

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

MELBOURNE



57th Annual Report
and
Balance Sheet

SEASON 1936-37

Mercantile Rowing Club



Club House,
Princes Bridge,
1st July, 1937.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-seventh ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Mercantile Rowing Club will be held at the Club House on SATURDAY, 24th JULY, 1937, at 7.45 p.m. (The Annual Smoke Night will be held at the conclusion of the meeting).

BUSINESS:

1. To confirm the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
2. To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Balance Sheet.
3. To elect Office-Bearers for the ensuing year.
4. To consider the following Recommendation from Committee:—"That in recognition and appreciation of the services rendered to the Club by Mr. E. T. Bradshaw as a member for the past fifty years, he be elected a life member."

And any other business formally brought before the meeting.

By order of the Committee,

F. NEWPORT,
Hon. Secretary.

Mercantile Rowing Club

SEASON 1936-37

List of Office-Bearers

President:

A. L. DOBBIE, Esq.

Vice-Presidents:

E. T. BRADSHAW, Esq.	J. L. MOUNSEY, Esq.
T. F. BRENNAN, Esq.	C. N. McKAY, Esq.
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Captain:

J. H. BAILEY.

Vice-Captain:

N. W. CAIRNES.

Hon. Secretary:

S. C. MACRAE (resigned 19/4/37).
F. NEWPORT (appointed 19/4/37).

Hon. Assistant Secretary:

F. NEWPORT (appointed 19/8/36, resigned 19/4/37)
A. J. CALLANDER (appointed 19/4/37)

Hon. Treasurer:

A. R. CLARKE.

Executive Committee:

R. V. GREGG.	F. NEWPORT (resigned 19/8/36).
M. E. GREEN.	D. R. NICHOLS (appointed 19/8/36).
G. J. HORDER.	E. STEPHENSON.
E. KENNY.	L. B. WEIRE.

Selection Committee:

J. H. BAILEY. S. C. MACRAE.
G. W. SMITH.

Hon. Auditor:

F. R. BROWNE, A.I.C.A.

Hon. Solicitor:

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Victorian Rowing Association:

<i>Executive Members</i>	<i>Elected Member</i>	<i>Representative Members</i>
A. L. DOBBIE.	W. JOSEPH.	J. H. BAILEY.
E. KENNY.		S. C. MACRAE
C. F. RAVEN.		(resigned 19/4/37).
		A. J. CALLANDER
		(appointed 19/4/37).

Delegates to the Upper Harra Amateur Regatta Association:

M. E. GREEN. L. B. WEIRE.

Delegates to Metropolitan Rowing Committee:

F. NEWPORT. N. W. CAIRNES.

Representative to Melbourne Amateur Regatta Association (Henley)

W. JOSEPH.

Victorian Amateur Sculling Association:

M. E. K. HANSEN.

The Fifty-seventh Annual Report

OF THE

Mercantile Rowing Club



Club House,
Princes Bridge, Melbourne,

1st July, 1937.

To the Members of the Mercantile Rowing Club,
Gentlemen,

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting for your consideration the Fifty-seventh Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts.

Regarding the activities of the Club for the past season in retrospect, the outstanding feature has been the winning of the Junior Premiership, which feat has not been achieved since 1930-31. At the same time, third place on the Senior list, while leaving room for improvement, has borne out the fact that promotion of worthy junior men must not be too long delayed, as most of the points scored in this division were secured towards the close of the season when some of the older stalwarts were replaced by younger men and more vigorous junior men.

To revert to the Junior Division, every man, whether rowing or coaching, who was associated with this victory, is to be congratulated. Once more the lightweights played a very big part in the securing of points and mention should be made of the fact that these young men as a group are an object lesson to the older and more senior members of the Club. Their conscientious devotion to training and general willingness to assist where there is any work to be done was suitably rewarded by the number of wins they recorded for the Club. The most disturbing feature was the lack of maiden wins. With the amount of material available, one maiden four double is not a very proud result. It is an established fact that it is the maiden ranks which provide the future champions, and are to be most carefully nurtured. If the high position reached this year is to be maintained then we must definitely direct our undivided attention to the men who have yet to win a race.

Too much stress cannot be laid on the importance of hard physical training for the very strenuous regatta racing. In every instance preparation out of the boat as well as in the boat was

reflected in the results achieved by training crews. This point recurs for review each year, and more and more apparent does it become that races are won only by the fittest crews, and men who are secure in the knowledge that every individual in their crew is in the condition to see out the distance to the last bitter stroke.

While improvement was noted in the number and calibre of coaches this year, it does seem a strange thing that a Club which has been famous for its champions of a few years past, is still unable to secure the services of men willing to sacrifice a little time to the preparation of crews, which are expected to carry on the traditions of the old Club. It is to be hoped that mention of this matter will provide food for thought for some of our older members whose assistance is desperately required. At the same time we are confident that those who were so loyal and liberal with their services last year will see their way clear to continue the good work during the approaching season, and will enjoy the fruits of success for their very valuable work in this direction.

Once again a programme of Club races prior to and at the close of the regatta season has been very well supported. The fortnightly races during the winter months have had the desired effect of keeping members interested and active, and of providing racing experience for all. On alternate Saturdays football has proved a great attraction and most pleasant afternoons' enjoyment is reported by everyone participating. The Seven Mile Time Trial which has now become a recognised feature during the winter months has attracted a great number of entries and has come to stay.

The Social Activities for the year under review were very capably conducted and enjoyed the wholehearted support of members in most cases. A most interesting lecture by Mr. H. G. Alderson, manager of the Australian team to the Olympic Games, was very well supported by our own and members of neighbouring clubs.

The attendance at country regattas is again a matter for congratulation. The participants in these Christmas tours to Nagambie, Shepparton and Rutherglen are loud in their praise of what may be described as an ideal holiday in sunshine and pure country air, combined with racing under perfect conditions of ease and comfort. A winning maiden four at Sale and Bairnsdale clinched the Junior Premiership.

The gymnasium has indeed justified its existence and is proving a boon to those who desire a work-out or warm-up on days when inclement weather conditions prevent the possibility of a row. Just one word at this juncture may help keep the material provided in good repair, and in condition to be used by the next man. It is just as easy to replace any equipment after use as to throw it aside and give the "gym." an unnecessarily untidy appearance. Mid-week rowing has never been so well patronised as this year, and it is very satisfactory to say that this feature reflects the happy healthy state of the Club at the present time. Whilst this feeling is maintained Mercantile must remain at the top, and it augurs well for the approaching season, which we can face full of optimism.

The progressive policy formulated at the beginning of the year has been strictly adhered to, and a detailed record of the Club's activities is submitted for your review.

Financial.

