

VICTORIAN
ROWING ASSOCIATION
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EIGHTY-FOURTH
ANNUAL REPORT
AND
BALANCE SHEET

SEASON 1959-1960

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VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

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VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

The Eighty-fourth Annual General Meeting of the above Association will be held at the Amateur Sports Club, 14 McKillop Street, Melbourne, at 8.00 p.m. on Saturday, 27th August, 1960.

BUSINESS:

1. To confirm the Minutes of the Eighty-third Annual Meeting held on 29th August, 1959.
2. To receive the Annual Report and Balance-sheet.
3. To elect Office-bearers, viz. Patron, President, eight Vice-Presidents and two Honorary Auditors.
4. Presentation of Premierhips Certificates.
5. Presentation of Championship Medallions.
6. To consider amendment to By-law 26 proposed by the Committee of which due notice has been given:—
Amend By-law 26 to read:
 - (a) At the ordinary meeting of the Committee held in July of each year, the dates of all Championship races and Regattas for the ensuing season shall be fixed.
 - (b) The Committee may group any number of consecutive regattas to form a series, provided that the entries for all regattas so grouped shall close prior to the date of the first regatta of the series.
7. To consider amendments to Regatta Regulations and Laws of Boat Racing proposed by the Committee of which due notice has been given:—
 - (a) Delete Regulation No. 2 and substitute therefor the following:
 2. (a) Senior rowing races shall be open to all amateurs.
 - (b) Junior eight-oared rowing races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior eight-oared rowing race or who have not won not more than two junior eight-oared rowing races. Provided that an amateur who at the commencement of a season has won no junior or senior eight-oared rowing race shall be entitled to compete in junior eight-oared rowing races until the close of the season or until he has won a senior eight-oared rowing race, whichever event shall first happen.
 - (c) Junior four-oared rowing races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior four-oared rowing race or who have not won not more than two junior four-oared rowing races. Provided that an amateur who at the commencement of a season has won no junior or senior four-oared rowing race shall be entitled to compete in junior four-oared rowing races until the close of the season or until he has won a senior four-oared rowing race, whichever event shall first happen.
 - (d) Junior pair-oared rowing races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior pair-oared rowing race or who have won not more than two junior pair-oared rowing races. Provided that an amateur who at the commencement of a season has won no junior or senior pair-oared rowing race shall be entitled to compete in junior pair-oared rowing races until the close of the season or until he has won a senior pair-oared rowing race, whichever event shall first happen.

- (e) Junior single sculling races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior single sculling race or who have won not more than two junior single sculling races. Provided that an amateur who at the commencement of a season who has won no junior or senior single sculling race shall be entitled to compete in junior single sculling races until the close of the season or until he has won a senior single sculling race, whichever event shall first happen.
- (f) Junior double sculling races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior double sculling race or who have won not more than two junior double sculling races. Provided that an amateur who at the commencement of a season who has won no junior or senior double sculling race shall be entitled to compete in junior double sculling races until the close of the season or until he has won a senior double sculling race, whichever event shall first happen.
- (g) Notwithstanding anything contained in the last five preceding sub-regulations junior championship eight-oared rowing races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior eight-oared rowing race, junior championship four-oared rowing races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior four-oared rowing race, junior championship pair-oared rowing races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior pair-oared rowing race, junior championship single sculling races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior single sculling race, and junior championship double sculling races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior double sculling race.
- (h) Maiden eight-oared rowing races conducted between the commencement of the regatta season and the 3rd January shall be open to all amateurs who have won neither a senior rowing race nor a junior rowing race and who have not won a maiden eight-oared rowing race in a previous season;
and
Maiden eight-oared rowing races conducted between the 4th January and the end of the regatta season shall be open to all amateurs who have won neither a senior rowing race nor a junior rowing race and who have not won a maiden eight-oared rowing race prior to 4th January of such regatta season.
- (i) Maiden four-oared rowing races conducted between the commencement of the regatta season and the 3rd January shall be open to all amateurs who have won neither a senior rowing race nor a junior rowing race and who have not won a maiden four-oared rowing race in a previous season;
and
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- (j) Maiden pair-oared rowing races conducted between the commencement of the regatta season and the 3rd January shall be open to all amateurs who have won neither a senior rowing race nor a junior rowing race and who have not won a maiden pair-oared rowing race in a previous season;
and
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4th January and the end of the regatta season shall be open to all amateurs who have won neither a senior rowing race nor a junior rowing race and who have not won a maiden pair-oared rowing race prior to the 4th January of such season.

- (k) Maiden single sculling races conducted between the commencement of the regatta season and the 3rd January shall be open to all amateurs who have won neither a senior single sculling race nor a junior single sculling race and who have not won a maiden single sculling race in a previous season;

and

Maiden single sculling races conducted between the 4th January and the end of the regatta season shall be open to amateurs who have won neither a senior single sculling race nor a junior single sculling race and who have not won a maiden single sculling race prior to the 4th January of such season.

- (l) Maiden double sculling races conducted between the commencement of the regatta season and the 3rd January shall be open to all amateurs who have won neither a senior double sculling race nor a junior double sculling race and who have not won a maiden double sculling race in a previous season;

and

Maiden double sculling races conducted between the 4th January and the end of the regatta season shall be open to all amateurs who have won neither a senior double sculling race nor a junior double sculling race and who have not won a maiden double sculling race prior to the 4th January of such season.

- (m) Lightweight eight-oared rowing races shall be open to all amateurs weighing 10 stone 10 lbs. or under who have not won a lightweight eight-oared rowing race.
- (n) Lightweight four-oared rowing races shall be open to all amateurs weighing 10 stone 10 lbs. or under who have not won a lightweight four-oared rowing race.
- (o) Lightweight pair-oared rowing races shall be open to all amateurs weighing 10 stone 10 lbs. or under who have not won a lightweight pair-oared rowing race.
- (p) Notwithstanding anything contained in the last three preceding sub-regulations, a crew not more than half the members of which have previously successfully competed in the same crew at a rowing race to which these sub-regulations apply, may compete in such a rowing race.
- (q) Notwithstanding anything contained in the last four preceding sub-regulations lightweight championship rowing races shall be open to all amateurs weighing 10 stone 10 lbs. or under.
- (r) Lightweight single sculling races shall be open to all amateurs weighing 10 stone 10 lbs. or under.
- (s) Lightweight double sculling races shall be open to all amateurs weighing 10 stone 10 lbs. or under.
- (t) A novice rowing race shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior, junior, maiden or lightweight rowing race, a senior, junior, maiden or lightweight single

sculling race, a senior, junior, maiden or lightweight double sculling race, a Head of the River (Public School) race or an inter-collegiate (University) rowing race, provided that he shall not win more than one novice eight, four or paired rowing race.

