



OLYMPIAN
RAY
WEINBERG



**HISTORIC
PERSON
SERIES**

ATHLETE RAY WEINBERG

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INTRODUCTION

Name: Raymond (Ray) Henry Weinberg
Born: 23 October 1926 Alexandra, Vic
Married: Shirley Lavinia Louise Ogle
Met Queen: 23 June 1952
Died : 30 May 2018

An athlete, coach and manager, remembered as one of our best hurdlers. He was ranked in the top eight hurdlers in the world for four years and was an Olympic finalist. His top world ranking was sixth.

Competing at
Olympic Park
Melbourne



Raymond (Ray) Weinberg AM was born at Alexandra in Central Victoria on 23 October 1926, son of Henry Conrad Weinberg and Brightie Maude Stillman. Ray's father Henry (commonly called Harry) was the son of Mr and Mrs H Weinberg of Cheviot, and Brightie Maud Stillman was from the pioneering 'Stillman' family of Alexandra.



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Local Family History

The Weinberg name is first found in the District when Ray's Grandfather Henry was a dairy farmer at Homewood. When the lease on the Homewood property was up (circa 1890), Henry Snr moved to Cheviot and became a log carter, transporting logs from the Black Range on the timber tramlines. He utilised a team of draft horses and trolley trucks. Henry Snr died in 1910, aged 50 years, leaving a young family of four, of which Harry (Henry Jnr) was the youngest.

In 1921 records show that Harry Weinberg was living at Alexandra and probable that he was working at the Alexandra Hotel as a barman. In early 1925 he moved to Melbourne to run the Brandon Hotel in North Carlton, and told the licensing court that he had already been a barman (probably referring to his time at Alexandra). Later that same year he married Brightie Stillman, who also moved to Melbourne to be with him. The following year their first child Raymond was born (at Alexandra).

Brightie Stillman was also from a longstanding pioneering family from the Alexandra District, with her parents at one time running the Shamrock Hotel and later livery stables and coach and motor transport operations.

In October 1931 a five year old Raymond (Ray) won a prize in the local Fancy Dress Ball. So it is probably that the family was back living in Alexandra by then. On 9 February 1934 Harry and Brightie purchased Abomady's Café in Grant Street, Alexandra. This was located a number of shops north of the Newsagency and three shops south of Barton's corner store.

On 4 February 1938 it was reported in the *Alexandra Standard* that Mr H Weinberg would shortly take over the Rubicon Hotel. Then on 27 February 1942 Lady Jessie Barnewall took over the licensee of the Rubicon Hotel and Harry took over the Commercial Hotel back in Alexandra. On 7 September 1945 it was noted at a Council Dinner that Mrs Weinberg would be leaving the Commercial Hotel in the near future.

Raymond (Ray) Weinberg

Ray attended Elementary School and the first two years at the Alexandra Higher Elementary School, then located in Webster Street with the State Elementary School. In 1938 Ray won his first ever trophy in the Boys under 14, 100 yards, at Molesworth.

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Ray left Alexandra in 1940 aged 13 to attend Trinity Grammar in Kew, Victoria and served as a School Captain in 1944.

Ray became a significant young Australian athlete, attending the 1948 London Olympics and was a finalist in the 1952 Helsinki Olympics with the fastest time in the world for 220 yards hurdles.

Ray met and married fellow athlete Shirley Lavinia Louise Ogle in 1950 at East St Kilda. They had three children: Raymond Brett Weinberg (1953), Michele Louise Weinberg (1955) and Timothy David Weinberg in 1961.

He held the national 110 yard hurdles record for 20 years. His highest world ranking was sixth and he competed in two Summer Olympics (London and Helsinki), though missed a third (Melbourne) due to illness. In 1952 he met the Queen after winning the 110 metre Hurdles.

He was a competitor in the 1948 Summer Olympics and noticed how other teams had lapel pins, but the Australian team members did not. From that point he had it on his mind that Australia should also have a pin.

Having been picked for the 1952 Helsinki Summer Olympic team, Ray designed and produced Australia's first Olympic lapel pin before the Games. The pin was very successful, and they became well sought after by collectors worldwide—being the first Olympic lapel pin the Australian team members ever wore. The basic design was copied a number of times afterwards.



Ray's wife
Shirley Ogle

In 1956 he was unable to compete in what would have been his third Summer Olympics, due to an eye complaint that resulted in both of his eyes being bandaged. Ray went on to be a media commentator



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at the 1964 Tokyo Olympics and the 1980 Moscow Summer Olympics, amongst numerous other things.

On 30 August 2000 he was awarded the Australian Sports Medal. The citation read:

*For service to sport as an administrator, manager and coach,
particularly through track and field athletics, and as an athlete.*

He was made a 'Member of the Order of Australia' (AM) on 10 June 2002, which was presented to him by his long time friend John Landy. John had been his fellow athlete and was Governor of Victoria at the time of the award being granted.

At 3 pm on 16 November 2017, an afternoon tea was held at Alexandra, where he was born, to officially unveil three new township signs: Raymond Weinberg, Dame Pattie Menzies and Bernhard Smith. Pictures of these signs are visible later in this factsheet.

Ray died at his home surrounded by family on 30 May 2018, after a long battle with illness. He had been married for 68 years at the time of his passing. During the later stages of his life, Ray was a proud member of the Melbourne Cricket Club (MCC). At the time of his passing he had been a member for 32 years and a volunteer MCG Tour Guide for 23 years. He was highly regarded at the club and was a constant inspiration to young sportsmen and women. Ray was buried at a family funeral. A Memorial Service was held on 29 June 2018 at Trinity College School, South Room, Centre for the Arts at 40 Charles Street in Kew. The service was held at 1.30 pm and over 300 people attended the reflective celebration of his life.

Shirley died on 20 April 2021 at her home near Ballarat, aged 94.



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Full name: Raymond Henry 'Ray' Weinberg
Gender: Male
Height: 6 feet 2inches (188 cm)
Weight: 179 pounds (81 kg)
Born: 23 October 1926 in Alexandra, Victoria, Australia
Died: 30 May 2018
Affiliations: St. Stephens Harriers, Richmond (AUS)
Country: Australia
Sport: Athletics

OLYMPIC RESULTS:

GAME	AGE	CITY	SPORT	NOC	RANK	TIME
1948 Summer	18	London	AthleticsMen's 110 m Hurdles	AUS	5	
1952 Summer	22	Helsinki	AthleticsMen's 110 m Hurdles	AUS	6	14.8 sec
1952 Summer	22	Helsinki	AthleticsMen's 4 × 100 m Relay	AUS	5	42.3 sec
1952 Summer	22	Helsinki	AthleticsMen's 4 × 400 m Relay	AUS	5	3 min, 15.8 sec

PODIUM FINISHES:

Second in the 1950 British Empire Games 120 yards Hurdles

His personal best for the 110 metre hurdles was 14.0 seconds. It was an Australian Record and was amazingly run on a grass track, rather than a harder and faster surface.