Extensive additions and improvements to the Club House were responsible for a new overdraft. Although the cost entailed was in the vicinity of £600, with the prompt payment of subscriptions early in the year in many cases, it was found necessary to borrow only £500. A clause in the contract with the Bank of New South Wales states that the Club has agreed to reduce its liability by a specified amount each half-year. The object of this clause is to provide a definite incentive to completely efface the loan within the time originally planned of seven years. The Treasurer would greatly appreciate the assistance of all members who can help him work within his margin by paying their subscriptions immediately after the commencement of the financial year.

A very successful boat building drive was conducted towards the close of last year. Our sincere thanks are due to Mr. M. E. Green, who raised £90/15/4 towards the building of a new practice eight.

The Committee wishes to draw your attention to the fact that it is in your own interests to take particular care of the Club's property. Accounts for repairs would be greatly reduced if members were a little more mindful of the preservation of boats and oars. A more liberal policy of replacements and purchases is impossible while the Club's financial director is handicapped with enormous repair accounts. In many instances damage is caused by new members who are strange to the handling of craft and blades. A few words of advice from older members would be very encouraging as well of great assistance.

Club House, Boats and Oars.

With the extensions completed, your Club House now stands unrivalled as the most spacious and best appointed in the State. The value of the building itself has been very considerably increased and we may be justly proud of what has been accomplished this year.

A complete list of the Club's present fleet is set out hereunder:

RACING BOATS.	PRACTICE BOATS.
2 Best Eights	5 Practice Eights
2 Clinker Eights	4 Practice Fours
1 Best Four	2 Tub Fours
3 Clinker Fours	3 Practice Pairs
2 Clinker Pairs	3 Practice Sculls

A new practice eight was purchased from Messrs. W. H. Jerram & Sons, and christened on 29th May "C. F. Raven," in appreciation of the outstanding services rendered to the Club by Mr. C. F. Raven during the several years of his office in various capacities. During the year the sale of the clinker racing eight "J. G. Sprigg" was negotiated with the Port Pirie Rowing Club.

It was found necessary with increased membership and representation at regattas to purchase more than the average number of oars. Two sets of eight "Botterill" and one set of eight and one of

position of Hon. Ass. Secretary at the first monthly meeting of the year. Mr. D. R. Nicholls was elected to the vacant seat on the Committee.

Early in April, the Hon. Secretary, Mr. S. C. Macrae, found it necessary to resign, as his business principals had seen fit to send him abroad for an indefinite period on their account. It is unnecessary to pay tribute to Mr. Macrae's work for the Club. It has been obvious to all that Mercantile's present sound position, and the spirit of animation and enthusiasm in the Club, are due almost entirely to Mr. Macrae's exceptional executive ability. We shall feel his loss very keenly. Mr. F. Newport was appointed in his stead, and Mr. A. J. Callander was elected by the Committee to fill the position of Hon. Ass. Secretary.

Twelve regular Committee meetings were held during the year. The attendances were:

J. H. Bailey . . .	12	R. V. Gregg . . .	9	F. Newport . . .	12
A. W. Cairnes . . .	12	M. E. Green . . .	11	D. R. Nicholls . .	8
A. J. Callander . .	2	G. J. Horder . . .	7	L. B. Weire . . .	9
A. R. Clarke . . .	11	E. Kenny	8	C. E. Stephenson .	10
A. L. Dobbie . . .	10	S. C. Macrae . . .	9		

Donations.

The Club desires to place on record its appreciation of material assistance from the following gentlemen to whom we convey your sincere thanks:—Sir Stephen Morell, Cr. T. S. Nettlefold, O.B.E., Sir George Fairbairn, Messrs. R. H. Cooper, Senr., A. L. Dobbie, G. Stooke, J. H. Picken, J. H. McFarlane, A. B. Sloan, V. F. Mason, J. Richardson, F. Hyett, S. Guinn, T. Chisholm, W. Joseph, H. Smyth, A. Sloss, H. Williams, J. H. Bailey, J. G. Sprigg and the Commonwealth Bank.

Rowing.

Australian Championships.

The annual eight-oared championship for the King's Cup was held on Saturday, 24th April, 1937, at Murray Bridge, S.A., all six States competing. Victoria was represented by the following crew:—B. Haimsworth (bow), K. Harrison, A. Kelly, J. B. Clemens, J. P. Gaskin, M. Gaskin, S. Elder, R. Godfredson (stroke), T. Crofts (cox), Roy Anderson (emergency) and Mr. George Anderson (coach). South Australia were successful after a stirring race with New South Wales. We congratulate our Club member, Mr. J. B. Clemens, on his third successive Interstate selection, and also Mr. G. W. Smith, who was again appointed Interstate selector.

The sculling championship was won by C. Pearce, who defeated the Victorian representative, L. Purves, after a very interesting tussle.

State Championship Events.

Champion Fours, 19th December, 1936.

He'd on the Lower Yarra, attracted a field of seven. Richmond was successful, your Club being represented by the following crew, which was placed second:—C. E. Stephenson (bow), R. S. Bolton (2), G. I. Anderson (3), E. K. L. Varcoe (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox), Mr. R. Duncan (coach).

2000-Metre Sculling Championship, 14th December, 1936.

Rowed downstream on the Lower Yarra over a straight course and won by Mr. L. Purves from Yarra Yarra Rowing Club.

Champion Eights, 6th February, 1937.

The event was held on the Lower Yarra in perfect conditions. Your representatives, finishing third to Richmond and Albert Park, were: J. J. Blair-Holt (bow), W. G. Ross (2), P. A. Black (3), J. B. Clemens (4), G. I. Anderson (5), J. H. Bailey (6), D. G. Firth (7), E. K. L. Varcoe (stroke), J. Cowling (cox), Mr. R. Duncan (coach).

Sculling Championship, 6th February, 1937.

L. Purves won this event of 2½ miles downstream on the Lower Yarra from three opponents.

Champion Junior Eights, 24th April, 1937.

This event was held over a 2-mile course under perfect rowing conditions and attracted five starters. Corio Bay won from Richmond and Footscray City. Your Club was represented by the following crew:—N. W. Cairnes (bow), F. Newport, J. C. Couzens, L. Fox, B. R. Chandler, C. F. Campbell, P. A. Black, H. Wilks (stroke), J. Cowling (cox), Mr. J. H. Bailey (coach).

Champion Lightweight Junior Eights, 24th April, 1937.

Seven crews competed for this title over one and a half mile course, Banks Rowing Club being successful. Your Club was represented by: C. Ward (bow), J. Lee, K. C. M. Kerr, R. C. Scarlett, R. H. B. Hart, K. Bilney, W. H. Trickett, A. J. Callander (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox), Mr. J. South (coach).

Champion Pairs, 22nd May, 1937.

The event was held on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, and was won by Jelbart Brothers, of University Rowing Club, from Ballarat City.

To the winners of the foregoing championships we extend your congratulations.

Regattas.

Metropolitan Regatta.

26th September, 1936.

