



Convict Trash

Run 1922- 22/1/24

Hare: Doc – Location: Botany



Starters Gun

B2H3 ambled in relishing the cooler evening and wondering how Doc had survived setting a run the day before in the searing heat.

Interesting facts were told – Sniffer Dogs grandfather had run in Botany in 1920's with the Sydney Harriers.

Then Pig was observed driving up a one-way street in the wrong direction ... "I was only driving in one direction".

Circle Report – Hannibal

Tonight, we were lucky enough to visit Botany. Botany is a short stroll down Beauchamp Road from Maroubra where Dirty set her first-class trail last week.

Botany is situated on the Riviera of Sydney and far exceeds places like Nice and Cannes.

Botany affords a scenic view across the bay towards Jannali and the other highly desirable areas of the Sutherland Shire.

We look forward to visiting Jannali next week as well as our next visit to Botany.

Congratulations Botany.

On On HL



Run Report – Cold Duck

*the run took us past beautiful factories, through parts of Sir Joseph Banks Park, along sandy paths and then more factories

*the halfway bucket was attended by a lovely blond lady who served refreshing drinks

*an entertaining run

Score – 8.5/10

Athletes –

Birthdays –

Merkin

Stopcock

Goldmark

Dish

Prickette -

*Grewsome > Dirty Weekend – bragging at the bucket about money she received from spotting a South Sydney player

Prick –

*Pig > Grewsome – mouthwash or premium

*Dirty Weekend > Merkin – not causing Covid outbreak on Celebrity Cruise

*Hannibal > Pig – pool maintenance ... put back wash on and managed to empty pool

*** And this week's winners are **Dirty Weekend** and **Pig*****

Visitors –

Announcements-

Hare Line



Website www.botanybay-h3.weebly.com

Next Weeks Run

Hare : Slotcard

Date : 29/1/24

Start : carpark behind Jannali shops off Box Road, Jannali

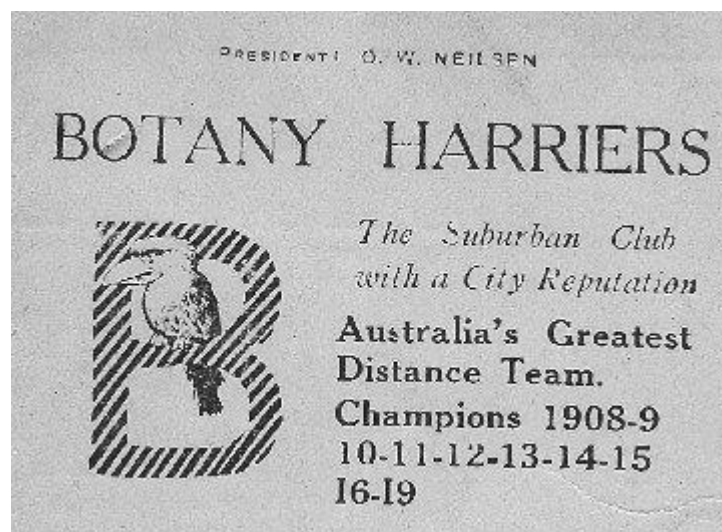
On On :

- The Club That Has Been to 20 Olympics

For twenty years from 1884 professional athletics events conducted in Botany.

However, the handicap

brought the footrace into dispute. When interest in athletics revived, it was on an amateur



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system

basis. In 1907, the Botany Harriers was founded. Within a year the club had won the long-distance teams' championships, doing so from 1908 to 1920 (The Great War postponed the competition for 3 years). In the 1920s the club began to star in track and field. A women's and junior boys' section was added in 1926. The women's club possessed the outstanding female athletes of the 1930s. The Harriers provided many athletes for state and national representation. By way of example, ten male and two female athletes represented Australia in the 1938 British Empire Games in Sydney

Every athletic club desires its own athletics field. Towards this end, Randwick-Botany established a social club in 1963 and built licensed premises on Wentworth Avenue, Pagewood, partly as a means of financing an athletics field. The club leased an old tip site at Pagewood from Botany Council and was able to provide a local ground for athletics. A driving force behind this venture was C.D 'Chic' Hensley after whom the ground was named. He also led the establishment in 1968 of the first Little Athletics club in NSW, the Randwick-Botany Little Athletics Centre, which uses the venue to this day. Hensley Athletic Field was re-laid with a synthetic Tartan track for the Commonwealth Games trials in 1973. It was the first synthetic track in Australia and featured the first straight 200m. This was a monumental contribution to athletics in NSW. It was the club's base for several decades. In 1982 the field was handed back to Botany Council.



ALLAN LAWRENCE RECEIVES HIS BRONZE MEDAL, 10,000 METRES, MELBOURNE, 1956

As of 2023, the club has been represented at an amazing 20 Olympic Games by 26 Olympians, in a sequence from 1924 to 2020 (2021), broken once only in 1992. It is unlikely that any other Australian athletics club has had such Olympic representation. Moreover, less than a fifth of Olympic nations have been to 20 games! Anthony 'Nick' Winter won the Triple Jump Olympic gold medal in a world record 15.52m at Paris in 1924. There are two Olympic bronze medallists: Allan Lawrence (10,000m, Melbourne, 1956) and Jane Saville (20km Walk,

Athens, 2004). Jane competed at four Olympic Games (1996, 2000, 2004, 2008). Ron Crawford (1956, 1960, 1964) and Gary Knoke (1964, 1968, 1972) competed at three Olympic Games. Olympic finalists include Bill Butchart (800m, 1956), Gary Knoke (4th, 400m Hurdles, 1964), Peter Farmer (Hammer Throw, 1976), Darren Clark (4th, 400m 1984; and 4th, 400m 1988) and Steven Solomon (400m, 2012). Darren Clark's 1988 Olympic 400m time of 44.38 remains the Australian and Oceania record.



SAVILLE SISTERS, JANE (GOLD) AND NATALIE (SILVER) AFTER THE 20KM WALK AT THE 2006 COMMONWEALTH GAMES IN MELBOURNE

Jane Saville also won three gold medals at the Commonwealth Games: in the 10km Walk in 1998 and in the 20 km Walk in 2002 and 2006. The club's other Commonwealth gold medallist is Anthony Manning (3000m Steeplechase, 1970)