



150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS
Griffith Athletic & Cycling Committee

MONSTER INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CARNIVAL

WILL BE HELD ON THE GRIFFITH SHOWGROUND DURING THE 150TH CELEBRATIONS

Wednesday, MARCH 16, 1938
£375 — Prize Money — £375
HEATS IN DAY. FINALS AT NIGHT.

Griffith Engages
THE WORLD'S BEST

ATHLETES and CYCLISTS INCLUDING
FRANK BRADLEY
(New South Wales)
Who Last Year Won the Stawell Diamond Jubilee Gift of £500, the World's Greatest Foot Race. He and Other "Knights" of the Spiked Shoe will compete in the

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AND OTHER RICHLY ENDOWED FOOTRACES

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Bob Spears
The World's Champion

Ted Stubenrauch (Vic.), Winner of the Victorian Centenary "1000"; **Keith Webb (Tas.)**; **Clinton Beasley (Vic.)**, and a Host of Other Noted Performers.

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COME TO GRIFFITH FOR THE CELEBRATIONS WEEK
MARCH 12 to MARCH 21, 1938
C. B. HARRIS, Organising Sec.

BRADLEY IN GRIFFITH GIFT Other Stawell Aspirants In Action

ONE of the highlights of Griffith's 150th celebrations will be the athletic and cycling carnival to be held on the showground on the afternoon and night of Wednesday, March 16, at which £375 will be distributed in prize money.

By J. J. Maher

The chief athletic event will be the Griffith Gift of 130 yards of £131, with the winner taking £100 in cash and The Sporting Globe sash and badge. Among the aspirants will be Frank Bradley (N.S.W.), who last year won the Stawell Diamond Jubilee Gift of £800, his share being £500 in cash.



WHEN the Griffith Athletic Club was formed, some 20 months ago—as a result of the backing and influence of the local agricultural society—it was clearly indicated that there was only one way to get on the map properly, and that was by having a "kick off" movement.

In the form of an attractive programme varying good prize-money. In short, the athletic club was told that the only way to achieve success was to form a committee which would have the solid support of the town and to mould it on the same lines as Stawell and Wanganella and make the carnival a "town movement".

After all the business people of a town benefit considerably as a result of any big sporting fixture. Of course, there are always some people who are never prepared to put their hands in their pockets to assist in boosting their town. They are quite prepared to leave that to others.

running can grip a crowd. That is at Stawell on Easter Saturday and Easter Monday, for athletic events. These are Provincial clubs that have followed the lead of Wanganella, by framing a programme on similar lines, have had good public support.

As evidence of their interest in the Griffith function, the Wanganella club has loaned its running and cycling gear, and Matt O'Donohue (secretary) will go up to lend a hand. That is a fine spirit. Last year Matt O'Donohue went to Leeton and provided a great aid to the committee.

Of the £375 set apart for the programme about £100 is to be distributed in prizes for athletes and cycling gear. The balance £275 for the Griffith Gift, of 130 yds. £25 for the 10 yds. handicap and £50 for the 100 yds. handicap.

The winner of the Gift will receive £100 in cash as well as the sash and badge given by The Sporting Globe.

One of the main athletic stars to appear will be Frank Bradley (N.S.W.) who blazed into the big news last year when he won the Stawell Diamond Jubilee Gift of £800, his share being £500 in cash.

It was while playing football at Coolangubra (N.S.W.) that Bradley came under the notice of one or two experts who decided that he should be given an outing at Stawell. He made history last year by his victory which was due not only to ability, but to his courage.

K. I. Smith, one of the best pro runners in Sydney and a winner of the Temora Gift and other important events, also is an entrant, with C. M. Lemon (Highgate), D. J. Lyons (Gore) and many other leading jeds in the Riverina district.

There will be class fields in all events and there should be some spirited races.

The Griffith athletic club is fortunate in having the help of Arthur Fitzsimons, secretary of Narrandera club, who is arranged for some of the "key" officials and who is likely to give a very desirable and interesting "kick off" ceremony.

