

VICTORIAN ROWING
ASSOCIATION

—45TH—
ANNUAL
REPORT
AND
BALANCE SHEET

SEASON
1920-1921



E. KENNY, Hon. Secretary

J. P. RORKE, Hon. Treasurer

VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION



The Forty-Fifth Annual General Meeting of the above Association will be held at the Amateur Sports Club, 101 Swanston Street, Melbourne, on Monday, 3rd October, 1921, at 7.45 p.m.

BUSINESS:

To receive Annual Report and Balance Sheet.

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

Presentation of Championship Medals and Premiership Certificates.

E. KENNY,

Hon. Secretary.

13th September, 1921.

Victorian Rowing Association.

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LIST OF OFFICE-BEARERS

Patrons.

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Committee.

ELECTED MEMBERS (10).

	ELECTED.	RETIREES		ELECTED.	RETIREES
S. SHALLARD	... 1920	... 1922	A. L. DOBBIE	... 1921	... 1923
E. A. SWINDELLS	1920	1922	H. T. JAMES	... 1921	... 1923
W. JOSEPH	... 1920	... 1922	P. C. DOWLING	... 1921	... 1923
T. JENKIN	... 1920	... 1922	M. G. SCOTT	... 1921	... 1923
B. NOLAN	... 1920	... 1922	W. J. CAHILL	... 1921	... 1923

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Albert Park	.. I. D. Tibbits	Hawthorn	.. H. J. Green
	.. S. C. Stewart		.. A. D. Mawson
Ballarat	.. G. R. Anderson	Mercantile	.. F. W. Betts
	.. J. Twaits		.. A. R. Clarke
Ballarat City	.. C. M. Bennett	Nagambie	.. J. Derum
Bairnsdale	.. D. Laird	Preston	.. C. J. Marshall
Banks	.. C. J. McCarthy		.. E. W. Rose
	.. A. C. Duncan	Richmond	.. J. A. Day
Barwon	.. H. E. Hurst		.. G. Hutton
	.. S. F. Chubb	Sale	.. H. Bock
Civil Service	.. W. J. Cahill	Sandhurst	.. E. Christie
	.. T. S. Flint	Shepparton	.. A. C. Batson
Colac	.. G. I. Stevenson	South Melbourne	.. B. Tribe
Corio Bay	.. T. Neylan		.. H. Forster
	.. W. Nicholson	University	.. H. J. Whiting
Eaglehawk	.. E. Christie		.. C. G. B. Parker
Essendon	.. F. G. Wishart	Warrnambool	.. F. Granter
	.. M. G. Muir	Wendouree	.. R. Muir
Footscray City	.. T. Gipton		.. E. Pollard
	.. G. Smith	Yarra Yarra	.. N. McLeod

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE
VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

TO THE MEMBERS.

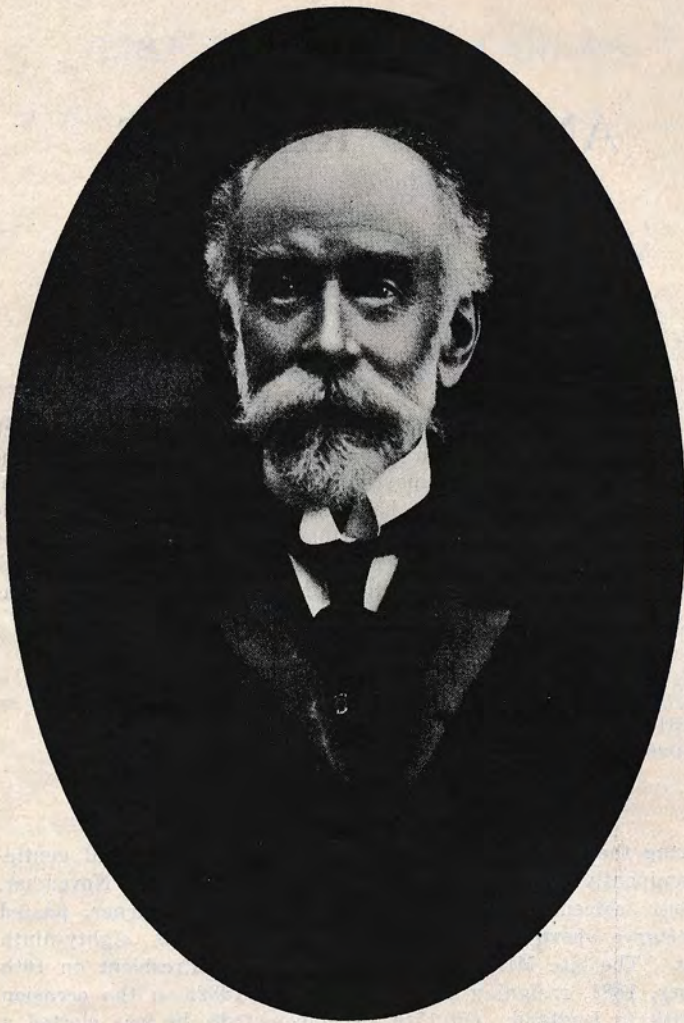
GENTLEMEN,—

In presenting the Forty-fifth Annual Report and Balance Sheet, your Committee is pleased to be able to congratulate you on the continued popularity of the sport and progress made during the past season. The membership has reached the pre-war level, the figures for the past season being 2046, as compared with 1795 for the previous season. Interest in regattas has been well maintained, the number of competitors taking part in the various races, as compared with the previous season, being:

	Maiden and Junior.	Senior and Champion.	Total.
1919-20	1693	406	2099
1920-21	1666	509	2175

OBITUARY.

