

V. Australia

V-1 Macintyre, Clement. "The 'Bouncing Game' in Fremantle: Australian Football and the Community Identity in Western Australia, 1885-1900," *The International Journal of the History of Sport*, 7. no. 1 (May 1990), 131-139.

During the late nineteenth century, the success of the Fremantle Football Club of Western Australia was attributed to the town's need for cohesiveness and distinction from the neighboring metropolis of Perth. Fremantle consisted of a working-class population and used their superiority in football to gain status in the eyes of the wealthier citizens of Perth. Fremantle football served as a mechanism to blend the class distinctions between the two towns. Based on primary and secondary sources, 40 notes.

—Jancy Darling

V-2 Horton, Peter A. "Rugby Union Football and Its Role in the Socio-Cultural Development of Queensland," *The International Journal of the History of Sport*, 9, no. 1 (April 1992), 119-131.

The first decade in the history of rugby union football in Queensland mirrored the socio-cultural development of the colony. A key component contributing to the growth of rugby was the rise in population of Brisbane between 1881 and 1891. Its base of support would come from the economically influential sector of the community, the middle class. Because there was a high degree of social interaction associated with rugby, the advertising opportunities were numerous. Based on primary and secondary sources, 35 notes.

—Cornelius C. Marshall

V-3 Vamplew, Wray. "The Making of the Oxford Companion," *The International Journal of the History of Sport*, 10, no. 1 (April 1993), 101-103.

The collective sports history of Australia has contributions from over 226 people with approximately 1,000 entries. This is the most comprehensive reference work of Australian sport. Essays highlight the social, economic and political influences of sport in Australia. A wide range of sports are included, even sports that many people didn't know existed. The Australian Society for Sports History would like to produce another volume.

—Bruce Seidman

V-4 Moore, Katharine. "A Neglected Imperialist: The Promotion of the British Empire in the Writing of John Astley Cooper," *The International Journal of the History of Sport*, 8, no. 2 (September 1991), 256-269.

Australian John Astley Cooper moved to England at age 13. In an 1891 article, he proposed a Pan-Britannic festival of arts, sciences, and athletics. The idea was widely publicized and debated in the press, but Cooper failed to provide concrete plans. Soon, his idea was overshadowed by Baron Pierre de Coubertin's successful 1894 proposal to revive the international Olympic Games. However, Cooper rightly deserves credit for being the father of the modern Commonwealth Games. Based on primary and secondary sources, 56 notes.

—Mary Lou LeCompte

V-5 Horton, Peter A. "Dominant Ideologies and Their Role in the Establishment of Rugby Union Football in Victorian Queensland," *The International Journal of the History of Sport*, 11, no. 1 (April 1994), 115-128.

The growth of rugby union in Victorian Queensland began in the late 1880s; however, its base was different from Britain. The comparison between establishment of sports in Australia and England reveal that three major

factors were responsible for establishing rugby union as a fundamental feature of Australian sport. They were: the acceptance of competitive sports by Australian society, the concept of leisure, and small cities in Australia. Based on secondary sources, 23 notes.

—Hasan Birol Yalcin

V-6 Phillips, G. Murray and Moore, Katharine. “The Champion Boxer Les Darcy: A Victim of Class Conflict and Sectarian Bitterness in Australia During the First World War,” *The International Journal of the History of Sport*, 11, no. 1 (April 1994), 102-114.

The views of the champion boxer James Leslie Darcy are examined in this article. Even though he was the only Australian world-class boxer, his departure from Australia was emphasized more. Darcy’s life had many conflicts relating to his religious and social life. The class conflicts and sectarianism found in Australia during World War I affected Darcy’s responses and actions. Based on primary and secondary sources, 70 notes.

—Hasan Birol Yalcin