

VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION
1876-1939



SIXTY-THIRD
ANNUAL REPORT
AND
BALANCE SHEET

SEASON 1938-39

Hon. Secretary:
H. E. BUTLER

Asst. Hon. Secretary:
C. F. RAVEN

Hon. Treasurer:
J. P. RORKE

VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

The Sixty-Third Annual General Meeting of the above Association will be held at the Amateur Sports Club, McEwan House, 343 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, on Monday, 16th October, 1939, at 8 p.m.

BUSINESS.

1. To confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 3rd October, 1938.
2. To receive Annual Report and Balance Sheet.
3. To elect Office-bearers, viz.: Patrons, President, eight Vice-Presidents and two Hon. Auditors.
4. Presentation of Premiership Certificates and Championship Trophies.
5. To consider the following:—

(a) The amendment of Rule XXVII by adding the following to the last clause:—

“and also to members of clubs forming the Geelong Rowing Association.”

(b) The amendment of Rule XIII by deleting the words “three shillings and sixpence” in the seventh line and substituting therefor the words “four shillings”; by deleting the words “two shillings” in the eleventh line and substituting therefor the words “two shillings and sixpence”; by deleting the words “two shillings” in the nineteenth line and substituting therefor the words “two shillings and sixpence.”

That Rule XIIIa be deleted.

(c) That the following be inserted in the Rules of the Association:—

“XVa. That the sculler, the emergency and each member of the crew (but not the coxswain) selected to represent Victoria in the Australian Sculling or Eight-oared Championships shall pay the sum of three pounds (£3) to the Association, such money to be paid into a special fund to meet the expenses of representation in the aforesaid Championships.”

(d) That for such period during the war as the Committee may decide the provisions of paragraph 2 of the Regatta Regulations and Laws of Boat Racing be suspended to permit of Novice, Maiden or Junior oarsmen who may win races above their classification again racing in events for which they were qualified to compete prior to 1st September, 1939.

6. General.

H. E. BUTLER,

25th September 1939.

Hon. Secretary.

Victorian Rowing Association

SEASON 1938-39

LIST OF OFFICE-BEARERS

Patrons.

His Excellency The Right Honourable
Sir ISAAC ALFRED ISAACS, G.C.M.G.
His Excellency The Hon. Sir WILLIAM IRVINE, K.C.M.G.

President.

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Hon. Auditors.

R. L. THWAITES, Esq., A.C.A.(Aust.), & A. R. DUNCAN, Esq., B.Com.

Committee.

Elected Members (10).

ELECTED				RETIRES			
H. E. BUTLER	....	....	1939	....	....	....	1941
G. M. HUTTON	....	....	1939	....	....	....	1941
B. SELETTA	....	....	1939	....	....	....	1941
H. B. ROBERTS	....	....	1939	....	....	....	1941
K. W. MACKINTOSH	....	....	1939	....	....	....	1941
T. W. GIPTON	....	....	1938	....	....	....	1940
G. ANDERSON	....	....	1938	....	....	....	1940
T. W. JENKIN	....	....	1938	....	....	....	1940
N. S. MUIR	....	....	1938	....	....	....	1940
F. J. DAVIES	....	....	1938	....	....	....	1940

Executive Committee.

ELECTED				RETIRES			
A. L. DOBBIE	....	....	1938	....	....	....	1940
N. S. MUIR	....	....	1938	....	....	....	1940
M. BURKE	....	....	1938	....	....	....	1940
A. M. DOWNING	....	....	1938	....	....	....	1940
E. KENNY	....	....	1937	....	....	....	1939
H. T. JAMES	....	....	1937	....	....	....	1939
G. M. HUTTON	....	....	1937	....	....	....	1939

(Hon. Treasurer, Asst. Hon. Secretary and Hon. Secretary ex officio members.)

Representative Members of Affiliated Clubs.

Antwerp	....	Melbourne	—	J. Mulcahy
Albert Park	....			E. C. Edwards
	....			W. G. Ross
	....			F. Newport
Ballarat	....			M. E. Green
	....			N. W. Cairnes
Ballarat City	....			F. Jew
Bairnsdale	....			G. Lewis
Banks	....			W. R. Plant
	....			W. B. Yoxon
Barwon	....			Rutherglen Lake
Bendigo	....			J. Thompson
Camperdown	....			Sale
	....			W. McIlroy
Corowa	....			Shepparton
	....			E. J. Farrell
Corio Bay	....			South Melbourne
	....			E. A. Welsh
Dimboola	....			University
	....			C. D. Smith
Eaglehawk	....			H. T. Frederico
Essendon	....			Wahgunyah
	....			V. Bourne
Footscray City	....			Warrnambool
	....			E. Kenny
	....			Wentworth Dist....
Hawthorn	....			Wendouree
	....			R. W. B. Todd
Heidelberg City	....			J. Humfray
Lake Colac	....			Yarra Yarra
	....			C. Coe

SIXTY-THIRD

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE
VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION.

TO THE MEMBERS.

GENTLEMEN,

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting for your consideration the Sixty-third Annual Report of the Victorian Rowing Association.

The year just ended has been a satisfactory one from the point of view of Victorian Rowing. After a lengthy absence from the State, the Henley Grand Challenge Cup returned consequent on the victory gained by the Mercantile Rowing Club over the Haberfield Rowing Club. Although Victoria did not succeed in annexing the King's Cup, your representatives staged a magnificent performance and gave an exhibition of rowing reminiscent of Victorian rowing at its best. Finishing second, half a length behind Queensland, Victoria was disqualified for passing outside a buoy at the end of the first mile.

Club membership figures for the year again showed a slight decrease, being 1,427, as against 1,430 for 1937-38.

The number of competitors, Maiden and Junior, shows a substantial increase, being 2,625, as compared with 2,430 for 1937-38.

The total of Senior competitors shows a decrease from 549 to 515. The following table shows the entries for Regattas and Championships for the past two seasons:—

Regattas, etc.	No. of Competitors.			
	Maiden and Junior		Senior	
	1937-38.	1938-39.	1937-38.	1938-39.
Henley-on-Yarra	272	328	86	76
Melbourne	263	313	82	68
Nagambie	148	212	12	38
Shepparton	46	168	14	24
Rutherglen	128	98	44	18
Colac	130	144	—	18
Upper Yarra	216	266	40	44
Australia Day	228	266	40	44
Barwon	256	254	44	34
Ballarat	354	347	82	64
Bairnsdale (Saturday) ..	120	80	8	6
Bairnsdale (Monday)	120	—	8	—
Mildura	45	53	—	—
Champion Junior Eights	48	48	—	—
Champion Lightweight Junior Eights	56	48	—	—
Champion Eights	—	—	40	24
Champion Fours	—	—	28	28
Champion Pairs	—	—	14	20
Champion Sculls	—	—	3	4
2000 Metres Sculling Championship	—	—	4	5
	<u>2,430</u>	<u>2,625</u>	<u>549</u>	<u>515</u>

Country Regattas generally were well supported, some centres showing a very gratifying increase in entries. It is hoped this support will be maintained, as it helps to popularise the sport in the country and is all to the good of rowing. Sale again did not stage a Regatta, and Bairnsdale did not hold a compensating Regatta on Easter Monday, as had been the case in the preceding two years.

