

VICTORIAN MARATHON CLUB.

NEWSLETTER - WINTER 1968

Place of Honour on the Front Page goes to BERT GARDINER, together with our heartiest congratulations on receiving the A.A.U. of Australia "AWARD OF MERIT" at the very inauguration of this honour!

Up to the beginning of this year no award to recognise outstanding services to Australian Athletics had been in existence outside actual office bearers of the Union and we are very happy that this anomaly has now been removed.

BERT GARDINER is a Lifemember of the VMC, as well as of Collingwood A.A.C, the VAAA and one or two other bodies. Best known to us as our ace handicapper and an Australian Selector for Track and Field, we find it hard to picture him without clip-board, stop-watch and pencil!!

Since our AGM at the end of March, which was attended by a record 34 members, we have maintained record attendances. 78 at the "10", 60 at the 15km, 61 at the Fallen Comrades and 61 at the 25km.

IAN WHEELER, the S.A. Marathon Champion, now resident in Victoria, has the most consistent figures with two wins and two runner-ups for time honours, and should wear his home State's colours with distinction in the big race at Hobart later in May.

A contingent of 17 Victorians are making the trip to Hobart, all but two being financial members of the VMC. Seven are in the team of nine (6 in the official team and 3 emergencies) and were voted a sum of \$7.50 subsidy towards their fares. They are: GEORGE CLAXTON, TONY COOK, FRED HOWE, BARRY SAWYER, RAY SOLOMON, HENK van WIJNGAARDEN and RAY WHITE.

The 22nd. AGM, held in a congenial atmosphere at our President's, MR. ALF O'CONNOR, home dealt smoothly with routine business and then went on to enjoy some films on the last AAU Marathon and shots of events at the 1952 Olympic Games, with RON CLARKE acting as our projectionist. Some main points arising from the AGM were:

A period of silence was observed to pay our respects to the late MIKE KILVINGTON, a well-known athletics enthusiast.

FINANCIAL affairs of the Club are extremely healthy, income and expenditure virtually balancing for the year. A donation of \$25.00 was made towards the Australian Harrier, which has given us first rate news coverage and publicity.

OFFICE BEARERS for the current year were elected as follows:

PRESIDENT:	ALF O'CONNOR	SECRETARY:	FRED LESTER
VICE-PRES:	KEITH BIRD	ASST. SECT:	HARRY LOGAN
	JIM CRAWFORD	TREASURER:	DOUG OLIVER
	KEN FRASER	ASST. TREAS:	SAM HILDITCH
	MALLY SHEPPARD	COMMITTEE:	NEIL RYAN
	FRED HOWE		ROGER ELLIS
HANDICAPPER:	BERT GARDINER		JOHN WHITE
	LES PERRY	AUDITOR:	RON CLARKE
CLUB CAPTAIN:	FRED HOWE		
ULTRA - DISTANCE SUB-COMMITTEE:	JIM CRAWFORD, DOUG OLIVER,		
	HARRY LOGAN, FRED HOWE.		

ADDITIONAL FIXTURES:

<u>June 16th.</u>	HEATHCOTE 16M, Shire Hall, 1.30 pm.
<u>July 14th.</u>	Half-Marathon, WARRAGUL (Details to be notified)
<u>AUGUST 10.</u>	35 miles road run, TYABB, 11 am.

A meeting of the new committee was held on May 11th., to deal with a number of matters arising from the AGM and subsequent events.

Reports on events held so far this season indicate further good attendances and growing co-operation among members. With 125 members on the books already and numerous fields, it has become more urgent than ever that intending competitors check in about 1 hour ahead of starting time. Similarly, those who are not racing on the day can do numbers of different jobs to help make the event function smoothly and take the strain off active Committee members.

The matter of Delegate to the VAMA COUNCIL was discussed and MR. WALLY SHEPPARD, an active runner, was elected to represent the VMC. The Committee wishes to record its thanks to Mr. RON GORMAN, former delegate for Carlton Harriers, who acted as delegate for us at the May Council meeting.

As mentioned on the front page, it was decided to vote \$7.50 subsidy towards the expenses of those of our members chosen as team members and emergencies for their State. In this was also included IAN WHEELER, who will be representing South Australia. It is further to the credit of the VMC that the Manager of the Victorian team, DR. BILL WARR, is an active member of our Club. Our best wishes go with all of them to the big race at Hobart!

Entries for the purpose of handicapping in the Heathcote 15M need to be in the hands of JIM CRAWFORD, 21 St. VINCENT PLACE, ALBERT PARK by June 10th. Post entries for the race will be accepted, but no handicaps allotted for late entries!!!

