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ANNUAL REPORT

AND BALANCE SHEET

Season 1974-75

REGATTA AND CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

Season 1975-1976

1975

October

- 11 Metropolitan
- 18 Banks

November

- 15 Dimboola
- 16 Horsham
- 22 V.R.A. (Melbourne)

December

- 6 Upper Yarra
- 13/14 Championships at Ballarat (Senior Four, Junior Pair and Lightweight Pair). Also including Colts events.
- 20 V.R.A. Special (on Henley Course)
- 26 Nagambie
- 27 Yarrowonga

1976

January

- 1 Rutherglen
- 3 V.R.A. Special (on Henley Course)
- 24 V.R.A. Special (Ballarat)
- 26 Albert Park
- 31 Victorian Universities

February

- 7/8 Championships at Ballarat (Senior Eight, Senior Scull, Junior Four, Lightweight Four, Lightweight Scull and Youth Four)

1976

February

- 21 Colac
- 22 Warrnambool
- 28 Henley on Yarra

March

- 6 Ballarat
- 7/8 Championships at Ballarat (Senior Pair with and without cox, Junior Eight, Junior Scull, Lightweight Eight, School Eight and School Four)
- 13 Barwon
- 20 Head of the Yarra (Hawthorn)
- 27 Scotch-Mercantile

April

- 3 Footscray
- 3 Public Schools Junior Regatta
- 9/10 Public Schools "Head of the River"
- 17 Mildura
- 19 Wentworth
- 15/17 King's Cup Regatta (Penrith, N.S.W.)
- 18/19 National Championships (Penrith, N.S.W.)

THE VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

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Elected Members

	Elected	Retires		Elected	Retires
K. S. Cusworth	1973	1975	P. A. Cayzer	1974	1976
R. B. Duncan	1973	1975	G. D. Clegg	1974	1976
J. R. Jopling	1974	1975	J. J. Donald	1974	1976
R. W. Lahey	1973	1975	F. G. Rickards	1974	1976
F. Peters	1973	1975	B. L. Smith	1974	1976

Executive Committee

	Elected	Retires		Elected	Retires
B. M. Adam	5.2.75	1975	J. W. Bradshaw ..	1974	1976
J. D. Beach	1973	6.11.74	T. C. Johnston ..	1974	1976
D. B. Bishop	1973	1975	P. J. Thomson ..	1974	1976
D. H. Boykett	1973	1975	E. Woolcock	1974	1976

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Albert Park	E. Stranger	Mercantile	J. H. Gumley and M. F. Owen
Ballarat City	M. J. Rowan and R. B. Wilson	Mildura	T. Swanson
Banks	A. Evans and C. L. D. Purvis	Monash Univ.	P. C. Dane and D. Midgeley
Barwon	A. L. Hart and C. R. Reynolds	Morwell Y.M.C.A.	J. Stuckey
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		Yea	F. Conway
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(Treasurer) and P. A. Cayzer (elected 4.6.75)

THE VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

The Ninety-ninth Annual General Meeting of the Victorian Rowing Association will be held at the Amateur Sports Club of Victoria, 14 McKillop Street, Melbourne 3000, on Saturday, 30th August, 1975, at 8.00 p.m.

BUSINESS

1. To confirm the Minutes of the Ninety-eighth Annual General Meeting, held on Saturday, 31st August, 1974.
2. To receive the Ninety-ninth Annual Report and Balance Sheet.
3. To elect Office-bearers, viz. President, eight Vice-presidents and two Honorary Auditors.
4. Presentation of Premiership Certificates.
5. Presentation of Championship Medallions.
6. To consider amendments to the Constitution, Rules and Regatta Regulations and Laws of Boat Racing, of which due notice of motion has been given—

- (a) Submitted by the Executive Committee—
CONSTITUTION.

Amend Constitution Clause II to read—

The Association shall consist of Life Members, subscribers to the funds of the Association of not less than \$1.50 per annum and the members of all Clubs represented on the Association in accordance with Rule XIII.

RULES.

Amend the second sentence of Rule XV(1)(b) to read—

The Selectors of the eight shall then select a squad of nine oarsmen and one coxswain to represent Victoria in the Australian Eight-oared Championship for the King's Cup. The Selectors of the eight may then select up to three single scullers to represent Victoria in the Australian Sculling Championship for the President's Cup. If more than one single sculler is selected the Selectors must nominate their first choice.

Amend parts of Rule XV(2)(b) to read—

(iii) the No. 1 Sculler; and

No sum shall be payable by any Club in respect of coxswains or the No. 2 and No. 3 Scullers.

Amend Rule XV(2)(d) to read—

The team so selected, with the exception of the No. 2 and No. 3 Scullers, shall depart from Melbourne for the venue of the Championships not more than seven days prior to the date of the heats of the said Championships and shall return to Melbourne on the day following the finals.

Amend Rule XV(2)(e) to read—

The Scullers shall provide their own boat and sculls.

Amend the first part of Rule XV(3) to read—

The Association shall provide for the team, with the exception of the No. 2 and No. 3 Scullers to whom only sub-rule (c) of this Rule shall apply:—

REGATTA REGULATIONS AND LAWS OF BOAT RACING.

Amend the second part of Regulation 10(b) to read—

Failure to name a coxswain for a crew or to notify a substitution in writing to the Regatta Secretary before the race shall render the offending Club liable to a fine of up to \$4 or disqualification of the crew concerned.

Amend Regulation 15(b) by adding the following—

Notwithstanding anything contained in Sub-Regulation 15(e) for State Championship events the penalty for late arrival at the start is disqualification or forfeiture of the right to one false start.

Regulation 7.

In that part referring to Substitutes amend to read—
Names of substitutes (including coxswains) must be notified in writing to the Regatta Secretary before the race. PENALTY — Fine up to \$4 or disqualification.

In that part referring to Punctual Starting amend to read—
Crews must be at the starting point five (5) minutes before the advertised starting time of their race. PENALTY — (1) For other than State Championship events — Disqualification or a fine not exceeding \$1 for single scullers, \$2 for pair-oared crews, \$4 for four-oared crews and \$8 for eight-oared crews. (2) For State Championship events — Disqualification or forfeiture of the right to one false start.

Delete Regulation 2(v)(3) and substitute therefor—

2(v)(3) Novice pair-oared rowing and sculling races shall be conducted only in tub boats. Such tub boats are permitted to have an enclosed section at both the bow and stern for buoyancy purposes but such enclosed sections shall not exceed a total of two metres in length.

Amend the second sentence of Regulation 27(b) to read—

Should any Regatta Committee so desire it may stipulate on its programme poster, that if five (5) or less than five (5) entries are received for any event the value of the trophies for that event will be reduced in accordance with Regulation 28(bb).

After sub-clause (b) of Regulation 28 add sub-clause (bb) as follows—

(bb) Notwithstanding anything contained in Regulation 28(b) where there are five (5) or less than five (5) entries received for any event conducted under these regulations and laws or under the control or with the approval of the Association, the total value of the trophy or trophy order provided by the Regatta Committee for each oarsman and coxswain of the winning crew in such event shall be not less than the total amount of entry fees received by the Regatta Committee for such event divided equally amongst the winning oarsmen and coxswain.

Amend the third sentence of Regulation 6(e) to read—

The entrance fee for each competitor, excluding the aforementioned levies, in any race rowed under these Regulations and Laws or under the control or with the approval of the Association shall not exceed \$1.50 and shall be not less than 30 cents.

Add Regulation 2(ac)—

Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-regulations 2(b)-2(g) inclusive an amateur who is not eligible to compete in a junior eight-oared, four-oared or pair-oared rowing race because of the operation of one or more of sub-regulations 2(b)-2(g) inclusive shall be eligible to so compete during the current season provided that during the immediately preceding season and during the period since the commencement of the season he has not competed in a junior rowing race for which he is eligible or a senior rowing race. Provided that no oarsman shall be eligible to compete under this Regulation until the expiration of one full rowing season since he last competed in a qualifying regatta approved by this Association.

Add Regulation 2(ad)—

Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-regulations 2(h)-2(l) inclusive an amateur who is not eligible to compete in a maiden eight-oared, four-oared or pair-oared rowing race because of the operation of one or more of sub-regulations 2(h)-2(l) inclusive shall be eligible to so compete during the current season provided that he has not:

- (a) during the immediately preceding season and during the period since the commencement of the season competed in a maiden rowing race for which he is eligible or a junior rowing race.
- (b) during the immediately two preceding seasons and during the period since the commencement of the season competed in a senior rowing race.

