

# Motor cyclists to test skill in first national contest

AT Lindisfarne on Sunday, the Southern Tasmanian Motor Cycle Association will conduct the first Australian observed section championships to be held in the Commonwealth.

The four Australian titles to be decided are for 125 c.c., 250 c.c., 350 c.c. and 500 c.c. machine classes.

The events will be held on Mr. Seabrook's property at the rear of the Lindisfarne golf course.

More than 50 entries, including six from Victoria and one from South Australia, have been received, and among the Mainland

riders are the current Victorian and South Australian champions, I. Gaff and B. White, respectively.

The Tasmanian entries are from all sections of the State, and local riders who should be well up on the score card are J. Price, R. Locke, D. Nadden, and Max Stephens, who is sponsoring the events.

A motor cycle observed section contest is mainly a

test of a rider's skill in machine handling.

They are held over extremely rough country, and a rider loses points each time he touches a foot to the ground or stalls his machine.

As there is no time limit, speed is not important, in fact, walking pace would be the average speed of a rider, also regulations require each machine to be efficiently silenced.

On Sunday, the first rider is scheduled to enter the first section at 8 a.m., and with the large field engaged, the full day will probably be required for all riders to cover all sections.

# STARS OF SPORT

## Leather-throwing lightweight has what it takes



PAUL BEAMES (left) three times Tasmanian amateur lightweight boxing champion, first started boxing when he was 21 years of age.

Now, at 24, he holds the State lightweight title and won the Tasmanian Golden Gloves title for 1967 when he recently defeated Peter Lord at Devonport.

Born at Queenstown, Beames left his home town in 1965 for the North-West Coast, where he continued his boxing successes.

He moved back to the West Coast from Burnie six months ago and is now married and settled down at Zeehan.

Beames is noted for his rugged walk-up style and is regarded more as a boxer than a fighter.

This is apparent by his unmarked appearance despite his number of fights — 25, of which he has won 20.

Now training boys at the Zeehan Police Boys and Girls Citizens' Club, Beames says he is keeping in training and does not intend to retire yet.

# Attractive trophy list for shooters

CLAY bird shooters from every part of the State will compete for valuable trophies at the Bothwell Gun Club's monthly shoot on Saturday.

Competitors will vie for approximately \$250 worth of prizes, which includes an automatic shotgun (with

ventilated rib, a telescopic sight, a canteen of cutlery, and several other valuable trophies.

These prizes have been allocated to a handicap event of 20 birds, shot under double barrel conditions, and a good field from all sections of yardage categories is expected to compete for the shotgun trophy.

The programme will begin at noon with a five-bird double barrel handicap trophy event for novice 12yd. shooters, followed by an open five-bird single barrel sweepstake, shot from the 16yd. rise as an eye-opener for the championship event, which will follow.

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# Baseball opening deferred

The opening of the Tasmanian Baseball League's high schools competition, scheduled for Saturday, has been cancelled because the grounds at Cornelian Bay are unavailable.

The competition will now begin on Saturday, October 21.

The senior competition will also begin on that day.

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# Versatile, but time is his problem

TONY ANDRIKONIS (right) has a difficult problem with sport — he just can't get enough time to participate fully in as many fields as he would like.

So he limits his serious sport to table tennis and basketball, and fits in any others where he can.

Last Saturday, Andrikonis (29), who is a field officer with the National Fitness Council in Hobart, won the

Perth, and Devonport in 1961-62-63 respectively.

Andrikonis manages to fit in a bit of badminton, and has played football, but said he just "hasn't got the time to take up other sports seriously."



# John Davis Campbell Seabrook's best

Star utility player John Davis has won the Campbell Town Football Club's best and fairest award with 16 votes.

Runner-up for the third time was Paul Richardson with nine votes. He also won the trophy for the best player in the finals.

Other trophy winners were: Seniors: Leading goal-kicker, K. White; Improved, R. Davidson; consistent, R. Wickham; unselfish, G. Davidson; serviceable, T. Puiford; under 21 years, J. Taylor; position player, R. Barker; utility player, D. Harrison; clubman, G. McGee.