During the past season death has taken a heavy toll of gentlemen prominently connected with the sport. On the 30th November, 1920, your esteemed President, Mr. Henry Gyles Turner, passed away, after a short illness, twelve days before his eighty-ninth birthday. The late Mr. Turner was first elected President on 16th September, 1881, resigning on 23rd January, 1882, on the occasion of his visit to England. On 17th December, 1883, he was elected a Vice-President, and on 29th September, 1885, he was again elected as President, in succession to Mr. Justice Williams, and had held the position to the time of his lamented death. The late Mr. Turner's charming and courteous manner had endeared him to all oarsmen during his long connection with the Association. He took a wonderful interest in the sport, and was always present at regattas



The late Mr. Henry Gyles Turner.

and championships, despite his advanced age. Taking a keen and active interest in all matters relating to the welfare of the public, the late Mr. Turner was held in the highest esteem by the citizens of Melbourne, and his death, so deeply mourned by all, has deprived your Association of an ideal President.

On the 27th July a cablegram was received announcing the sad news that your Vice-President, Mr. John Lang, had died suddenly in England, where he was having an extended holiday. The late Mr. Lang, whose courtesy to all made him so popular, was one of the greatest enthusiasts the sport has known. His work as Hon. Secretary of the Henley Regatta from 1904 to 1915, in connection with which he showed such remarkable organising ability, was mainly responsible for the wonderful popularity which Australia's greatest aquatic carnival now enjoys. The late Mr. Lang's name will be best remembered by his book, "The Victorian Oarsman," which he published in 1919. In addition to the highly interesting reading matter and photos, this book contains a complete record of Victorian regattas, for which oarsmen owe the author a lasting debt of gratitude. The late Mr. Lang was taking a keen interest in rowing in England; he had joined the Thames Rowing Club and steered several of that club's Eights at various regattas. Mr. Lang died suddenly on 23rd July at Walton-on-Thames Regatta, death being caused by cerebral hemorrhage.

On 7th September Mr. Alex. Chamley passed away, after a lingering illness. The late Mr. Chamley was generally acknowledged to have been the finest oarsman Australia has produced. He had won over 100 regatta races, and in the inter-State race he had the remarkable record of winning ten times in as many starts, his first inter-State race being won in 1886, and his last in 1905, when he was forty-five years of age.

Messrs. A. B. Gregory and E. Shew, very old members of the Banks Rowing Club, Mr. E. Curnow, the well-known coach of the Corio Bay Club, and Mr. T. Bourke (Ballarat), No. 3 in the Victorian Eight of 1907, also died during the past year. The late Mr. E. Shew rowed bow, and the late Mr. H. G. Turner No. 3, in the Bank of Australasia crew which won the first Inter-Banks' race on the Saltwater River on 5th October, 1867.

To the relatives of the deceased gentlemen your Committee extends its deepest sympathy.

INTER-STATE CONFERENCE.

The Inter-State Rowing Conference was held at the Town Hall, Launceston, at 8 p.m. on Friday, 22nd April, 1921. Your Association was represented by Messrs. E. Horsburgh (Civil Service), T. Jenkin (Richmond), and E. Kenny (Hon. Secretary).

The Chief Justice, Sir Herbert Nicholls, President of the Tasmanian Rowing Association, presided. The Conference expressed its approval of the steps taken by your Association to secure the King's Cup as a perpetual trophy for the Inter-State Eights.

In connection with the Ladies' Race, it was decided that it was not desirable to include any other championships in the programme on the same day as the Inter-State Eight-oared and Sculling Races.

Your representatives submitted a proposal that future inter-State races be rowed on a date between the 21st February and 7th March. A long discussion followed, many amendments being submitted; but as none of the dates suggested were suitable for every State, it was decided to adhere to the present date—viz., 15th April to 15th May.

The Conference approved of the idea of holding all Australian Amateur Championships at a combined annual meeting on the same lines as the Olympic Games, provided the proposal is practicable.

A proposal submitted by Queensland that re-instated amateurs be allowed to row in the inter-State races was not agreed to.

It was decided that in future the scullers and bow and coxswain of all crews should wear the initial letter of their State on the back of the singlet.

A proposal was submitted by Queensland that it is desirable to form an Australian Rowing Council or Board of Advice to regulate Inter-State and International rowing contests and to deal with all matters connected therewith. The proposal was not agreed to.

AUSTRALIAN EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP.

This event was rowed on a straight three-mile course on the Tamar on 25th April, 1921, being won by Western Australia by three-quarters of a length from Tasmania in the record time of 14 mins. 37 secs. Your representatives finished third, South Australia fourth, Queensland fifth, and New South Wales sixth. The Western Australians are congratulated on their initial victory. The arrangements for the race were in the hands of the Northern Sub-Committee of the Tasmanian Rowing Association, and were excellently carried out. The Victorian crew comprised: R. M. Erck (Civil Service), 10st. 12lb. (bow); J. C. D'Arcy (Civil Service), 9st. 12lb. (2); C. J. McCarthy (Banks), 12st. (3); W. C. Emerson (Corio Bay), 11st. 4 lb. (4); J. A. Jonsson (Footscray), 11st. 13lb. (5); J. Harding (Mercantile), 12st. 9lb. (6); R. V. Gregg (Mercantile), 12st. 8lb. (7); A. Spowers (Albert Park), 11st. 3lb. (stroke); J. Wilson (Wendouree), cox.; E. W. Burne (Civil Service), 11st. 7lb. (emergency).

