



**VICTORIAN ROWING
ASSOCIATION.**

**Annual Report
and Balance-Sheet**

SEASON 1907-8.

J. W. HAMILTON,
Hon. Treasurer.

JAS. FORSYTH,
Hon. Secretary.



Victorian Rowing Association.

THE THIRTY-SECOND
ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING

WILL BE HELD AT

AMATEUR SPORTS CLUB,
EQUITABLE BUILDINGS,
— MELBOURNE, —

ON

MONDAY, 28th SEPTEMBER, 1908,

AT EIGHT P.M.

BUSINESS :

To receive Annual Report and Balance-Sheet.

To elect Office-Bearers, viz. : Patrons, President, eight Vice-Presidents, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary, two Hon. Auditors.

Presentation of Championship Medals.

JAS. FORSYTH,
Hon. Secretary.

Victorian Rowing Association.

SEASON 1907-8.



List of Office-Bearers.

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Committee :

ELECTED MEMBERS (10).

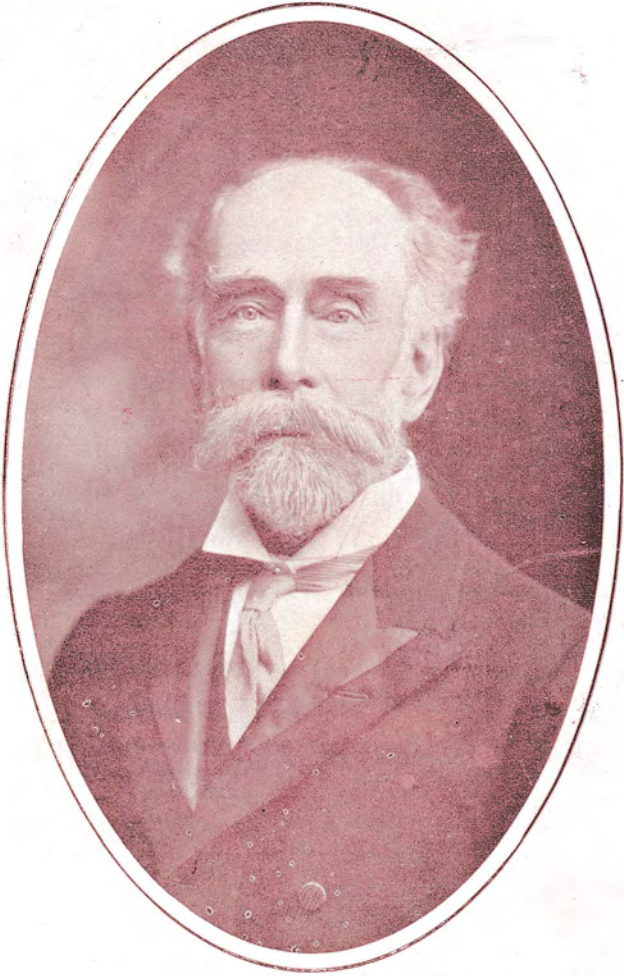
ELECTED. RETIRES.			ELECTED. RETIRES.		
J. A. WILLIAMS	... 1908 ... 1910		A. L. DOBBIE	... 1907 ... 1909	
J. FORSYTH	... 1908 ... 1910		C. McDONELL	... 1907 ... 1909	
S. PETRIE...	... 1908 ... 1910		W. WILKINSON	... 1907 ... 1909	
J. FOGARTY	... 1908 ... 1910		P. C. DOWLING...	... 1907 ... 1909	
M. MORAN	... 1908 ... 1910		T. DAVIES	... 1907 ... 1909	

REPRESENTATIVE MEMBERS.

Albert Park	... D. O'MAHONY	Hawthorn	... C. D. HARRISON
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Ballarat	... J. M. MACPARLANE	Mercantile	... M. S. MACNAUGHTON
Ballarat	... DON. CAMERON	Nagambie...	... J. E. DERUM
Ballarat City	... C. A. CHAMPION	Richmond	... J. MITCHELL
Bairnsdale...	... C. MUDIE	Richmond	... GEO. ANDERSON
Bairnsdale...	... F. P. RICHARDSON	Seymour	... H. J. WHITING
Banks	... A. A. BROWN	South Melbourne	... R. R. HILL
Banks	... G. S. STOGDALE	South Melbourne	... A. RICHARDSON
Barwon	... H. M. STRACHAN	Sandhurst...	... E. WILLIAMS
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Civil Service	... M. KEELEY	Wendouree	... J. GAUDEON
Cobram	... J. HENDERSON	Wendouree	... W. H. ROGERSON
Colac	... C. H. KOHN	Yarra Yarra	... L. P. HUGHES
Corio Bay	... H. D. FLEMING	Yarra Yarra	... A. TOWART
Essendon	... J. E. REIDY	Yarrowonga	... P. C. IVENS
Essendon	... F. WIGHT	University	... J. LANG
Footscray City	... M. MORAN	University	... O'DELL CROWTHER
Footscray City	... E. J. SYMONS	Old Wesley Collegians	... A. G. GREENHAM

The following Associated Clubs did not nominate Representative Members:

SALE, SHEPPARTON, WARRNAMBOOL.



HENRY GYLES TURNER, Esq. (President).
Elected 1884.

THIRTY-SECOND
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Victorian Rowing Association.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION.

GENTLEMEN,

Your Committee has pleasure in presenting to you
the Thirty-Second Annual Report and Balance-Sheet,

OPENING OF THE SEASON.