Reserves: best and fairest, R. Higgins (13 votes); runners-up, K. McGinnis, B. McGiverora (7); most improved, G. Ashman; first year player, B. Darke; consistent, W. Chugg; youngest, A. Davidson.

Trophies will be presented at the annual ball on Friday, October 13.

# Softball at Ogilvie High

All Southern softball matches on Saturday now will be played at Ogilvie High School.

# Sobers may join Notts

LONDON — Garfield Sobers, the West Indies cricket captain, will probably join English county cricket club Nottinghamshire next season.

The qualification rules for overseas players must be abolished at next month's meeting of the M.C.C. advisory county cricket committee before he is eligible. — A.A.P.

# Badminton titles to continue Monday

THE A.Y.C. badminton championships will be continued on Monday night at the Clarence National Fitness Centre.

Open mixed doubles, second division women's doubles, and third division men's doubles events will be played.

On Thursday, October 19, the remaining two events, the second and third division mixed doubles, will be played.

The draw is: — Clarence (Monday): Court 1, 7.30. B. Reynolds, Varley v. D. Langridge, B. Lambreck; 7.50. H. Parsonage, D. Wells v. K. McGuire, G. Richards; 8.10. M. Kendrick, Langridge v. D. Hardman, T. Breenhaugh; 8.30. P. Simpson, S. Roberts; Court 2, 7.30. B. Hyland, B. Phillips v. J. Huggie, M. Strong; 7.50. E. Williams, Cleary v. D. Edmondson, Miles; 8.10. P. Vennu-

gopal, G. Smith v. I. Howell, J. Taylor; 8.30. E. Murray, L. Voss v. J. C. Mollineaux; 8.45. Shiek, Jenny Smith; Court 3, 7.20. A. Seabrook, B. Powell v. R. Wain, M. Campbell; 7.40. W. Powell, M. Turner, D. McGuire, G. Salter; 8.10. D. Nuan, N. Fehlberg v. E. Price, J. Martin; 8.30. N. Hall, P. Hubble v. B. Smith, G. Price; Court 4, 7.30. M. Downham, G. Grinceas v. S. Miles, C. Sibbey; 7.50. E. Woodley, J. Whelan v. D. Jenkins, M. Dykes; 8.10. R. Wesley, W. Sproule v. H. Nielsen, G. Salter; 8.30. J. Price, M. Bird v. M. Griffiths, B. Hill; 8.45. J. Morris, D. Morris v. N. Lott, E. B. Schiller; 9.00. S. Walton, J. Harbour v. N. Gray, M. Werberley; 9.00. H. Collins, M. Farrah, K. Aird, J. Heddle; Thursday (Monday): Court 2, 7.30. M. Griffiths, K. Griffiths v. J. Curran, C. Stevens; 7.50. R. Edmondson, Miles; 8.10. P. McGuire-

# Tasmanians hit the headlines

TASMANIAN sportsmen were in the national spotlight again last weekend with a brilliant win from the scratch mark by Graeme Gilmore in the Melbourne to Warrnambool road cycling classic.

Gilmore is a hot favourite to win the multi-stage "Sun" tour in Melbourne this month. He has already won the Tasmanian Thousand track event and the Australian 125-mile road cycling championship this year.

Lindisfarne professional Bob Shaw was runner up in the \$3,000 Adelaide open golf event following on the State's success in the Australian amateur foursomes title.

The Tasmanian eight finished second in the final of the national "test" regatta at Lake Wendouree on Saturday.

Tasmania's second in the King's Cup race earlier in the year and Reg Free's inclusion in the Australian overseas eight has boosted the enthusiasm of the State's oarsmen, who are having one of their best seasons for many years.

Competition for "The Mercury" W. D. and H. O. Wills Stars of Sport awards has now reached an exciting stage.

Tasmania's "Lindy" award is now wide open with so many outstanding performances during the year.

# Historic trophies will turn back turf clock

PROBABLY the most valuable — and certainly the most ornate — Melbourne Cup relic will have pride of place in the display of historic racing trophies being arranged for "The Mercury" Show Cup meeting at Elwick on October 28.

The display is being arranged by the Tasmanian Racing Club, and will include trophies won by famous horses over more than 100 years, loaned by owners from all over Australia.

