

**Records of the
Southern
Counties
Cross-Country
Association**

**Reference:
ATH/SCCCA**

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Records of the Southern Counties Cross-Country Association (SCCCA). Comprises incomplete sequence of minutes and meeting papers, 1947-1989; a sequence of athletics programmes relating to the Annual Championships usually held in February, with strong coverage throughout the 1950s, 1960s and 1970s; and ephemera comprising two newspaper cuttings relating to SCCCA Championships held in 1911 and 1912.

These records are of interest to those studying amateur sports, especially athletics culture in England during the 20th century.

Administrative history: The Southern Counties Cross-Country Association (SCCCA) was established in 1883 and 20th century handbooks indicate that the organisation was affiliated to both the Amateur Athletic Association (AAA) and the English Cross-County Union (ECCU). T. Shore was the Association's first President, 1883-1889, and D. T. Mason the first Secretary, 1883-1884. The SCCCA was open to county associations and clubs promoting cross-country running in southern England. The Southern District comprised Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Cornwall, Devon, Dorset, Hampshire, Hertfordshire, Kent, Middlesex, Oxfordshire, Somerset, Surrey, Sussex, Wiltshire and part of Essex.

Management of the SCCCA was vested in an Executive Committee comprising President, four Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer; past Presidents; nine members of different affiliated Clubs; and one delegate from each affiliated County Association. The organisation's Annual Championships were usually staged in February. Teams of not less than six nor more than 12 runners from each affiliated

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club were permitted to enter.

During the 1940s, Walter C. Jewell of Clapham, London acted as Honorary Secretary and Treasurer. He was followed, in the early 1950s, by L. N. Richardson.

Sources: papers of the Southern Counties Cross-Country Association (SCCCA)

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

Minutes and meeting papers;

Athletics programmes;

Ephemera.

2 standard boxes (comprising 1 volume, 1 file and 51 items)

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Notes: Old Reference: SCCCA

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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, 1911-1989. Finding No: ATH/ECCU;

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

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;

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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), 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

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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
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),

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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.

ATH/SCCCA/1 Minutes and meeting papers 1947-1964

Bound volume of minutes covering 1947-
1964 and miscellaneous minutes and
meeting papers covering 1971-1989.

1 volume and 1 file

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ATH/SCCCA/1/1 Minute book 1947-1964

Bound volume comprising signed
manuscript minutes relating to meetings
of the Southern Counties Cross-Country
Association (SCCCA). Minutes begin on
22 July 1947 and most entries relate to
applications for memberships and
subsequent elections; arrangements
relating to the Junior, Senior and Youths
Cross-Country Championships; dates of
forthcoming fixtures; and rule changes.
The volume includes minutes of
Committee meetings, Scrutiny meetings
and Annual General Meetings, the latter
usually held in September.

There are a number of inserted
documents including accounts and
financial records; typescript annual
reports some including details of results
of Championships; and agendas for
forthcoming meetings. Other inserts
include, on pages 19 and 48, SCCCA
Constitution and Laws; on page 64,

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details of London Amateur Athletic Championships, London County Council; some results from meetings including SCCCA versus Combined Services at Caterham, 12 February 1949, and London Cross-Country Champs held at Parliament Hill, 27 November 1954; various typescript articles and papers including, on page 68, 'Suggested Method of Funnelling and Scoring With Big Fields'; and some inserted minutes of English Cross-Country Union (ECCU) Executive Meetings and AGMs.

The rear of the volume also includes inserted SCCCA handbooks for 1958-1959, page 236; 1960-1961, page 260; 1961-1962, page 276 and 282; 1962-1963, page 298; and 1963-1964, page 312. The handbooks list officers and committee members; list past Presidents of the Association; and include rules and constitution, annual reports and details of past results.

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ATH/SCCCA/1/2 Miscellaneous meeting papers 1971-1989

Comprises various meeting papers dated 1971 to 1989 which include annual reports; results of athletics meetings; financial statements; notices of meetings; and a small number of typescript minutes.

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ATH/SCCCA/2 Athletics programmes 1914-1990

Programmes of the Annual Championships organised by the Southern Counties Cross-Country Association (SCCCA). Some programmes have been annotated with placings and timings. A number of items include inserted newspaper cuttings relating to

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- the meetings.
- 49 items
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/1 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 28 February 1914
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association '31st Southern Cross-Country Championship' held at Guildford.
- Includes image of A. H. Nicholls and inserted newspaper cuttings.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/2 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 28 February 1920
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association '32nd Southern Ten Miles Cross-Country Championship' held at Kenley Aerodrome.
- With inserted newspaper cuttings.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/3 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 25 February 1922
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association '34th Southern Ten Miles Cross-Country Championship' held at RAF Depot, Uxbridge.
- With loose inserted newspaper cutting.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/4 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 28 February 1925
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association '37th Southern Ten Miles