In view of the fact that many of the clubs were holding eight-oared races on the date usually selected for the opening of the season, your Committee deemed it advisable to dispense with the usual combination eight-oared races, and decided on the date of the Champion Sculls (October 12th, 1908) as the official opening of the season.

**INTERSTATE EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP
OF AUSTRALIA.**

Rowed at Melbourne, May 9th, 1908.

The 32nd Annual Interstate Eight-oared Race was rowed on the River Yarra on the above date, and after a splendid contest, resulted in a victory for the New South Wales crew, Victoria being second, Tasmania third, South Australia fourth, West Australia fifth, and Queensland last. The victory of the New South Wales crew was exceedingly popular, and they thoroughly deserved the congratulations showered upon them. The Victorian crew was composed of Jas. Donald, A.P.R.C. (stroke); M. G. Scott, Albert Park R.C. (7); C. Donald, Albert Park R.C. (6); H. J. Whiting, Albert Park R.C. (5); D. McNaughton, Essendon R.C. (4); V. Gard, Banks R.C. (3); W. Potter, Mercantile R.C. (2); Geo. Ferguson, Mercantile R.C. (bow); B. Arnold, Albert Park R.C. (cox).

INTERSTATE EIGHT-OARED CREWS

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Colour—Light Blue.

	st.	lb.
Stroke R. B. Fitzhardinge	11	
7 O. A. Ireland	11	10
6 K. B. Gaden	13	3
5 H. Hauenstein	12	7
4 J. H. D. Goldie	11	8
3 J. A. Ryrie	11	10
2 W. W. Martin	12	0
Bow S. C. Jones	11	5

Cox—R. S. K. Waley.

Coach—W. J. Middleton.

Manager—P. D. Kirby.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Colours—Vandyke Brown and Turquoise Blue.

	st.	lb.
Stroke T. Whyte	12	2
7 E. L. Sanders	11	0
6 C. T. Lawton	10	9
5 W. G. Wigg	11	2
4 W. Nation	12	4
3 G. A. Lawton	12	9
2 F. R. Peterson	12	0
Bow J. E. Osborne	9	7

Cox—W. S. Webb.

Coach—J. H. Clouston.

Manager—T. A. T. Heward.

Emergency—E. T. Peterson.

VICTORIA.

Colours—Dark Blue, White V on Cap.

	st.	lb.
Stroke Jas. Donald	11	8
7 M. G. Scott	12	3
6 C. Donald	10	10
5 H. J. Whiting	12	2
4 D. McNaughton	12	4
3 B. Gard	11	10
2 W. Potter	11	6
Bow G. Ferguson	11	2

Cox—B. Arnold.

Coach—Jas. Macfarlane.

Emergency—W. Anketell.

WEST AUSTRALIA.

Colours—Yellow, Black Swan.

	st.	lb.
Stroke H. H. Sadler	10	11
7 R. Joyce	11	2
6 A. Fearby	12	6
5 A. H. Carlisle	12	0
4 E. C. Kempstead	10	10
3 A. A. Strickland	10	12
2 G. Rogers	10	10
Bow T. Mackie	10	0

Cox—L. Allwinton.

Coach and Manager—C. W. Horsburgh.

Emergencies—C. W. Horsburgh, W. Goss.

TASMANIA.

Colours—Dark Blue, Light Blue Maltese Cross, White Cap.

	st.	lb.
Stroke W. Robinson	10	6
7 D. Munro	11	8
6 B. Lithgow	12	6
5 J. Woodhouse	12	10
4 T. H. Stephens	11	10
3 H. Henley	11	8
2 T. T. Scarborough	10	5
Bow A. T. Smith	10	5

Cox—C. Coogan.

Coach—J. Coogan.

Emergencies—J. Artis and A. Forsythe.

QUEENSLAND.

Colour—Maroon.

	st.	lb.
Stroke J. H. Williams	10	10
7 H. A. Montefire	12	0
6 J. Ferguson	11	13
5 A. Dennis	12	12
4 W. P. Watts	12	9
3 J. Donovan	12	6
2 M. Byrne	11	7
Bow A. Swenssen	10	5

Cox—W. Fowles.

Coach—A. A. Watson.

Emergency—W. Mellish.

Manager—J. N. Devoy.

RECORD OF INTERSTATE RACES. EIGHTS.

YEAR.	WON BY	OTHER COMPETITORS.	ROWED AT	TIME
				M. S.
1878	Victoria	N. S. W.	Melbourne	
1879	N. S. W.	Victoria	Sydney	20 6
1880	Victoria	N. S. W.	Melbourne	26 45
1881	Victoria	N. S. W.	Sydney	18 12
1882	N. S. W.	Victoria	Melbourne	20 47
1883	Victoria	N. S. W.	Sydney	18 10
1884	Victoria	N. S. W.	Melbourne	24 5
1885	N. S. W.	Vic. Tas. and Q.	Sydney	19 28
1886	Victoria	N. S. W.	Melbourne	18 42½
1887	Victoria	N. S. W.	Sydney	17 12¼
†1888	Victoria	N. S. W.	Melbourne	17 46
1888	Victoria	N. S. W.	Sydney	16 57
1889	Victoria	N. S. W.	Melbourne	17 30
1890	Victoria	Q'land & N. S. W.	Sydney	18 45½
1891	Qu'land	N. S. W. & Vic.	Melbourne	18 45
1892	Victoria	N. S. W. & Q'd.	Brisbane	15 5
1893	N. S. W.	Victoria & Q.	Sydney	19 23
1894	Victoria	N. S. W. & Q.	Melbourne	16 24
1895	Victoria	N. S. W. & Q.	Brisbane	16 16½
1896	Victoria	N. S. W. & Q.	Sydney	17 17
1897	Victoria	W. A. & Q.	Melbourne	17 10
1898	Victoria	Queensland	Brisbane	16 1
1899	Victoria	N. S. W., S. A., Q.	Melbourne	†14 52
1900	Victoria	N. S. W., Q., S. A.	Brisbane	15 50
1901	Victoria	N. S. W., Q., S. A.	Sydney	17 14
1902	Victoria	S. A., Q., W. A., N. S. W.	Adelaide	17 7
1903	Victoria	Q., S. A., N. S. W., W. A.	Melbourne	†14 27 4-5
1904	Victoria	S. A., Q., N. S. W., W. A.	Brisbane	17 17 2-5
1905	Victoria	Tas., N. S. W., W. A., S. A., Q.	Sydney	16 25
1906	T'mania	Vic., N. S. W., W. A., S. A.	Perth	15 57
1907	Victoria	Tas., Q., N. S. W., W. A., S. A.	Adelaide	17 4
1908	N. S. W.	Vic., Tas., S. A., W. A., Q.	Melbourne.	†14 24 1-5

