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1949-[1980s]

Small collection of administrative papers, athletics programmes, results and fixture lists relating to the Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association.

Note that the collection includes a small number of papers relating to the Midland Track and Field League and the Women's Cross-Country Association.

Administrative history: The Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association (MCWAAA) was established during the late 1920s, at a similar time to the establishment of women's associations in the Northern Counties and then in the Southern Counties, the latter was the last area to form a women's association in March 1930. Past presidents of the MCWAAA include Dame Ethel Shakespeare, W. W. Alexander, Mrs B. A. Carr, Mrs W. Hayward and Mrs Audrey K. Court (nee Brown).

Arrangement: These papers have been arranged into the following three series:

Administrative records;

Athletics programmes, results and fixture lists;

Miscellaneous.

1 standard box (comprising 5 files and 66 items)

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Related material: Other archive collections, formerly held as part of the National Centre for Athletics Literature (NCAL), are catalogued as collections distinct from this collection. They comprise both institutional archives and collections of personal papers of athletes, athletics administrators, journalists and others associated with the athletics world.

Catalogues of the institutional archives available on the online archive catalogue are as follows:

Amateur Athletic Association: papers, 1880-1992. Finding No: ATH/AAA;

English Cross-Country Union: papers,

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1911-1989. Finding No: ATH/ECCU;

Midland Counties Amateur Athletics Association: papers, 1900-1991. Finding No: ATH/MCAAAA;

Midland Counties Cross Country Association: papers, 1898-1985. Finding No: ATH/MCCCA;

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association: papers, 1949-[1980s]. Finding No: ATH/MCWAAA;

Northern Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association: papers, 1933-1989. Finding No: ATH/NCWAAA;

Northern Cross-Country Association: papers, 1906-1983. Finding No: ATH/NCCA;

Northern Women's Track and Field League: papers, 1982-1983. Finding No: ATH/NWTFL;

Southern Counties Amateur Athletic Association: papers, 1958-1983. Finding No: ATH/SCAAA;

Southern Counties Cross-Country Association: papers, 1911-1990. Find No: ATH/SCCCA;

The Sports Council: papers, [1940s]-2001. Find No: ATH/SC.

Catalogues of personal papers available on the online archive catalogue are as follows:

Abrahams, Harold Maurice (1899-1978), athlete, administrator, commentator and journalist: papers, 1902-1989. Finding No: ATH/HA;

Adam, George Mair (1898-1989), athlete, coach and athletics administrator: papers, 1909-1989. Finding No: ATH/GA;

Binks, Joseph (Joe) (1874-1966),

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athlete and athletics commentator:
papers, [1920s-1950s]. Finding No:
ATH/JB;

Cardew, Martin H. (b 1927), athlete:
papers, 1964-1988. Finding No:
ATH/MHC;

Cullum, Dennis Noel Johnson (1913-
1985), athlete and coach: papers,
[1930s]-1985. Finding No: ATH/DC;

Ives, Bert (1890-1975), athlete and
athletics administrator: papers, [1920s-
1970s]. Finding No: ATH/BI;

Jewell, John Christopher (1912-2001),
athlete and athletics commentator:
papers, 1897-2002. Finding No:
ATH/JJ;

Lloyd-Edgley, Ralph: scrapbook, [c
1924]-[c 1931]. Finding No: ATH/RLE;

MacLean, Duncan (1884-1980),
athlete and coach: papers, 1948-1977.
Finding No: ATH/DM;

Monk, Walter Harry (Wal) (1896-after
1965), athlete: papers, 1918-1961.
Finding No: ATH/WHM;

Morgan, Wilf (b 1935), athlete and
athletics historian: papers, 1937-2012.
Finding No: ATH/WM;

Newton, Arthur Francis Hamilton
(1883-1959), athlete: papers, [c 1904]-
[1990s]. Finding No: ATH/AN;

Payne, Howard (1931-1992), athlete:
papers, 1899-[c 1975]. Finding No:
ATH/HP;

Percy, Joe W. (1912-2001), athlete
and athletics administrator: papers,
1910-1997. Finding No: ATH/JWP;

