



ANNUAL REPORT
2003/04

Rowing Victoria Personnel 2003/2004

Board Members

President

David Deeble

Vice-Presidents

Eric Waller

David Pincus

Finance Director

James Lowe (also Public Officer)

Directors

Peter Fraser

Chris Hammon

Rene Klupacs

Sandy Mitchell

Bob Morell OAM

Chris O'Brien

Rowing Australia Councillor

David Deeble

Staff

CEO

Grant Cosgriff (November 2003 -)

Manager Competition

Jim Spithill (to January 5th, 2004)

Finance Officer

Roz Ellerbock

Development Officer

Josie Millard (to September 2003)

Competition Committee

Chris O'Brien, Tom Appleby, Richard Bartlett, Mark Dwyer, Rod Florence, Rene Klupacs, Barbara Phelan, Jim Spithill

Boat Race Officials Panel

Rod Florence – Chairman, Bill Waterfield – Secretary, Catherine Currie, Rene Klupacs, Jim Spithill, Emma Vesey, Rob Kemp, John Nichols

Selectors

Chairman: Steve Whittington

Senior: Josie Millard, David Colvin

Youth: William Webster, Simon Morrison

Life Members

Robert Aitken MBE

Kath Bennett

David Boykett

Hubert Frederico

Caroline Judd

Bob Morell OAM

Bill Waterfield

Roger Wilson

Ted Woolcock



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The year in review

The 2003/2004 year has seen many changes at Rowing Victoria. A new President was elected in Mr David Deeble and there were a number of staff changes with Mr Ian Lee Conway and Mr Jim Spithill departing and Mr. Grant Cosgriff commencing as the Chief Executive Officer.

Rowing Victoria prepared, circulated and adopted a new Strategic plan for the period 2004 – 2008 and with the input of the feedback from the membership. This was established as the mechanism for measuring the performance of both the association and the staff going forwards. The plan covers the following:

Strategic planning: This area focussed in 2004 on the development of external funding streams beyond the club school membership and levies imposed on competitors, establishing on-going links with the corporate sector, engaging in the review of status, and developing a calendar of available grants.

Our achievements include:

- An increase in funding from Sport and Recreation by 28% successfully applying for funding to address the software needs of membership and competition management;
- Applying to host the 2006 Australian Rowing Championships and the 2006 Australian Masters Championships;
- Developing the 'master plan' for a 'friends' of rowing club; and
- Developing a framework for discussion on current 'status' and competition management issues.

Member Services

This area focussed on Rowing Victoria striving to achieve best-practice in delivering service to the membership and the on-going implementation and delivery of the VicHealth projects.

Our achievements include:

- The acquittal of the first year of the VicHealth, *Health Through Rowing* Partnership and completion of planning documentation for 2005 and 2006;
- The completion of Club/School priorities and the initiation and planning for the inaugural Club Conference;
- The establishment of a 'BUY & SELL' area of the website for members to advertise boats and rowing related products;
- The continued representation of our members with statutory and sporting associations including: the Victorian Institute of Sport, VicSport, VicHealth, Victorian Olympic Committee, Victorian Commonwealth Games Association, Melbourne City Council, Parks Victoria, Victorian Boating Council, Marine Safety Victoria and the Victorian Government Department of Communities - Sport and Recreation.
- The on-going review of the 'Policy and Procedures' document; and
- The engagement of Rowing Australia and the state associations in the planning for an on-line membership module and regatta entry system.

Competition

This area considers the requirements of the membership for a well administered competition program the meets both club, schools and individuals.

Our achievements include:

- A review of the Competition Committee and recommendations for a competition Commission with delegated authority; and

- The establishment of a rigorous Regatta application process which recognises the interests of the competitors, club/school equipment usage, requirements and demands on Boat Race Officials and other Rowing Victoria resources and the safe, healthy & welcoming environments required for all competitors.

Major projects

The establishment of the Major projects area aims to improve the operations of Rowing Victoria considering major regattas, projects related to IT and member needs.

Our achievements include:

- The successful hosting of the 2004 Australian Rowing Championships;



- The establishment of a Medical Advisory Group to guide the association in matters such as establishing a heat policy, medical coverage at regattas, etc; and
- The research and acceptance of the recommendation to establish central collection and billing function for entry fees by Rowing Victoria.

Media and Sponsorship

The Media and sponsorship plan centres on reinforcing the corporate brand of Rowing Victoria and continuing to be recognised as the peak body for all rowing matters in Victoria.

Our achievements include:

- Production of the fortnightly electronic newsletter to members; and
- Successful corporate support for the 2004 Australian Rowing Championships.

Grant Cosgriff
CEO

Rowing Victoria Awards for Season 2003/04

These will be awarded at the Rowing Victoria Awards Night on Saturday October 16th on board the RV Florence.