† Two races were rowed in 1888—in April and November.

‡ Distance, 2½ miles.

FOURS.

YEAR.	ROWED AT	WON BY	OTHER COMPETITORS
1888	.. Sydney	.. Victoria	.. N. Z., Tas., N. S. W.
1896	.. Sydney	.. Victoria	.. N. Z., N. S. W.

INTERSTATE SCULLING RACE.

On the same day as the Eights, the Annual Interstate Sculling Race was held. Unfortunately, P. C. Ivens, who had been selected to represent this State, was unable to compete owing to indisposition, but his club mate, H. Brasch, who had received permission to compete as a second Victorian representative, worthily upheld the honour of the State, finishing second to E. Jack (Tasmania), J. N. Towns (New South Wales) being third, and W. M. Callaghan (Queensland) fourth. A question having been raised as to the eligibility of the Tasmanian representative (E. Jack) to compete in this race, your Committee has meantime not awarded the usual certificate to the winner, and the whole matter is being considered by the various associations.

INTERSTATE SCULLERS.

VICTORIA.—(Colors: Dark blue, white V on cap).	
P. C. IVENS	10 12 ^{st. lb.}
TASMANIA.—(Colors: Dark blue, light blue Maltese cross, white cap).	
E. JACK	10 6
VICTORIA.—(Colors: White, Cambridge blue trimmings and cap).	
H. BRASCH	11 10
NEW SOUTH WALES.—(Color: Light blue).	
J. R. TOWNS	13 0
QUEENSLAND.—(Color: Maroon).	
W. M. CALLAGHAN	10 5

Besides the various functions arranged by your Committee, the Interstate visitors and the local representatives were hospitably entertained during their stay by the Acting Lord Mayor (Cr. Davey), the Henley Regatta Committee, the Albert Park R.C., and the Metropolitan Fire Brigades' Board, and the thanks of your Committee are due to those named for their assistance in this direction, as well as to the Melbourne Harbour Trust for regulating the traffic on the day of the race and for the use of their steamer "Osprey"; also to Messrs. Howard Smith and Coy. for the excellent boat arrangements.

Your Committee also desire to place on record their appreciation of the efforts of the eight-oared crew and sculler, as well as to thank the selectors (Messrs. A. J. Shepherd, J. M. Macfarland and A. R. Moses, and the coach of the crew, Mr. J. M. Macfarland.

WINNERS OF AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP SCULLS.

1892	...	Rowed at Brisbane	...	M. J. Slack (Queensland)
1895	...	Rowed at Brisbane	...	E. Powell (Victoria)
1896	...	Rowed at Sydney	...	M. J. Slack (Queensland)
1897	...	Rowed at Melbourne	...	E. Powell (West Australia)
1898	...	Rowed at Brisbane	...	A. Dennis (Queensland)
1899	...	Rowed at Melbourne	...	J. J. Daley (New South Wales)
1900	...	Rowed at Brisbane	...	M. J. Slack (Queensland)
1901	...	Rowed at Sydney	...	J. J. Daley (New South Wales)
1902	...	Rowed at Adelaide	...	J. J. Daley (New South Wales)
1903	...	Rowed at Melbourne	...	T. H. Bourke (Tasmania)
1904	...	Rowed at Brisbane	...	T. H. Bourke (Tasmania)
1905	...	Rowed at Sydney	...	T. H. Bourke (Tasmania)
1906	...	Rowed at Perth	...	P. C. Ivens (Victoria)
1907	...	Rowed at Adelaide	...	P. C. Ivens (Victoria)
1908	...	Rowed at Melbourne	...	E. Jack (Tasmania)

INTERSTATE CONFERENCE.

Advantage was taken of the presence in Melbourne of representatives of each State to hold a conference for the consideration of matters in connection with these annual contests, and every State was represented. One of the items of discussion was the waters on which the races are to be rowed in each State, and the following was agreed upon:—Victoria, River Yarra; Queensland, Brisbane River; New South Wales, Parramatta River; West Australia, Swan River; and South Australia, Port Adelaide River. It was further decided that future entries for the Interstate Eight-oared and the sculling races be made on an entry form, declaring the entrants to be eligible to compete under the amateur definition of Conference 1896. A test race between crews representing the two disputing bodies in Tasmania was arranged, and resulted in a win for the Tasmanian Rowing Association (Launceston) crew, and this crew represented that State in the race.

