untiring efforts.

Finally, the Australians play a different type of game under different rules than the Americans. The Australians wear no padding or protection. This is simply because they do not play the same aggressive type of game as the Americans do. Despite the fact that the Australians do not follow set plays but make their plays in a spontaneous manner, their hard passing and their quickness in the field attributes to their great competitive nature. The rules on offside play, on out-of-bounds play, and on the degree of body checking permitted differs considerably from American rules. In the match today, the Australians will be playing under American NCAA rules.



## VIRGINIA VARSITY LACROSSE TEAM



*First row left to right: Bill Powell, John Synder, Hy Levasseur, Co-captain John Spilman, Co-captain Booty Nice, John Storkerson, Landon Hilliard, Scott Sykes.*

*Second row left to right: Mac Caputo, Dick Mergehenn, John Tompkins, Jim Franklin, Gary Clark, Snowden Hoff, Gus Blagden, Jim Shreeves.*

*Third row left to right: John Boucher, Terry Seig, Lance Hopkins, Rusty Beers, Bob Saum, Jack Davies, Pete McGill, John Payne, Bill Thees.*

*Fourth row left to right: Coach Gene Corrigan, Jack Darrell, Athletic Director Gus Tebell, Head Manager Jamie T. Irvine, Assistant Director Bus Male.*

*Missing: Mike Bowen, Stu Christhilf, Lee Kunkel, Dave Tucker, Head Manager John Marston, Bob Judkins, John Greene, John Rouse.*

### How This Tour Came About

During their tour in Australia, the members of the American Lacrosse team were consulted numerous times by the Australians about the possibilities of their sending a team to the United States. Last year Mr. Robert Colstream, President of The Australian Lacrosse Association, announced in Melbourne that there would be an Australian Lacrosse team sent to tour the United States to reciprocate the visit made to Australia by the American Lacrosse team consisting of representatives from the University of Virginia and Washington and Lee University. Australia has never sent a Lacrosse team abroad, and the American team is only the second team from overseas to visit Australia. The first was a strong Canadian team, which toured the country in 1907.

The Americans started their tour in Perth, Western Australia, and won all three games played in this state. They defeated the Western Australian State team, 12-8, and won matches against the state's seconds, 10-8 and 8-6. In Adelaide, they played three matches against the South Australian State team, losing two, 5-13 and 5-12, and winning the third, 10-9. In Melbourne, Victoria they defeated the Victorian Colts, 14-5, and won most of the other games with Victoria and the Australian Universities. The representatives from the University of Virginia were: Booty Nice, Pete Quesenberry, John Spilman, Fred Askin, John Synder, John Storkerson, Jay Taylor, Ken Sappington, Barry Feldstein (Co-Captain), and Tom Swindell (Co-Captain).

Coach Corrigan, who heads the committee for the Australian visit, has been in correspondence with the Australians for the last two years trying to arrange such a visit. Through his efforts, such a visit was made possible. During their stay in the United States, the Australians will receive \$350.00 from each school that they visit. This money will be used for their traveling and other expenses. The schools and clubs which the Australians will be visiting are the following in order: Duke, Virginia, Washington and Lee, Maryland, Navy, Baltimore Lacrosse Club, Johns Hopkins, Rutgers, Princeton, Philadelphia Lacrosse Club and Army.



*American Team in Action in Australia. Notice where the referee is standing and the contrasting head gear of both teams.*



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### AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL LACROSSE SQUAD