Provided that no oarsman shall be eligible to compete under this Regulation until the expiration of two full rowing seasons since he last competed in a qualifying regatta approved by this Association.

Add Regulation 2(ae)—

Before an amateur enters for competition under Regulations 2(ac) and 2(ad) he must complete a form of eligibility the content of which shall be determined from time to time by the Executive Committee of the Association.

Add Regulation 27(c)—

Notwithstanding any provisions contained in these Regulations where

- (i) only one entry is received or only two entries are received from one Club for an event listed in the programme approved by the Committee of the Association;
- (ii) because of scratchings only one entrant remains for an event listed in the programme approved by the Committee of the Association

That entrant or those entrants or that remaining entrant shall be included by invitation in an event of similar or more senior classification but shall not be eligible for premiership points or trophies and their entry fees shall be refunded by the Regatta Committee.

Add Regulation 27(d)—

If the entrant or entrants referred to in sub-regulation 27(c) have entered for a championship and/or challenge race then their finishing in an event as set out in sub-regulation 27(c) shall constitute the row over in terms of sub-regulation 27(a).

Add Regulation 28(a)—

Notwithstanding anything contained in these Regatta Regulations Clubs may request that their crews compete by invitation in an event of a classification more senior than their current classification without loss of classification provided

- (i) that at the same regatta or championship regatta the same crew is entered and completes the course in an event of the classification for which they are currently eligible or competes in an event by operation of Regulation 27(c).
- (ii) such request is made in writing to the regatta secretary by the due date for closing of entries;
- (iii) there is a station available after the normal draw in respect of the event;
- (iv) that such competition by invitation shall be restricted to heats of the event or the first and final of the event.

Add Regulation 28(b)—

If more than one request is received pursuant to sub-paragraph 28(a) of these Regulations and there are insufficient stations then the crews selected to compete by invitation shall be determined by a ballot.

Add Regulation 28(c)—

Crews entered by invitation pursuant to this Regulation 28 shall not be eligible for premiership points, trophies, and shall not be required to pay an entry fee.

Add Regulation 28(d)—

The fact that a crew is competing by invitation must be clearly indicated in the regatta programme.

Delete existing Regulations 28, 29 and 30 and substitute as Regulations 29, 30 and 31.

- (b) Submitted by Footscray City Rowing Club.

REGATTA REGULATIONS AND LAWS OF BOAT RACING.

Delete Regulation 2(g) and substitute therefor—

2(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 or a junior championship 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 or a junior championship 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 or a junior championship pair-oared rowing race, junior championship single sculling races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior single sculling race or a junior championship single sculling race, and junior championship double sculling races shall be open to all amateurs who have not won a senior double sculling race or a junior championship double sculling race.

- (c) Submitted by Mr. J. L. Hardie.

RULES.

Add Rule XXXV(v)—

An entry from an Interstate crew will not be accepted for a Victorian Championship event if the crew or any member thereof would not be eligible to compete if they or he were bound by the rules of this Association.

The entry form must be accompanied by a form of eligibility the content of which shall be determined from time to time by the Executive Committee of the Association.

- (d) Submitted by Mr. R. W. Lahey.

REGATTA REGULATIONS AND LAWS OF BOAT RACING.

Amend Regulation 6(e) by altering "15c" to "25c" and by inserting immediately after the words "Regatta equipment levy" the words "and 10c to the A.A.R.C. Capitation Fund (to be used in accordance with Clause XII(c) of the Constitution towards payment of any levies which may be made by the Australian Amateur Rowing Council)"

Delete Regulation 6(c) and substitute therefor—

6(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein no person will be allowed to compete in any race for which premiership points are awarded (other than in 16 years and under Youth events) unless he is a member of a Club or School affiliated with the Rowing Association or of a Club or School affiliated with the Rowing Association of any other State or Country and has not competed at any regatta in Victoria not held under these Regulations and Laws (other than a regatta conducted by a recognised school or association of schools for competition between schools only).

7. Honoraria.

8. General Business.

As due notice has not been given, no further motions may be submitted, but recommendations may be made to the Committee. All members of the Association are eligible to attend the Annual General Meeting.

W. J. WATERFIELD,
Honorary Secretary.

26th July, 1975.

NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET OF THE VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

To the Members, Victorian Rowing Association.

Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that your Committee presents the Ninety-ninth Annual Report together with the audited Balance Sheet and Accounts for the 1974-75 rowing season and the year ended 30th June, 1975, respectively.

The year under review started on a particularly high note when on Sunday, 8th September, in Lucerne, Switzerland, where lightweight events had been included on the world championship programme for the first time, the Melbourne University Lightweight Four created history when they became the first Australian rowing crew to win Gold Medals at World Rowing Championships or Olympic Games. The performance of the other Australian crews in Lucerne paled by comparison; however, the Eight rowed a creditable second in the Petite Final while the other crews were eliminated in the repechages. Detailed results are listed later in this report.

Also on the International scene, but slightly closer to home, was the visit by a Victorian Colts (under 23 years) team to New Zealand, where they competed against Colts crews from New Zealand, New South Wales and Tasmania in a series of three regattas. The team are to be congratulated on their improving performances and the experience gained by all concerned can only be to the benefit of Victorian rowing.

As this report goes to press Victorian oarsmen are again departing to represent Australia at the World Championships, this time being held at Nottingham, England, and your Association wishes the Lightweight Four every success in the defence of their title and all other members of the Australian team much success at the Championships.

On the local scene a new approach was made to the selection of the King's Cup crew by naming the coach early and having a squad of oarsmen training together under his control for most of the rowing season. Whether the end result justified the effort is open to conjecture, however at the King's Cup Regatta held at Lake Kurwongbah, Queensland, Victoria finished third in the final of the King's Cup which was won by New South Wales. The Victorian Lightweight Four again convincingly won the Penrith Cup and the Youth Eight were successful in winning the Noel F. Wilkinson Trophy. The Victorian Sculler, P. Benjamin, was eliminated in the repechage of his event.

At the combined National Regatta, Victorian crews were successful in winning five events — Junior Eight, Lightweight Eight, Lightweight Coxless Four, School Eight and School Four.

Competition for the State Championships resulted in Melbourne University Boat Club winning the Senior Premiership, Mercantile Rowing Club winning the Lightweight Premiership, Essendon Rowing Club winning the Junior First Division Premiership and Richmond Rowing Club winning the Junior Second Division Premiership and congratulations are extended to these Clubs.

The Australian Amateur Rowing Council, through its members, and in particular our delegate, Mr. A. W. McLiesh, did their utmost to promote the sport of rowing in this country, and the thanks of the Association are extended to these members.

The Youth Rowing Sub-committee, under the auspices of the Rothmans National Sports Foundation, conducted a most successful seminar at Ballarat this season and the reformed Sub-committee, aided by an additional Sports Foundation grant, are working to continue the promotion of the sport of rowing among the youth of the community and the Association's thanks go to the Sub-committee members for their efforts.

Mr. Ray Todd, a Vice-president of the Association, was honored by an award from the Citizens Savings Athletic Foundation of U.S.A. (formerly the Helms Foundation) in recognition of his unbroken 56 years dedication to rowing as a competitor, coach, team manager and many other administrative positions and the Association's congratulations are warmly extended.

The Association also congratulates Mr. Campbell Johnston on receiving the inaugural award for rowing in the Sportsmen of the Year Awards by the Amateur Sports Club of Victoria.

After a series of clubhouse fires in recent seasons it is pleasing to report that Mercantile Rowing Club are now housed in their new clubhouse and the members are to be congratulated on their efforts with the rebuilding.

The support given to this Association, both in cash and in kind, by the Old Oarsmen's Association is greatly appreciated, and very difficult to adequately cover in a report of this nature. We are indeed fortunate to have such a fine body of "retired" oarsmen whose sole aim is to see Victorian rowing prosper, and our success in recent years is in no small way due to the interest and work of the members and executive of the Old Oarsmen's Association.