The membership of the Association and the number of competitors during the past thirteen seasons are as shown hereunder:—

Season.	Membership.	Maiden & Junior Competitors.	Senior & Champion Competitors.	Total Competitors.
1926-27	2174	2860	370	3230
1927-28	2114	2804	522	3326
1928-29	2118	2910	425	3335
1929-30	2251	3017	515	3532
1930-31	2065	2868	521	3389
1931-32	2001	2560	472	3062
1932-33	—	2344	485	2829
1933-34	1858	2205	411	2616
1934-35	1557	2717	684	3401
1935-36	1466	2751	561	3312
1936-37	1475	2309	549	2858
1937-38	1430	2430	549	2979
1938-39	1427	2625	515	3140

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The Australian Eight-oared Championship (King's Cup Race) was rowed over a course of three miles on the Hamilton Reach of the Brisbane River at Brisbane on Saturday, 13th May, 1933. All States except Western Australia were represented.

Weather conditions for the race were excellent.

After being left at the start, the Victorians, rowing beautifully, led at the first quarter mile, and continued to lead throughout the race until the last mile, when Queensland challenged them and, by a magnificently sustained burst, succeeded in passing the post half a length in front of Victoria. The Victorian crew was, however, disqualified for passing outside a buoy at the end of the first mile, being thus deprived of a place in the race, the official placings being Queensland, New South Wales, South Australia and Tasmania.

The time for the race was 14 mins. 30 secs., which equals the record put up by New South Wales on the same course in 1933.

Your Committee warmly congratulates the Queensland crew and coach on its very fine win. It also desires to express admiration for the magnificent performance registered by the Victorians. It feels that the Victorian crew this year restored the prestige of Victorian rowing, and has paved the way for this State's success in the not far distant future. With the grim spectre of war overshadowing us it is, of course, difficult to form any idea as to when this will be.

Victoria was represented by the following crew: F. C. Penny, 11 st. 1 lb., bow; W. B. Yoxon, 12 st., 2; K. W. Anderson (Albert Park), 11 st. 5 lbs., 3; H. J. Glover (Corio Bay), 12 st. 11 lbs., 4; D. A. Calder (Mercantile), 13 st. 2 lbs., 5; W. G. Ross (Mercantile), 12 st. 2 lbs., 6; A. E. James (Preston), 12 st. 3 lbs., 7; W. J. Lambert (Richmond), 11 st. 3 lbs., str.; D. Calnin (Richmond), cox; B. S. Thompson (Richmond), coach; H. G. Strachan (Corio Bay), 12 st., emergency; H. E. Butler (Melbourne), manager.

Mr. H. G. Strachan was originally selected as a member of the crew, but through a sudden illness he was obliged to withdraw a week before the race. The emergency, Mr. K. W. Anderson, took his place in the crew.

New South Wales, Tasmania and Queensland were represented in the Australian Sculling Championship, which was rowed prior to the King's Cup Race. The result was a win for C. A. Pearce (N.S.W.) from I. N. Cook (Tasmania) and R. C. Proctor (Queensland). Time, 14 mins. 9 secs., which is a record for the race and bettered by 23 secs. the record established by Mr. H. J. Turner on the same course in 1933.


To Mr. Pearce the Committee extends warm congratulations on his fourth successive win in this event.

The selectors of the King's Cup Eight were Messrs. R. W. B. Todd, W. N. Ricketts and B. S. Thompson. The selectors appointed Mr. Thompson to coach the crew.

Whilst in Brisbane the Victorians were quartered at Hamilton House, which was within easy walking distance of the training quarters. An excellent table was provided, and the accommodation proved comfortable.

Of the hospitality of the Queensland rowing men and the Brisbane public generally it is difficult to speak in adequately expressive terms. Everyone did their utmost to make the stay of the visiting crews happy and memorable, and it can safely be said that the Victorians left Brisbane with the most pleasant memories. To Mr. Joyce, President of the Queensland Rowing Council, our thanks are particularly due. He spent an enormous amount of time in looking after the welfare of the visitors, and visited the training quarters daily to satisfy himself that everyone was being properly looked after and that everyone was happy and comfortable. Another official deserving of your highest encomiums is Mr. W. L. Dowd, the Hon. Organising Secretary for the King's Cup Race. Mr. Dowd had a particularly heavy time, but was never too busy to attend to the smallest wants of the visiting crews. As manager of the Victorian Eight, your Hon. Secretary is greatly indebted to both these gentlemen for the assistance they gave him. Your thanks have been duly expressed to both of them.

The Committee places on record its thanks to the crew, coach and selectors for their efforts on behalf of the State.



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 1-3
1887	Victoria	N.S.W.	Sydney	17 12½
†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	Queensland and N.S.W.	Sydney	18 45½
1891	Q'land	N.S.W. and Victoria	Melbourne	18 45
1892	Victoria	N.S.W. and Queensland	Brisbane	15 5
1893	N.S.W.	Victoria and Queensland	Sydney	19 23
1894	Victoria	N.S.W. and Queensland	Melbourne	16 24
1895	Victoria	N.S.W. and Queensland	Brisbane	16 16 1-3
1896	Victoria	N.S.W. and Queensland	Sydney	17 17
1897	Victoria	W.A. and Queensland	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	S. Aust.	Tas., W.A.	Adelaide	17 1
1914	T'mania	S.A., W.A., Vic., N.S.W., Q.	Melbourne	†13 33
1920	S. 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
1922	S. Aust.	Vic., W.A., Tas., N.S.W., Q.	Sydney	16 19
1923	S. Aust.	W.A., Vic., N.S.W., Tas.	Perth	17 31
1924	Q'land	N.S.W., S.A., W.A., Tas., Vic.	Adelaide	18 11 3-5
1925	W. Aust.	Tas., N.S.W., S.A., Vic., Q.	Melbourne	17 0 1-5
1926	T'mania	S.A., Vic., Q., N.S.W.	Brisbane	15 43
§1927	W. Aust.	N.S.W., Vic., S.A.	Hobart	16 6
1928	W. Aust.	Q., Tas., Vic., N.S.W., S.A.	Sydney	16 50 2-5
1929	N.S.W.	W.A., Vic., S.A.	Perth	16 43
1930	Victoria	N.S.W., Q., Tas., S.A., W.A.	Mannum (S.A.)	16 47
†1932	Victoria	N.S.W., W.A., S.A., Q., Tas.	Melbourne	15 9 1-5
1933	N.S.W.	Q., Vic., Tas., S.A.	Brisbane	14 30
†1934	N.S.W.	W.A., Q., Tas., Vic., S.A.	Hobart	19 38 1-2
1935	N.S.W.	W.A., S.A., Vic., Q., Tas	Penrith	(N.S.W.) 16 20 1-5
1936	N.S.W.	S.A., W.A., Vic.	Perth	16 22
1937	S. Aust.	N.S.W., W.A., Tas., Vic., Q.	Murray Bridge	15 22
1938	W. Aust.	N.S.W., Tas., Vic., S.A., Q.	Melbourne	14 13
o1939	Q'land.	N.S.W., S.A., Tas.	Brisbane	14 28

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.

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

*Vic., N.S.W. and Qld. did not finish owing to accidents.

‡Distance, 2½ miles §Tas. and Qld. swamped. ¶S.A. and Vic. swamped.

o Victoria finished second, but were disqualified for passing outside a buoy.

RECORD OF AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP SCULLS.

