

The History of the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey 1957 to 2007

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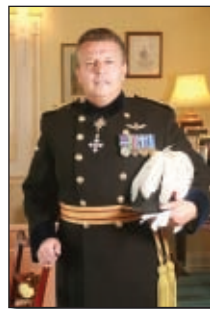
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Prefaces by the patrons of the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey



His Excellency, the Lieutenant Governor of Jersey, Lieutenant General Andrew Ridgway.

I am delighted, as a Patron to the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey, to have been asked to contribute a preface to this booklet. It chronicles the life of the Jersey Association since its formation in 1957 and provides a detailed and fascinating account of all Games since the VIth Commonwealth Games in Cardiff in 1958 when Jersey made its first appearance. I am also personally delighted to see the initiative of the Commonwealth Games Federation in introducing the Youth Games as part of their programme; and to read in this book of the Island's successes at the past two Youth Games.



The booklet is to be commended on providing a detailed record of the names of competitors and officials that have formed part of the Jersey Team for all Commonwealth Games since 1958. The many archive photographs bring the text to life and remind us of the pride of all athletes in representing Jersey on this world stage.

Finally may I offer my sincere congratulations to all Jersey sportsmen and women who have been involved with the Jersey Association over the past 50 years and have helped the Island's elite athletes to prepare for a Commonwealth Games and by providing support for them at a Games. Competing at this level is the pinnacle for all but a few Jersey athletes and those that have represented their Island are to be applauded for their outstanding achievements.

I know the whole Island joins with me in wishing the Jersey Team well in Delhi for the 2010 Commonwealth Games.

The Bailiff of Jersey, Mr. Michael C. St.J. Birt

Jersey has much to contribute as a member of the larger Commonwealth family of nations through its culture, heritage and, of course, sport. As a Patron of the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey, I am delighted to be able to commend and support the Island's continued commitment to and participation in the Commonwealth Games, which has spanned a period of over 50 years.

For many committed, disciplined and passionate sports men and women, representing their Island at international level as a competitor in the Commonwealth Games has been the high point of their sporting career and provided an inspiration and example for many others to aspire to that level of competition. Their achievements are appropriately acknowledged in this booklet, which provides a full record of all those who have participated in the past.

I congratulate all those who have been, and continue to be, involved with the Jersey Association and its endeavours in the Commonwealth Games and the developing Commonwealth Youth Games. Jersey can be justly proud of the number and calibre of competitors it has produced since its first participation in the 1958 Games, and can look forward to continued participation and success at future Games. I wish the team every success in the 2010 Games in Delhi.



A few words by the Association's President Martin Hebden, CGAJ President 2003 to 2011



It has been my privilege to serve the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey, as President, during the two most recent four year cycles. These years have covered the Youth Games in Bendigo, Australia in 2004, the first participation of our Association in these Games for young athletes, as well as the Youth Games in Pune, India. It is heartening to note that several team members in those Games have graduated to participate in the Commonwealth Games of 2006 in Melbourne, Australia and 2010 in Delhi, India. Having the good fortune to witness at first hand the pride with which Jersey's elite competitors represent their Island and the journey of self fulfilment which they undertake at this highest of all levels, I know that the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey will continue to facilitate their participation into the next half century.



Summary of Jersey's participation in Commonwealth Games events 1958 to 2010.

GAMES			TEAM JERSEY													
Edition number	Venue	Date	Number of Jersey athletes	Archery	Athletics	Badminton	Boxing	Cycling	Diving	Judo	Lawn Bowls	Squash	Swimming	Shooting	Triathlon	Weightlifting
6th	Cardiff, Wales	1958	17		2		2	3			7		1			2
7th	Perth, Australia	1962	6				2*	2			1					1
8th	Kingston, Jamaica	1966	6				2	1						3		
9th	Edinburgh, Scotland	1970	4				2	2								
10th	Christchurch, New Zealand	1974	7		1			2						4		
11th	Edmonton, Canada	1978	10		1			2			1			6		
12th	Brisbane, Australia	1982	12					2	1		2		2	5		
13th	Edinburgh, Scotland	1986	15		2		1*	3			2		2	5		
14th	Auckland, New Zealand	1990	13		1					1	3		1	7***		
15th	Victoria, Canada	1994	14		1			1			6			6		
16th	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	1998	19			4	1	3			4			7		
17th	Manchester, England	2002	25			6		1			10	1	3	3	1	
18th	Melbourne, Australia	2006	35		2	5		1			12		4	8	3	
19th	Delhi, India	2010	31	2	2	2		3			12	3	1	6		
Totals			214	2	12	17	10	26	1	1	60	4	14	60	4	3
			* = medals won													

An Introduction to this booklet by the Association's Secretary General Alan Cross, Secretary General 2003 to 2011



When I took office as the Association's Secretary General in April 2003, it soon became apparent that there was a need to create a detailed and accurate record of all Jersey athletes who had competed at Commonwealth Games events since our first appearance at a Games in Cardiff in 1958. In fact it was a report compiled by one of the founders of our Association, Ken Webb, that provided the stimulus for me to commence this piece of research. It was Ken Webb's report on the formation of the Association and then the preparations for the 1958 British Empire and Commonwealth Games that also prompted me to try to contact the surviving 10 members of that 17 man strong Jersey Team. The Association then celebrated their achievements by presenting eight of the surviving members of the 1958 Team with an Association tie in recognition of their initiative in setting up the Association and of their achievements in being the first group of athletes to represent Jersey at, what is now known as, the Commonwealth Games.



The Association has continued, since that sixth edition of the Games in Cardiff, to enter a team in all subsequent Games. Although the size of the Jersey team has varied from one Games to another, the selection of our team has always been very rigorous with only our very best and most talented athletes being provided with the opportunity of shouldering the responsibility of representing their Island. As one of the smaller Commonwealth territories, we rarely return home with a medal but always ensure that those athletes who are selected will perform with integrity and will be fine ambassadors for Jersey both on and off the field of play.

This booklet therefore chronicles the names of team members who have represented Jersey at all Games since 1958 and hopefully reflects the development of the Association throughout the past 50 or more years. Recent Games have seen a noticeable increase in the size of the Jersey Team with, for example, a team of 35 athletes covering 7 sports participating in the Melbourne Games in 2006. Our athletes are now better prepared than ever. This is largely due to improved facilities in Jersey and to the generous development grants that are now offered by host cities. We also benefit from the services and assistance that is extended to us through the States of Jersey, notably their current Education, Sport and Culture Department.

In recognising the support that our Association has received from host cities and our sponsors, I would wish to conclude this introduction to the booklet by expressing my appreciation to the organisations that have helped in providing the information and photographs for this chronicle. These include the Commonwealth Games Federation and in particular the archive section of their website; the States of Jersey Library Service that has maintained an excellent resource with past copies of the Jersey Evening Post; and David Edwards, former Marketing Director of the Jersey Evening Post, for his assistance in accessing photographs from past Games.

I trust that you will enjoy either reading this booklet from cover to cover or simply just dipping into sections to retrieve information on any one given Games or sport.

The Story of The Commonwealth Games



The idea of a sports gathering for the countries of the British Empire was first suggested by Rev. Ashley Cooper in magazine and newspaper articles in 1891. It was, however, nearly 40 years before it came to fruition. The first Commonwealth Games were, in fact, held in 1930 in Hamilton, Canada where 11 countries sent 400 athletes to take part in six sports and 59 events. Bobby Robinson, a major influence within athletics in Canada at the time, finally implemented the event that had been talked about amongst Commonwealth nations for over 30 years with the city of Hamilton providing \$30,000 to help cover travelling costs of the participating nations.

Since then, the Games have been conducted every four years (except for 1942 and 1946 due to World War II) and the event has seen many changes, not least in its name. From 1930 to 1950 the Games were known as the British Empire Games, from 1954 until 1966 the British Empire and Commonwealth Games and from 1970 to 1974 they took on the title of the British Commonwealth Games. It was the 1978 Games in Edmonton that saw the unique, world class, multi-sports event change its name to the Commonwealth Games.

