

## Journal Surveys

### I. Australian Sport

- I-1 Bennett, Scott. "Regional Sentiment and Australian Sport," *Sporting Traditions*, 5, no. 1 (November 1988), 94-111.

Article maintains that region is an important aspect associated with understanding both the competition or internal tensions which occur within and the administration of different sports in Australia.

—Braham Dabscheck

- I-2 Cashman, Richard. "The Rise And Fall Of The Australian Club 1826-68<sup>1</sup>" *Sporting Traditions*, 5, no. 1 (November 1988), 112-130.

Formed in 1826, the Australian Cricket Club was probably Australia's first cricket club. It participated in periodic games with short-lived other clubs or pick-up teams. Provided a vehicle for young gentlemen to spend their leisure time. In the mid-1830s a split occurred between local and overseas born players. As a more regular organised Saturday afternoon competition developed the club folded in 1868. Mainly secondary sources; 25 footnotes.

—Braham Dabscheck

- I-3 Headon, David. "Given By God, Sport of Kings, Or a Mug's Game: Horse Racing in Australian Literature," *Sporting Traditions*, 5, no. 1 (November 1988), 30-50.

Article highlights Australian passion for horse racing by examining its place in Australian literature. Mainly focuses on the writings of Banjo Paterson, Marcus Clarke, Adam Lindsay Gordon, Rolf Bolderwood, Frank Hardy and Peter Carey with a brief reference to Mark Twain. Mainly primary sources: 51 footnotes.

—Braham Dabscheck

- I-4 Mandle, W. F. "Fred In the Bush: The Australian Racing Novels Of Nat Gould," *Sporting Traditions*, 54, no. 1 (November 1988), 9-29.

The writer examines Australian racing novels of the popular English fiction writer/journalist Nat Gould who lived in Australia between 1884 and 1895. Novels provide an insight into both the racing industry and Australian society. Eugenics omnipresent in Gould's work in both terms of horses and men. Highlights attitudes to womanhood, racism (Aborigines and the Chinese) and nationalism and imperialism. Primary and secondary sources; 14 footnotes.

—Braham Dabscheck

- I-5 O'Hara, John. "The Melbourne Cup and Two-Up: Egalitarianism And Gambling," *Sporting Traditions*, 5, no. 1 (November 1988), 61-76.

O'Hara uses the Melbourne Cup and two-up to examine an ideological struggle which occurred between middle class Protestants and working class Catholics dating

back to the second half of the nineteenth century. Attempts to outlaw gambling have been unsuccessful. Gambling is seen to be one of the few areas where working class egalitarian values have triumphed in Australia.

—Braham Dabscheck

I-6 Stoddart, Brian. "Gary Sobers And Cultural Identity In the Caribbean," *Sporting Traditions*, 5, no. 1 (November 1988), 131-146.

Examines the links between star West Indian cricketer all-rounder (batter and bowler) Sir Gary Sobers and the development of a black Caribbean cultural identity in the period 1954-74. While Sobers simply saw himself as a cricketer his ability on the field epitomised the myth of Caribbean cricket and is seen as a symbol of nationalism and self-determination from previous colonial rule.

—Braham Dabscheck

I-7 Vamplew, Wray. "Odds Against: The Punter's Lot Is Not a Happy One," *Sporting Traditions*, 5, no. 1 (November 1988), 51-60.

Article is a punter's lament, of how it is impossible (for most) to win money by betting on horse races. Provides historical examples of ring-ins, doping, jockeys fixing races, of owners who spend fortunes on buying horses and unsuccessfully betting on them. Primary and secondary sources; 30 footnotes.

—Braham Dabscheck