Set out below is a table showing the membership of the Association over the past five years:

	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74	1974-75
Metropolitan	1433	1422	1372	1349	1286
Country	650	748	849	822	655
	<u>2083</u>	<u>2170</u>	<u>2221</u>	<u>2171</u>	<u>1941</u>

The dramatic drop in numbers for this season is somewhat alarming and all oarsmen and clubs should actively aim at recruiting members and enlarging the community participation in rowing during the coming seasons.

A more detailed review of the season's activities is set out below:

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS — LUCERNE, September, 1974

Australia was represented by:—

EIGHT WITH COXSWAIN: B. Curtin (N.S.W.) bow, R. Curtin (N.S.W.) 2, W. Dankbaar (S.A.) 3, M. Shaw (N.S.W.) 4, T. Conrad (N.S.W.) 5, E. O'Loughlin (N.S.W.) 6, I. Luxford (N.S.W.) 7, C. Shinnars (N.S.W.) stroke, J. Donnelly (N.S.W.) cox, M. Grace (N.S.W.) coach.

FOUR WITHOUT COXSWAIN: G. Xouris (W.A.) bow, G. Jenner (W.A.) 2, W. Magennis (Vic.) 3, L. Anderson (W.A.) stroke, J. Saunders (W.A.) coach.

LIGHTWEIGHT FOUR WITHOUT COXSWAIN: C. J. Smith bow, G. L. Rees 2, A. G. Michelmore 3, T. C. Johnston stroke, P. Philp (Vic.) coach.

PAIR WITHOUT COXSWAIN: B. Weir bow, S. Newnham stroke, M. Grace (N.S.W.) coach.

SINGLE SCULL: G. Petelin (Queensland).

Iain A. Macdonald, of New South Wales, was Team Manager.

Results were as follows:—

LIGHTWEIGHT FOUR WITHOUT COXSWAIN:

Heat 1	
1. Holland	6:40.16
2. U.S.A.	6:40.20
3. Sweden	6:46.93
4. West Germany	6:47.39
5. Norway	6:51.22
6. Turkey	6:51.41

Heat 2	
Australia	6:39.14
Denmark	6:49.50
Canada	6:50.54
Great Britain	6:50.78
Mexico	7:01.67

Repechage 1	
1. U.S.A.	6:36.58
2. Norway	6:37.80
3. Great Britain	6:38.20
4. Canada	6:44.22
5. Turkey	6:50.19

Repechage 2	
West Germany	6:38.48
Sweden	6:41.21
Denmark	6:45.50
Mexico	6:51.39

Petite Final	
1. Great Britain	6:46.96
2. Denmark	6:51.00
3. Canada	6:52.45
4. Turkey	6:52.71
5. Mexico	7:03.29
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Final	
Australia	6:38.12
Holland	6:43.26
U.S.A.	6:43.48
West Germany	6:46.66
Sweden	6:51.61
Norway	6:52.64

EIGHT WITH COXSWAIN:

Petite Final	
1. Czechoslovakia	5:56.97
2. Australia	6:00.44
3. Poland	6:01.42
4. Canada	6:01.45
5. Italy	6:04.19
6. Austria	6:04.71

Final	
U.S.A.	5:46.37
Great Britain	5:47.49
New Zealand	5:47.84
East Germany	5:49.16
Russia	5:49.39
West Germany	5:55.44

FOUR WITHOUT COXSWAIN:

Final	
1. East Germany	6:19.20
2. Russia	6:22.83
3. West Germany	6:27.01

Australia eliminated in repechage.

PAIR WITHOUT COXSWAIN:

Final	
1. East Germany	6:59.09
2. Rumania	7:03.99
3. Poland	7:04.64

Australia eliminated in repechage.

SINGLE SCULL:

Final	
1. East Germany	7:20.11
2. U.S.A.	7:23.95
3. Russia	7:24.74

Australia eliminated in repechage.

Other results were:—

LIGHTWEIGHT EIGHT: U.S.A. 1st, 6:15.25; Holland 2nd, 6:17.54; West Germany 3rd, 6:17.97.

LIGHTWEIGHT SINGLE SCULL: U.S.A. 1st, 7:33.72; Holland 2nd, 7:36.80; Switzerland 3rd, 7:36.96.

FOUR WITHOUT COXSWAIN: East Germany 1st, 6:26.38; Russia 2nd, 6:27.34; West Germany 3rd, 6:27.96.

PAIR WITH COXSWAIN: Russia 1st, 7:21.90; East Germany 2nd, 7:27.86; Czechoslovakia 3rd, 7:29.93.

QUADRUPLE SCULL: East Germany 1st, 6:04.01; Russia 2nd, 6:05.79; Czechoslovakia 3rd, 6:08.12.

DOUBLE SCULL: East Germany 1st, 6:35.95; Norway 2nd, 6:38.34; Great Britain 3rd, 6:43.32.

COLTS' TOUR OF NEW ZEALAND — December, 1974

Victoria was represented by:—

EIGHT WITH COXSWAIN: R. Widmer (M.U.B.C.) bow, M. Manley (Monash) 2, A. Sloan (Mercantile) 3, M. Ross (M.U.B.C.) 4, D. English (M.U.B.C.) 5, A. Withers (Mercantile) 6, S. Sherrifs (Mercantile) 7, S. Webster (Mercantile) stroke, V. Ronai (M.U.B.C.) cox, P. A. Cayzer (Mercantile) coach and manager.

PAIR WITHOUT COXSWAIN: C. Rawson (Barwon) bow, D. Worthley (Monash) stroke.

Results were as follows:—

LAKE WAIHOLA REGATTA

EIGHTS: Tasmania 1st, New Zealand 2nd, Victoria 3rd, New South Wales 4th.

PAIR: The Victorian crew finished out of a place.

PICTON REGATTA

EIGHTS: New Zealand 1st, New South Wales 2nd, Avon Rowing Club 3rd, Tasmania 4th, Victoria 5th.

PAIR: Avon Rowing Club 1st, Union Christchurch Rowing Club 2nd, Victoria 3rd.

LAKE KARAPIRO REGATTA

EIGHTS: New Zealand 1st, Victoria 2nd, New South Wales 3rd, Tasmania 4th, Waikato Rowing Club 5th.

PAIR: The Victorian crew did not start.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS—NOTTINGHAM, August, 1975

Australia will be represented by:—

EIGHT WITH COXSWAIN: I. Clubb (N.S.W.) bow, M. Shaw (N.S.W.) 2, S. Dean (Tas.) 3, R. Paver (N.S.W.) 4, P. Shakespeare (W.A.) 5, W. Liley (Vic.) 6, I. Luxford (N.S.W.) 7, C. Shinnars (N.S.W.) stroke, J. Donnelly (N.S.W.) cox, B. Richardson (Vic.) reserve, M. Grace (N.S.W.) coach.

LIGHTWEIGHT FOUR WITHOUT COXSWAIN: C. J. Smith bow, G. L. Rees 2, A. G. Michelmore 3, T. C. Johnston stroke, P. Philp coach (Vic.).

PAIR WITH COXSWAIN: J. Clark bow, M. Crowley stroke, T. O'Hanlon cox (N.S.W.).

DOUBLE SCULL: R. Reddell bow, W. Newton stroke (N.S.W.).

SINGLE SCULL: R. Alexander (Queensland).

LIGHTWEIGHT SINGLE SCULL: P. Rowe (N.S.W.).

John D. Coates, of New South Wales, is Team Manager.

Australia will also be represented by:—

WOMEN'S FOUR WITH COXSWAIN: S. Harding bow, V. Roe 2, P. Murray 3, W. John stroke, J. Coxhead cox, J. Bennett coach (Vic.). Mrs. K. Bennett, of Victoria, is Manageress.

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

The second combined King's Cup and National Regatta was conducted on a fully buoyed six-lane 2000 metre course on Lake Kurwongbah, Petrie, Queensland. The Interstate Championships being held from Wednesday, 16th to Friday, 18th April, 1975, and the National Championships on Saturday, 19th and Sunday, 20th April, 1975.

Rowing conditions were good throughout the regatta except for a strong wind which developed on the second day.

In a departure from the policy of previous years the selectors, Messrs. D. H. Boykett and J. G. Howden, appointed the coach of the Eight in August, 1974, and established a training squad of oarsmen, from which the Eight was to be selected, prior to the commencement of the 1974-75 regatta season.