TIMELINE

BASIC TIMELINE OF EVENTS



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- 1921** Records show that Ray's father Henry (more commonly called Harry) was living at Alexandra, in Central Victoria.
- 1925** Harry moved to Melbourne to run the Brandon Hotel in North Carlton.
- 1925** Harry married Brightie Stillman of Alexandra, who moved to Melbourne to be with him.
- 23 October 1926** Raymond (Ray) Weinberg AM was born at Alexandra on 23 October 1926, son of Henry (Harry) Conrad Weinberg and Brightie Maude Stillman.
- 30 October 1931** The *Alexandra Standard* reported how he had been awarded the Best Costume Award (a Tin Soldier) in the local Children's Fancy Dress Ball, held at the Alexandra Shire Hall. He was aged five years.
- 5 June 1936** The Weinberg family purchase a Café in Grant Street, Alexandra.
- 1938** Won his first ever trophy (Boys under 14 years, 100 Yards) at Molesworth.
- 1940s** Attended Trinity Grammar School.
- 1944** Was School Captain at Trinity Grammar School.
- 15 March 1945** Was a coffin bearer at the funeral of his grandmother Alice Stillman.
- 4 June 1948** The Alexandra State School sent Ray Weinberg a sum of money so he could purchase himself a memento for being selected for the London Summer Olympic team. He purchased a leather wallet.
- 26 December 1948** Made a guest appearance at the Yea Boxing Day Sports.



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1950	Married state sprint champion and record holder Shirley Lavinia Louise Ogle, and moved to Kerang, in Victoria, where he ran the Commercial Hotel for 20 years for his parents.
23 June 1952	Met Queen Elizabeth at the British Athletics Championships. He was presented with a trophy by the Queen. He was the only Australian to win a title.
1952	After winning the British 120 yards hurdles Championship, he competed in the 1952 Helsinki Olympic Games and ran sixth in the final of the hurdles. He was again chosen to represent the British Empire in the hurdles against the U.S.A.
1953 March 1953	Son Raymond Brett Weinberg was born. Two of the houses at the Alexandra High School were named 'Weinberg' and 'Cumming'.
1955	Daughter Michele Louise Weinberg was born.
1956	Ray was not able to compete in the 1956 Summer Olympics due to an eye complaint requiring bandaging to both eyes.
1961	Son Timothy David Weinberg was born.
1964	Was a media commentator for the 1964 Tokyo Summer Olympics.
1968	Served as Coach of the successful Australian Athletics team at the 1968 Mexico Olympics and also became Team Manager.
1969	Coach of the Australian team at the Pacific Conference Games held in Sapporo in Japan.
1980	Was part of the Seven Network's media commentator team for the 1980 Moscow Summer Olympics.
30 August 2000	Ray was awarded the Australian Sports Medal. The citation read: 'For service to sport as an administrator, manager and



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coach, particularly through track and field athletics, and as an athlete’.

10 June 2002

Received an (AM) Order of Australia in the Queen's Awards.

2012

Artworkz commenced work on this Factsheet.

January 2014

Artworkz Historian Leisa Lees contacted the Weinberg family. The family shared information, photographs and Ray proofed this factsheet.

17-19 February 2014

Ray and Shirley Weinberg attended Alexandra as hosts of Artworkz. During their stay, they spoke at the Alexandra Secondary College, the Alexandra Primary School and the Alexandra St Mary's School. They awarded a number of awards to children and received an award from the Murrindindi Athletics Club. A 'Meet the Man' event at the Commercial Hotel on Tuesday 18 February attracted over 60 people and became one of the largest gatherings of its kind in many years.

The event created much excitement amongst the local Alexandra and District community, and Ray and Shirley were overwhelmed by the community.

While in Alexandra, Ray was able to help answer many heritage related questions and provided invaluable information to historians regarding the town and its people in the 1930s.

16 December 2016

A sign highlighting Ray Weinberg was mounted on the Alexandra sign you first see after crossing the Goulburn River on the Riversdale Bridge. Ray was aware of the mounting and in an SMS to Leisa Lees he wrote:

'Dear Leisa, I'm still in a state of bewilderment and disbelief. Thank you so much to you and David for what you've done and for the photographs. Ray Weinberg.'

16 November 2017

An afternoon tea to officially unveil three township signs was held by the Shire of Murrindindi. The three signs were



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for Raymond Weinberg, Dame Pattie Menzies and Bernhard Smith. Three new history posters and three factsheets produced by Artworkz were also published.

30 May 2018

Ray Weinberg passed away after a long battle with cancer.

Unknown

A private funeral for the family was held.

29 June 2018

A Memorial Service was held at Trinity College School, South Room, Centre for the Arts at 40 Charles Street in Kew. The service was held at 1.30 pm and over 300 people attended the reflective celebration of his life.

18 December 2019

Brett Weinberg gifting a framed pocket insignia once worn by his father Ray Weinberg, to Nigel Lyttle of the Alexandra Secondary College on Wednesday 18 December 2019. The gift was made during the Speech Night and also in attendance with Shirley, Ray's wife.

20 April 2021

Shirley Weinberg died at her home near Ballarat, aged 94. Her funeral was held at 2 pm on Tuesday 27 April at Harrison Funerals, 748 Geelong Road, Ballarat. Numbers at the funeral were limited due to Covid-19 restrictions.

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Weinberg's Alexandra Café circa 1925. By the 1930s it had become Darmody's Alexandra Café. Harry Weinberg is in the white shirt at the front of the café.

Courtesy Hans Schonekas 2010

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Ray's parents, Harry and Brightie Weinberg