- (u) Novice single sculling races shall be open to all amateurs who have never won a single sculling race sanctioned by the Victorian Rowing Association.
- (v) Novice double sculling races shall be open to all amateurs who have never won a double sculling race sanctioned by the Victorian Rowing Association.
- (w) Not more than one novice rowing race may be conducted on the programme of a qualifying metropolitan regatta other than a novice regatta.
- (x) Beginners rowing races shall not be conducted other than at novice regattas or on the programmes of regional centres conducting events in the country championships, and shall be open to all amateurs in the first six months of membership of a rowing club who have not previously rowed in school crews provided that he shall not win more than one beginners eight.
- (y) Anyone who has been in a winning representative interstate crew (except school, college, university or club) shall not be eligible to row in a junior or maiden rowing race.
- (z) A schoolboy genuinely attending any recognised primary, secondary or technical school as a full time day student may compete in rowing races for which he is eligible as a member of his school crew entered in the name of the school notwithstanding that he is a member of an affiliated club;
and

An undergraduate of a University may compete in rowing races for which he is eligible as a member of his college crew or the extra-collegiate crew of the University notwithstanding that he is a member of an affiliated club.

- (aa) Notwithstanding anything contained in the preceding sub-regulations, when a series of two or more regattas have been grouped by the Committee as provided in By-law 26 (b), an amateur who is entered for a rowing race or a sculling race in each regatta in the series and is eligible for such event prior to the first regatta is permitted to win such event at each regatta in the series.
 - (bb) Notwithstanding anything contained in the preceding sub-regulations in the case where a junior and/or lightweight championship rowing or sculling race is to be conducted within a period of seven days preceding the first of a series of two or more regattas grouped by the Committee as provided in By-law 26 (b) and/or such junior and/or Lightweight championship rowing or sculling race is to be conducted at one of the aforesaid regattas any crew or sculler eligible for and competing in such championship rowing or sculling race shall be permitted to compete and win any other rowing or sculling race of the same class and boat for which it or he is entered at each regatta in the said series providing the entries for such championship close prior to the first regatta of such series.
- (b) Amend Regatta Regulations and Laws of Boat Racing by deleting sub-regulation 3 (a) and substituting therefor:—
- 3 (a) 'All coxswains shall be amateurs and shall be not less than

7 stone 12 lbs. in weight for all classes of boats and rowing races. Should the actual weight of the coxswain be less than that specified above, sufficient dead weight in sealed bags of a type approved by the Victorian Rowing Association to make up the required weight shall be carried between the coxswains thwart and the stroke's stretcher, and shall be fastened securely to the boat.'

(c) Amend Regatta Regulations and Laws of Boat Racing by deleting sub-regulation 13 (b) and substituting therefor:—

13 (b) 'For championship races the distance shall be 2,000 metres provided that the pair-oared rowing championships may be conducted over a shorter distance at the discretion of the Committee.

8. To consider amendment to Rule XXVII proposed by the Committee of which due notice has been given:—
Delete Rule XXVII and substitute therefor:—

XXVII (a) Permit Committee:

1. The Permit Committee shall be appointed by the General Committee at the first meeting after the Annual General Meeting, and no two members of the Permit Committee shall be members of the same club.

2. The Permit Committee shall consist of five members of the Committee of the Association, any three of whom form a quorum.

3. The report and recommendation of the Permit Committee shall be submitted to the Committee of the Association, who shall give a decision thereon. The decision of the General Committee shall be final and without appeal. It shall not be incumbent upon the Association to give reasons for the refusal of any permit.

4. (I) An application for a permit to transfer to another club or to row with another club shall be lodged in duplicate with the Secretary of the Association. The Secretary shall forward a copy of the application to the Secretary of the club of which the applicant was last a member and inform him that the application must be returned within 45 days with the Club's objections (if any) written thereon; otherwise it will be assumed the club has no objection to application and the Permit Committee will deal with the application accordingly.

(II) An application for a transfer between Clubs affiliated with a district association shall be lodged in duplicate with the Secretary of such association who shall follow the procedure of the State Secretary in 4 (I). Such Association will enquire into the application and submit a report on the bona fides of the applicant together with the application to the Permit Committee within 45 days of the receipt of such application.

District Associations are — Ballarat Rowing Association, Geelong Rowing Association and Murray Rowing Association.

(III) Before recommending a transfer the Permit Committee and/or District Rowing Association shall thoroughly investigate the reasons for the transfer and where the application is based on residential

grounds must satisfy itself that the change of residence and/or employment is bona fide with a reasonable foundation of permanency.

(b) Transfers:

1. Anyone who is or has been a member of a rowing club affiliated with the Victorian Rowing Association and desires to join another rowing club for the purpose of competing in regatta racing as a member of such other club, shall make application in duplicate to the Association in the form of the fourth schedule hereto, for a permit to transfer to or join such other club;

excepting

a schoolboy under the age of nineteen years who, during his full time attendance at school, may compete in regatta racing for either his school or club with which his school is affiliated;

or

a student of a Victorian University who is also a member of a rowing club affiliated with the Association, may compete in regatta racing for both his Club and a College or extra-collegiate crew of the University, with the approval of his Club.

2. Anyone who has competed with an affiliated club as a schoolboy, because of the affiliation of his school with such club may, if he so desires, make application within twelve months of leaving such school for a permit to transfer to another club; and such application shall be recommended by the Permit Committee, provided he is financial with the aforementioned club.
3. Anyone who is or has been a member of a rowing club affiliated with the Association may become a member of another club without making application for a permit, providing he does not compete in regatta races with such other club and provided he is financial with the aforementioned club.
It shall be the responsibility of the Secretary of such other club to write to the aforementioned club to ascertain if the proposed member is financial.

9. Amendment to Regatta Regulations and Laws of Boat Racing proposed by Yarra Yarra Rowing Club of which notice has been given:—
'That the Lightweight limit be reduced from 10 stone 10 lbs. to 10 stone, and the Regatta Regulations and Laws of Boat Racing be amended accordingly.'
10. General Business.
As due notice has not been given, no motion may be submitted; but a recommendation may be made to the Committee.
All members of the Association are entitled to attend the Annual General Meeting.

3rd August, 1960

N. W. CAIRNES, Honorary Secretary

EIGHTY-FOURTH
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VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

TO THE MEMBERS,

Gentlemen,

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting for your consideration the Eighty-fourth Annual Report and Balance Sheet of the Victorian Rowing Association.

The test races for the rowing events of the XVIIth Olympiad to be held in Rome during August and September this year were divided into three sections in order to give all oarsmen every opportunity of gaining selection.

A Grading Committee consisting of Messrs. J. R. Berkery (Tasmania), P. M. Evatt (N.S.W.) and Dr. L. S. Williams (Victoria) was appointed by the Australian Amateur Rowing Council, to report on the standard attained by the contestants and to grade the crews in order of priority for selection. The Committee carried out its duties in an efficient manner and after witnessing the test races, all of which were keenly contested, presented a comprehensive report and the grading of the crews which met with universal approval.

The King's Cup race conducted over a 2,000 metres course on the Tamar River, Launceston, was the test race for eight-oared crews and provided a fine win for Western Australia after a close race in which New South Wales finished second and Victoria third.