We take the assurance of the Griffith officials that both the cycling and running races will be in first-class order and that a special staff is now engaged on that work. The ground is to be well illuminated.

Wednesday, March 16—day and night—will be one of the greatest in the history of the town and with such fine talent engaged thousands are expected to see their action.

Must Have Variety
On more than one occasion I have impressed on country clubs that they must provide a "mixed" programme for their carnivals—that cycling or running cannot alone ensure success. There is only one place in Australia where foot-



JACK WOODS, President of Griffith Athletic Club.

ATHLETIC CHIEF
Jack Woods Keen

JACK WOODS, popular president of the Griffith Athletic Club, is a well-known business man, is much travelled and has acquired a big store of foot-racing knowledge.

Before leaving Victoria for Griffith about 12 years ago, he took much interest in professional foot-racing. He prepared E. E. "Mick" Carter, winner of the Shepparton Gift, who later won the big race at Stawell and was one of the champions of the A.F.P.

Jack was familiar with the great battles between the late Jack Donaldson and Arthur Postle, former world's champion sprinters. Over a period of years he has followed the activities of clubs and performers and there is nothing about the game he does not know.

Because of his knowledge of the sport and his enthusiasm he was elected president of the local athletic club. He went to Wanganella on Australia Day, where he made several valuable contacts with officials of the Wanganella club and pedal cyclists.

The knowledge thus gained will be put to good advantage on Carnival day. He is delighted with the response from competitors. He wants to see an athletic club firmly established in the town and aims at conducting an annual carnival.

As chief "host" on carnival day Jack Woods will be the ideal man for the job.

What's On At Griffith

FOLLOWING are the official functions at Griffith (N.S.W.) during the 150th Anniversary Celebrations—

SUNDAY, MARCH 13—Combined Church Service, Aerial Pageant.

MONDAY, MARCH 14—Swimming Carnival (night); St. Patrick's Day Dinner (night).

TUESDAY, MARCH 15—Returned Soldiers' Conference (day); Returned Soldiers' Soiree (night); Venetian Carnival and Fireworks Display (night); "The Griffith" Bathing Beauty Competition.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16—150th Anniversary Athletic and Cycling Sports (day and night).

THURSDAY, MARCH 17—The N.W. State Governor, Lord Wakehurst, will arrive in Griffith in the morning and will officially open the Celebrations at the Show Ground at 11.30 p.m. Procession (day); Griffith Autumn Agricultural Show (day and night); Younger Set Celebrations Ball; Gymkhana and Trotting (day and night).

FRIDAY, MARCH 18—Children's Day; Scout Corroborree (Friday to Monday); Junior Farmers' Display at Show Ground (day); Coursing Club Meeting (night).

SATURDAY, MARCH 19—Flower and Baby Show (day); Bowling Carnival (day); Tennis Tournament (day); Rifle Shoot (day); Trotting (night).

SUNDAY, MARCH 20—Basil Postual; Bowling Carnival; Tennis Tournament; Golf Tournament (Lake View); Inter-District Cricket Match; Girls' Hockey Match.

MONDAY, MARCH 21—Bowling Carnival.

WILLING WORKER
KNOWN as the man with a perpetual smile, Barry Nelson is a stock and station agent, is one of the most solid men on the athletic club committee. In addition, he is a member of the finance committee of the Agricultural Society, is captain of the local golf club and enjoys a game of bowls. He is one of the keenest men behind sport in the district.

GREAT HELPER
WORKING behind the scenes of the 150th anniversary celebrations at Griffith is Mrs. B. Sharp, secretary to the organiser, Mr. D. G. Dobson. She is an efficient office worker and has a good grip of statistics for the festivities. Mr. Dobson's huge daily mail is capably and expeditiously handled by Mrs. Sharp, thus relieving the organiser a great deal.