The Conference also submitted to these disputing bodies a scheme which, if agreed upon, will obviate any unpleasantness in the future, and result in a crew representative of that State being chosen in Tasmania for future races. Your representatives on the Conference were Messrs. G. Upward (who acted as chairman), J. Macfarlane, A. J. Shepherd, and J. Forsyth, the last-named as Hon. Secretary.

CHAMPION SCULLING RACE.

October 12th, 1907.

This event resulted in a row-over for P. C. Ivens (Mercantile R.C.), the only entrant, whose record now shows seven successive wins.

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP SCULLING RACE.

Year.	Won by	Club.	No. of Time.	
			Starters.	Min. Sec.
1888	J. C. Fitzgerald	Williamstown	4	22 35
1889	J. H. Kerr	Yarra Yarra	5	22 5
1890	J. C. Fitzgerald	Melbourne City	7	21 10
1891	W. J. Bridson	Wellington (N.Z.)	7	20 58
1892	M. Slack	Breakfast Creek (Q.)	5	22 46½
1893	J. C. Fitzgerald	Electric Telegraph	2	24 13
1894	W. Dawson	Ballarat	6	22 6
1895	E. Powell	Albert Park	3	28 36½
1896	T. Carlyon	Fchuca East	4	26 25½
1897	C. Chapman	Wairewa (N.Z.)	2	23 3
1898-9	C. Donald	Albert Park	2	23 19
1899-00	C. Donald	Albert Park	2	—
1900-1	C. Donald	Albert Park	3	*19 7
1901-2	P. C. Ivens	Mercantile	3	*19 19½
1902-3	P. C. Ivens	Mercantile	4	* —
1903-4	P. C. Ivens	Mercantile	4	*18 0
1904-5	P. C. Ivens	Mercantile	2	* —
1905-6	P. C. Ivens	Mercantile	2	20 55
1906-7	P. C. Ivens	Mercantile	2	16 39
1907-8	P. C. Ivens	Mercantile	1	R.O.

Distance, 2½ miles.

CHAMPION FOUR-OARED RACE.

Rowed on Lower Yarra on Saturday, November 16th, 1907, and resulted in a win for the Albert Park R.C. representatives—Jas. Donald (stroke), M. G. Scott (3), C. Donald (2), H. J. Whiting (bow), B. Arnold (cox)—Mercantile R.C. being second.

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP FOUR-OARED RACE.

Year.	Won by	No. of Crews		Time.
		Entered.	min. sec.	
1888	Wendouree	4	19 32	
1889	Melbourne City	4	19 15	
1890	Yarra Yarra	5	19 30	
1891	Yarra Yarra	4	20 40	
1892	Yarra Yarra	5	*18 50	
1893	Yarra Yarra	4	19 45	
1894	Wendouree	4	20 50	
1895	Mercantile	3	17 22	
1896	Mercantile	3	18 38	
1897	Mercantile	2	19 30	
1898-9	Albert Park	1	r.o.	
1899-00	Albert Park	2	17 44	
1900-1	Mercantile	2	17 47	
1901-2	Mercantile	4	15 32 2-5	
1902-3	Albert Park	2	14 47	
1903-4	Albert Park	3	16 15 2-5	
1904-5	Albert Park	3	14 21	
1905-6	Albert Park	3	15 5 3-5	
1906-7	Mercantile	4	19 40 2-5	
1907-8	Albert Park	2	16 55 2-5	

*This race was re-rowed a week later, when the time was 18 min. 12 sec.

CHAMPION PAIR-OARED RACE.

Rowed on the Yarra over the mile course extending from opposite the entrance to the canal to the Footscray wharf on Saturday, 30th November, 1907, and proved a splendid race. Six crews started in this event, which was eventually won by the Essendon representatives—D. McNaughton (stroke), F. Wight (bow), W. Reidy (cox)—Civil Service being beaten by one foot; Albert Park third, Mercantile fourth, Banks fifth, Footscray City sixth. The time was 5min. 23 2-5th sec.

RECORD OF PREVIOUS RACES.

Year.	Rowed at	Won by	No. of Starters.
1900-1901	Ballarat	Mercantile	5
1901-1902	Melbourne	Albert Park	4
1902-1903	Melbourne	Albert Park	4
1903-1904	Melbourne	Albert Park	3
1904-1905	Melbourne	Nagambie	3
1905-1906	Melbourne	Mercantile	5
1906-1907	Melbourne	Mercantile	6
1907-1908	Melbourne	Essendon	6

CHAMPION EIGHT-OARED RACE.

Held on the Lower Yarra on Saturday, March 21st, 1908, and resulted in the Mercantile Club's representatives—A. B. Sloan (stroke), H. Lindgren (7), W. Potter (6), M. Moss (5), A. L. Dobbie (4), M. C. Brown (3), P. C. Ivens (2), S. Ferguson (bow), A. Wickham (cox)—securing the coveted honour from Albert Park, who were disqualified.

At the January meeting of your Committee it was decided that crews competing in all championship events held on the Lower Yarra over the course finishing at the Footscray Rowing Club sheds, and all crews competing at regattas held over the course extending from the sugar works to Footscray R.C. shed, shall not go between the beacons and the shore of Coode Island. The Albert Park crew went inside the beacon (as in former years), and, although they passed the winning post first, were disqualified, and the race was awarded the Mercantile Club's representatives.

The following resolution was ordered to be placed on the minutes:—"The Albert Park crew passed the winning post first, but were disqualified for infringing a regulation respecting the course."