Award Category	Title	Name
Club Volunteer of the Year	Equal Winners High Recognition	Geoffrey Code (HRC) Jim Quinn (RRC) David Eade (MUBC) Jenny Schouten (RRC)
Coach Recognition Awards	High Recognition High Recognition	Lucy Crunden (RRC) John Acton (MUBC)
Personality Award	Winner High Recognition	Penny Johnston (MRC) Jim Cooper (RRC)
Regatta of the Year	Winner High Recognition	Head of the Yarra 119 th Dimboola Regatta
Club of the Year	Winner Highly Commended Recognition	Richmond RC Melbourne RC Footscray RC
Association Volunteer of the Year	Winner High Recognition	Brian Vear (Banks) David Eade (MUBC)
Male Senior Rower of the Year	1 st Place 2 nd Place 3 rd Place	Alistair Taylor (Mercantile) Nicholas Phelps (MUBC) Henry Edgar (Mercantile)
Female Senior Rower of the Year	1 st Place 2 nd Place Equal 3 rd	Catherine Humblet (BarwonRC) Mary Obidinski (Barwon RC) Kate Maiden (Barwon RC) Sara Richards (Mercantile)
Female Intermediate Rower of the Year	Equal 1 st 3 rd Place	Jenny Kozlovski (RRC) Zara Love (RRC) Laura Schouten (RRC)
Male Intermediate Rower of the Year	1 st Place 2 nd Place 3 rd Place	Benjamin Sullivan (MUBC) Ben Schouten (RRC) Drew Holman (PHRC)
Female Novice Rower of the Year	1 st Place 2 nd Place 3 rd Place	Nina Mjaaland (RRC) Susan Bartlett (MRC) Angelique Lele (RRC)
Male Novice Rower of the Year	1 st Place 2 nd Place 3 rd Place	Rhys Tate (Carrum RC) Tom Schouten (RRC) Brett Jenkins (MRC)
Female Beginner Rower of the Year	1 st Place 2 nd Place 3 rd Place	Liz Haynes (FRC) Brittany Cottril (Hamilton RC) Sarah Hawe (MRC)
Male Beginner Rower of the Year	Equal 1 st	Brett Howell (Barwon RC) Christopher Box (Barwon RC) Julian Ferguson (Barwon RC) Mitch Strachan (Barwon RC)
Female Master Rower of the Year	1 st Place 2 nd Place 3 rd Place	Justine Tonner-Joyce (Banks) Rayne Goodwin (ERC) Emma Plowright (Banks)
Male Master Rower of the Year	1 st Place 2 nd Place 3 rd Place	Stephen Plowright (Banks) Luke Macatney (Alan Mitchell Club) Gregor O'Nians (Banks)

2003 - 2004 Club Premierships

Men's Senior Premiership

M.U.B.C.	1
Mercantile	2
Power House	3

Men's Junior Premiership

Richmond	1
Essendon	2
Melbourne	3

Women's Senior

Mercantile	1
Barwon	2
Richmond	3

Women's junior

Melbourne	1
Richmond	2
Essendon	3

Masters Overall

Melbourne	1
Banks	2
Corio Bay	3

Champion Club	
	
Melbourne	1
Corio Bay	2
M.U.B.C.	3

The breakdown of premiership points for all clubs is available at www.rowingvictoria.asn.au



1000M STATE CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS



CHAMPION FEMALE NOVICE SINGLE SCULL

1,000m

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB (1)** Winning Margin: **3.00 Lengths**
Joanna Gray, Coach: John Chestney

CHAMPION FEMALE NOVICE COXED PAIR

1,000m

1st **RICHMOND ROWING CLUB (1)** Winning Margin: **3.00 Lengths**
Stroke: Maree Dunne, Kate Whitecross, Cox: Lucy Crunden, Coach: Lucy Crunden, Jacqui Gardiner

CHAMPION FEMALE NOVICE DOUBLE SCULL

1,000m

1st **RICHMOND ROWING CLUB (1)** Winning Margin: **1.50 Lengths**
Stroke: Nina Mjaaland, Nicole Stupka, Coach: Lucy Crunden, Jacqui Gardiner

CHAMPION FEMALE NOVICE COXED FOUR

1,000m

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB (1)** Winning Margin: **1.25 Lengths**
Stroke: Sara Clark, Kate Nicholl, Yvette Cole, Kelly Smith, Cox: Lisa Strain, Coach: Alice Wehl, James Petering

CHAMPION FEMALE NOVICE COXED QUAD SCULL

1,000m

1st **RICHMOND ROWING CLUB (2)** Winning Margin: **1.50 Lengths**
Stroke: Nina Mjaaland, Nicole Stupka, Elizabeth Williamson, Fluer Iannazzo, Cox: Derek Begg, Coach: Lucy Crunden, Jacqui Gardiner

CHAMPION FEMALE NOVICE EIGHT

1,000m

1st **RICHMOND ROWING CLUB**
Stroke: Emma Catford, Franziska Locher, Leonie Cluse, Kate Kotzman, Maree Dunne, Sally Nichols, Kate Whitecross, Julia Avis, Cox: Lucy Crunden, Coach: Lucy Crunden, Jacqui Gardiner