Novice Eight No. 1.—K. Smith (bow), N. P. Watson, D. W. Disher, D. R. Nicholls, W. G. Ross, R. S. Ley, D. Firth, J. R. Collie

(stroke), A. L. L. Jones (cox), with Mr. G. Smith as coach, won the heat but were defeated in semi-final.

Novice Eight No. 2.—I. McVilly (bow), P. Hemming, K. T. Bridgford, N. A. Ryan, H. Ternes, F. G. Firth, R. Batty, B. Barnard (stroke), S. Jones (cox), Mr. J. H. Bailey (coach), were beaten in their heat.

Novice Eight No. 3.—R. O'Sullivan (bow), A. W. P. Cordia, J. Barwick, A. Baird, G. Potter, R. Morley, H. Morrison, G. E. Trickett (stroke), B. Tegg (cox), Mr. S. C. Macrae (coach), were defeated in the heat.

Novice Four No. 1.—C. Ward (bow), J. Lee, L. T. D. Hillard, A. Callander (stroke), R. Duncan (cox), with Mr. J. Winford as coach, won their heat and were unfortunate to break an axle early in the semi-final.

Novice Four No. 2.—A. Carmichael (bow), H. S. Bowden, C. Lalor, W. Johnson (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox), F. Newport (coach), were narrowly defeated in their heat by ultimate winners.

Lightweight Fours.—C. Lock (bow), R. H. B. Hart, V. Bourne, R. C. Scarlett (stroke), E. Holland (cox), Mr. D. Stirling (coach), won this event comfortably.

Half-mile Sculling Dash.—Your representative, M. Hansen, was third in this event.

Melbourne Regatta.

21st November, 1936.

Senior Eights.—E. K. Varcoe, J. F. Winford, G. H. Webster, R. S. Bolton, G. I. Anderson, J. B. Clemens, H. V. Nixon, J. H. Bailey (stroke), J. Cowling (cox), were placed second in their heat.

Senior Fours.—C. E. Stephenson (bow), M. Bailey, H. J. St. John, D. C. Brooke (stroke), R. Duncan (cox), were beaten in heat.

Junior Eights.—N. W. Cairnes (bow), F. Newport, J. J. Blair-Holt, J. J. McFarlane, G. H. Davey, C. F. Campbell, P. A. Black, H. P. Braddock (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox), with Mr. W. Pitt as coach, were successful in this event.

Junior Fours.—K. C. M. Kerr (bow), D. Macrae, B. R. Chandler, J. R. Clarke (stroke), B. Tegg (cox), were second in their heat to the ultimate winners of the final.

Maiden Eights No. 1.—R. Batty (bow), N. Watson, L. Hillard, F. G. Firth, L. W. Roper, W. G. Ross, D. G. Firth, J. R. Collie (stroke), K. McLennan (cox), won their heat but were defeated in the semi-final.

Maiden Eights No. 2.—K. Bilney (bow), A. Cordia, H. Ternes, P. Hemming, H. Morrison, G. Trickett, C. Lalor, G. Clabburn (stroke), S. Jones (cox), were beaten in their heat.

Maiden Fours No. 1.—E. Jones (bow), J. C. Couzens, D. A. Calder, A. W. Dobbie (stroke), M. Cowling (cox), were unfortunate to break a stretcher while leading well in their heat.

Maiden Fours No. 2.—T. McNiff (bow), H. H. Webb, L. Weire, E. Barkley (stroke), R. G. Duncan (cox), won their heat and semi-final, but were unsuccessful in the final.

Maiden Pairs No. 1.—D. Morgan (bow), G. Perkins (stroke), W. Ward (cox), were defeated in their heat.

Maiden Pairs No. 2.—R. R. Brewin (bow), R. T. Brewin (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox), won their heat but were beaten in the final.

Lightweight Maiden Eights.—D. Stirling, (bow), J. Lee, C. Ward, R. Hart, V. Bourne, R. Scarlett, W. Trickett, A. Callander (stroke), E. Holland (cox), Mr. J. South (coach), won their heat but were unsuccessful in the final.

Your representative in the *Handicap Sculls*, M. Hansen, was unsuccessful.

Henley Regatta.

28th November, 1936.

Senior Eights.—Your V.R.A. representatives were again unsuccessful.

Senior Fours.—The same crew as represented you at Melbourne Regatta were again defeated.

Junior Eights.—The crew that won at Melbourne Regatta was again successful with R. Ferguson in 3 seat.

Junior Fours.—Your representatives of the previous week were unsuccessful.

Maiden Eights.—Your No. 1 and 2 crews were again unsuccessful.

Maiden Fours.—Your No. 1 and 2 crews of the previous week were again defeated.

No. 3 Crew.—R. R. Brewin (bow), R. T. Brewin, D. Morgan, G. Perkins (stroke), A Fyffe (cox), were defeated in their heat.

Lightweight Maiden Eights.—Your representatives at the Melbourne Regatta scored a meritorious win in this event.

Nagambie Regatta.

26th December, 1936.

Junior Fours.—J. J. Blair-Holt (bow), C. F. Campbell, R. Ferguson, J. Winford (stroke), R. G. Duncan (cox), with Mr. R. Duncan as coach, won this event.

Junior Pairs.—F. Newport (bow), S. C. Macrae (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox), won their heat and were second in final.

Maiden Fours No. 1.—K. Smith (bow), L. Fox, D. Calder, N. P. Watson (stroke), R. Duncan (cox), Mr. G. Smith (coach), finished third in a field of 11 crews.

Maiden Fours No. 2.—B. Grabbam (bow), R. G. Morley, L. Morris, G. Hiller (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox), Mr. D. Macrae (coach), rowed without success.

Maiden Pairs.—J. Major (bow), G. Trickett (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox), won their heat but failed in the final.

Lightweight Maiden Fours.—C. Ward (bow), R. Hart, W. Trickett, A. J. Callander (stroke), E. Holland (cox), Mr. J. South (coach), finished in second place.

Rutherglen Regatta.

1st January, 1937.

Junior Fours.—The crew that represented you at Nagambie finished second in this event.

Junior Pairs.—Your Nagambie crew was again unsuccessful.

Maiden Fours No. 1 and 2.—These crews again rowed without success.

Maiden Pairs.—Your representatives were defeated in their heat.

Lightweight Maiden Fours.—Your representatives at the Nagambie Regatta won this event well.

Shepparton Regatta.

2nd January, 1937.

Senior Fours.—F. Newport (bow), S. C. Macrae, J. P. L. Appleby, J. B. Clemens (stroke), M. Cowling (cox), won their heat and finished second in the final.

Senior Pairs.—J. P. L. Appleby (bow), J. B. Clemens (bow), A. Fyffe (cox), were beaten in their heat.

Junior Fours.—Your representatives finished in second place.

Junior Pairs.—Your crew was again defeated.

Maiden Fours No. 1 and 2.—Your crews of -Nagambie and Rutherglen were again unsuccessful.