Often referred to as the 'Friendly Games', only single competition sports had been on the programme from 1930 up to and including the 1994 Games in Victoria. The 1998 Games in Kuala Lumpur saw the introduction of team sports with nations taking part in cricket (50 over game), hockey (men and women), netball (women) and rugby 7s (men). In Manchester in 2002 hockey, netball and rugby 7s graced the programme again, and at the 2006 Games in Melbourne basketball accompanied hockey, netball and rugby 7s on the programme. In Delhi in 2010, hockey, netball and rugby 7s again featured.

The 2002 Games in Manchester also saw for the first time, indeed at any multi-sport event in the world, a limited number of full medal events for elite athletes with a disability (EAD) in a fully inclusive sports programme. This continued in Melbourne where EAD athletes took part in athletics, swimming, table tennis and powerlifting.

In the year 2000, the CGF took on the added responsibility of the Commonwealth Youth Games. Open to athletes 18 years of age and under, the Youth Games provides an excellent opportunity for aspiring young athletes from the Commonwealth with a taste of what the Commonwealth Games has in store for them in the future. The inaugural Games were held in Edinburgh, the 2nd edition in Bendigo, Victoria, Australia in 2004 and the last Youth Games were in Pune, India in 2008. In such a short space of time the Youth Games has grown in stature and this is evidenced by the award of the 2011 Commonwealth Youth Games to the Isle of Man and the 2015 Games to Samoa.

The story of the Games evolved yet again on 8th November 2007 when Glasgow (Scotland) was awarded the right to host the 2014 Commonwealth Games.

The Formation of The Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey



N.B. The following text has been compiled from a report by Ken Webb to delegates attending the Association's First Annual General Meeting in October 1958.

Early in 1957, leading representatives from three sports, E.W. Groizard (Weightlifting), L. Austin (Lawn Bowls) and K. Webb (Athletics) simultaneously and independently applied to the British Empire and Commonwealth Games Federation asking for information regarding the possibility of their sport competing in the Empire Games of 1958. All three received letters asking them to contact each other, as the Federation could only accept one affiliation and a Jersey Association consisting of three sports would have to be formed. After consultation, the matter was left in the hands of Ken Webb to see if he could arrange for the formation of a Jersey Association.

Ken Webb enlisted the support of Senator George Troy to chair an exploratory meeting including representatives from the nine sports that were to be included on the programme of the 1958 Cardiff Games. These sports included athletics, boxing, cycling, fencing, lawn bowls, rowing, swimming, weightlifting, and wrestling. This meeting was duly held at the Troy's Travel Centre in St. Helier on 23rd October 1957. After a lengthy argument, in which views both for and against the motion to form an association were fully discussed, a formal proposition by Mr. Groizard, seconded by Mr. Bunny Austin that a Jersey Association be formed, was carried unanimously. It was agreed that the Association, would be known as the British Empire and Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey.

Senator Troy was then elected as the Association's first President and Ken Webb as the Secretary. Sub Committees for Constitution, Finance, Equipment and Uniform were set up and the Association was in being.

At a subsequent meeting, further officers were appointed. These included the Chairman, Mr. P.H. Beveridge; a Vice Chairman, Mr. E.R. Holmes (who was the States of Jersey's Education Department's Adviser for Physical Education) and Honorary Treasurer, Bunny Austin. It was also agreed at that stage that two representatives from each member sport would form the Association's Council. As rowing, fencing, and wrestling were not on an official basis in Jersey at that time, these three sports dropped out leaving a membership of six sports. The Association's application to the Federation was duly accepted and an official invitation was received to participate in the VIth edition of the British Empire and Commonwealth Games in Cardiff in July 1958.

Preparations for Jersey's first appearance at a Commonwealth Games Event



With the initial task behind them of forming a Jersey Association that was recognised by the Commonwealth Games Federation of that time, the Association's Officers then needed to address the problems of raising sufficient funds for the Association so that those competitors who were selected to represent the Island could afford to participate in the Cardiff Games. The Officers anticipated that an expenditure of £50 per head would be the target figure in their fund-raising. They planned to raise this money through a postal appeal; an invitation to members



of the public to join the Association for a membership fee of five shillings (i.e. 25p in today's money); and through the profits made via a special reception involving invited distinguished guests. The latter proved to be most successful and they were fortunate in securing the support of the legendary middle distance runner, Chris Chataway, as their main guest at the reception at the Merton Hotel. This reception raised the princely sum of £508.3s.0d. The Association eventually managed to raise the magnificent sum of £1628.19s.5d.

The Association's Officers were concerned at the time that, although the main purpose of raising funds had been to help cover the cost of participating at the 1958 Cardiff Games, the cost of further participation in future Games at more distant venues would be considerable and that all member sports should be aware of this in their longer term planning. The Association's Treasurer reminded members at the 1958 AGM that the 1962 Games were to be held in Perth, Australia and that the cost per head for competitors and officials was likely to be in the region of £700.

The Officers then needed to consider the appropriate criteria for the selection of members of the Jersey Team. They agreed on the following wording – "Only athletes whose standard of performance, both on and off the field was such as to enable him to compete in the high company he will find at the Games, would be selected." Although they also agreed on certain qualifying standards within each sport, this philosophy was reflected in their final selection of the 17 members of the 1958 Team representing the sports of athletics (2) boxing (2) cycling (3) lawn bowls ((7) swimming (1) and weightlifting (2)

It is particularly interesting to note the items on the list of official clothing for members of the party including the eight officials i.e. brown lace-up shoes, white socks, white flannels, an Association tie, a white long-sleeved shirt, a black, single breasted blazer with the Association badge, a white top-pocket handkerchief, and a white shower-proof hat with a red hatband. What a fine sight they were awaiting to board their Cambrian flight to Cardiff in July 1958.

The 1958 British Empire and Commonwealth Games in CARDIFF, WALES



These Games, the sixth edition, were the first Games at which Jersey participated. The VI Games marked the largest sporting event ever held in Wales and it was the smallest country ever to host a British Empire and Commonwealth Games. Cardiff had to wait 12 years longer than originally scheduled to become host of the Games, as the 1946 event was cancelled because of World War II.

England's famed middle distance runners, Roger Bannister and Chris Chataway, were handed the honour of taking the Queen's Baton from Buckingham Palace on the first stage of its journey to Wales. The Games lasted for 8 days and was officially opened at the Cardiff Arms' Park on 18th July by HRH Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh.

The Cardiff Games were to be South Africa's last until their post-apartheid return to the Games in 1994. A number of objections against South Africa took place in Cardiff because their team had been selected on the basis of race and colour rather than ability. South Africa subsequently withdrew from the Commonwealth in 1961 for 30 years.

Thirty-five nations sent a total of 1,122 athletes and 228 officials to the Cardiff Games and 23 countries and dependencies won medals, including for the first time Singapore, Ghana, Kenya and the Isle of Man. Many Jersey competitors produced PBs but, unfortunately, none returned home with a medal.

Nine sports were featured in the Cardiff Games – athletics, boxing, fencing, lawn bowls, rowing, swimming and diving, weightlifting and wrestling. Jersey participated in six of these and entered a team of 17 competitors as shown below.