CHAMPION FEMALE UNDER 17 SINGLE SCULL

1,000m

1st **CORIO BAY ROWING CLUB**
Erin Ellis, Coach: Ernie Searle

CHAMPION FEMALE UNDER 17 COXED FOUR

1,000m

1st **HAMILTON & ALEXANDRA COLLEGE** Winning Margin: **3.50 Lengths**
Stroke: Katherine Hamer, Stephanie McIntyre, Jessica Simons, Stephanie Tse, Cox: Alison Smith, Coach: Emma Burnham

CHAMPION MALE NOVICE SINGLE SCULL**1,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB (1)** Winning Margin: **1.50 Lengths**
Brett Jenkins, Coach: David Grubits

CHAMPION MALE NOVICE COXED PAIR**1,000m**

1st **DIMBOOLA ROWING CLUB** Winning Margin: **1.00 Lengths**
Stroke: Simon Ward, Nathan Albrecht, Cox: Nicholas Smith

CHAMPION MALE NOVICE DOUBLE SCULL**1,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB** Winning Margin: **1.00 Lengths**
Stroke: Brett Jenkins, Vincent Marziale, Coach: David Grubits

CHAMPION MALE NOVICE COXED FOUR**1,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB** Winning Margin: **1.00 Metres**
Stroke: Peter Shakespeare, Ian Burgess, Luke Padley, Paul Jolly, Cox: Jeremy Courtney,
Coach: John Reddaway

CHAMPION MALE NOVICE COXED QUAD SCULL**1,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB (1)** Winning Margin: **2.00 Lengths**
Stroke: Mark Easterbrook, Jerome Carslake, Brendan Shaw, Peter Ingvorsen, Cox:
Alexandra Meek, Coach: John Chestney

CHAMPION MALE NOVICE EIGHT**1,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB** Winning Margin: **1.50 Lengths**
Stroke: Vincent Marziale, Peter Ingvorsen, Jerome Carslake, Brendan Shaw, Graham
Bailey, David Quinn, Brett Jenkins, Mark Easterbrook, Cox: Alexandra Meek, Coach: James
Petering

CHAMPION MALE UNDER 17 SINGLE SCULL**1,000m**

1st **CORIO BAY ROWING CLUB** Winning Margin: **1.50 Lengths**
Ashley Campbell, Coach: Bob Morell

CHAMPION MALE UNDER 17 COXED FOUR**1,000m**

1st **BARWON ROWING CLUB** Winning Margin: **1.25 Lengths**
Stroke: Brett Howell, Julian Ferguson, Chris Box, Mitch Strachan, Cox: Alan Davey,
Coach: Michael Cushion



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2000M STATE CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS



CHAMPION FEMALE INTERMEDIATE SINGLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB (1)** Time: **8:57.92**
Tanja Nishibata, Coach: John Chestney

CHAMPION FEMALE INTERMEDIATE COXLESS PAIR 2,000m

1st **BANKS ROWING CLUB** Time: **9:06.67**
Stroke: Seton Walsh, Georgia Nelson, Coach: Brenton Terrell, Sam Brown

CHAMPION FEMALE INTERMEDIATE DOUBLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (1)** Time: **8:05.62**
Stroke: Anna Kelly, Sarah Heard, Coach: John Acton

CHAMPION FEMALE INTERMEDIATE COXED FOUR 2,000m

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB** Time: **7:58.51**
Stroke: Joanna Gray, Alanna Bartlett, Tanja Nishibata, Kylie Chiselett, Cox: Alex Suffren,
Coach: John Chestney

CHAMPION FEMALE INTERMEDIATE COXED QUAD SCULL 2,000m

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB (3)** Time: **7:30.59**
Stroke: Felicity Nutter, Melinda Patterson, Amelia Smith, Aleksandra
Jovanovich, Cox: Kristi Hanson, Coach: Paul Duckett

CHAMPION FEMALE INTERMEDIATE EIGHT 2,000m

1st **CAREY GRAMMAR SCHOOL (1)** Time: **7:15.71**
Stroke: Olivia Finlayson, Carley McKay, Emily Muir, Louise Roper, Alysha Batliwalla,
Felicity Richardson, Lauren Battaglia, Nicole Bushett, Cox: Rebecca Nobes, Coach: Pam
Westendorf

CHAMPION FEMALE JUNIOR SINGLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **FIRBANK GRAMMAR SCHOOL (1)** Time: **8:22.51**
Lisa Szatsznajder, Coach: Brenton Terrell, Lisa Farrelly

CHAMPION FEMALE JUNIOR COXED FOUR 2,000m

1st **BARWON ROWING CLUB** Time: **8:18.74**
Stroke: Kate Skinner, Nyssa Ferguson, Siobhan Maxwell, Liz Menheere, Cox: Natalie
Collett, Coach: Jim Brady

CHAMPION FEMALE LIGHTWEIGHT INTERMEDIATE SINGLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **HAWTHORN ROWING CLUB** Time: **8:53.48**
Kate Durrant, Coach: Gregory Van Prooyen

CHAMPION FEMALE LIGHTWEIGHT INTERMEDIATE DOUBLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB (1)** Time: **8:13.29**
Stroke: Felicity Nutter, Aleksandra Jovanovich, Coach: Paul Duckett

