

Mercantile Rowing Club

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74th ANNUAL REPORT *and* BALANCE SHEET

Season 1953-54

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MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB



Princess Bridge,
Melbourne,

June, 1954.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Seventy-fourth ANNUAL MEETING of the MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB will be held at the CLUB HOUSE on SATURDAY, 26th JUNE, 1954, 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 on the Notice Board at the Boat-house at 4 p.m. on Saturday, 19th June, 1954.

By order of the Committee,

D. J. McC. CRICHTON,
Hon. Secretary.

THE SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

To the Members of the Mercantile Rowing Club:

Gentlemen,

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting for your consideration the 74th Annual Report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 30th April, 1954.

Your Club was very well represented at all regattas throughout the year and it is pleasing to be able to report that in the sphere of competitive rowing the high standard set in previous years has been maintained.

Although we were not able to emulate the achievement of the previous season when all three premierships were won, the season was one of notable success. Your Club secured the Junior and Lightweight Premierships by convincing margins and failed in the Senior Premiership by only four points. Successes which contributed to these results were the winning of five V.R.A. Championship Events, four doubles at the Melbourne-Henley Regattas and numerous other events at all regattas in which your Club competed.

As already mentioned Mercantile was not successful in retaining the Senior Premiership which it had held for the four preceding seasons. This honour was won by the Albert Park Rowing Club to whom we have conveyed your sincere congratulations both on that achievement and other fine performances during the season. The result of this premiership was in doubt until the Easter Regatta and it was unfortunate that with 6 points lead at this stage it was not possible for your Club to boat senior crews at these deciding regattas. Despite their failure to retain the premiership your senior oarsmen have acquitted themselves with distinction during the season. Your senior eight was undefeated for the third successive season having now recorded eighteen wins in a row. Events won in the senior division this season included the Gilbey Cup at the Melbourne Regatta, the Grand Challenge Cup at Henley when your crew defeated a strong combination from Sydney Rowing Club and the Victorian Eight Oared Championship (Norwich Shield) each of which was taken for the fourth successive year.

In four-oared events your crews secured the Championship Fours of Victoria and the Senior Four at the Ballarat and Barwon Regattas, the latter events being won by the narrowest of margins from Albert Park after two of the best races of the season.

The Junior Premiership was also in doubt until the Easter Regattas had been decided when as a result of its success in the Junior Eight at both Wentworth and Mildura and in the Maiden Pairs at Mildura your Club won the Premiership by a comfortable margin. It is regretted that Corio Bay your closest rivals in this division this season were unable to make the trip to Mildura for this regatta. Your junior oarsmen were also successful in the Championship Junior Pairs of Victoria and the Maiden and Junior Eights doubles at the Melbourne and Henley Regattas.

Your Club's small but enthusiastic band of lightweights again won the premiership for their division and their achievements in so doing are worthy of your notice and congratulations. With the exception of the Champion Lightweight pairs your crews won every race in which they started — including the Championship Lightweight Eights and Fours and the Ladies' Challenge Cup at Henley, the two latter events for the third successive year. With only eight members competing in this division, 70 premiership points were won for the Club.

With the success of your Club's young Senior Eight and the achievements and promise shown by oarsmen in other ranks during the year your Club may look forward with confidence to the coming season. However, past experience has shown that the Club which relaxes in its methods of training and in the recruitment of new members does not for very long remain at the top in any branch of sport. Your Committee therefore urges all members to play their part in keeping the name of Mercantile to the forefront of Australian Rowing.

A disappointing feature during the season was the lack of support accorded by your own and other metropolitan clubs to the more distant country regattas. This resulted in the cancellation of Bairnsdale and Sale Regattas due to lack of entries and should this state of affairs continue these and other regattas together with the clubs conducting them are in danger of extinction. Your Club's representatives at both the Christmas and Easter regattas had enjoyable and successful trips and as a rowing holiday these Regattas are commended to all active oarsmen.

The high standards of Victorian Rowing was again confirmed when in Hobart, the Victorian crew retained the King's Cup for the third successive year. This crew gave a fine performance to defeat a strong New South Wales Crew by one and a half lengths in record time for the race. In addition to the coach, Mr. Norman Cairnes, your Club was represented by five members of the crew. To all members of the crew your congratulations are extended in bringing further honour to Victoria.

During the season test races were held to select representatives for the single and double sculls and coxswainless pairs for the Empire Games to be held at Vancouver later this year. Neither your Club nor Victoria were represented in either of the Sculling races which were won by New South Wales representatives. The coxswainless pairs test race held at Ballarat was won by a crew from Leichardt Rowing Club. Your Club had entered three crews for this event but unfortunately injuries made it necessary to withdraw two of these. Your remaining representatives, although unsuccessful, acquitted themselves well on a limited training period.

The social activities of the Club were again well patronised during the season and your thanks are due to the Social Committee, headed by Mr. Deane Morgan for so successfully conducting these fixtures. The Annual Dinner was held in the Club House and this departure from the normal practice proved most successful.

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

Financial

This season has shown a slight improvement in the financial position of the Club, although it will be noted that during the year it was necessary to sell a portion of our Treasury Bonds to enable us to purchase the new racing eight "J. T. Dunstan" at a cost of £560. The income and expenditure account, after allowing £200

for depreciation, shows a satisfactory surplus of £359, but included in the income is an item of £452 from donations which shows that once more our current income from subscriptions has been insufficient to meet our expenses, and we have had to rely on the generosity of a few members, whose names are mentioned elsewhere in this report, for our surplus.

A considerable reduction in the item "Repairs to Boats, Oars and Shed" has been made possible by the excellent work done by those few members who have attended our Wednesday night working bees during the winter months, and who have kept the fleet in such order as to prevent any major repairs being necessary.

Early in the coming season it will be necessary to meet the cost of a new practice eight on order from Geo. Towns & Sons, which is expected to cost in the vicinity of £500. It is also apparent that extensive repairs will be required to the front of the Boat Shed owing to the slow subsidence of the foundations.