Lawn Bowls	Harry Hall	<i>Singles</i>
	Billy McDowell	<i>Doubles</i>
	Graham Bewhay	<i>Doubles</i>
	Cyril Cracknell	<i>Fours</i>
	Arthur Crossley	<i>Fours</i>
	Fred Tucker	<i>Fours</i>
	Tom Williams	<i>Fours</i>
Cycling	Don Ecobichon	<i>1000m sprint; 1000m Time Trial, 10 mile Scratch Race</i>
	Stan Perchard	<i>4000 Individual Pursuit; 1000m Time Trial and 10 mile Scratch Race</i>
	Bernard (Torty) Hubert	<i>120 mile Road Race</i>
Athletics	Gerald Harrison	<i>Shot Putt</i>
	Michael Stafford	<i>880 yards and 1 mile</i>
Swimming	Kingsley Liron	<i>100 yards Free; 440 yards Free and 1650 yards Free</i>
Boxing	George Turmel	<i>Lightweight</i>
	Richard (Dick) Turpin	
Weightlifting	Cliff Heuze	<i>67.5 kg</i>
	Richard (Dick) MacFarlane	<i>82.5 kg</i>

General Team Manager	K.Webb.					
Team Managers	Athletics	K. Benest	Cycling	R. Le Sueur	Swimming	P. Beveridge
	Lawn Bowls	L. Austin	Boxing	P. Holley	Weightlifting	E. Groizard

The 1962 British Empire and Commonwealth Games in PERTH, AUSTRALIA



The VII Commonwealth Games are remembered for its “heat, dust and glory”. The day before the Perth Games opened the temperature was an expected 80 degrees Fahrenheit, but the heat was measured at 105 degrees at the Opening Ceremony in the new Perry Lakes Stadium the following day and such extremes persisted throughout the Game’s duration. In the previous 65 years, only 10 x 100 degree plus days had been measured in Perth. Australian soldiers were pressed into action, ferrying water to competing athletes.

James Coote of the London Daily Telegraph describes: “The VIIIth Commonwealth Games have proved that it is possible for an area as basically devoid of sports interest as Perth to stage the second most important sports meeting in the World – and stage it successfully. Perth has shown that these Games will continue for years to come”.

The Games was officially opened in the Perry Lake’s Stadium on 22nd November by HRH Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh and closed on 1st December.



*Team departing Jersey Airport.
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Thirty-five countries sent a total of 863 athletes and 178 officials to Perth. Jersey, although only sending a team of six competitors to these Games, was amongst the medal winners for the first time with Bert Turmel winning a bronze medal in the welterweight division of the boxing event. British Honduras, Dominica, Papua New Guinea and St. Lucia all made their inaugural Games appearance. Aden also competed by special invitation. Sabah, Sarawak and Malaya competed for the last time before taking part in 1966 under the Malaysian flag. Nine sports were featured at the Perth Games – athletics, boxing, cycling, fencing, lawn bowls, rowing, swimming and diving, weightlifting and wrestling. Jersey was represented in four sports i.e. lawn bowls, boxing, cycling and weightlifting.

The Jersey Team included:

Lawn Bowls	Bill Askew	
Boxing	Dennis Delbridge	<i>Lightweight (60 kg)</i>
	Albert Turmel	<i>Welterweight (67 kg)</i>
Weightlifting	Cliff Heuze	<i>56 kg and 60 kg division</i>
Cycling	Douglas Lidster	<i>120 mile Road Race; 10 mile Scratch Race,</i>
		<i>4000m Individual Pursuit and 1000m Time Trial</i>
	Don Ecobichon	<i>1000m sprint, 1000m Time Trial,</i>
		<i>10 mile Scratch Race and 120 mile Road Race</i>

General Team Manager Ken Webb

Assistant Team Manager Bob Le Sueur

The 1966 British Commonwealth Games in KINGSTON, JAMAICA



With the British Empire formally ended, the Kingston Games became the VIII British Commonwealth Games. There was a worry amongst the larger nations that Jamaica's infrastructure would not enable a successful Games delivery - but this proved to be largely unfounded. Controversially, also, the event programme was altered for the first time since 1950 with lawn bowls and rowing dropped and replaced with badminton and shooting.

The 1966 Games was officially opened at Independence Park on 4th August. The Games extended over 9 days of competition terminating with the official Closing Ceremony on 13th August.

Thirty-four nations (including Aden and Saudi Arabia) competed in the Kingston Games sending a total of 1,316 athletes and officials.

The nine sports on the programme were athletics, badminton, boxing, cycling, fencing, shooting, swimming and diving, weightlifting and wrestling.

The fact that lawn bowls had not been included in the programme clearly had an effect of the team size for Jersey with only six competitors participating in three sports.

Boxing	Mauro Micheletti Albert Turmel	<i>Bantamweight (54kg) Welterweight (67kg)</i>
Cycling	Douglas Lidster	<i>4000m Individual Pursuit and 1000m Time Trial</i>
Shooting	Judy Caulton Dave Tredant Roger Benest	<i>Full Bore – Queen's Prize Full Bore – Queen's Prize and 50m prone Full Bore – 50m Rifle Prone</i>
General Team Manager K. Webb		Assistant Team Manager R. Le Sueur



Bert Turmel (on left) and Dennis Delbridge sparring prior to the 1966 Kingston, Jamaica Games

The 1970 British Commonwealth Games in EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND



The IX Games from the 16th to the 25th July 1970 in Edinburgh was the first Games for our sister island Guernsey. The Games will be remembered for a number of firsts. It was the first time that metric distances and electronic photo-finish technology were employed at the Games and also the first time that HM Queen Elizabeth II attended in her capacity as Head of the Commonwealth. The Games was officially



opened by Her Majesty at the Meadowbank Stadium and Scots will further remember the Games for the Stewart brothers Ian (gold) and Peter (4th) in the 5000 metres and Lachie Stewart (no relation) who took gold in the 10,000 metres.

Forty-two nations sent a total of nearly 1,744 athletes and officials to the first Edinburgh Games. New medal winning nations were Tanzania, Malawi and St. Vincent.

The nine sports that were featured in the Games included athletics, badminton, boxing, cycling, fencing, lawn bowls, swimming and diving, weightlifting and wrestling.

Jersey entered only four competitors in these Games and participated in only the two sports of boxing and cycling. By comparison, its sister island, Guernsey, fielded a team of 18 competitors in five sports. It's believed that lower qualifying standards in Guernsey may have contributed to the difference in team size. It's also understood that the Guernsey CGA were very anxious to gain public support for their newly formed Association and believed that it was important, in their first Games, to be represented in as many sports as possible.

The Jersey Team included:

Boxing	Mauro Micheletti	<i>Featherweight division (57kg)</i>
	Peter Parker	<i>Lightweight (81kg)</i>
Cycling	Brian Lidster	<i>4000m Individual Pursuit</i>
	Douglas Lidster	<i>4000m Individual Pursuit and, 10 mile Scratch Race</i>

General Team Manager

K. Webb

Team Managers

Boxing R. Turpin

Cycling D. Ecobichon

The 1974 British Commonwealth Games in CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND



Following the massacre of Israeli athletes at the 1972 Munich Olympics, the X Games at Christchurch was the first multi-sport event to place the safety of participants as its uppermost requirement. Security guards surrounded the athlete's village and there was an exceptionally high-profile police presence. Even so, Christchurch enchanted the watching world as a city of beautiful churches and gardens.

The Games was officially opened at QII Park on 24th January by HRH Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh. The Queen's Baton Relay, enclosing the The Queen's Message, was handed to HRH Prince Philip by Sylvia Potts, New Zealand's highly respected former Olympian middle distance runner.

On the running track, Jamaica's Don Quarrie successfully defended both his 100m and 200m gold medals. Quarrie was to go on to win the 1978 100m title as well.

Only 22 countries succeeded in winning medals from a total haul of 374 medals on offer, but first time winners included Western Samoa, Lesotho and Swaziland.

Nine sports were featured in these Games with 1,276 athletes taking part in athletics, badminton, boxing, cycling, lawn bowls, shooting, swimming and diving, weightlifting and wrestling. Jersey entered in the three sports of athletics, cycling and shooting.



The Jersey Team as shown above included:

Athletics	Anthony W. Satchwell	<i>Shot and discus</i>
Cycling	Brian Lidster	<i>10 mile Scratch Race, 114 mile Road Race and 1000m Time Trial</i>
	Allan Miller	<i>1000m Time Trial and 10 mile Scratch Race</i>
Shooting	Philip Amy	<i>Full Bore Queen's Prize</i>
	Clifford Mallett	<i>Full Bore Queen's Prize and 50m Prone</i>
	Maurice Le Mottee	<i>50m Rifle Prone</i>
	Denis Ernest Remon	<i>Rapid Fire and 50m Free Pistol</i>
General Team Manager	K. Webb	Assistant Team Manager B. Hubert
Team Managers	Cycling D. Ecobichon	Shooting S. Payn

The 1978 Commonwealth Games in EDMONTON, CANADA



The XIth Games was the first to bear the current day name of the Commonwealth Games. Whilst Edmonton had won the right to host the Games with an audacious vision presented six years earlier to the Commonwealth Games Federation General Assembly, the organisers had to walk a careful tightrope in the immediate run up to the Edmonton Games to ensure that there was no repeat of the African nations boycott of the 1976 Montreal Olympics caused by a New Zealand rugby tour of South Africa.