The test races held on the Nepean River, Penrith, N.S.W., on Saturday, 2nd April, 1960, resulted in the event for four-oared crews without coxswain being won by the Leichhardt/Mosman crew from N.S.W. Melbourne University crew won the event for pair-oared crews with coxswain and the double sculls event was won by Haberfield, N.S.W.

The remaining test races were held on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, Victoria, on Saturday, 16th April, 1960, and provided the closest racing of the test races. The Leichhardt/Mosman combination which won the test race for four-oars without coxswain was again successful and won the event for four-oars with coxswain by three feet from the Melbourne University/Banks combination. The Melbourne University crew which won the pair-oars without cox event was also successful in winning the event for pair-oars with coxswain by a margin of two feet from the Melbourne University/Banks combination.

The Grading Committee selected the crews in the following order and all crews were confirmed in selection for the Olympic Games by the Australian Olympic Council, the first three selections being financed from the General Olympic Fund, the remaining crews to be financed by the Australian Amateur Rowing Council and State Associations.

1. Single Sculls — Stuart Mackenzie (N.S.W.).
2. Eight-oared crew with Coxswain — Western Australia.
3. Pair-oared crew without Coxswain — Melbourne University (V.).
4. Four-oared crew with Coxswain — Leichhardt/Mosman (N.S.W.).
5. Pair-oared crew with Coxswain — Banks/Melbourne University (V.).
6. Double Sculls — Haberfield (N.S.W.).
7. Four-oared crew without Coxswain — Melbourne University/Banks (V.).

We congratulate all competitors who gained selection and are confident they will be worthy representatives of Australian Rowing and will prove themselves of Olympic standard.

Victorian rowing is responsible for raising the finance for seven of our representatives and efforts are still being made to meet the cost which was guaranteed by individual members in order to ensure the participation of the crews.

The generous donation to the Victorian Rowing Association of a boat for the use of the Olympic Pair-oared Crew without Coxswain by B.P. Australia Ltd. is very much appreciated by the Association. On its return from Rome the boat is to be used for the encouragement of this type of rowing in Victoria.

The Australian Lightweight Four-oared Championship which was conducted at the King's Cup Regatta in Luncheon continued to prove a popular event attracting an entry of five crews and was won for the second time by Western Australia. We congratulate Western Australia on its second successive victory in this event and on the fine win in the King's Cup Race.

The President's Cup for the Australian Sculling Championship was won by Ian Tutty of N.S.W. who gained Olympic selection in the double sculls.

To our own crews and sculler who contested the Australian Rowing Championships, we offer our congratulations on their fine efforts to uphold the prestige of Victorian rowing.

At the Annual Meeting of the Australian Amateur Rowing Council, the distance of the course for the King's Cup race and the President's Cup race was changed to 2,000 metres and all future Australian Rowing Championships will be raced over this distance.

A feature of the Senior Premiership during the 1959-60 season was the keen competition offered in eight-oared rowing by two composite crews, one of which was made up of oarsmen from Albert Park, Melbourne University, Mercantile and Yarra Yarra and the other comprising members of the Banks and Mercantile Clubs. These crews added new interest to our senior rowing and pressed the Mercantile Club crew on all occasions. We congratulate the Mercantile Rowing Club on its success in the Senior Premiership.

The Hawthorn Rowing Club is congratulated on its success in winning the Junior Premiership which was in doubt until the last regattas of the season. This was Hawthorn's first premiership for 25 years and all members of the Association will look forward to further victories from the Hawthorn Club.

Corio Bay Rowing Club was successful in winning both the Lightweight and the Country Premierships and we congratulate Corio Bay on its success in winning the double premierships.

All members were sorry to learn of the accident to our Executive Committee member Les Wilkinson who was severely injured when returning from officiating at the eight-oared championship regatta at Ballarat last December. I am happy to be able to report that Les is now well on the way to recovery and will soon be back assisting in the conduct of the affairs of the Association.

Two of our Vice-Presidents, Messrs. R. R. Aitken and A. W. McLeish, will be overseas for the Olympic Games and have been appointed delegates of the Australian Amateur Rowing Council to the International Rowing Conference to be held at Rome.

An invitation from the New Zealand Rowing Association to the Australian Amateur Rowing Council to send an eight-oared crew to New Zealand to contest a number of test races at Christmas was referred to Messrs. Hunt (N.S.W.) and Aitken (Vic.) to arrange a strong club or State crew from Victoria or New South Wales. It is hoped that this contest will lead to a reciprocal visit from a New Zealand crew possibly for Henley, 1961.

Schoolboy participation in our regattas continued with beneficial results for our regattas and quite a number of successes for the school crews.

The Scotch-Mercantile again attracted a large entry of schoolboy crews and club crews but because of the early date of the King's Cup race failed to attract the senior entries of the previous year.

The new Public Schools are showing an increasing interest in rowing and their added numbers in the Public Schools regattas are creating a wider interest in the sport and we look forward to their future participation in our own qualifying regattas.

The Victorian High Schools Regatta Association continues to draw larger entries each year from all parts of the State and presents an efficient, well conducted regatta annually.

It is not possible to present statistics relating to the membership of the Association because of the failure of the following ten clubs to pay affiliation fees or submit membership lists. The defaulting clubs are—Footscray City, Melbourne University, South Melbourne, Bairnsdale, Bal-larat City, Barwon, Edenhope, Lake Colac, Wendouree.

AUSTRALIAN EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP **(The King's Cup)**

The King's Cup Regatta was conducted by the Tasmanian Rowing Council on the Tamar River, Launceston, over the 2,000 metres course on Saturday, 19th March, 1960.

The race was held six weeks earlier than usual to permit of selection of the Australian eight-oared crew for the XVIIth Olympiad at Rome and to allow the unsuccessful competitors to reorganise for the remaining test races.

With the early King's Cup race in view our regatta racing was re-organised to provide the maximum amount of eight-oared racing in the first half of the season to enable the Victorian crew to be selected prior to Christmas in order that it could commence training immediately following the holidays. Two additional regattas were held in October and the Eight-oared Championship was held in December.

After the Championship the selectors, Mr. R. J. March and Dr. L. S. Williams appointed Mr. R. R. Aitken coach and third selector. The Victorian crew consisted of H. R. Frederico (Mercantile), 11 st. 11 lbs. (bow); J. G. Howden (M.U.B.C.), 12 st. 8 lbs. (2); M. Tomanovits (Mercantile), 12 st. 10 lbs. (3); G. McCall (Mercantile), 13st. 10 lbs. (4); W. S. Arnold (Mercantile), 13 st. 6 lbs. (5); W. N. Howell (Banks), 13 st. 5 lbs. (6); Paul Guest (M.U.B.C.), 13 st. 2 lbs. (7); G. M. Taylor (Mercantile), 11 st. 12 lbs. (stroke); C. Newman (Mercantile) (coxswain); P. Gillon (M.U.B.C.), 13 st. 7 lbs., and Peter Guest (M.U.B.C.), 12 st. 9 lbs. (emergencies).

Crews were drawn in the race as follows:—New South Wales, Station No. 1; Western Australia, Station No. 2; Tasmania, Station No. 3; Queensland, Station No. 4; Victoria, Station No. 5; South Australia, Station No. 6.