Powell, Edgar Robert Leslie (Peter), (fl

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1920s-70s), athlete: papers, 1813-1988. Finding No: ATH/ERLP;

Richards, Wilf (b 1906), athlete and journalist: papers, 1924-[mid-20th century]. Finding No: ATH/WR;

Roberts, Dave (fl 1930s-1990s), athlete and statistician: papers, [1930s]-1991. Finding No: ATH/DR;

Simpson, Colin J. (1929-2011), athlete and athletics administrator: papers, 1945-1990. Finding No: ATH/CS;

Tatham, Wilfrid George (Gus) (1898-1978), athlete: papers, 1908-1960. Finding No: ATH/WGT;

Thomas, Dr Philip, athletics administrator and coach: papers, [c 1900]-[late 20th century]. Finding No: ATH/PT;

Vargas, Charles Climaco (1905-1975), athlete: papers, 1921-31. Finding No: ATH/CCV;

Ward, Leonard H., athletics coach: papers, [mid-20th century]. Finding No: ATH/LW;

Watman, Melvyn Francis (Mel) (b 1938), athletics journalist and statistician: papers, 1980-1993. Finding No: ATH/MW;

Wight, Robert M., athletics administrator: papers, [mid-20th century]. Finding No: ATH/RW;

Winter, Arthur E. H. (d 1990), athlete and athletics commentator: papers, [early 20th century]-1983. Finding No: ATH/AW;

Yarrow, Squire Stevens (1905-1984), athlete and athletics administrator: papers, 1938-1984. Finding No: ATH/SY.

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ATH/MCWAAA/1 Administrative records 1957-1981

Papers primarily comprise administrative material relating to the Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association, including an incomplete sequence of annual reports, 1957-1981. There are also a small number of papers relating to the Midland Track and Field League and the Women's Cross-Country Association.

2 files and 20 items

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/1/1 Printed annual reports 1959-1981

Comprises minutes, agendas, annual report and balance sheet relating to the Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association:

/1: 1959-1960

/2: 1959-1960

/3: 1960-1961

/4: 1961-1962

/5: 1962-1963

/6: 1963-1964

/7: 1965-1966

/8: 1968-1969

/9: 1968-1969

/10: 1969-1970

/11: 1970-1971

/12: 1971-1972

/13: 1973-1974

/14: 1974-1975

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/15: 1975-1976

/16: 1976-1977

/17: 1977-1978

/18: 1978-1979

/19: 1979-1980

/20: 1980-1981

20 items

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/1/2 Miscellaneous minutes relating to the Midland Track and Field League and Women's Cross-Country Association 1973-1981

Minutes of Annual General Meetings organised by the Midland Track and Field League, 2 December 1973, 31 October 1975, 20 November 1977, 19 November 1978 and 18 November 1979; results of European Junior Pentathlons, 1973; and Women's Cross-Country Association Honorary Secretary's Report 1980-1981.

1 file

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/1/3 Circular correspondence 1957-1981

Typescript notices which appear to have largely been sent by MCWAAA officers to the membership. Includes agenda for first AGM of the West Midlands Branch of the International Sports Fellowship, 1957; information about Midland Field Games Competitions, 1958; information about Midland Field Games League, 1965 and 1968; qualifying standards for 1972 Munich Olympic Games with representation list of athletes and officials; information about the Midland Field Events League, 1974-1981; alterations to laws and rules of the WAAA, 1975; list detailing British

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	Athletics Team at World Student Games in Bucharest, July 1981.	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/MCWAAA/2	Athletics programmes, results and fixture lists	1949-1980
	Athletics programmes and related ephemera; results; and fixture lists. Material relates to athletics meetings organised by the Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association and held in England during the mid-20th century.	
	2 files and 46 items	
	Access: Open	
ATH/MCWAAA/2/1	Athletics programmes and related ephemera	1949-1980
	Athletics programmes, invitations and competitors' information covering events in the United Kingdom organised by the Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association. As a whole the programmes provide information about meeting officials; the range of events available; details of handicap racing, if applicable; information about entrants; some results; details of prizes; advertisements for other meetings; and details of advertisers and sponsors.	
	1 file and 36 items	
	Access: Open	
ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1	Athletics programmes	1949-1978
	Programmes of athletic events primarily organised by the Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association (NCWAAA). The programmes primarily relate to track and field events although some	

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programmes relate to cross-country racing and road racing. Some programmes have been annotated with placings and timings. One programme, dated 28 May 1958, relates to a meeting organised by the AAA and includes a number of loose inserts relating to the entry of Midlands women.

