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# MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

MELBOURNE



*71st Annual Report*  
and  
*Balance Sheet*

SEASON 1950-51

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Princes Bridge,

Melbourne.

2nd June, 1951.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Seventy-first ANNUAL MEETING of the MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB will be held at the CLUB HOUSE on SATURDAY, 30th JUNE, 1951, at 7.45 p.m. (The Annual Smoke Night will be held at the conclusion of the Meeting.)**

## **BUSINESS:**

1. To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Balance Sheet.
2. To confirm the Minutes of the Previous General Meeting.
3. To elect Office-Bearers for the ensuing year.
4. Presentation of Trophies.
5. General.

Nominations for Office-Bearers for the ensuing year will close at the Club House at 4 p.m., Saturday, 23rd June, 1951.

By order of the Committee,

W. T. MORRISON,

Hon. Secretary.

# MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

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# THE SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## Mercantile Rowing Club

To the Members of the Mercantile Rowing Club:

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting for your consideration the 71st Annual Report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st May, 1951.

It is gratifying to be able to report on the success achieved by the Club in senior rowing during the past season. The promise indicated in the senior and junior ranks over the past two years has been fulfilled this season, and at the conclusion of regatta racing for the year, the Club was in the fortunate position of having sixteen men who had won senior races during the year.

Of the seven senior eight-oared races during the season, your club was successful in five. These races included the Gilbey Cup at the V.R.A. Regatta; the Grand Challenge Cup at Henley, after an exciting dead-heat with Melbourne University; and the Champion Eights of Victoria, which the Club succeeded in winning for the first time since Season 1935-36. It was not until the Ballarat and Barwon Regattas, when your representatives were defeated by narrow margins by Corio Bay, that your Club suffered its first reverse for the season in senior eight-oared races.

Another feature worthy of note in regatta racing, was the fact that in addition to winning the double senior eight at V.R.A. and Henley Regattas, the Club was also successful in annexing the Junior Eight double on the same programme, a feat rarely achieved in the history of these regattas.

The success of so many members in senior ranks during the year has seriously depleted the number of men eligible to row in junior races, and, during the latter half of the season, your selectors were often hard pressed to muster sufficient members to boat Junior, Maiden and Lightweight crews. In the Junior Premiership your Club finished fourth to Banks, Ballarat and Richmond, whilst in the Lightweight Premiership we had to be content to finish second to Ballarat.

As mentioned, the Club is in the fortunate position of having a number of senior oarsmen from which to select crews in the coming season. However, it is necessary to build up the ranks of Junior, Maiden and Lightweight oarsmen, both to achieve success in these divisions and to ensure that a reserve is built up from which senior crews may be filled in future years. With this in view, the Committee requests the co-operation of all members in attracting likely young men to the sport.

Country Regattas have again been well supported and members who made the trip at Christmas and the New Year to attend Nagambie, Yarrowonga and Rutherglen Regattas and at Easter to Mildura and Wentworth Regattas have reported a most enjoyable time at each of these towns. These trips are of undoubted value to the Club and your Committee heartily commend the Regattas at country centres as a memorable holiday.

The King's Cup, rowed this year at Brisbane, resulted in a win for New South Wales, from Victoria and Western Australia. The Australian Sculling Championship for the President's Cup was won by Mr. M. T. Wood, World Amateur Champion, with Victorian representative, Mr. R. V. Rawlins in second place.

Your Club was particularly well represented in the Victorian crew as, in addition to the Coach and Coxswain, five of your members rowed in the crew, whilst another of your number was one of the emergencies. To all of the above your congratulations have been extended.

Two events of importance to Australian rowing have occurred during the past year. In August last Mr. Merv. Wood of New South Wales visited the United States of America and successfully defended the Philadelphia Gold Cup against J. Kelly (America) and A. Rowe (England). In January last an eight-oared crew, comprised of N.S.W. oarsmen, successfully represented Australia at the Christchurch Centennial Games and the New Zealand Championships. On each of these occasions this crew convincingly defeated a combination representing the University of California. Your congratulations have been conveyed to all concerned on so successfully placing Australia to the forefront of world rowing.

The thanks of all members are once again due to the Social Committee for conducting this side of the Club's activities during the past season. It was however a great disappointment to all concerned that so few members supported the Club's Annual Dinner.

A more detailed account of the Club's activities for the season is submitted for your review.

## Financial

Subscriptions received for the past season have shown a satisfactory increase over previous seasons and the Committee has pleasure in thanking members for prompt payment.

The slight decrease in the item "Repairs to Boat, Oars and Shed" is due to the excellent work carried out by the working bee parties during the winter months. It is to be hoped that more of our members will come forward to lend a hand in reconditioning the fleet during the coming winter.

It will be noted that the Club has paid £167/14/- to the Victorian Rowing Association this year, as against an average of £43/16/- over the previous five years. This amount represents 6/6 per head for Capitation Fees, 2/- per head for the Olympic Levy and £60 for your representatives in the King's Cup crew. This and many other expenses necessary to run a Club the size of Mercantile is proving a heavy burden to the Club's finances.

Once again our thanks are due to those members who have helped us considerably with their generous donations.

## Executive and Committee

Up to the time of this Report being placed in the hands of the printers, ten regular meetings of the Committee have been held.

The attendances were as follows:—

R. R. Aitken ..	9	L. L. B. Moll .	10	J. D. Shears .	10
N. W. Cairnes .	9	D. J. Morgan .	10	J. G. Sprigg ..	9
A. L. Dobbie .	6	W. T. Morrison	10	R. W. Thurs-	
E. Kenny . . .	4	R. H. Richard-		field . . . . .	9
A. B. Kohn . . .	9	son . . . . .	10	W. L. Wallace	9
A. G. Lindblade	2	H. P. Shears .	10	E. C. White .	10

## Membership

Although the total number of members of the Club shows only a slight decrease on last season's total, the number of members who competed at regattas during the season has dropped considerably on recent years' figures. As previously mentioned in this report, this is a matter of some concern and something which every member should do his utmost to correct.