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The Games was officially opened on 3rd August at the Commonwealth Stadium by HRH Queen Elizabeth II. She received the Queen’s Baton from Canada’s final runner Diane Jones Konihowski, a former Canadian pentathlete.

Forty-six countries sent a total of 1,474 athletes and 504 officials to the Edmonton Games. As host nation, Canada also topped the medal table for the first time.

Ten sports were featured at the Edmonton Games – athletics, badminton, boxing, cycling, gymnastics, lawn bowls, shooting, swimming and diving, weightlifting and wrestling.

The Jersey Team as shown above included:

Shooting	Philip Amy	<i>Full Bore – Queen’s Prize</i>
	Clifford Mallett	<i>Full Bore – Queen’s Prize</i>
	Carol A. Benest	<i>50m Free Pistol</i>
	Stephen Le Couilliard	<i>50m Rifle Prone</i>
	Patrick Ryan	<i>50m Rifle Prone</i>
	Denis Remon	<i>50m Free and Rapid Fire Pistol</i>
Lawn Bowls	Arthur McKernan	<i>Singles</i>
Athletics	Keith Falle	<i>Shot Putt</i>
Cycling	Tony Cornic	<i>117 mile Road Race</i>
	Allan Miller	<i>117 mile Road Race</i>
General Team Manager B. Hubert		
Team Managers Cycling G. Wright		Shooting S. Payn and M. Le Mottee

The 1982 Commonwealth Games in BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA



The Brisbane Games are still hailed as one of the very best. Everything went so well from the moment their mascot, Matilda, a 13 metre mechanical kangaroo, helped out with the Opening Ceremony. Once again, a boycott was avoided and the sun shone throughout the duration of the XII Games.

Forty-six nations participated in the Brisbane Games with a new record total of 1,583 athletes and 571 officials. As hosts, Australia headed the medal table leading the way ahead of England, Canada, Scotland and New Zealand respectively.



The official opening of the Games took place on 30th September in the QII Stadium. HRH Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, honoured the occasion and accepted the Queen's Baton from Australia's final relay runner, Raelene Boyle, the highly respected former Olympian sprinter.

The men's 200m gold was shared by England's Mike McFarlane and Scotland's Allan Wells, with judges unable to separate the pair at the winning post.

Ten sports featured at the Brisbane Games – archery, athletics, badminton, boxing, cycling, lawn bowls, shooting, swimming and diving, weightlifting and wrestling.

The Jersey Team included:

Cycling	Tony Cornic Martin Koester	<i>185k Road Race and 1000m Time Trial 185k Road Race, 1000m Time Trial, 1000m Match Sprint, 10 mile Scratch Race.</i>
Shooting	Barry Le Cheminant Clifford Mallett Stephen Le Couilliard Patrick Ryan Denis Remon	<i>Full Bore – Queen's Prize Full Bore – Queen's Prize Small Bore 50m Rifle Prone Small Bore 50m Rifle Prone Air Pistol, Centre Fire, Rapid Fire and 50m Free Pistol</i>
Swimming	David Filipponi Kirsty Lowe	<i>100m Free and 100m Backstroke 100m, 200m , 400m Free and 100m Backstroke</i>
Diving	Tina Fage	<i>3m Springboard</i>
Lawn Bowls	John Jones Marcel Coutouly	<i>Singles & Doubles Singles & Doubles</i>

General Team Manager G. Wright

Team Managers Cycling B. O'Prey

Shooting S. Payn

Swimming/Diving J. Fage

The 1986 Commonwealth Games in EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND



After nearly two decades successfully averting political stay-aways and protests because of apartheid and sanction-busting tours to South Africa, the XIII Games, the second to be staged in Edinburgh, was to become known as “the Boycott Games”. Sadly, despite there being so many fond memories of the Scottish hospitality offered in 1970, 32 Commonwealth nations decided that they could not attend, because of their opposition to apartheid in sports.

These Games were officially opened at the Meadowbank Stadium on 24th July. Twenty-six nations did attend the second Edinburgh Games and sent a total of 1,662 athletes and 461 officials.



Ten sports were featured at the second Edinburgh Games – athletics, aquatics (diving, synchronised swimming and swimming), badminton, boxing, cycling, lawn bowls, rowing, shooting, weightlifting and wrestling.

Team Jersey’s highlight was John Sillitoe’s Bronze Medal, the second boxing medal for Jersey at a Commonwealth Games with the first coming through Bert Turmel in Perth in 1962. John is photographed with his coach/team manager, Brian Rousseau.

The Jersey Team included:

Athletics	Michael Guegan	<i>400m and 800m</i>
	Anthony Satchwell	<i>Shot Putt</i>
Boxing	John Sillitoe	<i>Bantamweight 54m</i>
Cycling	Toby Aubert	<i>168km Road Race</i>
	Tony Cornic	<i>168km Road Race</i>
	Mark Pickford	<i>168km Road Race</i>
Lawn Bowls	Margaret Blattman	<i>Singles</i>
	John Jones	<i>Doubles</i>
	David Le Marquand	<i>Singles</i>
	Marcel Coutouly	<i>Doubles</i>
Shooting	Barry Le Cheminant	<i>Full Bore – Queen’s Prize</i>
	Clifford Mallett	<i>Full Bore – Queen’s Prize</i>
	Stephen Le Couilliard	<i>Small Bore 50m Rifle Prone</i>
	Patrick Ryan	<i>Small Bore 50m Rifle Prone</i>
	John Renouf	<i>Air Pistol and 50m Free Pistol</i>
Swimming	Alison Christie	<i>100m and 200m Free and 100m and 200m Breaststroke</i>
	David Filippioni	<i>100m Free and 100m Backstroke</i>

General Team Manager	G. Wright		
Team Managers	Athletics C. Campbell	Boxing B. Rousseau	Cycling B. O’Prey
	Shooting A. G. Clayden and S. Payn		Swimming P. du Feu

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The 1990 Commonwealth Games in AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND

The XIV Commonwealth Games, the third to be hosted by New Zealand and Auckland's second, witnessed a featured opening ceremony comprising a magnificent portrayal of the forces that led to the formation of New Zealand society and culture. Thankfully, the perennially threatened boycott gave way to a new positive spirit of co-operation far more in keeping with the image of "The Friendly Games" and a new record of 55 nations participated in the second Auckland Games sending 2,826 athletes and officials.

The Games was officially opened at the Mount Smart Stadium on 24th January by HRH Prince Edward and he received the Queen's Baton from New Zealand's final relay runner, triple Olympic Gold medallist, middle distance athlete, Peter Snell.

Twenty-nine of the competing nations succeeded in winning medals from a total of 639 medals available. Australia headed the medals table with New Zealand claiming fourth place behind England and Canada. Ten sports featured in the second Auckland Games – athletic, aquatics (diving, synchronised swimming and swimming), badminton, boxing, cycling, gymnastics, judo, lawn bowls, shooting and weightlifting.

The highlight for the Jersey Team was the performances of father and son, Cliff and Colin Mallett in the Full Bore Shooting Queen's Prize event with Colin winning the Gold Medal and, with his father, winning the Bronze Medal in the Pairs event. The photograph below shows Cliff (on the left) and Colin (on the right) proudly showing their medals and trophies to Jersey's Bailiff, Sir Peter Crill.