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014

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Ray Weinberg circa 2000

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014

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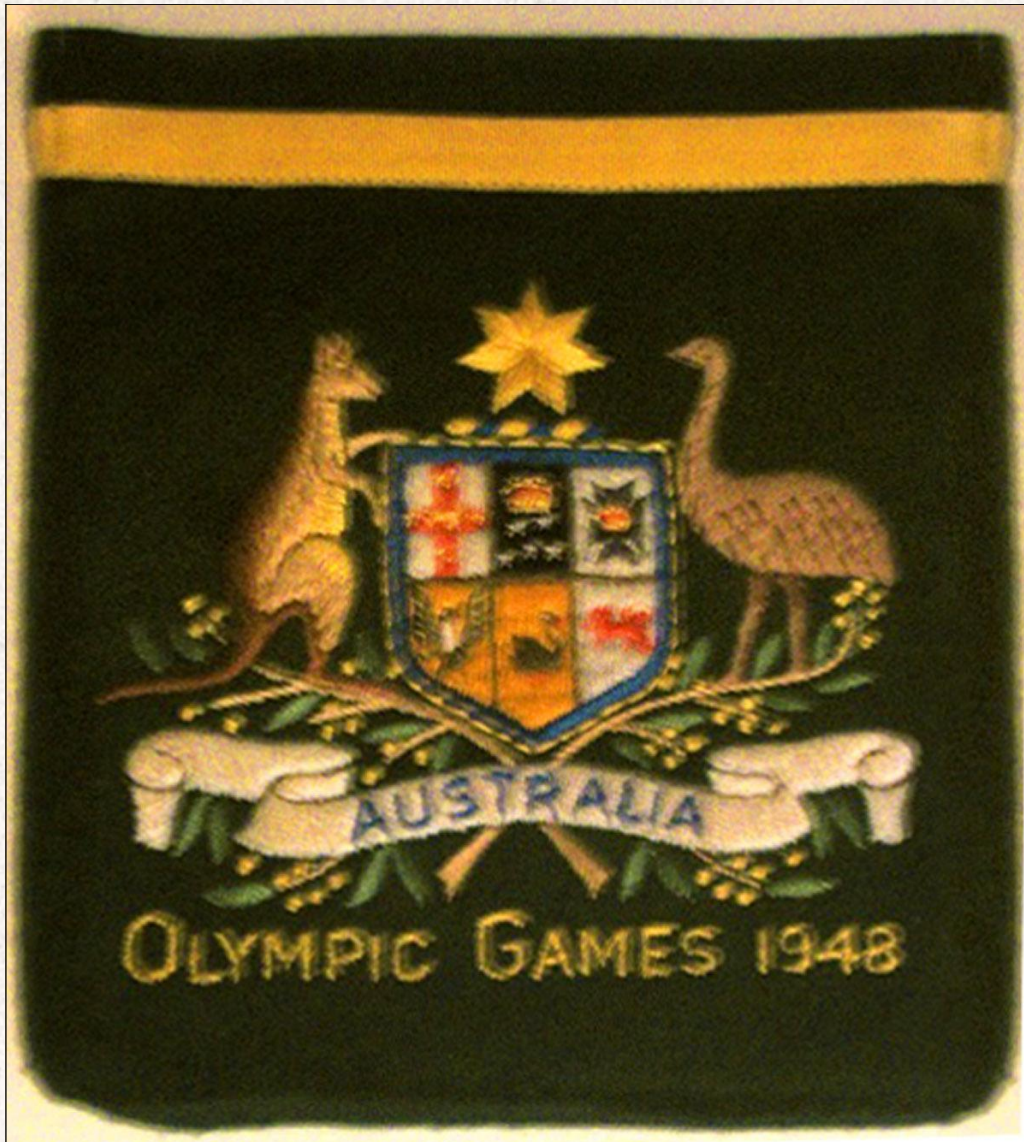


Ray Weinberg

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014

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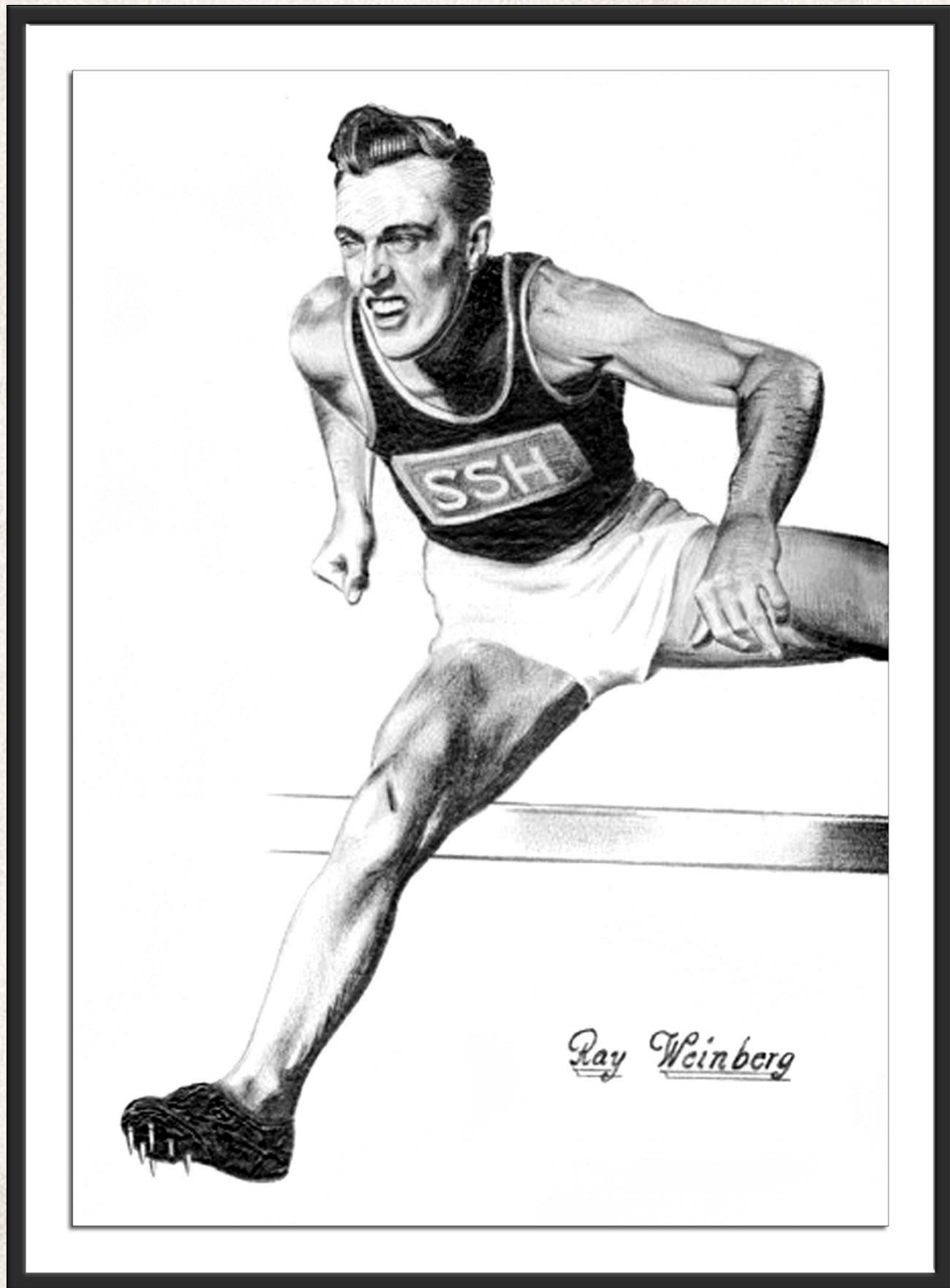


**The 1948 Australian Olympic Games pocket emblem on the
Australian Team's Jacket**

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014

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Sketch of Ray Weinberg by a Herald Newspaper Sketch Artist

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014

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1952 British Championships at White City, London