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP EIGHT-OARED RACE.

Year.	Won by	No. of Crews Entered.	Time. min. sec.
1889	Albert Park	3	15 20
1890	Banks	3	17 58
1891	Yarra Yarra	3	18 0
*1892	Yarra Yarra	2	—
1893	Yarra Yarra	2	15 44
1894	Wendouree	4	17 6
1895	Yarra Yarra	2	17 32
1896	Mercantile...	4	17 17½
1897	Mercantile...	3	17 55
1898	Banks	3	18 55
1899	Ballarat	4	21 55
1900	Albert Park	3	14 34
1901	Mercantile...	2	14 26
†1902	Albert Park	2	—
1903	Albert Park	2	13 2 3-5
1904	Ballarat	4	12 21 1-5
1905	Ballarat	3	12 44
1906	Albert Park	3	13 2
1907	Albert Park	3	12 20 1-5
**1908	Mercantile...	2	12 37 4-5

*This race resulted in a row over, as Corio Bay, who had entered, did not start.

†This race resulted in a row over, as Mercantile, who had entered, did not start.

**Albert Park passed the winning post first, but were disqualified for infringing a regulation respecting the course.

ANNUAL REGATTA.

The Annual Regatta was held on the Upper Yarra on Saturday, December 14th, 1907, and proved a highly successful one.

RESULTS OF EVENTS

EVENTS.	CLUB.	WINNERS.		OTHER STARTERS.
		W.	W.	
MAIDEN PAIR	Cobram	R. C. Tuck (bow)	L. Grant (stroke)	Barwon, South Melbourne, Albert Park, Corio Bay, Seymour, Wendouree, Old Wesley Collegians.
MAIDEN SCULLS	Albert Park	E. Patterson		Mercantile, Yarra Yarra.
MAIDEN FOUR	University	R. S. Anderson (bow) F. Dossetor (2)	E. Dyason (3) S. Fraser (stroke)	Essendon, Richmond City, Cobram, Yarra Yarra, Wendouree, Ballarat, Mercantile, South Melbourne.
JUNIOR PAIR	Mercantile	R. E. Warburton (bow) S. Guinn (stroke)		Yarra Yarra, Wendouree, Richmond, Albert Park, Seymour, Ballarat.
JUNIOR SCULLS	Mercantile	A. Lindblade		Mercantile (V. Jones), Albert Park.
SENIOR FOUR	Albert Park	H. J. Whiting (bow) C. Donald (2)	M. G. Scott (3) J. Donald (stroke)	Civil Service, Footscray, Mercantile.
MAIDEN EIGHT	Footscray	A. McInnes (bow) A. Roberts (2) A. Jacobson (3) F. Stokely (4)	G. Smith (5) R. McKay (6) W. Cox (7) R. Armitage (stroke)	Albert Park, Barwon, Wendouree, Richmond University, Banks, Essendon, Yarra Yarra Civil Service, Mercantile, Hawthorn.
SENIOR PAIR	Essendon	F. Wight (bow)	D. McNaughton (stroke)	Albert Park, Ballarat, Banks.
JUNIOR FOUR	Ballarat	F. Fleming (bow) W. Oliver (2)	J. Johnston (3) W. Hickey (stroke)	Footscray City, Corio Bay.

Your Committee take this opportunity of thanking those gentlemen who so kindly officiated as Judges, Starters, Umpires, etc., at this Regatta.

The following Regattas were also held during the season, and proved successful in every case:—Henley-on-Yarra, Seymour, Nagambie, Colac, Upper Yarra, Footscray, Ballarat, Barwon, Bairnsdale, and Paynesville.

PREMIERSHIP.

The wisdom of your Committee in making the alteration in the points system and allotting two Premierships has been fully justified this season. The Mercantile Rowing Club is to be congratulated on securing the Senior Premiership, and the Footscray City Rowing Club on securing the Junior Premiership. The points secured by the various clubs in the Junior Premiership give an idea of the keenness of competition in maiden and junior events, and although the Senior Premiership shows a wider margin in points, it must be remembered that this Premiership rested with the winners of Champion Eight.

SENIOR PREMIERSHIP. Senior and Champion Events.

Mercantile	56	Footscray	4
Albert Park	28	Nagambie	4
Essendon	12	Banks	2
Ballarat	6		

JUNIOR PREMIERSHIP. Maiden and Junior Events.

Footscray	56	University	12
Mercantile	49	Yarra Yarra	12
Ballarat	42	Cobram	10
Wendouree	36	Hawthorn	10
South Melbourne	22	Albert Park	7
Banks	20	Old Wesley Collegians	4
Barwon	16	Bairnsdale	4
Essendon	12	Ballarat City	2
Shepparton	12	Richmond	2

RECORD OF PREMIERSHIPS

1898-1899 ...	Ballarat	1904-1905 ...	Albert Park
1899-1900 ...	Albert Park	1905-1906 ...	Albert Park
1900-1901 ...	Mercantile	1906-1907* ...	Albert Park (Senior)
1901-1902 ...	Albert Park	1906-1907 ...	Albert Park (Junior)
1902-1903 ...	Albert Park	1907-1908 ...	Mercantile (Senior)
1903-1904 ...	Ballarat	1907-1908 ...	Footscray City (Jr.)