The first selection of a crew from this squad was made in late December, with changes being made at regular intervals with the aim of obtaining the best combination. Further changes were made after the Victorian Eight-oared Championship and the crew which finally represented Victoria were: I. G. Farran, 13st. 3lb. (M.U.B.C.), bow; S. B. Jelbart, 12st. 7lb. (Monash), 2; A. J. Withers, 14st. 10lb. (Mercantile), 3; D. R. English, 13st. 2lb. (M.U.B.C.), 4; W. G. Magennis, 13st. 10lb. (M.U.B.C.), 5; B. J. Richardson, 13st 10lb. (Monash), 6; W. R. Liley, 14st. 2lb. (M.U.B.C.), 7; K. P. Jelbart, 15st. 0lb. (Monash), stroke; D. B. England (M.U.B.C.), cox; B. Romanin, 14st. 12lb. (Mercantile) and M. C. Ross, 14st. 4lb. (M.U.B.C.), emergencies; P. M. Guest (Mercantile), coach.

Mr. J. R. Jopling, of Banks Rowing Club, was team manager.

The results of the heats and repechage, held on Wednesday and Thursday respectively, were:

First Heat: 1st New South Wales; 2nd Tasmania; 3rd Queensland. Time, 6 minutes 12.8 seconds. Margins: 10.6 and 11.7 secs.

Second Heat: 1st South Australia; 2nd Victoria; 3rd Western Australia. Time, 6 minutes 17.3 seconds. Margins, 0.6 and 14.3 secs.

Repechage: 1st Victoria; 2nd Tasmania; 3rd Western Australia. Time, 6 minutes 20.9 seconds. Margins, 2.5 and 6.2 secs.

The final on Friday morning was won by New South Wales from South Australia, Victoria and Tasmania in that order. The winning time was 6 minutes 5.1 seconds with margins of 5.8 and 4.2 seconds.

After a false start in which South Australia broke, all crews started well with New South Wales rating four points higher than Victoria. At the 500 metre mark New South Wales led Victoria by 2.2 seconds, followed by South Australia and Tasmania. Before the 1,000 metre mark South Australia strongly challenged Victoria and at the 1,000 metre mark it was New South Wales by 4.6 seconds from South Australia, a further 1.4 seconds to Victoria and a further 3.7 seconds to Tasmania. New South Wales continued to move away and control the race in the next 1,000 metres and went on to a convincing win.

We congratulate the New South Wales crew and coach on their fine performance and their subsequent selection to form the basis of the Australian Eight for the World Rowing Championships to be conducted at Nottingham, England.

AUSTRALIAN SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP (President's Cup)

Following the Victorian Sculling Championship, J. R. Sykes of Corio Bay Rowing Club was appointed by the selectors to represent Victoria in the President's Cup. Subsequently J. R. Sykes withdrew his nomination and P. Benjamin, Mercantile Rowing Club, was appointed to represent Victoria.

Results of the heats and repechage were:—

First Heat: 1st E. Hale (Tasmania); 2nd P. Rowe (New South Wales). Time, 7 minutes 55.2 seconds. Margin, 2.9 secs.

Second Heat: 1st R. Alexander (Queensland); 2nd P. Benjamin (Victoria). No time taken. Margin, 12.6 secs.

Repechage: 1st P. Rowe (New South Wales); 2nd P. Benjamin (Victoria). Time, 7 minutes 55.1 seconds. Margin, 5.3 secs.

In the final, R. Alexander (Queensland) performed well, taking the lead with a magnificent sprint at the 1,400 metre mark and going on to win from P. Rowe (New South Wales) and E. Hale (Tasmania). Time, 7 minutes 37.4 seconds. Margins, 7.3 and 2.5 secs.

Congratulations are extended to Bob Alexander for his win and his selection to represent Australia at the World Rowing Championships at Nottingham, England.

AUSTRALIAN LIGHTWEIGHT FOUR-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP (Penrith Cup)

The crew selected to represent Victoria were C. J. Smith, 10st. 11lb. (M.U.B.C.), bow; G. L. Rees, 11st. 1lb. (M.U.B.C.), 2; A. G. Michelmore, 11st. 4lb. (M.U.B.C.), 3; T. C. Johnston, 11st. 0lb. (M.U.B.C.), stroke; H. T. Frederico (M.U.B.C.), cox; A. G. McKinley, 11st. 1lb. (Wendouree/Ballarat), emergency; P. E. M. L. Philp (M.U.B.C.), coach

Results of the heats and repechage were:

First Heat: 1st Victoria; 2nd Western Australia; 3rd Queensland. Time, 7 minutes 17.9 seconds. Margins, 9.6 and 12.0 secs.

Second Heat: 1st South Australia; 2nd New South Wales. Time, 7 minutes 10.7 seconds. Margin, 10.9 secs.

Repechage: 1st Western Australia; 2nd New South Wales; 3rd Queensland. Time, 7 minutes 21.8 seconds. Margins, 2.0 and 11.0 secs.

In the final, the Victorian crew grabbed the lead early and led all the way for a very convincing win from New South Wales with South Australia and Western Australia finishing in that order. Time, 6 minutes 56.8 seconds. Margins, 7.0 and 1.7 secs.

Congratulations are extended to the Victorian Lightweight Four on their win, the fifth consecutive win for both Victoria and stroke, T. C. Johnston, and for their subsequent selection to again represent Australia in the Coxless Lightweight Four event at the World Rowing Championships at Nottingham to defend the crown they won last year at Lucerne.

AUSTRALIAN YOUTH EIGHT-OARED CHAMPIONSHIP (Noel F. Wilkinson Trophy)

The selection of crews was delayed due to confusion over Australian Amateur Rowing Council decisions on the status of this event, whether it was to be an Interstate or National Championship, and following the Victorian Head of the River events the Geelong College crew were invited to represent Victoria and we are most grateful for their assistance in this matter. The crew was: A. G. Morrison, bow; S. M. Gillett, 2; G. G. Fairnie, 3; W. M. I. Robertson, 4; P. A. Cassidy, 5; I. A. Steel, 6; N. J. Myers, 7; D. G. Cooper, stroke; J. S. Sloane, cox; D. B. Ramage, coach.

Results of the heats and repechage were:

First heat: 1st Tasmania No. 1; 2nd Queensland No. 2; 3rd Tasmania No. 2; 4th New South Wales No. 2. Time, 5 minutes even. Margins, 7.1 and 1.0 secs.

Second heat: 1st Victoria; 2nd Queensland No. 1; 3rd New South Wales No. 1. Time, 5 minutes 9 seconds. Margins, 12.2 and 19 sec.

Repechage: 1st New South Wales No. 1; 2nd New South Wales No. 2; 3rd Queensland No. 2; 4th Queensland No. 1; 5th Tasmania No. 2. Time, 4 minutes 51.4 seconds. Margins, 0.3 and 7.0 secs.

In the final the Victorian crew opened up a slight lead from the two New South Wales crews and with a sustained effort went on to an outstanding win from New South Wales No. 2 with New South Wales No. 1, Tasmania No. 1 and Queensland No. 2 finishing in that order. Time, 4 minutes 43.8 seconds. Margins, 2.0 and 0.1 secs.

Congratulations are extended to the Geelong College crew on their fine win.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Australian Champion Four with Cox

1st, Adelaide/Torrens Composite; 2nd, Sydney No. 1; 3rd, Sydney/Sydney University Composite. Time, 6:48.3.

Australian Champion Four without Cox

1st, Mosman; 2nd, Melbourne University; 3rd, Sydney/Glebe Composite. Time, 6:42.8.

Australian Champion Pair with Cox

1st, Mosman; 2nd, Sydney University; 3rd, Buckingham. Time, 7:27.2.

Australian Champion Pair without Cox

1st, Sydney University/Mosman Composite; 2nd, Queensland University; 3rd, Melbourne University/Mercantile Composite. Time, 7:23.3.

Australian Champion Double Scull

1st, Haberfield; 2nd, Lindisfarne; 3rd, Haberfield/Glebe Composite. Time, 6:58.0.

Australian Champion Quad Scull

1st, Haberfield No. 1; 2nd, Haberfield No. 2; 3rd, Haberfield No. 3. Time, 6:45.2.

Australian Champion Lightweight Eight

1st, Mercantile; 2nd, Queensland University/Western Australia Composite; 3rd, Barwon. Time, 6:21.3.