Maiden Pairs.—The crew of the two previous regattas won their heat and finished second in final.

Lightweight Maiden Fours.—Your representatives finished in second place.

Upper Yarra Regatta.

30th January, 1937.

Senior Eights.—J. J. Blair-Holt (bow), W. G. Ross, P. A. Black, J. B. Clemens, G. I. Anderson, J. H. Bailey, D. G. Firth, E. K. Varcoe (stroke), J. Cowling (cox), Mr. R. Duncan (coach), were narrowly defeated in the heat by ultimate winners.

Senior Pairs.—C. E. Stephenson (bow), K. Bilney (stroke), B. Clerihan (cox), finished second in their heat.

Maiden Eights.—F. N. White (bow), N. P. Watson, L. T. D. Hillard, H. S. Bowden, G. Hastie, G. A. Trickett, C. C. Lalor, G. Clabburn (stroke), R. Duncan (cox), Mr. M. Bailey (coach), won their heat but were unsuccessful in the final.

Maiden Fours No. 1.—L. B. Weire (bow), L. Fox, J. C. Couzens, E. H. Barkley (stroke), E. Holland (cox), Mr. S. C. Macrae (coach), won their heat but were beaten in the semi-final.

Maiden Fours No. 2.—D. Morgan (bow), J. Lee, E. Jones, G. Perkins (stroke), B. Tegg (cox), were beaten in heat.

Lightweight Maiden Eights.—C. Lock (bow), D. B. Palfreyman, J. F. Major, R. Brittain-White, R. H. B. Hart, R. C. Scarlett, W. A. Trickett, A. Callander (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox), with Mr. J. South as coach, scored a magnificent win for the Club in this event.

A.N.A. Regatta.

1st February, 1937.

Senior Eights.—Your Upper Yarra representatives were narrowly defeated in their heat.

Senior Pairs.—This crew was also beaten into second place in its heat.

Maiden Eights.—Your crew won its heat but was unsuccessful in the final.

Maiden Fours Nos. 1 and 2.—Both these crews on this occasion were defeated in their heats.

Lightweight Maiden Eights.—Your representatives of the previous regatta completed a winning double in this event.

Barwon Regatta.

6th March, 1937.

Senior Eights.—J. J. Blair-Holt (bow), H. P. Braddock, D. G. Firth, W. G. Ross, G. I. Anderson, J. H. Bailey, J. P. L. Appleby, E. K. Varcoe (stroke), J. Cowling (cox), Mr. R. Duncan (coach), scored the first senior win of the season in this event.

Junior Eights.—H. Wilkes (bow), F. Newport, G. H. Webster, B. R. Chandler, D. A. Calder, C. F. Campbell, P. A. Black J. F. Winford (stroke), R. Ludlow (cox), with Mr. G. Smith as coach, were the winners of this event.

Junior Fours.—J. Macnaughton (bow), D. Macrae, G. Davey, J. J. McFarlane (stroke), B. Tegg (cox), Mr. M. E. Green (coach), were defeated in their heat.

Maiden Eights.—N. P. Watson (bow), B. Barnard, L. Hillard, H. S. Bowden, G. Hastie, G. A. Trickett, C. C. Lalor, G. Clabburn (stroke), R. Duncan (cox), Mr. M. Bailey (coach), won their heat

but were second in the final to an exceptionally good crew from Corio Bay.

Maiden Fours.—L. B. Weire (bow), L. Fox, J. C. Couzens, E. Barkley (stroke), E. Holland (cox), Mr. S. C. Macrae (coach), won their heat but were unsuccessful in final.

Maiden Pairs.—K. C. M. Kerr (bow), J. R. Clarke (stroke), B. Clerihan (cox), won their heat but were beaten in final.

Lightweight Maiden Fours.—D. Stirling (bow), A. A. Rigg, R. H. B. Hart, A. J. Callander (stroke), Mr. A. P. Miller (coach), won their heat but were defeated in the final.

Ballarat Regatta.

13th March, 1937.

Senior Eights.—Your representatives at Barwon completed a winning double.

Senior Fours.—J. J. Blair-Holt (bow), J. H. Bailey, G. I. Anderson, E. K. L. Varcoe (stroke), R. Duncan (cox), finished third in this event.

Junior Eights.—Your crew of the previous week was beaten into second place by Richmond.

Junior Fours.—Your crew was again unsuccessful.

Junior Pairs.—K. C. M. Kerr (bow), J. R. Clarke (stroke), B. Clerihan (cox), competed unsuccessfully.

Maiden Eights.—Your Barwon representatives finished third in a field of 11 crews.

Maiden Fours.—Your crew were unfortunate to break a rigger when in a winning position.

Maiden Fours.—Your representatives were again unsuccessful.

Bairnsdale Regatta.

27th March, 1937.

Maiden Fours.—L. B. Weire (bow), L. Fox, J. C. Couzens, E. Barkley (stroke), E. Holland (cox), with Mr. S. C. Macrae as coach, won this event.

The above crew competed unsuccessfully in the Junior Fours.

Sale Regatta.

29th March, 1937.

Your Bairnsdale representatives completed a winning double in Maiden Fours, but were again unsuccessful in Junior Fours.

Premierships.

PREMIERSHIP POINTS.

Senior.

	Wins.	Points.		Wins.	Points
Albert Park	5	40	Rutherglen Lake .. .	1	8
Richmond	2	24	Yarra Yarra	1	5
Mercantile	2	20	Wendouree	2	4
Corowa	5	10	Sale	1	2
Shepparton	2	8	Ballarat City		2
Melb. University . .	3	8	Melbourne		1

Junior.

	Wins.	Points.		Wins.	Points
Mercantile	10	64	Banks	2	10
Richmond	7	40	Lake Colac	3	2
Footscray City .. .	9	38	Rutherglen Lake .. .	2	4
Albert Park	5	24	Wahgunyah	2	4
Corio Bay	3	24	Shepparton	1	4
Yarra Yarra	6	18	Corowa	1	4
Wendouree	5	14	Warrnambool	1	4
Preston	4	14	Eaglehawk	1	2
Bairnsdale	4	12	Ballarat City	1	2
Barwon	3	12			

To Albert Park, the winners of the Senior Pennant, we extend your hearty congratulations.

Head of the River.

14th May, 1937.

Your congratulations are extended to Xavier College on their very fine win in the "Head of the River." It was very pleasing to note that the crews finishing first and second in the final rowed orthodox Victorian style.

Inter-Banks Races.

10th October, 1936.

Quite a number of your members took part in these races, Mr. G. I. Anderson rowing in the National Bank Four, which has been successful for the last four years in succession.

Prince Henry Hospital Combination Eights.

10th August, 1936.

One-third of the total entry for this event was provided by Mercantile members. The winning crew included R. Freame (bow), N. W. Cairnes (5) and K. McLennan (cox).