CHAMPION FEMALE LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR SINGLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **POWER HOUSE ROWING CLUB** Time: **8:14.08**
Regina Kennedy, Coach: Mark Baxter

CHAMPION FEMALE LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR DOUBLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **POWER HOUSE ROWING CLUB** Time: **7:57.67**
Stroke: Regina Kennedy, Andrea Dickson, Coach: Mark Baxter

CHAMPION FEMALE LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR QUAD SCULL 2,000m

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB** Time: **7:03.68**
Stroke: Sally Muir, Bre Harris, Ester Verbeurg, Edwina Dane, Coach: John Acton

CHAMPION FEMALE LIGHTWEIGHT UNDER 23 SINGLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **WENDOUREE BALLARAT ROWING CLUB** Time: **8:39.64**
Andrea Dixon, Coach: Joshua Frichot, Phil Dixon

CHAMPION FEMALE LIGHTWEIGHT UNDER 23 COXLESS PAIR 2,000m

1st **ESSENDON ROWING CLUB** Time: **9:59.36**
Stroke: Jessica Cook, Melissa Plummer, Coach: Jeff Walker, Scott Riddell

CHAMPION FEMALE SENIOR SINGLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **BARWON ROWING CLUB (1)** Time: **8:35.16**
Kate Madien, Coach: Dick Garrard

CHAMPION FEMALE SENIOR COXLESS PAIR 2,000m

1st **BARWON ROWING CLUB** Time: **7:34.88**
Stroke: Kate Ronkainen, Portia Johnson, Coach: Dick Garrard

CHAMPION FEMALE SENIOR DOUBLE SCULL 2,000m

1st **BARWON ROWING CLUB (1)** Time: **7:17.50**
Stroke: Kate Madien, Catherine Humblet, Coach: Dick Garrard

CHAMPION FEMALE SENIOR COXLESS FOUR 2,000m

1st **BARWON ROWING CLUB** Time: **7:25.95**
Stroke: Kate Ronkainen, Portia Johnson, Siska Concannon, Catherine Humblet, Coach: Dick Garrard

CHAMPION FEMALE SENIOR QUAD SCULL**2,000m**

1st BARWON ROWING CLUB Time: **7:12.30**
Stroke: Kate Madien, Catherine Humblet, Mary Obidinski, Meghan Sarbanis,
Coach: Dick Garrard

CHAMPION FEMALE SENIOR EIGHT**2,000m**

1st BARWON ROWING CLUB Time: **6:42.32**
Stroke: Kate Ronkainen, Portia Johnson, Kate Madien, Catherine Humblet, Siska
Concannon, Fiona Lindsay, Mary Obidinski, Meghan Sarbanis, Cox: Bethany Keats,
Coach: Dick Garrard

CHAMPION FEMALE UNDER 23 SINGLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st BARWON ROWING CLUB Time: **8:43.20**
Siska Concannon, Coach: Dick Garrard

CHAMPION FEMALE UNDER 23 COXLESS PAIR**2,000m**

1st MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (1) Time: **7:47.50**
Stroke: Sarah Heard, Kate Hutchison, Coach: John Acton

CHAMPION FEMALE YOUTH COXED FOUR**2,000m**

1st MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (1) Time: **7:32.48**
Stroke: Sarah Lazar, Julia Danne, Jacqueline Low, Charlotte O'Loughlin, Cox: Lizzie
Patrick, Coach: Hilary Poole, Sally Muir

CHAMPION FEMALE YOUTH EIGHT**2,000m**

1st MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (1) Time: **7:10.47**
Stroke: Sarah Lazar, Julia Danne, Nicky Payne, Charlotte O'Loughlin, Jacqueline Low,
Alice King, Elise Collie, Ronny Smith, Cox: Lizzie Patrick, Coach: Hilary Poole, Cam Muir

CHAMPION MALE INTERMEDIATE SINGLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB (2) Time: **7:50.13**
Thomas Skidmore

CHAMPION MALE INTERMEDIATE COXLESS PAIR**2,000m**

1st RICHMOND ROWING CLUB Time: **8:04.41**
Stroke: Simon Mills, Ben Schouten

CHAMPION MALE INTERMEDIATE DOUBLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB Time: **7:21.97**
Stroke: Paul Conrad, Andrew Gallop, Coach: John Reddaway

CHAMPION MALE INTERMEDIATE COXED FOUR**2,000m**

1st MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB Time: **7:24.35**
Stroke: James Rogers, Christian Viti, Cameron Miles, Patrick Blain,
Cox: Hugh Hindle, Coach: Anthony Bergelin, Guy Begley, Blair Hasforth

CHAMPION MALE INTERMEDIATE COXED QUAD SCULL**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (2)** Time: **8:27.05**
Stroke: Joseph Walsh, Conrad Tulloch, Benjamin Sullivan, Michael Lagogiannis, Cox:
Graham Bushnell

CHAMPION MALE INTERMEDIATE EIGHT**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB** Time: **6:40.54**
Stroke: Steven Thomas, Jamie Mc Donald, Kier Mc Kenzie-Mc Harg, Steve Williams, Nick
Edwards, Andrew Short, James Pisko, Andrew Broadfoot, Cox: Graham Bushnell