Australian Champion Lightweight Four without Cox

1st, Melbourne University; 2nd, W.A. University/A.N.A. Composite; 3rd, Buckingham. Time, 6:42.0.

Australian Champion Lightweight Pair without Cox

1st, Balmain; 2nd, A.N.A./W.A.; 3rd, Adelaide. Time, 7:36.4.

Australian Champion Lightweight Scull

1st, P. Rowe (Haberfield); 2nd, J. Sykes (Corio Bay); 3rd, R. Bleakley (Queensland University). Time, 7:42.7.

Australian Champion Lightweight Double Scull

1st, Haberfield No. 1; 2nd, Haberfield No. 2; 3rd, Grafton. Time, 7:31.9.

Australian Champion Second Grade Eight

1st, Mercantile No. 1; 2nd, Mercantile No. 2; 3rd, Melbourne University. Time, 6:12.8.

Australian Champion Second Grade Four

1st, Sydney No. 1; 2nd, Sydney/Drummoyne Composite; 3rd, Sydney University. Time, 6:52.5.

Australian Champion Second Grade Scull

1st, P. Jones (Perth Collegians); 2nd, K. Olsen (Glebe); 3rd, R. Bleakley (Queensland University). Time, 7:41.6.

Australian Champion Third Grade Four

1st, Sydney University; 2nd, Manning River (N.S.W.); 3rd, Drum-
moyne. Time, 5:20.7.

Australian Champion School Eight

1st, Geelong College; 2nd, Newington College (N.S.W.); 3rd, St.
Ignatius College (N.S.W.). Time, 4:42.7.

Australian Champion School Four

1st, Ballarat College; 2nd, Chatham High School (N.S.W.); 3rd,
Brisbane Boys' College. Time, 5:13.3.

VICTORIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**Victorian Eight-oared Championship (Norwich Shield)**

(Holders, Adelaide/Torrens Composite crew)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Melbourne University Composite crew. Time, 6:42.5.

D. R. English bow, I. G. Farran 2, W. G. Magennis 3, K. P. Jelbart
4, W. R. Liley 5, B. Romanin 6, B. J. Richardson 7, D. W. Slessar
stroke, D. B. England cox, P. M. Guest coach.

Won by three-quarters length from Adelaide University with Monash
Composite crew 3rd and Mercantile 4th.

Victorian Four-oared Championship

(Holders, Melbourne University Boat Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Adelaide/Torrens Composite crew. Time, 6:45.0.

M. Hebblewhite bow, A. McDonald 2, G. Duncan 3, W. Dankbaar
stroke, B. Parsons cox, R. F. Elleway coach.

Won by half length from M.U.B.C. Comp. No. 2 with Melbourne
University 3rd, M.U.B.C. Comp. No. 1 4th, Adelaide University No. 2
5th and Adelaide University No. 1 6th.

Victorian Pair-oared Championship

(Holders, Melbourne University Boat Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Corio Bay Rowing Club. Time, 7:47.5.

J. R. Sykes bow, D. B. Ramage stroke, S. Podbury cox.

Won by three-quarters length from Adelaide University with Wen-
douree/Ballarat 3rd, Banks No. 1 4th and Haberfield 5th.

Victorian Coxswainless Pair-oared Championship

(Holders, Melbourne University Boat Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Haberfield Rowing Club. Time, 8:15.2.

R. Reddel bow, R. Brown stroke.

Won by 3 lengths from Banks with Melbourne 3rd.

Victorian Sculling Championship

(Holder, K. Leach, Mercantile Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by P. Rowe, Haberfield Rowing Club, by 4 lengths from J. R.
Sykes (Corio Bay), with D. B. Ramage (Corio Bay) 3rd, R. Reddell
(Haberfield) 4th, P. Benjamin (Mercantile) 5th and K. Leach (Mer-
cantile) 6th. Other starters were W. G. Magennis (M.U.B.C.), P.
McNamara (Nagambie), A. McCowan (Albert Park), A. Matson
(Adelaide University) and R. McGowan (Ryde).

Victorian Junior Eight-oared Championship

(Holders, Mercantile Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, March 10th, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Mercantile Rowing Club. Time, 6:22.5.

T. Horkings bow, T. Cremean 2, D. Parton 3, P. Richter 4, A. Sloan 5, M. Manley 6, S. Sherriffs 7, S. Webster stroke, A. Maginn cox, P. A. Cayzer coach.

Won by three-quarters length from Barwon with Essendon 3rd, M.U.B.C. 4th, Melbourne/Footscray Composite 5th, and Corio Bay 6th. Other starters were Carey Grammar, Melbourne Grammar, Hawthorn, Brighton Grammar, Geelong Grammar and Wesley College.

Victorian Junior Four-oared Championship

(Holders, Monash University Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Wendouree/Ballarat Rowing Club. Time, 7:02.2.

P. Tippett bow, G. Falla 2, G. Hucker 3, A. McKinley stroke, R. Young cox, B. Sarah coach.

Won by three-quarters length from Essendon with Adelaide University 3rd, Footscray 4th, Barwon 5th and Hawthorn 6th. Other starters were Richmond, Mercantile, Nagambie, Corio Bay and Banks.

Victorian Junior Pair-oared Championship

(Holders, Footscray City Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Barwon Rowing Club. Time, 7:53.3.

J. Murray bow, P. White stroke, L. Crutch cox, P. McHugh coach.

Won by 5 lengths from Essendon No. 1 with Banks 3rd, Power House 4th, and Essendon No. 2 5th.

Victorian Junior Sculling Championship

(Holder, D. B. Ramage, Corio Bay Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by P. Benjamin, Mercantile Rowing Club, by 12 lengths from N. Smith (Power House), with G. Oliver (Nagambie) 3rd, T. Poole (Corio Bay) 4th and L. Budge (Power House) 5th. Time, 7:45.8.

Victorian Lightweight Eight-oared Championship

(Holders, Mercantile Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Mercantile Rowing Club. Time, 6:19.0.

A. Guerin bow, M. Owen 2, I. Duthie 3, R. Garrard 4, A. Spriggins 5, M. Kerrin 6, R. Stewart 7, G. Robertson-Smith stroke, T. Ling cox, M. G. Tomanovits coach.

Won by 3½ lengths from Barwon with M.U.B.C./Power House/Monash Composite 3rd.

Victorian Lightweight Four-oared Championship

(Holders, Melbourne University Boat Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Melbourne University Boat Club. Time, 6:43.5.

C. J. Smith bow, G. L. Rees 2, A. G. Michelmore 3, T. C. Johnston stroke, H. T. Frederico cox, P. Philp coach.

Won by 3 lengths from Adelaide University No. 1 with Wendouree/Ballarat 3rd, Adelaide University No. 2 4th, Power House 5th and Torrens 6th.

Victorian Lightweight Pair-oared Championship

(Holders, Melbourne Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Power House Rowing Club. Time, 7:59.0.

R. Hall bow, G. White stroke, N. Jorgenson cox, M. Polinelli coach.

Won by 2¼ lengths from Melbourne with Corio Bay 3rd, and Essendon 4th.

Victorian Lightweight Sculling Championship

(Holder, N. Smith, Power House Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by N. F. Smith, Power House Rowing Club, by 4 lengths from

A. Feldt (Hawthorn) with L. Budge (Power House) 3rd. Time, 8:32.4.

Victorian Youth Four-oared Championship

(Holders, Barwon Rowing Club)

Rowed on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, February 8-9, 1975.

Course 2,000 metres.

Won by Wendouree-Ballarat Rowing Club. Time, 7:10.6.

M. Cunningham bow, J. Cunningham 2, P. Shorten 3, A. Heys stroke,

A. Punshon cox, J. Heys coach.

Won by 4 lengths from Brighton Grammar School No. 1 with Brighton Grammar School No. 2 3rd.

Victorian Country Eight-oared Championship

(Holders, Barwon Rowing Club)

Rowed on Barwon River, Geelong, March 15th, 1975.

Won by Barwon Rowing Club.

R. Box bow, A. Hart 2, C. Warby 3, H. Mussett 4, P. Armitage 5,

K. Chandley 6, R. Tomczak 7, T. Prime stroke, G. Hunter cox.

Corio Bay No. 1 were 2nd, with Corio Bay No. 2 3rd and Warrnambool 4th.