The membership now stands as follows:

Life Members . . . . .	9
Senior Members . . . . .	145
Junior Members . . . . .	31
Honorary Members . . . . .	26
Country Members . . . . .	13
Associate Members . . . . .	15
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>239</b>

## Donations

The Club desires to place on record its appreciation of material assistance from the following, to whom we convey your sincere thanks: the family of the late Sir Stephen Morell, the Harlequin Club, Messrs. M. Bailey, J. W. Beattie, F. R. Browne, M. Clemmens, H. Davies, A. L. Dobbie, S. Guinn, E. Kenny, W. Lewis, A. G. Lindblade, D. J. Morgan, J. L. Mounsey, G. R. B. Paterson, J. H. Picken, J. G. Sprigg, M. S. Williams and J. Williams. *W. K. H. COOPER*

## Boats and Oars

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

RACING BOATS	PRACTICE BOATS	TUB BOATS
Deane Morgan . . . . . 8	S. C. Macrae . . . . . 8	N. W. Cairnes . . . . . 4
S. J. Morell . . . . . 8	C. F. Raven . . . . . 8	E. K. Varcoe . . . . . 4
R. W. Thursfield . . . . . 4	J. L. Mounsey . . . . . 8	J. H. Picken . . . . . 2
A. L. Dobbie . . . . . 4	C. J. Nicholls . . . . . 8	A. G. Lindblade . . . . . 2
G. T. Hastie . . . . . 2	G. J. Horder . . . . . 8	J. Watson . . . . . 2
Lawrie Moll . . . . . Scull	V. F. Mason . . . . . 4	Scull No. 1
		Scull No. 2
	<b>CLINKER RACING</b>	
J. H. Bailey . . . . . 8	J. G. Sprigg . . . . . 8	L. B. Weire . . . . . 4

It will be noted that several craft have disappeared from the list of the Club's fleet during the year. The clinker racing eight "E. Kenny" was sold during the season to Huonville Rowing Club, Tasmania; the two practice fours, "A. P. Miller" and "H. G. Taylor" were disposed of to the Warnambool Rowing Club, and the Tub Four "S. Guinn" was sold to the Mercantile Rowing Club, Tasmania. In addition to these craft, the best and best eight "S. J. Morell" is also listed as being for sale and at the time of this Report being placed in the hands of the printer; negotiations were still proceeding for the sale of this boat. It will also be noted that the clinker racing eight "A. R. Shannon" has disappeared from the list of the Club's fleet; it has been decided to scrap this craft for the salvage of fittings, this course being more economical than the sale of the boat outright.

Two new boats have been added to the fleet since the last Report, and a number of new boats are on order. The best and best racing eight "Westralia", purchased from the Western Australian Rowing Association at the conclusion of last season, was renamed the "Deane Morgan" and made an auspicious debut by being successful in the first five races in which it competed. Early in the year the Club took delivery of a new tub four from H. Lounder of Adelaide, which was subsequently christened the "E. K. Varcoe", this craft has also proved a welcome addition to the Club's fleet.

During the season orders were placed with Mr. Lounder for three new tub pairs and an additional tub four. Delivery of these boats is expected to commence early in the new season. The Club also has on order from Mr. G. Green of Sydney a new racing eight and racing four, and from Messrs. Geo. Towns & Sons a new racing four; however, due to shortages of labour and materials, delivery of these craft is still indefinite.

## Coaching

The Club is indebted to the following gentlemen who have devoted so much time to the coaching of crews during the season: Messrs. H. B. Burke, N. W. Cairnes, G. B. Johnson, L. L. B. Moll, D. J. Morgan, J. N. Robertson, H. P. Shears, J. D. Shears and E. C. White. It is unfortunate, both from the point of view of the individual and the Club, that the number of coaches available have been so few and that so many of the Club's crews were forced to train, either coached on a part time basis, or with no coach at all. One instance of this was at Upper Yarra and Albert Park Regattas when, with only four crews competing, regular coaching was available for only one of these crews for the full period of their training. The importance of good coaching for crews cannot be too greatly stressed, and it should be the duty of every member, so fitted for the task, to coach at least one crew during the season.

To Messrs. A. G. Lindblade, F. R. Browne and other members who, during the year, have given so much to the teaching of novices, we extend our thanks and at the same time regret that they are so few in number.

## Rowing

### Australian Championships

5th May, 1951

The Australian Eight-oared Championship for the King's Cup was rowed at Brisbane, all six States competing. This race resulted in a win for New South Wales, whose representatives were almost identical with the crew that defeated the University of California at Christchurch in January last. The Victorian crew rowed extremely well to finish second, one length behind New South Wales and two lengths in front of Western Australia, who were placed third.

Victoria was represented by: W. Wallace (Mercantile), bow; N. Howell (Preston), 2; H. D. Duncan (Mercantile), 3; D. Olliff (Mercantile), 4; G. Barrett (University), 5; W. O. Granowski (Mercantile), 6; T. Hoffman (Corio Bay), 7; R. R. Aitken (Mercantile), stroke; W. Bailey (Mercantile), cox; N. W. Cairnes (Mercantile), coach; with W. Craig (Mercantile) and N. P. Everist (Corio Bay) as emergencies.

The Sculling Championship for the President's Cup was held on the same day and was won by M. T. Wood of New South Wales, from R. V. Rawlins of Victoria.

