

Douglas Gill – Life Member

Northern Tasmanian Men's Hockey Association 1954

Tasmanian Hockey Association 1977

Mr Douglas Gill was awarded life membership of the Northern Tasmanian Men's Hockey Association (NTMHA) at its 14th annual general meeting on 2nd April 1954.

He was the association's second life member, following the conferring of life membership to Mr Fred White in 1952.

Mr Gill joined the NTMHA in 1938 and played competition hockey until 1948, when he became association secretary.

In 1952, after special umpiring examinations during the All-Australian carnival in Hobart, he was awarded his badge to become one of the few Tasmanian members of the Australian Hockey Umpires' Association.

Mr Gill was awarded life membership of the Tasmanian Hockey Association in 1977. He held the position of THA President in 1962, 1964, 1966 and 1972-1983. The Doug Gill Shield for Services to Umpiring was named in his honour.

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NORTHERN MEN'S HOCKEY ASSN. LIFE MEMBER

MR. DOUGLAS GILL has been elected a life member of the Northern Tasmanian Men's Hockey Association—the association's second.

THIS was announced at the 14th annual meeting of the association in Launceston last night.

Mr. Gill joined the Northern Tasmanian Association in 1938 and played competition hockey until 1948, when he became association secretary.

Two years ago in Hobart, after special umpiring examinations during an All-Australian carnival, he was awarded his badge to become one of the few Tasmanian members of the Australian Hockey Umpires' Association.

The other life-member of the association is Mr. Fred White, who for the 14 years since the inception of the association in the North has been president.

Credit Balance

The association president (Mr. F. J. C. White) reported a "very healthy financial return on a remarkably successful season."

About £110 was shown as a credit balance.

The report referred to North's success in the Camberwell Cup.

It was reported that Invermay and Coronation Parks will be available again this year.

It is hoped that a playing area at Royal Park will be made available soon.

Tribute to Umpires

Special tribute was paid to the work of umpires, many of whom gave up their afternoons to contribute to the game in this way.

The season will open on April 23 with a lightning carnival at Invermay Park. Roster games will start a week later.

Election of officers: President, Mr. F. J. C. White; vice-presidents, Messrs. R. H. Stewart, J. L. Madden; secretary, Mr. N. Gray; treasurer, Mr. T. W. Lynch; auditor, Mr. R. J. Peacock; life member, Mr. D. S. Gill.