Executive and Committee

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

The attendances were as follows:—

R. R. Aitken ..	10	C. D. Lewis ..	9	H. P. Shears ..	9
N. W. Cairnes .	10	A. G. Lindblade	5	J. D. Shears ..	8
D. J. Crichton .	10	D. J. Morgan .	8	J. G. Sprigg .	7
A. L. Dobbie ..	6	W. T. Morrison	9	R. W. Thurs-	
B. J. Doyle ...	6	R. H. Richard-		field	8
E. Kenny . . .	1	son	10	E. C. White .	9

Membership

The membership now stands:—

	1954	1953	1939
Life Members	9	9	10
Senior Members	140	151	169
Junior Members	35	29	31
Honorary Members	27	30	11
Country Members	26	17	8
Associate Members	17	17	7
TOTAL	254	253	236

While these figures show that the overall numerical strength of the Club is being well maintained the following details of oarsmen who actually competed in regatta races for the Club in recent seasons may be of interest:—

Season 1938-9	86
Season 1946-7	92
Season 1952-3	52
Season 1953-4	55

Donations

The Club desires to place on record its appreciation of the generosity of the following donors to whom we convey your sincere thanks:—Messrs. R. R. Aitken, J. T. Dunstan, J. H. Picken, J. O'Reilly,

S. Guinn, L. Montgomery, The Harlequin Rugby Club, Messrs. D. G. Ball, D. Parrington, A. Lindblade, Dr. R. A. Cooper, Messrs. J. L. Mounsey, J. G. Sprigg, H. B. Nicholas, N. W. Cairnes, Family Late Sir Stephen Morell, Messrs. F. R. Browne, J. W. Beattie, A. L. Dobbie, D. J. R. Morgan, E. K. Varcoe, M. S. Williams, M. Bailey.

Boats and Oars

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

RACING BOATS		PRACTICE BOATS		TUB BOATS	
J. T. Dunstan . .	8	S. C. Macrae . .	8	N. W. Cairnes .	4
Deane Morgan . .	8	C. F. Raven . . .	8	M. S. Williams	4
R. R. Aitken . . .	4	J. L. Mounsey . .	8	E. K. Varcoe .	4
R. W. Thurs-	4	C. J. Nicholls . .	8	F. R. Browne .	2
field	4	G. J. Horder . . .	8	W. T. Morrison	2
H. P. Shears . . .	2	V. F. Mason . . .	4	S. G. Richardson	2
G. T. Hastie . . .	2			Scull	
Lawrie Moll .	Scull				

CLINKER RACING

J. H. Bailey . . .	8	J. G. Sprigg . . .	8	L. B. Weire . . .	4
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It will be noted that no alteration has occurred in the composition of the fleet during the past season. However, it is hoped that delivery of the practice eight on order from Messrs. Geo. Towns & Sons will be effected during the next two months.

Unfortunately, the Club has been without the services of the practice eight "S. C. Macrae" during the season. Over twelve months ago, this craft was placed in the hands of Mr. A. Sykes of Geelong for an extensive rebuild. To date Mr. Sykes has been unable to carry out this work and your Committee has decided that unless the job is commenced in the immediate future, steps should be taken to place the craft in other hands.

During the season a number of the Club's old poppet oars were sold and it is hoped during the forthcoming season to repair extensively the remaining practise oars. If finances permit it is also intended to purchase a new set of racing blades as it is now over two years since the last new set was delivered.

In the last annual report an appeal was made for greater care in the handling of boats and oars. Whilst an improvement has been shown in this connection during the past twelve months, damage is still occurring to equipment that could be avoided by a little more thought on the part of members.

Coaching

The successes of this season have been to no small extent due to the untiring efforts during the year of our two senior coaches, Messrs. N. W. Cairnes and H. P. Shears, and the following gentlemen who have assisted them during the year in the coaching of crews: Messrs. J. D. Shears, W. O. Granowski, B. J. Doyle, D. Oliff, K. Fulton, G. Robertson, R. R. Aitken, W. L. Wallace, V. A. Sharp, C. D. Lewis and D. J. Crichton.

Your thanks are once again due to Mr. A. G. Lindblade for his assistance with novice oarsmen, but senior and junior members

willing to devote their time and the benefit of their experience in this direction are all too few, and your Committee strongly urges that during the coming year more members should partake in this important activity upon which so much of the future success of the Club depends.

Rowing

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

1st May, 1954

The Australian Eight-Oared Championship for the King's Cup was rowed on the Derwent River at Hobart, Tasmania, all States competing. The race was won by Victoria by one and a half lengths from New South Wales, with Queensland half a length behind third, and Tasmania, Western Australia and South Australia following in that order.

The race was rowed in boisterous conditions which the Victorian crew handled with outstanding skill. The time for the race was 14 minutes 14 seconds, reducing the existing record by sixteen seconds.

Victoria was represented by: D. Christie (Albert Park) Bow, L. S. Williams (Mercantile) 2, A. C. Monger (University) 3, W. O. Granowski (Mercantile) 4, G. O. V. Manton (Mercantile) 5, W. N. Howell (Banks) 6, J. S. Rowe (Mercantile) 7, B. J. Doyle (Mercantile) Stroke, B. J. Mitchell (Power House) Cox, N. W. Cairnes (Mercantile) Coach, M. Shaw (Albert Park) Emergency, and R. W. B. Todd (Banks) Manager.

Your Club for the third year was well represented in the crew to whom go our heartiest congratulations.

Your congratulations are also extended to G. Hubbard of Western Australia who on the same day, won the President's Cup for the Australian Sculling Championship by 5 lengths from B. Green of Queensland, P. M. Evatt of New South Wales, the holder of the title was a further 12 lengths away third and B. Foster of Tasmania fourth. No Victorian representative was selected to compete in this event.

We congratulate also W. Rodgers (Bow), W. Mahoney (Stroke), and G. S. Parry (Cox), who successfully represented New South Wales in the Australian Pair Oared Title.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Champion Eights.—This event was rowed on the Lower Yarra on the 20th February, 1954, and attracted an entry of only three crews. Your Club was represented by W. L. Wallace (Bow), C. B. Dawes (2), J. Morganti (3), L. S. Williams (4), G. O. V. Manton (5), W. O. Granowski (6), J. S. Rowe (7), B. J. Doyle (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), and after leading throughout defeated Albert Park by eight lengths with South Melbourne in third place.

Champion Fours.—This race was rowed over the 2,000 metres course on the Lower Yarra on 19th December, 1953, and your Club retained the title defeating Albert Park by three lengths. Your representatives were W. L. Wallace (Bow), C. B. Dawes (2), J. S. Rowe (3), B. J. Doyle (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), and N. W. Cairnes (Coach).