The race started a few minutes after the scheduled time of 5.15 p.m. just prior to high tide the crews catching the last run of the tide with a slight following breeze and perfect conditions. The race was away to a good start with New South Wales and Western Australia first to show out, closely followed by Victoria. Rating 36, Victoria took the lead after 200 metres from Western Australia rating 38 and New South Wales close up in third position. Western Australia continued to challenge Victoria and just prior to the half-way mark still rating an unhurried 38, Western Australia took the lead with New South Wales challenging Victoria for second position with Queensland fourth, South Australia fifth and Tasmania sixth. New South Wales rowing with great determination rowed past Victoria and went after the perfect rowing Western Australian crew which was still maintaining its rating of 38. Victoria rating 35 was trying to make up its

leeway with the remainder of the field stringing out, with Queensland fourth, South Australia fifth and Tasmania sixth. Over the last 200 metres New South Wales challenged Western Australia strongly, but Western Australia, raising its rating to 39, held off the challenge and went over the finishing line three-quarters of a length in front of New South Wales, followed by Victoria two lengths further back and Queensland fourth, Tasmania fifth and South Australia sixth. Time, 5 minutes 54 seconds.

The congratulations of the Association are extended to the Western Australian crew and coach, Mr. Ken Grant, who gained representation in the Australian Olympic Team for Rome.

The organisation of the King's Cup Regatta was ably handled by the Citizens' Committee, consisting of Launceston civic and business representatives and the Tasmanian Rowing Council.

The thanks of all members of the Victorian team and supporters are due to this Committee for a particularly well organised and efficiently conducted regatta.

The crews and sculler trained from the boatshed of the Launceston Grammar School and are indebted to the Principal and his staff for the facilities of the school which were made available to assist in their training.

Mr. Ian Holyman arranged the loan of a small van for the transport of our crews. This vehicle proved invaluable in transporting the crews to and from the river and enabled them to see a great deal of Launceston and the surrounding country.

The welcome and the hospitality extended to all crews and visitors by the people of Launceston left nothing to be desired, and our representatives and all members of the Association who visited Launceston for the race had a most enjoyable time and have expressed their appreciation of the arrangements made for their welfare by the Launceston Citizens' Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Max Cleaver.

The crews were most fortunate in having for Liaison Officer, Mr. D. A. Calder, a Victorian King's Cup oarsman, who was an active member of the Citizens' Committee and had foreseen every requirement of the team long before its arrival and throughout the stay was always in attendance and welcomed all members to his home on many occasions.

The transport of the coaching launch and the boats of the team was made possible by Mr. Jack Coghlan, who loaned his truck to the Association free of charge, enabling the boats to be transported on the "Princess of Tasmania" direct from Princes Bridge, Melbourne, to the Launceston Grammar shed on the Tamar River. The driver of the truck, Mr. Bob Fraser, also gave his time free and remained in Launceston for the fortnight the crew was in training. Both of these gentlemen have assisted Victorian Rowing Clubs and the Association over many years in the transport of boats and equipment and once again we are extremely grateful to them for their assistance.

AUSTRALIAN SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP

(President's Cup)

Four States were represented in the President's Cup race and were drawn on Station No. 3, Tasmania (G. Squires); No. 4, Victoria (P. Edwards); No. 5, New South Wales (I. Tutty); No. 6, Queensland (R. McLellan). The Victorian representative, Peter Edwards, of Melbourne Rowing Club, trained hard and consistently with the eight and the four, and improved during the stay in Tasmania.

In the race Ian Tutty, of New South Wales, took the lead early and during the first half of the race steered erratically, crossing right in front of the Victorian sculler Peter Edwards; however, he was sculling strongly and improving his position to take a big lead; Graham Squires, of Tas-

mania, challenged strongly over the last 500 metres and reduced the lead but could not get up and Ian Tutty went on to win by 3 lengths from G. Squires (Tas.), with P. Edwards (Vic.) $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths further back in third position, with R. McLellan of Queensland fourth. Time, 6 minutes 54 seconds.

We congratulate Ian Tutty on his success in the President's Cup and on gaining selection in the Australian Double Sculls for the Olympic Games. We are proud of the effort and improvement shown by our own sculler, Peter Edwards, and look forward to his continued improvement and success in the coming season.

AUSTRALIAN LIGHTWEIGHT FOUR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP (Penrith Cup)

This race continues to draw good entries, all States other than Queensland being represented for the third Australian Lightweight Four-oared Championship.

Victoria was represented by the Mercantile crew, which won the Test race and consisted of J. Wylie, 9 st. 9 lbs. (bow), K. M. Hume, 10 st. 4 lbs. (2); A. M. Walker, 10 st. 5 lbs. (3); P. Harding, 10 st. 5 lbs. (stroke); D. Palfreyman (cox); L. Gallagher, 10 st. 9 lbs. (South Melbourne) (emergency), and W. L. Wallace (Mercantile), coach.

The crews were drawn on the following stations: Victoria, No. 2; New South Wales, No. 3; Western Australia, No. 4; South Australia, No. 5; Tasmania, No. 6.

At the start, Victoria was first away from Western Australia and New South Wales, followed by Tasmania and South Australia. Western Australia took the lead at 200 metres, with Victoria strongly challenging, but Western Australia, rowing perfectly together, maintained the lead and, although challenged again in the final stages of the race by New South Wales, never looked like being defeated and went on to win by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from New South Wales with Victoria 3 lengths further back in third position, followed by South Australia and Tasmania. Time, 6 minutes 27 seconds.

This is Western Australia's second successive victory in this event and we offer our congratulations to this crew which rowed perfectly.

OLYMPIC TEST RACES AT BALLARAT Saturday, 16th April, 1960

The course was well prepared and although it would have been desirable to have a little more water in the lake this was not possible because of the very dry conditions prevailing throughout Victoria.

It was most unfortunate that the day prior to the race strong gales blew up and lasted for four days and making the conditions extremely difficult. The course received a certain amount of shelter and was rowable but there is no doubt that the stations on the north side of the course were more sheltered and therefore more favoured than the stations on the south side of the course.

Because of the strength of the wind in the afternoon the Grading Committee decided to postpone the repechages from 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.; this also meant the postponement of the finals to the Sunday morning.

When the repechages were rowed between 5.00 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. the conditions were much improved. The finals were rowed at 8.00 a.m. and 8.30 a.m. on Sunday morning and the conditions proved to be the best for the series, although still favouring the north side of the course.

The Ballarat Rowing Association is to be congratulated upon the preparation of the course and the arrangements for the conduct of the test races.

The entertainment provided on the Saturday evening for the crews and supporters was a pleasant function and it was disappointing that because of the postponement of the finals and the inclemency of the weather there was not a large attendance.

RESULTS OF OLYMPIC TEST RACES
Penrith, N.S.W. — Saturday, 2nd April, 1960

Pair-oared Crews without Coxswain: Melbourne University (Vic.), won by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Mosman (N.S.W.) and Sydney (N.S.W.) Time 7 minutes 42-1/5 seconds.