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014

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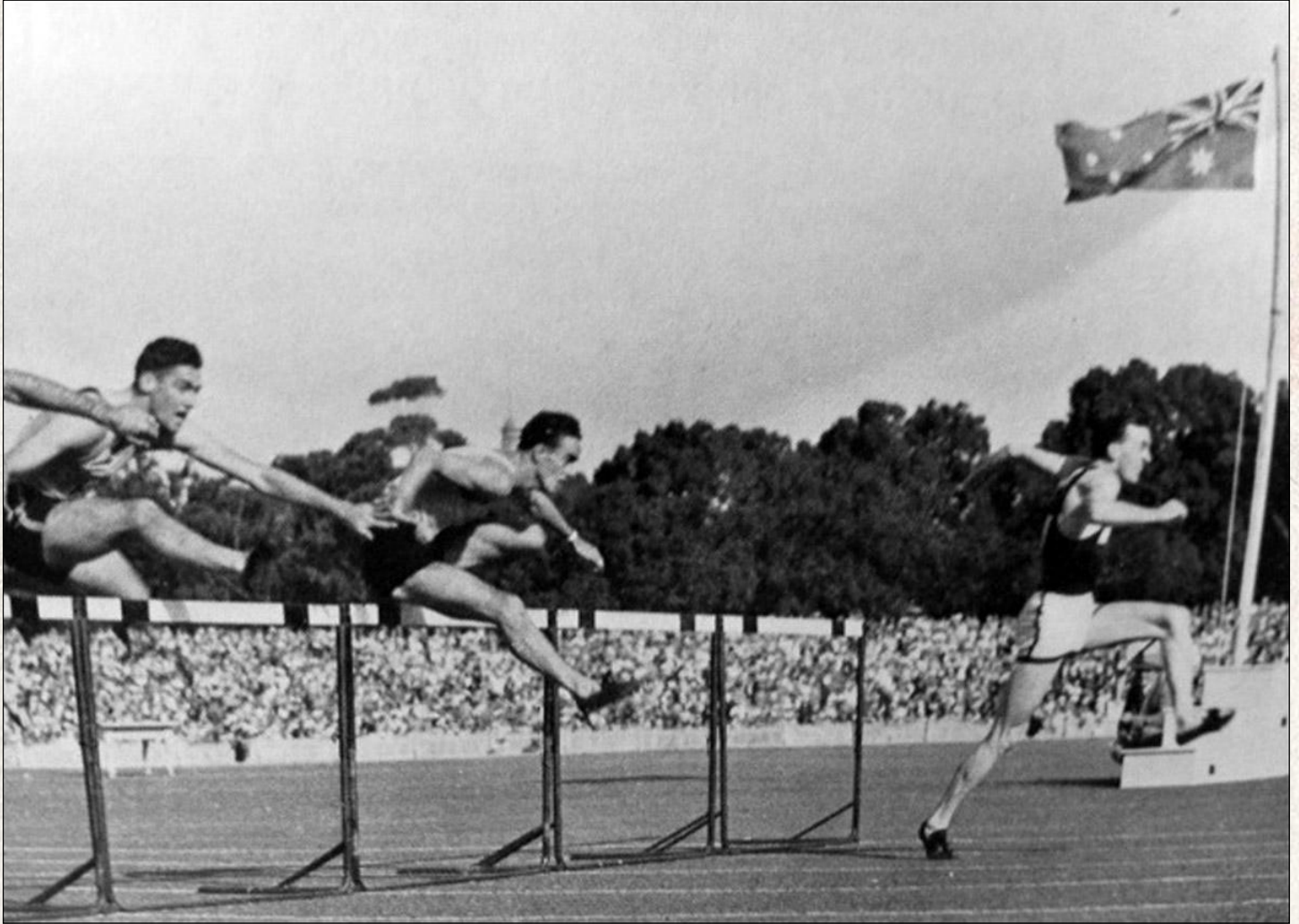


Ray competing at Olympic Park in Melbourne

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014

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1948 Championships at St Kilda Cricket Ground in front of a crowd of 26,000 people

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014

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Harry Weinberg (Ray's father). After leaving Alexandra he gained the nickname "Faddy".

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014



Brightie Stillman (Ray's mother). Brightie was born at the Shamrock Hotel in Alexandra. Brightie's parents (A.E. Stillman and Alice Stillman) ran the Shamrock Hotel.

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014

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**A.E. Stillman and Alice Stillman
(nee Russell), parents of Ray's mother
Brightie.**

**Alice later died at the Commercial Hotel
while visiting her daughter Brightie and son-
in-law Harry Weinberg.**

Courtesy Ray & Brett Weinberg 2014



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**Birthplace of Ray Weinberg
Olympic and Commonwealth Games Athlete**

One of three signs erected at the three main entrances to Alexandra. Unlike the other two, this one was erected in December 2016, while the other two were erected in September 2017. Each sign highlights a person of note from Alexandra's past. This sign was erected on the Melbourne side of Alexandra on the Goulburn Valley Highway.

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Birthplace of Dame Pattie Menzies (nee Leckie)

One of three signs erected in September 2017 at the three main entrances to Alexandra. Each sign highlights a person of note from Alexandra's past. This sign was erected on the Yea side of Alexandra on the Goulburn Valley Highway.

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Home of Bernhard Smith
Sculptor and painter of the Pre-Raphaelite School
and police magistrate

One of three signs erected in September 2017 at the three main entrances to Alexandra. Each sign highlights a person of note from Alexandra's past. This sign was erected on the Eildon side of Alexandra on the Goulburn Valley Highway.



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Brett Weinberg gifting a framed pocket insignia once worn by his father Ray Weinberg, to Nigel Lyttle of the Alexandra Secondary College on Wednesday 18 December 2019. The gift was made during the Speech Night and also in attendance with Shirley, Ray's wife.

NEWSPAPERS

RELATED NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

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Alexandra Cafe

H. WEINBERG

Desires to intimate that he has purchased the above business, and trusts by prompt and efficient service to merit the patronage of the public generally.

Light Refreshments at all hours.

**Choice Confectionery and
Soft Drinks.**

**Luncheon and Afternoon Tea.
Cooked Hams.**

Alexandra & Yea Standard

Friday 5 June 1936

Courtesy National Library Australia

The Weinberg family purchase a Grant Street Café in Alexandra.

Courtesy National Library Australia



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SCHOOL NOTES

Mr. F. Scoberg, of the Alexandra School staff has been transferred to East Kew. He was presented with a gift from the school prior to his departure.

Miss Fletcher has also left the Alexandra School to take up duties at Barjarg. She too, received parting gifts from the school.

Mr. Ray Simcocks has been appointed to the staff of Alexandra School.

A cheque has been sent to Ray Weinberg from the Alexandra School to purchase a gift as a memento of his selection as a member of the Olympic team.

Alexandra & Yea Standard

Friday 4 June 1948

Courtesy National Library Australia

Monies sent to Ray Weinberg from the Alexandra State School, so he could buy himself a gift as a memento of being picked for the London Summer Olympic team. He told the Alexandra Primary School in 2014 that he purchased a leather wallet which he had for many years until it fell apart.

Courtesy National Library Australia



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YEA - Boxing Day

Monday, December 27.

And See Olympians in action.

V.A.A.A. Reg. & Field Events.

Including—Footrunning, Hurdles, Discus Throw, Javelin Throw, Shot Putt, and Pole Vault.

Special Appearance of Olympians—John Bartram, Ray Weinberg, Peter Gardner. Also Ted Winter, Victorian Pole Vault Champion.

Thrills every minute with the States best Amateur Cyclists in four races, including the four mile track championship of Vic.