Comes From Manchester

People In The Public Eye

Knows His Job
ONE would have to travel far to find a more efficient or conscientious worker than John Goldrick, manager of the two picture theatres at Griffith. He is the driving force behind the Venetian Carnival Committee, of which he is honorary organiser. John served in a very good school—for he was in several banks, after which he was enticed into the theatrical business. He is displaying showmanship over the Venetian Carnival, and if it does not go over with a bang it will be no fault of the organiser, but rather of the audience. He has also a boxing business in a full time one, he has been forced for weeks to burn the midnight oil so that he can give the Centenary function that necessary boost. John Goldrick is a live wire and one of the best assets on the Centenary Committee.

Bowls President
MANAGER of the local branch of the Rural Bank, Mr. George T. Martin is president of the Griffith Bowling Club, and proves himself a good "contact" man with visitors, who are always welcome to partake of a game on the well-appointed lawns.

Municipal Leader
MR. BERT RILEY, vice-president of the Wattle Shire, is one of the best-hearted men in the town, and always seeking a way to obtain greater publicity for it. A man of few words, he is a solid worker and his opinions at the Council chamber always are well received.

Coursing Enthusiast
BECAUSE he has always been a coursing enthusiast, it was only natural that Clarry Doak should be appointed secretary of the Coursing Club, formed about 2 1/2 years ago. He is the right man in the right job. Apart from his business activities, he is also secretary of the Griffith rugby football club, for which he was a forward a few years ago. He has been in Griffith eight years, coming from Leeton, another well-known sporting town.

Peter Dawson's Schoolmate
HUGH JOHNSON, who conducts the leading sports depot at Griffith, was educated at St. Peter's School, Adelaide, where Peter Dawson, the world-famous singer, also attended. Johnson is fortunate in having secured the services of Jack Crawford, the Davis Cup player, to select his tennis equipment.

The Rio
Theatre, Griffith
MON., TUES., WED., THURS.
CELEBRATIONS WEEK
A Feast of Glorious Singing
Paul Robeson
IN
"BIG FELLA"
—also—
Harold Bell Wright's
"The Californian"
With Ricardo Cortez & Catherine de Mille.
(Both Pictures for General Exhibition.)

The Lyceum
Theatre, Griffith
Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.
CELEBRATIONS WEEK
"EBB TIDE"
The first exciting war adventure to be filmed in colour. With AR HODGSON, KAY MILLAND and FRANCES FARMER.

—Also—
JOE E. BROWN
IN
"WHEN'S YOUR BIRTHDAY"
(Both Pictures for General Exhibition.)

GREAT WEEK-END CLIMAX TO CELEBRATIONS WEEK:
FRIDAY, SATURDAY, MONDAY NIGHTS
FRED ASTAIRE in "A DAMSEL IN DISTRESS"
WITH GEORGE BURNS, GRACE ALLEN & JOAN FONTANA.
—Also—
BOB BURNS & MERTHA RAYE in "MOUNTAIN MUSIC"
(Both Pictures for General Exhibition.)

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JAMES THEODORE

PLOUGH TO PEN
Harris Able Official

SOME time ago Charlie Harris decided to temporarily leave his farming property for the purpose of leaving his farming property at Griffith to take over several secretarial positions in the town.

As secretary of the Agricultural Society he has proved an able official, one of deeds rather than words. He has the happy knack of making friends and keeping them, and by his contact with shows in and around the district he has played a definite part in the gradual progress of the Griffith Agricultural Society.

At the moment he is working almost "round the clock" because he is not only secretary of the newly-formed Griffith Athletic Club, but of the Trotting Club as well.

Usually it is a full time job months before an athletic meeting arranging the many details, but Charlie is managing to sandwich in the trotting and show as well by systematic work, and by increasing his clerical staff.

A returned soldier, he finds the open air life congenial, for he was badly gassed in France. As secretary of the local branch of the R.S.A. Charlie administers his job with satisfaction, and is looking forward to visiting Sydney for the Annual Day march and as a "member" after months of solid secretarial work.

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