**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 42 $\frac{1}{2}$
1887	Victoria	N.S.W.	Sydney	17 12 $\frac{3}{4}$
†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 45 $\frac{1}{2}$
1891	Q'land	N.S.W. & Vic.	Melbourne	18 45
1892	Victoria	N.S.W. & Q'land	Brisbane	15 5
1893	N.S.W.	Vic. & Q'land	Sydney	19 23
1894	Victoria	N.S.W. & Q'land	Melbourne	16 24
1895	Victoria	N.S.W. & Q'land	Brisbane	16 16 $\frac{1}{3}$
1896	Victoria	N.S.W. & Q'land	Sydney	17 17
1897	Victoria	W.A. & Q'land	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
1909	T'mania	Vic., N.S.W., Q., S.A.	Brisbane	16 2
1910	N.S.W.	Vic., Tas., W.A., Q., S.A.	Hobart	15 27
1911	N.S.W.	Vic., Tas., S.A., W.A., Q.	Sydney	17 24
1912	Victoria	Tas., S.A., N.S.W., W.A.	Perth	15 33
*1913	Sth. Aust.	Tas., W.A.	Adelaide	17 1
1914	T'mania	S.A., W.A., Vic., N.S.W., Q.	Melbourne	†13 33
1920	Sth. Aust.	W.A., Tas., N.S.W., Vic., Q.	Brisbane	15 5
1921	W. Aust.	Tas., Vic., S.A., Q., N.S.W.	Launceston	14 37

* Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland did not finish owing to accidents

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

‡ Distance, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ 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.

AUSTRALIAN SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

This event was rowed over a 2½-mile course on the Tamar on the same day as the Eight-oared Championship, and was won by Mr. G. A. Westbrook, Tasmania, your representative—Mr. J. Barton, of the Richmond Club—finishing second. Mr. R. Neilson, New South Wales, was the only other competitor. Mr. Westbrook is congratulated on his success.

RECORD OF AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP SCULLS.

Year.	Rowed at	Won by	Other Competitors.	Time.
1892	Brisbane	M. J. Slack (Q.)	W. Lambert (N.S.W.)	m. s. 19 36
1895	Brisbane	E. Powell (V.)	W. Lambert (N.S.W.), M. J. Slack (Q.)	20 22
1896	Sydney	M. J. Slack (Q.)	J. L. Bannister (N.S.W.), W. McCormack (N.Z.), E. Powell (V.)	23 44
1897	Melbourne	E. Powell (W.A.)	A. Dennis (Q.), H. Lindgren (V.)	22 2
1898	Brisbane	A. Dennis (Q.)	M. J. Slack (Q.)	18 41½
1899	Melbourne	J. J. Daley (N.S.W.)	M. J. Slack (Q.)	
1900	Brisbane	M. J. Slack (Q.)	C. Donald (V.)	23 23
1901	Sydney	J. J. Daley (N.S.W.)	M. J. Slack (Q.), J. Lumsden (Q.)	19 22
1902	Adelaide	J. J. Daley (N.S.W.)	J. J. Fahey (S.A.)	21 12
1903	Melbourne	T. H. Bourke (Tas.)	P. C. Ivens (V.), J. J. Daley (N.S.W.), H. Brasch (V.)	
1904	Brisbane	T. H. Bourke (Tas.)	M. J. Slack (Q.), P. C. Ivens (V.)	18 40½
1905	Sydney	T. H. Bourke (Tas.)	R. Evans (Tas.), P. C. Ivens (V.), H. J. G. Edwards (W.A.)	20 33½
1906	Perth	P. C. Ivens (V.)	W. Robinson (Tas.), P. J. Walsh (W.A.), H. J. Stephenson (W.A.)	21 35
1907	Adelaide	P. C. Ivens (V.)	R. Green (N.S.W.), E. Jack (Tas.), Hill (W.A.)	20 54½
1908	Melbourne	H. Brasch (V.)*	J. R. Towns (N.S.W.), W. M. Callaghan (Q.), E. Jack (Tas.)	17 50½
1909	Brisbane	J. R. Towns (N.S.W.)	F. Coverdale (Tas.), A. Dennis (Q.), A. Richards (V.)	16 5
1910	Hobart	C. McVilly (Tas.)	P. C. Ivens (V.), A. Priddle (N.S.W.)	16 19
1911	Sydney	C. McVilly (Tas.)	J. R. Towns (N.S.W.), H. E. Stevens (Vic.)	18 50
1912	Perth	H. Green (N.S.W.)	G. E. Rogers (W.A.), F. Coverdale (Tas.)	16 45
1913	Adelaide	F. Coverdale (Tas.)	J. Fyfe Marr (Q.)	24 35½
1914	Melbourne	C. McVilly (Tas.)	L. Davis (V.), E. Thomas (S.A.)	17 11
1920	Brisbane	A. A. Baynes (Q.)	G. A. Westbrook (Tas.), J. Barton (V.), M. Goodsell (N.S.W.)	16 56
1921	Launce'ton	G. A. Westbrook (Tas.)	J. Barton (V.), R. Neilson (N.S.W.)	—

* E. Jack passed the winning post first, but was disqualified, as he failed to comply with the amateur definition.

Your Committee sincerely thanks your representatives, the coach (Mr. E. Horsburgh), manager (Mr. E. Kenny), and the selectors (Messrs. J. M. MacFarlane, A. L. Dobbie, and M. G. Scott) for their efforts on behalf of the Association.

VICTORIAN EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP.