The Jersey Team included:

Shooting	Derek Bernard	<i>Pistol – 50m Free, Centre Fire, 50m Free (Team) and Centre Fire Team</i>
	Richard Pirouet	<i>Pistol – Centre Fire, 50m Free, 50m Free (Team) and Centre Fire (Team)</i>
	Melanie Clayden	<i>Air Rifle – 50m Rifle 3 Position, Air Rifle (Team) and 50m Rifle (Team)</i>
	Stephen Le Couilliard	<i>Free Rifle Prone (Individual and Team), 50m Rifle 3 Position (Team) and Air Rifle (Team)</i>
	John Hamilton Colin Mallett Cliff Mallett	<i>Free Rifle Prone and Free Rifle (Team) Full Bore – Queen's Prize Full Bore – Queen's Prize</i>
Judo	Chay Pike	<i>Half Heavyweight 95kg</i>
Lawn Bowls	Sheila Syvret	<i>Singles</i>
	Marcel Coutouly	<i>Doubles</i>
	David Le Marquand	<i>Doubles</i>
Swimming	Jeanine Taylor	<i>100m and 200m Butterfly</i>
Athletics	William Tweed	<i>Marathon</i>
General Team Manager S. Payn		
Team Managers	Shooting P. J. Amy and M. Le Mottee	Judo I. James
	Lawn Bowls J. Jones	Athletics C. Campbell



Team Jersey about to leave Jersey Airport on their way to compete in the XIVth Commonwealth Games in Auckland, New Zealand.

The 1994 Commonwealth Games in VICTORIA, CANADA



Following the successful Victoria delegation to the Commonwealth Games Federation in 1988, the XV Games were held in Canada for the fourth time. The end of apartheid in the early part of the decade also heralded the return of South Africa to the Commonwealth Games and ensured that the era of threatened boycotts was over.

The opening and closing ceremonies were held at Victoria's Centennial Stadium, with the Opening Ceremony taking place on 18th August with HRH Prince Edward as the principal guest. The motto for these Games was 'Catch the Spirit' and their Games mascot was Klee Wyck, the killer whale.

Sixty-three nations sent 2,557 athletes and 914 officials as the Commonwealth Games burgeoned at Victoria. Once again, Australia headed the medals table whilst the hosts, Canada, pushed England into third place. Nigeria marked its arrival as a Commonwealth sporting force by picking up more gold medals than both New Zealand and India. Hong Kong said farewell to the Games with the territory becoming a special administrative region of the People's Republic of China in 1997.

Ten sports were featured at the Victoria Games - athletic, aquatics (diving, synchronised swimming and swimming), badminton, boxing, cycling, gymnastics, lawn bowls, shooting, wrestling and weightlifting.

The Jersey Team included:

Athletics	Michael Guegan	<i>800m</i>
Cycling	Lynn Minchinton	<i>1000m Match Sprint and 25km Points Race</i>
Shooting	Colin Mallett	<i>Full Bore – Queen's Prize</i>
	Andrew Le Cheminant	<i>Full Bore – Queen's Prize</i>
	Melanie Clayden	<i>Pistol – 50m Rifle 3 Positions, Air Rifle, 50m Rifle (Team) and Air Rifle (Team)</i>
	Carol Benest	<i>Pistol – Air, Sport, Air (Team) Sport (Team)</i>
	John Renouf Jnr.	<i>Small Bore – 50m Free (Team) Rifle Prone (Team) and 50m Prone</i>
	John Renouf Snr.	<i>Small Bore – 50m Free (Team) Rifle Prone (Team) and 50m Prone</i>
Lawn Bowls	Val Stead	<i>Singles</i>
	Sheila Syvret	<i>Doubles</i>
	Mavis Le Marquand	<i>Doubles</i>
	David Le Marquand	<i>Singles</i>
	Ron Littlechild	<i>Doubles</i>
	Lee Nixon	<i>Doubles</i>
	Barry Noel	<i>Fours</i>
	Allan Syvret	<i>Fours</i>
	Allan Quemard	<i>Fours</i>
	Cyril Renouf	<i>Fours</i>

General Team Manager S. Payn

Team Managers **Cycling** G. Wright
 Shooting

Lawn Bowls F. Hambly

Full Bore P. Amy

Small Bore R. Le Herissier

The 1998 Commonwealth Games in KUALA LAMPUR, MALAYSIA



For the first time in its 68 year history, the Commonwealth Games were held in Asia. The XVI Games, held in Kuala Lumpur, were also the first Games to feature team sports – an overwhelming success that added large numbers to both participant and TV audience numbers. This was also Jersey's first Games for its badminton players.

The motto for these Games was 'Together we'll glorify this moment'. The Games were officially opened on 11th September by HRH Tuanku Jaafar Ibni Almarham. He received the relay baton enclosing HRH Queen Elizabeth II's message from Koh Eng Tong, the weightlifter who got Malaya's first gold medal in the Empire Games during the 1950s.



Team Jersey entering the main arena at the Opening Ceremony of the XVIth Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur.
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A new record of 70 countries sent a total of 5,065 athletes and officials to the Kuala Lumpur Games. The top five countries in the medal standing were Australia, England, Canada, Malaysia, and South Africa. Nauru also achieved an impressive haul of three gold medals. Tuvalu and Kiribati debuted.

Fifteen sports were featured in the Kuala Lumpur Games - athletic, aquatics (diving, synchronised swimming and swimming), badminton, boxing, cricket, cycling, gymnastics, hockey, lawn bowls, netball, rugby 7s, shooting, tenpin bowling and weightlifting.

Badminton	Elizabeth Cann	<i>Singles, doubles and team</i>
	Danielle Le Feuvre	<i>Singles, doubles and team</i>
	Solenn Pasturel	<i>Singles, doubles and team</i>
	Lucy Burns	<i>Singles, doubles and team</i>
Boxing	Lee Meager	
Cycling	Sam Firby	<i>42km Time Trial and 184km Road Race</i>
	Chris Spence	<i>184km Road Race</i>
	Sue Munns	<i>Road Race</i>
Lawn Bowls	David Le Marquand	<i>Singles</i>
	Karina Horman	<i>Singles</i>
	Jean Jones	<i>Doubles</i>
	Sheila Syvret	<i>Doubles</i>
Shooting	Colin Mallett	<i>Full Bore – Queen's Prize</i>
	Bruce Horwood	<i>Full Bore – Queen's Prize</i>
	Mark Andrew	<i>Clay Target – Pigeon and Olympic Trap</i>
	Micky Sangan	<i>Clay Target - Pigeon and Olympic Trap</i>
	Xavier Gotel	<i>Skeet (individual) and Skeet (Team)</i>
	Carol Benest	<i>Pistol – Air; Sport; Air and Sport (Team)</i>
	John Renouf Jnr.	<i>Small Bore – Rifle Prone (Team) and 50m Rifle Prone</i>

General Team Manager R. Littlechild

Team Managers **Badminton** Mrs. C. Cann **Boxing** B. Rousseau
Shooting C. Mallett, M. Gotel and R. Mallet

Cycling A. Miller
Lawn Bowls Ms. C. Syvret

The 2002 Commonwealth Games in MANCHESTER, ENGLAND

The XVII Commonwealth Games was the most significant multi-sport event to be held in the United Kingdom since the Olympics of 1948. It was the largest in the history of the Commonwealth Games in terms of participating nations with 72 countries taking part across 14 individual and three team sports from 25 July – 4 August 2002. The Games took on added significance in 2002 as the Head of the Commonwealth, Her Majesty the Queen, celebrated her Golden Jubilee. The successful hosting of these multi-sports games demonstrated to the world that the UK was more than capable of hosting events of such magnitude and this played a significant part in securing the 2012 Olympic games for the City of London.

The purpose built City of Manchester Stadium provided the venue for both the Opening and Closing Ceremonies. At the Opening Ceremony, HRH the Queen, received the Queen's Baton from international footballer, David Beckham, who was assisted by the terminally-ill 6 year old Kirsty Howard. HRH then officially declared the XVII Games open.

The sports were contested by 3,679 athletes in a programme that included athletics, aquatics (diving, synchronised swimming and swimming), badminton, boxing, cycling, gymnastics, hockey, judo, lawn bowls, netball, rugby 7's, shooting, squash, table tennis, triathlon, wrestling and weightlifting.

