



MERCANTILE
ROWING CLUB

MELBOURNE



88th
Annual Report
and
Balance Sheet



SEASON 1967-68.

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MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

Princes Bridge,
Melbourne, 3000,
11th June, 1968.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 88th ANNUAL MEETING of the MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB will be held at the CLUBHOUSE on SATURDAY, 29th JUNE, 1968, at 8.00 p.m. The Annual Smoke Night will be held at the conclusion of the meeting.

BUSINESS:

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

Nominations for Office-Bearers for the ensuing year will close on the Notice Board at the Clubhouse on Saturday, 22nd June, 1968, at 4.00 p.m.

By Order of the Committee,

P. V. WOOD,

Honorary Secretary.

The Eighty-Eighth Annual Report

of the

Mercantile Rowing Club

To the Members.

Gentlemen,

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting to you the 88th Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30th April, 1968.

Once again, the Club has had a very successful season, although perhaps not quite up to the standard of last season. Club crews retained Victorian Senior Eight, Junior Four, and Lightweight Pair Championships and also gained the Australian Champion Senior Four, Junior Eight, and Lightweight Eight titles at the 4th National Regatta. The Senior and Junior Premierships were won by your Club, but unfortunately Barwon proved to be too consistent in competition for the Lightweight Premiership. Our congratulations to Barwon Rowing Club for winning both the Lightweight and Country Premierships for 1967/68.

During the season, an Australian Rowing Team consisting of an Eight, Pair and Sculler, toured New Zealand and competed in a series of Test Races. Your club was represented by G. A. McCall (coach), R. Garnsworthy, R. Garrard, M. McKenzie, P. Renouf, V. Mulder with B. Morrison (cox), and in the Pair by R. P. Lachal.

After an extremely close finish between New South Wales and Victoria in the Coxed Fours event during the Test Races, the Mercantile-Melbourne University Boat Club Composite Four was finally selected as Australia's representative to compete at the St. Catherine's Regatta, Canada. The crew, coached by Hugh Frederico, was bow: S. M. Gillon (Mercs.); 2, J. R. Harry (M.U.B.C.); 3, D. G. A. Douglas (Mercs.); stroke, G. H. Boykett (Mercs.); cox, T. C. Daffy (Mercs.). The crew won convincingly at St. Catherine's, and also won the North American Championships. In Vichy, France, the Four put up a good performance in the European Championship. Upon its return, the crew broke up, and was re-formed about a month or two before the Australian National Championship Regatta, held at Murray Bridge, S.A., in May, 1968. The Four won its event, which was nominated as a Test Race for Mexico Olympics Selection, but unfortunately was not included in the squad announced by the A.A.R.C.

The 1968 King's Cup Regatta was rowed on the Nepean River, Penrith, N.S.W., on 29th-30th March. The regatta was to be held on Lake Wendouree, Ballarat, but due to the severe drought conditions experienced throughout the State, a suitable waterway could not be provided in Victoria. New South Wales and Victoria therefore, exchanged the dates on which they were scheduled to host the King's Cup, and Victoria will now hold the King's Cup in 1970.

The 1968 King's Cup was again won by a fine crew from New South Wales. Your Club was represented in the Victorian Eight by G. H. Boykett (stroke), S. M. Gillon (7), D. G. Douglas (6), H. Doerner (bow), with T. C. Daffy (cox). The crew was coached by Hubert Frederico, D. Palfreyman was emergency.

The Penrith Cup for Lightweight Fours was won by New South Wales, and the President's Cup for Sculls was won by Queensland.

A squad for the Mexico Olympics has been announced by the A.A.R.C. and it consists of the New South Wales King's Cup Crew, and the winning Coxless Pair at the National Regatta. The squad emergencies are B. Shirlaw and D. G. A. Douglas of your Club.

As in the past, a sub-committee led by your captain, has campaigned vigorously to recruit new members to our ranks. These efforts have been a feature in the expansion of the Club in recent years.

The Committee is concerned about the condition of the Clubhouse and a special sub-committee has been investigating proposals for additions and alterations to improve the facilities and accommodation, and the means of financing such an undertaking.

In this regard, discussions have been taking place with one of the Public schools, with a view to financing the additions for the mutual benefits of both your Club and the school.

The following sections will provide a more detailed account of your Club's activities:—

Membership

The membership as at 30th April, 1968, stands at:—

	1968	1967	1966	1956	1936
Life Members	10	9	9	7	9
Senior Members	182	164	174	164	147
Junior Members	100	112	86	42	98
Honorary Members	22	25	25	26	11
Country Members	27	28	30	25	4
Associate Members	13	10	11	18	5
FREE LOADERS					
	<u>354</u>	<u>348</u>	<u>335</u>	<u>282</u>	<u>224</u>

During the season, fifty-seven new members have joined the Club. Of this number, eighteen are Senior Members, thirty-four are Junior Members, four are Associate Members, and one is a Country Member.

Executive and Committee

At the time of this report going to press, eleven regular Committee Meetings had been held. Attendances at these meetings have been:

R. R. Aitken 11	A. M. Cordell 10	S. H. Newcomb .. 9
D. A. Baxter 8	P. J. Downey 9	P. E. M. L. Philp 7
D. H. Boykett 10	R. I. Griffiths 7	J. G. H. Sprigg .. 11
J. W. Bradshaw .. 10	P. Harding 9	J. C. Thomas 6
J. Burford 10	M. B. Kellam 9	P. V. Wood 10
N. W. Cairnes 10	D. J. R. Morgan .. 8	

Financial

The Club's financial statements for the year disclose a small deficit after allowing \$2,087 for depreciation of the fleet and other assets.

Revenue showed little variation but, once again, the casual approach of members to their obligations to the Club is reflected in the large amount of subscriptions and entry fees which it has been necessary to write off

and the balance of entry fees and subscriptions outstanding at the end of the year. A substantial amount of the entry fees written off is due to the scratching by the Club of crews entered in regattas and subsequently unable to start, partly the result of the increased number of regattas now held and our own Club's higher active membership.

The support of members for the facilities provided in the South West and North East Corners is reflected in the donations and sundry income. Unfortunately, other social functions were not well patronized and contributed little to Club revenue.

During the year, the only expenditure on new equipment was the sum of \$780 for the new pair and \$250 for six oars.