All booths on ground.

Gala Dance at Night

**A. H. SMITH, President.
Phone 81 Yea.**

F. B. STEPHENS, Secretary.

Alexandra & Yea Standard

Friday 17 December 1948

Courtesy National Library Australia

Yea Boxing Day sports, with special guest appearances including Ray Weinberg

Courtesy National Library Australia



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MARRIAGE OF WELL-KNOWN ATHLETES. WEINBERG—OGLE.

Two well-known athletes — Miss Shirley Ogle, a Victorian sprinter, and Mr. Raymond Henry Weinberg, an Olympic Games and Empire Games hurdler—were married at All Saints' Church, East St. Kilda, on Saturday afternoon, March 18.

The bride, who is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ogle, of Windsor, chose a classical gown of magnolia French brocade, fashioned with a portrait neckline and a short train. Her hip-length veil was held in place with a Juliet cap, and she carried golden roses.

She was attended by Mrs. Cedric Barry, Miss Joyce Cummings (formerly of the Borovansky ballet company) and Miss Joy Bayliss, of West Australia.

They wore off-the-shoulder frocks of lilac crepe with earmuff caps of the same shade, and carried mauve-pink roses.

The bridegroom, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Weinberg, Ke-ang, had Mr. David Warner as best man and Mr. Brian Manuel and Mr. John Weatherson as groomsmen.

Following the ceremony, at which Rev. Douglas Blake officiated, a reception was held at 20a Domain road.

(Ray is a native of Alexandra.)

Alexandra & Yea Standard
Friday 31 March 1950
Courtesy National Library Australia

Ray Weinberg married Shirley Ogle 18 March 1950

Courtesy National Library Australia



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High School Notes

The two new houses at the High School, have been named Cumming and Weinberg. Ray Weinberg was a scholar at the Alexandra Higher Elementary School, from 1932 to 1939 and later won selection in the Olympic team as a hurdler. Eric Cumming was also a scholar at the school during 1937 and later became prominent as a professional runner.

Both men showed excellent qualities of sportsmanship and it is fitting that the two new houses in the High School, should be named after such men.

The name of the original houses, Long and Bainbridge, will be retained - both are named after prominent ex-students.

The Swimming Sports will be held at the baths, on Friday, March 5th starting at 1.30 pm. All those interested will be welcome and are ensured of seeing some excellent swimming.

Alexandra & Yea Standard
Friday 6 March 1953
Courtesy National Library Australia

The two new houses at Alexandra High School named Cumming and Weinberg

Friday 6 March 1953
Courtesy National Library Australia

High School Notes

Next Friday, March 27th, the School is to receive a visit from the Mausfield School in the morning, and in the afternoon, Yea School.

Cricket and softball matches are to be played. Both these schools have approximately half as many pupils as Alexandra. It has been decided that Alexandra High will be divided into two houses for these inter school competitions. Weinberg and Bainbridge will compete as Bainbridge House and Long and Cumming as Long House. The school is looking forward keenly to these competitions.

This week Weinberg House received a letter of congratulations from Mr. Ray Weinberg, on their recent success at the Swimming Carnival.

This is a copy of Mr. Weinberg's letter: "Please convey to Weinberg House my congratulations, on a job very well done, in winning the Swimming Sports. I hope the winning run may continue through the year".

The school also congratulated Mr. Weinberg on his recent success in winning the Victorian Decathlon.

These people were under notice in the House matches just concluded.

Ted Oxlee, 5 wickets for 7 runs.
Murray Parsons, 6 wickets for 7.
W. Perry, 51 retired.
M. Parsons 17.
G. Bassett, 28 not out.
Bob Bloomfield shows good promise on the tennis court.

The Alexandra R.S.L and War Memorial Committee are holding a race meeting on April 11th, at the Alexandra Racecourse

Alexandra & Yea Standard
Friday 27 March 1953
Courtesy National Library Australia

**Letter from
Ray Weinberg**

Friday
27 March 1953
Courtesy National
Library Australia



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Weinberg won, met the Queen

London, Sunday

THE opportunity of meeting Queen Elizabeth urged Ray Weinberg on to victory in the 120 yards hurdles at the British athletic championships yesterday.

The Queen, who was accompanied by Princess Margaret, presented Weinberg with the trophy.

Weinberg, who was the only Australian to win a title, said it was one of the greatest moments of his life.

The Queen showed a great interest in the Australian Olympic team, and had a long chat with Weinberg.

Weinberg won by inches, and equalled the championship record time of 14.4 sec. Doubleday ran 14.6.

The winner has had very light training since he arrived with the team a week ago, as he fell down a hole and injured his knee in Singapore.

He was a doubtful starter in the heats on Friday, but after pulling up well in his heat of the 100 yards, decided to run.

—RON CAR-
TER.

Ray Weinberg meets Queen Elizabeth

The Argus
23 June 1952

Courtesy Ray &
Brett Weinberg 2014

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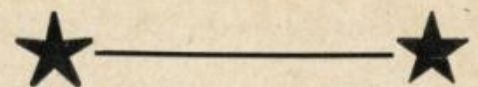
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1948 London Olympic Games Souvenir

Courtesy Paulette Sutherland

WEINBERG (*Australia*). 21 years of age and salesman by occupation. Australian 120 Hurdles Champion (14.9) 1948 and runner-up in 1947 (14.8). Quite a versatile performer, being a useful sprinter and "quarter" hurdles runner. Best performance 14.4 secs. for 120 Hurdles.



Left :
WEINBERG (*Australia*).
Central Press

Coming Aussie sprinter and hurdler, who has shown great improvement during 1948.

Below :
RAO (*India*) & **HUNDEL** (*India*). Rao is one of India's best known and most popular athletes.



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1948 London Olympic Official Report

Courtesy Paulette Sutherland

110 METRES HURDLES (120 yds. 1 ft.)



W. F. PORTER (U.S.A.)

WORLD RECORD :—F. G. Towns (U.S.A.), 1936, and F. Wolcott (U.S.A.), 1941 — 13.7 secs.

OLYMPIC RECORD :—W. F. Porter (U.S.A.), 1948—13.9 secs.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :—F. G. Towns (U.S.A.), 1936—14.1 secs.



The order of starting for the final was Dixon (U.S.A.), Porter (U.S.A.), Lidman (Sweden)—a finalist in 1936—Triulzi (Argentina), Gardner (Australia) and Scott (U.S.A.). It was plain that the three Americans were in a class by themselves, and from the start there were really two races going on three or four yards from each other. The hurdling of the Americans was as near to perfection as could be imagined. Porter won clearly in the new Olympic record time of 13.9 secs., while Scott and Dixon were almost inseparable in time which equalled F. G. Towns's Olympic record of 14.1.

Britain's three representatives, Finlay (appearing in his third Olympiad), Barkway and young Birrell, all succumbed in the first round, Finlay falling after the last hurdle when he was certain to qualify. But for this misfortune Findlay might have reached his third Olympic final, but no one can suppose that he would have been placed in the first three.