Several other matters such as increased trophy prizes for major races, special women and veteran events, sponsorships, etc., were discussed and enquiries in those directions instituted. However, at this stage nothing definite has come to light, but members will be kept informed of progress in any of these matters.

FRED LESTER,  
Secretary, V.M.C.

VICTORIAN MARATHON CLUB 10M/16km 6.4. 1968 PRINCES PARK

Warm and sunny, light breeze, temperature 75<sup>o</sup>, 78 starters.

Pl.	NAME	H'cap	Time	H, cap Pl.
1.	Ian WHEELER	(2.00)	52.20	14
2.	Rob WARD	(3.30)	53.32	12
3.	Ian MINTER	(5.30)	53.48	4
4.	Ray WYATT	(5.30)	54.06	6
5.	Fred HOWE	(5.00)	54.38	10
6.	Ian LEEDER	(4.30)	54.54	15
7.	Wolf VOIGT	(6.00)	54.55	7
8.	Norm DUFF	(4.30)	55.19	17
9.	Darrell PAPROTH	(7.30)	55.23	3
10.	Barry SAWYER	(3.00)	55.42	22
11.	Gerry PLOEG	(7.00)	55.56	8
12.	Bill ALLEN	(5.30)	56.51	20
13.	Terry HARRISON	(6.30)	57.14	16
14.	Mick BOYLEN	(5.00)	57.26	26
15.	Gary KNOX	(8.00)	57.39	11
16.	Terry PHELAN	(3.50)	58.31	32
17.	Bill ROGERS	(5.30)	59.07	29
18.	Neil McLEMPAN	(3.00)	59.19	39
19.	Ken DIXON	(11.00)	59.30	5
20.	Ivan DAVIDSON	(12.30)	59.39	2
21.	Noel DUNSTAN	(9.00)	61.15	24
22.	Wally SHEPPERD	(9.30)	61.26	23
23.	Grant HARDY	(11.30)	61.36	13
24.	David P. JONES	(6.40)	61.36	34
25.	Con BUTKO	(15.00)	61.36	1
26.	Mick SKINNER	(10.30)	62.02	21
27.	Alf O'CONNOR	(13.00)	62.18	9
28.	Brian HOWLETT	(9.00)	62.56	30
29.	Allan CASTLE	(11.00)	63.17	29
30.	Harry HALDANE	(12.30)	63.39	30
31.	Trevor ELLIS	(10.30)	63.42	28
32.	Bruce SULLIVAN	(9.00)	63.52	33
33.	Neil TAYLOR	(9.00)	64.39	35
34.	Ken FRASER	(9.00)	65.18	38
35.	Doug OLIVER	(13.00)	65.35	27
36.	Ron TAYLOR	(10.30)	66.21	36
37.	Geoff WATT	(10.00)	66.46	41
38.	Ray BOXER	(16.00)	66.50	18
39.	Dennis WATTIE	(11.00)	67.12	37
40.	Norm McLEISH	(11.00)	67.47	40
41.	David BRUFFELL	(11.00)	68.49	42
42.	Harry LOGAN	(15.00)	69.00	31
43.	George PATON	(11.00)	69.49	43
44.	Ron WARD	(11.00)	71.18	44

DID NOT FINISH

John STAFFORD  
 Paul TONTI  
 Keith HALEY  
 Steve GRIFFITHS  
 Chris McBRIEN  
 Graham GOVAN  
 John NEIL  
 Bob PETRIE  
 Roger SERONG  
 Phil McKENNA  
 Roger ELLIS  
 Derek FIFE  
 Mal KIRKWOOD  
 Alan COOK  
 Geoff WALL  
 John COSGROVE  
 Ray SOLOMON  
 George PATON  
 John GILL  
 Kevin SOLOMON  
 Max BURNETT  
 Wal ROBINSON  
 Don WOOD  
 Bill TAYLOR  
 Barry TELFORD  
 Sam HILDITCH  
 Don WILLIAMS  
 John VISSER  
 Peter WHINNEY  
 Arthur BUTLER  
 John WHITE  
 Peter NUNAN  
 Robert WALLACE  
 Bill ALLAMBY  
 Bob CROWE

Thanks are due to the willing helpers who tried to control cars leaving the park during the race.

Please be punctual and check in at least 30 minutes before time so that your officials have a chance to warm up before they run themselves.