As a result of this, the Bank overdraft was reduced by some \$1,000. The higher figure for Sundry Debtors is due to the fact that, at the end of the year, the annual payment from Brighton Grammar School of \$400 and the Social Committee donation of \$500 had not been paid to the Club's account.

Members must realize that the present basis of revenue and expenditure scarcely provides sufficient funds to meet the minimum fleet replacement programme adopted by the Committee. It allows nothing for major repair and renovation of the Club's premises, the need for which becomes yearly more apparent.

Your Committee has under consideration proposals for major extension and rebuilding, perhaps in conjunction with one of the Public Schools. When these come to fruition, the Committee will look for, and confidently hope to receive, generous support from all members of the Club. Meanwhile, early and willing payment by members of their commitments will greatly assist the Committee in its task.

Donations

The Club is extremely grateful to the following persons and organisations for their generous donations which form such an important part of the Club's revenue: — Messrs, R. R. Aitken, G. L. Ansell, K. H. Boykett, J. Burford, N. W. Cairnes, Dr. R. A. Cooper, Harlequin Rugby Football Club, J. Hughan, A. G. Lindblade, M. S. Lorimer, F. S. McArthur, J. N. McKeown, A. P. Miller, Monash University, the Family of the late Sir Stephen Morell, D. J. R. Morgan, J. H. O'Reilly, J. H. Picken, R. H. Richardson, S. G. Richardson, H. T. Spencer, J. G. H. Sprigg, Mrs. T. L. Sprigg, R. W. Thursfield, W. N. Wallace, M. S. Williams, W. I. Wilson.

Boats and Oars

Our fleet at the time of making this report: —

Eights	Fours
Racing:	Sir Bernard Evans (1966)
S. H. Newcomb (1966)	J. J. Wylie (1964)
J. G. Sprigg (1964)	Caltex & Dealers (coxless) (1964)
David Boykett (1964)	Bill Wallace (1961)
Lloyd Williams (1962)	J. W. Beattie (1959)
Practice:	
R. W. Thursfield (1961)	
A. L. Bobbie (1955)	

Pairs

Racing:
Bill Bradshaw (1967)
Keith Bilney (1964)
Tubs:
Paul Harding (1962)
Dr. R. A. Cooper (1961)

Tub Fours

Deanne Morgan (1961)
E. R. Varcoe (1951)
M. S. Williams (1951)
Sculls
Mrs. T. L. Sprigg (1966) (Practice)
Wal Turnbull (1964) (Tub)

The only addition to the fleet in the past season was a new racing pair "Bill Bradshaw", built by Messrs. Sargent & Burton Pty. Ltd. A set of six 12' 5" Ayling oars were purchased in the early stages of the season.

As yet, no firm orders have been placed for any new equipment for delivery prior to the beginning of next season, but at the time of this report going to press, consideration was being given to the ordering of another boat, under the boat replacement programme adopted by your Committee.

The pre-season maintenance on the fleet was carried out enthusiastically, with special attention being given to the Tub boats. However, as the season progressed, failure on the part of crews to carry out the necessary routine preventative maintenance, led to many breakages and a general deterioration of the standard of the fleet. Members are urged to report damage or breakages of equipment to a member of the Boats and Oars Sub-Committee, or to the Captain.

Coaching

The Committee extends its thanks to those members who offered their services to coach crews during the season: C. Bailey; K. A. Bilney, D. H. Boykett, J. Burford, N. W. Cairnes, P. J. Downey, H. R. Frederico, J. M. Fletcher, G. Greenwood, D. Huggins, G. A. McCall, K. McConville, S. H. Newcomb, J. C. Thomas, M. G. Tomanovits, and P. K. Watkin. Again, thanks to D. Stirling for his efforts in the coaching of novice oarsmen.

The efforts of these members reflect in the good results obtained again this season.

Boathouse

J. C. Thomas led the Sub-Committee this year. Many small matters were attended to during the year. The major task of re-painting the exterior of the Boathouse was deferred pending the report of the Boathouse Rebuilding Sub-Committee.

The cleanliness of the changing-room has again been a major problem, however, some success was obtained by rostering racing crews to sweep the changing-room each weekend.

WORLD ROWING TOUR

Canada — U.S.A. — France

Results of the regattas in which the Mercantile-M.U.B.C. Coxed Four Raced:

Canadian Championships (Nine Competitors)

Heat — Australia, Vancouver, Union, Burnoby Lake, West Side; 6.17 (fast conditions). Won by two lengths.

Final — Australia, Vancouver, St. Catherine's, Union, Argonaut, Mexico; 6.35. Won by two lengths.

North American Championships (Ten Competitors)

Heat — Australia, Switzerland, Canada, Yugoslavia, Peru; 7.18.98 (headwind). Won by 1½ lengths.

Final — Australia, U.S.A., Denmark, Great Britain, Switzerland, Canada; 7.02.69 (headbreeze). Won by 1¼ lengths.

U.S.A. National Championships (Eight Competitors)

Heat — Australia, New Zealand, Potomac, Union; 6.28. Won easily.

Final — New Zealand, Australia, Vesper, Stanford, Potomac, N.Z.; 6.32. Lost by 3 ft.

European Championships (Twenty Competitors)

Heat — Holland, Australia, Great Britain, Poland, Hungary; 6.59.67 (headbreeze). Lost by 2 ft.

Repechage — Czechoslovakia, Australia, Italy, Greece; 6.54.54 (headbreeze). Lost by 2 ft.

Semi-Final — East Germany, Roumania, U.S.A., Australia, France, Switzerland; 6.51.18 (headbreeze).

Final — Russia, East Germany, Roumania, Holland, West Germany, U.S.A.; 7.07.67 (headwind).

Little Final — Great Britain, Australia, France, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland.

NEW ZEALAND TEST RACES

HELD BALLARAT, 6th and 7th OCTOBER, 1968.

EIGHT-OARED TEST RACE. Mercantile first and third.

Winning crew: Bow, V. Mulder; 2, R. Lachal; 3, J. Bourke; 4, R. Garnsworthy; 5, M. McKenzie; 6, P. Renouf; 7, M. Tomanavits; stroke, R. Garrard; cox, B. Morrison; coach, G. McCall.

Third crew: Bow, R. Negri; 2, S. Mollard; 3, H. Doerner; 4, G. Johnston; 5, J. Burford; 6, P. Knowles; 7, M. Daffy; stroke, P. Philp; cox, R. Loveless; coach, S. H. Newcomb.