Champion Pairs.—You were represented by W. L. Wallace (Bow), B. J. Doyle (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), and N. W. Cairnes (Coach). The race was rowed at Nagambie on 26th December, 1953, and resulted in a fine win for Albert Park with Banks second and Mercantile third.

Champion Sculls.—This event was held over the 2½ mile course on the Lower Yarra on 20th February, 1954, and resulted in a win for D. Dudgeon of Richmond. Your Club was represented by J. Williams.

2,000 Metre Sculling Championship.—Rowed on the Lower Yarra on 27th March, 1954, resulted in another win for D. Dudgeon of Richmond. Your Club was not represented in this event.

Champion Junior Eights.—This race was rowed over the 2,000 metre course on the Lower Yarra on 27th March, attracting three entries. After an exciting race, Corio Bay won this event by 3 feet from Mercantile with Hawthorn close up in third place. Your representatives were: S. Smith (Bow), D. Scales (2), J. D. Beecham (3), H. J. Walker (4), R. Blyth (5), D. Boykett (6), W. Wheatland (7), G. N. J. Anderson (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), and H. P. Shears (Coach).

Champion Junior Fours.—A large field contested this event on the Lower Yarra course on 19th December, 1953. The race resulted in a comfortable win for Corio Bay with your crew in third place. You were represented by—R. Baenziger (Bow), D. Scales (2), W. Wheatland (3), A. B. Kohn (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), and H. P. Shears (Coach).

Champion Junior Pairs.—Your representatives J. Dartnell (Bow), D. Boykett (Stroke), G. Lawrence (Cox), and J. D. Shears (Coach), won this event comfortably from Wendouree at Nagambie on 26th December, 1953.

Champion Lightweight Eights.—This race was rowed on the 2,000 metre course on the Lower Yarra on 27th March, 1954, when your crew scored a fine win from Barwon. The Club's crew was: P. Leggett (Bow), J. Pell (2), A. Batiste (3), R. McCubbery (4), G. Robertson (5), V. A. Sharp (6), C. D. Lewis (7), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), and R. R. Aitken (Coach).

Champion Lightweight Four.—Your crew consisting of G. Robertson (Bow), V. A. Sharp (2), C. D. Lewis (3), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), and R. R. Aitken (Coach), had an easy win in this event from Banks Rowing Club, the only other starter. The race was rowed on the 2,000 metre course on the Lower Yarra on 19th December, 1953.

Champion Lightweight Pairs.—This event was rowed at Nagambie on 26th December, 1953, and resulted in a win for Ballarat from Banks with Mercantile in third place. Your Club's representatives were C. D. Lewis (Bow), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), and R. R. Aitken (Coach).

Regattas

MELBOURNE REGATTA

21st November, 1953

Senior Eight.—W. L. Wallace (Bow), C. B. Dawes (2), J. Morganti (3), D. Oliff (4), G. O. V. Manton (5), W. O. Granowski (6), J. S. Rowe (7), B. J. Doyle (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), were successful in this event.

Junior Eight.—R. Baenziger (Bow), P. Gordon (2), C. Greenwood (3), K. A. H. Levi (4), J. D. Beecham (5), D. Scales (6), W. Wheatland (7), A. B. Kohn (Stroke), R. Pitman (Cox), H. P. Shears (Coach), were successful in the heat and final of this event to be the first holders of the H. E. Butler Cup.

Junior Four.—N. Ashkanasy (Bow), J. Pizzey (2), C. D. Lewis (3), R. J. D. Oliver (Stroke), G. Hazard (Cox), K. J. Fulton (Coach), were defeated.

Maiden Eight.—P. Leggett (Bow), R. Jefferson (2), P. Nicholson (3), H. J. Walker (4), I. Wilson (5), J. Gerrard (6), J. Dartnell (7), D. Boykett (Stroke), G. Lawrence (Cox), J. D. Shears (Coach), were successful in both the heat and final of this event by a comfortable margin and won the Buchan-Monteath Cup.

Maiden Four.—B. Richardson (Bow), J. Pell (2), W. Arnold (3), D. Marley (Stroke), N. Hewitt (Cox), D. J. Crichton (Coach), were defeated in their heat.

Lightweight Four.—G. Robertson (Bow), R. McCubbery (2), V. A. Sharp (3), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), R. R. Aitken (Coach), were untroubled to win this event.

HENLEY REGATTA

28th November, 1953

Senior Eight.—Your representatives at the Melbourne Regatta won this event and the Grand Challenge Cup by defeating Sydney Rowing Club by four lengths.

Junior Eight.—The same crew which represented you at the Melbourne Regatta scored a fine win to complete the double and retain the Founder's Cup.

Maiden Eight.—This crew again had convincing wins in both heat and final to take the Lord Mayor's Challenge Cup for the Club.

Maiden Four.—This crew was again unsuccessful.

Lightweight Four.—Your representatives at the previous regatta completed the double and retained the Ladies' Challenge Cup for the Club.

NAGAMBIE REGATTA

26th November, 1953

Senior Four.—W. L. Wallace (Bow), A. B. Kohn (2), J. Morganti (3), B. J. Doyle (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), were defeated.

Junior Four No. 1.—P. Gordon (Bow), R. J. D. Oliver (2), J. Dartnell (3), D. Boykett (Stroke), G. Lawrence (Cox), J. D. Shears (Coach), were defeated.

Junior Four No. 2.—N. Ashkanasy (Bow), J. D. Beecham (2), W. Wheatland (3), V. A. Sharp (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), R. R. Aitken (Coach), were defeated.

Lightweight Four.—P. Leggett (Bow), R. McCubbery (2), C. D. Lewis (3), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), R. R. Aitken (Coach), won this event.

Maiden Four.—P. Nicholson (Bow), H. J. Walker (2), W. Arnold (3), J. Gerrard (Stroke), G. Lawrence (Cox), W. O. Granowski (Coach), were successful.

RUTHERGLEN REGATTA

1st January, 1954

Senior Four.—W. L. Wallace (Bow), A. B. Kohn (2), V. A. Sharp (3), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), were unsuccessful. Two Senior members of the Club were injured on their way from Nagambie to Yarrowonga which

necessitated considerable alterations in the Senior Fours and Pairs which represented your Club at the Yarrowonga and Rutherglen Regattas, Lightweights being included in one case. Under the circumstances your crews, although defeated, rowed very commendable races.