If Birrell perseveres and progresses as he ought, he should reach the final at Helsinki in 1952.

FIRST ROUND

HEAT 1	
1 W. F. Porter (U.S.A.)	14.3 secs
2 P. Braekman (Belgium)	15.2 secs
3 B. Recordon (Chile)	15.3 secs
4 R. C. Barkway (Gt. Brit.)	
5 E. Berkay (Turkey)	
HEAT 2	
1 C. L. Scott (U.S.A.)	14.8 secs
2 H. Frayer (France)	15.5 secs
3 R. Rendin (Sweden)	15.5 secs
4 L. Petropoulakis (Greece)	
HEAT 3	
1 A. U. Triulzi (Argent.)	14.6 secs
2 P. J. Gardner (Australia)	14.6 secs
3 M. S. Molezun (Spain)	
4 J. R. Birrell (Gt. Brit.)	
5 P. Amiros-Crosfield (Greece)	

HEAT 4

1 J. H. Vickers (India)	14.7 secs
2 H. Lidman (Sweden)	14.7 secs
3 J. E. Sabater (Puerto Rico)	
4 J. M. Zwaan (Netherlands)	
5 C. R. Green (Australia)	

HEAT 5

1 A. J. Marie (France)	14.9 secs
2 O. W. Bernard (Switz.)	14.9 secs
3 S. F. Foster (Jamaica)	15.1 secs
4 D. O. Finlay (Gt. Brit.)	

HEAT 6

1 C. K. Dixon (U.S.A.)	14.2 secs
2 R. H. Weinberg (Australia)	15.0 secs
3 G. R. Omnes (France)	15.2 secs
4 H. Alzamora (Peru)	
5 Mazhar-ul-Haq Khan (Pakistan)	

SEMI-FINALS

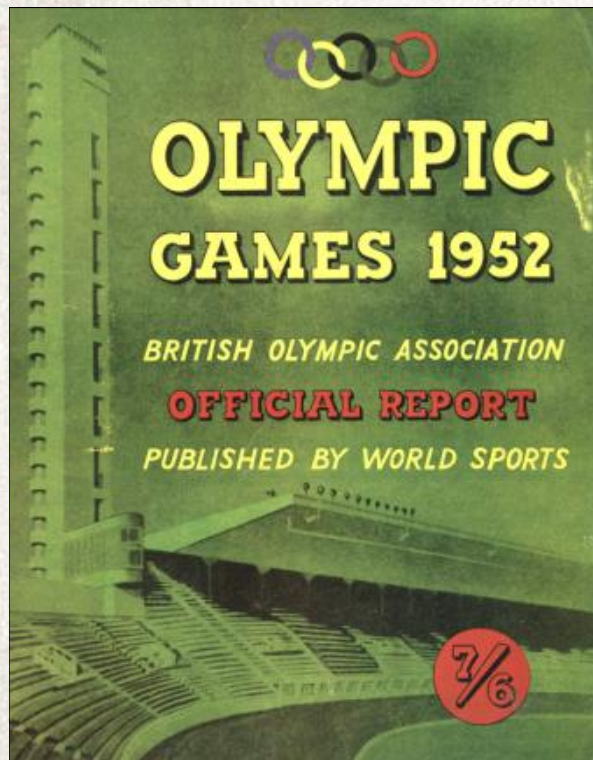
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4 P. Braekman (Belgium)	
5 O. W. Bernard (Switzerland)	
6 A. J. Marie (France)	
HEAT 2	
1 W. F. Porter (U.S.A.)	14.1 secs
2 C. L. Scott (U.S.A.)	14.2 secs
3 A. U. Triulzi (Argentina)	14.6 secs
4 R. H. Weinberg (Australia)	
5 H. Frayer (France)	
6 J. H. Vickers (India)	

FINAL

1 W. F. Porter (U.S.A.)	13.9 s.
2 C. L. Scott (U.S.A.)	14.1 s.
3 C. K. Dixon (U.S.A.)	14.1 s.
4 A. U. Triulzi (Argentina)	14.6 s.
5 P. J. Gardner (Australia)	
6 H. Lidman (Sweden)	

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1952 British Olympic Official Report

Courtesy Paulette Sutherland



110 METRES HURDLES

(120 yds. 1 ft.)

WORLD RECORD :—R. Attlesey (U.S.), 1950—13.6 secs.

OLYMPIC RECORD :—H. Dillard (U.S.), J. Davis (U.S.), 1952—13.7 secs.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :—W. F. Porter (U.S.), 1948—13.9 secs.

THE original number of entries for the 110 metres hurdles was 36 from 24 nations, but the number of starters was 30—and this indicated the paucity of class performers outside the United States. Apart from the Australians, no one seemed likely to challenge the American supremacy, and the odds on the United States finishing 1, 2 and 3 as at Wembley were very great.

In the first heat of the first round Dillard equalled the Olympic record of 13.9 secs., the next best time being 14 secs. by Davis, also of the U.S.A.

In the final the only European was the Russian, Bulanchik, who with the two Australians, Doubleday and Weinberg, faced the American trio. The three Americans, as at Wembley, had matters all their own way. Though Dillard was quickest off the mark, Davis was on level terms with three hurdles to go and actually seemed slightly ahead at the last flight. Dillard's superior sprinting ability, however, just got him home in the new Olympic record time of 13.7, a time with which Davis was also credited. The Australians, Weinberg and Doubleday, hurdled rather disappointedly for them.

Dillard's victory was of particular significance to him, as he had coveted this event in 1948, but failed to qualify in the American trials, and then went on to win a place in the U.S. 100 metres team and win the gold medal at Wembley.



H. DILLARD (U.S.A.)

FIRST ROUND

HEAT 1		
1 H. Dillard (U.S.)	...	13.9 secs
2 S. Popov (U.S.S.R.)	...	14.8 secs
3 O. Bernard (Switz.)	...	15.1 secs
4 E. Barkay (Turkey)	...	15.2 secs
5 E. Ohaco (Chile)	...	15.4 secs
6 O. Alho (Finland)	...	15.4 secs

HEAT 2		
1 E. Bulanchik (U.S.S.R.)	...	14.4 secs
2 E. Roudniska (France)	...	14.9 secs
3 E. Kocourek (Argentina)	...	15.0 secs
4 R. Syrjanen (Finland)	...	15.4 secs
5 J. Lebron Gonzalez (Puerto Rico)	...	15.4 secs
6 F. Yazgi (Egypt)	...	16.1 secs

HEAT 3		
1 J. Davis (U.S.)	...	14.0 secs
2 S. Lorgier (Yugo.)	...	14.8 secs
3 S. Anderson Schweyer (Cuba)	...	15.1 secs
4 W. Trossbach (Germany)	...	15.1 secs
5 D. Bell (Venezuela)	...	15.7 secs

HEAT 4		
1 K. Doubleday (Australia)	...	14.5 secs
2 F. Parker (G.B.)	...	14.8 secs
3 G. Crosby (Canada)	...	14.8 secs
4 T. Colon Molinaris (Puerto Rico)	...	15.2 secs