This event was rowed on 12th March, 1921, the record entry of ten crews being received, the previous record being seven crews, in 1920. Your Committee decided to revert to the lower course from Williamstown Ferry to Footscray, and engaged the s.s. "Rosny" to

follow the race. There was a great demand for tickets, many applicants having to be refused. The sight as the ten crews raced off the mark was magnificent. Through faulty steering by some of the coxswains, a foul occurred, and the race was stopped after going a quarter of a mile. After re-starting, faulty steering again caused clashes, practically every crew being affected. This did not prevent a splendid race, in which Civil Service snatched the victory from Mercantile by three feet in the last few strokes, Corio Bay finishing third, a length behind Mercantile. The other competitors were: Albert Park, Ballarat, Footscray, Nagambie, Banks, Hawthorn, and Richmond. Civil Service are congratulated on their splendid win. The crew comprised B. C. Edwards, 10st. 4lb. (bow); H. Schlichting, 10st. 2lb.; T. S. Flint, 10st. 2lb.; E. T. J. Kerby, 11st.; E. W. Burne, 11st. 7lb.; A. V. McLaughlan, 11st. 4lb.; R. M. Erck, 10st. 12lb.; J. C. D'Arcy, 9st. 8lb. (stroke); J. Hunter (cox.), Mr. E. Horsburgh (coach).

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP EIGHT-OARED RACES.

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
1909 ..	Albert Park	6 ..	14 3
1910 ..	Albert Park	5 ..	15 0 4-5
1910-11 ..	Albert Park	4 ..	14 8
1911-12 ..	Albert Park	3 ..	14 54 1-5
1912-13 ..	Albert Park	3 ..	15 0
1913-14 ..	Albert Park	3 ..	15 13
1914-15 ..	Albert Park	6 ..	14 37 2-5
1919-20 ..	Civil Service	7 ..	14 8 4-5
1920-21 ..	Civil Service	10 ..	12 1 3-5*

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

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

*Distance, 2¼ miles.

VICTORIAN FOUR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP.

This event was rowed over the 2½-mile course from Coode Canal on 13th November, 1920, and resulted in a win for Mercantile by five lengths, Banks being second and South Melbourne third. The other competitors were: Civil Service, Hawthorn, Albert Park, and Footscray. Mercantile are congratulated on their success. The crew comprised: H. Smyth, 11st. 10lb. (bow); J. Harding, 13st.; R. V. Gregg, 12st. 12lb.; J. L. Mounsey, 11st. 6lb. (stroke); E. Counihan (cox.), Mr. J. McGregor (coach).

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP FOUR-OARED RACES.

Season	Won by	No. of Crews Entered	Time 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
1908-9	Nagambie	5	13 41 4-5
1909-10	Albert Park	7	14 22
1910-11	Essendon	4	15 7 3-5
1911-12	Albert Park	6	15 6
1912-13	Albert Park	7	17 33
1913-14	Albert Park	6	17 20 1-5
1914-15	Albert Park	7	16 14 3-5
1919-20	Nagambie	6	16 7
1920-21	Mercantile	7	17 25 1-5

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

VICTORIAN SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

This event was held on the same day as the Eight-oared Championship over the 2½-mile course from Footscray to the Williamstown Ferry. Five entries were received, Mr. J. Barton, of Richmond Club, being the winner. Mr. A. Dawson (Barwon) finished second, and Mr. J. Jorgenson (Yarra Yarra) third. Mr. Barton is congratulated on repeating his success of the previous year.

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP SCULLING RACES.

Season	Won by	Club	No. of Entries	Time	
				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. J. 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	Echuca 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.	
1908-9	A. Richards	South Melbourne	2	17	0
1909-10	P. C. Ivens	Mercantile	5	19	32½
1910-11	H. E. Stevens	Essendon	9	17	27
†1911-12	H. E. Stevens	Essendon	5	11	20½
†1912-13	E. T. J. Kerby	Civil Service	3	11	55½
1913-14	L. Davis	Albert Park	4	20	15½
1914-15	B. G. T. Kelly	Yarra Yarra	2	18	37
1919-20	J. Barton	Richmond	7	18	50½
1920-21	J. Barton	Richmond	5	15	28

Since 1900-1 the distance was 2½ miles.

†Distance about 1¾ miles.

VICTORIAN PAIR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP.

This event was rowed on 15th January, 1921, over the straight mile course, finishing at Victoria Dock. Ten entries having been received, it was necessary to row the race in heats, the first and second in each heat starting in the final. After a great race Footscray defeated Albert Park by a foot, with Mercantile third and Civil Service fourth. The other competitors were: Banks, Hawthorn, Wendouree, Ballarat City, Richmond, and Corio Bay. The Footscray crew comprised: J. A. Jonsson, 12st. (bow), and A. W. B. Fawcett, 12st. (stroke), R. Norman (cox.), and is congratulated on its win.

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP PAIR-OARED RACES.

Season	Won by	No. of Entries	Time Min. Sec.
*1900-1901	Mercantile	5	—
1901-1902	Albert Park	4	—
†1902-1903	Albert Park	4	14 7½
1903-1904	Albert Park	3	7 47
1904-1905	Nagambie	3	—
1905-1906	Mercantile	5	—
1906-1907	Mercantile	6	8 30
1907-1908	Essendon	6	5 23½
1908-1909	Civil Service	9	—
1909-1910	Albert Park	7	6 13
1910-1911	Footscray City	9	5 20½
1911-1912	University	10	5 47
1912-1913	Essendon	9	6 9
1913-1914	Ballarat	9	8 0½
1914-1915	Ballarat	9	7 46¾
1919-1920	Nagambie	7	7 8
1920-1921	Footscray	10	6 39

* Rowed at Ballarat † Distance, 1½ miles.
Distance of course since 1903, 1 mile.

PREMIERSHIP.

Competition for the Senior Premiership was keen, Civil Service attaining the coveted honour as a result of their win in the Champion Eight. Albert Park secured the Junior honours, scoring more points than the next three clubs combined. Both clubs are congratulated on their success.

PREMIERSHIP POINTS.