As a result of this test the following Mercantile oarsmen were selected to represent Australia in the New Zealand Tests: R. Garrard, P. Renouf, V. Mulder, R. Garnsworthy, M. McKenzie and Bob Lachal.

AUSTRALIAN AMATEUR ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS

HELD AT PENRITH, N.S.W., on 29th and 30th MARCH, 1968

Results were:

KING'S CUP — Australian Amateur Eight-Oared Championship:

New South Wales, 5 mins. 46.9 secs.; Victoria; Tasmania; South Australia.

PENRITH CUP — Australian Amateur Lightweight

Four-Oared Championship:

New South Wales, 6 mins. 44.2 secs; Victoria; South Australia.

PRESIDENT'S CUP — Australian Amateur Sculling Championship:

Queensland, G. Kert, 7 mins. 15.5 secs.; Victoria, P. Edwards; Tasmania, I. Winter; New South Wales, R. Reddell.

Your Club also won the supporting event for Junior Eights. The crew was coached by K. McConville.

FOURTH NATIONAL REGATTA

HELD AT MURRAY BRIDGE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA,
on 17th and 18th MAY, 1968.

Successful crews were:

SENIOR — Four with cox (Mercantile-M.U.B.C. Composite): bow, S. Gillon; 2, D. Douglas; 3, J. Harry (M.U.B.C.); stroke, G. Boykett; cox, T. Daffy; coach, H. R. Frederico. Time: 7 mins. 10.2 secs.

JUNIOR EIGHT — Bow, R. Rees; 2, L. Ayres; 3, R. Dawson; 4, J. Shanasy; 5, R. Garnsworthy; 6, P. Knowles; 7, S. Mollard; stroke, P. Teasdale; cox, M. Owen; coach, K. McConville. Time: 6 mins 19 secs.

LIGHTWEIGHT EIGHT — Bow, E. Morgan; 2, P. Downey; 3, R. Cummings; 4, R. Connolly; 5, T. Hogan; 6, G. Park; 7, A. MacDougal; stroke, P. O'Brien; cox, C. Restarick; coach, J. Burford. Time: 6 mins. 05.2 secs.

The Club was also represented by:

SENIOR FOUR WITH COX — Bow, H. Doerner; 2, P. Philp; 3, R. Garrard; stroke, D. Palfreyman; cox, C. Martin; coach, M. Tomanavits. Beaten in repechage.
Yarra Yarra-Mercantile Composite. Mercantile members: R. Lachal and D. Boykett.

LIGHTWEIGHT FOUR WITHOUT COX — Bow, R. Easson; 2, R. Griffiths; 3, M. Hume; stroke, P. Green; coach, K. Bilney.

Scotch-Mercantile Regatta

Then Tenth Annual Scotch-Mercantile Regatta was conducted on the Henley Course on Saturday, 23rd March, 1968.

We are most grateful to the Regatta Secretary, Mr. J. W. Bradshaw, for the conduct of another excellent regatta.

This year's Regatta Committee was: R. R. Aitken (chairman), J. W. Bradshaw (secretary), G. V. Mulder (treasurer), D. H. Boykett, J. Burford, N. W. Cairnes, A. M. Cordell, E. M. Davidson, M. B. Kellam, D. J. R. Morgan, D. R. T. MacMillan, S. H. Newcomb, J. C. Thomas and P. V. Wood.

Head of the River

Our congratulations to Melbourne Grammar School on winning the 1968 Head-of-the-River race.

Messrs. D. H. Boykett, M. Daffy, R. Easson, R. Garnsworthy, M. Hume, S. H. Newcomb, G. Speed and P. K. Watkins of our club assisted in the coaching of crews for the Head-of-the-River.

Combined High School Regatta

Again we congratulate Melbourne High School for another fine win in this competition. The crew was coached by H. P. Green of your club.

Rowing

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Eight-Oared

SENIOR — Rowed at Barwon, 3rd February, 1968. Won by Mercantile: Bow, P. E. M. L. Philp; 2, V. C. Mulder; 3, J. E. Bourke; 4, J. Burford; 5, G. Johnston; 6, D. G. A. Douglas; 7, S. M. Gillon; stroke, G. H.

Boykett; cox, T. Daffy; coach, H. R. Frederico. V.R.A. Composite 2nd Mercantile members in crew: D. Palfreyman, M. G. Tomanovits, R. P. Lachal; coach, D. H. Boykett.

JUNIOR — Rowed at Barwon, 20th April, 1968. Won by M.U.B.C. Mercantile 2nd. Your club represented by: Bow, L. Ayres; 2, R. Dawson; 3, S. Mollard; 4, P. Connor; 5, R. Garnsworthy; 6, R. Connolly; 7, J. Shanasy; stroke, P. Knowles; cox, W. Gammon; coach, K. McConville.

LIGHTWEIGHT — Rowed at Barwon, 20th April, 1968. Won by Barwon. Mercantile 2nd. Your club represented by: Bow, P. Teasdale; 2, P. Downey; 3, R. Cummins; 4, M. Kellam; 5, A. McDougall; 6, G. Park; 7, T. Hogan; stroke, P. O'Brien; cox, C. Restarick; coach, J. Burford.

Four-Oared

SENIOR — Rowed at Barwon, 20th April, 1968. Won by Corio Bay; Mercantile 2nd. Your club represented by: Bow, P.E.M.L. Philp; 2, H. Doerner; 3, R. Garrard; stroke, D. Palfreyman; cox, C. Martin; coach, M. G. Tomanovits.

JUNIOR — Rowed at Barwon, 3rd February, 1968. Won by Mercantile: Bow, B. Gross; 2, R. Negri; 3, M. Daffy; stroke, P. Renouf; cox, G. McConville; coach, C. Bailey.

LIGHTWEIGHT — Rowed at Barwon, 3rd February, 1968. Won by Barwon; Mercantile 4th in Final. Your club represented by: Bow, T. Hogan; 2, P. Wood; 3, P. Downey; stroke, R. Griffiths; cox, R. Loveless; coach, P. Watkin.

Pair-Oared

SENIOR — Rowed in conjunction with Nagambie Regatta, 26th December, 1967. Won by Banks. Your club represented by: Bow, S. M. Gillon; stroke, G. H. Boykett; cox, M. Owen; coach, M. G. Tomanovits. 2nd in Final and bow, R. Garrard; stroke, P. E. M. L. Philp; cox, C. Restarick 3rd in Final.