36 items

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/1 Athletics programme: track and field 11 June 1949

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'General Championships and Cycle Events' held at the Butts, Coventry.

1 item

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/2 Athletics programme: track and field 31 May 1952

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '3rd Midland Track and Field Games Championships' held at Birchfield Harriers, Alexander Ground.

1 item

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/3 Athletics programme: track and field 17 May 1958

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '9th Midland Track and Field Games Championship Day' held at the Alexander Sports Ground, Perry Barr.

With manuscript annotations.

1 item

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- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/3a Athletics programme: track and field 28 May 1958
- News of the World 'Northern British Games' held at White City Stadium, Manchester.
- Includes images of Tom Farrell and Mike Rawson.
- With extensive manuscript annotations and a large number of loose inserts concerning women's entries from the Midlands, letters of invitation, acceptance, ticket and manager's report.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/4 Athletics programme: track and field 30 May 1959
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '10th Midland Track and Field Games Championship Day' held at Alexander Sports Ground, Perry Barr.
- With manuscript annotations.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/5 Athletics programme: track and field 11 June 1960
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '11th Midland Track and Field Games Championship Day' held at Alexander Sports Ground, Perry Barr.
- With manuscript annotations.
- 1 item
- Access: Open

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- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/6 Athletics programme: track and field 25 March 1961
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Field Games League'.
With manuscript annotations.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/7 Athletics programme: track and field 24 June 1961
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '12th Midland Track and Field Games Championship Day' held at Alexander Sports Ground, Perry Barr.
With manuscript annotations.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/8 Athletics programme: road racing 16 December 1962
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '27th Midland Senior Road Walking Championships' held at Bearwood.
With manuscript annotations.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/9 Athletics programme: track and field 15 June 1963
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '14th Track and Field Games Championship Day' held at Alexander Ground, Perry Barr.
1 item
Access: Open

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- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/10 Athletics programme: track and field 13 June 1964
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '15th Track and Field Games Championship Day' held at Alexander Ground, Perry Barr.
- With manuscript annotations.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/11 Athletics programme: cross-country racing 9 January 1965
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '29th Annual Midland Junior Cross-Country Championship' held in Hucclecote, Gloucester.
- With manuscript annotations.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/12 Athletics programme: track and field 12 February 1966
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Indoor Championships' held at RAF Cosford.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/13 Athletics programme: track and field 11 June 1966
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '17th Track and Field Games Championship Day' held at Alexander Ground, Perry Barr.
- With manuscript annotations.
- 1 item
- Access: Open

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- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/14 Athletics programme: cross-country racing 4 February 1967
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Senior Cross-Country Championship and Girl's and Intermediate' held in Redditch.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/15 Athletics programme: track and field 11 February 1967
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Indoor Championships' held at RAF Cosford.
With manuscript annotations.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/16 Athletics programme: track and field 8 June 1968
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '19th Track and Field Games Championship Day' held at Alexander Ground, Perry Barr.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/17 Athletics programme: track and field 30 May 1970
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '21st Track and Field Games Championship' held at the Alexander Sports Ground, Perry Barr.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/18 Athletics programme: track and field 30 May 1970
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '21st Track and Field Games Championship' held at

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the Alexander Sports Ground, Perry Barr.

With manuscript annotations.

1 item

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/19 Athletics programme: track and field 5 June 1971

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '22nd Track and Field Games Championship' held at the Alexander Sports Ground, Perry Barr.

1 item

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/20 Athletics programme: track and field 7 July 1971

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'MCWAAA and Midland Counties Amateur Athletic Association versus The British Universities Sports Federation' held at Oldbury Sports Centre.

1 item

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/21 Athletics programme: cross-country racing 18 December 1971

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Inter Area Cross-Country Match' held at Great Barr.