*Prior to 1906-7 only one Premiership awarded to club securing most points in all events.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

During the year thirteen Committee meetings were held, and the attendances were as follows:—

Name.	Attendance.	Capacity.
G. E. Upward	12	Vice-President
C. Monteath	9	Vice-President
J. A. Williams	10	Elected Member
G. Mitchell	2	Rep. Albert Park
C. D. Harrison	6	Rep. Hawthorn
E. H. Williams	9	Elected Member
A. L. Dobbie	13	Elected Member
M. S. McNaughton	11	Rep. Mercantile
D. O'Mahony	10	Rep. Albert Park
G. S. Stogdale	5	Rep. Banks
P. C. Dowling	12	Elected Member
T. Davies	7	Elected Member
J. E. Reidy	12	Rep. Essendon
E. J. Symons	2	Rep. Footscray
J. Gaudion	4	Rep. Wendouree.
M. Moran	11	Rep. Footscray
J. E. Derum	3	Rep. Nagambie
S. Petrie	11	Elected Member
D. Cameron	10	Rep. Ballarat
A. G. Greenham	2	Rep. Old Wes. Coll.
P. C. Ivens	12	Rep. Yarrowonga
W. Wilkinson	11	Elected Member
A. Towart	10	Rep. Yarra Yarra
J. Macfarlane	13	Rep. Ballarat
C. McDonell	11	Elected Member
J. W. Hamilton	10	Hon. Treas.
J. P. Hughes	11	Rep. Yarra Yarra
J. Henderson	12	Rep. Cobram
E. V. O'Brien	9	Rep. Sandhurst
M. T. Keeley	4	Rep. Civil Service
J. Mitchell	2	Rep. Richmond
C. Champion	6	Rep. Ballarat City
J. Forsyth	13	Hon. Sec.
A. J. Shepherd	11	Vice Pres.
A. Brown	8	Rep. Banks
E. W. Greig*	3	Rep. S. Melbourne
A. R. Moses	8	Elected Member
R. R. Hill	7	Rep. S. Melbourne
E. A. Swindells	11	Elected Member
F. P. Richardson	7	Rep. Bairnsdale
Geo. Telford	1	Rep. Richmond
C. H. Kohn	5	Rep. Colac
F. Wight	5	Rep. Essendon
T. Ellison	4	Vice Pres.
C. Mudie*	6	Rep. Bairnsdale
H. A. Hearn	9	Rep. Civil Service
J. Fogarty	9	Rep. Mercantile
W. B. House	2	Vice Pres.
J. Lang	7	Rep. University
F. Smith*	8	Rep. Albert Park
A. Richards*	6	Rep. S. Melbourne
H. J. Whiting	3	Rep. Seymour
O'Dell Crowther	4	Rep. University
S. Anderson*	2	Rep. Richmond
W. H. Rogerson*	1	Rep. Wendouree

*Elected or resigned during the year.

FINANCIAL.

The financial position of the Association, as shown in the balance-sheet, reflects great credit on the supporters of purely amateur sport in Victoria, their response to the call for donations towards the entertainment of the Interstate Rowing visitors being particularly good. Your Committee desire to thank those gentlemen who so liberally subscribed, and whose names will be found in the balance-sheet. The thanks of the Association are also due to the shipping companies for donations to the Ships' Gigs Races, held on the day of the Annual Regatta.

AFFILIATED CLUBS.

The following is a list of affiliated clubs:—Albert Park, Ballarat, Ballarat City, Bairnsdale, Banks, Civil Service, Essendon, Footscray City, Hawthorn, Mercantile, Nagambie, Richmond, Seymour, South Melbourne, Sandhurst, Wendouree, Yarra Yarra, University, Cobram, Old Wesley, Collegians' Boat Club, Colac, Corio, Yarrawonga, Sale, and Shepparton.

THANKS.

Your Committee heartily thanks those gentlemen who have given donations and subscriptions to carry on the work of the Association, and whose names will be found in the balance-sheet; also Mr. G. E. Upward, who again kindly presented the Champion Eight Pennant, and for his services as umpire; Mr. Enticott, who officiated as starter in Champion and Interstate races; Mr. Shallard for his services as judge, and Mr. E. T. Bradshaw, who acted as time-keeper at all the Champion and Interstate events; to Amateur Sports Club, who have placed their rooms at the disposal of your Committee for the purpose of holding meetings, etc.; to the Press for the prominence given to reports of Regattas, meetings, etc., and general information calculated to further the interests of the sport; and to Messrs. W. W. Senior and Geo. Stevenson, the Hon. Auditors to the Association.

OBITUARY.

With sincere regret your Committee has to record the death of Mr. E. R. Ainley, a Vice-President of the Association, and one who had done much by his skill as an oarsman and sculler to advance the sport in this State. At the time of his death Mr. Ainley was also President of the Yarra Yarra Rowing Club.

HON. TREASURER.

It is a matter for congratulation that the Association will retain the valuable services of Mr. J. W. Hamilton as Hon. Treasurer.

OFFICE BEARERS FOR SEASON 1908-9.

PATRONS.—His Excellency the Governor-General (the Earl of Dudley), His Excellency the Governor (Sir Jas. Gibson-Carmichael), His Honour the Chief Justice (Sir John Madden).

PRESIDENT.—Henry Gyles Turner, Esq.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.—T. Ellison, Esq.; G. E. Upward, Esq.; W. Davidson, Esq.; W. B. House, Esq.; A. J. Shepherd, Esq.; C. Miller, Esq.; C. Monteath, Esq.; Geo. Lupton, Esq.

HON. SECRETARY.—

HON. TREASURER.—John W. Hamilton.

HON. AUDITORS.—Messrs. W. W. Senior and Geo. Stevenson.