JUNIOR — Rowed in conjunction with Nagambie Regatta, 26th December, 1967. Won by Essendon. Your club represented by: Bow, G. Johnston; stroke, D. G. A. Douglas; cox, W. Gammon; coach, H. R. Frederico; 2nd in Final and bow, M. Daffy; stroke, R. Negri; cox, M. Owen; coach, C. Bailey, 5th in Final.

LIGHTWEIGHT — Rowed in conjunction with Nagambie Regatta, 26th December, 1967. Won by Mercantile. Bow, P. Downey; stroke, R. Griffiths; cox, R. Loveless. Your club also represented by: Bow, T. Hogan; stroke, P. Teasdale; cox, C. Restarick; coach, J. Burford, 3rd in Final.

Single Sculls

SENIOR — Rowed at Barwon, 3rd February, 1968. Won by P. Edwards (Melbourne). Your club represented by R. Winton, 4th in Final.

Regattas

First Winter Series — 3rd June, 1967

Successful crews were:

MAIDEN FOUR — Bow, J. Lowan; 2, R. Connolly; 3, W. Vautin; stroke, E. Morgan; cox and coach, C. Restarick.

NOVICE SCULL — P. Wilson; coach, S. H. Newcomb. The club was also represented in a Maiden Scull and Novice Four.

Preston Regatta — 17th June, 1967

No crews were successful. The club was represented by Maiden Pair and Novice Four.

Footscray Novice Regatta — 29th July, 1967

No crews were successful. The club was represented by Maiden Pair, Novice Four and Novice Pair.

Second Winter Regatta — 19th August, 1967

Successful crew was Novice Pair: Bow, S. Mollard; stroke, W. Henry, cox, M. Connolly; coach, K. McConville. The club was also represented in a Maiden Pair and Novice Four.

Metropolitan Novice Regatta — 14th October, 1967

Successful crew was Novice Pair: Bow, C. Beech; stroke, C. Sakalardis; cox, M. Connolly. The club was also represented by a Senior Four, Senior Open Scull, Maiden Pair and Novice Four.

Banks Regatta — 21st October, 1967

Successful crews were Junior Four: Bow, B. Gross; 2, R. Cummins; 3, M. Daffy; stroke, R. Negri; cox, G. McConville; coach, S. H. Newcomb. Maiden Four: Bow, M. Hume; 2, R. Winton; 3, S. Mollard; stroke, P. Wood; cox, P. Kelly; coach, K. McConville. The club was also represented by a Maiden Pair, Novice Four and Novice Pair.

Preston Regatta — 28th October, 1967

Successful crews were Open Pair: Bow, P. Downey; stroke, R. Griffiths; cox, R. Loveless and the Maiden Four which was successful at Banks Regatta, again won. The club was also represented by an Open Pair (No. 2), Maiden Pair, Novice Four and Novice Pair.

V.R.A. (Melbourne) Regatta — 2nd December, 1967

Successful crews were:

SENIOR EIGHT — Bow, P. E. M. L. Philp; 2, H. Doerner; 3, J. E. Bourke; 4, J. Burford; 5, G. Johnston; 6, D. G. A. Douglas; 7, S. M. Gillon; stroke, G. H. Boykett; cox, T. Daffy; coach, H. R. Frederico.

SENIOR FOUR — Bow, H. Doerner; 2, D. G. A. Douglas; 3, G. Johnston; stroke, J. E. Bourke; cox, M. Owen; coach, H. R. Frederico.

JUNIOR FOUR — Bow, B. Gross; 2, P. Knowles; 3, M. Daffy; stroke, R. Negri; cox, G. McConville; coach, C. Bailey.

The club was also represented by Senior Pairs (2), Senior Scull, Junior Eight, Junior Pairs (2), Maiden Eight, Maiden Four, Lightweight Four, Lightweight Senior Pair, Lightweight Maiden Pair and Novice Four.

Upper Yarra Regatta — 9th December, 1967

The Senior Eight and Senior Four which were successful at the V.R.A. Regatta were again successful. Also successful Junior Eight: Bow, R. Easson; 2, P. O'Brien; 3, R. Knappett; 4, R. Cummins; 5, S. Mollard; 6, P. Cunningham; 7, T. Hogan; stroke, P. Wood; cox, A. Maginn; coach, J. C. Thomas. The club was also represented by Senior Pairs (2), Senior Scull, Junior Four, Junior Pairs (2), Lightweight Four, Lightweight Senior Pair, Lightweight Maiden Pair, Novice Four.

2,000 Metre Regatta — 16th December, 1967

The successful Senior Eight at the previous two regattas was again successful. Also successful, Senior Four: Bow, H. Doerner; 2, D. G. A. Douglas; 3, S. M. Gillon; stroke, G. H. Boykett; cox, T. Daffy; coach, H. R. Frederico. The successful Junior Four from the V.R.A. Regatta was again successful. The club was also represented by Senior Eights (2), Senior Pair, Lightweight, Senior Four and Maiden Eights (3).

Nagambie Regatta — 26th December, 1967

Successful crews were:

OPEN EIGHT — Bow, R. Garrard; 2, P. Philp; 3, H. Doerner; 4, D. Palfryman; 5, J. Burford; 6, M. Tomanovits; 7, S. Gillon; stroke, G. Boykett; cox, M. Owen.

JUNIOR EIGHT — Bow, R. Easson; 2, J. Thompson; 3, H. Harte; 4, R. Manser; 5, P. Connor; 6, P. Cunningham; 7, S. Mollard; stroke, P. O'Brien; cox, A. Maginn; coach, P. Watkin. This crew were later disqualified due to P. Cunningham being ineligible.

The club was also represented by a Senior Pair without Cox, Junior Four, Maiden Eights (2), Lightweight Maiden Four, Maiden Fours (2), Novice Four and Novice Pair.

Yarrawonga Regatta — 30th December, 1967

The successful crews were:

OPEN EIGHT — Bow, P. Downey; 2, R. Griffith; 3, S. H. Newcomb; 4, D. Palfryman; 5, J. Burford; 6, D. Douglas; 7, S. Mollard; stroke, P. Philp; cox, C. Restarick.

SENIOR FOUR — Bow, D. Palfryman; 2, D. Douglas; 3, J. Burford; stroke, P. Philp; cox, C. Restarick.

JUNIOR EIGHT — Again won and was again later disqualified.