SENIOR.			JUNIOR.		
Club.	Points.	Wins.	Club.	Points.	Wins.
Civil Service	36	3	Albert Park	84	11
Mercantile	24	3	Hawthorn	28	4
Footscray	12	4	Mercantile	23	6
Albert Park	10	4	Wendouree	20	6
Ballarat	8	1	Sandhurst	18	5
Richmond	4	2	Richmond	16	2
Nagambie	4	1	Shepparton	14	3
Corio Bay	2	1	Ballarat	14	4
Banks	2	1	Bairnsdale	12	4
Barwon	1	1	Corio Bay	10	2
			Banks	10	2
			Essendon	8	1
			Barwon	7	5
			Yarra Yarra	5	3
			Civil Service	2	1

RECORD OF PREMIERSHIPS.

1898-1899 ..	Ballarat	1910-1911† ..	Civil Service	} (Jun.)
1899-1900 ..	Albert Park		Banks	
1900-1901 ..	Mercantile	1911-1912 ..	Albert Park (Sen.)	} (Jun.)
1901-1902 ..	Albert Park	1911-1912† ..	Civil Service	
1902-1903 ..	Albert Park		Banks	
1903-1904 ..	Ballarat		Essendon	
1904-1905 ..	Albert Park	1912-1913 ..	Albert Park (Sen.)	
1905-1906 ..	Albert Park	1912-1913 ..	Civil Service (Jun.)	
1906-1907* ..	Albert Park (Sen.)	1913-1914 ..	Albert Park (Sen.)	
1906-1907 ..	Albert Park (Jun.)	1913-1914 ..	Hawthorn (Jun.)	
1907-1908 ..	Mercantile (Sen.)	1914-1915 ..	Albert Park (Sen.)	
1907-1908 ..	Footscray City (Jr.)	1914-1915 ..	Footscray (Jun.)	
1908-1909 ..	Albert Park (Sen.)	1918-1919** ..	Civil Service (Jun.)	
1908-1909 ..	South Melb. (Jun.)	1919-1920 ..	Nagambie (Sen.)	
1909-1910 ..	Albert Park (Sen.)		Banks (Jun.)	
1909-1910 ..	Banks (Jun.)	1920-1921 ..	Civil Service (Sen.)	
1910-1911 ..	Albert Park (Sen.)		Albert Park (Jun.)	

* Prior to 1906-7 only one Premiership awarded to club securing most points in all events. ** Senior Premiership not awarded for 1918-19 season. † These Clubs scored equal points.

ANNUAL REGATTA.

The annual regatta was held on the Henley course on Saturday, 4th December, 1920, and was very successful. The various events were won as follows: Maiden Fours, Albert Park (R. Duncan, E. O. James, H. R. Duncan, E. S. Perman stroke, C. Short cox.) Maiden Pairs, Ballarat (J. Inglis, R. Gallagher stroke, A. King cox.); Maiden Eights (John Buchan Trophy), Hawthorn (H. E. Ellis, C. H. Maule, W. H. Gargett, N. Casson, R. F. McLaren, W. Davey, E. J. Davey, W. J. Holtham stroke, F. W. Mann cox.); Maiden Sculls, Barwon (A. Dawson); Light-weight Maiden Fours, Banks (R. A. Smithers, A. R. Horsburgh, A. S. Ducat, A. Daniel stroke, C. Hayton cox.); Junior Pairs, Albert Park (S. L. Smyth, R. Reardon stroke, J. McGregor cox.); Junior Fours, Albert Park (J. Alexander, F. Marchesi, W. R. G. Murray, E. D. Barden stroke, R. Barden cox.); Junior Sculls, Corio Bay (O. A. Usher); Senior Pairs, Corio Bay (L. E. Coulson, F. O. Lauder stroke, R. Wheeler cox.); Senior Eights (Morell Cup), Mercantile (H. C. Maling, R. T. Rush, H. R. Rush, J. L. Mounsey, R. V. Gregg, J. Harding, H. Smyth, J. M. Buchanan stroke, W. F. Shaw cox.).

The following public regattas were also held during the season, each being very successful: Henley (30th October, 1920), Nagambie (27th December, 1920), Upper Yarra (29th January, 1921), Albert Park (31st January, 1921), Ballarat (19th February, 1921), Barwon (26th February, 1921), Bairnsdale (26th March, 1921), Sale (28th March, 1921). The Colac regatta on New Year's Day unfortunately had to be abandoned owing to rough water, the majority of the boats being unable to reach the starting post. For the first time in its

history, Henley had to be postponed for a week owing to continuous rain on the original date fixed. Though the regatta was held on Derby Day, it was pleasing to note that the attendance was equal to pre-war regattas, thus proving the popularity of this great aquatic carnival.

The Amateur Sculling Association held several novice and handicap sculling events during the season, very good entries being received.

The following races were also held during the season: Inter-Banks' Four-oared Race (16th April, 1921), won by State Savings Bank; Inter-Collegiate Eight-oared Race (22nd and 23rd April, 1921), dead heat between Queen's College and Ormond College; Head of the River (13th and 14th May, 1921), won by Scotch College; Inter-University Eight-oared Race (31st May, 1921), won by Melbourne University, the crew being: C. J. V. McKeown (bow), 11st.; R. H. Keon-Cohen, 11st. 8lb.; R. J. Holyman, 12st. 4lb.; D. A. White, 11st. 10lb.; L. F. Edmunds, 11st. 8lb.; J. Lanfranchi, 12st.; C. G. B. Parker, 11st. 5lb.; J. M. Buchanan (stroke), 11st. 4lb.; T. A. B. Harris (cox.); Dr. H. C. Disher (coach). The winning crews are congratulated on their success.

THE KING'S CUP.