Year	Rowed at	Won by	Other Competitors	Time m. s.
1892	Brisbane	M. J. Slack (Q.)	W. Lambert (N.S.W.)	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 21
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.), J. Hill (W.A.)	20 54½
1908	Melbourne	H. Brasch (V.) ^o	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	Launc'ton	G. A. Westbrook (Tas.)	J. Barton (V.), R. Neilson (N.S.W.)	†
1922	Sydney	A. G. Bull (N.S.W.)	A. Pitt (T), J. Barton (V.)	17 27½
1923	Perth	A. G. Bull (N.S.W.)	M. Bradley (T.), S. McGorm (V.), A. L. Saddler (W.A.)	16 55
1924	Adelaide	J. Barton (V.)	G. Rogers (W.A.), W. C. Lorimer (N.S.W.), R. L. Naylor (S.A.), L. C. Nimmo (Tas.)	18 19½
1925	Melbourne	A. Cambridge (V.)	A. W. Cuthbertson (T.), H. E. Ricketts (S.A.), C. Lorimer (N.S.W.), A. A. Baynes (Q.)	17 13½
1926	Brisbane	A. A. Baynes (Q.)	J. A. Goulding (N.S.W.), A. Cambridge (V.), L. C. Nimmo (T.)	15 35
1927	Hobart	R. Pearce (N.S.W.)	A. H. Cambridge (V.), L. Marsh (T.), W. Pfeiffer (S.A.)	18 10
1928	Sydney	R. Pearce (N.S.W.)	L. Marsh (T.), A. H. Cambridge (V.), Buckley (Q.)	15 30
1929	Perth	R. Pearce (N.S.W.)	K. Langley (W.A.)	15 47
1930	Mannum (S.A.)	J. R. Scott (N.S.W.)	A. Buckley (Q.), R. Beauchamp (T.), R. Jelbart (V.)	15 14
1932	Melbourne ‡	H. Turner (N.S.W.)	R. Beauchamp (T) C. F. W. Peppler (V) J. Richardson (Q)	19 5½
1933	Brisbane	H. Turner (N.S.W.)	R. Beauchamp (T.), J. Richardson (Q.)	14 32
1934	Hobart	H. Turner (N.S.W.)	R. Beauchamp (T) C.F.W. Peppler (V) C. E. Slaughter (Q)	17 46
1935	Penrith (N.S.W.)	H. Turner (N.S.W.)	C. F. W. Peppler (Vic.) C. E. Slaughter (Q.) H. A. Wilkinson (Tas.)	16 36½
1936	Perth	C. A. Pearce (N.S.W.)	K. Langley (W.A.)	16 15
1937	Murray Br. (S.A.)	C. A. Pearce (N.S.W.)	L. A. Purves (V.), A. V. Kunoth (S.A.)	15 10
1938	Melb.	C. A. Pearce (N.S.W.)	L. A. Purves (V.), R. M. L. Ninham (S.A.)	17 18½
1939	Brisbane	C. A. Pearce (N.S.W.)	I. N. Cook (Tas.), R. C. Proctor (Q.)	14 9

*E. Jack passed the winning post first, but was disqualified, as he failed to comply with the amateur definition. †No time taken, collision during race. ‡Distance, 2½ miles.

VICTORIAN EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP.

This event, which was rowed over a 2½ miles course on the Lower Yarra on Saturday, 11th February, 1939, attracted an entry of three crews, this being the smallest field recorded since 1922-23 season. Weather conditions were ideal.

After a very fine race, Richmond Rowing Club won from Mercantile by half a canvas, Albert Park being third.

The time for the race was 13 mins. 34 secs.

Richmond's crew comprised: W. Dunkley, bow; K. E. Harrison, 2; F. Penny, 3; M. W. Hutton, 4; L. W. Corkhill, 5; W. B. Yoxon, 6; W. R. Plant, 7; W. Lambert, str.; D. Calnin, cox; T. J. Barton, coach.

VICTORIAN FOUR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP.

Seven crews faced the starter in this Championship Fours event, which was rowed on the Lower Yarra course of 2½ miles on Saturday, 17th December, 1938. Weather conditions were very good.

Richmond Rowing Club won by four lengths from Albert Park, with Mercantile two lengths away third. Melbourne, Footscray City, Banks and Preston finished in that order.

The time for the race was 16 mins. 14 secs.

Richmond's crew was: F. Penny, bow; C. B. Durrant, 2; L. W. Corkhill, 3; W. Lambert, str., A. Hazlehurst, cox; G. M. Hutton, coach.

VICTORIAN PAIR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP.

Rowed at Nagambie on Boxing Day, 26th December, 1938, this event attracted an entry of ten crews, although only nine faced the starter, Banks Rowing Club having to withdraw. Weather conditions were good.

Preston Rowing Club won by one and a half lengths from Wahgunyah, whilst Richmond, two lengths away, were third. Footscray City, Dimboola, Melbourne University, Albert Park, Nagambie and Shepparton finished in that order.

The time for the race was 5 min. 55 secs.

A. James, bow; G. Hutchins, str.; and R. Hird, cox, comprised the winning crew.

To the winners of the above Championships the Committee extends sincere congratulations.

VICTORIAN SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

Contested over a course of two and a half miles on the Lower Yarra, this event attracted four entrants, viz., L. A. Purves (Yarra Yarra), R. Williams (Yarra Yarra), E. A. McDougall (Yarra Yarra) and M. K. Brady (Richmond).

L. A. Purves won by three lengths from R. Williams, whilst E. A. McDougall and M. K. Brady finished third and fourth respectively. Time, 20 mins. 3 secs.

Mr. Purves is warmly congratulated on his third successive win in this event.

It is worthy of note that this Championship has now been won by members of the Yarra Yarra Rowing Club for nine consecutive years.

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP EIGHT-OARED RACES.

Season	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
1921-22	Mercantile	4	13 23
1922-23	Mercantile	3	13 8 2-5
1923-24	Wendouree	5	13 7 3-5
**1924-25	Wendouree	7	17 6
**1925-26	Wendouree	5	17 19 2-5
**1926-27	Melbourne	5	18 11 3-5
**1927-28	Melbourne	8	18 19
1928-29	Ballarat	6	14 51 3-5
**1929-30	Mercantile	4	18 30
§1930-31	Richmond	5	15 14 3-5
‡1931-32	Albert Park	4	16 10
§1932-33	Hawthorn	7	13 16
§1933-34	Nagambie	4	14 35 2-5
1934-35	London	7	14 20
1935-36	Mercantile	4	14 5 2-5
1936-37	Richmond	4	14 32
1937-38	Albert Park	5	13 28 4-5
1938-39	Richmond	3	13 34 4-5

‡This race resulted in a row-over, as Corio Fay, 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.

*Distance, 2¼ miles. **Distance, 3 miles. §Distance, 2½ miles.

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
1921-22	Mercantile	6	14 19 3-5
1922-23	Wendouree	7	14 42
1923-24	Wendouree	6	18 15 3-5
1924-25	Melbourne	6	16 26
1925-26	Melbourne	6	15 46
1926-27	Melbourne	7	16 29 2-5
1927-28	Hawthorn	9	16 46 1-5
1928-29	Mercantile	7	15 48
*1929-30	Mercantile	7	—
1930-31	Albert Park	8	17 28
1931-32	Richmond	7	15 33
1932-33	Richmond	5	14 50
1933-34	Nagambie	3	16 10 2-5
1934-35	Nagambie	6	16 32 4-5
1935-36	Albert Park	8	15 36 3-5
1936-37	Richmond	7	17 8 3-5
1937-38	Albert Park	7	17 4 3-5
1938-39	Richmond	7	16 14

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

**Owing to rough weather, rowed in heats over course 1½ miles, Upper Yarra.

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 7 4-5
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 23 3-5
1908-1909	Civil Service	9	—
1909-1910	Albert Park	7	6 13
1910-1911	Footscray City	9	5 20 1-5
1911-1912	University	10	5 47
1912-1913	Essendon	9	6 9
1913-1914	Ballarat	9	8 0 1-5
1914-1915	Ballarat	9	7 46 3-5
1919-1920	Nagambie	7	7 8
1920-1921	Footscray	10	6 39
*1921-1922	Wendouree	8	7 4 2-5
*1922-1923	Wendouree	6	6 36
*1923-1924	Wendouree	4	6 11
*1924-1925	Merbein	8	6 23 4-5
*1925-1926	Wendouree	7	7 7 2-5
*1926-1927	Wendouree	7	6 54
*1927-1928	Wendouree	9	8 23
*1928-1929	Wendouree	7	6 16
*1929-1930	Sth. Melbourne	9	7 37
1930-1931	Albert Park	10	6 15
*1931-1932	Albert Park	9	7 30
*1932-1933	Ballarat	7	6 29
*1933-1934	Richmond	7	7 14
1934-1935	Preston	10	6 32
*1935-1936	Sale	11	6 43 1-5
*1936-1937	Melb. University	8	6 42 1-5
1937-1938	Albert Park	7	7 31 2-5
1938-1939	Preston	10	5 55

Distance of course since 1903, 1 mile.