CHAMPION MALE JUNIOR SINGLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st **ESSENDON ROWING CLUB** Time: **8:17.62**
Tim Russell-Cook, Coach: Andrew Jennings

CHAMPION MALE JUNIOR COXED FOUR**2,000m**

1st **ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE (1)** Time: **6:56.34**
Stroke: Sam Jess, Paul Hamm, Blair Brown, Stephen Coghlan,
Cox: Anthony Torpy, Coach: Terry Austin

CHAMPION MALE LIGHTWEIGHT INTERMEDIATE SINGLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE ROWING CLUB** Time: **7:47.72**
Paul Conrad, Coach: John Reddaway

CHAMPION MALE LIGHTWEIGHT INTERMEDIATE DOUBLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st **YARRA YARRA ROWING CLUB**
Stroke: Bruce Ricketts, Steven Macek, Coach: Merlin Vervoorn

CHAMPION MALE LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR SINGLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (2)** Time: **7:53.90**
Tim Smith, Coach: John Cumper

CHAMPION MALE LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR COXLESS PAIR**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (2)** Time: **7:28.57**
Stroke: Brett Phelan, Luke Nicholls, Coach: John Cumper

CHAMPION MALE LIGHTWEIGHT UNDER 23 SINGLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (2)** Time: **8:07.57**
Ben Doak, Coach: John Cumper

CHAMPION MALE SENIOR SINGLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st **MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB (1)** Time: **7:49.41**
Alistar Taylor, Coach: Bill Tait, John Leeming

CHAMPION MALE SENIOR COXLESS PAIR**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (3)** Time: **7:21.78**
Stroke: Josh Fahy, Alistair Carter

CHAMPION MALE SENIOR DOUBLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (1)** Time: **7:04.42**
Stroke: Nicholas Phelps, Jason Heard, Coach: David Palfreyman, Chris O'Brien

CHAMPION MALE SENIOR COXED FOUR**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB** Time: **6:47.79**
Stroke: Joseph Walsh, Benjamin Sullivan, Conrad Tulloch, Michael Lagogiannis, Cox: Graham Bushnell, Coach: Andrew Short

CHAMPION MALE SENIOR COXLESS FOUR**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (1)** Time: **6:49.40** Stroke:
Joseph Walsh, Benjamin Sullivan, Conrad Tulloch, Michael Lagogiannis, Coach: A. Short

CHAMPION MALE SENIOR QUAD SCULL**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB** Time: **6:17.48**
Stroke: Nicholas Phelps, Jason Heard, Tim Smith, Howard Sharp, Coach: Chris O'Brien, John Cumper, David Palfreyman

CHAMPION MALE SENIOR EIGHT**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (2)** Time: **6:15.66**
Stroke: Benjamin Sullivan, Joseph Walsh, Michael Lagogiannis, Conrad Tulloch, Jamie Mc Donald, Markus Hartung, Kier Mc Kenzie-Mc Harg, Steve Williams, Cox: Tim Deveson, Coach: Chris O'Brien

CHAMPION MALE UNDER 23 SINGLE SCULL**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (1)** Time: **7:38.55**
Nicholas Phelps, Coach: Chris O'Brien, David Palfreyman

CHAMPION MALE UNDER 23 COXLESS PAIR**2,000m**

1st **CORIO BAY ROWING CLUB** Time: **7:12.37**
Stroke: Tom Paton, David Crittenden, Coach: Jeff Watt

CHAMPION MALE YOUTH COXED FOUR**2,000m**

1st **MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB (1)** Time: **6:59.24**
Stroke: Angus Carter, Tom Paton, David Crittenden, Marcus Forsterling, Cox: Tim Deveson, Coach: Tim Dolphin

CHAMPION MALE YOUTH EIGHT**2,000m**

1st **SCOTCH COLLEGE (1)** Time: **6:11.65**
Stroke: Alexander Machin, Richard McDonald, Simon Booth, George Lilley, Byron Saunders, James Adams, Matthew Barker, Matt Bernard, Cox: Edward Kitchen, Coach: Jeff Watt

Club Membership
(n/a means not affiliated)