| No.                         | Victoria                           | Pos. | Age | Ht.   | Wt. | Home Address                        |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|------|-----|-------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| 19                          | Keith Atkins .....                 | G    | 29  | 5' 9" | 203 | 46 Llaneast St., Malvern            |
| 12                          | Ivan Bryning .....                 | M    | 22  | 5'10" | 168 | 25a Carnarven Rd., Caulfield        |
| 13                          | Trevor Campbell .....              | A    | 28  | 5' 8" | 144 | 47 Llaneast St., Malvern            |
| 17                          | Clem Eddy .....                    | D    | 35  | 5' 8" | 159 | 20 Middleton St., Highett           |
| 3                           | Les Goding .....                   | D    | 26  | 5'11" | 182 | 12 Stewart St., Williamstown        |
| 8                           | Brian Griffin .....                | A    | 21  | 5'10" | 168 | Nepean Highway, Mount Elizabeth     |
| 7                           | Graham Hill .....                  | D    | 20  | 6'    | 178 | 46 Tobruk Crescent, Williamstown    |
| 18                          | Peter Hogg .....                   | A    | 20  | 6'    | 170 | 32 Perry St., Williamstown          |
| 9                           | Noel Jeffrey .....                 | M    | 39  | 5'11" | 175 | 14 Frances St., Highett             |
| 1                           | Ian Jewitt .....                   | D    | 27  | 5'11" | 186 | 55 Hyde St., Footscray              |
| 2                           | John Martin .....                  | A    | 19  | 5'10" | 141 | 16 Hadkinson St., Clayton           |
| 16                          | Noel Melville .....                | D    | 29  | 5'11" | 179 | 5 Mummery St., Mount Waverley       |
| 15                          | Don Miller .....                   | D    | 23  | 5'10" | 168 | 203 Brighton Rd., Elwood            |
| 11                          | Graeme Minniece .....              | D    | 18  | 5' 8" | 136 | 59 Maitland St., Glen Iris          |
| 4                           | Eddie Toomey .....                 | A    | 18  | 5' 9" | 147 | 56 Railway Place, Williamstown      |
| 5                           | Denis Trainor .....                | A    | 26  | 5' 8" | 164 | 5 Robertson Ave., Saint Kilda.      |
| 20                          | Phil Humphreys .....               | M    | 23  | 5'10" | 175 | (Temporarily in Canada)             |
| <b>West Australia</b>       |                                    |      |     |       |     |                                     |
| 14                          | Frank Poat .....                   | M    | 28  | 6' 1" | 168 | 30 Chester St., South Fremantle     |
| 6                           | Bob Ramsay .....                   | M    | 34  | 5'11" | 182 | 30 Templetonia Crescent, City Beach |
| 10                          | John Stammers .....                | M    | 25  | 5' 8" | 154 | 124 Newton Rd., Spearwood           |
|                             | Laurie Turnbull .....              | Mgr. | 47  | 6'    | 182 | 68 Stanley St., Nedlands            |
| <b>South Australia</b>      |                                    |      |     |       |     |                                     |
| 22                          | Alan Pearce .....                  | M    |     |       |     | 1 Lamington Avenue, Seacliffe       |
| 21                          | Fred Neill .....                   | M    |     |       |     | 7 Harberton Rd., South Brighton     |
| <b>Officials (Victoria)</b> |                                    |      |     |       |     |                                     |
|                             | Cleve Weatherill (Coach) .....     |      |     |       |     | Nepean Highway, Mount Elizabeth     |
|                             | Fred Durham (Asst. Mgr.) .....     |      |     |       |     | 42 Kelvin Avenue, Montomercy        |
|                             | Bert Sterck (Team Secretary) ..... |      |     |       |     | 11a White St., Glen Iris            |
|                             | Bob Coldstream (Pres. ALC) .....   |      |     |       |     | 179 Flinders Lane, Melbourne        |
|                             | Richard Goslin (Sec'y ALC) .....   |      |     |       |     | 40 Hardwicke St., Balwyn, E8        |

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## VIRGINIA VARSITY LACROSSE SQUAD