Senior Pair.—W. L. Wallace (Bow), R. R. Aitken (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), were defeated.

Junior Four.—C. D. Lewis (Bow), R. J. D. Oliver (2), J. D. Beecham (3), V. A. Sharp (Stroke), G. Lawrence (Cox), R. R. Aitken (Coach), were defeated.

Maiden Four.—P. Nicholson (Bow), H. J. Walker (2), W. Arnold (3), J. Gerrard (Stroke), G. Lawrence (Cox), W. O. Granowski (Coach), were defeated.

Lightweight Four.—Your representatives at Nagambie were again successful.

YARRAWONGA REGATTA

2nd January, 1954

Senior Four.—W. L. Wallace (Bow), A. B. Kohn (2), J. Morganti (3), R. R. Aitken (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), were defeated.

Senior Pair.—W. L. Wallace (Bow), R. R. Aitken (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), were again defeated.

Junior Four.—N. Ashkanasy (Bow), J. D. Beecham (2), W. Wheatland (3), V. A. Sharp (Stroke), G. Lawrence (Cox), R. R. Aitken (Coach), were defeated.

Lightweight Four.—Once again your representatives at Nagambie were successful, thus completing the treble.

Maiden Four.—The crew which represented you with success at Nagambie, but which was defeated at Rutherglen raced again and scored a meritorious victory.

UPPER YARRA REGATTA

30th January, 1954

Senior Four.—W. L. Wallace (Bow), C. B. Dawes (2), J. S. Rowe (3), R. R. Aitken (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), were defeated.

Junior Eight.—P. Nicholson (Bow), J. Gerrard (2), C. D. Lewis (3), J. Pizzey (4), H. J. Walker (5), J. D. Beecham (6), W. Wheatland (7), R. J. Oliver (Stroke), N. Hewitt (Cox), B. J. Doyle (Coach), were successful.

Maiden Four: No. 1.—D. Marley (Bow), D. Ball (2), I. Wilson (3), J. Hawes (Stroke), D. McManus (Cox), D. J. Crichton (Coach), were defeated.

Maiden Four No. 2.—M. Shelton (Bow), G. Norcott (2), C. de-Guingand (3), G. Ansell (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), W. O. Granowski (Coach), were defeated.

Lightweight Four.—A. Batiste (Bow), J. Pell (2), G. Robertson (3), V. A. Sharp (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), R. R. Aitken (Coach), were successful.

Lightweight Pair.—R. McCubbery (Bow), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), G. Robertson (Coach), were disqualified for being late at the start.

ALBERT PARK REGATTA

1st February, 1954.

Senior Four.—The crew which represented your Club was again defeated by Albert Park after an exciting race.

Junior Eight.—This crew, which was successful at the Upper Yarra Regatta, was defeated by Essendon.

Maiden Four.—The two crews which represented your Club at Upper Yarra were again unsuccessful.

Lightweight Four.—This crew scored a comfortable win and completed the double.

Lightweight Pair.—Your representatives at the previous regatta were successful on this occasion.

BARWON REGATTA

27th February, 1954.

Senior Eight.—W. L. Wallace (Bow), C. B. Dawes (2), J. Morganti (3), L. S. Williams (4), G. O. V. Manton (5), W. O. Granowski (6), J. S. Rowe (7), B. J. Doyle (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), were successful.

Senior Four.—W. L. Wallace (Bow), W. O. Granowski (2), J. S. Rowe (3), B. J. Doyle (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), N. W. Cairnes (Coach), were successful.

Junior Eight.—S. Smith (Bow), D. J. Crichton (2), D. Scales (3), J. D. Beecham (4), I. Wilson (5), R. J. D. Oliver (6), W. Wheatland (7), D. Boykett (Stroke), G. Lawrence (Cox), J. D. Shears (Coach), were defeated by a narrow margin.

Junior Four.—H. J. Walker (Bow), J. Pizzey (2), R. Baenziger (3), J. Gerrard (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), D. Oliff (Coach) were defeated.

Maiden Eight.—D. Marley (Bow), G. Ansell (2), C. deGuinand (3), D. Thyer (4), W. Arnold (5), J. Hawes (6), R. Blyth (7), G. N. J. Anderson (Stroke), N. Hewitt (Cox), H. P. Shears (Coach), were successful after an exciting race.

Lightweight Eight.—P. Leggett (Bow), J. Pell (2), A. Batiste (3), R. McCubbery (4), G. Robertson (5), V. A. Sharp (6), C. D. Lewis (7), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), R. R. Aitken (Coach), won this event easily.

BALLARAT REGATTA

6th March, 1954.

Senior Eight.—Your senior eight won this event convincingly thus completing the double and an undefeated season.

Senior Four.—After a most exciting race with Albert Park your representatives at Barwon were again successful; the winning margin being one foot.

Junior Eight.—Your representatives were again unsuccessful.

Junior Four.—Your representatives were again defeated.

Maiden Eight.—The crew which successfully represented you at the Barwon Regatta was defeated on this occasion by Barwon Rowing Club.

Lightweight Eight.—This crew was again successful, completing a fine double.

MILDURA REGATTA

17th April, 1954.

Junior Eight.—P. Nicholson (Bow), J. Pell (2), R. McCubbery (3), H. J. Walker (4), W. Arnold (5), R. J. D. Oliver (6), G. Robertson (7), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), H. P. Shears (Coach), were successful.

Junior Four.—P. Nicholson (Bow), H. J. Walker (2), W. Arnold (3), R. J. D. Oliver (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), D. Oliff (Coach), were defeated.

Junior Pair.—G. Robertson (Bow), R. Richardson (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), R. R. Aitken (Coach), were defeated.

Maiden Four.—P. Leggett (Bow), A. Bram (2), C. deGuingand (3), G. Ansell (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), D. J. Crichton (Coach), were defeated.

Maiden Pair.—C. deGuingand (Bow), G. Ansell (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), D. J. Crichton (Coach), were successful.

WENTWORTH REGATTA

19th April, 1954.

Junior Eight.—The crew which represented you at Mildura scored a fine double.

Junior Fours.—Your representatives at Mildura were unsuccessful.

Junior Pair.—This crew was again defeated.

Maiden Four.—This crew was also unsuccessful.