To the successful New South Wales crew, who won the Championship for the fourth successive year, and to Merv. Wood who won the Sculls for the sixth successive year, we extend our sincerest congratulations.

It will be noted that your Club was particularly well represented in interstate rowing by W. L. Wallace (bow), H. D. Duncan (3), D. Olliff (4), W. O. Granowski (6), R. R. Aitken (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), N. W. Cairnes (coach), and W. Craig (emergency); in addition Mr. J. South, a member of your Club, was again one of Victoria's Selectors. It is many years since the Club was so well represented in an interstate crew, and to all the above gentlemen we extend our heartiest congratulations on well merited honours.

## State Championship Events

*Champion Eights.*—This event was rowed on the Lower Yarra course on 17th February, 1951, attracting an entry of five crews. Your Club was successful in this event for the first time since 1935-36, winning convincingly from Corio Bay, with Albert Park, Preston and South Melbourne finishing in that order. The Club's crew was as follows: W. L. Wallace (bow), R. R. Aitken (2), H. D. Duncan (3), D. Olliff (4), W. J. Craig (5), W. O. Granowski (6), R. G. Day (7), J. D. Shears (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), N. W. Cairnes (coach).

*Champion Fours.*—This race was rowed over the 2,000 metre course on the Lower Yarra on Saturday, 16th December, 1950, eight crews competing. After an exciting race, Corio Bay were successful by the narrow margin of 1 foot from Mercantile, with Albert Park in third place. Your Club was represented by: H. D. Duncan (bow), D. Olliff (2), W. J. Craig (3), R. R. Aitken (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), H. P. Shears (coach).

*Champion Pairs.*—Rowed at Nagambie on 26th December, 1950, resulted in a win for Preston from Melbourne, with Albert Park in third place. Your representatives in this event were: W. L. Wallace (bow), H. P. Shears (stroke), W. Bailey (cox).

*Champion Sculls.*—This 2¼ mile event was rowed downstream on the Lower Yarra on 17th February, 1951, resulting in a win for R. Rawlins (Melbourne), from J. Evans (Yarra Yarra). Your Club was not represented in this event.

*2,000 Metre Sculling Championship.*—Rowed downstream on the Lower Yarra on 16th December, resulted in a good win for R. Rawlins (Melbourne), from J. Evans (Yarra Yarra). Your Club was represented by J. Forsyth.

*Champion Junior Eights.*—This race was rowed over the 2,000 metre course on the Lower Yarra on 21st April, six crews competing. Banks were successful by a canvas from Mercantile, with Richmond in third place. Your representatives were: W. Rogers (bow), J. D. Scales (2), W. Wheatland (3), F. W. Shepherd (4), M. Murray (5), B. J. Doyle (6), S. M. Smith (7), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Harrison (cox), J. D. Shears (coach).

*Champion Lightweight Eights.*—Rowed on the Lower Yarra on 21st April, resulted in a win for Ballarat, from Ballarat City and Barwon. Your Club was not represented in this event.



*Champion Lightweight Fours.*—This event was rowed on the Lower Yarra course over 2,000 metres, on 16th December, 1950, Corio Bay winning from Albert Park and Banks. Your Club was represented by: E. C. White (bow), R. H. Richardson (2), J. N. Robertson (3), A. B. Kohn (stroke), M. Lee (cox), D. J. Morgan (coach).

*Champion Lightweight Pairs.*—Rowed at Nagambie on 26th December, 1950, resulted in a convincing win for Mercantile from Albert Park. The Club's crew was as follows: J. N. Robertson (bow), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Wilson (cox).

## Regattas

### Melbourne Regatta

18th November, 1950

*Senior Eight.*—W. L. Wallace (bow), P. Macpherson (2), J. Rowe (3), D. Olliff (4), H. D. Duncan (5), L. L. B. Moll (6), W. J. Craig (7), R. R. Aitken (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), H. P. Shears (coach), after an exciting race, won this event from University by two feet.

*Double Sculls.*—J. Williams combined with R. Rawlins (Melbourne) in this event and won convincingly. T. W. Shears and H. P. Shears also started, finishing second.

*Junior Eight.*—S. M. Smith (bow), J. D. Scales (2), W. Rogers (3), J. Peterson (4), F. Noble (5), W. O. Granowski (6), R. G. Day (7), J. D. Shears (stroke), M. Lee (cox), N. W. Cairnes (coach), won the heat and final of this event in fine style.

*Junior Four.*—W. T. Morrison (bow), N. Browning (2), J. N. Robertson (3), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Harrison (cox), D. J. Morgan (coach), were successful in the heat, but were defeated in the final.

*Maiden Eight.*—A. Batiste (bow), R. Lennon (2), C. Lewis (3), G. Geroe (4), R. Liddle (5), K. Wilson (6), L. Ackland (7), G. Wischer (stroke), P. Hoppe (cox), H. Burke (coach), were defeated.

*Lightweight Pair.*—E. C. White (bow), R. H. Richardson (stroke), P. Wilson (cox), J. D. Shears (coach), scored a good win in the heat and final of this event.

*Handicap Sculls.*—K. Bilney was unsuccessful.

### Henley Regatta

25th November, 1950

*Senior Eight.*—W. L. Wallace (bow), P. Macpherson (2), J. Rowe (3), D. Olliff (4), H. D. Duncan (5), L. L. B. Moll (6), W. J. Craig (7), R. R. Aitken (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), H. P. Shears (coach), won their heat by 3 feet from Sydney Rowing Club and, after another exciting race, dead-heated with University in the final. The race was re-rowed the following morning, and your representatives won by a canvas, thus completing the double.