HEAT 5		
1 R. Weinberg (Australia)	...	14.4 secs
2 V. Suvivuo (Finland)	...	14.9 secs
3 J. Gevert (Chile)	...	15.2 secs

HEAT 6		
1 A. Barnard (U.S.)	...	14.4 secs
2 P. Hildreth (G.B.)	...	14.7 secs
3 M. Kinami (Japan)	...	15.0 secs
4 I. Thorsteinsson (Iceland)	...	15.6 secs
5 J. Dohen (France)	...	15.7 secs
6 J. Fonck (Lux.)	...	16.1 secs

SEMI-FINALS

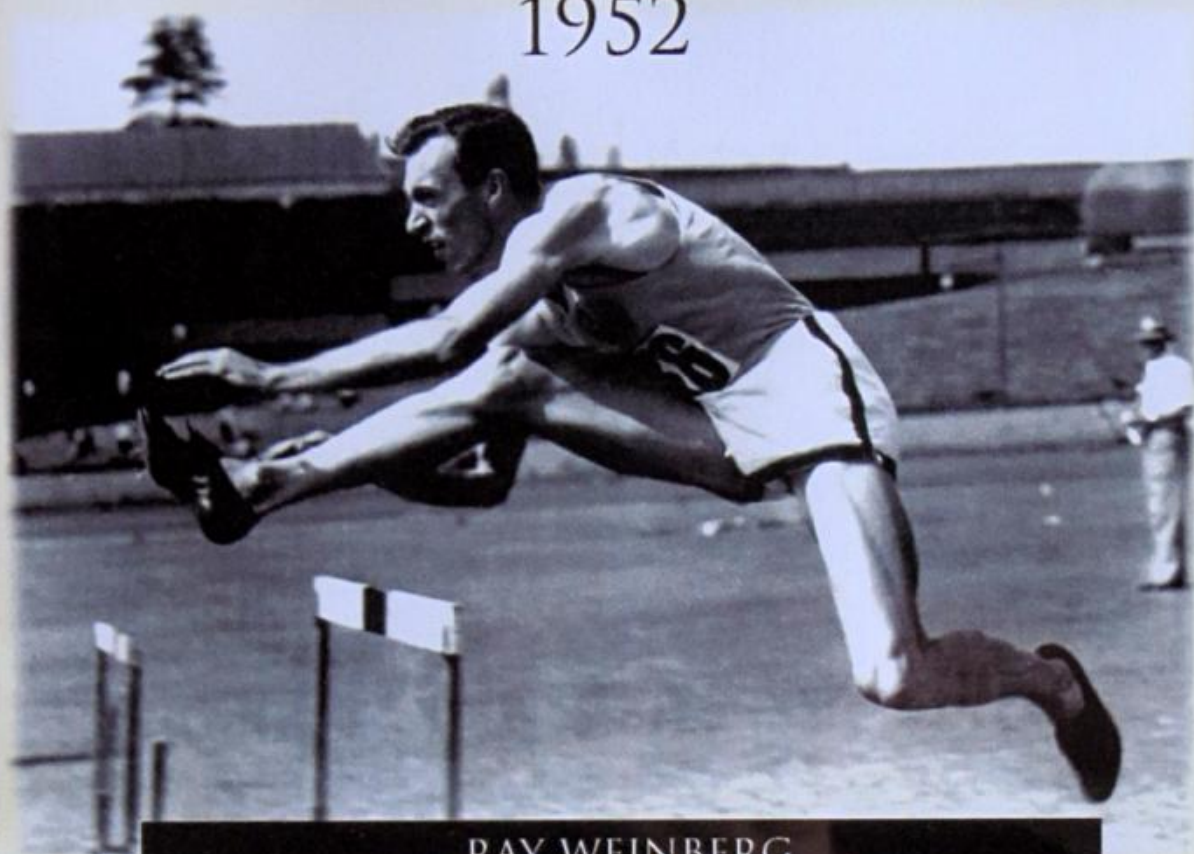
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5 V. Suvivuo (Finland)	...	14.9 secs
6 F. Parker (G.B.)	...	15.0 secs

FINAL

1 H. Dillard (U.S.)	...	13.7 secs
2 J. Davis (U.S.)	...	13.7 secs
3 A. Barnard (U.S.)	...	14.1 secs
4 E. Bulanchik (U.S.S.R.)	...	14.5 secs
5 K. Doubleday (Australia)	...	14.7 secs
6 R. Weinberg (Australia)	...	14.8 secs

ORIGIN OF THE FIRST AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC PIN 1952



RAY WEINBERG

1948	LONDON	- Competitor, Australian Olympic Team
1952	HELSINKI	- Competitor, Australian Olympic Team
		- Olympic Finalist, 110M. Hurdles
1968	MEXICO CITY	- Coach & Sectional Manager, Australian Olympic Team

The exchange of national team and commemorative pins at the Olympic Games has grown from the simple "swap" to trading and selling on a grand scale.

As a Competitor at the first post-War Olympic Games in London in 1948, I was aware that the Australian Olympic Team had nothing, apart from a few kangaroo pins, to pass on to friends, or foes, as mementos of our Team's attendance at the world's greatest sporting festival.

I determined that, should I be in another Australian Olympic Team, I would make a personal attempt to correct this situation.

In 1952 I was again selected, this time to compete in Helsinki, Finland, the site for the 1940 Olympic Games cancelled due to the outbreak of World War II.

With the help of a badge and medallion manufacturer, Bertrams, then situated in Hoddle St., Collingwood, we arrived at a simple design which included the kangaroo, the most identifiable symbol of Australia, the five Olympic Rings in colour, and the word "Australia".

Only 50 of these badges were produced and sold with management approval to interested Team Members for 5 shillings each.

I believe these to be the first Team pins used by an Australian Olympic Team and, considering the passage of time, 46 years, very few would still exist.

They are a rare memento of one of Australia's most successful Olympic Teams.



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(1 OF 3 KNOWN TO EXIST)

Ray Weinberg

RAY WEINBERG, November 11, 1998

Sydney 2000 Olympic Torch



Olympians Club Torch Replica



Nº 744

XIV OLYMPIAD LONDON 1948

ATHLETICS

IDENTITY CARD



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MR. RAYMOND HENRY WEINBERG

who is travelling to London, England, as a non-immigrant
temporary visitor to attend the Games of the XIV Olympiad
in the capacity stated on page 1.