V.R.A. Combination Regatta.

24th April, 1937.

Your Club once again provided the greatest support for this fixture of the Victorian Rowing Association.

Over sixty of our members competed, and Messrs. J. J. Blair-Holt, J. J. McFarlane and P. W. Vanderkelen were included in the successful crew.

Club Races.

Dobbie Eights, 5th September, 1936.

The first Club race was rowed in perfect conditions for trophies donated by your President, before a large gathering of Club members and supporters on the opening day of the season. Eleven crews competed and Mr. Dobbie presented the trophies to the members of the winning crew: H. E. Morrison (bow), K. Rundle, V. Bourne, Y. Trickett, C. F. Campbell, B. R. Chandler, D. Firth, R. S. Bolton (stroke), R. G. Duncan (cox).

Mason Fours, 1st May, 1937.

Eleven crews raced for trophies generously donated by Mr. V. F. Mason, a foundation member of Mercantile Rowing Club. Unfortunately he was not able to attend personally and the presentation to the members of the winning crew was ably carried out by your President. The successful crew was seated: C. T. Hopkin (bow), W. Henty, L. T. D. Hillard, K. Bilney (stroke), B. Clerihan (cox).

Picken Pairs, 15th May, 1937.

Mr. J. H. Picken once again donated trophies for this paired fixture, and expressed the hope that the race would be instrumental in producing a worthy pair to represent the Club in the championship. After some very close finishes, Mr. F. N. White (bow), W. G. Ross (stroke), and V. Matthews (cox), were successful.

Sloss-Williams Handicap Fours, 29th May, 1937.

In this event members were given the opportunity to choose their own crew to include one novice and not more than one senior man, and to spend at least a week in preparation for the race. The exciting finishes in heats and final were a tribute to the handicappers, Messrs. M. E. Green and N. W. Cairnes. Trophies were kindly donated by Messrs. H. Williams and A. Sloss. The winning crew comprised: C. Harry (bow), D. B. Thomas, N. Cairnes, A. Dobbie (stroke), G. Pitt (cox).

Guinn Pairs, 12th June, 1937.

Unfortunately the holiday week-end interfered with the usual good entry for this event for novice oarsmen only. The trophies were presented by Mr. S. Guinn, a former Treasurer of the Club of some years standing. The Vice-Captain in the absence of the donor presented trophies to the winning crew: C. Harry (bow), G. E. Trickett (stroke), V. Matthews (cox).

Morell Fours, 26th June, 1937.

Crews for this race for trophies presented by Sir Stephen Morell, were chosen one week before the event and allowed seven days' training in preparation for a full half-mile course. Sir Stephen rightly asserts there is more to be gained from a row after preparation over a longer course than the usual short distance used for Club races. The winning crew was as follows: J. Robertson (bow), A. W. P. Cordia, D. A. Calder, E. K. L. Varcoe (stroke), J. Williams (cox), from the excellent entry of 15 crews.

Richardson Eights, 10th July, 1937.

The second eight-oared race on the Club racing programme was made possible by a very generous donation from Mr. Jas. Richardson, who though not actively associated with the sport is very interested in the welfare of Mercantile Rowing Club. Your sincere thanks are extended to Mr. Richardson for providing handsome trophies for this event. After a very interesting afternoon's racing the following crew was successful: P. W. Vanderkelen (bow), J. Cohen, W. A. Trickett, D. Thomas, C. F. Campbell, R. W. Thursfield, G. Clabburn (stroke), B. Clerihan (cox).

Chisholm Fours, 17th July, 1937.

The concluding fixture of the season's programme will be a four-oared race for trophies donated by Mr. Thos. Chisholm, a former successful stroke with the Club, now residing in Swan Hill.

Seven-Mile Competition.

Once more the "J. G. Sprigg Seven-Mile Competition" has attracted a very pleasing number of entries. Favourable conditions are taken advantage of on Saturday afternoons or Sunday mornings to row to the junction of the Maribyrnong River and back in a time test, and has proved a definite means of keeping members in shape during the winter months, and has taught many of the less experienced men the art of rowing over long distances without undue effort, by the cultivation of a rythmical swing. Your sincere thanks are due to Mr. Sprigg for fostering this event by donating the trophies for the winners.

The winning crew for 1935-36 season was seated: W. A. Trickett (bow), N. P. Watson, D. W. Disher, L. Fox, G. H. Webster, S. C. Macrae, A. R. Duncan, P. Radich (stroke), A. Fyffe (cox). The time of 45 mins. 30-2/5 secs. is the best recorded since the inception of the test.

Points Competitions.

Points have been awarded on the basis of two for a start and four for a win in all Club and combination races throughout the year for a handsome cup donated by your Captain, Mr. J. H. Bailey. Competition has been very keen, and the successful contestant will be awarded the Captain's trophy at the Annual General Meeting.

The "G. F. Stooke Aggregate Trophy" has been offered again this year for the greatest number of points secured in all events,

regatta, Club and combination. Your sincere thanks are extended to Mr. Stooke for his continued interest in the welfare of the Club shown in such a practical manner. The donating of this trophy has had the effect of increased entries in all events. It is our desire that Mr. Stooke should personally present this trophy to the winner at the Annual Meeting.

The Captain's Trophy of season 1935-36 was awarded to Mr. N. P. Watson, who scored most points for wins and starts in Club races, and the "G. F. Stooke Aggregate" to Mr. J. P. L. Appleby, who had an Interstate start in his total of points for all races. The Wm. Bennett Trophy for the coxswain rendering greatest service to the Club throughout the year of 1935-36 was awarded to Master R. G. Duncan.

Lightweights Trip to Sydney.

A feature of unusual interest was the visit of a Mercantile crew to Sydney to contest the Lightweight Championship of New South Wales. The personnel underwent a very solid preparation in Melbourne, under the able direction of Mr. Jack South, and concluded with one week's training in Sydney on the harbour. The conditions on the day of the race were totally different from those encountered in training, and the lads were at a definite disadvantage in comparison with the local crews. Lightweights are graded maiden junior and senior in New South Wales. The standard of rowing in this class is equal to the best in Victoria, so that the opposition for Mercantile in the championship was of a very high class. Nevertheless they acquitted themselves admirably all things taken into consideration, and your congratulations are due to them.

During their stay in the harbour city your representatives were the guests of Mr. J. B. Sharpe, President of Balmain Rowing Club, from whose boathouse they trained. He provided them with living quarters and throughout the period of their sojourn proved a most charming host, sparing neither time nor expense to ensure that they were entertained and given of the very best it was possible to offer.

In the report of the manager and coach, Mr. Jack South, prominence was given to the exemplary conduct of his charges and their coxswain. He said he was proud to be associated with them, as at all times they paid strict attention to their work and his requests. Mr. Sharpe's parting words were: "The management of the Mercantile Rowing Club is to be complimented on the fine lot of fellows they sent over; I cannot recall meeting a finer lot of chaps."