*Double Sculls.*—J. William and R. Rawlins were again successful in this event, completing the double.

*Silver Sculls.*—K. Bilney was defeated.

*Junior Eight.*—S. M. Smith (bow), J. D. Scales (2), W. Rogers (3), J. Peterson (4), F. Noble (5), W. O. Granowski (6), R. G. Day (7), J. D. Shears (stroke), M. Lee (cox), N. W. Cairnes (coach), were again untroubled to win the heat and final of this event, thus completing a fine double.

*Junior Four.*—Your representatives at Melbourne Regatta dead-heated in the heat of this event, but were defeated in the semi-final.

*Maiden Eight.*—The crew which raced at the previous regatta were again unsuccessful.

## Nagambie Regatta

26th December, 1950

*Senior Four.*—J. M. Ferguson (bow), D. Olliff (2), W. J. Craig (3), R. R. Aitken (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), H. P. Shears (coach), were unsuccessful.

*Senior Pair.*—W. Wallace (bow), H. P. Shears (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), were defeated.

*Junior Four.*—R. G. Day (bow), J. Peterson (2), F. Noble (3), J. D. Shears (stroke), M. Lee (cox), N. W. Cairnes (coach), were unsuccessful.

*Junior Pair.*—R. G. Day (bow), W. O. Granowski (stroke), P. Wilson (cox), were defeated.

*Maiden Eight.*—A. Batiste (bow), R. Lennon (2), R. Liddle (3), L. Ackland (4), G. Geroe (5), K. Wilson (6), C. Lewis (7), N. Marr (stroke), P. Hoppe (cox), L. L. B. Moll (coach), were unsuccessful.

*Lightweight Four.*—E. C. White (bow), J. D. Shears (2), J. N. Robertson (3), A. B. Kehn (stroke), M. Lee (cox), D. J. Morgan (coach), were defeated.

*Lightweight Pair.*—J. N. Robertson (bow), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Wilson (cox), scored a fine win.

## Yarrawonga Regatta

30th December, 1950

*Senior Four.*—W. Wallace (bow), P. Macpherson (2), J. M. Ferguson (3), R. R. Aitken (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), H. P. Shears (coach), were unsuccessful.

*Senior Pair.*—Your representatives at Nagambie were narrowly defeated in this event.

*Junior Pair.*—The crew of the previous Regatta was again unsuccessful.

*Maiden Eight.*—Your representatives at Nagambie were successful in this event.

*Lightweight Four.*—The crew which represented the Club at the previous Regatta was again defeated.

*Lightweight Pair.*—Your Nagambie representatives won this event easily.

## Rutherglen Regatta

1st January, 1951

*Senior Four.*—The crew which represented your Club at Yarrawonga were successful in this event by  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a length.

*Senior Pair.*—Your representatives at the previous Regattas scored a fine win in this event.

*Junior Four.*—Your Nagambie representatives were defeated.

*Junior Pair.*—Your representatives were successful in this event.

*Maiden Eight.*—This crew was unsuccessful.

*Lightweight Four.*—The crew, which represented your Club at the previous regattas, scored a good win in this event.

*Lightweight Pairs.*—This crew was again successful, registering their fourth win in seven days.

## Upper Yarra Regatta

27th January, 1951

*Senior Eight.*—W. L. Wallace (bow), J. Peterson (2), F. Noble (3), D. Olliff (4), W. J. Craig (5), W. O. Granowski (6), R. G. Day (7), J. D. Shears (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), N. W. Cairnes (coach), scored a convincing win from Corio Bay and Albert Park.

*Senior Four.*—H. D. Duncan (bow), H. P. Shears (2), L. L. B. Moll (3), R. R. Aitken (stroke), P. Hoppe (cox), won this event.

*Junior Four.*—R. Williams (bow), P. F. Moloughney (2), S. M. Smith (3), B. J. Doyle (stroke), P. Wilson (cox), D. J. Morgan (coach), won their heat, but were defeated in the final.

*Lightweight Eight.*—A. Batiste (bow), R. H. Martin (2), W. T. Morrison (3), R. H. Richardson (4), E. C. White (5), D. J. Crichton (6), J. N. Roberston (7), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Harrison (cox), L. L. B. Moll and G. B. Johnson (coaches), won their heat, but, after an exciting race, were defeated by one foot in the final.

*Handicap Sculls.*—K. Bilney was defeated.

## Albert Park Regatta

29th January, 1951

*Senior Eight.*—W. L. Wallace (bow), J. Peterson (2), F. Noble (3), D. Olliff (4), W. J. Craig (5), W. O. Granowski (6), R. G. Day (7), J. D. Shears (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), N. W. Cairnes (coach), scored a good win, completing a fine double.

*Senior Four.*—H. D. Duncan (bow), H. P. Shears (2), L. L. B. Moll (3), R. R. Aitken (stroke), P. Hoppe (cox), were again successful.

*Junior Four.*—Your representatives at Upper Yarra were defeated in their heat of this event by the ultimate winners.

*Lightweight Eight.*—A. Batiste (bow), R. H. Martin (2), W. T. Morrison (3), R. H. Richardson (4), E. C. White (5), D. J. Crichton (6), J. N. Roberston (7), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Harrison (cox), L. L. B. Moll and G. B. Johnson (coaches), won the heat and final of this event in good style.

## Ballarat Regatta

24th February, 1951

*Senior Eight.*—W. L. Wallace (bow), R. R. Aitken (2), H. D. Duncan (3), D. Olliff (4), W. J. Craig (5), W. O. Granowski (6), R. G. Day (7), J. D. Shears (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), N. W. Cairnes (coach), your Senior Eight suffered their first defeat of the season in this race, going down to Corio Bay by  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a length.