School Membership

Participation Statistics

01/07/2003 TO 30/06/2004

Regatta	Date	Total Number of Participants				
		Female	Male	Club	School	Total
Footscray Winter Regatta	16/08/2003	83	108	191		191
Geelong Winter Regatta	30/08/2003	93	52	119	26	145
Bendigo Sprint Regatta	18/10/2003	144	125	249	20	269
119th Annual Dimboola Regatta	15/11/2003	266	211	390	87	477
Horsham Regatta	16/11/2003	225	172	349	48	397
Colac Regatta	23/11/2003	383	317	335	365	700
Head of the Yarra	29/11/2003	430	728	628	530	1,158
Warrnambool Regatta	06/12/2003	217	173	237	153	390
Hamilton Regatta	07/12/2003	200	165	230	135	365
Carrum Regatta	13/12/2003	364	331	468	227	695
Murray Rowing Association Regatta	10/01/2004	95	159	254		254
Rutherglen Sprint Regatta	11/01/2004	88	149	237		237
Australia Day Regatta	26/01/2004	97	78	175		175
Barwon Regatta	07/02/2004	612	655	406	861	1,267
Caulfield Grammar Schools Regatta	07/02/2004	879	414		1,293	1,293
Morongo Schoolgirls Regatta	14/02/2004	993	52	10	1,035	1,045
Wendouree-Ballarat Regatta	14/02/2004	481	394	481	394	875
Victorian Universities Regatta	21/02/2004	576	886	427	1,035	1,462
Schools 1,000m Prelude Regatta	21/02/2004	1,215	372	21	1,566	1,587
Schools 1,000m Prelude Regatta	22/02/2004	71	131	42	160	202
Yarra Yarra Regatta	28/02/2004	286	255	334	207	541
Schools 1,000m State Championships	28/02/2004	1,262	341	68	1,535	1,603
Schools 2,000m State Championships	06/03/2004	336	660	20	976	996
Hamilton Championships Regatta	07/03/2004	186	162	302	46	348
Footscray Saltwater Regatta	20/03/2004	271	281	473	79	552
Schools Regatta - GRA	20/03/2004	1,149	97	7	1,239	1,246
Henley on Maribyrnong	21/03/2004	257	215	433	39	472
APS Heads of The River	27/03/2004	415	1,093		1,508	1,508
Schools Regatta - Firkbank Grammar	27/03/2004	791	43	53	781	834
Head of the Lake - Hamilton	28/03/2004	48	33	23	58	81
Sykes Racing Head of the Schoolgirls	03/04/2004	1,728	125		1,853	1,853
Henley on the Murray	10/04/2004	87	155	242		242
Henley on the Darling	12/04/2004	90	144	234		234
Albert Park - South Melbourne Regatta	24/04/2004	122	99	207	14	221
Carrum Masters Regatta	01/05/2004	25	83	108		108
Geelong Masters Regatta	08/05/2004	81	112	193		193
Melbourne Masters Regatta	15/05/2004	89	164	253		253
Wentworth Tri-State Masters Regatta	12/06/2004	20	29	49		49
Total for 01/07/2003 to 30/06/2004		14,755	9,763	8,248	16,270	24,518



**SPORT AND
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Boat Race Officials Panel Report

The BRO panel appointed in May 2003 for the 2003/4 season consisted of Catherine Currie, Rod Florence (Chairman), Rene Klupacs, Jim Spithill, Emma Vesey and Bill Waterfield (Secretary). With Jim's retirement in January and Bill's announcement that he would be retiring from Panel duties at the end of our appointment, it was decided to bring Rob Kemp and John Nichols onto the BRO panel at the end of 2003. Catherine Currie was unavailable for re-appointment in May 2004 but all others were re-appointed for the 2004/5 season.

On behalf of all Boat Race Officials, I would like to extend a big thank you to Bill Waterfield for the decades that he has put in to ensure that all administrative aspects of our work have been looked after in his role as Panel Secretary. Bill has also made my job as Chairman over the past 8 years so much easier by providing history and knowledge along the way. I would also like to thank Catherine and Jim for a job very well done during their time on the BRO panel

As a result of our re-structure the BRO panel has introduced a regular newsletter, formed a Training Committee to oversee the transition from Level 0 to Level 2, involved many BROs in our sub-committee activities and gained some valuable data from a survey of Level 0 and Level 2 BROs during the winter months.

The introduction of the Level 0 scheme has been a real success and will be continued with some modifications for the 2004/5 season. Survey responses indicated that the scheme was positively received by all involved and we are currently training around 20 Level 2 candidates to bolster our numbers. The transition from Level 0 to Level 2 will require candidates to pass a test on the Rules, a test involving simulated scenarios and formal assessments in each role. These tasks will be done as the candidate considers that they are ready to do so. We are confident that our numbers will be increased by a very competent group of new officials as our training initiatives continue.

The Service Awards for 2003/4 include for the first time Officials who have achieved five years service, where previously, recognition started at ten years. The Officials listed under the 5 Years heading vary between 5 and 9 years of service at the end of the 2003/4 season. Our congratulations are extended to all for their efforts over the years and we look forward to many more years to come. The recipients are:

20 Years Robert Kemp and Robin Murphy.

15 Years Robert Allan and Rene Klupacs.

5 Years John Nichols, Leeane Martin, Kelly Jenkins, Dorothy Rycroft, Jim Spithill, Leigh Gallacher, Bill Burton, Garry Cook, Emma Vesey, Alan Haynes, Scott Johns and Sue Campbell.

I would like to extend a thank you to Andrew Guerin for his representation of the Panel at RA level and his assistance in many areas over the 2003/4 season. I would also like to thank Debbie Clingeffer-Woodford and James Gobbo for their work on our Training Committee along with all members of the BRO panel for their work over the year.

The Panel looks forward to a safe, fair and enjoyable season of racing for all concerned for the 2004/5 season.