VICTORIAN MARATHON CLUB 15Km 9 1/3rd.M 13.4.1968 ALBERT PARK

Mild, humid, light breeze. 60 starters

Pl.	NAME	H, cap	Time	H, cap	Pl.
1.	Ray SOLOMON	(4.00)	46.11	E4	
2.	Ian WHEELER	(2.30)	46.12	18	
3.	Ian LEEDER	(5.00)	48.14	13	
4.	D.B. JONES	(5.30)	48.26	11	<u>DID NOT FINISH</u>
5.	Norm DUFF	(5.30)	48.42	12	Kevin SOLOMON
6.	Ian MINTER	(5.00)	49.01	20	Brian CLARKE
7.	Bill ALLEN	(6.30)	49.21	9	Alan DeVILLE
8.	Terry HARRISON	(7.00)	49.37	7	Fred LESTER
9.	Fred HOWE	(5.30)	49.41	E22	Bob KEDDLE
10.	Roger ELLIS	(7.00)	49.44	8	Colin SEDGMAN
11.	Darrell PAPROTH	(5.30)	50.01	28	Charlie COLLISTER
12.	Geoff WALL	-	50.05	-	Trevor ELLIS
13.	Jim CRAWFORD	(8.00)	50.21	6	R. YARDLEY
14.	Neil McLENNAN	(3.00)	50.25	37	Graham GOVAN
15.	Don WILLIAMS	(6.00)	50.28	26	John SHANAHAN
16.	John VISSER	(6.00)	50.40	29	Barry TEDFORD
17.	Kevin FALLOON	(6.00)	50.41	30	Des ARROWSMITH
18.	Paul FONTI	(8.30)	52.50	21	Henk POPPLESTONE
19.	Kevin ROCK	-	52.44	-	Ross SHARPE
20.	Mick SKINNER	(11.30)	52.56	1	Ken DICKSON
21.	Tony BERRY	(9.00)	53.11	E22	
22.	Wally SHEPPARD	(10.00)	53.48	19 V	
23.	Bob FALLOON	-	53.56	-	
24.	Allan CASTLE	(12.00)	54.11	4	
25.	Harry HALDANE	(12.30)	54.14	3	
26.	Ivan DAVIDSON	(8.30)	54.18	33	
27.	Ted POULTON	(12.00)	55.18	14	
28.	Mike McINERNEY	12.00)	55.29	15	
29.	Mal KIRKWOOD	(10.00)	55.47	32	
30.	Geoff WATT	(11.30)	55.56	25	
31.	John CONDON	(13.00)	56.31	16	
32.	Sam HILDITCH	(15.00)	56.39	2	
33.	Doug OLIVER	(13.30)	57.04	17	
34.	Mike HUBBERT	(10.30)	57.18	36	
35.	Don WOOD	(12.00)	57.21	31	
36.	Ray TAYLOR	(12.00)	57.50	34	
37.	Norm McLEISH	(12.00)	58.32	35	
38.	Alan ASHMORE	(10.00)	59.05	39	
39.	Ray BOXER	(16.30)	59.24	10	
40.	Harry LOGAN	(16.30)	60.42	24	
41.	A. COOK	-	62.10	-	
42.	B. LINO	-	62.11	-	
43.	Doug TREMBARTH	(16.00)	64.04	38	
44.	Roy RICHARDSON	(25.00)	69.29	27	

VICTORIAN MARATHON CLUB. FALLEN COMRADES 7½M/12km at SHRINE 25.4.1968

Very windy, fine. 61 Starters.

Officials: F. Lester, N. Ryan, N. Duff, R. Prentice, H. Gardiner.

Pl.	NAME	H, cap	Time	H, cap Pl.
1.	Ian WHEELER		38.05	
2.	David B. JONES	4.00	38.57	E 4
3.	Barry SAWYER	3.00	39.04	10
4.	Fred HOWE	5.00	39.20	2
5.	Ian LEEDER	4.00	39.56	9
6.	Robert WYATT	-	40.04	-
7.	Jim CRAWFORD	6.30	40.22	1
8.	Wolf VOIGT	5.00	40.49	8
9.	Graham WISE	4.00	40.52	E24
10.	Steve JOHNSON	6.00	40.57	E 4
11.	Daryl PAPROTH	4.30	41.22	E24
12.	Gersy PLOEG	5.30	41.54	17
13.	G. GREEN	-	42.09	-
14.	Kevin FALLOON	4.30	42.15	32
15.	K. ROCK	6.00	42.44	23
16.	Ken DICKSON	6.30	42.46	13
17.	Terry PHELAN	2.30	42.48	E39
18.	John VISSER	5.30	42.52	E30
19.	Brian CLARKE	5.30	42.52	E30
20.	I. DAVIDSON	6.30	43.05	19
21.	Wally SHEPPARD	8.30	43.07	3
22.	Mick SKINNER	7.30	43.15	7
23.	Bruce WALKER	7.00	43.21	16
24.	Tony BERRY	7.30	43.48	14
25.	Lindsay HOOPER	8.00	44.06	11
26.	Tony WILLIAMS	-	44.12	-
27.	Bill WARR	8.00	44.25	18
28.	Jack DIBBS	8.00	44.42	22
29.	Peter O'BRIEN	9.00	45.07	12
30.	B. SULLIVAN	7.30	45.39	33
31.	Ken FRASER	7.00	45.48	36
32.	Graham GOVAN	9.00	45.57	27
33.	Doug OLIVER	11.00	46.18	6
34.	Geoff WATT	9.30	46.31	28
35.	Jim CONDON	9.30	46.35	29
36.	Les LANGMEAD	11.00	47.19	15
37.	Ron TAYLOR	11.00	47.28	20
38.	Brain MURPHY	11.00	47.56	26
39.	B. DUPRECHE	-	48.52	-
40.	Gerald BURKE	-	48.52	-
41.	Harry LOGAN	12.30	49.10	21
42.	I. SMITH	8.30	49.29	41
43.	Norm McLEISH	11.00	49.46	35
44.	D. BRUFFELL	11.00	50.39	38
45.	R. GRIEVE	12.30	50.41	34
46.	G. OLDFIELD	-	51.33	-
47.	Barry LINO	12.00	52.18	E39
48.	John McGILL	-	52.21	-
49.	Konrad GRIMM	-	52.58	-
50.	Doug TREMBEARTH	15.00	54.29	37
51.	Adrian PORTER	13.00	54.59	43
52.	Colin CRAWFORD	12.00	55.58	44
53.	Roy RICHARDSON	17.00	58.11	42
54.	Keith BIRD	13.30	59.08	45
55.	Arthur BUTLER	19.00	64.41	46