Four-oared Crews without Coxswain: Leichhardt/Mosman (N.S.W.), won by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths from Mercantile (Vic.) and Leichhardt (N.S.W.) Time 6 minutes 39 seconds.

Double Sculls: Haberfield (N.S.W.), won by $\frac{1}{4}$ length from Mosman (N.S.W.) and Melbourne (Vic.). Time 6 minutes 53-2/5 seconds.

Ballarat, Vic. — Saturdays, 16th and 17th April, 1960

Pair-oared Crews with Coxswain: Thirteen entries were received, including two crews from N.S.W. and one crew from Queensland.

The race was conducted in one heat of five crews and two heats of four crews, the three winning crews going straight to the final. All losing crews contested two repechages, the winning crews of which went into the final.

The five crews which won their way to the final were—Mosman (N.S.W.), Station No. 1; Albert Park (Vic.), Station No. 2; Melbourne University/Banks (Vic.), Station No. 3; University of Queensland, Station No. 4; Melbourne University (Vic.), Station No. 5.

A very close race was won right on the finishing line by Melbourne University by 2 feet from Melbourne University/Banks with Albert Park third. Time 8 minutes 22-1/10 seconds.

The Melbourne University crew, J. Hunt (bow), T. Davies (stroke) had already won the event for Pair-oared crews without Cox and were graded for that event in No. 3 position; and the second crew, Melbourne University/Banks, Paul Guest (bow), W. N. Howell (stroke), was selected for the Pair-oared crews with Coxswain event and graded No. 5.

Four-oared Crews with Coxswain: Nine entries were received for this event and included one crew from Queensland, two crews from Western Australia and two crews from New South Wales, one of which scratched. The event was conducted in two heats of four crews, the first and second crews of each heat going straight into the final. The remaining crews contested a repechage, the winning crew of which went into the final.

The five crews which won their way to the final were—Corio Bay (Vic.), Station No. 1; Melbourne University/Banks (Vic.), Station No. 2; Leichhardt/Mosman (N.S.W.), Station No. 3; Mercantile (Vic.), Station No. 4; Western Australia, Station No. 5.

The Leichhardt/Mosman (N.S.W.) crew consisting of P. Waddington (bow), M. Annett (2), G. Allen (3), J. Hudson (stroke), L. Robberds (cox), won a close race by three feet from the Melbourne University/Banks (Vic.) crew, consisting of B. Vear (bow), P. Guest (2), P. Gillon (3), K. Jelbart (stroke), G. Stuart (cox), with Mercantile third. Time 7 minutes 23-9/10 seconds.

The Leichhardt/Mosman crew had also won the event for Four-oared Crews without Coxswain but elected to be nominated for the event for Four-oared Crews with Coxswain and was graded No. 4 and the Grading Committee nominated the second crew in the events for Four-oared Crews with Coxswain for the event for Four-oared Crews without Coxswain and graded it No. 7.

ROWING TEAM FOR XVIIth OLYMPIAD

The full team nominated by the Grading Committee was selected to represent Australia in the Olympic Games at Rome, the expenses of the Manager and the first three graded nominations, a total of fourteen members being paid by the Australian Olympic Federation and the remaining fourteen competitors were required to raise their own finance.

The details of the members and crews selected are:—

- No. 1. Single Sculler—Stuart Mackenzie (N.S.W.), 24 years, 14 st. 2 lbs., 6 ft. 4 ins.
- No. 2. Eight-oared Crew—Western Australia, J. G. Rosser (stroke), 21 years, 12 st. 6 lbs., 6 ft. 2 ins.; R. A. Ninham (7), 18 years, 12 st., 6 ft. $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; B. H. Durston (6), 19 years, 13 st. 4 lbs., 6 ft. 4 ins.; M. S. Gamble (5), 21 years, 13 st. 5 lbs., 6 ft.; A. M. Cunningham (4), 24 years, 13 st. 2 lbs.; 6ft. 4 ins.; J. R. Ledger (3), 23 years, 12 st. 4 lbs.; 6 ft. 2 ins.; G. A. Hale (2), 22 years, 12 st., 5 ft. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.; M. A. Francis (bow), 28 years, 11 st. 7 lbs., 5 ft. 11 ins.; T. J. Scook (coxswain), 25 years; K. D. Grant (coach).
- No. 3. Pair-oared Crew without Coxswain—Victoria, T. R. Davies (stroke), 26 years, 13 st. 6 lbs., 6 ft.; J. A. Hunt (bow), 25 years, 13 st. 6 lbs., 6 ft. 2 ins.
- No. 4. Four-oared Crew with Coxswain—New South Wales, J. B. Hudson (stroke), 19 years, 13 st., 6 ft. 3 ins.; G. Allen (3), 22 years, 13 st. 4 lbs., 6 ft. 3 ins.; M. Annett (2), 28 years, 13 st. 12 lbs., 6 ft. 2 ins.; R. P. Waddington (bow), 22 years, 13 st., 6 ft. 2 ins.; L. P. Robberds (coxswain), 21 years.
- No. 5. Pair-oared Crew with Coxswain—Victoria, W. N. Howell (stroke), 29 years, 13 st. 3 lbs., 6 ft. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.; P. M. Guest (bow), 21 years, 13 st. 3 lbs., 6 ft. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.; I. D. Johnston (coxswain), 13 years.
- No. 6. Double Scull—New South Wales, K. Webb (stroke), 36 years, 12 st. 12 lbs., 6 ft. 2 ins.; I. Tutty (bow), 23 years, 11 st. 8 lbs., 5 ft. 11 ins.
- No. 7. Four-oared Crew without Coxswain—Victoria, J. M. Jelbart (stroke), 23 years, 13 st. 8 lbs., 6 ft.; P. L. Gillon (3), 22 years, 13 st. 4 lbs., 6 ft. 3 ins.; P. J. Guest (2), 22 years, 12 st. 12 lbs., 6 ft. 3 ins.; B. J. Veare (bow), 23 years, 12 st. 6 lbs., 6 ft. 1 in.
- Manager—R. G. Blundstone (Tasmania).

VICTORIAN EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP (Norwich Shield)

(Holders: Mercantile Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat. Course, 2,000 metres. 19/12/59.

Won by Mercantile Rowing Club. Time: 6 mins. 53.7 secs.

H. Fredeci (bow), C. Grant (2), M. Tomanovits (3), G. McCall (4), S. Newcombe (5), D. Boykett (6), W. Arnold (7), G. Taylor (stroke), C. Newman (cox), R. R. Aitken (coach).

Won by lengths. Melbourne University second.

Other starters: Composite, Banks/Mercantile.

VICTORIAN FOUR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP

(Holders: Mercantile Rowing Club)

Rowed on the Barwon River. Course, 2,000 metres. 13/2/60.

Won by Corio Bay Rowing Club. Time: 6 mins. 55.2/5 secs.

D. John (bow), D. Ramage (2), D. Norwood (3), D. Caithness (stroke), K. Van den Belt (cox), A. Bell (coach).

Won by a canvas. Melbourne University/Melbourne second.