*Junior Four.*—M. Murray (bow), J. D. Scales (2), S. M. Smith (3), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Harrison (cox), L. L. B. Moll (coach), were defeated.

*Junior Pair.*—S. M. Smith (bow), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Wilson (cox), L. L. B. Moll, were unsuccessful.

*Maiden Eight.*—E. C. White (bow), R. H. Martin (2), J. Morganti (3), B. Taylor (4), G. Wischer (5), D. J. Crichton (6), D. J. Pickwell (7), B. J. Doyle (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), H. P. Shears (coach), were narrowly defeated.

## Barwon Regatta

3rd March, 1951

*Senior Eight.*—W. L. Wallace (bow), H. P. Shears (2), H. D. Duncan (3), R. R. Aitken (4), W. J. Craig (5), W. O. Granowski (6), R. G. Day (7), J. D. Shears (stroke), were defeated by  $\frac{1}{2}$  a length.

*Junior Four.*—M. Murray (bow), J. D. Scales (2), S. M. Smith (3), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Harrison (cox), L. L. B. Moll (coach), won the heat and final of this event in good style.

*Maiden Eight.*—Your Ballarat representatives won their heat, but were defeated in the final by three feet.

## Mildura Regatta

24th March, 1951

*Senior Four.*—T. W. Shears (bow), J. D. Shears (2), L. L. B. Moll (3), H. P. Shears (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), won this event.

*Senior Pair.*—T. W. Shears (bow), J. D. Shears (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), were unsuccessful.

*Junior Eight.*—E. C. White (bow), R. H. Richardson (2), T. W. Shears (3), D. J. Crichton (4), J. N. Robertson (5), B. J. Doyle (6), W. Wheatland (7), A. B. Kohn (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), won their heat, but were defeated in the final by  $1\frac{1}{2}$  lengths.

*Junior Four.*—J. N. Robertson (bow), B. J. Doyle (2), W. Wheatland (3), A. B. Kohn (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), won their heat, but were defeated in the final.

*Maiden Pair.*—J. Morganti (bow), G. Kelly (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), were defeated.

## Wentworth Regatta

26th March, 1951

*Senior Four.*—Your representatives at Mildura were awarded a row-over on this occasion.

*Senior Pair.*—Your representatives at the previous regatta were defeated.

*Junior Four.*—J. N. Robertson (bow), D. J. Crighton (2), W. Wheatland (3) A. B. Kohn (stroke), W. Bailey (cox), won their heat, but were defeated in the final.

*Maiden Pair.*—Your Mildura representatives were defeated.

## Metropolitan Novice Regatta

15th September, 1951

*Novice Four.*—A. Batiste (bow), D. Bell (2), G. Wischer (3), N. Marr (stroke), P. Wilson (cox), L. L. B. Moll (coach), were defeated in the heat by the ultimate winners.

*Beginners' Four.*—R. Liddle (bow), L. Ackland (2), C. Lewis (3), R. Lennon (stroke), P. Hoppe (cox), J. N. Robertson (coach), dead-heated in this event, but won the re-row by a good margin.

*Beginners' Pair.*—G. Geroe (bow), W. Stephens (stroke), P. Harrison (cox), E. C. White (coach), were successful.

*Novice Sculls.*—J. Forsyth was defeated.

## Premierships

### PREMIERSHIP POINTS

#### Senior

Mercantile . . . . .	72	University . . . . .	8
Corio Bay . . . . .	32	Essendon . . . . .	2
Melbourne . . . . .	22	Mildura . . . . .	2
Albert Park . . . . .	14	Yarra Yarra . . . . .	2
Preston . . . . .	14	Sydney (N.S.W.) . . . . .	1

#### Junior

Banks . . . . .	74	Warrnambool . . . . .	14
Ballarat . . . . .	44	Wendouree . . . . .	14
Richmond . . . . .	40	Bairnsdale . . . . .	12
Mercantile . . . . .	38	Albert Park . . . . .	12
Nagambie . . . . .	32	Essendon . . . . .	6
Barwon . . . . .	24	Rutherglen Lake . . . . .	6
Mildura . . . . .	20	Dimboola . . . . .	4
South Melbourne . . . . .	20	Hawthorn . . . . .	4
Yarra Yarra . . . . .	20	Nestanglo . . . . .	4
Corio Bay . . . . .	18		

Your congratulations are extended to Banks Rowing Club on winning the above premiership.

#### Lightweight

Ballarat . . . . .	52	Barwon . . . . .	8
Mercantile . . . . .	24	South Melbourne . . . . .	8
Ballarat City . . . . .	20	Melbourne . . . . .	4
Corio Bay . . . . .	16	Yarra Yarra . . . . .	4
Albert Park . . . . .	16	Eaglehawk . . . . .	2
Banks . . . . .	10	Warrnambool . . . . .	2

To Ballarat Rowing Club, the winners of the Lightweight Premiership, we extend your congratulations.

## Head of the River

Your congratulations are extended to Scotch College on their fine win in this event. Mr. Charles Saleh, a Member of your Club, was coach of the successful crew, and your congratulations are also conveyed to him.

Thanks to the co-operation of the Captain of Boats and Mr. Mitchell, with the Clubs Executive, your Club's happy association with Scotch College was continued.

## Combination Races

### U.L.V.A. EIGHTS—7th October, 1950

Melbourne Rowing Club conducted this eight-oared combination race for trophies donated by the United Licensed Victuallers Association. A. Batiste represented your Club in the winning crew.