*Rowed at Ballarat.

†Distance, 1½ miles.

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 55%
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
1921-22	J. Barton	Richmond	4	19 6
1922-23	S. McGorm	Sandhurst	5	59 6%
1923-24	J. Barton	Richmond	4	—
1924-25	A. Cambridge	Sandhurst	4	19 23
1925-26	A. Cambridge	Sandhurst	3	18 50
1926-27	H. E. Ricketts	Essendon	3	17 54
1927-28	A. Cambridge	Bendigo	1	R. O.
1928-29	A. Cambridge	Bendigo	3	19 25
1929-30	R. Jelbart	University	5	17 43%
1930-31	H. E. Ricketts	Yarra Yarra	4	—
1931-32	C. F. W. Peppler	Yarra Yarra	5	15 8%
1932-33	C. F. W. Peppler	Yarra Yarra	5	22 22
1933-34	C. F. W. Peppler	Yarra Yarra	4	16 49%
1934-35	C. F. W. Peppler	Yarra Yarra	4	19 4½
1935-36	C. F. W. Peppler	Yarra Yarra	4	*
1936-37	L. A. Purves	Yarra Yarra	4	17 13
1937-38	L. A. Purves	Yarra Yarra	3	17 30½
1938-39	L. A. Purves	Yarra Yarra	4	20 3%

Since 1900-1 the distance has been 2½ miles.

†Distance, about 1¼ miles.

*Owing to a clash the race was stopped and re-started. No time was taken.

2000 METRES SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

The 2000 Metres Sculling Championship was rowed on the Lower Yarra course on Saturday, 17th December, 1938, under good weather conditions. The event attracted an entry of five scullers, viz., L. A. Purves (Yarra Yarra), M. K. Brady (Richmond), R. S. Bolton (Mercantile), R. Williams (Yarra Yarra) and E. A. McDougall (Yarra Yarra), and was won easily by Mr. Purves. Owing to a misunderstanding in regard to the finishing line, Mr. Purves rowed some distance past and no time was taken.

Mr. Purves is warmly congratulated on his third successive victory in this event.

RECORD OF ONE MILE SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

Season.	Won by	No. of Entries.	Time. Min. Sec.
*1928-29	S. B. McGorm (Ballarat)	3	5 57
*1929-30	S. B. McGorm (Ballarat)	5	7 10
†1930-31	J. Barton (Richmond)	5	6 5½

*Rowed at Ballarat.

†Rowed in heats, Henley course.

RECORD OF 2000 METRES SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

Season.	Won by	No. of Entries.	Time. Min. Sec.
1931-32	G. B. Anderson (Albert Park)	4	7 28
1932-33	S. B. McGorm (Ballarat)	6	Not taken
1933-34	C. F. W. Pepler (Yarra Yarra)	3	8 1½
1934-35	C. F. W. Pepler (Yarra Yarra)	3	7 40
1935-36	M. E. K. Hansen (Mercantile)	4	9 33
1936-37	L. A. Purves (Yarra Yarra)	3	Not taken
1937-38	L. A. Purves (Yarra Yarra)	4	8 55½
1938-39	L. A. Purves (Yarra Yarra)	5	Not taken

JUNIOR EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP.

Five crews faced the starter in the Junior Eight-oared Championship, which was rowed over a two-mile course on the Lower Yarra on Saturday, 18th March, 1939. Although a strong wind was blowing, the conditions for the race were good.

The Corio Bay Rowing Club (P. F. Kelly, 10 st. 4 lbs., bow; G. J. Searle, 11 st. 2 lbs., 2; W. Searle, 10 st. 7 lbs., 3; A. Bell, 11 st. 10 lbs., 4; L. Searle, 11 st. 2 lbs., 5; H. J. Glover, 13 st. 6 lbs., 6; H. G. Strachan, 12 st. 7 lbs., 7; G. E. Searle, 10 st. 10 lbs., str; R. Herbert, cox; C. G. Saleh, coach) repeated its success of the previous two years, winning by a length from Banks, with Footscray City, four lengths away, third; Mercantile were fourth and Melbourne fifth. Time, 11 mins. 43 secs.

Corio Bay Rowing Club is sincerely congratulated on its third successive win in this event.

RECORD OF JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP EIGHTS.

Season.	Won by	No. of Entries.	Time. Min. Sec.
1928-29	Mercantile	8	12 25¾
1929-30	Mercantile	4	11 53¾
1930-31	Footscray City	10	11 56
1931-32	Mercantile	10	11 37
1932-33	Richmond	4	11 39
1933-34	Essendon	7	12 3¼
1934-35	Richmond	5	11 14½
1935-36	Richmond	5	12 7
1936-37	Corio Bay	5	12 4
1937-38	Corio Bay	6	11 40¾
1938-39	Corio Bay	5	11 43

CHAMPION LIGHTWEIGHT JUNIOR EIGHTS.

This event, which was rowed on the Lower Yarra on Saturday, 18th March, 1939, over a course of one and a half miles, attracted an entry of six crews, five of whom started, Banks withdrawing because one member of the crew was also rowing in the Champion Junior Eight.

The race was well contested and resulted in a win for the Albert Park Rowing Club by half a length from Corio Bay, with Mercantile, one and a half lengths away, third; Melbourne were fourth and Richmond fifth. Time, 9 mins. 11 secs.

The personnel of the Albert Park crew was: B. Kennedy, bow; S. Zemenacheff, 2; C. Burmister, 3; F. Findlay, 4; L. Newell, 5; A. Allen, 6; A. Wiltshire, 7; H. Rosemond, str.; K. Wiltshire, cox; G. Anderson, coach.

To the Albert Park Club the Committee extends sincere congratulations.

RECORD OF OPEN LIGHTWEIGHT EIGHTS.

Season.	Won by	No. of Entries.	Time. Min. Sec.
1931-32	Richmond	9	9 48
1932-33	Banks	7	8 49 ³ / ₄
1933-34	Wendouree	5	8 52 ¹ / ₂
1934-35	Melbourne	6	9 8 ³ / ₄

RECORD OF CHAMPION LIGHTWEIGHT JUNIOR EIGHTS.

Season.	Won by	No. of Entries.	Time. Min. Sec.
1935-36	Melbourne	4	9 42
1936-37	Banks	7	9 23 ³ / ₄
1937-38	Melbourne	7	8 53
1938-39	Albert Park	6	9 11

PREMIERSHIPS.

The Mercantile Rowing Club won the Senior Premiership, and the Banks Rowing Club the Junior Premiership. To these Clubs the sincere congratulations of the Committee are extended.