Victorian Country Four-oared Championship

(Holders, Corio Bay Rowing Club)

Rowed on Barwon River, Geelong, March 15th, 1975.

Won by Wendouree/Ballarat Rowing Club.

R. Blanchfield bow, J. Coutts 2, B. Sarah 3, A. McKinley stroke,

G. Harrison cox.

Barwon were 2nd with Warrnambool 3rd.

Victorian Country Pair-oared Championship

(Holders, Corio Bay Rowing Club)

Rowed on Barwon River, Geelong, March 15th, 1975.

Won by Corio Bay Rowing Club.

J. R. Sykes bow, D. B. Ramage stroke, S. Podbury cox.

Wendouree/Ballarat were 2nd with Barwon 3rd.

Victorian Country Lightweight Four-oared Championship

(Holders, Barwon Rowing Club)

Rowed on Barwon River, Geelong, March 15th, 1975.

Won by Barwon Rowing Club.

R. Gardner bow, G. Leary 2, G. B. Murphy 3, P. J. Morgan stroke,

J. Hart cox.

Corio Bay were 2nd.

PREMIERSHIP POINTS

SENIOR

	Points	Wins		Points	Wins
M.U.B.C.	40	10	Essendon	4	2
Power House	18	10	Albert Park	2	2
Monash University	18	5	Nagambie	2	2
Mercantile	11	9	Melbourne	2	1
Wendouree/Ballararat ..	10	5	Hawthorn	1	1
Banks	10	4	Rutherglen Lake	1	1
Corio Bay	7	3			

LIGHTWEIGHT

	Points	Wins		Points	Wins
Mercantile	60	8	Ballarat City	8	4
Power House	40	15	Rutherglen Lake	8	2
Barwon	20	3	Melbourne	6	2
Wendouree/Ballararat ..	16	4	Hawthorn	5	2
M.U.B.C.	16	3	Dimboola	2	1

JUNIOR FIRST DIVISION

	Points	Wins		Points	Wins
Essendon	128	29	Power House	53	10
Barwon	72	16	Banks	52	15
Mercantile	69	11	Hawthorn	38	11
Corio Bay	66	16	Melbourne	18	6
Wendouree/Ballararat ..	64	16	M.U.B.C.	7	3

JUNIOR SECOND DIVISION

	Points	Wins		Points	Wins
Richmond	50	17	Ballarat City	4	2
Warrnambool	41	9	Monash University ..	4	2
Footscray City	20	5	Wahgunyah	4	1
Rutherglen Lake ..	16	5	Wentworth District	4	1
Yarra Yarra	12	4	Horsham	2	1
Dimboola	8	2	Nagambie	2	1

For the 1975-76 season, Richmond Rowing Club will move into the Junior First Division and Melbourne University Boat Club will change to the Junior Second Division.

ASSOCIATED PUBLIC SCHOOLS

On Friday and Saturday, 11th and 12th April, the Public Schools' Head of the River Regatta was conducted on the Barwon River, Geelong, and resulted in an exciting win by Geelong Grammar School from Geelong College with Scotch College 3rd.

Congratulations are extended to Geelong Grammar and their coach, Frank Covill, for a repeat of last year's win.

VICTORIAN HIGH SCHOOLS

The 23rd Annual Regatta of the Victorian High Schools Rowing Association was held on the Henley course on Friday, 4th April.

The Head of the River race was won by Bell Park High School, who also won the Second eights event. Oberon High School won the Champion Four event, making a successful day for the Geelong schools.

Our congratulations are extended to the successful crews in all events.

UNIVERSITY ROWING

Australian Universities Rowing Championships

The Championships were held at Franklin, Tasmania, with heats and repechages on Friday, 16th May and the finals on Saturday, 17th May, 1975. This year, for the first time, the Women's Inter-Varsity Rowing Championships were held at the same regatta.

The eight-oared championship for the Oxford and Cambridge Cup was won by Melbourne from Tasmania, with Monash 3rd, Adelaide 4th and Sydney 5th. Time, 5:57.4. Margins, 3.0 and 1.3 secs.

The lightweight four-oared championship for the Sir Fred J. Schonnell Cup was won by Melbourne from Adelaide, with N.S.W. 3rd, Sydney 4th and Flinders 5th. Time, 6:39.8. Margins, 6.0 and 3.0 secs.

The coxswainless pair-oared championship for the Carlton and United Goblets was won by Tasmania from Sydney, with Western Australia 3rd, N.S.W. 4th, Melbourne 5th and Latrobe 6th. Time, 7:19.5. Margins, 11.5 and 2.5 secs.

The sculling championship for the W. D. & H. O. Wills Trophy was won by E. Hale (Tasmania) from Sydney, with Melbourne 3rd. Time, 7:03.7. Margins, 32.6 and 9.4 secs.

Congratulations are extended to Melbourne University on regaining two of the championship trophies.

AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The championships were held on the Canning River in Perth, Western Australia, on May 9th and 10th, 1975, and resulted in a convincing win by Victoria in the Four-oared Championship.

The Lightweight Four-oared Championship was won by New South Wales and the Single Sculling Championship by S. Eveson (N.S.W.).

The Victorian Four, all members of the Y.W.C.A. Rowing Club, will represent Australia at the World Rowing Championships in Nottingham.

OFFICIALS' PANEL

With new licensed officials maintaining the numbers at approximately eighty, we should not have experienced any difficulty in providing enough officials for all regattas. However, we did experience this on some occasions but again, as in the past, it was due to a solid core of dedicated officials that the gaps were filled.

The Panel uses every endeavour to ensure that each regatta has a full complement of competent officials and is at all times ready to conduct examinations for prospective officials. It is sure that there are many retired but still active oarsmen who could offer themselves as officials. The examination itself presents no problems to oarsmen who have been competitors and who have "studied" the methods of various officials in starting, etc.

During the season the following were successful in passing the examination and joining the ranks: Messrs. P. F. O'Grady (Warrnambool), W. Ruttledge (Mercantile), R. F. Brawn (Banks) and T. F. Swanson (Banks).

Oarsmen interested in becoming officials may contact the Secretary of the Association or Mr. J. L. Hardie (Officials' Panel Secretary) at Banks Rowing Club.

AUSTRALIAN AMATEUR ROWING COUNCIL

RESUME OF ACTIVITIES

Office-bearers:

The following office-bearers were elected:—

President: L. E. Stepto (N.S.W.).

Honorary Auditor: K. Cummins (N.S.W.).

Australian Olympic Federation and British Commonwealth Games Association: Delegates — J. Pritchard (Queensland) and L. E. Stepto (N.S.W.).

London Representative: M. Berge-Phillips.

Constitution:

The revised constitution of the Australian Amateur Rowing Association was adopted.

Youth Rowing:

Resolved to change the definition of a youth oarsman to one up to 19 years of age.

Chairman:

Resolved to appoint a non-representative Chairman to the Council, such appointment to be for a period of four years.

President's Cup:

Resolved that up to three scullers from each State be allowed to compete in the Single Sculling Championship for the President's Cup.

Capitation Fee:

Resolved that the capitation fee per affiliated member be increased to 40 cents.

Australian Teams:

A form of agreement covering the control and conduct of team members representing Australia was adopted.

Manager Australian Rowing Team, World Championships, Nottingham:

Resolved that Mr. John D. Coates (N.S.W.) be appointed.

Financing, World Championships, Nottingham:

Resolved that the per capita levy on all registered oarsmen be \$2.00 and the seat fee for team members be \$200.00.

Australian Lightweight Four:

Resolved that the crew be permitted to leave Australia two weeks prior to the main team leaving for the Nottingham World Rowing Championships.

Delegates, F.I.S.A. Congress, Nottingham:

Resolved that Messrs. L. E. Stepto (N.S.W.) and W. J. Waterfield (Vic.), together with a third person if available, be appointed.

Women's Rowing:

Adopted to have a representative of the Australian Women's Rowing Council attend all meetings of the Council and to be able to vote on resolutions relating to women's rowing.

Interstate Championships:

Motions to change the Interstate Championships to the National Regatta programme were defeated.

National Coach:

Nominations have been called for this position, new to Australian rowing.

DECISIONS OF THE VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting, Saturday, 31st August, 1974.

The meeting approved the payment of honoraria to the Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Assistant Secretaries totaling \$195.

The following amendments were adopted:—

Amend Rules XV(2)(b) and XV(2)(c) regarding payment of seat fees for State crew members.