### MORELL EIGHTS—5th DECEMBER, 1950

The family of the late Sir Stephen Morell, once more generously donated trophies for this event. Twelve crews entered and the winning crew was as follows: W. Morrison (Mercantile), bow; A. Palmington (Richmond), 2; W. Tanner (South Melbourne), 3; R. Leonard (Richmond), 4; H. Christian (Yarra Yarra), 5; J. Peterson (Mercantile), 6; K. Blanche (Preston), 7; J. Shears (Mercantile), stroke; P. Wilson (Mercantile), cox.

## Club Races

### MARTIN CLEMMENS FOURS—29th July, 1950

The trophies for this event were donated by Mr. Martin Clemmens, a former member of Leander Rowing Club, England. Mr. Clemmens was a regular visitor to the Club House, whilst in Australia on leave from Cyprus. An entry of six crews was received for this event and the trophies were presented by Mr. D. A. Calder on behalf of the donor. The race was won by: J. N. Robertson (bow), K. Wilson (2), T. W. Shears (3), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Harrison (cox).

### PRESIDENT'S FOURS—26th AUGUST, 1950

This event was once again conducted in conjunction with Ladies' Day for trophies donated by our President, Mr. A. L. Dobbie. Ten crews competed, the successful crew being: W. Morrison (bow), J. Peterson (2), F. Noble (3), A. B. Kohn (stroke), P. Harrison (cox).

### GUINN PAIRS—5th MAY, 1951

Trophies for this event were donated by Mr. Stan Guinn, a Life Member of the Club. Eleven crews competed and the race was won by: J. N. Robertson (bow), H. P. Shears (stroke), T. Liddle (cox).

### PICKEN-WILLIAMS EIGHTS—26th MAY, 1951

Once again the Club is indebted to Messrs. J. H. Picken and M. S. Williams for generously donating trophies for this event. Four crews competed, the successful crew being: G. Richardson (bow), D. Bell (2), G. Geroe (3), N. Browning (4), F. Noble (5), J. Peterson (6), W. Shears (7), H. Shears (stroke), P. Harrison (cox).

## ALEX CLARKE FOURS—23rd JUNE, 1951

This event will be raced for trophies presented by the Club as a memorial to the late Mr. C. A. R. Clarke, for many years Treasurer and a Committeeman of the Club.

## SPRIGG TIME TRIAL

Once again we are indebted to Mr. J. G. Sprigg, a Vice-President and Life Member of the Club, who has donated trophies for this Time Trial. The event will terminate on the night of the Annual Meeting and is being rowed under similar conditions to last year's trial, when the course was to the Dock Head and return. The winners of this event last year were: E. C. White (bow), J. Peterson (2), F. Noble (3), D. Olliff (4), H. D. Duncan (5), H. P. Shears (6), S. M. Smith (7), J. D. Shears (stroke), W. Bailey (cox). Time: 28 mins. 1 sec.

## HARLEQUIN TIME TRIAL

The Harlequin Club, whose association with Mercantile has extended over many years, has once more donated handsome trophies for a time trial event for four-oared crews. The course is again to Spencer Street Bridge and return. Already a number of crews have completed the course and as the event does not terminate until the day of the Annual Meeting, it is not possible to name the winning crew in this report. The winners of this event last year were: J. Robertson (bow), J. D. Shears (2), J. S. Rowe (3), R. R. Aitken (stroke), W. Bailey (cox). Time: 11 mins, 45 secs.

## Trophies

*Captain's Trophy.*—The Captain, Mr. Deane Morgan, has again donated a trophy for competition among members. Only a few points separate the leading competitors and the result will not be known until the Annual Meeting. Last year the trophy resulted in a dead-heat between Mr. A. B. Kohn and Mr. J. N. Robertson; Mr. Morgan, who also donated the trophy on this occasion, generously provided a trophy for each of the winners.

*J. W. Beattie Trophy.*—Mr. Beattie has again provided a trophy for the member gaining most points in regatta racing during the season. This trophy has been won by Mr. A. B. Kohn from Mr. J. D. Shears.

*Coxswains' Trophies.*—The competition for the shield donated by Mr. M. Bailey for the Champion Coxswain of the Club was won by Master W. Bailey. The trophy for the most improved coxswain, donated by Mr. E. K. Varcoe, was won by Master P. Wilson.

## Boat Christenings

On Ladies' Day, 26th August, two new craft recently added to the Club's Fleet were named. The racing eight recently purchased from the Western Australian Rowing Association was christened "Deane Morgan" by Mr. Morgan's sister, Mrs. A. Stuart, and the Tub Four, delivered from Adelaide at the commencement of the season, was named "E. K. Varcoe" by Mrs. E. K. Varcoe.

Both ladies were introduced to the large number of members and ladies present by the Club's President, Mr. A. L. Dobbie, and the ceremonies were carried out in the usual Mercantile manner.

## Social Activities

*Ladies' Day.*—This popular function was again well attended. Afternoon tea was provided in the Gymnasium, and good racing was witnessed in the President's Fours.

*Annual Dinner.*—The Annual Dinner was held at Carlyon's Hotel on 7th December and a very enjoyable evening was had by all present. However, unfortunately the attendance was very disappointing to all connected with the organisation of this function, only approximately 50 members being present. It is obvious, that unless increased support is forthcoming for this fixture in future, serious consideration will have to be given to its abandonment.

*Dances.*—During the year several Cabaret Dances were held at the "Dorchester", and proved very popular with members. Our thanks are due to Mr. Bill White, assisted by Messrs. John Robertson and Geoff. Bade, for the excellent organisation of these functions.

## General

At the last Annual Meeting, Messrs. F. R. Browne and A. G. Lindblade were unanimously elected Life Members of the Club. The work these two gentlemen have done for the Club is well known to all members, and it will be agreed that the honour bestowed was well earned.