The points scored in the respective Premierships were:—

SENIOR.

Club	No. of Wins	Points	Club	No. of Wins	Points
Mercantile	6	52	Shepparton	2	8
Richmond	4	36	Lake Colac	2	6
Melb. University	3	12	Wahgunyah	2	4
Yarra Yarra	4	8	Albert Park	—	4
Preston	3	8	Bairnsdale	1	2

JUNIOR.

Club	No. of Wins	Points	Club	No. of Wins	Points
Banks	10	62	Power House	2	8
Preston	11	50	Rutherglen Lake	2	6
Corio Bay	7	46	Wendouree	2	6
Nagambie	7	36	Hawthorn	2	4
Mercantile	6	34	Bairnsdale	2	4
Albert Park	6	24	Dimboola	1	4
Footscray City	5	22	Richmond	1	4
Ballarat City	4	16	Essendon	2	2
Melbourne	4	16	Ballarat	1	2
Yarra Yarra	5	14	Barwon	1	2
Heidelberg City	2	8			

RECORD OF PREMIERSHIPS.

1898-1899	.... Ballarat	1921-1922	.... Mercantile (Sen.)
1899-1900	.... Albert Park		Barwon (Jun.)
1900-1901	.... Mercantile	1923	.... Wendouree (Sen.)
1901-1902	.... Albert Park		Ballarat (Jun.)
1902-1903	.... Albert Park	1923-1924	.... Wendouree (Sen.)
1903-1904	.... Ballarat		Banks (Jun.)
1904-1905	.... Albert Park	1924-1925	.... Wendouree (Sen.)
1905-1906	.... Albert Park		Essendon (Jun.)
1906-1907*	.... Albert Park (Sen.)	1925-1926	.... Wendouree (Sen.)
1906-1907	.... Albert Park (Jun.)		Hawthorn (Jun.)
1907-1908	.... Mercantile (Sen.)	1926-1927	.... Melbourne (Sen.)
1907-1908	.... Footscray City (Jr.)		Mercantile (Jun.)
1908-1909	.... South Melb. (Jun.)	1927-1928	.... Melbourne (Sen.)
1908-1909	.... Albert Park (Sen.)		Richmond (Jun.)
1909-1910	.... Banks (Jun.)	1928-1929	.... Mercantile (Sen.)
1909-1910	.... Albert Park (Sen.)		Albert Park (Jun.)
1910-1911	.... Albert Park (Sen.)	1929-1930	.... Mercantile (Sen.)
1910-1911†	.... Civil Service (Jun.)		Mercantile (Jun.)
	Banks	1930-1931	.... Albert Park (Sen.)
1911-1912	.... Albert Park (Sen.)		Mercantile (Jun.)
1911-1912†	.... Civil Service	1931-1932	.... Albert Park (Sen.)
	Banks (Jun.)		Footscray City
	Essendon		(Jun.)
1912-1913	.... Albert Park (Sen.)	1932-1933	.... Richmond (Sen.)
1912-1913	.... Albert Park (Jun.)		Essendon (Jun.)
1912-1913	.... Civil Service (Jun.)	1933-1934	.... Nagambie (Sen.)
1913-1914	.... Albert Park (Sen.)		Richmond (Jun.)
1913-1914	.... Hawthorn (Jun.)	1934-1935	.... Nagambie (Sen.)
1914-1915	.... Albert Park (Sen.)		Richmond (Jun.)
1914-1915	.... Footscray (Jun.)	1935-1936	.... Richmond (Sen.)
1918-1919**	.... Civil Service (Jun.)		Richmond (Jun.)
1919-1920	.... Nagambie (Sen.)	1936-1937	.... Albert Park (Sen.)
	Banks (Jun.)		Mercantile (Jun.)
1920-1921	.... Civil Service (Sen.)	1937-1938	.... Albert Park (Sen.)
	Albert Park (Jun.)		Mercantile (Jun.)
		1938-1939	.... Mercantile (Sen.)
			Banks (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.

REGATTAS.

In addition to qualifying Regattas, the following races were held during the year:—

United Services Regatta (20/5/1939).—United Services Challenge Cup (Eights): 6th Battalion (The Royal Melbourne Regiment), (Pte. R. Patkin, bow; Cpl. M. J. Fakhry, 2; Sgt. T. M. Stokoe, 3; Capt. H. E. Wright, 4; Pte. D. B. Tudehope, 5; Pte. K. O. Neuendorff, 6; Pte. T. O. Neuendorff, 7; Lieut. F. Knowles, str.; Capt. H. E. Comport, cox). Vice-Presidents' Challenge Cup (Fours): 14th Battalion (Pahran Regiment), (Pte. W. N. Glen, bow.; Pte. L. F. Orr, 2; Pte. H. Lamble, 3; Pte. H. Barnett, str.; Pte. A. Beattie, cox).

Head of the River (18-19/5/1939).—Melbourne Church of England Grammar School (S. E. Righetti, bow; A. W. Moore, 2; D. H. Davis, 3; R. E. Due, 4; R. H. Rollason, 5; R. J. Hoffert, 6; P. J. R. Steele, 7; J. R. B. Grice, str.; J. A. Skinner, cox; W. N. Ricketts, coach).

Mervyn Bournes Higgins Shield (4-5/4/1939).—Trinity College (D. W. Fleming, bow; D. B. Robertson, 2; G. Larkins, 3; F. J. H. Moreton, 4; J. S. Guest, 5; R. B. Lewis, 6; K. S. Rowan, 7; C. D. Smith, str.; H. S. Moroney, cox; W. H. Whitney-King, coach).

John Lang Cup (5/4/1939).—Trinity College (D. W. Fleming, bow; D. B. Robertson, 2; G. Larkins, 3; F. J. H. Moreton, 4; J. S. Guest, 5; R. B. Lewis, 6; K. S. Rowan, 7; C. D. Smith, str.; H. S. Moroney, cox; W. H. Whitney-King, coach).

Inter-Faculty Race (John Grice Shield).—Medical Faculty (G. S. Shaw, bow; D. Gordon, 2; J. D. Bretherton, 3; J. Whitehead, 4; D. B. Robertson, 5; E. A. Andre, 6; J. Craig, 7; G. Flanagan, str.; H. S. Moroney, cox; L. H. Wilson, coach).

REGATTA AND CHAMPIONSHIP DATES—SEASON 1939-1940.

Novice Regatta, 7th October, 1939; Dimboola Regatta, 11th November, 1939; Henley-on-Yarra, 18th November, 1939; Melbourne Regatta, 25th November, 1939; Championship Fours and 2000 Metres Sculling Championship, 16th December, 1939; Nagambie Regatta, 26th December, 1939; Shepparton Regatta, 27th or 30th December, 1939; Rutherglen and Colac Regattas, 1st January, 1940; Upper Yarra Regatta, 27th January, 1940; Australia Day Regatta, 29th January, 1940; Champion Eights and 2½ Miles Sculling Championship, 10th February, 1940; Barwon Regatta, 24th February, 1940; Ballarat Regatta, 2nd March, 1940; Easter Regattas, 23rd March, 1940; V.R.A. Combination Eights, 6th April, 1940; Champion Junior Eights and Lightweight Champion Junior Eights, 20th April, 1940.

INTER-UNIVERSITIES RACE.

It is pleasing to record that the Melbourne University crew won the Australian Universities' Eight-oar Championship (Oxford and Cambridge Cup), which was rowed over three miles on the Nepean River at Penrith, N.S.W., on Saturday, 3rd June, 1939. Melbourne won by a length and a half from Sydney University, with Adelaide, seven lengths away, third. West Australia was fourth, and Queensland fifth. The Tasmanian University was not represented. Time, 16 mins. 38 secs.