Such a visit does more to engender the true spirit of rowing between States than anything else, and it is to be hoped that this crew will be a forerunner of many more in future years, perhaps even an annual event. The experience gained by the members of the crew will be of inestimable value for coming regatta events, and it is our confident hope that they will make full use of the opportunity given them. The fortunate members to make the trip were: Messrs. R. C. Scarlett, W. H. Trickett, K. Bilney, D. Morgan, G. Perkins, V. Bourne, J. Lee, C. Ward, D. Stirling, A. Fyffe (cox), J. South (manager and coach).

Lightweights' Dinner.

A complimentary dinner was tendered by the lightweight members of the Club to their Coach, Mr. J. South, on June 30, in appreciation of his efforts on their behalf throughout the year. The object of the dinner was to bring together old, present and future lightweights and to imbue the latter with the spirit of their forerunners. In the absence of the President, Mr. A. Sloss, a former lightweight of note, occupied the chair, and an enjoyable and most beneficial evening was attended by 26 members. The major part of the night was occupied with discussion for the advancement of the sport, and this very commendable idea may very well be imitated by other sections of the Club. Mr. South, in his response to the toast of his health, thanked the organisers, Messrs. J. Lee and C. Ward, and in his own inimitable style succeeded in raising the feelings of the newcomers to such a pitch of enthusiasm as to ensure their wholehearted support for the ensuing year.

Social Activities.

OPENING DAY: The opening day of the season was celebrated on Saturday, 5th September. About 120 visitors were welcomed by the President, assisted by Mrs. Dobbie. Afternoon tea was served on the lawns and with the airing of the Club's standard and championship pennants, the boathouse presented a gay picture. "The Dobbie Eights" were rowed on the same day and a very interesting afternoon's racing was witnessed. Perfect weather conditions added to the enjoyment of all.

PALMS DANCE: The first dance of the year was held at "The Palms" on the evening of opening day and was very well attended, the Social Committee being responsible for a highly successful function.

PICTURE NIGHTS were held at intervals throughout the year and in every instance a small profit was the reward of the efforts of your indefatigable social secretary, Mr. L. B. Weire. One in particular is worthy of mention. On Tuesday, 1st June, a short, entitled "Row, Mister, Row" and depicting the most successful style of rowing in the world to-day from America, was included on the programme by special request.

PALMS DANCE—12th June, 1937: After the date of the second dance at "The Palms" was fixed, the King's Birthday holiday was declared as 14th June. This materially affected the attendance, and a rather severe loss was sustained. It is the particular hope of the Social Secretary that this will be offset by a bumper attendance at the next dance.

FAREWELL DINNER TO Mr. S. C. MACRAE: An outstanding social event from a Club point of view was a farewell dinner tendered to Mr. S. C. Macrae on the eve of his departure for London. Never has a more representative gathering from the Club been present at such a function, which is a strong tribute to Mr. Macrae's popularity with all sections of the Club, and an indication of every members' admiration of his self sacrifice in the Club's interest. The New Treasury

Hotel, Spring Street, was the venue and a most pleasant night was enjoyed by nearly 100 members.

DINNERS: Complimentary dinners on the eve of their marriages were tendered by groups of members to N. Morgan, R. S. Bolton, D. C. Brooke.

Annual Dinner.

Once again the Banquet Hall at the Victoria was chosen for the Annual Club Dinner on Saturday, 24th October, 1936. An attendance of 76 members is not a worthy response to the efforts of those responsible for the organisation of this most important function of the year. Quite a number of past members still interested in and associated with the Club were in evidence, but a larger representation from present active members would be gratifying to your Committee. The guests of honour were Sir Stephen Morell, welcomed home from his European trip and congratulated on his appointment as President of the V.R.A., and Mr. E. J. Walker, who served the Club so well in the capacity of Hon. Architect.

Annual Ball.

M. Paul Bibron's Old Admiralty House was the scene of the annual Cabaret Ball on Boatrace Night, 14th May, 1937. This function attracted a very good attendance and a most happy and gay evening was enjoyed by all. A large proportion of the dancers consisted of older members, who entered into the spirit of the night with the younger set.

For the conspicuous success of this fixture, as also the arrangements on "opening day" and the dances at "The Palms," your sincere thanks are due to Mr. L. B. Weire, Hon. Social Secretary, and his Committee, whose organisation and work throughout the year have ensured the successful outcome of all the functions arranged for your benefit.

Lecture.

A most interesting lecture was delivered in the Club House by Mr. H. G. Alderson, manager of the Australian Olympic team, on Monday night, 28th September, 1936. Sponsored by the V.R.A., Mr. E. Kenny occupied the chair, and introduced the speaker to members and visitors from neighbouring clubs. Mr. Alderson said that while Australian competitors looked upon the events as mere tests of ability between different countries, he was impressed by the national importance attached to the games by representatives from European states. As regards the rowing events of which he took particular notice, he assured his listeners that the style rowed by the most successful overseas crews coincided in detail with Victorian orthodox. Increased rating merely meant that the blades travelled faster through the water, the slides moving forward with the same control. Crews showed no sign of strain coming forward, but appeared to relax in preparation for the commencement of next stroke.

This lecture was exceptionally well attended considering the short notice, and your thanks are due to Mr. Alderson.

Obituary.

It is with regret we record bereavements in the families of Messrs. E. A. Evans, J. E. Campbell, J. W. P. Wilson, G. A. Davies, C. F. Raven and C. N. McKay. To these gentlemen and their relatives we extend your very deep sympathy.

General.

Once again it must be pointed out that the encouragement of novices and the attention paid to new members is the duty of all who were guided through the initial stages of their own rowing careers. A few words of advice from the coxswain seat of a tub pair will do an immense amount towards the moulding of another oarsman. It will be readily realised that executive officers cannot be expected to sacrifice too much of their time with new men, and the responsibility should be shared by all.

The Club is indebted to those gentlemen who have devoted so much time and attention to the coaching of crews for regatta events. Particular mention might be made of Mr. Jack South, who prepared four winning lightweight crews during the season, as well as four others which were of high class without being successful. He has adopted this section of the Club as his very own, and is without doubt the right man in the right place. To Messrs. E. T. Bradshaw, A. L. Dobbie, A. R. Duncan, M. E. Green, W. G. Pitt, S. C. Macrae, D. M. Macrae, D. S. Stirling, J. F. Winford, G. W. Smith, J. South and R. A. Cooper, we extend your thanks and congratulations for successes attained.

We record your thanks to Masters J. Cowling, M. Cowling, B. Clerihan, A. Fyffe, R. G. Duncan, R. Ludlow, E. Holland, G. Pitt, W. Pitt, J. Williams, S. Jones and K. Brown for services rendered as coxswains.