| No. | Name                | Pos.         | Ht.    | Wt. | Prep or High School   | Home Address         |
|-----|---------------------|--------------|--------|-----|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 42  | Gary Clark          | M            | 6' 2"  | 200 | McDonogh              | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 11  | Booty Nice          | G            | 5' 11" | 175 | Gilman                | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 34  | Russ Beers          | A            | 6' 1"  | 155 | St. Paul's            | Arlington, Va.       |
| 28  | Dick Mergeheun      | D            | 6' 1"  | 165 | Boy's Latin           | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 12  | Bill Thees          | M            | 5' 11" | 175 | Kimball Union Acad.   | New Rochelle, N. Y.  |
| 25  | Terry Sieg          | M            | 6' 1"  | 195 | Rumson High School    | Rumson, N. J.        |
| 37  | Lance Hopkins       | M            | 5' 11" | 170 | Douglas Freeman H.S.  | Richmond, Va.        |
| 47  | John Boucher        | D            | 6' 3"  | 195 | Shades Valley H.S.    | Birmingham, Ala.     |
| 41  | Jim Franklin        | A            | 6' 1"  | 175 | The Choate School     | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 14  | John Spilman        | A            | 5' 11" | 170 | Gilman School         | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 32  | John Tompkins       | D            | 5' 10" | 180 | St. Paul's School     | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 15  | Bob Judkins         | A            | 6' 0"  | 185 | Gilman School         | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 38  | Mac Caputo          | D            | 6' 1"  | 190 | Deerfield Academy     | Bronxville, N. Y.    |
| 22  | Gus Blagden         | M            | 5' 11" | 170 | Hotchkiss School      | New York, N. Y.      |
| 10  | Hy Levasseur        | M            | 5' 11" | 172 | Boy's Latin           | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 33  | Jack Darrell        | M            | 6'     | 180 | St. Paul's School     | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 44  | John Storkerson     | M            | 6'     | 180 | Tabor Academy         | Framingham, Mass.    |
| 49  | Dave Tucker         | M            |        |     | Grosse Pointe H.S.    | Grosse Pointe, Mich. |
| 13  | Snowden Hoff        | M            | 5' 8"  | 155 | Loyola High School    | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 20  | Bob Saum            | M            | 5' 11" | 165 | Wilson High School    | Washington, D. C.    |
| 17  | John Payne          | M            | 5' 8"  | 170 | George Mason H.S.     | Falls Church, Va.    |
| 23  | Scott Sykes         | M            | 6'     | 175 | Hotchkiss School      | Bronxville, N. Y.    |
| 43  | Landon Hilliard     | D            | 6'     | 182 | Episcopal High School | Va. Beach, Va.       |
| 36  | Bill Powell         | D            | 6'     | 168 | Thos. Jefferson H.S.  | Las Vegas, Nevada    |
| 90  | Jack Davies         | A            | 6' 2"  | 175 | St. Paul's School     | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 30  | Jim Shreeves        | G            | 5' 8"  | 175 | St. Paul's School     | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 31  | Pete McGill         | A            | 6'     | 160 | Boy's Latin School    | Baltimore, Md.       |
|     | Jamie T. Irvine, IV | Head Manager |        |     | Williston Academy     | Old Greenwich, Conn. |
|     | John Marston        | Head Manager |        |     | Episcopal High School | Charlottesville, Va. |
| 27  | Mike Bowen          | M            | 5' 11" | 165 | Deerfield Acad.       | Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. |
| 15  | Bob Judkins         | A            | 5' 10" | 175 | Gilman School         | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 24  | Stu Christliff      | D            | 6' 1"  | 205 | Loyola                | Annapolis, Md.       |
| 26  | John Greene         | D            | 5' 11" | 180 | Loyola                | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 19  | John Rouse          |              | 6' 1"  | 170 | St. Paul's            | Baltimore, Md.       |
| 16  | Kunkel              |              |        |     |                       |                      |
| 18  | Reynolds            |              |        |     |                       |                      |
| 48  | John Synder         | D            | 6' 3"  | 190 | Friends School        | Baltimore, Md.       |

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## AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL LACROSSE TEAM



*Standing left to right: John Martin, Peter Hogg, Bert Sterck, Ian Jewett, Brian Griffin, Clem Eddy, Les Goding, Noel Jeffrey, Noel Melville, Don Miller, Ivan Bryning, Clev Weatherill (Coach).  
Kneeling: Denis Trainor, Eddie Todmey, Graeme Minniece, Trevor Campbell. Absent: Keith Atkins.*

### Itinerary of The Australian National Lacrosse Team in Charlottesville

The Australian team arrived at Friendship Airport on the morning of March 12. After the welcoming ceremonies, they left by bus for Charlottesville and arrived at about 3 P.M. at Memorial Gym. They have been the guests of the University and the Community for three days.