Other starters: Melbourne University, Mercantile, Banks.

VICTORIAN PAIR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP

(Holders: Melbourne University)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat. Course, 1 mlie. 20/2/60.

Won by Melbourne University. No time taken.

J. A. Hunt (bow), T. R. Davies (stroke), G. Stewart (cox).

Won by lengths. Essendon second.

Other starters: Albert Park, Mercantile, Yea, Melbourne, Corio Bay, Wendouree.

VICTORIAN SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP

(Holder: N. Smith, Corio Bay Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat. Course, 2,000 metres. 19/12/60.

Won by P. Edwards (Melbourne). Time: 8 mins. 40.4 secs.

Won by length. J. Sykes (Corio Bay) second.

Other starters: Corio Bay No. 2, Essendon, Yarra Yarra, Richmond, Yarrowonga, Melbourne No. 2.

VICTORIAN JUNIOR EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP

(Holders: Melbourne Grammar School)

Rowed on the Lower Yarra. Course, 2,000 metres. 2/4/60.

Won by Banks Rowing Club. Time: 6 mins. 34.2/5 secs.

R. A. Brookes (bow), R. S. Burge (2), P. J. Fraser (3), W. Hunter (4),

D. B. Jones (5), C. J. Lehman (6), J. T. Donaldson (7), W. M. O'Connell

(stroke), D. Hill (cox), J. D. Palmington (coach).

Won by length. Xavier College second.

Other starters: Albert Park, Hawthorn, Essendon.

VICTORIAN JUNIOR FOUR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP

(Holders: Mercantile Rowing Club)

Rowed on the Barwon River. Course, 2,000 metres. 13/2/60.

Won by Banks Rowing Club. Time: 7 mins. 18.4/5 secs.

R. A. Brookes (bow), C. J. Lehman (2), D. B. Jones (3), W. M. O'Connell

(stroke), D. Hill (cox), J. D. Palmington (coach).

Won by lengths. Mercantile second.

Other starters: Albert Park, Mercantile, Ballarat City.

VICTORIAN JUNIOR PAIR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP

(Holder: Richmond Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat. Course, 1 mile. 27/2/60

Won by Corowa Rowing Club. No time taken.

K. Howard (bow), J. Van Klaveren (stroke), M. Bugler (cox), R. Howard (coach).

Won by lengths. Albert Park second.

Other starters: Melbourne, Banks, Yarrowonga, Mercantile, Essendon,

VICTORIAN JUNIOR SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP

Wendouree, Corio Bay.

(Holder: J. Sykes, Corio Bay Rowing Club)

Rowed on the Lower Yarra. Course, 2,000 metres. 2/4/60.

Won by R. Dennis, Richmond Rowing Club. No time taken.

Won by row over, only starter.

VICTORIAN LIGHTWEIGHT EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP

(Holder: Essendon Rowing Club)

Rowed on the Lower Yarra. Course, 2,000 metres. 2/4/60

Won by Corio Bay Rowing Club. Time, 7 mins. 24 secs.

J. Sykes (bow), J. Virgona (2), R. Sarah (3), L. Lanyon (4), P. Downey

(5), S. Overand (6), G. Reid (7), B. Keating (stroke), A. Klaassen (cox),

R. H. George (coach).

Won by $\frac{1}{2}$ length. Mercantile second.

VICTORIAN LIGHTWEIGHT FOUR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP

(Holder: South Melbourne Rowing Club)

Rowed on the Barwon River. Course, 2,000 metres. 13/2/60.

Won by Mercantile Rowing Club. Time, 7 mins. 24 secs.

J. J. Wylie (bow), K. M. Hume (2), A. M. Walker (3), P. Harding (stroke),

D. Palfreyman (cox), W. L. Wallace (coach).

Won by 4 lengths. South Melbourne second.

Other starters: Barwon, Nestles.

VICTORIAN LIGHTWEIGHT PAIR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP

(Holder: South Melbourne Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat. Course, 1 mile. 20/2/60.

Won by Yarrowonga Rowing Club. No time taken.

R. Mansfield (bow), G. Stephens (stroke), G. Richmond (cox), P. Begelhole (coach).

Won by lengths. South Melbourne second.

Other starters: Nestles, Melbourne, Wendouree, Barwon, Dimboola.

PREMIERSHIPS

Senior

	Wins	Points		Wins	Points
Mercantile	15	96	Corowa	2	4
Melb. University	7	34	Essendon	1	4
Corio Bay	7	27	Yarra Yarra	1	1
Melbourne	11	20	Richmond	1	2
Dimboola	6	20	Albert Park	—	1

Junior

	Wins	Points		Wins	Points
Hawthorn	18	104	Barwon	6	24
Banks	13	64	Wendouree	7	22
Power House	17	64	Yarrowonga	7	22
Essendon	16	62	Richmond	9	20
Mercantile	11	52	Dimboola	6	18
Wentworth	8	48	Corio Bay	3	12
Ballarat City	13	47	Corowa	5	12
Mildura	8	44	Bendigo	2	8
Melbourne	12	43	Ballarat	2	6
Yarra Yarra	5	25	Preston	2	6
Albert Park	6	24	Nagambie	1	4

Lightweight

	Wins	Points		Wins	Points
Corio Bay	8	54	Essendon	3	8
Mercantile	6	28	Mildura	2	6
Yarra Yarra	5	18	South Melbourne	—	6
Dimboola	4	14	Melbourne	1	2
Yarrowonga	4	10	Wentworth	1	2

Country

	Wins	Points		Wins	Points
Corio Bay	19	109	Wendouree	8	30
Dimboola	17	70	Barwon	6	24
Mildura	10	50	Corowa	7	16
Wentworth	9	50	Bendigo	2	8
Ballarat City	13	47	Ballarat	2	6
Yarrowonga	11	32	Nagambie	1	4

UNIVERSITY ROWING

Inter-Universities' Race: The 66th Annual Universities' Boat Race for the Oxford and Cambridge Cup was held on the Swan River, Perth, on Saturday, 1st June, 1960, over the 2 miles course.

Six University crews contested the race, the only absentee being Tasmania; the race was won by Sydney University by 2 lengths from Melbourne University with New South Wales University third, Queensland fourth, Western Australia fifth and Adelaide sixth. Time, 10 mins. 21.8 secs.

Melbourne University was represented by D. Stankovitch (bow), D. R. Messenger (2), R. B. Negri (3), J. C. B. Penfold (4), B. H. Stott (5), J. R. Vroland (6), M. R. Zwar (7), N. C. Courtney (stroke), M. A. Schapper (coxswain), G. H. Nicholson (coach), C. S. Keon Cohen and A. P. Dwyer (emergencies).

Inter-Universities' Sculling Race was won by M. Wignall of Sydney University, the other starters being New South Wales, Western Australia, Adelaide and Queensland.

Inter-Collegiate Races: The Mervyn Higgins Shield was won by Ormond College from Trinity College and when Ormond College met Extra-Collegiate for the John Lang Cup, Extra-Collegiates were successful.