JUNIOR FOUR — Bow, P. Downey; 2, P. Wood; 3, S. Mollard; stroke, P. Teasdale; cox, R. Loveless; coach, J. Fletcher.

JUNIOR PAIR — Bow, J. Burford; stroke, D. Douglas; cox, W. Gammon.

MAIDEN EIGHT — Bow, M. Coleman; 2, S. Trotter; 3, R. Rosenberg; 4, K. Baker; 5, J. Fitzpatrick; 6, K. Bartaska; 7, L. Ayres; stroke, R. Rees; cox, D. Paranthoynre; coach, P. Watkin.

The club was also represented by an Open Eight (2); Senior Pair; Junior Four (2); Junior Pair (2); Lightweight Pairs (2); Lightweight Maiden Four, Maiden Eight (2); Novice Four and Novice Pair.

Rutherglen Regatta — 1st January, 1968

The successful crews were:

OPEN EIGHT — Bow, P. Downey; 2, R. Griffith; 3, M. Daffy; 4, D. Palfryman; 5, J. Burford; 6, D. Douglas; 7, R. Garrard; stroke, P. Philp; cox, W. Gammon.

SENIOR PAIR — Bow, R. Garrard; stroke, P. Philp; cox, C. Restarick.

JUNIOR EIGHT — This crew again won and was again disqualified.

JUNIOR FOUR — The crew which won at Yarrawonga was again successful.

The club was also represented by Open Eights (2), Senior Four, Junior Fours (2), Junior Pair, Lightweight Senior Pair, Lightweight Maiden Four, Maiden Eights (2), Maiden Fours (2), Novice Four and Novice Pair.

Yea Regatta — 27th January, 1968

Successful crews were:

SENIOR PAIR — Bow, H. Doerner; stroke, D. Huggens; cox, M. Owen.

JUNIOR PAIR — Bow, M. Kerin; stroke, P. Knowles; cox, B. Morrison.

NOVICE PAIR — Bow, F. Woodhouse; stroke, J. Hughs; cox, M. Connolly.

The club was also represented by Junior Eights (2), Maiden Eights, Maiden Four and Novice Four.

Upper Yarra Regatta — 29th January, 1968

Successful crews were:

SENIOR EIGHT — Won by V.R.A. Composite crew. Mercantile

representatives were D. Palfryman, M. Tomanovits, R. Lachal; coach, D. Boykett.

JUNIOR EIGHT—Bow, J. Thompson; 2, B. Naughton; 3, R. Manser; 4, R. Knappett; 5, H. Harte; 6, P. Connor; 7, S. Mollard; stroke, P. O'Brien; cox, A. Maginn; coach, S. H. Newcomb.

JUNIOR FOUR—Bow, B. Gross; 2, R. Negri; 3, M. Daffy; stroke, P. Renouf; cox, G. McConville; coach, C. Bailey.

JUNIOR PAIR—Bow, M. Kerin; stroke, P. Knowles; cox, B. Morrison.

MAIDEN EIGHT—Bow, M. Coleman; 2, P. McCartney; 3, J. Fitzpatrick; 4, M. Crofts; 5, P. Wilson; 6, R. Connolly; 7, C. Beech; stroke, D. Johns; cox, M. Connolly; coach, E. Meyer.

MAIDEN FOUR—Bow, E. Morgan; 2, K. Drummond; 3, L. Ayres; stroke, R. Rees; cox, W. Gammon; coach, K. McConville.

LIGHTWEIGHT MAIDEN PAIR—Bow, C. Beech; stroke, M. Crofts; cox, M. Connolly; coach, E. Meyer.

The club was also represented by a Senior Eight, Senior Pair, Maiden Eights (2), Lightweight Four, Novice Four and Maiden Pair.

Footscray Regatta — 10th February, 1968

Successful crews were:

JUNIOR EIGHT—Bow, J. Thompson; 2, B. Naughton; 3, R. Manser; 4, R. Knappett; 5, H. Harte; 6, P. Connor; 7, S. Mollard; stroke, R. Connolly; Coach, S. H. Newcomb.

MAIDEN EIGHT—Bow, D. Baxter; 2, D. Howgate; 3, R. Bate; 4, F. Woodhouse; 5, J. Shanasy; 6, R. Dawson; 7, C. Beech; stroke, J. Mollard; cox, M. Connolly; coach, G. Greenwood.

LIGHTWEIGHT EIGHT—Bow, R. Easson; 2, E. Morgan; 3, C. Sakellaridis; 4, P. Green; 5, J. Lowan; 6, R. Cummins; 7, A. Fox; stroke, P. Teasdale; cox, C. Restarick; coach, J. Thomas.

The club was also represented by a Senior Eight, Senior Four, Senior Pair, Senior Scull, Open Pair, Junior Four, Junior Pair, Lightweight Senior Four, Lightweight Maiden Pairs (2) and Novice Four.

Ballarat Regatta — 24th February, 1968

Successful crews were:

SENIOR FOUR—Bow, R. Garrard; 2, P. Philp; 3, J. Burford; stroke, P. Renouf; cox, M. Owen; coach, M. G. Tomanovits.

JUNIOR EIGHT—Bow, L. Ayres; 2, B. Naughton; 3, P. Connor; 4, K. Drummond; 5, J. Shanasy; 6, R. Dawson; 7, S. Mollard; stroke R. Connolly; cox, W. Gammon; coach, K. McConville.

The club was represented by a Senior Eight, Senior Pair, Junior Four, Maiden Eight, Lightweight Eight, Lightweight Senior Four and Novice Four.

Henley Regatta — 2nd March, 1968

Successful crews were:

SENIOR FOUR—Yarra Yarra-Mercantile Composite. D. Boykett was the Mercantile member.

JUNIOR EIGHT—The winning Ballarat crew was again successful.

JUNIOR PAIR—Bow, M. Kerin; stroke, P. Knowles; cox, B. Morrison.

LIGHTWEIGHT MAIDEN PAIR—Bow, D. Baxter; stroke, M. Owen; cox, M. Connolly.

The club was also represented by a Senior, Eight, Senior Four, Senior Pair, Senior Scull, Junior Four, Maiden Eight, Maiden Four, Lightweight Eight, Lightweight Senior Four, Lightweight Maiden Pair, Maiden Four and Maiden Pair.

Barwon Regatta — 9th March, 1968

Successful crews were:

SENIOR FOUR — Bow, R. Garrard; 2, P. Philp; 3, R. Lachal; stroke, M. Tomanavits; cox, M. Owen.