March 12 6:00 P.M.—The visitors will be met by their hosts at Memorial Gym.

Stag party—Alumni Hall. An opportunity for any and all to come and meet with the Australian players and coaches.

Refreshments will be served and this affair will be restricted to alumni, faculty, and friends of the University, in addition to the persons hosting the Aussies.

March 16 9:00 A.M.—The meeting point for the lacrosse players will be Memorial Gym. If they could be dropped off there each morning, we have arranged for their noon meal and transportation. Practice period that morning.

Lunch as honored guests of University Dormitory Counselors: Bill Kanto, Chairman.

Tour of the University grounds by Dean Runk.

Practice that P.M.—scrimmage U.Va. Frosh.

Dinner—Part of the group will be guests at Fraternity houses. Others will attend the Lion's Club dinner at Buddy's.

March 18 10:00 A.M. Memorial Gym

Tour of Monticello

Training meal at Buddy's (just a nice place to eat)

3:45 P.M. Game with U.Va. — Scott Stadium — Admission \$1.00.

Receipts will be used to defray expenses of the Australian team.

6:30 P.M. Post-game Farewell Dinner, Alumni Hall, by invitation only. Dinner to honor the Australian team and the people who have served as their hosts. Drinks will precede the dinner, which will start at 7:30 P.M.