Octopus S. Lanner

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British Empire Games' Medals'

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**M.A.S.
1938**

**Boys Championship
Under 14 Years
100 Yards**

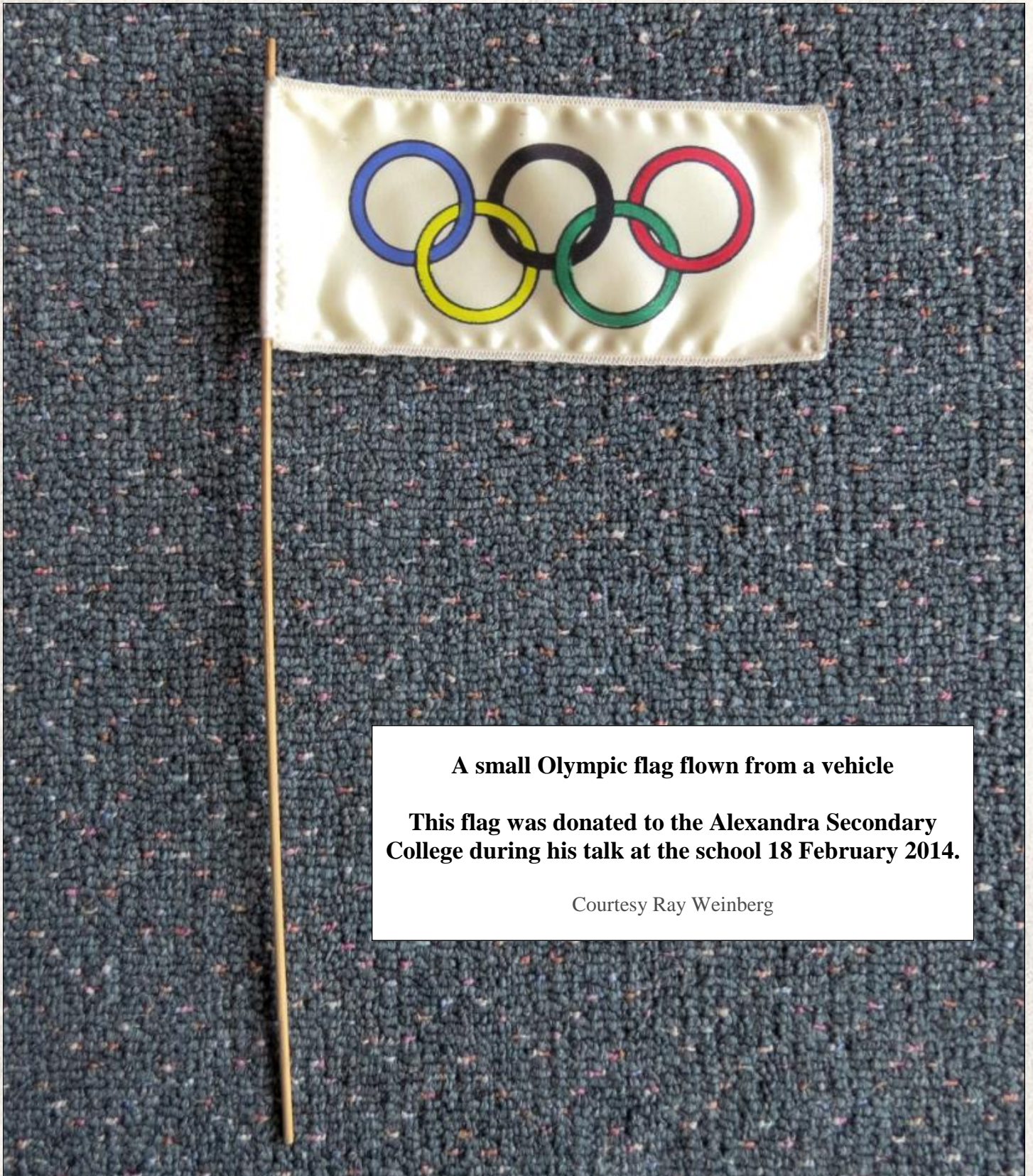
Won by Ray Weinberg

Ray's first trophy won at Molesworth in 1938

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A small Olympic flag flown from a vehicle

This flag was donated to the Alexandra Secondary College during his talk at the school 18 February 2014.

Courtesy Ray Weinberg

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All Olympic Winners at the 1948 London Olympics presented on a scarf

Courtesy Ray Weinberg

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Some of the toys collected by Ray and Shirley Weinberg from Olympic Games

Courtesy Ray Weinberg.

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**A sausage dog called Waldo purchased at the Munich Olympic Games
by Ray and Shirley Weinberg**

Courtesy Ray Weinberg



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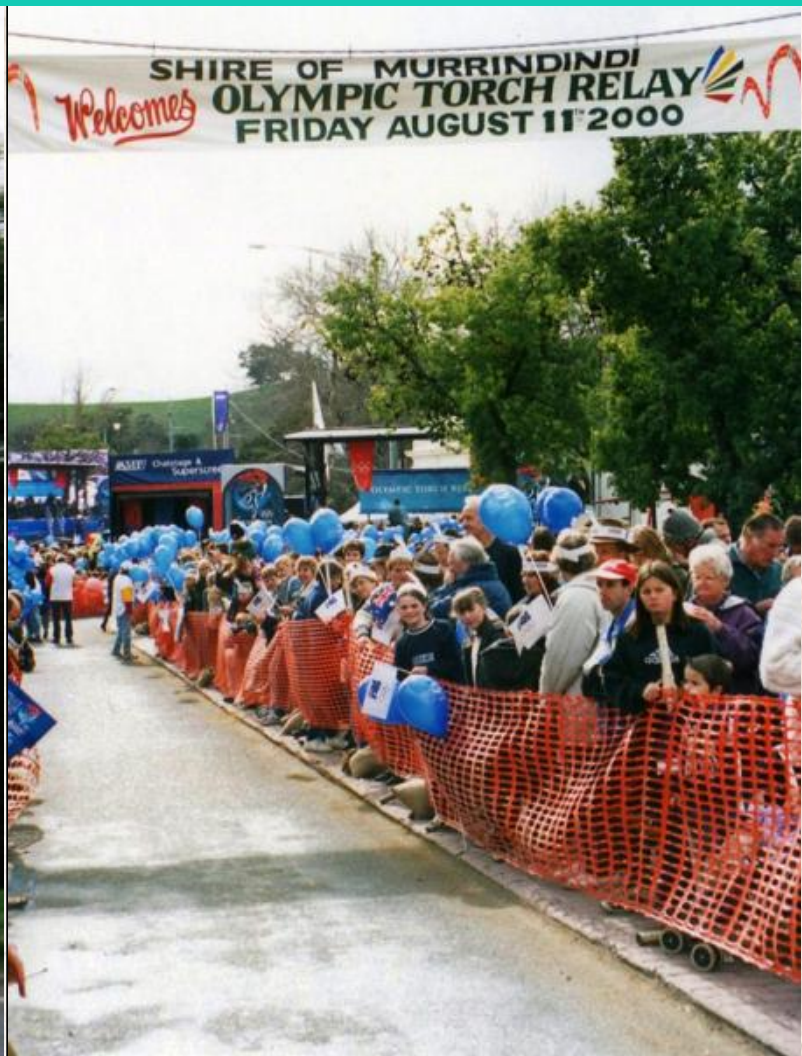
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- SYDNEY 2000 OLYMPIC TORCH RELAY, ALEXANDRA -



Tom Pritchett



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**2000 Torch Relay flag from the
Alexandra torch relay**

**Ray Weinberg was responsible for bringing
the Torch Relay to Alexandra.**

Flag courtesy Vicki Fox



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