For the first time in the Games history, indeed at any multi-sport event in the world, a limited number of full medal events for elite athletes with disability (EAD) were included in a fully inclusive programme. The sports which included EAD events were athletics, lawn bowls, swimming, table tennis and weightlifting.



Team Jersey entering the City of Manchester Stadium for the Opening Ceremony of the XVII Commonwealth Games. Ian Coombs-Goodfellow (badminton player) is the flag bearer on this occasion.

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The Jersey Team included:

Badminton	Elizabeth Cann	<i>Singles and Team</i>
	Solenn Pasturel	<i>Singles, Doubles and Team</i>
	Lucy Burns	<i>Singles, Doubles and Team</i>
	Kerry Coombs-Goodfellow	<i>Singles, Mixed and Team</i>
	Ian Coombs-Goodfellow	<i>Singles, Mixed and Team</i>
	Gavin Carter	<i>Team</i>
Lawn Bowls	Lee Nixon	<i>Singles</i>
	Thomas Greechan	<i>Pairs</i>
	Allan Quemard	<i>Pairs</i>
	Karina Horman	<i>Singles</i>
	Alison Birch	<i>Pairs</i>
	Sheila Syvret	<i>Pairs</i>
	Liz Cole	<i>Fours</i>
	Suzanne Dingle	<i>Fours</i>
	Lorraine Murphy	<i>Fours</i>
	Gean O'Neil	<i>Fours</i>
Cycling	Chris Spence	<i>Road Race (187.2km) and Time Trial (46.8km)</i>
Shooting	David Le Quesne	<i>Full Bore – Individual and Pairs</i>
	Colin Mallett	<i>Full Bore – Individual and Pairs</i>
	Kevin De Gruchy	<i>50m Prone</i>
Squash	Michael Hopkins	<i>Singles</i>
Swimming	Alexis Militis	<i>50m Back, Fly and Free</i>
	Natalie Bree	<i>100m Breast and Backstroke, 200m Breaststroke and</i>
	200m and 400m Individual Medley	
	Emma Hirst	<i>50m Fly and Free</i>
Triathlon	James Amy	
General Team Manager	Clifford Mallett	
Team Managers	Badminton	Mrs. C. Cann
	Cycling	G. Wright
	Lawn Bowls Men	R. Poree
	Lawn Bowls Women	Mrs. P. Henwood
	Squash	H. Stiff
	Swimming	M. Magee
	Shooting	S. Payn and B. de Gruchy
	Triathlon	G. Jones

The 2006 Commonwealth Games in MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

The Australian city of Melbourne successfully hosted the XVIII Commonwealth Games between 15th and 26th March 2006. Melbourne is the capital of the State of Victoria and the second largest city in Australia with a population of nearly 3,500,000 people and was the venue for the 1956 Olympic Games. The city is synonymous as a multicultural one, known for its arts, culture, parks, and gardens, restaurants and love of sport.

The majority of sports venues were located along the Yarra River and within the city precinct. The Opening and Closing Ceremonies, as well as the athletics competition, took place at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG), one of the world's largest and most outstanding sporting grounds. The Athlete's Village was located within three kilometres of the city centre. Karak, the red-tailed Black Cockatoo, was the official mascot for these Games.

For the first time in the history of the Games, the Queen's Baton visited every single Commonwealth Nation and Territory taking part in the Games, a journey of 180,000 kms (112,500 miles). The relay ended when the Governor of Victoria, former Commonwealth Games medallist, John Landy, delivered the baton to Her Majesty The Queen during the Opening Ceremony. The Games was officially closed by the CGF Patron, HRH Prince Edward.

The sports on the programme were:- athletics, aquatics (diving, synchronised swimming and swimming), badminton, basketball, boxing, cycling, gymnastics, hockey, lawn bowls, netball, rugby 7s, shooting, squash, table tennis, triathlon, and weightlifting.





The Jersey Team shown opposite, was the biggest ever since participating in their first Games in 1958 in Cardiff and included:-

Athletics	Lauren Therin Simon Phelan	<i>Javelin and discus High Jump</i>
Badminton	Elizabeth Cann Solenn Pasturel Lucy Burns Gavin Carter Clive Dunford	<i>Singles and Team Singles, Doubles and Team Ladies and Mixed Doubles and Team Singles, Men's and Mixed Doubles and Team Singles, Men's Doubles and Team</i>
Cycling	Sam Firby	<i>Road Race and Time Trial</i>
Lawn Bowls	Katrina Bisson Sue Dingle Gaynor Thomas Gina Le Long Gean O'Neil Chris Grimes Lee Nixon Angus McKinnon Derek Boswell John Lowery Alan Shaw Allan Quemard	<i>Singles Pairs Pairs Triples Triples Triples Singles Pairs Pairs Triples Triples Triples</i>
Shooting	Richard Benest David Le Quesne Kevin De Gruchy Stephen Le Couilliard David Turner David Ward Marcus Hill Michael Quenard	<i>Full Bore – Queen's prize Open and Pairs Full Bore – Queen's prize Open and Pairs Small Bore – 50m Prone Small Bore – 50m Prone Air Rifle – Individual and Team Centre Fire, 25m Standard, Air Pistol 25m Standard Pistol Air Pistol – Individual and Team</i>
Swimming	Simon Le Couilliard Liam Du Feu Daniel Halksworth Alexis Militis	<i>50m, 100m and 200m Butterfly and 3 relays 100m and 200m Freestyle and 3 relays 200m and 400m Individual Medley and 3 relays 50m and 100m Freestyle and 3 relays</i>
Triathlon	Paul Clements Tim Rogers Scott Pitcher	
General Team Manager	Paul Huddleston	
Team Managers	Athletics A. Winnie Cycling T. Aubert Triathlon G. Jones Shooting C. Mallett & M. Le Mottee	Badminton Mrs. C. Cann Lawn Bowls Mrs. S. McGinnigle Swimming P. Du Feu
Support staff	Medics Dr. A. Garnett, N. Hooper, Ms. M. Obarska Psychologist Dr. J. Cross	

THE COMMONWEALTH YOUTH GAMES

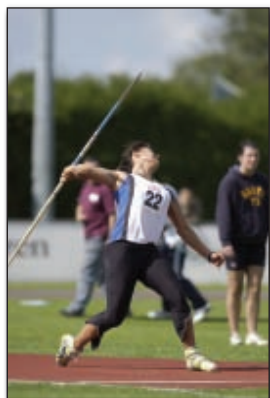
The first Commonwealth Youth Games was held in Edinburgh, Scotland in August 2000 where 733 athletes from 14 countries competed in 8 sports over three days. Jersey sent just two female tennis players to these Games namely Jenny Lawy and Daniella Francescon.

The 2nd edition of the Commonwealth Youth Games took place in Bendigo, Australia in December 2004 and saw over 1000 athletes and officials from 22 countries in a 10 sport programme. The Jersey Games Association, having made a firm commitment in 2003 to support the concept of the Commonwealth Youth Games sent a team of eight competitors to Bendigo. These included:-

Athletes	<i>Stephen Prosser and Lauren Therin</i>
Cyclist	<i>Richard Tanguy</i>
Swimmers	<i>Rosie Barrett, Ashley Cope, Daniel Halksworth, Amy Pallot and Victoria Rebours</i>

The Team returned to Jersey with a full set of medals with Daniel Halksworth winning gold in the 400m Individual Medley and silver in the 200m Individual Medley events and Lauren Therin gaining two bronze medals in discus and javelin. These Games proved to be most successful for the Jersey Team finishing in 10th place overall.

Below are photographs of the two Jersey medal winners at the Bendigo Youth Games, swimmer Daniel Halksworth and javelin thrower, Lauren therin.