The seating of the Melbourne University crew was: K. S. Rowan, bow; J. A. Blanche, 2; J. A. Forbes, 3; L. H. Wilson, 4; J. S. Guest, 5; R. B. Lewis, 6; C. R. Ampt, 7; C. D. Smith, str.; H. S. Moroney, cox; A. L. Rentoul, coach.

Melbourne University is warmly congratulated on its success in this event.

METROPOLITAN ROWING COMMITTEE.

The Metropolitan Rowing Committee conducted its Eleventh Annual Regatta for Novice and Lightweight oarsmen on the 1st October, 1938. The event attracted an entry of 162 competitors, which was eleven in excess of the previous year. The winners of the various events were: Novice Eights, Banks Rowing Club; Novice Fours, Yarra Yarra Rowing Club; Novice Pairs, Banks Rowing Club; Novice Sculls, R. Rawlins (Melbourne); Novice Lightweight Fours, Mercantile Rowing Club; Novice Lightweight Pairs, Middle Park Rowing Club.

AUSTRALIAN AMATEUR ROWING COUNCIL.

The Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Australian Amateur Rowing Council was held at the Y.M.C.A. Rooms, Edward Street, Brisbane, at 2.30 p.m. on Thursday, 11th May, 1939.

Present—Mr. F. L. Poulgrain (Q'land), President; Messrs. E. T. Bessell (Tas.), H. J. Green, proxy for R. S. Jeffries (W.A.); D. W. Bowden, proxy for H. G. Alderson (N.S.W.); P. B. Langdon, proxy for R. H. Wallman (S.A.); and E. Kenny (Vic.), Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.

The following office-bearers were elected for 1938-1939: President, Mr. H. G. Alderson (N.S.W.); Hon. Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. E. Kenny (Vic.); Hon. Auditors, Messrs. J. P. Rorke and R. L. Thwaites, A.C.A.(Aust.); Delegates to the Olympic Federation and Australian British Empire Games Association, Messrs. H. G. Alderson (N.S.W.) and E. Kenny (Vic.); London Representative, Major S. A. Middleton.

RESOLUTIONS.

- (1) **Clause 39, Rotation of Races.**—That Clause 39 of the Rules relating to the King's Cup race be deleted and the following new clause be substituted therefore: "The order of future races shall be: 1940, New South Wales; 1941, Western Australia; 1942, Tasmania; 1943, South Australia; 1944, Victoria; 1945, Queensland. Thereafter a similar order of rotation provided each Association shall be represented each year except that Queensland shall be exempt from competing in Western Australia and Western Australia shall be exempt from competing in Queensland."
- (2) **Selection Committee, Olympic Games, 1940.**—That a sole selector be appointed for the Australian Rowing Council's representatives at the Olympic Games in 1940.
Consequent on this Resolution, Mr. S. C. Raper (N.S.W.), being the only nominee, was declared elected as the Council's sole selector.
- (3) **Representatives at Olympic Games, 1940.**—That only a sculler should be sent, as the funds of the Council were not sufficient to send any other representatives. It was understood that if any State intimated that it was in a position to finance a crew to the Games, the Council would consider the selection of such crew.

- (4) Arrangements, King's Cup and President's Cup Races.—That a statement of all arrangements for these races be submitted by the Association controlling the arrangements to the Australian Amateur Rowing Council for approval at its Annual Meeting.
- (5) A motion by Victoria that the weight of coxswains for King's Cup Race crews be a minimum of 8 st. 7 lbs. was lost.
- (6) Levy.—That the levy for 1939-1940 be £4 4s.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

Only one General Meeting was held during the year, viz., the Annual General Meeting on Monday, 3rd October, 1938. At this meeting it was decided that in future the appointment of the Hon. Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer should be made by the Committee in accordance with Article V of the Constitution, instead of by the Annual General Meeting, as has been done in the past.

COMMITTEE DECISIONS.

That the first paragraph of paragraph 3(a) of the Regatta Regulations and Laws of Boat Racing be deleted and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—

“All coxswains shall be amateurs and for pair-oared boats and four-oared best boats shall not be less than seven (7) stone seven (7) pounds in weight; for four-oared clinker boats not less than eight (8) stone in weight, and for eight-oared boats not less than eight (8) stone seven (7) pounds in weight, except in such cases where a four-oared clinker boat is used in races open to four-oared best boats, in which case the weight shall not be less than seven (7) stone seven (7) pounds.”

AFFILIATED CLUBS.

During the year the newly formed Camperdown Rowing Club affiliated with the Victorian Rowing Association.

The Middle Park Rowing Club changed back to the former name of South Melbourne Rowing Club.

Owing to the severe drought conditions which prevailed throughout 1938, some country clubs suffered a big reduction in members. It is hoped that these clubs will soon build up their memberships to previous standards and again become active units of the Association.

THANKS.

The Committee acknowledges with sincere thanks the receipt of the undermentioned donations during the year:—

Sir S. J. Morell, £10/10/-; Old Oarsmen's Association, £7/7/-; Sir G. Fairbairn, £5; Mr. H. E. Butler, £5; Messrs. A. J. Shepherd and C. N. McKay, £3/3/- each; Dr. H. C. Disher, £2/2/-; Messrs. H. J. Green and S. C. Stewart, £1/1/- each; Mr. W. McIlroy, £1. Total donations, £39/7/-.

Trophies for the V.R.A. Combination Eights held on 27th May, 1939, were donated by members of the Executive.

The sincere thanks of the Committee are extended to the Assistant Honorary Secretary (Mr. Frank Raven) for the valuable assistance he rendered in the carrying out of the administrative work of the Association. It is regretted that, owing to stress of business, Mr. Raven has found it necessary to relinquish his position as Assistant Honorary Secretary.

OBITUARY.

It is with feelings of the deepest regret that your Committee records the decease during the year of The Rt. Hon. J. A. Lyons, Messrs. Mark Shea, J. R. Corteen, S. A. Edwards, C. S. Cunningham, J. A. Campbell, A. Hall and B. Winning. To those relatives who are left to mourn their loss the sincerest sympathy of the Committee is extended.

EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

Eighteen Executive and twelve Ordinary Committee Meetings were held during the year. Attendances were as follow:—

Executive.—H. E. Butler, A. L. Dobbie, H. T. James, E. Kenny and N. S. Muir, 17; G. M. Hutton and J. P. Rorke, 15; C. F. Raven, 13; M. Burke, 11; A. M. Downing, 9.

Average attendance, 8.6.

Committee.—N. S. Muir, 12; G. Anderson, E. Kenny and W. G. Ross, 11; J. H. Bailey, M. Burke, H. E. Butler, A. L. Dobbie, G. M. Hutton, H. T. James, F. P. Morris, W. E. O'Brien, H. B. Roberts and J. P. Rorke, 10; T. Gipton, H. J. Green, G. Hutchins, F. Jew, J. M. O'Connor and J. F. Thompson, 9; J. P. Gaskin, T. W. Jenkin, W. McIlroy, C. F. Raven, B. Seletto and W. B. Yoxon, 8; C. Coe, A. M. Downing, E. J. Farrell, M. E. Green, J. H. Horsington and J. Humfray, 7; K. S. Cusworth, T. S. Flint, F. Marchant, J. Mulcahy, F. Newport and K. S. Ross, 6; R. Atkinson, J. F. Horan and M. S. Williams, 5; H. T. Frederico and H. Tonner, 4; G. Lewis (apptd. 5/7/39), 3; V. Bourne, N. W. Cairnes and W. Plant (apptd. 2/8/39), 2; W. C. Currie, R. Duggan, J. Fuller, R. Gamon (proxy), D. Macrae, W. L. Podmore, F. H. Watts and G. Whittaker, 2; G. S. Anderson, R. Anderson (proxy), J. Carstens, R. E. Chipper (apptd. 2/8/39), J. Coghlan (proxy), W. E. Cousens, F. J. Davies, S. J. Elder (apptd. 6/9/39), T. H. Fuller, F. D. Hiscock (proxy), J. Hofmeyer, C. E. James, W. King (proxy), A. P. Lyons (proxy), A. Mallett (proxy), J. Martin (proxy), L. P. Morgan (proxy), S. J. Neal, C. Paige (proxy), F. Parkinson (apptd. 6/9/39), A. G. Patford, E. Pollock (proxy), C. D. Smith, E. A. Welsh (apptd. 2/8/39) and L. H. Wilson (proxy), 1.