The War Museum Committee, having refused the request of the 1920 Inter-State Conference to make the King's Cup, won by the A.I.F. crew at Royal Henley Peace Regatta, available as a perpetual trophy for the Inter-State Eight-oared Race, your Committee prepared a petition to the King setting out all the facts and asking that His Majesty might express his wishes as to the disposal of the Cup. This petition was signed by Dr. H. C. Disher, stroke of the winning crew, and despatched through the Governor-General on 30th October, 1920. It gives your Committee the greatest pleasure to report the success attending its efforts, as His Majesty has directed that the Cup be utilised as a perpetual trophy for the Inter-State Eight-oared Race. The handsome and historic trophy, undoubtedly the finest trophy for any amateur sport in the Commonwealth, was handed over on the 29th July by the Minister for Home and Territories (Mr. Poynton) to Dr. H. C. Disher and your Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. Kenny. The Cup is now held by your Committee pending the adoption of certain suggestions which have been made to the other Rowing Associations concerning its future control.

BOAT STAGING AT PRINCE'S BRIDGE.

The Alexandra Park Committee has reported that the staging at Prince's Bridge requires renewal, and asked your Committee to consider the matter. A meeting of representatives of the boat-

builders and clubs interested was convened, and it was decided to inform the Alexandra Park Committee that it was considered the staging will last for several years yet. The clubs and builders concerned are also willing to raise the annual contribution to £100 in order that a renewal fund may be established.

MEMORIAL TO FALLEN OARSMEN.

Tenders were invited for design and erection of the memorial to fallen oarsmen. Only one tender and three designs were received. Your Committee was not satisfied with any of the designs, and decided that a prize be offered for a suitable design. Action will be taken to invite designs at an early date.

AFFILIATED CLUBS.

The newly formed Preston Rowing Club affiliated with your Association at the beginning of the season, and the Shepparton and Eaglehawk Clubs have re-affiliated, after having been closed down during the war.

ALL-AUSTRALIAN GAMES.

The Victorian Amateur Athletic Association submitted a proposal that all Australian amateur sporting championships be held at a combined annual meeting, to be known as the All-Australian Games. After going carefully into the matter, your Committee decided to support the proposal, which was also approved by the Inter-State Rowing Conference at Launceston. The matter of placing the proposal before the controlling bodies of amateur sport in the various States is in the hands of the Victorian Amateur Athletic Association.

REGATTA DATES AND PREMIERSHIPS.

In order to permit of the inter-State crew having more time to prepare for the big race and having a rest from hard rowing before commencing their training, and also with a view of allowing more time between regattas for the coaching of new crews, your Committee decided to alter certain regatta and championship dates for the coming season. The V.R.A. regatta will be held on 29th October, the Saturday following Henley, these two regattas now being a "double." The Champion Eights and Sculls will be held on 12th November, a fortnight after the V.R.A. regatta, followed five weeks later (17th December) by the Champion Fours. The inter-State crew will be selected after the Champion Fours, and the selected crew will rest from further regatta racing. The Ballarat and Barwon regattas will be a fortnight later than usual, the dates being 4th and 11th March respectively. It is hoped that these



The late Mr. John Lang.

alterations will produce improved rowing, seeing that crews will be longer together. It is also hoped that there will be more crews competing, as certain regattas previously followed on one another so closely that selection committees had insufficient time to get crews together before entries closed.

Approval has also been given to the holding of a regatta at Warrnambool on Boxing Day, the approval to be reviewed next year if it is found that the Warrnambool regatta has any effect on entries for Nagambie regatta, which has been held on Boxing Day for many years past.

It has also been decided that the competition for future premierships shall commence with Colac regatta on New Year's Day, and conclude with Warrnambool and Nagambie regattas on Boxing Day, the points for races up to the end of the current year to be included in the premierships for 1922.

It was decided at the beginning of the 1920-21 season to award only two points per man for winning crews in junior races, instead of three points per man as formerly.

PERSONAL.

Mr. S. F. Chubb, who has so ably carried out the duties of Hon. Treasurer for the past two and a half years, found it necessary to resign last February, owing to his frequent absence from the State on business. Your Committee desires to tender its sincere thanks to Mr. Chubb for the capable and enthusiastic manner in which he carried out the duties of his office. In Mr. J. P. Rorke, of the Civil Service Club, your Committee has secured a worthy successor to Mr. Chubb.

Your Committee desires to sincerely thank Messrs. H. T. James and E. W. Constantine for their splendid services in collecting over £100 towards the expenses of the inter-State crew. Your Committee also extends its hearty thanks to Captain A. M. Treacy, O.B.E., for presenting the pennant for the Champion Eight; to the Press for the large amount of space which they allow for rowing notes; and to the officials who acted at the regatta and various championship events.

Mr. W. C. Harvey found it necessary to resign his position as Hon. Auditor consequent on his transfer to Sydney, and your Committee desires to sincerely thank him for his valuable services to your Association. Mr. A. W. Massina has been appointed to the position rendered vacant by Mr. Harvey's resignation.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

During the past season 12 Committee meetings were held, the average attendance being 31. The attendances were as follow: T. Gipton, 12; T. Jenkin, 12; W. Joseph, 12; W. J. Cahill, 11;