HEAD OF THE RIVER

The 1960 Head of the River races were held on the Barwon River, Geelong, on Friday and Saturday, on 8th and 9th April. The heats rowed on Friday resulted in wins for Wesley College, Geelong College and Scotch College and on the Saturday in a very close and exciting final, Geelong College had a very narrow victory from Wesley College and Scotch College.

We extend our congratulations to the Geelong College Crew and its Coach, Mr. A. B. Bell.

REGATTA AND CHAMPIONSHIP DATES, SEASON 1960-1961

September, 1960 —

- 17 — Metropolitan Novice Regatta.
- 24 — Preston Novice Regatta.

November —

- 12 — Dimboola Regatta.
- 19 — V.R.A. (Melbourne) Regatta.
- 26 — Upper Yarra Regatta.

December —

- 17 — Championships — Senior Fours, Junior Eights, Lightweight Eights.
- 26 — Nagambie Regatta.
- 31 — Yarrowonga Regatta.

January, 1961 —

- 2 — Rutherglen Regatta.
- 28 — Yea Regatta.
- 30 — Albert Park Lake Regatta and Pair-oared Championships.

February —

- 11 — Championships — Senior Eights, Senior Sculls, Junior Fours, Lightweight Fours.
- 18 — Colac Regatta — Alternatively March 11th.
- 25 — Ballarat Regatta.

March —

- 4 — Henley on the Yarra.
- 11 — Barwon Regatta.
- 18 — Hawthorn — Head of the Yarra.
- 18 — Bendigo Regatta.
- 25 — Scotch-Mercantile Regatta.

April —

- 1 — Mildura Regatta.
- 3 — Wentworth Regatta.

May —

- 6 — King's Cup — Port Adelaide, S.A.

AUSTRALIAN AMATEUR ROWING COUNCIL

The following decisions were made by the Australian Amateur Rowing Council during the year and at the Annual Meeting held at Launceston, Tasmania, on Thursday, 17th March, 1960:—

Appointment "Judge/Umpire" for Olympic Games, Rome — Mr. G. F. Sorrell (Tasmania) was nominated.

Single Sculler for Olympic Games — It was unanimously agreed to nominate Stuart Mackenzie subject to the receipt of a satisfactory medical report.

Minimum Weight for Coxswains: The minimum weight of coxswains in all classes of boats will be 7 stone 12 lbs. in accordance with F.I.S.A. Rules.
Manager for Rowing Team for Rome: Mr. R. G. Blundstone was elected Manager.

Australian Championship Regatta:

- (a) It was decided that the King's Cup events continue to be held annually.
- (b) New South Wales Rowing Association was requested to submit a Mail Vote outlining and asking that an Australian Championship Regatta be held in 1962.

Distance of King's Cup and President's Cup Races: It was decided that the distance for these events be amended to 2,000 metres.

Empire Games Rowing Events: It was decided to investigate means of increasing the number of countries taking part in the Empire Games rowing events.

Captain of Rowing: In addition to Rowing Manager, a Captain of Rowing be selected in each Games team.

Empire Games, Perth, 1962:

1. It was agreed to have full rowing representation.
2. The Secretary to write to the appropriate Committee requesting that boats and equipment be provided for the Australian team; such equipment to become the property of the Australian Amateur Rowing Council.

King's Cup, 1961: To be held at Port Adelaide, South Australia, on Saturday, 6th May, 1961.

Affiliation Fee: The affiliation fee for 1960/61 to remain at £20.

Visit of Australian Crew to New Zealand: The representatives of New South Wales and Victoria were to agree upon a method of selection and report back to the Council.

COMMITTEE DECISIONS

of the

Victorian Rowing Association

Selection of Crews for the Australian Eight-oared and Sculling Championships at Launceston, Tasmania, 19th March, 1960 (the eight-oared championship being the test race for eight-oared crews for the Olympic Games):

- (a) Hold two additional regattas in October.
- (b) Victorian Eight-oared and Sculling Championships to be held as late as possible in December.
- (c) Clubs intending to boat eight-oared crews to notify the Association by 7th August.
- (d) Clubs unable to boat eight-oared crews but desirous of providing eight-oared senior rowing for senior oarsmen and/or potential King's Cup oarsmen to nominate such oarsmen to the State Selectors by 7th August.
- (e) Selectors to appoint a coach and with the coach, select a composite eight-oared crew from the nominees. The selectors may invite clubs to nominate specific oarsmen.
- (f) Selectors to be advised that it is desirable that the King's Cup crew and sculler be selected immediately after the eight-oared championships, but the time of selection is left to their discretion.
- (g) Manager of the King's Cup crew to be appointed in November.

Panel of Regatta Officials: It was decided to form a Panel of Regatta Officials—

- (a) Regatta Officials to be registered, such register to be reviewed annually.

- (b) Officials to be invited to attend lectures on the interpretation of the Laws of Boat Racing.
- (c) Regatta Committees to invite the V.Y.R.A. Committee to allocate to regattas qualified regatta officials from the panel.

Programme Eight-oared Championships: The programme of the eight-oared championships at Ballarat was enlarged to include the Lightweight Four-oared Test Race, Senior Pairs, Junior Fours, Maiden Eights and Maiden Fours.

Australian Lightweight Four-oared Championship: Competitors selected to represent Victoria in the Australian Lightweight Four-oared Championship will receive — Blazer pockets, racing singlets and a contribution of £5 per man towards expenses and will come under the control of the Victorian Manager.

Ladies' Rowing on Programmes at Registered Regattas: No event for ladies is to be included on the programme of a major regatta, except those regattas which have previously conducted such events without detriment to the V.R.A.; but should a minor regatta desire to include an event for ladies in its programme, the following arrangements must be adhered to —

1. Ladies must not use any premises for changing which are being used by oarsmen;
2. Coxswains steering crews affiliated with the V.R.A. will not be allowed to steer both ladies' and men's crews on the same programme.

Crews Competing in Lightweight and Junior Championship Events: The following sub-regulation was added to Regulation 2 in Regatta Regulations and Laws of Boat Racing:

'Notwithstanding anything contained in the preceding sub-regulations when a junior and/or lightweight championship event is to be conducted within a period of seven days preceding the first day of a series of two or three regattas to be conducted as a double or treble and/or such championship events are to be conducted at one of the aforesaid regattas any crew eligible for and starting in such junior and/or lightweight championship events shall be permitted to compete and win any race of the same classification (other than a championship) covered at the regattas covered by the said series.'

SERVICES RENDERED

The sincere thanks and appreciation of your Committee are extended to the following gentlemen and organisations for services rendered to the Association during the year under review:—

- Dr. Harry Ireland, Honorary Medical Officer to the Association for his services to our representatives in the Australian Championships and Olympic Games.
- Messrs. Jack Coghlan and R. Fraser for their assistance with transport of boats and equipment.
- Mr. D. Boykett for his assistance with his coaching launch for coaching and umpiring.
- Mr. N. F. Wilkinson for his assistance in raising finance.
- Messrs. J. Taylor and J. Moore for services as Honorary Auditors.
- Mr. Tom Rodda for his assistance in preparing the Championship course on the Lower Yarra.
- Members who acted as officials at regattas and championships throughout the season.
- Messrs. Balfe, Coningsby, Flint and Todd for the publicity they have given rowing throughout the year.
- Australian Broadcasting Commission and Mr. K. Dakin for the cover allocated to rowing through the national radio and television network.
- Melbourne City Council, Melbourne & Metropolitan Board of Works and Melbourne Harbour Trust Commissioners for their assistance and co-operation throughout the year.