The relic is the Corporation Cup of 1860, forerunner of the Melbourne Cup, which was run for the first time the following year.

The Corporation Cup is owned by Mr. E. A. Alstergren, of Melbourne, but little is known of its early history.

Research has failed to trace a record of the 1860 Corporation Cup, but the trophy itself was taken to England.

It was "rediscovered" by coincidence.

Mr. Tim Saunders, a son-in-law of Mr. Alstergren, was master of a hunt club in Northern England, where the custom was that the master give a trophy for some event during the hunting season.

Realised value

Because there were so many old cups available — and they were more impressive than modern trophies — the practice was to present one of these.

The original inscription was erased, and the new inscription engraved on the old trophy.

Mr. Saunders chose a particularly impressive

and ornate cup, and on close examination found that it was the Melbourne Corporation Cup of 1860.

Realising its historic value, Mr. Saunders sent the cup to Mr. Alstergren.

Racing in Melbourne is almost as old as the city itself — the first meeting was held in 1838, less than three years after the settlement was founded.

By the 1860's, Melbourne was enjoying great prosperity, but racing was in the doldrums.

The 1860 Corporation Cup meeting had failed to excite the imagination of the public, and the Victoria Turf Club was looking for a feature that would make the 1861 Spring meeting more attractive.

It came up with the simple idea of calling the main race the Melbourne Cup, which attracted a field of 17 of the best horses in the land.

Four thousand spectators saw Archer, ridden by J. Cutts, win the first of his two Melbourne Cups and take the stake of £710 — there was no prize for second.

Several Melbourne Cups and examples of most of the other trophies for Australia's premier races will be displayed with the Corporation Cup at Elwick on Show Cup day.



● The chairman of the V.R.C. (Sir Ross) with the 1860 Corporation Cup, forerunner of Australia's greatest turf event.

# Three granted licences

THE Tasmanian Trotting Association to two Launceston men and a provision onport man.

The new drivers are B. R. Barker and L. G. Lovell, and the new driver-trainer is B. Richardson.

The licences were granted at the association's executive meeting

on Tuesday night. At the meeting, the association decided to future a panel of paniers, comprising a man of stew Walsh, and J. ley, would be cretionary ev

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# Black Tuesday romps in to make it four straight

BLACK TUESDAY made it four wins in a row with an easy victory in the Juvenile Stakes No. 2 at the Devonport Greyhound Racing Club's meeting last night.

He won by six lengths in the smart time of 25 1/16.

Details: TRIAL STAKES, No. 1 BALINA BOY (box 0), D. A. Chuek, 12.55; 2 DARK TARGET (5) 12.55; 3 TERRIFIC DREAM (3) 12.55; 4 OTHERS in finishing order: Lightning Birch, Lovely Tempo, Record Park, Toff's Rocket, Ringo Sam.

BETTING: 3 BALINA BOY, Dark Target, 6 Terrific Dream, Divs: Win \$1.90, place \$3, \$2.05, \$1. 31, 21, 25 9-16.

IMPROVERS' STAKES SHARDEB (1), W. T. Evans' 1 RUNNING ONE (5) 2 NANDALARA (9) 3 OTHERS: Linen Project, Miss Tambo, Miss Spangles, Midnight Jungle.

BETTING: 5-4 Nandalara, 6-4 SHARDEB, 8 Running One, Divs: Win \$1; place, 60c, \$1.65, 21, 41, 26.

JUVENILE STAKES No. 1 FIRST GLOSS (5), K. J. Gre-

SUNSHRUB (9) 2 MUDGE MAC (4) 3 OTHERS: Prevention, Trudy's Dream, Ophir Cash, Prince Doultle.

BETTING: 5-2 Ophir Cash; 7-2 Sunshrub; 4 Mudge Mac; 7-2 ROYAL PERT Divs: Win \$3 \$4.35, place, \$2.10, \$2.10. Nk. 1, 25 1-16.

PROGRESSIVE HANDICAP FENTON GIRL (6), Mrs. E. M. Johnston's PRIVATE STAR (5) 2 THUNDER MOHICAN (7) 3 OTHERS: Kink-boal, Baratta Prince, Miss Leola.

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