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**BOOK REVIEW**

**Title:** 1980 YEAR BOOK OF SPORTS MEDICINE

**Editors:** T. B. Quigley and Others

**Publisher:** Year Book Morby, Chicago and Year Book Publishers, London

**Price:** £28.50  80 Figs.  37 pages  Author Index and Subject Index

Compared with the 1979 Year Book, reviewed in this journal by John Williams, the 1980 version is some 80 pages longer, and the addition of John G. P. Williams, Ejnar Eriksson and H. Nakajima as corresponding editors, and Roy Shephard to the main editing team have made the current book much less parochial and U.S. orientated.

The book comprises two leading articles, one the Winter Olympic Games at Lake Placid, and on Olympic boxing, then abstracts of half to two pages length with comments on each by one or other of the editors. Topics include exercise physiology, biomechanics, general medicine, sports traumatology, womens’ and childrens’ special problems in sport, and athletic training.

Most of the criticisms of the first, 1979, edition have now been answered, and in the short time taken the editors have performed a big task in collecting, abstracting and commenting upon the work of some 325 authors. This second edition is expensive for the casual reader who may want to keep up to date with annual editions, but of great value to the library of a sports medicine centre, medical school, physical education college or school of physiotherapy.

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