The 3rd edition of the Youth Games was held in the Indian city of Pune from 12th to 18th October 2008 and involved 1300 athletes from all 71 nations and territories of the Commonwealth. From a programme of nine sports, the Jersey Team included:-

Athletes *Gemma Dawkins, Jenna Murphy, Stephen De La Haye and Zane Duquemin*
Swimmers *J.J. Gallichan, Tom Gallichan, Emma Glendening, and Charlotte Manning*
Tennis *Scott Clayton, Charlie Cohen, Katie Gouyette and Kirsten McArthur*

Although Jersey returned from the Pune Games, on this occasion, without medals, individual performances were good and all members of the 12 strong team put in performances that fully justified their selection to compete on this world stage and provided them with experiences which will stand them all in good stead for future competitions and hopefully at a Commonwealth Games.

Table showing the evolution of the Commonwealth Youth Games from 2000 – 2015

Year	Host City/ Country	Participating Countries	Sports	Events Contested	Athletes
2000	Edinburgh, Scotland	15	8	112	773
2004	Bendigo, Australia	22	10	146	980
2008	Pune, India	71	9	117	1220
2011	Isle of Man		7		
2015	Samoa		7		

A decision was taken by the Commonwealth Games Federation at their General Assembly in 2006 to move the Youth Games outside of the Olympic Games year and in doing so awarded the 2011 commonwealth Youth Games to the Isle of Man. A decision was taken at the General Assembly in 2008 to award the 2015 Commonwealth Youth Games to Samoa and also to subsequently adjust the quadrennial cycle so that future events will take place in 2017, 2021 and so on.

All competitors in the Commonwealth Youth Games will be a minimum of 14 and maximum of 18 years of age in the year of competition (i.e. their 18th birthday is during the calendar year in which the Games is held) and a maximum number of 1000 competitors are invited to participate from every Commonwealth Games Association.



The Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey

On Saturday 6th October 2007, the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey celebrated its 50th Anniversary. The celebration started with a Sports Psychology Seminar. This involved a full morning's programme which was held at the L'Horizon Hotel. Adrian Moorhouse MBE (Gold medal winner in the 100m. Breaststroke in the Seoul Olympics of 1988; World No.1 in his event for 6 consecutive years; and Managing Director of the Lane4 Performance Consultancy and the informed voice of Swimming with BBC) and Dr. Jeremy Cross (Island Games Tennis Men's Singles Gold Medallist in 1993, 1995, and 2001 and Lane4 Senior Consultant) led the programme which included talks and discussion groups on 'Mental Toughness' and 'Goal Setting'. Adrian also allocated time during the seminar to providing answers to the many questions posed by the group of 24 young swimmers and their coaches. A total of 58 coaches, officials and competitors attending the seminar with representatives from the sports of athletics, badminton, boxing, gymnastics, lawn bowls, triathlon, table tennis, shooting, sailing, and swimming. Course participants were provided with a buffet lunch before leaving the hotel and signed copies of Adrian's book 'Developing Mental Toughness' were made available to all.

In the evening, a Gala Dinner took place at Hotel L'Horizon to mark this historic occasion. Over 130 persons attended in the presence of His Excellency, the Lieutenant Governor, General Andrew Ridgway and Mrs. Ridgway together with The Bailiff, Sir Philip Bailhache and Lady Bailhache. The President of the CGAJ, Martin Hebden, welcomed the honoured guests along with Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Moorhouse. The President went on to welcome the invited members of the Island's media, stating his belief that we are well served by our press, radio and television and that he trusted this partnership would continue to flourish. The President then extended a warm welcome to friends and colleagues from the Island Games Association of Jersey stating that our co-operation with each other is becoming increasingly supportive and in the best interests of elite sport in the Island. Going on to welcome Mr. Derek de la Haye, Assistant Director of Education Sport and Culture, he declared his hope and trust that Mr. de la Haye will continue to fight for the interests of sports men and women in these financially testing times. The President also noted the presence of the Director of Education elect, Mr. Mario Lundy. In wishing him well for his tenure, the President expressed his trust that Mr. Lundy will always offer a compassionate ear to the requirements of the sporting community. Mr. Hebden went on to thank the Hotel, the band and Mr Paul du Feu who had borne the brunt of organization for the evening.

In celebrating the 50 year existence of the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey, the President then proceeded to give a brief history of the landmarks in its development. He informed the gathering that the Association was formed in 1957 under the Presidency of the late George Troy and through the initiative of the first General Secretary, Ken Webb. The first Team participation was in the British Empire and Commonwealth Games in Cardiff in 1958 where 17 Jersey competitors took part. The Association has been represented at 13 consecutive Games. Team sizes have varied with the largest being the team of 35 athletes and 16 back-up staff that participated in the Melbourne 2006 Games. During the 50 years of its existence the Association has had 5 Presidents; George Troy, Terty Hubert, Bill Maret, Cliff Mallett and Martin Hebden, and a mere 3 Secretary Generals; Ken Webb, Gordon Wright and Alan Cross. Jersey's first medal was won in Perth in 1962 - a Bronze medal in Boxing's Welterweight Division by Bert Turnel. The President was delighted to note the



presence of Mrs. Ellen Turmel. The Boxing success story continued in Edinburgh in 1986 with another Bronze medal won by John Sillitoe in the Bantamweight Division. In Auckland in 1990, full bore shooter Colin Mallett won Gold in the Queen's Prize Individual event and Bronze with his father, Cliff Mallett, in the Queen's Prize Pair's event, a feat which remains unchallenged to this day. Now that the Commonwealth Youth Games is a full component of the Games programme, pride was expressed that Dan Halksworth won Gold and Silver in the two Individual Medley swimming events in Bendigo 2004, and that Lauren Therin won 2 Bronze medals in Discus and Javelin in the same year. The President stated that it was also inevitable that some "genuine Jersey" competitors will participate in the Games for other nations. He felt that we should, however, share and celebrate their successes and he mentioned specifically Simon Militis, Bronze medal swimmer in Manchester 2002 and Becky Herbert, team Bronze with England's Hockey Team in Melbourne 2006.

In conclusion the President said that, whilst it was right to celebrate the past, we must look forward. He declared that this Association exists to serve the young athletes of today and those to follow in the next 50 years and beyond. Our dream should be to see Jersey's athletes gaining their ultimate achievements over a wide range of sports on the world stage. The President then welcomed Adrian Moorhouse, the guest speaker for the evening. A presentation was made to Mr. Moorhouse after he had finished speaking.

Above is a group photograph of a mix of former Games competitors; current officers of the Association; the Association's patrons, the Lieutenant Governor, General Andrew Ridgway and the Bailiff of Jersey, Sir Philip Bailhache; and the guest speaker for the Anniversary Dinner, Adrian Moorhouse.

The next 50 years in the life of the COMMONWEALTH GAMES ASSOCIATION OF JERSEY

What better way to report on the start of the 'next 50 years' than by reporting on Team Jersey's successful participation in the 19th edition of the Games in Delhi, India. The Opening Ceremony of the Delhi Games took place at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium on 3rd October 2010. The Jersey Team competed in 8 of the 17 sports within the Games programme. These included athletics, archery, badminton, cycling, lawn bowls, shooting (all 4 disciplines) squash and swimming and our official party included 31 athletes and 20 support staff.

Both the Association's President, Martin Hebden and the Secretary General, Alan Cross, also travelled with Team Jersey.



Despite the initial well-publicised problems with the collapse of a pedestrian bridge at the main stadium and the unacceptable 'handover' state of Games Village accommodation, the Games got under way with the largest ever number of competitors and a most professional, if somewhat expensive and glitzy Opening Ceremony. The Games, as designed to bring out the best in athletes, proved to be a success with issues such as poor ticketing and attendance at events, not intruding into their training and competition programmes. Once again, Australia proved to be by far the strongest nation/CGA territory with an impressive haul of 177 medals, 74 of these being gold.

It is worth noting that with the full complement of the 71 Commonwealth Games territories (CGAs) participating in these Games, 36 CGAs won medals. Jersey returned with a string of fine performances, some of which were very close to achieving medal positions. The Association was able to take some credit from the performances of former Jersey badminton players, Elizabeth Cann and Marianna Agathangelou, who both chose to represent England at these Games and returned with Team Bronze for Marianna and an Individual Bronze and a Team Bronze for Elizabeth.