The following were elected on the Committee for two years:—J. A. Williams, J. Forsyth, Geo. Petrie, J. Fogarty, M. Moran.

On behalf of Committee,

H. GYLES TURNER, President.

JAS. FORSYTH, Hon. Sec.

HON. SECRETARY.

Owing to pressure of private business, Mr. Jas Forsyth, who has occupied the position of Hon. Secretary during the past 12 months, as well as having acted as joint Hon. Secretary with Mr. C. McDonell for the previous year, has intimated his desire to relinquish the position. The work which devolved upon Mr. Forsyth during his term of office has been particularly heavy owing to the Interstate races having been held in Melbourne, and to other special matters which required close attention, and your Committee cannot let this opportunity pass without placing on record their appreciation of the able manner in which Mr. Forsyth has carried out the duties of the position.

H. GYLES TURNER,

President.

RECEIPTS FROM ASSOCIATED CLUBS.

	No. of Members	Delegates	Season 1906-07		Season 1907-08		Coxswain Registration		Barrages for Regattas		Seats in Intrst'g Crw	
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
METROPOLITAN—												
Albert Park	114	2	2 5 0	14 5 0	...	0 15 0	7 0 0	...	7 0 0	...	7 0 0	
Banks	89	2	3 2 6	9 10 0	...	0 15 0	2 15 0	...	2 15 0	...	2 10 0	
Civil Service	82	1	0	6 0 0	...	0 15 0	3 5 0	...	3 5 0	...	2 10 0	
Essendon	72	1	0 2 10	5 0 0	...	0 10 0	3 15 0	...	3 15 0	...	2 10 0	
Footscray, City	30	1	—	1 10 0	...	0 10 0	4 5 0	...	4 5 0	...	—	
Hawthorn	30	1	—	3 15 0	...	0 15 0	2 0 0	...	2 0 0	...	6 0 0	
Merentile	114	2	—	13 19 6	...	0 15 0	7 12 6	...	7 12 6	...	—	
Old Wesley Coll	69	1	—	—	...	0 5 0	0 10 0	...	0 10 0	...	—	
Richmond	40	1	1 10 0	3 10 0	...	0 15 0	3 10 0	...	3 10 0	...	—	
South Melbourne	87	2	—	7 7 6	...	0 15 0	1 10 0	...	1 10 0	...	—	
University Boat Club	—	2	—	17 7 6	...	1 0 0	3 0 0	...	3 0 0	...	—	
Yarra Yarra	65	2	8 2 6	—	...	0 15 0	3 15 0	...	3 15 0	...	—	
COUNTRY—												
Ballarat	—	2	—	3 3 0	...	—	3 0 0	...	3 0 0	...	—	
Ballarat City	50	1	—	2 2 0	...	0 5 0	—	...	—	...	—	
Bairnsdale	—	2	—	2 3 0	...	0 5 0	—	...	—	...	—	
Farwon	57	1	—	2 2 0	...	0 10 0	2 10 0	...	2 10 0	...	—	
Colac	—	—	—	—	...	—	—	...	—	...	—	
Coro Bay	—	1	2 2 0	—	...	1 0 0	1 10 0	...	1 10 0	...	—	
Cobram	—	1	—	1 1 0	...	0 5 0	1 10 0	...	1 10 0	...	—	
Nagambie	—	—	—	—	...	0 5 0	1 0 0	...	1 0 0	...	—	
Seymour	—	1	—	1 1 0	...	0 5 0	—	...	—	...	—	
Shepparton	—	2	—	3 0 0	...	—	—	...	—	...	—	
Sandhurst	93	1	—	1 1 0	...	—	—	...	—	...	—	
Sale	—	1	—	1 1 0	...	0 5 0	4 0 0	...	4 0 0	...	—	
Wendouree	—	2	—	3 3 0	...	0 5 0	—	...	—	...	—	
Warrnabool	29	1	—	1 1 0	...	0 5 0	—	...	—	...	—	
Yarravonga	—	—	—	—	...	—	—	...	—	...	—	
Totals	—	—	17 4 10	104 5 6	...	11 5 0	56 7 6	...	56 7 6	...	18 0 0	

BALANCE-SHEET, SEASON 1907-8.

	RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.
To Balance at Bank	£58 11 10		By Miscellaneous Expenditure—
Club Contributions—			Championship Medals, Season 1906-7
Balances, Season 1906-1907	£17 4 10		Premiership Certificates, 1907-8
On account, Season 1907-1908	104 5 6		Amateur Sports Club, Affiliation Fees to 31-6-08
Registration of Coxswains	121 10 4		Amateur Sports Club, Notice Board, etc.
Subscriptions—	11 5 0		British Olympic Association Cable-gram
Henry Gyles Turner, Esq.	£3 3 0		Insurance on Victorian Eight-Oar Boat
The following £1 ls. each:— J. J. Fogarty, Esq., Sir Ed. Holroyd, Hon. H. B. Higgins, Chas. Monteath, Esq., A. J. Shepherd, Esq., E. Shew, Esq., Hon. F. Stuart, S. Shallard, Esq., W. H. Waters, Esq., H. J. Whiting, Esq., R. S. Whiting, Esq., W. W. Senior, Esq.	13 13 0		Honorarium to Hon. Secretary, Season, 1906-7
51 Purchasers of Members' Tickets, at 10s. 6d. each	26 15 6		Honorarium to Hon. Secretary, Season, 1907-8
Regatta Fees, £2 2s. each (Seymour, Colac, Nambie, Bairnsdale, Ballarat, Paynesville, Barwon, Henley, Upper Yarra, Footscray) ..	43 11 6		General Printing, Tickets, etc.
Sale of Rule Books	21 0 0		Postages, Telegrams, Exchanges, Sundries
Championship Skulls—	0 3 6		Typing Minutes Inter-State Conference
Entrance Fees	£0 2 6		Outstanding Trophy Order, Opening Day, 1906
Championship Fours—	0 2 6		Championship Skulls—
Entrance Fees	1 0 0		By medal
Steamer Receipts	0 5 0		Championship Fours—
Championship Pairs—	1 5 0		Steamer Hire
Entrance Fees	1 10 0		Printing and Medals
Steamer Receipts	0 15 0		Championship Pairs—
Championship Eight—	2 5 0		Steamer Hire
Entrance Fees	2 0 0		Printing and Medals
Steamer Receipts	3 12 6		Championship Eight—
Annual Regatta—	5 12 6		Steamer Hire
Entrance Fees	51 15 0		Printing and Medals
Donated by Shipping Companies for Ships' Gig Races—Victorian—			Annual Regatta—
			Trophies Paid
			61 11 0
			88 2 0
			1 1 0
			6 6 0
			5 17 1
			12 3 1
			6 6 0
			3 15 1
			10 1 1
			6 6 0
			10 0 0
			16 6 0

Stevording and General Contracting Co. Ltd., £2 2s.; Huddart Parker, £2 2s.; John Sanderson and Co., £2 2s.; Union Steamship Co. of N.Z., £2 2s.; Dalgety and Co. Ltd., £2 2s.; Jas. Patterson and Co., £1 1s.; A.U.S.N., £1 1s.; Aelaide Steamship Co., £1 1s.; Wm. Crosby and Co., £1 1s.; McIlwraith, McEacharn, £1 1s.; Howard Smith, £1 1s.; John Darling and Son, £1 1s.; Melbourne Steamship Co., £1 1s.; F. W. Prell and Co., £1 1s.

Gate Receipts 19 19 0

Advertising on Programmes 2 13 0

Sale of Programmes 7 16 0

... .. 9 4 11

91 7 11

Inter-State Races, Melbourne—

To Donations towards Entertainment Fund—Henry Gyles Turner, Esq., £5; Mr. Justice a'Beckett, £2 2s.; T. Ellison, Esq., £2 2s.; Amateur Sports Club, £2 2s.; Messrs. Young and Jackson, £2 2s.; Sir F. Holroyd, £1 1s.; A. J. Shepherd, Esq., £1 1s.; Hon. F. Stuart, £1; J. J. Buchan, Esq., £1 1s.; Hon. H. B. Higgins, £1 1s.; Geo. Fairbairn, Esq., £1 1s.; Geo. Miller, Esq., £1 1s.; E. T. Bradshaw, Esq., 10s. 6d.; Geo. Lupton, Esq., 10s. 6d.; E. Shew, Esq., 10s.

Sale of Programmes 22 5 0
 Sale of Oars 18 6 9
 Steamer Receipts 11 5 0
 Smoke Concert Receipts 38 17 6
 Drag Picnic Receipts 16 6 6
 Contributed by Crew—Albert Park, 4 reps., £7; Mercantile, 2 reprs., £2 10s.; Banks, 1 rep., £2 10s.; Essendon, 1 rep., £2 10s.

18 0 0

129 4 9

£485 19 4

Trophies Paid, Ships' Gig Races ... 16 0 0
 Printing Programme 8 15 0
 Tickets, Badges, etc. 2 14 11
 Refreshments 2 5 2
 Di Gilio's Band 3 0 0
 Police 0 10 0
 Erecting Fence, Hire of Stake Boats, and Sundries 7 5 3

102 1 4

Inter-State Races, Melbourne—

Purchase of Oars 11 5 0
 Repairing, Polishing, etc., of boat ... 5 3 6
 Hire of Scull 4 0 0
 Purchase of Singlets and Caps 2 16 6
 Training Expenses of Crew 7 0 0
 Race Expenditure—
 Advertising, Typing, etc. 1 6 0
 Badges, Distributing, Adds, etc. 0 9 6
 Cabs and Boats to Start 4 1 0
 Printing Programme 21 16 9
 Printing Tickets 3 13 6
 Engrossing Certificates 1 13 0
 Drag Picnic—
 Drags, Dinner at Doncaster, etc. ... 39 3 6
 Smoke Concert Expenses 49 3 10
 Hire of Hall and Catering 24 4 4
 Refreshments and Artists' Fees 22 1 0
 Programme and Tickets 2 18 6
 Receptions and General Expenses, Drags, Refreshments, etc. 12 14 0

164 6 1

91 18 9

Balance at Bank

£485 19 4

VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

LIABILITIES.	ASSETS.
To Trophy Orders, No. 541 and 554,	By Best and Best Eight-Oar Boat at
Outstanding Annual Regatta, 1907	Cost
£5 0 0	Less 10 per cent. depreciation
Balance	Revolvers and Cartridges
5 0 0	" Murray Rowing Association, Affiliation
171 9 9	" Outstanding Club Contributions
£176 9 9	" Letter Copying Press and Books of Rules
	" James Moore and Co., an account erecting fence at Annual Regatta
	" Balance at Bank
	£176 9 9

Audited and found correct.

W. W. SENIOR, }
GEO. I. STEVENSON, } Hon. Auditors.

JOHN W. HAMILTON, Hon. Treasurer.

18th September, 1908.

