

Basic Detail Report



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Title

Lifesavers at Bondi for the 1938 Commonwealth Games

Date

1938

Medium

Photograph, paper

Dimensions

Overall: 70 × 110 mm

Name

Photograph

History

Leonard Trainor appears to have commenced his surf life saving career in 1932. Initially he served with the City of Perth surf life-saving club then moved to the Scarborough club around 1936. He would have patrolled City Beach and Scarborough Beach. Trainor was a member of the Western Australian State Surf Life Saving Team from 1934 to 1938. And participated as member of the WA Team in the Inter- Dominion Surf Life-Saving Competition in Sydney in 1938. He participated in other swimming events such as the Quick Surf Cup (where he came 3rd) and the McGovern Cup endurance events (where he came 1st). Trainor also played Australian Rules football with the Perth Metro Juniors from 1932 and also played with the Perth Football Team in 1938. Trainor enlisted in the RAAF on 30 January 1940 where he worked as a carpenter rigger at the Geraldton Air Force Base. He attained the rank of Sargent in the RAAF and was discharged on 16 October 1945.