DONATIONS

The sincere thanks of your Committee are extended to the following generous donors to the funds of the Association:—

King's Cup Fund: Messrs. M. S. Williams, A. G. Lindblade, K. Cole. Tattersall's Sweep Consultations and Special Efforts organised by Mr. N. F. Wilkinson.

Coaching Launch Fund: Old Oarsmen's Association.

Olympic Games Fund: Power House Rowing Club, Banks Rowing Club, Messrs. H. B. Kirsch, D. A. Calder, C. E. James.

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Yea Rowing Club, Melbourne Grammar Boat Club, A. Miller & Co., Western Australia Olympic Council, Malvern Scouts, Euroa Citizens. The foregoing generous donors and functions organised by the crews raised £4,500.

OBITUARY

During the year we suffered the loss of a number of well-known oarsmen of the past, all of whom had retained their interest in rowing generally and their clubs in particular.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families and clubs of E. Farrell (Melbourne), George W. Smith (Footscray and Mercantile), James Sutherland (Banks), R. Jenkin (Richmond), Charles Donald and Peter Counihan (Albert Park).

EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Fourteen Executive and eleven Committee Meetings were held during the year. Attendances were as follows:—

Executive—N. W. Cairnes, N. F. Wilkinson, 14; T. Rodda, F. A. Smith, 13; R. G. Harding, 12; E. R. Dunn, 11; S. R. Jeffery, D. J. Morgan, 10; C. E. James, 9; L. A. J. Wilkinson, 6. Average attendance, 8.

Committee:—N. W. Cairnes, T. S. Flint, H. B. Kirsch, W. McIlroy, D. S. Stirling, W. Waterfield, 11; W. Bradshaw, E. R. Dunn, J. J. Donald, W. Graham, D. J. Morgan, T. Rodda, W. R. B. Todd, N. F. Wilkinson, F. Way, 10; R. R. Aitken, J. Coghlan, G. F. Clegg, H. Coe, R. G. Harding, J. L. Hardie, C. E. James, S. R. Jeffery, J. L. Mounsey, L. Malkin, W. Morrison, F. Peters, F. A. Smith, L. S. Williams, 9; D. Boykett, J. Cockbill, J. Clifford, F. Easton, R. Jelbart, J. A. McBean, P. Marxen, C. Macauley, J. J. O'Neill, W. L. Wallace, E. Woolcock, 8; W. Nicholson, D. R. Salmon, V. A. Sharp, M. S. Williams, L. A. J. Wilkinson, E. C. White, 7; K. G. Crossley, D. Christie, B. R. Conningsby, R. B. Duncan, J. Elliott, A. A. Fortington, R. J. March, R. J. McGregor, G. H. Nicholson, K. Pratt, R. W. Thursfield, W. Wheatland, 6; W. N. Howell, A. W. McLeish, E. Orme, A. Smith, R. R. Sullivan, 5; W. Glasson, 4; R. Gillespie, C. Mayne, J. Webster, 3; R. Lee, R. McGrath, W. Raper, G. Taylor, 2; G. L. Code, I. Chanter, F. B. Dennis, T. Davies, P. Gill, P. Gillon, A. W. Jones, P. Lynch, G. Lane, B. Manning, G. F. O'Connor, J. Prime, 1. Average attendance, 49.3.

On behalf of the Committee,

3rd August, 1960.

N. W. CAIRNES, Honorary Secretary.

VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND

Receipts				
To Bank Balances at 1/7/59—				
E.S. & A. Bank	£915	14	0	
State Savings Bank	1,216	13	8	
Cash on Hand	23	5	0	
				£2,155 12 8
„ Club Contributions				594 18 0
„ Registration Fees—				
Regattas	98	14	0	
Coxswains	33	5	0	
				131 19 0
„ Regattas—				
Entry Fees	177	0	0	
Programmes	32	15	0	
				209 15 0
„ Trophy Money				963 8 6
„ Championship Entry Fees				56 5 0
„ King's Cup Race, Launceston, 1960—				
Donations	83	3	0	
Seat Fees	120	0	0	
Entry Fee Levy	146	5	0	
Social Collections	24	3	0	
Special Efforts	1,319	14	0	
A. J. Shepherd Bequest	47	10	0	
Interest	43	15	0	
Refund Air Fares	17	8	0	
				1,801 18 0
„ Miscellaneous—				
Insurance on Sculling Boat	205	0	0	
Donations	200	0	0	
Donations Olympic Fund	252	4	0	
Staging Fees	63	0	0	
Weightbags	20	7	6	
Deposits Test Races	50	0	0	
Programmes Test Races	9	12	0	
Prince Henry's Eights	12	10	0	
Interest	43	7	2	
Sundries	28	6	0	
				884 6 8
				£6,798 2 10

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DISBURSEMENTS — SEASON 1959-60

Disbursements

By Regattas —			
Programmes	£49 18 5		
Amplifiers	9 9 0		
Expenses Ballarat, 19/12/60	17 0 0		
		£76 7 5	
„ Trophies —			
V.R.A. Regattas	177 0 0		
Other Regattas	936 8 6		
		1,140 8 6	
„ King's Cup Race, Launceston, 1960 —			
Fares	159 6 0		
Accommodation	531 7 6		
Racing Boat and Oars	732 14 5		
Lightweight Four	30 0 0		
Motor Boats	39 9 4		
Blazer Pockets	12 12 6		
Singlets	19 16 0		
Freight	80 0 0		
Sundries	21 10 0		
		1,626 15 9	
„ Miscellaneous			
Printing and Postage	200 10 8		
Staging Fees	63 0 0		
Affiliation Fees	19 7 0		
Premiership Certificates	22 6 0		
Medallions	44 12 0		
Insurance	86 13 11		
Weightbags	29 11 9		
Transport	44 14 0		
Outboard Motor	449 0 0		
Boat Hull	145 0 0		
Refund Insurance Sculling Boat	200 0 0		
Refund Test Race Deposits	30 0 0		
Prince Henry's Eights	12 10 0		
Debentures	400 0 0		
Investment	1,300 0 0		
Sundries	95 10 6		
		3,142 15 10	
„ Bank Balances at 30/6/60 —			
E.S. & A. Bank	423 17 6		
State Savings Bank	387 17 10		
		811 15 4	
		£6,798 2 10	

Audited and found correct,

JAMES TAYLOR, F.C.I.S., F.V.I.C., A.A.S.A.

JOHN M. MOORE, B.Com. (London), A.C.A.

Hon. Auditors.

Melbourne, 1st July, 1960.

C. E. JAMES, Hon. Treasurer