With various attached loose inserts.

1 item

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- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/22 Athletics programme: track and field 3 June 1972
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '23rd Track and Field Games Championship' held at the Alexander Sports Ground, Perry Barr.
With manuscript annotations.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/23 Athletics programme: track and field 3 June 1972
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '23rd Track and Field Games Championship' held at the Alexander Sports Ground, Perry Barr.
With manuscript annotations.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/24 Athletics programme: track and field 12 May 1973
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Part Two Midland Championships, Senior and Intermediate Pentathlons, Intermediate Discus and Shot, 1,500m and 3,000m Walk, Junior 200m and 1,500m, Nelson Cup Relay and Senior 3,000m Plus Supporting Events'.
With manuscript annotations.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/25 Athletics programme: track and field 2 June 1973
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '24th Track and Field Games Championship' held at the Hadley Playing Fields, Smethwick.

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With manuscript annotations.

1 item

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/26 Athletics programme: track and field 7 September 1974

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Junior Pentathlon and Men's Open Pentathlon'.

With manuscript annotations.

1 item

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/27 Athletics programme: road racing 25 October 1975

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Midland Road Relay Championships for Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors' held in Coundon Green.

1 item

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/28 Athletics programme: track and field 7 February 1976

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Indoor Pentathlon and Sextathlon' held at RAF Cosford.

1 item

Access: Open

ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/29 Athletics programme: cross-country racing 15 February 1976

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Senior, Juniors, Minors and Intermediate Cross-Country Championships' held in Rugeley.

1 item

Access: Open

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- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/30 Athletics programme: cross-country racing 6 February 1977
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Senior, Junior, Girls and Intermediate Cross-Country Championships' held at Penkridge.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/31 Athletics programme: track and field 4 June 1977
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association '28th Track and Field Games Championship' held at the Hadley Playing Fields, Smethwick.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/32 Athletics programme: track and field 3-4 September 1977
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Part Two Midland Championships Including Pentathlons and Relays also Midland Counties AAA Decathlon Championships' held at the Wolverhampton Stadium, Aldersley.
- With manuscript annotations.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/33 Athletics programme: track and field 4 June 1978
- Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Championships' held at Birmingham Alexander Stadium.
- With manuscript annotations.
- 1 item
- Access: Open

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- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/34 Athletics programme: track and field [1964]
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'MCAAA Indoor Meeting and MCWAAA Indoor Meeting' held at RAF Cosford.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/1/35 Athletics programme: track and field [nd]
Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association 'Part Two Midland Championships including Pentathlons and Relays' held at Birmingham Alexander Stadium.
With manuscript annotations.
1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/1/2 Invitations and competitors' information 1975-1980
Various items relating to individual UK athletics meetings organised by the Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association. This material includes entry details, programmes of events and notices for officials.
1 file
Access: Open
- ATH/MCWAAA/2/2 Results 1967-1980
Comprises typescript results from various meetings primarily organised by the Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association.
1 file
Access: Open

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ATH/MCWAAA/2/3	Fixture lists	1971-1979
	Typescript fixture lists published by MCWAAA or issued to MCWAAA members. Comprises:	
	/1: 1971-1972 Indoor Prospectus	
	/2: 1972-1973	
	/3: 1973	
	/4: 1973-1974 Indoor Prospectus	
	/5: 1973-1974	
	/6: 1974-1975 Indoor Prospectus	
	/7: 1975 Women's Amateur Athletic Association Championships	
	/8: 1975-1976	
	/9: 1977	
	/10: 1979	
	10 items	
	Access: Open	
ATH/MCWAAA/3	Miscellaneous	[1970s]-[1980s]
	Papers relating to Women's Amateur Athletic Association Standards; various athletics reports including paper titled 'Referees Course, Rome', March 1974; 'Basic Advisory Programme' by Leonard H. Ward, Coaching Development Scheme; paper titled '1981 - The International Year for Disabled People'; newspaper issues relating to miscellaneous athletics meetings; and menu card, with autograph signatures and loose newspaper cutting, for MCWAAA Jubilee Dinner held in Birmingham, 4 April 1975	
	1 file. Access: Open	

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