To Messrs. G. Stooke, P. Radich, V. C. Galvin, S. S. McKay and F. Newport and their good wives we extend on your behalf congratulations on the occasion of additions to their family.

We wish to thank also representatives of the Press, who kept us well posted with all items of interest in daily and periodical newspapers.

Your Committee wishes to record its deep appreciation of the work of re-wiring the boathouse, including the installation of new meters undertaken and successfully carried out by Messrs. A. T. Rorke, R. W. Thursfield and D. S. Stirling. To these gentlemen acting in an honorary capacity your sincere thanks are due.

Best wishes for future happiness and prosperity are conveyed to Messrs. L. Parry, N. Morgan, J. C. Walker, G. Allen, R. S. Bolton, D. C. Brooke, W. Johnson and C. F. Johnson, who were married during the year.

We were pleased to extend the hospitality of the Boat House to West Australia R.C., North Esk (Tasmania), North Shore (N.S.W.), who competed at Henley, and Middle Park, Sale, Shepparton and Mildura at different times throughout the year. At the time of the Ladies' Championship the racing boats of two ladies' crews were

accommodated for one week of training. As in previous years the Club House was made available to the organizers of "Herald" Learn to Swim Campaign for their display.

The arrangements with Scotch College Rowing Club still continue in every way satisfactory to the mutual advantage of both clubs.

You are again indebted with many thanks to Mr. F. R. Browne, A.I.C.A., for his services as Hon. Auditor, and also to Mr. H. E. Butler, Hon. Secretary of the V.R.A., for assistance and direction when occasion demands.

We have been pleased to welcome many former members of the Club at the Boat Sheds from time to time as also at social functions during the year. It is very gratifying to notice stalwarts of days gone by taking a lively interest in the welfare of their old Club.

Mr. K. Bilney has accepted the position of steward to the gymnasium, and the improved state of affairs is entirely due to his efforts to keep things in order. You can help him very considerably by remembering to replace equipment after use.

Your thanks are due to Mr. W. Batten, who has given a great deal of willing service throughout the year. His work in repairing the fleet and maintaining the property in an excellent condition has left nothing to be desired.

This record would not be complete without mention of the useful jobs about the Club House executed by Mr. Ken. Brown. He constructed and donated to the gymnasium the very fine horizontal bar it now possesses and in many ways has made himself indispensable.

Conclusion.

In retiring from office, your Committee wishes to thank members for the measure of support and assistance accorded to it in carrying the affairs of the Club to so satisfactory an issue as is disclosed in the foregoing report, and recommends that the same support may be given the incoming executive. Such co-operation will help maintain the Club in the high position it now enjoys.

On behalf of the Committee,

F. NEWPORT,

Hon. Secretary.

Addendum.

During its long history, the Club has been very fortunate in the Executive Officers who have served it, but at no time have the duties of Honorary Secretary been in more capable hands than those of Mr. S. C. Macrae.

Mr. Macrae was elected Hon. Secretary in 1934, and during his term of office, the Club has experienced a period of very definite development and expansion.

The membership roll has grown until it now eclipses all previous

records, necessitating the extensive additions to the boathouse which were recently carried out.

In addition to his good work inside the Club, Mr. Macrae has made his mark in rowing circles generally, where his courtesy and ability have made many friends for the Club. Consequently, it is a matter for great regret that business calls should have caused Mr. Macrae to resign from the Hon. Secretaryship of the Club in April last. At present he is in England, where he has been sent by his principals to widen his knowledge of the shipping business. We look forward to his return during the coming season, and to the continuance of his keen interest in the Club's welfare.

Mr. F. Newport, who was associated with Mr. Macrae as Assist. Hon. Secretary, was appointed to the vacancy, and already he has shown such outstanding ability that it is evident that once again the right man has been found for this important executive office.

Mr. Newport has the assistance of Mr. Alan Callander, one of the younger members of the Club, whose enthusiasm marked him as a man capable of doing excellent work for the Club.

Our veteran Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Alex. Clarke, continues to carry out his important duties with the energy and ability which have always characterised him.

To the above gentlemen, our Captain Mr. J. H. Bailey, and his most efficient assistant Mr. N. Cairnes as Vice-Captain, and also to the General Committee, are tendered the cordial thanks of the members for their fine work in the Club's interests.

A. L. DOBBIE,
President.

List of Members, 1936-37 Season.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Clarke, C. A. R.	Ivens, P. C.	Morell, Sir Stephen
Dobbie, A. L.	Joseph, W.	Potter, W.
Guinn, S.	Kenny, E.	Sloan, A. B.

SENIOR MEMBERS.

Atkins, D. A.	Cooper, Dr. R. A.	Lalor, C. C.
Allen, G.	Cordia, A. W. P.	Landells, D.
Anderson, G. I.	Couzens, J. C.	Ley, R. S.
Appleby J. P. L.	Cox, A.	Lindblade, A. G.
Bailey, J. H.	Cox, E. G.	Luxton, T.
Bailey, M.	Davey, G. H.	Macaulay, J. C. C.
Baird, H.	Dennis, I. S.	Macrae, D. M.
Barkley, E. H.	Dibbs, R. E.	Macrae, S. C.
Barnard, B.	Dobbie, A. W.	Major, J.
Batty, R. McC.	Dowd, M. C.	Marsh, T. W.
Bilney, K.	Duncan, A. R.	Meates, R. W.
Black, P. A.	Dunstan, J. T.	Miller, A. P.
Blair-Holt, J. J.	Dyson, D.	Moore, J. T.
Blight, J. W.	Ellis, C.	Moss, J. S.
Bolton, R. S.	Evans, E. A.	Morell, R. T.
Bourne, V.	Evans, I. O.	Mounsey, J. L.
Braddock, H. P.	Ferguson, R.	Morgan, D.
Brewin, R. R.	Firth, D. G.	Morley, R. G.
Brewin, R. T.	Firth, G.	Morris, L.
Bridgeford, K. T.	Fegarty, T.	Munro, R. J.
Brittain-White, R. B.	Fox, L.	Munro, A. G.
Brooke, D. C.	Freame, B.	Macfarlane, J. M.
Browne, F. R.	Freame, R. M.	McFarlane, J. J.
Buchan, A. C.	Galvin, V. C.	McGrath, J. W.
Burton, A. J.	Gardner, R. G.	McKay, C. N.
Caffin, R.	Gibson, R. G.	McKay, S. S.
Cairnes, N. W.	Green, M. E.	McMullen, G.
Calder, D. A.	Greenshields, J. A.	McCallum, A. G.
Card, A. V.	Gregg, R. V.	Macnaughton, J. D.
Callander, A. J.	Hansen, M. E. K.	McKay, T.
Campbell, C. F.	Hastie, G. F. L.	McNiff, T. T.
Campbell, J. E.	Hemming, P.	McVilly, I.
Carmichael, J. H.	Miller, G. R.	McNiff, H. E.
Chambers, M. E.	Hillard, L. T. D.	Newport, F.
Chandler, B. R.	Hollins, A. R.	Nicholls, J. C.
Clabburn, G.	Horder, G. J.	Nicholls, D. R.
Clarke, J. R.	Johnson, W. A. G.	Nixon, N. V.
Clark, J. W. P.	Jenkins, F. B.	Oldfield, F. W.
Coade, N. R.	Jones, E. J.	Ould, W. J.
Cook, D. D.	Kendall, H.	Palfreman, D. B.
Collie, J. R.	Kennon, H. W.	Perkins, G.
Coffey, E. O.	Kerr, K. C. M.	Picken, J. H.
Coffey, J. S. K.	Kerr, R. J.	Pitt W. G.
Cooper, K. N. W.	Komuro Hiroshi	Pope, K.