JUNIOR PAIR — The winning crew at Henley was again successful.

LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR FOUR — Bow, A. MacDougal; 2, R. Cummings; 3, T. Hogan; stroke, P. O'Brien; cox, C. Restarick; coach, P. Watkin.

The club was also represented in a Senior Eight, Senior Pair, Junior Eight, Junior Four, Lightweight Eight, Lightweight Maiden Pairs (2) Maiden Eight, Maiden Four and Novice Four.

Colac Regatta — 11th March, 1968

The Junior Eight which has been successful at Henley was the only winning crew. The club was also represented by a Open Four, Senior Pair, Junior Pair, Maiden Eight, Lightweight Eight, Lightweight Senior Four, Maiden Four and Maiden Pair.

Head of the Yarra — 16th March, 1968

Three club crews were entered in this race without success.

Scotch-Mercantile Regatta — 23rd March, 1968

The winning crew was:

LIGHTWEIGHT EIGHT — Bow, P. Teasdale; 2, P. Downey; 3, R. Cummings; 4, M. Kellam; 5, A. MacDougal; 6, G. Park; 7, T. Hogan; stroke, P. O'Brien; cox, C. Restarick; coach, J. Burford.

The club was also represented by Open Eights (2), Senior Four, Senior Pair, Junior Four, Maiden Eight, Maiden Four, Novice Eight, Novice Four and Lightweight Senior Pair.

Mildura Regatta — 13th April, 1968, Wentworth Regatta — 15th April, 1968

No crew was successful at these regattas. The following crews started at both Lightweight Eight, Lightweight Maiden Four, Maiden Four, Novice Eight and Novice Four.

PREMIERSHIP POINTS

Season 1967-68: Final points for premierships are as follows: —

SENIOR — Mercantile, 78; Banks, 62; Yarra Yarra, 24; Essendon, 16; Corio Bay, 12; Ballarat City, 4; Melbourne, 4; Nagambie, 2.

JUNIOR — Mercantile, 149; Power House, 128; Banks, 78; M.U.B.C., 64; Richmond, 53; Corio Bay, 28; Essendon, 26; South Melbourne, 24; Ballarat City, 16; Hawthorn, 16; Barwon, 13; Wendoree, 12; Yarra Yarra, 8; Monash, 8; Albert Park, 5; Ballarat, 6; Melbourne, 5; Dimboola, 4; Morwell Y.M.C.A., 2; Yarrowonga, 4.

LIGHTWEIGHT — Barwon, 44; Mercantile, 36; Hawthorn, 32; Ballarat City, 26; Corio Bay, 20; Melbourne, 9; South Melbourne, 8; Footscray City, 4; M.U.B.C., 4; Banks, 4.

COUNTRY — Barwon, 85; Corio, 72; Ballarat City, 58; Wendoree, 12; Ballarat, 6; Dimboola, 4; Yarrowonga, 4; Nagambie, 4; Morwell Y.M.C.A., 2.

Club Races

S. Guinn Memorial Pairs — 9th June, 1967

We are indebted to an anonymous member for donating trophies for this race, held in memory of the late Stan Guinn.

Sixteen crews were entered. Successful were: Bow, M. McKenzie; stroke, J. Bourke; cox, B. Morrison.

A. L. Dobbie Memorial Fours

We thank the family of the late A. L. Dobbie for presenting the trophies for this race, which is held in conjunction with Ladies' Day. The winning crew was: Bow, J. Draffin; 2, S. Newcomb; 3, M. Kellam; stroke, M. McKenna; cox, B. Morrison.

J. G. Sprigg Time Trial

Ten crews entered this event to contest the magnificent trophies donated by Mr. Sprigg. The best time over the Herring Island course was 28 min. 42.5 secs. The winning crew was: Bow, B. Maginn; 2, M. Daffy; 3, S. Mollard; 4, R. Negri; 5, J. Burford; 6, J. Bourke; 7, V. Mulder; stroke, P. O'Brien; cox, M. Owen.

Harlequin Time Trial

We thank the Harlequin Club for their magnificent trophies for this four-oared trial raced over the Morell Bridge course. The winning crew was: Bow, M. Daffy; 2, R. Negri; 3, S. Mollard; stroke, P. Philp; cox, M. Owen.

Stonk-Moose Time Trial

Five crews competed in this popular Handicap Time Trial, which Messrs. L. L. B. Moll and W. G. Ross have kindly donated the trophies. This is the fourth season in which we have seen this time trial contested.

The successful crew was: Bow, J. McKeown; 2, D. Naylor; 3, J. Arnold; stroke, J. Hughan; cox, G. McConville. Time, 21 mins. 48 secs.

Combination Races

Picken-Williams Eights

Eight crews entered for this event rowed over the Princes Bridge course on 8th October, 1967. We are grateful to Messrs. J. Harvie-Picken and M. S. Williams for making the trophies for this event available. Won by: Bow, B. Maginn (Mercs.); 2, N. Wilson (Mercs.); 3, D. MacKnee (Sydney R.C.); 4, D. Draffin (Mercs.); 5, R. Weatherhead (Mercs.); 6, E. Morgan (Mercs.); 7, M. Dowling (M.U.B.C.); stroke, A. Duval (Sydney R.C.); cox, S. Tulloh (Mercs.).

Morwell Eights — 17th December, 1967

We again have to thank the family of the late Sir Stephen Morell for their continued support of the Club and rowing, by donation of the highly prized trophies for these races

After nine crews had met in strong competition on the Princes Bridge course, the winning crew was: Bow, C. Beech; 2, M. Owen; 3, D. Baxter; 4, R. Negri; 5, M. Kellam; 6, D. Cowling; 7, L. Ayres; stroke, P. O'Brien; cox, B. Morrison.

Trophies

Captain's Trophy — This Trophy is presented to the member who has entered and won the most Regatta and Club races during the season. Sam Mollard won this trophy for the season.

Late J. W. Beattie Trophy — This Trophy is donated in memory of the late Jack Beattie, and is presented to the member who has won the most premierships points for the Club during the season. Sam Mollard has won the trophy for this season.

Late F. R. Browne Trophy — The Perpetual Shield and Trophy, donated by the family of the late F. R. Browne for presentation to the most improved novice oarsman, has been awarded to Mr. F. Woodhouse to whom we extend our congratulations.