Early in the season, Dimboola Rowing Club presented a handsome Cup to the Club, in recognition of the hospitality extended to them during their visits to Melbourne for Metropolitan Regattas. It has been decided by your Committee to award this trophy to Mr. N. W. Cairnes as the most successful coach in the Club for the season.

Our congratulations are extended to Messrs. Norm Cairnes and Roy Thursfield, on their appointment as Joint Hon. Secretaries of the Melbourne Amateur Regatta Association (Henley). Last Henley, the first under their control, was unanimously voted the best post-war Henley to date, and augurs well for the future of this fixture under their guidance.

Your thanks are again due to Messrs. Lawrie Moll, Herb Shears, Bob Aitken, Jack Shears, Harry Duncan, Bill Wallace, Bill White and other members, who have devoted so much time during winter months to carrying out repairs on the Club's fleet. The work of this small band of members has been largely instrumental in keeping down the cost of boat repairs. Working bees are again being held on Wednesday evenings and your attendance is invited.

At the last Annual Meeting of the Victorian Rowing Association, your President, Mr. A. L. Dobbie announced that he would not be standing for re-election as a Member of the Executive of the Association. Mr. Dobbie has been a Member of the Executive since its inception, and his mature judgment will be missed by this body. Your Captain, Mr. Deane Morgan, was elected to the Executive in Mr. Dobbie's place, and congratulations are extended to him on this well-deserved honour.



It is with pleasure that we are able to record the reappearance at the Club House of George Robertson. Although still suffering the effects of an accident sustained over twelve months ago while returning home from training, George is now making good progress, and we all trust that before long he will be able to take his place in a crew.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Messrs. C. Barnett, M. E. Green, G. and R. Richardson, R. W. Thursfield and C. V. Ward, who suffered bereavements during the year.

Best wishes for their future happiness and prosperity are conveyed to Messrs. N. Browning, I. M. Green, J. Langley, F. Kain, W. T. Morrison, C. J. Nicholls and S. M. Smith, who were married during the year.

Mr. Norman Cairnes, Assistant Honorary Secretary of the Victorian Rowing Association, added to the outstanding service which he has given to rowing in Victoria, by acting as Secretary for some months during the absence of Mr. Harry Butler in Queensland.

Our congratulations are extended to Messrs. A. Abromwich, A. Gordon, W. Gray, G. Hiller, J. Mitchell, W. A. Trickett and F. Raven, and their wives, on the occasion of additions to their families. Special congratulations are accorded to Mr. and Mrs. Geoff. Hyett on the birth of twins.

Masters W. Bailey, P. Harrison, P. Hoppe, M. Lee, T. Liddle and P. Wilson have rendered the Club good service as coxswains during the year.

Your Captain, Mr. Deane Morgan, was appointed Secretary of the Upper Yarra Regatta Association during the year, and the success of this Association's fixture in January last was a tribute to his organisation.

The Senior Eight, which represented your Club at the V.R.A. and Henley Regattas, competed at the Metropolitan Regatta, Sydney, on the 5th December. On water which they were not used to and in a strange boat, this crew put up a very creditable performance to finish a good second to Sydney Rowing Club.

On Sunday, 25th February, Sir Angus Gillan, K.B.E., C.M.G., Representative of the British Council, paid a visit to the Club, and after a row in one of the Club crews, presented the City of Norwich Shield to Jack Shears, as stroke of the Club's successful Champion Eight.

Members were pleased to welcome to the Club House Mr. Bill Hidgcock. Bill has spent some years in the Northern Territory, and is now in Melbourne on holidays.

The thanks of all members are due to the rowing correspondents of the four Metropolitan Daily Newspapers for the sterling publicity they have given the sport under extremely difficult circumstances. Thanks are also conveyed to Radio Stations 3AW, 3DB, and to The Australian Broadcasting Commission for similar publicity during the season.

Mr. A. G. Lindblade is at work compiling a history of the early days of the Club, and members are looking forward to the publication of this history with much interest.

Congratulations are conveyed to Mr. Jim Ferguson, a member of the Club, on coaching the victorious University Eight in the Inter-varsity Race in June of last year. Jim is also coach of this year's crew.

Messrs. E. K. Varcoe, D. A. Calder and C. H. Ward attended to the catering for the re-union at the Club House on Anzac Day, and those participating expressed their thanks for the excellent meal provided.

Prior to his departure on an overseas visit, Mr. Bill Pitt was tendered a dinner at Tattersalls Hotel by fellow members. All present reported an enjoyable evening.

The cleanliness of the Club House is due in no small measure to Messrs. Bob Aitken, Alby Lindblade, Graham Richardson, Bill Wallace and others who have assisted. The thanks of members are conveyed to these gentlemen.

During the past season we have been pleased to extend the hospitality of the Club House to the various country and interstate Clubs who have competed at Metropolitan Regattas. Once again the Club House was made available to the organisers of "Carols by Candlelight" on Christmas Eve, and the "Herald Learn to Swim Campaign" for their diving display.

Thanks are conveyed to the various rowing Clubs for the assistance they have rendered us during the past season.

## Conclusion

In conclusion, the retiring Committee wish to thank members for the assistance given during the season, and hope that the same co-operation and support may be relied on by the incoming Committee.

For and on behalf of the Committee,

W. T. MORRISON, Hon. Secretary.

## Obituary

During the past season two prominent members of former years have passed away, viz., Mr. T. F. Brennan, and Mr. Horace E. Stevens.

Mr. Brennan's association with the Club extended over no less than 68 years. He joined it in 1893, and at the time of his death was one of our Vice-Presidents. During that long period he saw the Club grow from a modest beginning to its present status, and was associated with such enthusiasts as Sir Stephen Morell, Alex Sloan, Percy Ivens, and those other stalwarts who did such great work in establishing the Club on the sound foundations on which it has been built up.

