

gold and the Queen mark Tracey's last swim

first visit to a Games venue — came out to present the medal, the tears vanished and there was a smile from Tracey to match the Queen.

The hardest time not to cry must be when the national flag is hoisted and Tracey was no exception.

As Advance Australia Fair was played and the Australian flag rose to the roof of the pool, Tracey wept.

"I've never cried after a race in my life, either after winning or losing," she said later.

"But it didn't hit me until just then that it was finally all over."

Tracey, who has done the well-nigh impossible to return from retirement to win two gold medals

at the Games, said she would not make another comeback.

"I've achieved what I set out to do," she said.

"I don't want to do it Muhammad Ali and come back as second best."

It had been a great day for Australia in the pool, with Lisa Curry, Max Meziker, Lisa Forrest all winning gold.

Then after Tracey came another gold for Australia, but one that left a bad taste in the mouth.

In yet another relay sensation, the Canadian men's 4 x 100 metres freestyle relay team was disqualified for a "break" at the last changeover, and they lost the gold they clearly won. Instead, it went to the Australian team.

The Australian last-leg swim-

mer Neil Brooks said: "Winning because of disqualification definitely takes something away from the success."

The Canadians took the decision badly. The team marched out of the Chioder centre. Howlings were punched and a pot plant and a rubbish bin took a beating.

The Australians were also the centre of controversy yesterday as the news was released that three swimmers — Neil Brooks, Michelle Ford and Rosemary Brown — had been told they would have to go home as soon as their swims were over because of curfew-breaking when the team was in a training camp in Sydney.

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The Queen presents Tracey Wickham with her second Games gold medal — for the 400 metres freestyle last night.

10' to US recession formula dry workers 1 \$17 pay cut

MacBean said yesterday that wages and job sharing or wage reduction would be strongly resisted by the union movement.

Mr MacBean said that he had heard of no proposed wage cutting or job sharing where employers were willing to guarantee job security.

"We know it is rife in America — it is something the union movement will strongly resist because we don't believe it is the answer to the present crises. Reduced wages and reduced demand will not help manufacturing."

Norton's process workers were led by union representatives that through the company clearly stated that wage reductions were an alternative to retrenchments, it would make no guarantee about saving jobs.

Another group of Norton's employees, about 25 to 30 commercial travellers, have already told that their salaries will be cut by 10 per cent for three months from January 1 — a cut about \$32-\$34 a week.

Norton Pty Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Massachusetts-based Norton International Company, manufacturers of adhesives and bonded and coated abrasives, sandpaper, grinding wheels and the like.

An official of the Sydney company said yesterday that "no body is available to comment about this today."

In a letter to its commercial travellers the company stated "continuing poor business conditions in Australia, as well as contracting export opportunities, required Norton make changes to reduce the total cost structure. Our considerations include the fact that the business environment for 1983 is not expected to improve."

The company's principles were to contain "meaningful active employment for as many people as possible" and with this in mind it proposed pay cuts — initially a 5 per cent salary reduction to be effective from October 1 to March 31.

However, when the Commer-

cial Travellers' Association pointed out their award required three months notice of any such move, this was changed to a reduction of 10 per cent for three months.

The NSW Secretary of the Federated Rubber Workers' Union, Mr Barney French, told a mass meeting of process and clerical workers yesterday that it was the most important meeting ever held at the factory.

Its outcome could mean jobs — "You're all over 21 and I don't need to draw little pictures for you, but the final decision must be yours," he said.

He described the company's proposal as a "stalking horse" and if the wage reductions were accepted they would be the first of many.

"In normal circumstances, if times were good, there's no doubt about what you'd be doing about a proposal like this — you would be out that door so fast it wouldn't be funny. Times are hard, nobody needs to tell me that, but does that change anything. I don't think so."

There had been no guarantees that there would be no retrenchments even if a wage cut were accepted. One worker was cheered as he said that in the company's history it had never been known to give back what it had taken away.

A resolution rejecting the wage cuts was carried with only four or five dissenters, but Mr French said later that he feared that the company would go ahead with the wage cutting.

"This matter has already been in the Arbitration Commission at the company's notification and it's going back there tomorrow."

"Norton's wants the commission's imprimatur on its wage cutting exercise, but even if it doesn't get it there is nothing to stop it going ahead because I don't think in the circumstances that people are going to walk out the gate."

"Norton's has always been a reasonable company to deal with and I've no reason to disbelieve that they are not doing so well, but why should the workers be the guinea pigs who have got to pay for the recession?"