Maiden Pair.—Your crew which won at Mildura, again won their heat in fine style but were defeated in the final.

METROPOLITAN NOVICE REGATTA

19th September, 1953.

Novice Four.—B. Richardson (Bow), W. Arnold (2), P. Nicholson (3), D. Marley (Stroke), N. Hewitt (Cox), J. N. Robertson (Coach), were defeated in their heat.

METROPOLITAN NOVICE REGATTA

15th May, 1954.

Novice Four.—P. Boykett (Bow), B. Paddle (2), J. Spark (3), A. Bram (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), C. D. Lewis (Coach), were successful in their heat but were defeated by three feet in the final.

Premierships**PREMIERSHIP POINTS.****Senior.**

Albert Park	68	Footscray City	4
Mercantile	64	Lake Colac	4
South Melbourne	8	Essendon	3
Banks	6	Yarra Yarra	2
Richmond	6	Melbourne	1

Junior.

Mercantile	86	Richmond	8
Corio Bay	64	Melbourne	8
Essendon	42	Mildura	8
Lake Colac	34	Wendouree	6
Ballarat	26	Hawthorn	4
Footscray	26	South Melbourne	12
Yarra Yarra	20	Albert Park	2
Barwon	18	Ballarat City	2
Nagambie	16	Sale	2
Banks	8	Dimboola	2

Lightweight.

Mercantile	70	Ballarat	4
Yarra Yarra	22	Rutherglen Lake	2
Barwon	12	Richmond	2
Ballarat City	12	Wahgunyah	2
Banks	10		

SYDNEY METROPOLITAN REGATTA

13th March, 1954.

Your lightweight oarsmen represented you at this Regatta which was rowed on the Parramatta Course finishing at Sydney Rowing Club, competing in the Lightweight Senior and Maiden Fours. The crew had been training as an eight but unfortunately there was no eight-oared event on the programme for lightweights which necessitated dividing the crew into two fours at short notice. Both fours finished second in their respective divisions after very close races.

Lightweight Senior Four.—G. Robertson (Bow), V. A. Sharp (2), C. D. Lewis (3), R. H. Richardson (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), and R. R. Aitken (Coach).

Lightweight Maiden Four.—P. Leggett (Bow), J. Pell (2), A. Batiste (3), R. McCubbery (Stroke), L. Butterfield (Cox), and R. R. Aitken (Coach).

It is worthy of note that your Senior Lightweight representatives who had earlier in the season secured for your Club the Victorian Lightweight Four-Oared Title were defeated by Leichardt, the holders of the corresponding title in New South Wales.

On this occasion your crews used boats loaned by Sydney Rowing Club whose generous hospitality greatly added to the enjoyment of the trip.

Head of the River

Your congratulations are extended to Geelong Grammar School for their fine win in this event which they have now taken for two successive years.

Messrs. L. Christie and R. G. Day, both members of your Club coached Scotch College and Melbourne Grammar School respectively.

Thanks to the co-operation of the Captain of Boats and Mr. Christie with your executive the Club's happy relationship with Scotch College continued during the year.

Combination Races

PICKEN-WILLIAMS EIGHTS — 3rd OCTOBER, 1953.

Eighty oarsmen from your own and other clubs competed for trophies donated by Mr. J. H. Picken and Mr. M. S. Williams, two of the Club's Vice-Presidents. After some very exciting finishes the event was won by R. Bulmer (Yarra Yarra) Bow, D. Dobson (Yarra Yarra) 2, E. Yarra (Yarra Yarra) 3, R. Smith (Richmond) 4, F. Spinks (Banks) 5, B. Leonard (Richmond) 6, G. O. V. Manton (Mercantile) 7, J. Evans (Yarra Yarra) Stroke, N. Hewitt (Mercantile) Cox.

MORELL EIGHTS — 5th DECEMBER, 1953.

A good attendance from various Clubs competed for the trophies donated by the family of the late Sir Stephen Morell. The winning crew was:—O. G. Hellyer (Richmond) Bow, G. Honan (Banks) 2, J. D. Beecham (Mercantile) 3, J. Pizzey (Mercantile) 4, E. Johnson (Banks) 5, J. Gerrard (Mercantile) 6, A. Begelhole (Yarra Yarra) 7, R. Rawlins (Melbourne) Stroke, P. Harrison (Mercantile) Cox.

Club Races

PRESIDENT'S FOURS — 29th AUGUST, 1953.

Mr. A. L. Dobbie again donated trophies for this very popular event, the successful crew being:—W. Wallace (Bow), D. Naylor (2), G. O. V. Manton (3), W. O. Granowski (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox).

The races were as usual run in conjunction with Ladies' Day and members and their guests had an enjoyable and successful afternoon.

GUINN PAIRS — 22nd MAY, 1954.

We are once more indebted to your Vice-President, Mr. Stanley Guinn, for donating trophies for this event. Twelve crews competed and the successful crew was:—W. T. Morrison (Bow), G. Ansell (Stroke), R. H. Richardson (Cox).

COMMITTEE FOURS — 19th JUNE, 1954.

Members of the Committee have donated trophies for this four-oared combination event. As this report was placed in the hands of the printer before this fixture was held it is not possible to include particulars of the winning crew.

SPRIGG TIME TRIAL

Mr. Sprigg presented trophies to last season's successful crew in this ever popular rowing event, at the last Annual Meeting. Six crews competed and the winning crew, V. A. Sharp (Bow), H. J. Walker (2), P. Nicholson (3), C. B. Dawes (4), C. Greenwood (5), H. P. Shears (6), W. L. Wallace (7), J. D. Shears (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), covered the five mile course to the Dock Head and return in 28 minutes 44 1/5th seconds. Mr. Sprigg has again generously donated trophies for the event this season and competition will terminate on the day of the Annual Meeting.

HARLEQUIN TIME TRIAL

For a further year we have enjoyed a happy association with the Harlequin Rugby Club which has repeated its donation of handsome trophies for a time trial event for four-oared crews. The event will close on the day of the Annual Meeting by when it is anticipated that competition will be keen. Last year's winning crew consisting of V. A. Sharp (Bow), D. Boykett (2), J. Dartnell (3), J. D. Shears (Stroke), P. Harrison (Cox), covered the course to Spencer Street and return in 11 minutes 28 1/10th seconds which bettered the previous record for the course by 7 seconds.