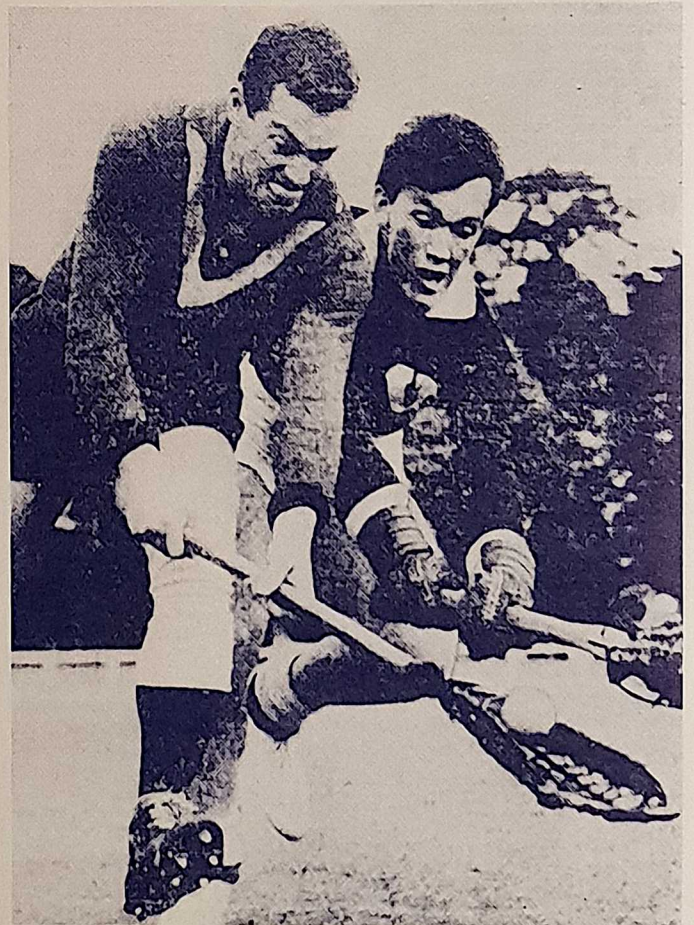
March 17 10:00 A.M. Memorial Gym

Workout—

Lunch at Newcomb Hall

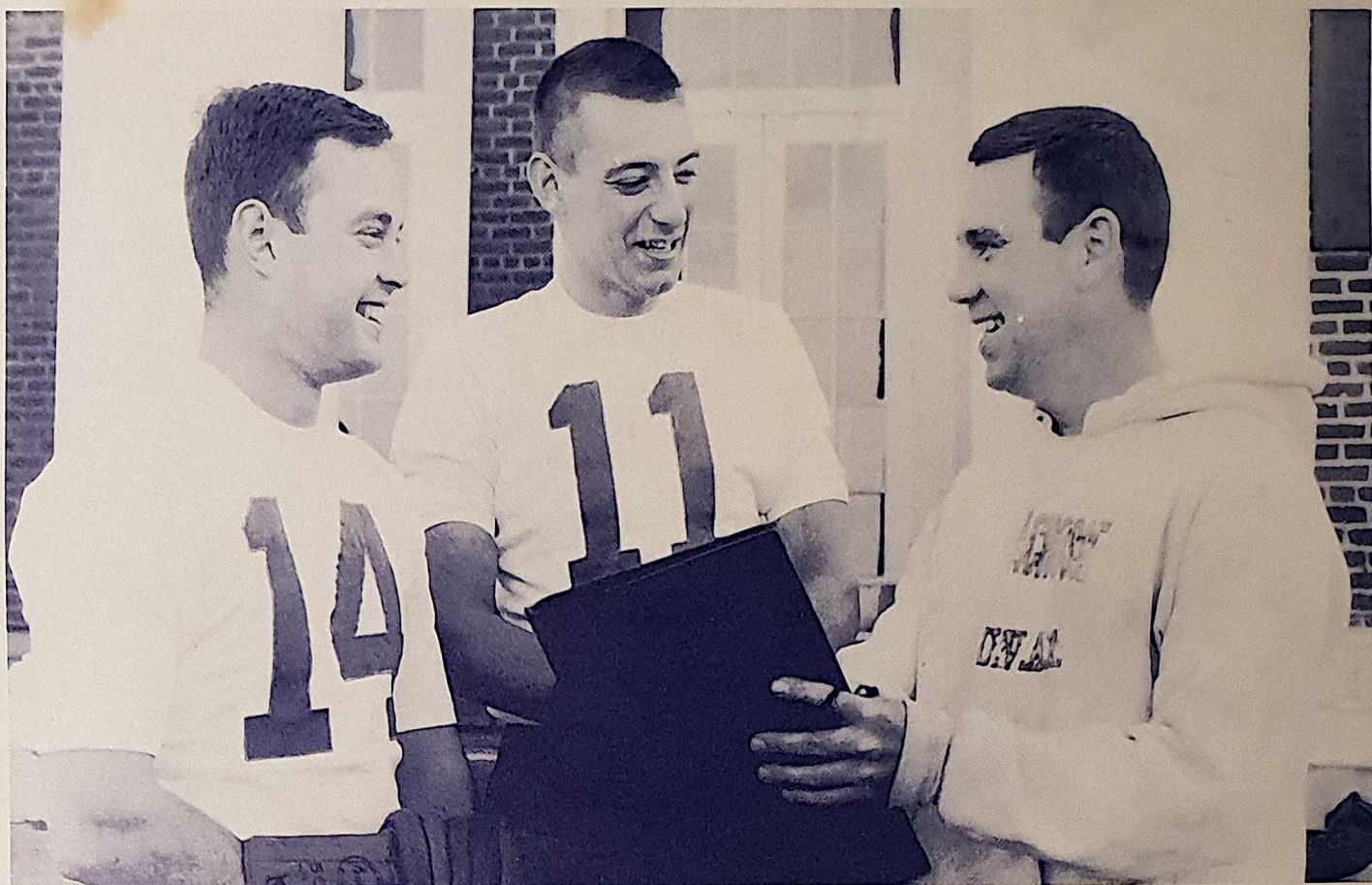
Practice—last one

Supper—The Australian team is invited to Dean B. F. D. Runk's house for supper. Mrs. E. Runk Kayan will be the hostess for this dinner. The visitors will be transported to and from Dean Runk's by school cars.



*Members of the Australian Lacrosse Team practiced at Caulfield Park yesterday in preparation for their coming trip to America. The picture shows Denis Trainor, attack player from Caulfield, and Eddie Toomey, A Williamstown Forward, in action.*





*Left to Right: Co-Captain John Spilman, Co-Captain Booty Nice, Coach "Gene" Corrigan discussing strategy for the match with the Australians.*

#### COACH CORRIGAN:

Gene Corrigan is a native of Baltimore. He attended Duke University and was a starting attackman for four years. While playing at Duke, Coach Corrigan was All-American, Honorable Mention for four years.