P. C. Dowling, 11; T. S. Flint, 11; H. J. Green, 11; H. T. James, 11; E. Kenny, 11; E. A. Swindells, 11; J. Twaits, 11; W. Nicholson, 10; E. Pollard, 10; G. I. Stevenson, 10; A. L. Dobbie, 9; D. Laird, 9; A. R. Clarke, 8; H. Forster, 8; F. P. Granter, 8; N. McLeod, 8; C. J. McCarthy, 8; C. J. Marshall, 8; T. Neylan, 8; M. G. Scott, 8; I. D. Tibbits, 8; F. W. Betts, 7; S. F. Chubb, 7; E. Christie, 7; J. A. Day (elected 7th February, 1921), 7; B. Tribe, 7; J. M. MacFarlane, 6; A. D. Mawson, 6; R. Muir, 6; C. M. Bennett, 5; J. E. Derum, 5; R. T. Leslie (resigned 4th April, 1921), 5; B. Nolan, 5; J. P. Rorke (elected 4th April, 1921), 5; G. Smith (elected 16th May, 1921), 5; S. Shallard, 5; S. C. Stewart (elected 16th May, 1921), 5; A. C. Duncan, 4; M. G. Muir, 4; E. W. Rose, 4; H. J. Whiting, 4; A. C. Batson (elected 4th July, 1921), 3; E. W. Constantine, 3; G. Hutton (elected 4th May, 1921), 3; A. J. Shepherd, 3; F. G. Wishart, 3; H. Bock, 1; W. D. Dawson, 1; H. K. Hadley (resigned 1st July, 1921), 1; H. E. Hurst (elected 1st August, 1921), 1; C. G. B. Parker (elected 1st August, 1921), 1.

CONCLUSION.

Your Committee trusts that the same spirit of healthy rivalry and enthusiasm which marked the past season's operations will continue. Club Committees are urged to see that young members and crews are adequately coached in the main principles of rowing, as it is only by careful coaching, particularly in the case of beginners, that the standard of rowing can be improved. Big memberships are very gratifying from the financial point of view, but if the careful coaching of these members is neglected, those responsible for the management of the sport will fail in what should be the primary object of every club—viz., to produce oarsmen whose rowing skill is of a high standard.

On behalf of the Committee,

E. KENNY, Hon. Secretary.

Amateur Sports Club,
Melbourne, 13th September, 1921.

RECEIPTS FROM ASSOCIATED CLUBS, SEASON 1920-21.

Clubs.	Number of Members, Season 1919-20.	Number of Members, Season 1920-21.	Total Contributions, including Entry and Coxswains' Registration Fees.
Metropolitan—			
Albert Park	88	132	£25 18 0
Banks	62	72	21 17 0
Civil Service	113	110	30 0 6
Essendon	72	61	16 2 0
Footscray City	65	71	21 2 6
Hawthorn	58	72	17 18 0*
Mercantile	101	140	30 8 6
Preston	53	59	11 15 6
Richmond	67	87	20 9 6
South Melbourne	61	49	17 8 6
University	363	367	18 18 0
Yarra Yarra	60	53	14 10 0
Totals	1163	1273	£246 8 0
Country—			
Bairnsdale	88	102	£9 6 0
Ballarat	112	123	14 14 0
Ballarat City	36	53	5 2 0
Barwon	55	92	10 0 0
Corio Bay	47	55	18 5 0†
Eaglehawk	15	24	1 10 0
Lake Colac	40	65	4 15 0
Nagambie	50	46	9 10 0
Sale	23	21	2 6 0
Sandhurst	51	59	12 15 0‡
Shepparton	16	19	1 17 0
Warrnambool	20	38	2 10 0
Wendouree	79	76	9 13 0
Totals	632	773	£102 3 0
Grand Totals	1795	2046	£348 11 0

*£0 7 0 paid on a/c Season 1921-22.

†£5 10 0

‡£5 18 0

J. P. RORKE,
Hon. Treasurer.

1921/22
156
110
46
394

120
23

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND

		RECEIPTS.					
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance at 1/9/20—							
	State Savings Bank	...	...	369	11	1	
	E. S. & A. Bank	...	...	19	2	4	
							388 13 5
„ Club Contributions—							
	Season 1920-21	...	...	221	6	0	
	„ 1921-22	...	...	11	15	0	
							233 1 0
„ Registration Fees—							
	Coxswains	...	...	18	10	0	
	Regattas, 9 @ £2 2 0	...	...	18	18	0	
							37 8 0
„ Donations—							
	Henry Gyles Turner, Esq.	...	...	5	5	0	
	W. Dawson, Esq.	...	...	2	2	0	
	J. Donald, Esq.	...	...	1	0	0	
							8 7 0
„ Championship Races—							
	Entry Fees, Sculls	...	...	1	5	0	
	„ Pairs	...	...	5	0	0	
	„ Fours	...	...	7	0	0	
	„ Eights	...	...	20	0	0	
	Sale of Programmes and Tickets	...	...	43	0	3	
							76 5 3
„ Annual Regatta—							
	Entry Fees	...	...	63	15	0	
	Programmes	...	...	13	17	11	
	Advertisements	...	...	16	16	0	
							94 8 11
„ Interstate Race—							
	Contributions	...	...				107 13 0
„ Miscellaneous—							
	Interest and Exchange	...	...	20	9	4	
	War Saving Certificate	...	...	1	0	0	
	Reinstatement Fee	...	...	0	5	0	
	Sale of Oars	...	...	15	16	8	
							37 11 0
„ Trust Moneys—							
	Regatta Trophy Money	...	...	631	0	0	
	Staging at Prince's Bridge—Club Contributions	...	...	18	18	0	
	Albert Park and Upper Yarra Regattas—Entry Fees	...	...	3	0	0	
	Outstanding Subscription on a/c Richmond Club	...	...	5	4	9	
							658 2 9

£1,641 10 4

Audited and found correct

W. W. SENIOR, }
A. W. MASSINA, L.I.C.A. } Hon. Auditors

1st September, 1921.

DISBURSEMENTS, SEASON 1920-21.