TROPHIES

Captain's Trophy.—This trophy, the winning of which is perhaps the most coveted honour for the Club's competitive oarsmen, has again been won by your very successful lightweight stroke, Mr. R. H. Richardson. The points scored are on the basis of one point per entry and two points per win in any club or qualifying regatta.

J. W. Beattie Trophy.—Once again Mr. Beattie has provided a trophy for the member gaining the most points for the Club at Regatta Races. Mr. R. H. Richardson also won this trophy by one point from Mr. W. L. Wallace and Mr. R. McCubbery.

Coxswain's Trophies.—The Champion Coxswain's trophy donated by Mr. W. M. Bailey was this year won by Master L. Butterfield. The most improved coxswain's trophy was also won by Master L. Butterfield who after commencing the season as a novice coxed the lightweight crews in most of their excellent wins. This trophy is donated by Mr. E. K. Varcoe.

F. R. Browne Memorial Shield.—The perpetual trophy for the season's most improved novice oarsman, presented by the family of the late Mr. F. R. Browne, has this year been won by Mr. W. S. Arnold.

Boat Christenings

A feature of Ladies' Day was the christening of our new racing eight "J. T. Dunstan" by Mr. Dunstan's daughter, Mrs. Robertson. The eight was delivered by Messrs. Geo. Towns & Son last winter and it will be a source of satisfaction to Mr. Dunstan and Mr. L. Montgomery who both contributed so generously towards the purchase of the boat, to know that its first season has been marked by outstanding success and that it has won the praise of all who have used it.

Social Activities

Ladies' Day.—This function held on Saturday, 29th August, again proved popular and was well attended by members and their guests. Afternoon tea was served in the gymnasium and visitors were treated to some keenly contested racing for the President's Fours.

Annual Dinner.—On this occasion a departure was made from usual practice by holding the dinner in the Club House. Approximately 90 members attended and all present voted the dinner one of the most successful yet held.

Football Match.—Our usual fixture with the Royal South Yarra Tennis Club could not be arranged this year, but the Club's team played Footscray City Rowing Club at Footscray during July, 1953. Despite unfavourable weather a keenly contested and enjoyable game took place resulting in a one point victory for your team.

Dances.—The "Dorchester" was the scene of several cabaret dances during the year which proved very popular with members. The credit for the success of these functions is once again due to Mr. Deane Morgan and his assistants to whom your thanks are conveyed.

General

Our congratulations are extended to Mr. N. W. Cairnes on being elected as Honorary Secretary to the Victorian Rowing Association, and upon the capable and conscientious manner in which he has carried out his duties. Mr. Deane Morgan has also been prominent in Association affairs; and his organisation of special efforts to raise funds to send Victorian crews interstate has been invaluable.

To Mr. Thursfield, as secretary of the Melbourne Amateur Regatta Association, must be attributed much of the success of the Henley Regatta and also of the short but successful display which the Association arranged at the request of the Victorian Government to contribute to the celebrations marking the arrival of Her Majesty the Queen.

Mr. J. Coghlan has again helped the Club during the season by his co-operation in arranging for transport of our boats to country regattas. We extend our thanks to him for his assistance which contributes a great deal to the enjoyment of our country trips.

In last year's report mention was made of the very good work done by Mr. W. Bradshaw and the late Mr. Jack South in conducting a Square Dance Club. These two gentlemen and a number of other enthusiastic helpers continued their efforts during this year, and apart from providing enjoyable evenings for a number of members and their friends, have made a welcome contribution towards the cost of our new racing eight.

Our best wishes are extended to Mr. C. Greenwood for a speedy recovery from his very serious motor car accident.

Your good wishes for future happiness and prosperity are offered to Messrs. J. Pizzey, D. J. Crichton, P. M. Macpherson and A. G. Barrett, who were married during the year, and your congratulations have also been tendered to Messrs. G. I. Holyman, J. M. Ferguson, W. T. Morrison, W. Trickett, R. K. Fullagar and their wives on the occasions of additions to their families.

Our sympathy is extended to Messrs. J. H. Picken and A. B. Kohn who suffered bereavements during the season, and also to the families of the late D. Nicholls, J. South and L. Butler, staunch friends and members who passed on during the season just completed.

On Anzac Day, Sunday the 25th April, the usual memorial service was held in the Club House attended by some fifty members. The President, Mr. A. L. Dobbie, gave a short and inspiring address, after which Mr. J. L. Mounsey placed a wreath beneath the Honour Boards.

A number of members have left us during the year for trips and appointments overseas. Mr. J. M. Ferguson, for many seasons a successful oarsman and coach, has taken up an engineering appointment at Nauru. His services to the Club are greatly missed and we

wish him every success. Messrs. L. Fosdick, V. A. Sharp, W. Wheatland, J. Gerrard and D. Oliff, have all left in recent months on business trips to England or America. We wish each of them a happy and successful trip and a speedy return.

Your congratulations are extended to Mr. M. D. G. Murray, one of your members who has been selected to represent Melbourne University in the race for the Oxford and Cambridge Cup in Perth on Saturday, June 5th.

During the season we were pleased to entertain at the Club Mr. H. R. (Bobby) Pearce, who brought fame to himself and Australia as a sculler. Mr. Pearce was afloat on the Yarra on several occasions in a boat loaned by Mr. J. Williams and impressed all who met him both with his ability in the boat and his cheerful personality out of it.

During the season we were again fortunate to have the assistance and co-operation of Xavier College, Melbourne Grammar and Scotch College when we were short of good racing craft for our crews. Xavier College made available the "Keith Mustow" both at Henley and later in the season, while Melbourne Grammar lent us a practice eight for some weeks prior to Henley which proved of great assistance. Scotch College readily came to our help when we were endeavouring to obtain suitable boats for our Sydney Rowing Club visitors at Henley.

Your thanks are due to Masters P. Harrison, L. Butterfield, N. Hewitt, G. Hazard, D. McManus, G. Lawrence, R. Pitman, P. Boykett and S. Dunstan for their services to the Club as coxswains during the year. As the majority of these boys are fast reaching the age when they will be too heavy to cox, your Committee would appreciate members bringing new coxswains to the Club.

Once again we place on record your appreciation for the work done by Messrs. A. G. Lindblade and S. G. Richardson, and a small but willing team of helpers who make the cleanliness of the Club their particular care. Mr. Lindblade has also worked for the Club in a number of other ways during the year, carrying out small but necessary tasks which would otherwise be overlooked.