Substitute Rule VII(c) 8 and Regatta Regulations 6(a) and 6(e) regarding the provision of a levy on entry fees for regatta equipment.

Substitute Rule VII(m) regarding the provision of Association equipment to Regatta Committees.

Substitute Regulation 2(w) regarding Youth rowing events.

Amend Regulation 2(v)(1)(ii) regarding eligibility for novice events.

Add Regulation 2(ab) regarding oarsmen selected in representative Victorian crews.

The following motions were defeated:—

To amend Constitution Clauses VI(a) and XII(b) and Rules XIII and XXXI to increase affiliation fees payable by clubs to the Association.

To substitute Rule XXXIV regarding Premierships and the awarding of points.

To add Regulation 23(bb) regarding the provision of a trophy or trophy order when there are less than five entries in an event.

To substitute Rule XXXV-A(ix) subsections (a) and (d) regarding small clubs combining for regatta competition.

Special General Meeting, Wednesday, 4th December, 1974.

A motion to substitute Rule XXXV(iii) regarding the number of club entries in championship races was defeated.

Special General Meeting, Wednesday, 2nd April, 1975.

The following amendments were adopted:—

Amend Constitution Clauses VI(a) and XII(b) and Rules XIII and XXXI to increase affiliation fees payable by clubs to the Association.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Decisions of the General Committee included:—

Delegate to Amateur Sports Club of Victoria:

Mr. T. Rodda was appointed.

Delegate to Victorian Olympic Council:

Mr. P. A. Cayzer was appointed.

Delegate to Victorian Sports Council:

Mr. W. J. Waterfield was appointed.

Delegate to Victorian Olympic Council Fund-raising, Montreal:

Mr. D. H. Boykett was appointed.

Delegates to Victorian Ladies' Rowing Association:

Messrs. J. W. Bradshaw and W. J. Waterfield were appointed.

Regatta Programme:

The regatta and championship dates, venues and programmes were fixed, the regattas grouped into series and the preset order of events adopted.

Permit Committee:

Messrs. R. F. Hammon, P. H. Marxsen, F. Peters, F. G. Rickards and M. G. Tomanovits were elected.

Officials' Panel:

Messrs. R. R. Aitken, R. B. Duncan, W. T. Morrison, P. J. Thomson and E. C. White were appointed.

Youth Rowing Sub-committee:

Messrs. D. H. Boykett, R. F. Hammon, J. R. Harry, T. Horkings, F. G. Rickards and M. J. Rowan (Secretary) were appointed.

Colts' Tour of New Zealand:

Approval was given for a Victorian Colts' crew to tour New Zealand and to compete at three regattas against New Zealand, New South Wales and Tasmanian colts' crews.

Mr. P. A. Cayzer (Mercantile) was appointed coach-manager of the crew.

Combined Clubs

Approval was given for Footscray City Rowing Club and Melbourne Rowing Club to combine under Rule XXXV-A (ix) for regatta competition.

Victorian Manager, King's Cup Squad:

Mr. J. R. Jopling was elected.

Coach of Victorian Eight:

Mr. P. M. Guest was appointed.

Victorian Lightweight Four Selectors:

Messrs. L. Gladman and G. H. Nicholson were elected.

Coach of Victorian Lightweight Four:

Mr. P. E. M. L. Philp was appointed.

Victorian Youth Eight Selectors:

Messrs. J. Burford and C. J. Lehman were appointed.

Victorian Selectors—Eight and Sculler (1976):

Messrs. D. B. Bishop and D. H. Boykett were elected.

Fund Raising, World Championships, Nottingham:

A Sub-committee of Messrs. G. H. Nicholson (Chairman), D. H. Boykett, T. C. Johnston and P. Philp were appointed.

A donation of \$500.00 towards the Fund Raising Appeal was approved.

1976 V.R.A. Centenary:

A Sub-committee of Messrs. N. W. Cairnes, R. B. Duncan, W. T. Morrison and J. G. Parr were appointed to consider suitable celebrations for the centenary.

Boat Trailers at Princes Bridge Boatsheds:

Adopted that Regatta Committees appoint a person to regulate entry of vehicles to boatshed area prior to the start of their regatta.

Victorian Ladies' Rowing Association:

Adopted that two representatives of the Ladies' Rowing Association be entitled to attend all General Committee meetings and to vote on matters relating to women's rowing.

Investments:

The following investments were approved:—

A.C.I. \$1,000; Ampol Ltd. \$1,000; Containers Limited \$2,000; I.C.I. Australia Limited \$1,000; Olympic Consolidated Industries \$2,000; E.Z. Industries \$2,000.

Services Rendered:

The Committee wishes to extend its sincere thanks and appreciation to the following people and organisations for service rendered to the Association during the year under review:—

Mr. P. H. Marxsen, for acting as Secretary to the Permit Committee.

Mr. K. S. Cusworth, for services as Honorary Registrar.

Messrs. G. O. Harris and S. G. Richardson, the Association's Trustees.

Messrs. S. G. Richardson and J. Taylor, for acting as Honorary Auditors.

Messrs. D. H. Boykett, P. K. Watkin and members of the fund-raising committee for their efforts towards the successful Colts' team tour of New Zealand.

- M.U.B.C. for the use of equipment for the Colts' team and also the King's Cup squad.
- Monash University Rowing Club for the use of equipment for the King's Cup squad.
- Department of Youth, Sport & Recreation for the special grant to the Colts' team funds and the general grant to assist the activities of the Association.
- Mr. G. H. Nicholson (Chairman) and members of the Lucerne fund-raising sub-committee for their fine work and effort in raising Victoria's share of the team costs.
- Messrs. R. Frazer, R. Hammon and R. Smith, who transported boats to Queensland for the King's Cup regatta.
- Miss Regine Adam, of West Germany, for a most interesting talk and discussion on aspects of rowing.
- Members of the Youth Sub-committee for a most successful rowing seminar held at Ballarat on Sunday, 9th March, 1975.
- Members of the Officials' panel and Licensed Officials, who continued to ensure a high standard of regatta and championship racing and conducted instruction sessions for coxswains at Melbourne, Ballarat and Geelong.
- Mr. R. B. Wilson, for his race commentary at various regattas during the season.
- Messrs. W. R. B. Todd, R. B. Wilson and J. Barber, for publicity given to rowing per medium of the press.
- Department of Youth, Sport & Recreation for conducting very successful Sports Medicine lecture courses.
- The A.B.C. and commercial television and radio stations both in the city and country who allotted time to rowing.
- The Melbourne & Metropolitan Board of Works, Melbourne City Council, Ballarat City Council, Ballarat Rowing Association, Geelong Waterworks & Sewerage Trust and the Geelong Rowing Association, for their assistance and co-operation in connection with the conduct of championships and regattas throughout the season.

DONATIONS

The sincere thanks of the Association are extended to the following supporters of Victorian rowing for their most generous donations:

Carlton & United Breweries Limited, Estate of the late George Adams (Tattersalls), Old Oarsmen's Association of Victoria, Dr. Clive Disher, L. T. Nettlefold, Estate of the late Marcus Burke, N. W. Cairnes, Exacto Ltd., Outboard Marine Australia Pty. Limited, B.P. Australia Ltd., Herald & Weekly Times Ltd., David Syme Ltd., Nicholas Pty. Ltd., C. Seward Pty. Ltd.

OBITUARY

It is with the deepest regret that we record the deaths during the year of the following Association members:—

- Mr. D. A. Calder, Mercantile Rowing Club.
 Mr. J. Gasken, Albert Park Rowing Club.
 Mr. H. Picken, Mercantile Rowing Club.
 Mr. J. Martin, Richmond Rowing Club.
 Mr. R. T. Rush, Mercantile Rowing Club.
 Mr. A. P. Miller, Mercantile Rowing Club.
 Mr. C. Harris, Richmond and Hawthorn Rowing Clubs.
 Mr. G. E. Foley, Wentworth District Rowing Club.
 Mr. G. Hutton, Corio Bay and Richmond Rowing Clubs.