List of Members, 1936-37 Season.

SENIOR MEMBERS—Continued.

Powell, L.	Shoppee, H. W.	Vanderkelen, C.
Radich, P.	Smart, R. M.	Varcoe, E. K. L.
Raven, C. F.	Smith, K. A.	Walker, E. J.
Richardson, K.	Soward, R. S.	Walker, B. R.
Rigg, A. A.	Spencer, H. T.	Ward, C.
Robinson, Sir Arthur	Spillane, J.	Watson, N. P.
	K.C.M.G. Sprigg, J. G.	Webb, H. H.
Roper, L. W.	Stirling, D. S.	Webster, I. G.
Rorke, A. T.	Stephenson, C. E.	Webster, G. H.
Ross, J. G.	St. John, H. J.	Weire, L. B.
Ross, W. G.	Ternes, H.	White, C.
Roxburgh, T. W.	Ternes, L.	White, F. N.
Rogers, L. W.	Thomas, D. B.	Wilkes, H. A.
Rush, R. T.	Thursfield, R. W.	Williams, M. S.
Rundell, K.	Treharne, A. G.	Wilson, J. W. P.
Ryan, N. A.	Tickett, G. E.	Winford, J. F.
Scarlett, R. C.	Trickett, W. A.	Wischer, I.
Scott, R.	Turnbull, W. R.	Wright, W. J.

JUNIOR MEMBERS.

Atkins, A. H.	Disher, D. W.	Lee, J.
Barton, P. S.	Gartley, R.	Morrison, H. E.
Barwick, J. E.	Grabbam, B. L.	Nethercote, C. R.
Bennison, T. L.	Fletcher, J. M.	O'Sullivan, R.
Bowden, H. S.	Harry, C. N.	O'Reilly, J.
Buchanan, R. M.	Hart, R. H. B.	Potter, G.
Buxton, D.	Henty, W. H.	Richardson, S. G.
Cairnes, A. B.	Hopkin, C. T.	Robertson, J. N.
Carmichael, A.	Hoskyns, H. H.	Shaw, J. D.
Cohen, J. A.	Irwin, A. T.	Swann, F. T.
Davies, G. A. T.	Jones, J.	Vanderkelen, P. W.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Bradshaw, E. T.	Hill, L.	Sloss, A.
Burmeister, C.	Macnaughton, M. S.	South, J.
Connolly, F. R.	O'Reilly, J.	Stooke, G. B.
Gibbs, A. A.	Rush, H. R.	Sturrock, J.
Haworth, W. C.	Shannon, A. R.	

COUNTRY MEMBERS.

Fairbairn, J. C. L.	Macrae, F. A.	Reidy, J. J.
Koch, A. H.		

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.

Briggs, Major R. A.	Morgan, N.	Smith, W. H. R.
Coffey, T. R. K.	Maclaren, A.	Stooke, T. B.
Greer, G. O. S.	Farry, L. T. W.	Williams, H. M.
Haigh-Lumley, I.	Seammen, J. W.	Wilson, A. F.

BALANCE SHEET as at 30th June, 1937.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
Bank of New South Wales	£418 4 11	Boat House as at 30th June, 1936	£1,976 7 4
Sundry Creditors	119 7 8	Add Extensions and Improve- ments	655 13 9
Subscriptions Paid in Advance	14 0 6		2,632 1 1
Xmas Tour Trust Fund	10 0 0	Less Depreciation	50 0 0
Boat Building Fund	7 14 8		2,582 1 1
Capital Account—		Boats and Sculls	578 17 6
Capital as at 30th June, 1936	£2,660 15 1	Less Depreciation	69 11 6
Add Balance Transferred from Revenue Account	155 17 3		509 6 0
	2,816 12 4	Oars at Valuation	133 15 0
		Club Fittings at Valuation	48 10 1
		Subscriptions Outstanding	88 19 9
		Stock on Hand, Singlets, Badges, etc.	14 0 0
		State Savings Bank	9 8 2
			£3,386 0 1

Audited and found correct,

F. R. BROWNE, A.I.C.A.,

Hon. Auditor.

A. CLARKE,

Hon. Treasurer.

REVENUE ACCOUNT for 12

INCOME.

Subscriptions	£636	3	6	
Less V.R.A. Capitation Fee	35	17	6	
	£600	6	0	
Donations	55	1	0	
„ Gymnasium	26	5	6	
		81	6	6
Special Social Functions		89	9	4
Entrance Fees—Club Races		25	9	6

£796 11 4

Audited and found correct,

F. R. BROWNE, A.I.C.A.,

Hon. Auditor.

Months ending 30th June, 1937.

EXPENDITURE.

Repairs to Boats, Oars, Shed	£176 15 10	
Depreciation—		
Boats, Oars, Sculls	£97 13 10	
Boat House	50 0 0	
Club Fittings	10 0 0	
		157 13 10
General Expenses		121 14 7
Lighting, General and Water Rates		57 19 10
Insurance		46 2 11
Interest		10 10 7
Bank Charges		10 4
Telephone		8 17 6
Freight to Country Regattas		13 18 11
Coxswains' Expenses, Country Regattas		20 6 3
Entrance Fees—Regatta Races		5 9 6
Trophy Orders		8 14 0
V.R.A. Dues and Fees		9 7 6
Upper Yarra Affiliation Fee		2 2 0
Metropolitan Rowing Association		10 6
Balance Transferred to Capital Account		155 17 3
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		£796 11 4

A. CLARKE,
Hon. Treasurer.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.	DISBURSEMENTS.
To Total Cash received from 1st July, 1936, to 30th June, 1937	By Bank Overdraft 1st July, 1936
£1,031 10 1	£4 9 1
„ Bank Overdraft as at 30th June, 1937	„ Cash Paid for Revenue Account Items from 1st July, 1936, to 30th June, 1937
418 4 11	697 4 10
	„ Capital Expenditure for 12 Months—
	Additions to Boat House .. £655 13 9
	New Boat, Part Payment .. 27 10 0
	New Oars and Sculls
	748 1 1

	£1,449 15 0

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