# SOUTH PACIFIC GAMES



OFFICIAL REPORT and RESULTS



The start of a race held at the Suva City sea baths.

# SWIMMING

The swimming was held at the Suva Sea Baths which were built many years ago and are owned by the Suva City Council. The pool is 55 yards long by 25 yards over the competition area and is filled direct from the sea without filtration. This lack of filtration makes it difficult, especially at the time of the year when prolonged rain washes mud into the estuary, to keep the pool filled with clear water. To get over this difficulty the suction pipe was extended out into the sea but in spite of that, there was difficulty in keeping the pool clean during the Games.

### POOL

To bring the pool to international requirements a large amount of temporary work was undertaken by the Suva City Council. Additional lighting was put up which was a tremendous improvement on the previous lighting but it will pay host territories to ensure that the lighting is considered as an integral part of the pool design. It is considered that a minimum width of pool surround of eighteen feet is desirable along the sides and this width could well be increased at the ends.

### **OFFICIALS**

A formidable number of officials is required to organise such a meeting under F.I.N.A. rules and much help was given by the Royal New Zealand Air Force and H.M.S. Cook. Three lectures were held and practical experience was gained at two trial meetings, in the second of which, over two hundred swimmers participated which gave a reasonable opportunity to solve problems and deal with administrative training. It would be preferable if the officials could be assembled rather sooner.

In spite of their short training however, all the officials did their respective jobs well and no adverse criticism was heard, indeed compliments were paid on the high standard achieved.

### TIMEKEEPING

Timekeeping is the essential part of a swimming competition, especially in the heats where time is the factor which decides the finalists and it is gratifying to report that an examination of the result cards indicated a very high degree of accuracy. Omega timekeepers were used by the lane timekeepers but as there were insufficient of these, the reserve timekeepers had to use ordinary Omega stopwatches which were tested and certified prior to the meeting.

### RECORDING

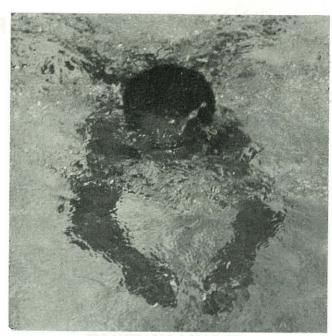
Results were to hand in a commendably short time after events considering that eighteen times had to be recorded in the majority of cases. A consolidated report sheet was prepared from the individual result cards and a copy of the results sheet was handed to team managers, press and radio officials immediately after the meeting. This service was favourably commented on.

### PROGRAMME

It was considered that the programme of events was not realistic for the First South Pacific Games in view of the standard that would probably be forthcoming. Ten days before the opening of the Games the fact that there was no definite information as to the numbers of entrants made it very difficult to draw up a programme. Normally the swimmers, fit the programme whereas in this case the programme was designed to suit the swimmers as far as possible.

It is considered that three nights is inadequate; as it was, the heats of the 1650 yards freestyle were held separately and the programme imposed a severe strain upon the competitors.

Whether or not the programme is revised, it would seem that some non-Games events will always need to be included in order to give competitors adequate rests. These "fillers" need considerable thought and it is recommended that if this suggestion is accepted, careful consideration be given to these events. The general public in Fiji was not educated to the fact that fairly long intervals are unavoidable



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in international competitions and they rapidly lost interest and became bored unless there was something to entertain them.

- (1) It is suggested that a 4 x 110 free-style relay with two men and two women be included in the programme:
- (2) that four nights be allocated for swimming with provision for heats to be held outside these nights if found necessary or desirable by the Technical Committee;
- (3) that competing territories be requested to submit to the host territory at least two months before the Games are due to open, a provisional estimate of the number of competitors they envisage entering for each event;
- (4) that consideration be given to including water polo as an official event in the programme.

### VENUE

- (1) That not less than eight, seven-foot lanes be provided if at all possible.
- (2) That a separate entrance be provided for officials and competitors some distance away from the one used by spectators.
- (3) That access to stands be otherwise than via the pool surrounds.

### INTERPRETATION

Efforts by the organisers to secure the services of a competent French interpreter prior to the opening of the Games were unsuccessful and they were extremely fortunate that M. Jacques Duffayet of the New Caledonia swimming team was able and willing to fill this important position.

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# Swimming Results—Men

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# Swimming Results-Women

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# Medal Winners—Swimming—Men

EVENTS	GOLD MEDAL	SILVER MEDAL	BRONZE MEDAL
1650 yards Freestyle	C. F. Bay <b>Fiji</b>	J. Mamelin <b>New Caledonia</b>	P. Caillard New Caledonia
220 yards Breaststroke	S. Koroi Fiji	P. Kangon <b>Papua/New Guinea</b>	J. Douapere New Caledonia
110 yards Backstroke	C. M. Raddock Fiji	P. Postal <b>New Caledonia</b>	M. Sau Fiji
440 yards Freestyle	C. F. Bay <b>Fiji</b>	J. D. Griffiths <b>Fiji</b>	J. Y. Mamelin New Caledonia
110 yards Butterfly	T. Jovel Papua/New Guinea	K. Jarope Papua/New Guinea	P. Postal New Caledonia
110 yards Freestyle	C. F. Bay Fiji	J. D. Griffiths <b>Fiji</b>	P. Kerrigan <b>Fiji</b>
440 yards Medley Relay	C. M. Raddock S. Koroi C. F. Bay J. D. Griffiths Fiji	J. Hardy B. Selan P. Kangon K. Jarope Papua/New Guinea	J. Bouye J. Duffayet P. Postal J. C Legras New Caledonia
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EVENTS	GOLD MEDAL	SILVER MEDAL	BRONZE MEDAL
110 yards Backstroke	W. Adi <b>Fiji</b>	J. Finn Papua/New Guinea	J. M. Blyth Fiji
220 yards Breaststroke	J. E. Herrington <b>Fiji</b>	M. L. Smith Fiji	P. Mae Papua/New Guinea
440 yards Freestyle	J. E. Herrington <b>Fiji</b>	S. Matthews Papua/New Guinea	C. S. Anfinson Fiji
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