EXECUTIVE AND GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Eighteen Executive and eleven General Committee meetings were held during the year. Attendances were:

Executive: D. H. Boykett, 17; J. L. Hardie, W. J. Waterfield, 16; J. W. Bradshaw, 15; D. B. Bishop, 14; N. F. Wilkinson, 13; E. Woolcock, 12; P. K. Watkin, 11; P. J. Thomson, 10; T. C. Johnston, 9; B. M. Adam, 5; A. W. McLiesh, W. T. Morrison, 2; J. D. Beach, 1. Average attendance 8.

General: R. R. Aitken, D. H. Boykett, G. D. Clegg, J. L. Hardie, J. R. Jopling, F. Peters, F. G. Rickards, 11; J. W. Bradshaw, N. W. Cairnes, J. J. Donald, J. R. Elliott, R. F. Hammon, R. N. McKay, R. J. March, G. H. Nicholson, W. D. Parkinson, B. L. Smith, D. S. Stirling, D. Todd, E. C. White, N. F. Wilkinson, 10; R. W. Lahey, A. W. McLiesh, P. H. Marxsen, R. G. Mitchell, T. Murphy, M. F. Owen, C. R. Reynolds, G. B. Stewart, W. R. Stokes, W. J. Waterfield, E. Woolcock, 9; K. M. Bourke, L. Budge, A. Currie, K. S. Cusworth, T. Rodda, P. K. Watkin, S. Wood, 8; D. B. Bishop, W. A. Dennis, R. B. Duncan, D. English, A. Evans, H. R. Frederico, R. Morell, W. T. Morrison, J. G. Parr, P. J. Thomson, 7; P. A. Cayzer, P. C. Dane, L. Gallagher, P. Guy, T. C. Johnston, C. D. Low, R. B. Wilson, 6; G. J. Hardie, P. Morrow, L. G. Saunders, 5; B. M. Adam, H. R. Coe, B. Dalton, R. M. Gowty, J. H. Gumley, C. L. D. Purvis, W. R. B. Todd, 4; J. D. Beach, R. B. Pilmore, R. Podbury, K. Rooney, 3; F. Dennis, P. McNamara, B. Nihill, M. J. Rowan, T. F. Swanson, 2; F. Conway, A. L. Hart, P. O'Brien, N. F. Smith, K. J. Wickham, 1. Average attendance 50.

On behalf of the Committee,

W. J. WATERFIELD,
Honorary Secretary

VICTORIAN ROWING STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND

RECEIPTS

To: Bank Balance 1st July, 1974—			
Administration Account		\$2,961.24	
King's Cup Investment Fund		3,795.72	
Trophy Account		132.52	
International Rowing Fund		1,087.79	
A.A.R.C. Capitation Fund		636.83	
Youth Rowing Fund		741.16	
		\$9,355.26	
Administration—			
Affiliation Fees		\$1,796.60	
Registration Fees		233.60	
Fines and Hirings		1,824.22	
Staging Dues (Reimbursement)		189.00	
Printing, etc. (Reimbursement)		176.34	
Rowing Promotion		1,250.00	
Trophy Orders (Reimbursement)		1,767.25	
Weight Bags		108.98	
Insurance Claim		75.00	
Sale Ties		87.00	
Interest		58.68	
Sundry		73.78	
		7,640.45	
Championships and Regattas			957.80
Interstate Championships—			
Donations		\$1,322.00	
Interest (Dr. Fisher Fund)		121.50	
Interest (King's Cup Investment Fund)		5,884.79	
King's Cup Levy		467.45	
Seat Fees		1,080.00	
Sale Equipment		3,780.00	
Refund Equipment Costs and Expenses		1,166.60	
Sundry		185.40	
		14,007.74	
Redemption Loans—			
King's Cup Investment		\$2,800.00	
Int. Rowing Fund		962.00	
		3,762.00	
Youth Rowing—			
Interest		\$103.53	
Refunds		107.99	
		211.52	
International Rowing Fund—			
Transfer from Appeal Account		\$1,850.00	
Donations		2,077.61	
Interest (Investment Fund)		2,160.61	
Special Levies—World Championships		2,805.00	
		8,893.22	
			\$44,827.99

**ASSOCIATION
DISBURSEMENTS, SEASON 1974-75**

EXPENDITURE

By: Administration—		
Affiliation Fees	\$105.00	
Staging Dues	126.00	
Honoraria	195.00	
Ties	72.00	
Donations	624.00	
Ammunition, W. Bags, etc.	294.36	
Printing, Postage and Stationery	1,051.31	
Trophy Orders	1,767.25	
Balance Costs King's Cup Regatta	257.24	
Sundry	177.61	
	<hr/>	\$4,669.77
A.A.R.C.		
Capitation Fees	\$272.00	
Share Profit King's Cup Regatta	1,810.64	
	<hr/>	2,082.64
Championships and Regattas		713.90
Youth Rowing—		
Rowing Promotion		649.62
Interstate Championships—		
Accommodation — Petrie	\$2,074.16	
Travelling Expenses	2,784.24	
Equipment	7,267.22	
Repairs and Insurance	290.51	
Transport Boats	225.00	
Singlets, Pockets and Embroidery	281.78	
Sundry	173.00	
	<hr/>	13,095.91
Investments		7,000.00
International Rowing Fund—		
Contribution (Bal.) (European Championships, Moscow)	\$177.61	
Contribution (World Championships, Lucerne)	2,496.00	
Contribution (World Championships, Nottingham)	2,495.00	
Investments	4,000.00	
Sundry	150.00	
	<hr/>	9,318.61
Balance at Bank and Deposits 30th June, 1975		
Administration Account	\$287.44	
King's Cup Investment Fund	2,683.09	
Trophy Account	132.52	
International Rowing Fund	3,138.40	
A.A.R.C. Capitation	753.03	
Youth Rowing Fund	303.06	
	<hr/>	7,297.54
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		\$44,827.99

KING'S CUP

To: Balance 1st July, 1974		
Investments—King's Cup	\$51,158.08	
Investments—A. J. Shepherd Bequest	2,000.00	
Bank and Deposits	3,795.72	
	<hr/>	\$56,953.00
Administration Account transfer		4,000.00
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		\$60,953.00

INTERNATIONAL

To: Balance 1st July, 1974		
Investments	\$21,514.00	
Bank and Deposits	1,087.79	
	<hr/>	\$22,601.79
International Fund Surplus		3,574.61
Administration Account Transfer		1,514.00
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		\$27,690.40

A.A.R.C.

To: Balance 1st July, 1974		
Bank and Deposits	\$636.83	
Administration Account Transfer	388.20	
	<hr/>	\$1,025.03

YOUTH

To: Balance 1st July, 1974		
Bank and Deposits	\$741.16	
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TROPHY

To: Balance 1st July, 1974		
Investments	\$1,144.50	
Bank and Deposits	132.52	
	<hr/>	\$1,277.02
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		\$1,277.02

INVESTMENT FUND

Interstate Championship Loss		\$911.83
By: Balance 30th June, 1975		
Investments	\$57,358.08	
Bank and Deposits	2,683.09	
	<hr/>	60,041.17
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		\$60,953.00

ROWING FUND

By: Balance 30th June, 1975		
Investments	\$24,552.00	
Bank and Deposits	3,138.40	
	<hr/>	\$27,690.40
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		\$27,690.40

CAPITATION ACCOUNT

By: Affiliation Fees		\$272.00
Balance 30th June, 1975, Bank and Deposits		753.03
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		\$1,025.03

ROWING FUND

By: Promotional Expenses		\$438.10
Balance 30th June, 1975, Bank and Deposits		303.06
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		\$741.16

ACCOUNT

By: Balance 30th June, 1975		
Investments	\$1,144.50	
Bank and Deposits	132.52	
	<hr/>	\$1,277.02
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		\$1,277.02

ASSOCIATION

To: Balance 1st July, 1974		\$7,075.24
Purchase "Eight"	\$3,930.00	
Purchase Four (net)	2,735.00	
Purchase Oars (Bal.)	100.00	
	<hr/>	6,765.00

\$13,840.24

BALANCE

LIABILITIES

King's Cup Investment Fund	\$60,041.17
International Rowing Fund	27,690.40
A.A.R.C. Capitation Fund	753.03
Trophy Account	1,277.02
Association Funds	6,835.44
Youth Rowing Fund	303.06

\$96,900.12

We have examined the Accounts and Records of the Association and found that the Receipts and Expenditure Accounts and Balance Sheet are properly prepared and in our opinion correct. We have obtained all information and explanations required.

