

*Australian Bantamweight Boxing Champion*

# JOHNNY JARRETT

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In the past Australia has produced some mighty fighting men  
And mighty fighters in world class show up now and again  
Jim Carruthers proved he was the best, a fighter of renown  
When he beat the best the world could find and won the Bantam Crown

Les Darcy and Ron Richards fought the best from other lands  
Ambrose Palmer and Jack Carroll and also David Sands  
They were mighty fighters, all those men, to mention just a few  
All proven fighters every one when they had a job to do

And now another star shines bright to help the boxing game  
Hard fighting Johnny Jarrett from Grafton seeks his fame  
He is fighting hard to reach the top and I think his future's sealed  
All Kempsey folk remember him out on the football field

He played as Johnny Patton on the wing for C.Y.M.  
His footwork on the field was good, his speed you can't condemn  
But he gave his football boots away for a set of boxing gloves  
And won himself a title at the boxing game he loves

Now John has one ambition as through this fighting world he'll roam  
He loves his Dad and Mother and wants to build them both a home  
Johnny Jarrett is a sportsman, friends, as a fighter he should go far  
He can fight and doesn't smoke or drink, that's a fighter's guiding star

Now I take this opportunity to wish young Johnny well  
Some day I'll write some more of him when there is some more to tell  
So keep your gloves up high, John Jarrett, have faith in what you do  
And wish for fame and fortune that may one day come to you

So I close this little poem, friends, for there's not much more to say  
But I know that Johnny Jarrett will reach the top some day