The executive director of the NSW Employers' Federation, Mr Alan Jones, said yesterday there was no doubt that wage cutting was a growing trend in the US.

"Employees are going to their

Royal Family 'used' to boost smoking

By RICHARD ECKERSLEY

Tobacco companies are using the Royal Family to promote cigarette smoking, according to the editor of the Medical Journal of Australia.

Dr Alan Blum said yesterday that members of the Royal Family were attending several events in Australia with which tobacco companies were associated.

The companies were making "an unabashed attempt" to get royal endorsement of cigarette smoking, he said.

It was incredible that in 1982, after more than 30 years of medical research showing the health costs of smoking, tobacco companies persisted in promoting smoking as socially acceptable and that sporting and other bodies were co-operating with them.

Dr Blum said Rothmans was sponsoring a show-jumping event to be held at the National Sports Centre in Canberra on Saturday.

Its advertisements included the words: "Dunhill invites you to be present at a unique spectacle, international show jumping, to be held in the presence of His Royal Highness, the Duke of Edinburgh."

Dr Blum said: "The poster shows a horse jumping over what could charitably be described as some obstacle, but looks awfully like four cigarettes."

He said Philip Morris had advertised this week its association with the Australian National Gallery, which was to be opened by the Queen next week.

Tobacco companies were also associated with two other current events with royal patronage: the Commonwealth Games and the visit of the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet.

At the very least, the Royal Family should not be associated with events sponsored by tobacco companies, he said.

"Clearly this can only demolish the medical profession



A poster advertising Prince Philip's presence at a Dunhill-sponsored event.

and only harm public understanding of what is causing high medical costs and health problems."

Dr Blum said that the British medical journal, The Lancet, had questioned in 1978 the use of the royal crest and the words, "By appointment to Her Majesty the Queen," by some cigarette brands.

Lancet had claimed that the last four British monarchs had died of diseases related to smoking.

The Medical Journal of Australia is the journal of the Australian Medical Association. A spokesman would say yesterday only that the AMA was very unhappy about the current association between smoking and sports promotion.

A spokesman for Philip Morris said the company was handing over the Philip Morris Arts Grant Collection of works by Australian artists to the National Gallery next week.

The Queen was not involved and was not mentioned in the advertisement. "Any suggestion that we're using the Royal Family is mischievous to say the least."

The Herald was unable to get comment from Rothmans yesterday.

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THE Institute of Sports Medicine is appealing for \$500,000 to expand its premises at Lewisham and improve treatment techniques. One reason for what the institute says is an "alarming" increase in injuries suffered in sport — more women are invading the old male preserves, such as parachute jumping and soccer. But among some 35,000 people that the institute has treated since it opened in 1966 are men and women who were indulging in, of all things, test pegging, kite flying and shuttlecock.

CONGRATULATIONS to the good fund-raising folk of Coolah. In 13 months they have given \$35,000 towards a retirement units project. That works out at about \$17.50 for each man, woman and child in the town, which has a population of only about 2,000. If they can get another \$5,000-odd, the Federal Government will chip in \$84,000, and construction will go ahead. Coolah, 379 kilometres north-west of Sydney, also supports a Lions Club, hospital auxiliary, Scouts and Cubs, Far West children, rescue squad, CWA, St Vincent de Paul group, and appeals for spastics and sufferers of multiple sclerosis.

NOT all diggers wore their hats with a slouch (Column 8, October 1). Several veterans of the 3rd Division, 1st AIF say they did not turn up the brim, although one remembers a tradition of turning the hat into a slouch but when they were going on leave. Akubra is sending one of its famous hats to Mr Robert E. Campbell of Beverly, Massachusetts, who asked about the reason for the turned brim. The company can afford the gift — it made more than 2 million slouch hats for Australian, New Zealand and Indian troops during two World Wars, and still supplies them.

"TO the Queen, love from Richard" was one message among the dozens of cards, presents and bunches of flowers handed to Queen Elizabeth in Smith Street Mall, Darwin, yesterday. The Queen passed Richard's card and a present from a class at Jingili Primary School to her Australian equerry, Lieutenant-Colonel Guy Bagot. And he in turn passed it to a British Royal tour official, who replied to a Column 8 representative as follows: "They [the gifts] are all acknowledged — I can't say whether they will all end up in Buckingham Palace."

IS THIS the best Melbourne has to offer? An advertisement in a Sydney newspaper for Melbourne office space urges readers to "compare our unique advantages" and offers "office space for the right reasons." A list of assets which the Melbourne block offers includes "an exclusive postcode, 3005."

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