Average attendance, 33.5.

CLUB SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES.

Club.	Hon. Secretary.	Address.
ALBERT PARK	A. Lyne	9 Johnstone St., Malvern, S.E.4.
ANTWERP	W. E. Bond	Antwerp Rowing Club, Antwerp, Vic.
BAIRNSDALE	R. G. Rosenbrock	Bairnsdale R.C., Bairnsdale, Vic.
BALLARAT	W. H. Bath	16 Talbot St. North, Ballarat, Vic.
BALLARAT CITY	M. Matthews	Box 10, G.P.O., Ballarat, Vic.
BANKS	J. J. Short	Banks Rowing Club, Princes' Bridge, Melbourne, S.C.1.
BARWON	R. B. Sweetten	18 Grandview Gr., Drumcondra, G'long.
BENDIGO	G. L. Ash	119 Carpenter St., Bendigo, Vic.
CAMPERDOWN		
COROWA	G. H. Strong	Corowa Rowing Club, Corowa, N.S.W.
CORIO BAY	A. Bell	89 Mercer St., Geelong, Vic.
DIMBOOLA	A. E. Hunter	Dimboola Rowing Club, Dimboola, Vic.
EAGLEHAWK	J. Stock	Caldwell's Rd., Eaglehawk, Vic.
ESSENDON	W. E. O'Brien	128 Dean St., Moonee Ponds, W.4
FOOTSCRAY CITY	J. H. Horsington	101 Droop St., Footscray, W.11.
HAWTHORN	F. D. Hiscock	3 Glenroy Rd., Hawthorn, E.3. Vic.
HEIDELBERG CITY	F. Miller	160 Arthur St., Fairfield, N.20.
LAKE COLAC	I. H. Fisher	C/o. Motor Spares Pty. Ltd., 59 Murray St., Colac, Vic.
MELBOURNE	E. C. Edwards	Melbourne Rowing Club, Princes' Bridge, Melbourne, S.C.1
MELB. UNIVERSITY	J. A. Blanch	443 Glenferrie Rd., Hawthorn, E.2.
MERCANTILE	F. Newport	Mercantile Rowing Club, Princes' Bridge, Melbourne, S.C.1
MILDURA	S. Welch	Box 290, Post Office, Mildura, Vic.
NAGAMBIE	F. A. Martin	Nagambie Rowing Club, Nagambie, Vic.
POWER HOUSE	F. Jew	11 Auburn Av., Northcote, N.18.
PRESTON	T. Twite	Howard St., Reservoir, N.19.
RICHMOND	A. M. Downing	Richmond Rowing Club, Princes' Bridge, Melbourne, S.C.1
RUTHERGLEN LAKE	J. Wood	Main St., Rutherglen, Vic.
SALE	D. Shepard	86 MacAllister St., Sale, Vic.
SHEPPARTON	J. Riley	Box 55, Post Office, Shepparton, Vic.
SOUTH MELBOURNE	E. A. Welsh	117 Bridport St., Albert Park, S.C.6.
WAHGUNYAH	A. E. Parry	Wahgunyah Flour Mills Pty. Ltd., Wahgunyah, Vic.
WARRNAMBOOL	F. J. Toohey	148 Liebig St., Warrnambool, Vic.
WENDOUREE	E. E. Greed	807 Sturt St., Ballarat, Vic.
WENTWORTH	O. Chester	Wentworth Dist. Rowing Club, Wentworth, N.S.W.
YARRA YARRA DISTRICT		
YARRA YARRA	D. C. Courtney	Yarra Yarra Rowing Club, Princes' Bridge, Melbourne, S.C.1

On behalf of the Committee,

H. E. BUTLER,

Amateur Sports Club.

Honorary Secretary.



VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION—Balance Sheet as at 31st August, 1939.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
Outstanding Trophy Money—		Bank Balances—	
Previous Seasons	£453 18 9	State Savings Bank	£705 13 2
Season 1938-39	476 7 0	E. S. & A. Bank	172 0 1
	£930 5 9	Treasury Bond	£877 13 3
Olympic Levy	104 8 0	Sundry Debtors, 1938-39	100 0 0
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	162 2 6	Association Property—	7 13 0
		Canvas Cover for Boat	£5 0 0
		Boat Registration Plant and	
		Buoys	2 0 0
		Embossing Dies	1 0 0
		Typewriter	12 10 0
		Stationery	1 0 0
		Filing Cabinets	8 0 0
		Dies and Collar for Medals	1 0 0
		Access. for Eight-oared Boat	6 0 0
		Eight-oared Boat—London	55 0 0
		Eight-oared Boat—Fairbairn	25 0 0
		Oars	35 0 0
		Motor Boat and Shed	60 0 0
			211 10 0
	£1,196 16 3		£1,196 16 3

Audited and found correct—
27th September, 1939.

R. L. THWAITES, A.C.A.
A. R. DUNCAN, B.Com.

(Aust.) } Hon. Auditors. Melbourn, 2nd September, 1939.

J. P. RORKE, Hon. Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF REGATTA TROPHY ACCOUNTS, SEASON 1938-39

Regatta	Number of Competitors	Date	Value of Trophies	Trophies Paid	Balance held by V.R.A.
Balance from Previous Regattas			—	—	£453 18 9
1938-39.					
Victorian Rowing Association	381	19/11/38	£75 10 0	£32 0 0	43 10 0
Nagambie	250	26/12/38	89 5 0	55 2 6	34 2 6
Shepparton	192	27/12/38	61 10 0	34 10 0	27 0 0
Rutherglen	116	31/12/38	49 0 0	36 10 0	12 10 0
Colac	162	2/1/39	80 6 6	19 19 0	60 7 6
Upper Yarra	310	28/1/39	69 0 0	37 10 0	31 10 0
Australia Day	310	30/1/39	49 13 0	12 11 0	37 2 0
Barwon	288	25/2/39	105 0 0	25 0 0	80 0 0
Ballarat	411	4/3/39	130 15 6	23 0 6	107 15 0
Bairnsdale	86	13/4/39	55 0 0	12 10 0	42 10 0
Total	2506		£765 0 0	£288 13 0	£476 7 0
Grand Total	—		—	—	£930 5 9

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2nd September, 1939.

Number of competitors at following regattas, for which special trophies are provided by the Regatta Committees—

Henley, 404; Mildura, 53.

Grand total of competitors for season at regattas, and including Championship events, 3140.

H. E. BUTLER,
Hon. Secretary.

RECEIPTS FROM ASSOCIATED CLUBS, SEASON 1938-39.