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- Cross-Country Championship' held at Hall Barn, Beaconsfield.
- With inserted newspaper cuttings.
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- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/5 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 22 February 1947
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Ascot Racecourse.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/6 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 28 February 1948
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Aylesford Paper Mills, Kent.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/7 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 25 February 1950
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Eastbourne.
- With manuscript annotations and loose inserts.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/8 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 24 February 1951
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	Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Trent Park, Cockfosters.	
	1 item	
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ATH/SCCCA/2/9	Athletics programmes: cross-country racing	23 February 1952
	Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Hadleigh, Essex.	
	With manuscript annotations and loose insert.	
	1 item	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SCCCA/2/10	Athletics programmes: cross-country racing	21 February 1953
	Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Aylesford Paper Mills.	
	1 item	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SCCCA/2/11	Athletics programmes: cross-country racing	27 February 1954
	Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill Fields.	
	With manuscript annotations and loose insert.	
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ATH/SCCCA/2/12	Athletics programmes: cross-country racing	19 February 1955

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- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Stanmer Park, Brighton.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/13 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 18 February 1956
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Windsor Great Park.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/14 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 16 February 1957
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Epsom Downs.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/15 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 15 February 1958
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/16 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 14 February 1959
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-

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- Country Championship' held at Aylesford Paper Mills, Kent.
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- ATH/SCCCA/2/17 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 13 February 1960
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
- With manuscript annotations.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/18 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 18 February 1961
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Priest Hill Playing Fields, Ewell.
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- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/19 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 17 February 1962
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Caversham Park, Reading.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/20 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 16 February 1963
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at

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- Parliament Hill.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/21 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 15 February 1964
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/22 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 13 February 1965
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Stanmer Park, Brighton.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/23 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 13 February 1965
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Stanmer Park, Brighton.
- With minor manuscript annotations.
- 1 item
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- ATH/SCCCA/2/24 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 12 February 1966
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.

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- ATH/SCCCA/2/25 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 11 February 1967
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
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- ATH/SCCCA/2/26 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 11 February 1967
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
- 1 item
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- ATH/SCCCA/2/27 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 10 February 1968
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
- 1 item
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- ATH/SCCCA/2/28 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 8 February 1969
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Prospect Park, Reading.
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| ATH/SCCCA/2/29 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 7 February 1970 |
| | Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill. | |
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| ATH/SCCCA/2/30 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 13 February 1971 |
| | Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill. | |
| | 1 item | |
| | Access: Open | |
| ATH/SCCCA/2/31 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 12 February 1972 |
| | Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill. | |
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| ATH/SCCCA/2/32 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 10 February 1973 |
| | Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill. | |
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| ATH/SCCCA/2/33 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 9 February 1974 |
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- Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
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- ATH/SCCCA/2/34 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 8 February 1975
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
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- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/35 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 31 January 1976
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
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- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/36 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 12 February 1977
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Windsor Great Park.
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- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/37 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 11 February 1978
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.

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- ATH/SCCCA/2/38 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 10 February 1979
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
- 1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/39 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 9 February 1980
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' held at Parliament Hill.
- 1 item
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- ATH/SCCCA/2/40 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 14 February 1981
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Brooks and held at Trent Park.
- 1 item
Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/41 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 14 February 1981
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Brooks and held at Trent Park.
- 1 item
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| ATH/SCCCA/2/42 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 13 February 1982 |
| | Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Browning Sports UK and held at Parliament Hill. | |
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| ATH/SCCCA/2/43 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 13 February 1982 |
| | Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Browning Sports UK and held at Parliament Hill. | |
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| ATH/SCCCA/2/44 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 12 February 1983 |
| | Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Brooks and held at Trent Park. | |
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| ATH/SCCCA/2/45 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 11 February 1984 |
| | Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Brooks and held at Parliament Hill. | |
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| ATH/SCCCA/2/46 | Athletics programmes: cross-country racing | 10 January [1987] |

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- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Brooks and held at Parliament Hill.
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- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/47 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 9 January 1988
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Brooks and held at Trent Park.
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- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/48 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 14 January 1989
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Brooks and held at Down Grange, Basingstoke.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/2/49 Athletics programmes: cross-country racing 13 January 1990
- Southern Counties Cross-Country Association 'Team and Individual Cross-Country Championship' sponsored by Brooks and held at Parliament Hill.
- 1 item
- Access: Open
- ATH/SCCCA/3 Ephemera 1911-1912
- Comprises miscellaneous newspaper cuttings concerning SCCCA

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Championships dated 1911 and 1912.
Includes results.

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