During the winter practically the whole of the Club's practice fleet was overhauled at Working Bees held each Wednesday night. Your Committee desires to express its appreciation of the work of the few members whose regular attendance made this possible, and to draw attention to the fact that the working bees were in general poorly supported especially by senior and leading junior oarsmen who have over the past few seasons derived most of the benefit from the Club's very good fleet.

During the year the Club House was again made available on Christmas Eve to the organisers of the Carols By Candlelight, and to the Harlequin Rugby Club for their annual meeting and smoke night and other functions.

Your thanks are conveyed to the rowing correspondents of the daily newspapers, the Australian Broadcasting Commission and various commercial radio stations for their assistance with publicity during the year.

The Committee draws your attention to the fact that the Club has been broken into once during the year, and on several regatta days members have had personal effects stolen. It is not possible to check everybody entering the Club on regatta days, and all members are urged to lock valuables away while rowing, and to ensure, if last to leave the shed, that doors and windows are securely locked.

Obituary

It is with very great regret that we have to record the deaths of Mr. L. H. Butler, Mr. J. South and Mr. D. Nicholls, and our sincere sympathy is extended to their relatives.

Mr. Len Butler's membership extended over a period of 50 years. Owing to injuries received while in active service in the 1914-18 war, he was not able, on his return to Australia, to do any active rowing. But right up to the time of his death his interest in the Club never waned, and he rarely missed any of its functions. He was a fine example of that loyalty which has been such a strong feature of our Club throughout its history.

Mr. Jack South was a member for 30 years and he was a splendid Clubman because, apart from his fine record as an oarsman he was always an enthusiastic worker in its interests.

Possessed of a fine physique, he soon won his way from Maiden to Senior rowing, and was a member of many of our successful Senior crews. He rowed in several Victorian crews in the King's Cup contests and was successful on two occasions.

On retiring from active rowing, Jack South rendered fine service as a Coach, particularly of Lightweight crews, and was responsible for many successes being gained by the Club. He was very popular in rowing circles outside his Club, for he was the fortunate possessor of a most genial personality which caused him to be welcomed wherever rowing men assembled. His sudden death came as a great shock to members as he had been at the Clubhouse only a few days before. His loss is keenly felt.

Mr. Dave Nicholls joined the Club in 1932 and rowed in a number of Regatta crews. After retiring from active rowing he was a regular "weekender" until the last few years, and a popular member of the Club.

Conclusion

The retiring Committee desires to thank members for the assistance given during the season, and hopes that the incoming Committee will be accorded the same co-operation and support.

For and on behalf of the Committee,

D. J. Mc. CRICHTON,

Honorary Secretary.

Addendum

Once again it gives me pleasure to express to the executive officers of the Club the sincere thanks of the members for a job very well done.

Headed by your Captain, Mr. R. R. Aitken, they have conducted the affairs of the Club in a most efficient manner, and it is highly satisfactory to know that their efforts have been rewarded by the splendid results recorded in the Annual Report and Balance Sheet.

Not only have they maintained the Club in its prominent position in competitive rowing, but it will be appreciated that the management

of a Club whose membership totals 254 calls for capable administration of its business affairs. In this direction they have shown marked ability and foresight, and we can look forward to the 1954/5 season with confidence.

Reference has been made in the report of those members who devoted so much of their time to coaching, which is so essential to the success of any Club. We are indeed fortunate to have been so well served, and our congratulations are extended to them on the successful results attained.

A. L. DOBBIE,

President.

List of Members, 1953-54

LIFE MEMBERS

Cairnes, N. W.	Kenny, E.	Picken, J. H.
Dobbie, A. L.	Lindblade, A. G.	Potter, W.
Guinn, S.	Mounsey, J. L.	Sprigg, J. G.

SENIOR MEMBERS

Ackland, L. R.	Fosdick, L. V.	Proctor, R. H.
Ackland, M. G.	(Leave of absence)	Purves, A. H.
Aitken, R. R.	Fulton, K. J.	(Leave of absence)
Appleby, J. P.	Galvin, V. C.	Rabbas, L. A.
Atkins, A. H. C.	Geroe, G. A.	Rankin, P. G.
Ashkanasy, N.	Gordon, P. J.	Richardson, R. H.
Bailey, M.	Granowski, W. O.	Richardson, S. G.
Baker, J. H.	Gray, W. L.	Roach, D. F.
Barrett, A. G.	Greenwood, C.	Robertson, G. A.
Batiste, A.	Hansen, M. E.	Robertson, J. N.
Beattie, J. W.	Henfrey, K. J.	Robinson, T. J.
Beecham, J. D.	Hiller, G. L.	Rogers, L. W.
Bell, D. F.	Hiscock, J. D.	Rorke, A. T.
Blair-Holt, J. A.	Hyett, G. S.	Rush, R. T.
Bolton, R. S.	Hyland, B. M.	Sajo, Z.
Bourke, B. F.	Jepperson, R. J.	Scales, D. J.
Bradshaw, J. W.	Jones, J. McD.	Sharp, V. A.
Brooke, D. C.	Kerrigan, N.	(Leave of absence)
Broughton, O. S.	Kidd, J. D. S.	Shaw, R.
Browning, N. G.	Kohn, A. B.	Shears, H. P.
Budge, K. C. S.	Lemaire, J. E.	Shears, J. D.
Calder, D. A.	Lewis, C. D.	Shears, T. W.
Carr, J. P.	Mahoney, H.	Smith, G., Jnr.
Christie, D. G.	Marley, D. C.	Smith, G. W.
Clarke, A. H.	Marton, G.	Smith, R. T.
Clark, J. H. P.	Miller, A. P.	Smith, S. M.
Clemens, J. B.	Morell, D. R.	Soward, R. S.
Connolly, K.	Morell, R. T.	Spencer, H. T.
Cooper, K. N.	Morgan, D. J. R.	Stirling, D. S.
Cooper, R. A.	Morrison, W. T.	Thomas, J. C.
Cooper, W. A.	Mounsey, R. J.	Thursfield, R. W.
(Leave of absence)	Molonghney, P. F.	Thyer, R. S.
Corteen, L. K.	Macartney, J.	Trehearne, A. G.
Crane, R.	McCubbery, R. J.	Turnbull, W. R.
Crichton, D. J.	MacFarlane, J. M.	Varcoe, E. K. L.
Daniel, N. F.	McKay, C. N.	Walker, H. J. R.
Davies, M. H.	McMahon, G. F.	Wallace, W. L.
Dawes, C. B.	McNiff, T. F.	Wheatland, W.
Day, R. G.	MacPherson, P. M.	(Leave of absence)
Dobbie, A. W.	Naylor, D. H. L.	White, E. C.
Doherty, J. B.	Nicholson, P. S.	Williams, D. F.
Dowd, M. C.	Nixon, N. V.	Williams, J.
Doyle, B. J.	Noble, F.	Williams, L.
Duncan, R. G.	Oberhansli, W.	Williams, M. S.
Dunstan, J. T.	Oliver, R. J. D.	Williams, R.
Farmer, J. G.	Peterson, J. W.	Yunghanns, M. W.
Ferguson, J. M.	Pitt, W. G.	Bram, A.
Fogarty, F.	Pizzey, J. B.	Rowe, J. S.
	Pope, K.	

