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# DIAMOND OPEN ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Diamond Open Athletic Championships which took place in the ODASA Stadium on January 13 was organised by CDM's Recreation Department on behalf of the SWAAAU and the SAAAU under the rules of that latter body.

Teams from Bellville (Western Province), Gobabis (S.W. Africa/Namibia), Anglo-American Mines and Kleinsee and Rossing Mines accepted the invitation extended to them.

The first event of the day to be decided was the high jump which had developed into a closely fought



Gobabis' E. Reimann was first in the high jump.

duel between E. Reimann (Gobabis) and F. Dippenaar (Bellville). The Gobabis jumper emerged as the winner with a jump of 1,90 metres, only 0,03 metres short of the SWA/Namibian record.

André Pollard, from Beauvallon Farm (CDM) is the South African Junior discus champion and in this meet-



André Pollard threw a discus 37,64 metres to win the event.



Lazarus Kapolo of CDM won the 800m race. Close behind him is L. Erasmus of Bellville who was 2nd.

ing he lived up to his reputation by winning the discus event with a throw of 37,64 metres. R. Snyman (Bellville) was second.

Local runner Lazarus Kapolo, 5 000 metres record holder, ran in the 800 metres race for the first time in his career - and won, in a time of 1 min. 58,5 sec. beating L. Erasmus of Stellenbosch and Western Province into second place.

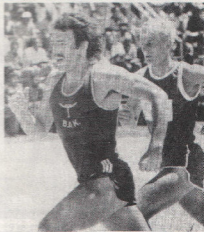
A. Pollard followed his earlier success by winning the shot-put with a throw of 11,92 metres. ODASA athlete Herbert Thomas came in a creditable third with 11,12 metres.

The 100 metres final was a thrilling race from start to finish, with four runners virtually running



Local athlete A. Pollard won the shot-put event.

neck and neck for the whole distance. The judges found it difficult to separate them at the tape but eventually, after much deliberation, gave first place to J. Bezuidenhout (Bellville) with a time of 10,9 seconds. P. Visser (Bellville) and M. Burger (Gobabis) were placed joint second with times of 11,0 seconds while H. Garusab (Rossing), with the same time was placed fourth.



Bellville's L. Erasmus was 2nd home in the 800m race.