20 years of Service for Rob Kemp



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Victorian Institute of Sport - Rowing Report

The VIS Rowing program is geared to consistently provide opportunities for the best elite rowing athletes in this state to achieve at the highest level. The Program aims to maintain the continued holistic development of the athlete to ensure they achieve success in other facets of their lives as well as enjoying success as an elite athlete. As the Victorian National Training Centre, we work in conjunction with the national program as the guide to the competitive standards that are required. The partnership with Rowing Victoria ensures that the ideals of the VIS program are enhanced through elite development athletes and the State Rowing Team.

The program commenced in early September with aerobic preparation and long distance evaluation at the National Water Sports Centre (Carrum) continues a monthly basis until December where the first National Time Trial (5km) event was conducted in Penrith. Combined with this on-water preparation, VIS rowers spend many hours in the weights room and on a variety of cross-training activities to enhance their aerobic development. In January the men's squads attended a national camp in Canberra while the women's squads attended a national camp at Jindabyne both preceding the first Olympic selection regatta in Penrith. The majority of the Olympic team selection took place in Penrith in February with the balance of the Olympic team, Non Olympic, Under 23, Junior and World University teams finalised in April again in Penrith. The Victorians selected in teams had lengthy preparations in Australia before they headed to Europe for competition. The move in June 2003 of the VIS office to the "Glasshouse" in Swan St has enhanced the off the water opportunities with state of the art gym, sports science and medicine facilities and should provides a great opportunity for rowing going forwards.

I would like to thank the coaches involved in the program, namely Senior Coach - John Cumper, and Squad Coaches - Chris O'Brien, David Palfreyman and Tom Courtney. Special thanks must go to the excellent support staff we are fortunate to have at the VIS. They have all contributed to the success of the program and deserve the highest praise. They are: Meg Jones, Simon Sostaric (VUT), Dee Jennings, Michael Crooks, Dr Peter Harcourt, Rob Granter, Luke Attwell and Peter Brown.

The following athletes were scholarship holders in 2004:

- Full scholarship: Fleur Chew, Marc Douez, Anthony Edwards, Hannah Every, Drew Ginn, Karsten Forsterling, Pauline Frasca, Travis Johnstone, Warren Keeble, Emily Martin, Michael McKay, Cameron McKenzie-McHarg, Lachlan McPherson, Paul Myers, Nick Phelps, Samuel Pullin, Sarah Richards, Christian Ryan, Robyn Selby-Smith, Tim Smith, Nigel Sullivan, James Tomkins, Emily Trewartha, Alison Withers.
- Associates: George Jelbart, Catriona Oliver, David Crawshay.

The following VIS Athletes were selected into National Teams for 2004:

Olympic Games, Athens Greece 14 - 22 August 2004.

Men's Eight: Michael McKay
Men's Pair: James Tomkins, Drew Ginn, Chris O'Brien (Coach)
Men's Lightweight Four: Anthony Edwards

The above athletes & coach deserve special praise for their outstanding achievements at international level!

Men's Quad Scull: David Crawshay
Men's Lightweight Double Scull: George Jelbart
Women's Eight: Catriona Oliver
Men's Head Coach: Noel Donaldson

World Championships, Banyoles Spain 27 July – 1 August 2004.

Men's Lightweight Eight: Tim Smith, Marc Douez
Men's Coxed Four: Cameron McKenzie-McHarg, Karsten Forsterling
Women's Four: Robyn Selby Smith

World Under 23 Regatta; Poznan Poland 6 – 8 August 2004.

Men's Quad Scull: Nick Phelps
Men's Lightweight Four: John Cumper (Coach)

World University Championships; Brive France 3 – 5 September 2004.

Men's Pair: Lachlan McPherson

APS SENIOR REGATTA (HEADS OF THE RIVER)

Saturday 27th March 2004

Nagambie Lakes had settled from its Longest Lunch and the winds had become variable by the start of racing for the boys 137th and the girls 24th Heads of the River. The schools, with their supporters decked in appropriate colours, had pegged out their allocated (yearly rotating) positions on the promontory and many had appreciated the transport provided for large, heavy rectangular packages from the car park. The Referee, Mr. Andrew Guerin, had approved the course and Mr. William Webster, the Regatta Secretary, had all in readiness to ensure the very precise and thoughtful work of all the Rowing Victoria Boat Race Officials would be coherent and well presented. Ms Julie Blyth of Strathbogie Events had worked strenuously with the APS Delegates to ensure the infrastructure was in place and could cope with the anticipated 10,000 people coming on site. The cooperation of all the locals did not have to be sought, it simply flowed good naturedly for the duration of the regatta.

The racing was as determined and exciting as ever. It started with the crews allowed to practice on the Friday, the seeded boys and girls first and second eights. This year the Year 10 Boys Eight Div A were also seeded to ensure a fairer draw.

The boys Head of the River race, won by Scotch, the number one seed, included two schools, Haileybury and Caulfield, who are yet to take the title. Scotch was 5.5 seconds down at the 1000m, 2.9 seconds down at the 1500 and got home by 0.78 seconds from Carey and Haileybury. This was a great credit to the boys and their coach, Mr. Jeff Watt, who has now coached four out of five of the last Heads of the River, including in his bag the fastest time for the course.