Gene started his coaching at St. Paul's School in Baltimore in 1952 as an assistant to Jim "Ace" Adams, now head coach at Army. In 1953 he was named Head Lacrosse Coach.

In 1955, he went to Washington and Lee as Soccer and Lacrosse Coach, and assistant in basketball, the same jobs that he attends to at the University. While coaching at the University, Coach Corrigan has put has varsity lacrosse teams within the top five nationally ranked teams in the country for the past several years.

#### CO-CAPTAINS BOOTY NICE AND JOHN SPILMAN

Both Booty and "Spil" are native of Baltimore and attended the Gilman School together. There they played for four years. During their sophomore year, they played on the Gilman team, which won the Baltimore City Championship. "Spil" was All-Maryland during his junior and senior year as an attackman. Booty was an All-Maryland goalie during his senior year. They both were Co-Captains of the Gilman team during their senior year.

They have played lacrosse at the University for three years. Both have been stalwart players in First Year and Varsity competition here at the University. Last year Booty was Honorable Mention, All-American for his fine play in the goal. Both "Spil" and Booty have been a great asset to Lacrosse here at the University of Virginia.

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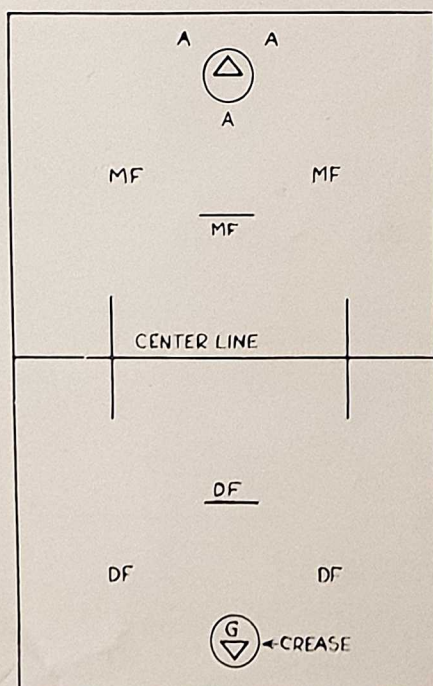
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The University of Virginia Varsity Lacrosse team expresses their appreciation to the following for offering their hospitality to all the members of the Australian team: Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Corrigan, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Salley, Mr. and Mrs. M. Van Yahres, Mr. and Mrs. C. Rosse, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. David McNish, Mr. and Mrs. Al Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bishop, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Jordan, Dean B. F. D. Runk, Mrs. E. Runk Kayan, Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Jim West, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bryant, Bill Kanto, St. Elmo Hall, St. Anthony Hall, Zeta Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, and ATO.

It is with much gratitude that thanks be given to Coach Corrigan, Phil Humphries of Australia, Bob Biddinger, Gus Blagden, and Harry Steeves for their help in compiling this program.

JAMIE THOMPSON IRVINE, IV  
Editor

## For the Spectator



A lacrosse team consists of 10 players; 3 attack, 3 midfield, 3 defense, 1 goalie.

The ball is put in play by a "face off" in the center of the field, and then may be propelled towards the opponent's goal by carrying, throwing, batting or kicking. There are four periods of 15 minutes each, the teams changing goals at the end of each period. In case of a tie, two overtime periods of 5 minutes each are played.

Out of bounds rules are similar to basketball, except in the case of a shot at the goal. In this later case, the ball goes to the player nearest to the ball at the time that it goes out of bounds.

There is an "offside" rule which requires that each team must have 3 players, exclusive of the goalie, on each side of the center line at all times, even with a man out on a penalty. Also, no attacking player is allowed in the opponent's "crease," the 18-foot circle around each goal.

Fouls result in a loss of the ball or the removal from the game of the offending player for a short period of time (usually 1 minute) and his team must play short-handed until his time is up or the opposing team scores. Common fouls are slashing with the stick and striking the opponent's body, illegal body check, tripping, pushing from behind, holding opponent or his stick offside, going in crease, and interfering with the goalie in the crease.