DID NOT FINISH

Des ARROWSMITH  
 Alan DE VILLE  
 G. ANDERSON  
 M. PORTER  
 M. HENNESSY  
 H. HALDANE

VICTORIAN MARATHON CLUB. 25Km/15½m ALBERT PARK 4.5.1968

Cold with strong wind, drizzle towards end. 61 Starters.

Officials: F. Lester, N. Ryan, C. Crawford, H. Gardiner, R. Solomon.

<u>Pl.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>H, cap.</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>H, cap Pl.</u>
1.	Tony COCK	4.00	79.34	Fastest
2.	Ian WHEELER	4.00	79.39	1
3.	Tim WALSH	4.00	82.21	9
4.	Henk Van WYNGARDEN	4.00	82.33	10
5.	Bob WARD	6.00	83.01	3
6.	Ray WHITE	3.30	83.27	16
7.	George CLAXTON	5.00	83.47	11
8.	Barry SAWYER	6.00	84.12	6
9.	Ian LEEDER	7.00	85.15	7
10.	David B. JONES	6.00	86.12	18
11.	Fred HOWE	6.00	87.45	E24
12.	Jim CRAWFORD	8.00	88.19	19
13.	Wolf VOIGT	8.30	88.32	17
14.	Gerry PLOEG	10.30	88.47	8
15.	Mike BOYLEN	11.30	89.08	4
16.	Darrell PAPROTH	9.00	90.45	E24
17.	John VISSER	11.00	90.56	15
18.	Geoff GREEN	11.00	91.20	E20
19.	Kevin FALLOON	10.00	93.03	26
20.	Roy BRADALL	10.00	93.22	29
21.	Martin THOMPSON	15.00	93.49	12
22.	Fred McLUCAS	-	93.50	-
23.	Ivan DAVIDSON	12.00	95.13	28
24.	Noel DUNSTAN	18.00	96.11	5
25.	Bruce SULLIVAN	17.00	96.14	14
26.	Allan CASTLE	17.30	96.22	13
27.	Alf O'CONNOR	20.00	96.37	2
28.	John STAFFORD	13.00	98.53	31
29.	Geoff WATT	18.00	99.11	23
30.	Ken FRASER	18.00	101.08	27
31.	Doug OLIVER	23.00	103.20	E20
32.	Ted POULTEN	17.00	104.54	32
33.	Neil TAYLOR	16.00	105.41	33
34.	Harry LOGAN	26.00	106.54	22
35.	Norm McLEISH	22.00	107.31	30

DID NOT FINISH

Ray BOXER  
Bill ROGERS  
Eric SIGMONT  
Terry PHELAN  
George HUGHES  
Bob DEW  
Mike HUBBERT  
Don WOOD  
Sam HILDITCH  
Tony BERRY  
Des ARROWSMITH  
Keith BIRD  
Roy RICHARDSON

Kevin SOLOMON  
Steve GRIFFITHS  
Ron MUST  
Phil MCKENNA  
Bill WARR  
Max BURNETT  
Brian MEE  
John CLAXTON  
Barry McINTYRE  
Ian BLACKWOOD  
Alan BOTTRILL  
Roger ELLIS  
Max CASTWALD