His active rowing career was cut short when he joined the Victorian Railways about 1896, where he used to be Chief Accountant, but he rendered fine service to the Club as Hon. Treasurer, which office he filled most capably for a number of years. On his retirement from this office he was the Club's Hon. Auditor for an extended period, and was succeeded by Mr. F. R. Browne.

During his many years as Vice-President, although an infrequent visitor to the Club, he still maintained his interest in it, and his name figured regularly on the list of Donors.

His death removes yet another of the pioneers of the Club, to whom present day members owe so much.

Mr. Horace Stevens started his rowing career with Essendon, from which Club he transferred to Mercantile early in the present century. He had a successful career with our Club, chiefly in association with Mr. L. Jones, including the Stewards' Challenge Cup at Henley on the Yarra in 1906. Later he returned to Essendon, whose colours he carried when he won the Championship Sculls of Victoria in 1910-11 and 1911-12 seasons.

On the outbreak of the 1914-18 War he joined the A.I.F., and was in England at its termination. He remained there for a number of years, and had a successful career as a bass-baritone, being regarded as one of the world's best singers of Oratorio. On his return to Australia, he devoted himself entirely to a musical career. He was associated with the choir of St. Paul's Cathedral from boyhood days almost to the time of his death, was a distinguished conductor, and was highly regarded as a Tutor at the Victorian Conservatorium of Music. His contemporaries in rowing circles still recall with pleasure the great enjoyment afforded by his fine singing at their social functions. It is safe to say that he has never been equalled in this connection.

## Addendum

It is my privilege to express to the Executive Officers and Committee of the Club, the sincere appreciation and thanks of members for the excellent manner in which they have managed the affairs during the past season.

We were fortunate in again having Mr. Deane Morgan as Captain, and Mr. Herb. Shears as Vice-Captain. Both have served the Club splendidly in their respective offices during the past four

seasons, and their experience and sound judgment have been largely responsible for another successful year.

They were well supported by Mr. W. Morrison as Hon. Secretary, and Mr. Ron Richardson as Hon. Treasurer, and by a young and enthusiastic Committee.

While we were not successful in winning two Premierships, as was the case in 1949-50, it is satisfactory to have secured the Senior Premiership by the handsome margin recorded in this report. It will be seen that the Club also made a good showing in the Junior Premiership, and the newly established Lightweight Premiership.

Our thanks are due to those members who have done such excellent work in the coaching of crews, particularly to Mr. Norman Cairnes, who had a most successful season. Starting off with winning the "double" Junior Eight at V.R.A. and Henley regattas, he followed this up with the "double" Senior Eight at Upper Yarra and Albert Park regattas. Then came a fine win in the Championship Eights. His appointment as coach of the Victorian crew for the King's Cup, was the culmination of a very successful season's coaching, and a fitting reward for the great amount of time and enthusiasm he devoted to his task. In addition to coaching, Mr. Cairnes has most capably filled the office of Assistant Hon. Secretary of the V.R.A., and of Joint Hon. Secretary of the Henley Regatta, in association with Mr. Roy Thursfield.

To those members who trained so conscientiously in their respective crews, our sincere thanks are due.

In recent years the lack of boatbuilding firms in Melbourne has made it necessary for essential repairs to the fleet to be done by members. In this, our Club has been fortunate in the excellent work done by a small band of enthusiasts, headed by Mr. L. Moll. Additions to the number of workers will be welcome.

I would specially draw the attention of all members to the reference in this report to the necessity of building up our strength in the Maiden division. While our position as regards Senior oarsmen is very satisfactory, rowing history has repeatedly shown that to be content with success in Senior and Championship races has had the effect of slackening interest in regard to Maiden men, and can easily bring about serious repercussions in any Club. Therefore the assistance of all members in this direction is strongly urged, not only in securing recruits, but by taking a personal interest in coaching them, so that they can soon take their places in Regatta crews, and thus maintain the Club's prestige.

A. L. DOBBIE, President.

## List of Members, 1950-51

### LIFE MEMBERS

Browne, F. R.	Kenny, E.	Picken, J. H.
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Geroe, G. A.	Olliff, D.	Turner, B.
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## REVENUE ACCOUNT for 12 months ending 30th April, 1951.

RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURE	
Subscriptions . . . . .	£668 17 0	Repairs Boats, Oars and Shed . . . . .	£96 18 4
Less V.R.A. Capitation Fee . . . . .	82 14 0	Depreciation . . . . .	104 15 9
	£586 3 0	General Expenses . . . . .	180 15 8
Donations . . . . .	189 18 8	Lighting, General and Water Rates . . . . .	64 19 1
Entrance Fees, Club Races . . . . .	16 18 0	Insurance . . . . .	77 10 2
Entrance Fees, Combination Races . . . . .	8 16 0	Trophies, Club Races . . . . .	25 8 0
Interest . . . . .	20 17 0	Freight to Country Regattas . . . . .	2 6 6
Hiring and Letting . . . . .	9 4 3	Entrance Fees Regattas . . . . .	1 3 6
		Upper Yarra Regatta Association . . . . .	4 4 0
		Coxswains' Expenses . . . . .	42 13 9
		Boat Staging . . . . .	2 2 0
		V.R.A. Levy, King's Cup . . . . .	40 0 0
		Amateur Sculling Association . . . . .	0 10 6
		Metropolitan Rowing Association . . . . .	2 2 0
		Balance Transferred to Capital Account . . . . .	186 7 8
	£831 16 11		£831 16 11

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Hon. Auditor.

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