Max Bailey Trophy — The Perpetual Shield and Trophy for champion coxswain has been won by G. McConville and M. Owen.

N. W. Cairnes Trophy — We thank Mr. N. W. Cairnes, who has given this Trophy for the most improved coxswain of the season. The award has been made to R. Loveless, and we hope he will continue his coxswain activities for many years.

"The Jeff Wylie Memorial Trophy"

Members of the staff of Edward Lumley & Sons (Victoria) Pty. Ltd. have graciously presented to the Club a Perpetual Shield — "The Jeff Wylie Memorial Shield" — to be awarded annually to the most improved lightweight oarsman.

The Directors of Edward Lumley & Sons (Victoria) Pty. Ltd. supported the presentation of their staff by offering an Annual Trophy to the winner of the "The Jeff Wylie Memorial Shield".

For the fourth year of presentation, we congratulate E. Morgan on gaining the award.

To the Directors and Staff of Edward Lumley & Sons (Victoria) Pty. Ltd. we extend our thanks for their kind thoughts.

Social

Ladies' Day — A most enjoyable day was had by both members and friends, when the Dobbie Fours were held and the Practice Scull "Mrs. T. L. Sprigg" was christened.

Annual Dinner — Held at the Clubhouse on 16th September. All members who attended this function had a most enjoyable evening. Guest speaker was Mr. Chas. Morley.

Gourmet Bar-B-Que — A highly successful event, and a credit to those who worked so hard to make it so — Simon Newcomb, Paul Harding and Deanne Morgan.

It was unfortunate that those functions run by the Social Committee during the season were generally poorly patronized, especially by the younger active members.

Your Committee hopes that the incoming Social Committee will meet more enthusiasm towards its functions from the younger members and continued support, as in the past, from the more senior members

General

Norm Cairnes and Deanne Morgan are to be thanked for continuing their task of compiling a history of the Club.

To Simon Newcomb, Peter Gibbs, and all their able assistants, go our congratulations on another fine edition of the Mercantilian.

Martin Tomanovits and Peter Downey have been responsible for the working bees and boat repairs throughout the season. Jim McKeown was also busy keeping the "Dobbie" and its fittings in top class order. To these members and all others who have been involved in boat repairs, etc., go the Committee's thanks.

High profits with minimum turnover has been the secret of David Baxter's success with the management of the soft-drink machine.

Visiting and competing interstate oarsmen again joined us whilst in Melbourne for regattas.

This year's Anzac Service held at the Clubhouse was one of the best for many years. The address was given by Barry Gross who has just completed his service in Vietnam, and John Seammen again laid the wreath.

We thank those clubs who have been host to some of our crews away on trips — Sydney Rowing Club, Mosman Rowing Club, Mildura Rowing Club.

We extend special thanks to the following people and organisations who helped the Australian Four on its Tour of North America and Europe: Messrs. Tom Kellar, David Boykett, Jack Mulchay, Norman Cairnes, Ray Todd, Allan Douglas, M. S. Williams, Dick Daffy, John Burford, the Buffalo West Side Rowing Club, Bobby Pearce, Conn Finlay, the Penn A. C. Rowing Assoc., Chris Leach, Mr. R. Harry, and the staff of the Australian Embassies in Paris and Brussels and Dr. Tom Kerr, Hon. Sec. of the N.A.A.O. (U.S.A.) as our medical officer.

Bill Wallace and Geoff Taylor are to be congratulated for their continued support of rowing in South Australia.

Geoff Park has returned from his overseas trip, and John Potter and Russell Roberts are enjoying their stay in England.

Michael McKenna has now returned to Australia, but has been transferred to Queensland, where he has made his presence felt by at least seven other men, as the stroke of Toowong Rowing Club's Senior Eight.

Graeme McCall, Laurie Moll and Simon Newcomb are amongst those members who have increased the size of their families — we congratulate them.

Graeme Boykett, John Burford, John Carr, David Palfreyman and Graeme Smith were married during the season, and we offer them our best wishes.

Mr. Ken Pope has been coaching the Monash University Lightweight Four for the Intervarsity races.

To Jack Coghlan and his drivers, in particular Bob Fraser, go our thanks for the safe and efficient transport of boats during the season.

To our coxswains, Robert Baird, Michael Coghlan, Mark Connolly, Tom Daffy, Wayne Gammon, Ricky Loveless, Gary McConville, Adrian Maginn, Chis Martin, Bruce Morrison, Martin Owen, Doug. Paranthorne and Cliff Restarick, go our thanks.

To the parents of these boys we extend our thanks for their support and understanding, as the late hours during training and the racing season must be a considerable inconvenience to them.

The Victorian Rowing Association has again maintained the excellent standard of regattas during the season. Our thanks for this are given to Messrs. M. S. Williams (President), P. J. Thomson (Hon. Secretary), N. F. Wilkinson (Hon. Treasurer) and members of the Executive Committee. There is little doubt that the Licensed Officials have made a great contribution to the running of regattas, and it is commended to any of the Club's retired oarsmen to contact the Secretary as to further information in regard to obtaining an Official's Licence.

The Club has been happy to house crews from Monash University, Brighton Grammar and St. Kevin's College, and appreciate the co-operation of the respective rowing coaches and rowing masters.

The A.B.C. and commercial stations have continued to give rowing excellent publicity through radio and television descriptions. We thank

them, and also Messrs. W. R. B. Todd and S. H. Newcomb for their endeavours per medium of the Press.

Simon Newcomb and Paul Harding have coped with the task of organising the social functions admirably; our thanks to them both.

Paul Harding together with Mr. and Mrs. Sprigg have run E.M.M.A. for the past season, and as a result have donated over \$150 to club funds. It is clear that this operation has produced very worthwhile results in one season, and it is hoped that in future more members will support E.M.M.A.

The Harlequin Rugby Club has again used the Boathouse during their playing season, and we wish them every success during the current series.

This year, under the guidance of Tom Rodda, Frank Peters and Ron Richardson, members of the Old Oarsmen's Association travelled to Penrith, N.S.W., for the King's Cup Regatta.

The Annual Football Match against Hawthorn Rowing Club, unfortunately resulted in a loss for Mercantile. Congratulations to Hawthorn.

Paul Harding's painting efforts in the South-West Corner have brightened up our Sunday mornings considerably.