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Anderson, G. N. J.	Gerrard, J.	Norcott, G.
Ansell, G.	(Leave of absence)	Olliff, D.
Arnold, W. S.	Hawes, J. D.	(Leave of absence)
Armstrong, P. T.	Jeffrey, B. L.	Pell, J.
Bailey, W. M.	Johnson, T. J.	Richardson, B. A.
Ball, D. G.	Leggett, E. P.	Shugg, A. N.
Baenziger, E. R.	Levi, K. H. A.	South, J.
Blyth, R. H.	Manton, G.	Sparkes, J.
Bowak, D. C. E.	Mayer, A. W.	Sprigg, J. B.
Boykett, D.	Morganti, J.	Stephens, W. B.
Dartnell, J.	McEacharn, I. M.	Thyer, D. M.
de Guingand, C. J.	McIlwain, A. F.	Wilson, W. I.
Duclos, J. A.		

HONORARY MEMBERS

Abramwich, W.	Mitchell, J. T.	Shears, E.
Burmeister, C.	Nicholls, C. J.	Sloss, A.
Burton, A. J.	O'Reilly, J.	Stephenson, C. E.
Davey, G. H.	Palfreyman, D. B.	Stooke, G. F.
Epstein, G. L.	Raven, C. F.	Trickett, W. A.
Evans, E. A.	Rush, H. R.	Wade, P. M., Snr.
Gordon, A.	Saleh, C. G.	Ward, C. H. M.
Koch, A. A.	Sanderson, S. O.	Weire, L. B.
Koch, A. H.	Seamen, J. W.	Wilkinson, C. V. H.

COUNTRY MEMBERS

Bailey, J. H.	Moll, L. L. B.	Rees, J.
Burke, H. B.	McKaige, R. W.	Robin, J. B.
Craig, W. J.	McKay, T.	Rogers, W.
Duncan, A. R.	Naylor, M. C. L.	Ross, W. G.
Duncan, H. D.	Neill, J. S.	Taylor, B. A.
Fletcher, J. M.	Newport, F.	Twilley, D. A. R.
Gregg, R. V.	Pearce, J. W.	Fairbairn, J. L.
Holyman, G. I.	Powell, D. B.	Kelly, J. G.
Hidgcock, C. W.	Rand, K.	

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Boykett, K. H.	Kerr, B.	Strang, D. J.
Christie, L.	Murphy, H.	Syme, R. York
Dennis, C. F.	Palfreyman, F. G.	Tibbits, I. D.
Ford, H. L.	Ridley, N. W.	Wade, P. M.
Fullagar, R.	Rodda, T.	Wallace, W. L.
Hoppe, J. P.	Stewart, S. C.	

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

(For Year Ended 30th April, 1954.)

(Figures adjusted to nearest £)

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
To Boat Staging	£5	By Subscriptions	£758
" Coxswain's and Driver's Expenses	38	" Locker Fees	64
" Depreciation on Boats	200	" Entrance Fees:	
" Donations	29	Club Races	£17
" Entrance Fees — Regattas	3	Combination Races	11
" Fire Protection Expenses	18	Donations	28
" Freight — Country Regattas	55	" Interest:	452
" General Expenses	33	Commonwealth Treasury Bonds	£6
" Insurances	132	State Savings Bank of Victoria	1
" Lighting, Gas, General and Water Rates	87	" Hiring Receipts	7
" Postages	21		10
" Printing and Stationery	46		
" Repairs to Boats, Cars and Sheds, etc.	121		
" Telephone	16		
" Trophies	37		
" V.R.A. Capitation Fees and King's Cup Levy	119		
" Balance transferred to Accumulated Funds	359		
	£1,319		£1,319

Audited and found correct,
A. H. G. CLARKE,
Chartered Accountant (Aust.),
Hon. Auditor.

R. H. RICHARDSON,
Hon. Treasurer.

BALANCE SHEET

(As at 30th April, 1954.)

(Figures adjusted to nearest £)

ACCUMULATED FUNDS:		
Balance, as at 1st May, 1953	£4,889	
<i>Add:</i>		
Balance transferred from Income and Expenditure Account	£359	
<i>Less:</i> Loss on Sale of Commonwealth Treasury Bonds	24	335
		<u>£5,224</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Victorian Rowing Association Trophy Orders	£83	
Subscriptions paid in advance	3	86
		<u>£5,310</u>
FIXED ASSETS:		
Boat House		£2,472
Club Fittings		69
Boats and Sculls, Balance as at 1/5/53		1,498
<i>Plus</i> Purchases		560
		<u>£2,058</u>
<i>Less</i> Depreciation		200
		<u>£1,858</u>
OARS, at Valuation		267
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Subscriptions Outstanding		103
Stock of Singlets, at Valuation		16
Commonwealth Treasury Bonds, at Cost		200
Sundry Debtors		36
CASH AT BANK:		
Bank of New South Wales, Melbourne	£241	
State Savings Bank of Victoria—Building Account	£21	
F. R. Browne Trophy Account	25	46
		<u>287</u>
Cash in Hand		2
		<u>£5,310</u>

Audited and found correct,
 A. H. G. CLARKE,
 Chartered Accountant (Aust.),
 Hon. Auditor.

R. H. RICHARDSON,
 Hon. Treasurer.

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