DISBURSEMENTS

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Miscellaneous Expenditure—							
Bank Charges and Sundries	...	1	11	6			
General Printing	...	26	15	10			
Honorarium, Season 1919-20, Hon. Secretary	...	15	15	0			
Insurance " " Hon. Treasurer	...	10	10	0			
Insurance	...	0	12	5			
Postage, Duty Stamps, Exchange, etc.	...	7	15	6			
Wreath and Taxi	...	3	13	9			
							66 14 0
.. Affiliation Fee—							
Amateur Sports Club	...						2 2 0
.. Championship Races—							
Hire of "Rosny" and Band	...	28	0	0			
Motor Boats	...	5	18	6			
Printing Programmes	...	7	13	6			
Entertainment Tax	...	2	19	2			
Medals and Dies	...	25	18	6			
							70 9 8
.. Annual Regatta—							
Trophies	...	£90	0	0			
Less Trophies unpaid	...	55	0	0			
					35	0	0
Printing Programmes, etc.	...	26	10	0			
Moored Boats	...	4	0	0			
Badges	...	2	10	0			
Sundries	...	0	7	6			
							68 7 6
.. Interstate Races, Launceston, 1921—							
Boat and Train Fares	...	68	1	0			
Board and Residence...	...	78	9	0			
Board in Melbourne—Country Member	...	5	0	0			
Blazers, Singlets and Caps	...	40	12	0			
Freight and Wharfage	...	13	11	9			
Shipping, Repairs, etc., Boats and Oars	...	12	1	0			
Insurance	...	2	17	6			
Trainers	...	8	7	0			
Launch	...	12	10	0			
Miscellaneous Expenses	...	15	8	7			
							256 17 10
.. Conference Charges—							
Brisbane, 1920	...	2	10	0			
Launceston, 1921	...	3	10	0			
							6 0 0
.. Premiership Certificates, 1919-20	...						3 0 0
Trust Moneys—							
Regatta Trophy—Money Expended	...	684	7	6			
Staging at Prince's Bridge—Club Contributions	...	18	18	0			
Albert Park and Upper Yarra Regattas—Entry Fees	...	3	0	0			
							706 5 6
.. Bank Balances, 31/8/1921—							
State Savings Bank	...	135	19	5			
E. S. & A. Bank	...	£42	15	8			
Less Unpresented Cheques	...	17	1	3			
					25	14	5
							461 13 10
							£1,641 10 4

J. P. RORKE, Hon. Treasurer, 1/9/1921.

VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION—Balance Sheet as at 31st Aug., 1921

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
Outstanding Trophy Money—		Bank Balances—	
Season 1911-12	£3 2 6	State Savings Bank	£435 19 5
" 1912-13	7 10 6	E. S. & A. Bank	£42 15 8
" 1913-14	5 0 6	Less Unpresented Cheques	17 1 3
" 1914-15	—	Commonwealth War Loan Bond (£100) at cost	£461 13 10
" 1915-16	—	Oarsmen's Memorial Fund	100 2 6
" 1916-17	4 14 6	Association Property—	732 13 6
" 1917-18	9 7 3	Best Eight-oared Boat	50 0 0
" 1918-19	31 7 9	Case and Cover for Boat	5 0 0
" 1919-20	74 12 6	Set Swivel Rowlocks	6 10 0
" 1920-21	336 0 0	Boat Registration Plant	3 0 0
Club Contributions—	£471 15 6	Deed Box £1/-, Embossing Dies £1/-	2 0 0
On Account Season 1921-22	.. ..	Stationery £1/-, Copying Press £1/-	2 10 0
Oarsmen's Memorial Fund	.. ..	Revolver 10/..	2 10 0
Subscription on a/c. Richmond Rowing Club	.. ..	Filing Cabinet £8/-, Typewriter £2/-	10 0 0
Balance—Excess of Assets over Liabilities	.. ..	Despatch Case	1 10 0
		Interstate Certificates	1 10 0
		Dies and Collar for Championship Medals	8 0 0
	£1,384 9 10		90 0 0
	£1,384 9 10		£1,384 9 10

Audited and found correct,

W. W. SENIOR,
A. W. MASSINA, L.I.C.A. }

Hon. Auditors.

J. P. RORKE, Hon. Treasurer.

15th September, 1921

Melbourne, 1st September, 1921.

OARSMEN'S MEMORIAL FUND

To Balance, 1/9/20	..	£704 14 2	By Balance, 1/9/21—	
„ Interest, 1/7/21	£13 10 10		State Savings Bank, 31/8/21—	
	14 8 6			£380 13 1
		27 19 4		352 0 5
				<u>£732 13 6</u>

Audited and found correct.

W. W. SENIOR.
A. W. MASSINA, L.I.C.A.

Hon. Auditors.

J. P. FORKE, Hon. Treasurer.

15th September, 1921.

1st September, 1921.

SUMMARY OF REGATTA TROPHY ACCOUNTS, SEASON 1920-21.

Regatta.	Date.	Value of Trophies.			Trophy Orders Paid.			Balance held by V.R.A.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balances from previous Seasons		470	3	0	334	7	6	135	15	6
Victorian Rowing Association	4/12/20	90	0	0	35	0	0	55	0	0
Nagambie	27/12/20	50	0	0	22	10	0	27	10	0
Upper Yarra	29/1/21	75	0	0	47	10	0	27	10	0
Albert Park	31/1/21	75	0	0	37	10	0	37	10	0
Essendon River League	5/2/21	10	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	0
Hawthorn	12/2/21	10	0	0	..			10	0	0
Ballarat	19/2/21	159	0	0	106	10	0	52	10	0
Barwon	26/2/21	132	0	0	81	0	0	51	0	0
Bairnsdale	26/3/21	60	0	0	25	0	0	35	0	0
Sale	28/3/21	60	0	0	25	0	0	35	0	0
Total, Season 1920/21		721	0	0	385	0	0	336	0	0
Grand Total		1191	3	0	719	7	6	471	15	6

J. F. RORKE,

Hon. Treasurer.

1st September, 1921.