To all kindred Clubs, Public and High Schools our thanks and appreciation are conveyed for their co-operation during the season. Those members who attended country regattas have again enjoyed a generous and hospitable welcome from the members of the country clubs that conduct regattas, and we sincerely thank them.

Mr. M. S. Williams has returned from a triumphant world tour.

To our President, Mr. J. G. H. Sprigg go the warmest wishes from Committee and Members, for a safe and enjoyable World Tour for you and your wife.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the retiring Committee thanks all members for the assistance given during the year, and looks forward to the same co-operation being given to the incoming Committee.

For and on behalf of the Committee,

P. V. WOOD, Honorary Secretary.

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COUNTRY MEMBERS

Ansell, G. L.	Foley, F/Lt. J. E.	McArthur, F. S.
Bailey, W. M.	*Holyman, G. I.	MacPherson, P. M.
Calder, D. A.	Jarvis, R.	McKay, T.
Davidson, J.	Kennedy, K.	O'Reilly, J. H.
Duncan, A. R.	Kerrigan, N.	Ross, W. G.
Ellis, J. C. S.	Lachal, R.	Rowe, J. S.
Farmer, M. J.	Miller, P. M.	Spalding, N.
Ferguson, J. M.	Moll, L. L. B.	Wills, G. G.
Ford, J.	Monger, A. C.	Wimble, A. R.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Boykett, K. H.	Hawes, M. R.	Port, M. G.
Corben, M. H.	Hill, L.	Rodda, T.
Cordell, A. J.	Leggett, E. P.	Schrader, N.
Daffy, R., Snr., O.B.E.	Newcomb, Capt. H. M.	Wylie, W. J.
Green, J. H.		

†Deceased. *Leave of Absence.

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th APRIL, 1968

(Adjusted to nearest \$)

1967		1968
\$		\$ \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS:		
\$13,061	Balance 1st May	\$14,304
105 (Cr.)	Deficiency transferred from Income & Expenditure Account	153 (Dr.)
1,000	Other Income — Special Donation purchase of boat	—
100	— Edward Lumley & Sons J. J. Wylie Trophy	—
38	— Transfer V.R.A. Trophy A/c. — Trophy orders Returned	—
14,304		\$14,151
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
3,344	Trophy Orders A/c. — See Note 1	3,861
122	Subscriptions Paid in Advance	101
1,426	Bank of New South Wales	420
123	Sundry Creditors	551
—	Olympic Fund	100
5,015		5,033
\$19,319		\$19,184
1967		1968
\$		\$ \$
CURRENT ASSETS:		
—	Prepaid Expenses	\$30
\$827	Subscriptions Outstanding	919
133	Stock of Ties	97
421	Sundry Debtors	1,532
1,381		\$2,578
INVESTMENTS (at cost)		
597	Commonwealth Treasury Bonds — V.R.A. Trophy Order A/c.	597
50	— F. R. Browne Trophy A/c.	50
100	— J. J. Wylie Trophy A/c.	100
747		747
NON-CURRENT ASSETS:		
4,943	Boat House (at cost)	4,943
52	Club Fittings, at valuation 1/7/59	45
		4,988
	(Less Provision for Depreciation)	

9,978	Boats at W.D.V. 1st May, 1967	9,978	
—	Purchases	786	
		<u>10,764</u>	
—	Less Depreciation and Disposals	1,720	9,044
1,722	Oars, at Valuation	1,557	
360	Motor Boat, at Valuation	161	
136	Sundry Assets	109	
		<u>17,191</u>	
			<u>1,827</u>
<u>\$19,319</u>			<u>\$19,184</u>

A Building Fund account of \$20 is held with the Bank of New South Wales Savings Bank. This account has not been incorporated in the above.

A U D I T O R ' S R E P O R T

I report that, in my opinion, the accompanying Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Statement of the Mercantile Rowing Club are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Club at the 30th April, 1968, according to the information and explanations given to me and as shown by the books and records.

A. H. G. CLARKE, Chartered Accountant.

Dated: Melbourne, 3rd June, 1968.

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

NOTE 1. ACCOMPANYING BALANCE SHEET AT 30th APRIL, 1968

TROPHIES ORDERS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1968

		Dr.	Cr.
\$			
\$3,354	Balance brought forward		\$3,344
270	Amounts for Trophies awarded		674
280 (Dr.)	Trophy Orders paid	\$157	
3,344	Balance carried forward	3,861	
<u>\$3,624</u>		<u>\$4,018</u>	<u>\$4,018</u>
	Balance brought forward		<u>\$3,861</u>

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL, 1968

(Adjusted to nearest \$)

1967		1968
\$		\$ \$
INCOME:		
\$4,654	Subscriptions	\$4,746
625	Less Amounts written off	680
<u>4,029</u>		<u>4,066</u>
1,540	Donations and Locker Fees	1,169
10	Entrance Fees	—
24	Interest — Commonwealth Treasury Bonds	\$26
10	— State Savings Bank of Victoria	8
1	Sundry Income — Profit Sale of Ties	34
383	— Sale of Soft Drinks	449
170	— Profit on Sale of Capital Equipment	—
<u>\$6,167</u>	TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$5,723</u>
 EXPENDITURE:		
29	Boat Staging and Hire	21
1,643	Depreciation — Boats	\$1,640
520	— Oars	415
22	— Fittings	7
40	— Motor Boat and Engine	25
47	Entrance Fees — Regattas	2,087
163	Fire Protection Expenses	279
128	Freight — Country Regattas	119
109	General Expenses	205
535	Insurance	73
55	Interest on Overdraft and Bank Charges	415
758	Lighting, Gas, Rent and Water Rates	72
99	Postages	645
344	Printing and Stationery	98
857	Repairs and Maintenance	368
63	Telephone	569
137	Trophies — Club Races	83
408	V.R.A. Dues and Fees	56
105	Donations to Overseas Travelling Crews	472
—	Loss on Sale of Assets	153
<u>6,062</u>		<u>161</u>
<u>105 (Cr.)</u>	DEFICIENCY TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS	<u>5,876</u>
		<u>\$153</u>

OBITUARY

It is with deep regret that we record the loss of our Vice-President, Cecil N. McKay, who died during the year. Cecil was a successful senior oarsman of pre-war years and stroked the Victorian crew which won the King's Cup at Mannum, South Australia, 1931.

He has not been a regular visitor to the Club in recent years but has always maintained his interest in the sport and recently enjoyed several regattas on the Yarra. The sympathy of the members of the Club is extended to his family in their bereavement.