Unfortunately Lauriston's scratching in the girls meant there was only one preliminary race for the five co-ed schools to secure lanes in the final. The girls Head of the River was won for the first time by Carey, again the number one seed and coached by Ms Pam Westendorf, breaking the Geelong Grammar / College monopoly that had only been twice punctured (by MLC and Wesley College) since 1981.

All the 2000m crews handled the lake well, but a slight cross wind made it difficult for some of the junior crews to arrive at the 1000m start without considerable sightseeing along the way. The Division 3 of the Girls Open Eights over 1000m was won by Geelong Grammar in a new fastest time of 3min 32.73 seconds, the only time to be broken on the day.

RESULTS

BOYS (all over 2000m)

1st VIII	1. Scotch	2. Carey	3. Haileybury	6min 17.7 sec
2nd VIII	1. Geelong College	2. Caulfield	3. Haileybury	6min 38.7 sec
3rd VIII	1. Scotch	2. Carey	3. Melbourne	6min 45.09 sec
4th VIII	1. Xavier	2. Melbourne	3. Scotch	7min 4.43 sec
Year 10 VIII Div A	1. Scotch	2. Melbourne	3. St Kevin's	6min 38.16 sec
Year 10 VIII Div B	1. Scotch	2. Melbourne	3. Xavier	6min 48.96 sec
(over 1000m)				
Year 10 VIII Div C	1. Melbourne	2. Xavier No1	3. Scotch No1	3min 20.78 sec

GIRLS (over 2000m)

1st VIII	1. Carey	2. Geelong College	3. Geelong Grammar	7min 8.82 sec
2nd VIII	1. Geelong Grammar	2. Carey	3. Hamilton	7min 32.74 sec
(over 1000m)				
3rd VIII	1. Geelong Grammar	2. Wesley	3. Geelong College	3min 32.73 sec
Year 10 Four Div A	1. Geelong Grammar	2. Carey	3. Geelong College	4min 3.5 sec
Year 10 Four Div B	1. Carey	2. Caulfield	3. Geelong College	4min 9.1 sec
Year 10 Four Div C	1. Caulfield	2. Geelong Grammar	3. Carey	4min 14.59 sec
Year 10 Four Div D	1. Geelong Grammar No1	2. Carey	3. Wesley	4min 20.41 sec
Year 10 Four Div E	1. Carey	2. Geelong Grammar No1	3. Caulfield	4min 27.77 sec

Other details and the results of the fourteen Year 9 boys and girls races over 1000m are available from the APS on request.

Frank Covill



HEAD OF THE SCHOOLGIRLS REGATTA REPORT

April 3rd and 4th, 2004

The 2004 Head of the Schoolgirls Regatta was held on the Barwon River with the river from Queen's Park to the Break was booked for schoolgirls' rowing all day from Friday to Sunday and many crews taking the opportunity to stay in Geelong during this period.

The regatta attracted girls from all over Victoria and from all the educational groupings. There were 41 schools representing State Secondary, Catholic and Independent sectors including eight Geelong Schools. 330 crews competed in Open, Year 10 and Year 9 categories making a total of 1604 individual competitors, supported by over 300 coaches. This is certainly the largest single sex regatta in the Southern hemisphere.

Racing started at 8am on Saturday at 3 minute intervals, with the same on Sunday, amassing a total of 292 races over the weekend. Apart from the competitors an ever changing crowd of thousands peaking for the finals on Sunday afternoon, made a vibrant and noisy environment.

The event was managed for the fourth time by the Victorian School Snowsports Development Foundation. The Foundation dealt with all the local providers and The Geelong Rowing Association which provides much of the workforce and course preparation. Barwon Water was particularly helpful and Rowing Victoria allocated licensed Boat Race Officials who conducted the on-water activities and associated safety and control measures with their usual professionalism and understanding of the young. Mr Roger Wilson provided the race commentary and Mr Noel Donaldson conducted the presentation ceremony at the Regatta's conclusion. The Regatta Committee thanks all these organisations and individuals for their cheerful and unstinting support.

Main results:

Open School Eight: 1.The Geelong College, 2.St Catherine's School, 3.Carey Baptist Grammar School and 4.Geelong Grammar School ;

Open Coxed Quad Scull: 1.Firbank Grammar School, 2.Sacred Heart College Geelong, 3.Ruyton Girls School and 4.Genazzano FCJ College;

Coxed Four: 1.Ballarat and Queens Anglican Grammar School, 2.Lauriston Girls School, 3.Ballarat High School and 4.Toorak College;

Open Single Scull: 1.Brighton Secondary College, 2.Firbank Grammar School, 3.Kardinia International College.
Results of all events in detail are available on the Rowing Victoria Website at www.rowingvictoria.asn.au/regattas

Frank Covill Executive Officer, HOSG



Victorian Champions - Female Novice Coxed Four
Melbourne Rowing Club

L to R: Kate Nicholl, Yvette Cole, Kelly Smith,, Sara Clark, Cox: Lisa Strain