Archery	Lucy O'Sullivan and Michael Coward	Team Manager	Judy O'Sullivan
Athletics	Kathryn Rothwell and Zane Duquemin		Andrew Winnie
Badminton	Kim Ashton and Solenn Pasturel		Michael Kjeldsen
Cycling	Robin Ovenden, Chris Spence and Richard Tanguy		Toby Aubert
Squash	Kate Cadigan, Jeannine Cowie and Michael Hopkins		Nick Taylor
Swimming	Ian Black		Paul Du Feu
Lawn Bowls	Ladies Sue Noel, Christine Grimes, Helen Greechan, Karina Bisson, Rachel Macdonald and Joan Renouf		Eileen Vowden
	Men Cyril Renouf, Derek Boswell, Allan Quemard, Malcolm De Sousa, John Lowery, and Michael Rive		Derek Ferguson
	<i>Overall Team Coach for both the ladies and the men was</i>		Lachlan Tighe
Shooting	Full Bore Bruce Horwood and Daniel Richardson		Nick Atkins
	Small Bore Steven Le Couilliard and Marc Yates		Richard Bouchard
	Pistol Mary Norman		Peter Norman
	Clay Target Andrew De La Haye		Angelo Kalekas
General Team Manager	Paul Huddlestone		
Assistant to the GTM	Paul Du Feu		
Medical support team	Dr. Carl Clinton, Dr. Adam Garnett, Dr. Sam Huddlestone		
Physiotherapist	Morag Obarska		
Sports Psychologist	Dr. Jeremy Cross		
Conditioning Coach	Peter Irving		

WEBSITE LINKS

The Commonwealth Games Federation Website – www.thecgf.com

This most comprehensive website provides information on every aspect of the Commonwealth Games with a detailed results service of all Games including the more recent initiative, the Commonwealth Youth Games; information and contact details of key officers from all its member associations; news of developments and progress being made on the forthcoming Games and so much more.

The Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey – www.cgaj.org.

This site has been developed over the past six years and provides information on all its member sports; the history of the Association; contact details of the key officers and of Council delegates; local media releases; copies of Association documents such as the Constitution and the Selection and Appeals procedures, etc., etc. The site is currently maintained by Side-On Creative Communications www.side-on.co.uk

THE QUEENS BATON RELAY

The Queens Baton Relay is one of the greatest traditions of the Commonwealth Games, having been the curtain-raiser to every Games since Cardiff 1958. The relay symbolises the gathering of people from across the Commonwealth at the four-yearly festival of sport and culture.

Melbourne 2006 and Delhi 2010 were both particularly memorable adventures for the Relay, travelling to all 71 nations of the Commonwealth – home to one third of the world's population!

Over the years, the Queens Baton Relay has evolved into a powerful symbol of the unity and diversity of the Commonwealth of Nations. With each Games, the tradition grows in scale and significance – including more nations, involving more participants and generating more excitement than ever before. The design and technology of the baton for each Games varies according to the Games venue with the host Organising Committees attempting to produce a baton that reflects the nature of the country staging this multi-sports event.

The Delhi 2010 Baton Relay was launched on 29th October 2009 at Buckingham Palace in London, with Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II handing the Baton to the Honorable President of India, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil, who in turn passed it to Dr. M. S Gill and Mr. Suresh Kalmadi. Mr. Kalmadi then had the honour of passing the Baton to the first Baton bearer, Abhinav Bindra, the Olympic air rifle champion who began the Baton's journey with a relay around the Queen Victoria Monument. The first team of Baton bearers included: Lord Sebastian Coe, Sania Mirza, Milka Singh, Dame Kelly Holmes and Vijender Kumar to name just a few.

The Photograph above is of the Association's President, Martin Hebden and Secretary General, Alan Cross, proudly displaying the Delhi 2010 Queen's Baton at its launch at Buckingham Palace on 29th October 2009.

The Queen's Baton travels through all the Commonwealth countries until it arrives at the Opening Ceremony of the Games. The 2010 Baton Relay commenced its mammoth journey in Europe spending three days in Jersey at the end of November 2009. It then continued its journey to other regions of the World finally arriving on the shores of India where it spent 100 days touring the 28 states. It was then taken to its final destination, the Jawaharlal Neru Stadium for the Opening Ceremony of the XIX Commonwealth Games, where Her Majesty's message was read aloud to the athletes. During the Baton's journey, the progress of the Baton was not only tracked and seen on the Games website but, through the use of a built in camera, it was also able to capture the sights and sounds of the Commonwealth so that people around the globe were able to experience the diversity of the Commonwealth cultures and landscapes over the Baton's epic journey.



A potted history of the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey



1. The formation of the Association

The Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey was formed on the 23rd October 1957, being the initiative of Mr. Ken Webb

2. Games attended since the formation of the Association in 1957

1958	–	Cardiff, Wales	1962	–	Perth, Australia
1966	–	Kingston, Jamaica	1970	–	Edinburgh, Scotland
1974	–	Christchurch, New Zealand	1978	–	Edmonton, Canada
1982	–	Brisbane, Australia	1986	–	Edinburgh, Scotland
1990	–	Auckland, New Zealand	1994	–	Victoria, Canada
1998	–	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	2002	–	Manchester, England
2006	–	Melbourne, Australia	2010	–	New Delhi, India

3. Commonwealth Youth Games attended by Team Jersey

2000 – Edinburgh – Late entry of two girls for the tennis event at these inaugural Games
2004 – Bendigo, Australia – 8 Jersey entries in 3 sports i.e. athletics, cycling and swimming
2008 – Mumbai, India – 12 Jersey entries in 3 sports i.e. athletics, swimming and tennis

4. Key Officers of the Association

President

1957 – 1966 Mike Troy
1966 – 1978 Terty Hubert
1978 – 1999 Bill Marett
1999 – 2003 Cliff Mallett
2003 – 2011 Martin Hebden

Secretary

1957 – 1974 Ken Webb
1974 – 2003 Gordon Wright
2003 – Alan Cross

Honorary Life Members (known as Life Vice Presidents prior to December 2003)

Ken Webb (Founder Member who died in 1990)
Eldred Holmes (Died in 2003)
Terty Hubert (Founder member of the Association and elected as LVP in 1979)
Bill Marett (Elected as LVP in 1999)

5. Jersey medallists

Bert Turmel – Boxing – Welterweight Division (67kg) - Bronze medal in Perth in 1962
John Sillitoe – Boxing – Bantamweight Div (54kg) - Bronze medal in Edinburgh in 1986
Colin Mallett – Fullbore shooter – Gold medal in Queen's Prize Individual event and Bronze Medal with father Cliff in Queen's Prize Pairs event – Auckland 1990
Cliff Mallett – Fullbore shooter – Bronze medal in Pairs event with son Colin in 1990

Jersey recipients of honours at recent Commonwealth Games



1994 Victoria, Canada Games

- Flag bearer Opening Ceremony* – Colin Mallet
- Flag bearer Closing Ceremony* – John Renouf Jnr.
- Ken Webb Award* – Frank Hambly

1998 Kuala Lumpur Games

- Flag bearer Opening Ceremony* – David Le Marquand
- Flag bearer Closing Ceremony* – Colin Mallet
- Ken Webb Award* – Gordon Wright

2002 Manchester Games

- Flag bearer Opening Ceremony* – Ian Coombs-Goodfellow
- Flag bearer Closing Ceremony* – Colin Mallet, Alison Birch, Sheila Syvret
- Ken Webb Award* – Pat Henwood

2006 Melbourne Games

- Flag bearer Opening Ceremony* – Sam Firby
- Flag bearer Closing Ceremony* – Elizabeth Cann
- Ken Webb Award* – Morag Obarska

2010 Delhi Games

- Flag bearer Opening Ceremony* – Karina Bisson
- Flag bearer Closing Ceremony* – Bruce Horwood
- Ken Webb Award* – Paul Huddleston



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