CLUBS.	Number of Members.	Club Cont., 1937-38.			Club Cont., 1938-39.			Olympic Levy, 1937-38.		Olympic Levy, 1938-39.		Coxswains' Registrations, 1937-38.		Coxswains' Registrations, 1938-39.		King's Cup Fund.		TOTALS.						
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Metro.—																								
Albert Park	65	—			11	7	6	—			1	12	6	—		1	5	0	3	10	0	17	15	0
Banks	140	—			24	10	0	—			2	3	6	—		1	15	0	3	10	0	31	18	6
Essendon	45	—			8	17	6	—			1	2	6	—		0	15	0	2	5	0	13	0	0
Fitzroy City	58	—			10	3	0	—			1	9	0	—		1	0	0	4	9	0	17	1	0
Geelong	33	5	1	6	5	13	6	0	14	6	0	16	6	5	0	0	15	0	1	7	0	14	13	0
Hindmarsh	24	5	12	0	4	4	0	0	16	0	0	12	0	10	0	0	10	0	—	—	—	12	4	0
Melbourne	99	—			17	6	6	—			2	9	6	—		1	15	0	4	19	0	26	10	0
Melbourne University	110	—			11	0	0	—			2	15	0	—		1	0	0	—	—	—	14	15	0
Mercantile	217	—			37	19	6	5	14	0	5	8	6	—		2	0	0	—	—	—	51	2	0
Middle Park	16	—			2	16	0	—			0	8	0	—		0	10	0	1	1	0	4	15	0
Power House	24	—			—	—	—	—			—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Preston	32	—			5	12	0	—			0	16	0	—		1	5	0	—	—	—	7	13	0
Richmond	91	—			15	18	6	—			2	5	6	—		1	10	0	—	—	—	19	14	0
Yarra Yarra	54	—			9	9	0	—			1	7	0	—		—	—	—	—	—	—	10	16	0
Totals	1008	10	13	6	164	17	0	7	4	6	23	5	6	15	0	14	0	0	21	1	0	241	16	6
Country—																								
Bairnsdale	24	—			2	8	0	—			0	12	0	—		0	15	0	—	—	—	3	15	0
Ballarat	51	—			5	2	0	—			1	5	6	—		1	0	0	—	—	—	7	7	6
Ballarat City	36	—			3	12	0	—			0	18	0	—		1	0	0	—	—	—	5	10	0
Barwon	26	—			2	12	0	1	7	0	—	—	—	—		0	15	0	0	10	6	5	4	6
Bendigo	10	—			1	0	0	—			0	5	0	—		—	—	0	10	0	—	1	15	0
Corio Bay	29	—			2	18	0	—			0	14	6	—		1	0	0	2	2	0	6	14	6
Corowa	5	—			0	10	0	—			0	2	6	—		0	5	0	—	—	—	0	17	6
Dimboola	29	—			2	18	0	—			0	14	6	—		1	0	0	1	12	0	6	4	6
Eaglehawk	—	—			—	—	—	—			—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lake Colac	19	2	12	0	1	18	0	0	13	0	0	9	6	10	0	0	15	0	1	1	0	7	18	6
Mildura	41	—			4	2	0	—			1	0	6	—		0	5	0	2	1	0	7	8	6
Orambie	26	—			2	12	0	—			0	13	0	—		1	0	0	1	6	0	5	11	0
Peatherglen	—	—			—	—	—	—			—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lake	12	—			1	4	0	—			0	6	0	—		0	15	0	—	—	—	2	5	0
Sale	9	—			0	18	0	—			0	4	6	—		—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	6
Shepparton	10	—			1	0	0	—			0	5	0	—		0	10	0	—	—	—	1	15	0
Wahgunyah	5	—			0	10	0	—			0	2	6	—		0	5	0	—	—	—	0	17	6
Warrnambool	12	1	12	0	—	—	—	0	8	0	—	—	—	5	0	0	10	0	—	—	—	2	15	0
Wentworth	23	—			2	6	0	—			0	11	6	—		—	—	—	—	—	—	2	17	6
Wendouree	52	—			5	4	0	—			1	6	0	—		0	10	0	—	—	—	7	0	0
Totals	419	4	4	0	40	14	0	2	8	0	9	10	6	15	0	10	5	0	9	2	6	76	19	0
Grand Totals	1427	14	17	6	205	11	0	9	12	6	32	16	0	11	0	24	5	0	30	3	6	318	15	6

2nd September, 1939.

J. P. RORKE,
Hon. Treasurer.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND

RECEIPTS.

To Balance at 1/9/38—			
E. S. & A. Bank	£26 10 7		
State Savings Bank	690 4 9		
		£716 15 4	
„ Club Contributions—			
Season 1937-38	14 17 6		
Season 1938-39	205 11 0		
		220 8 6	
„ Registration Fees—			
Coxswains, 1937-38	£1 10 0		
Coxswains, 1938-39	24 5 0		
		25 15 0	
Regattas	42 0 0		
		67 15 0	
„ Championships—			
Entry Fees		44 15 0	
„ Regattas—			
V.R.A. Entry Fees	£57 4 0		
Programmes	10 7 5		
		67 11 5	
Aust. Day Entry Fees	46 13 0		
Misc. Receipts	27 18 7		
		74 11 7	
		142 3 0	
„ Trust Moneys—			
Trophy Money	640 18 0		
Olympic Levy	42 8 6		
Staging, 1938	12 12 0		
		695 18 6	
„ King's Cup Race—			
Donations	39 7 0		
V.R.A. Combination Eights	30 1 1		
Club Contributions	30 3 6		
		99 11 7	
„ Miscellaneous—			
Sale of Oars	20 0 0		
Hire of V.R.A. Boat	10 0 0		
Insurance, King's Cup—			
Other States	10 0 0		
Miscellaneous	2 19 0		
Interest	15 8 5		
		58 7 5	
		£2,045 14 4	

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DISBURSEMENTS, SEASON 1938-39.

DISBURSEMENTS.

By Championships—			
Trophies		£32 0 0	
Launches		3 0 0	
			£35 0 0
„ Regattas—			
V.R.A. Trophies	£75 10 0		
Less Unpaid	43 10 0		
		£32 0 0	
Programmes and Posters	11 0 6		
Moored Boats	5 0 0		
		48 0 6	
Aust. Day Trophies ..	49 13 0		
Less Unpaid	37 2 0		
		12 11 0	
Moored Boats	5 0 0		
Miscellaneous	1 7 6		
		18 18 6	
			66 19 0
„ Trust Moneys—			
Trophies		545 13 0	
Staging, 1938		12 12 0	
			558 5 0
„ King's Cup Race, Brisbane, 1939—			
Rail Fares		144 0 0	
Board		72 0 0	
Oars		25 0 0	
Allowances		14 0 0	
Shipping and Freight		24 9 9	
Meals		7 10 0	
Singlets and Pockets		12 13 0	
Trainer		9 0 0	
Motor Boat		7 10 0	
Miscellaneous		11 2 0	
			327 4 9
„ Miscellaneous—			
Printing and Petty Cash		62 14 6	
Honoraria		40 0 0	
V.R.A. Boat		15 17 4	
Motor Boat—Shed	£12 2 6		
Running	7 11 11		
		19 14 5	
Affiliation Fees		9 9 0	
Judge's Box		9 0 0	
Insurance		7 6 0	
Miscellaneous		16 11 1	
			180 12 4
„ Bank Balances as at 31/8/1939—			
E. S. & A. Bank		172 0 1	
State Savings Bank		705 13 2	
			877 13 3
			£2,045 14 4

JAMES P. RORKE, Hon. Treasurer.

Melbourne, 2nd September, 1939.

