



MERCANTILE
ROWING CLUB

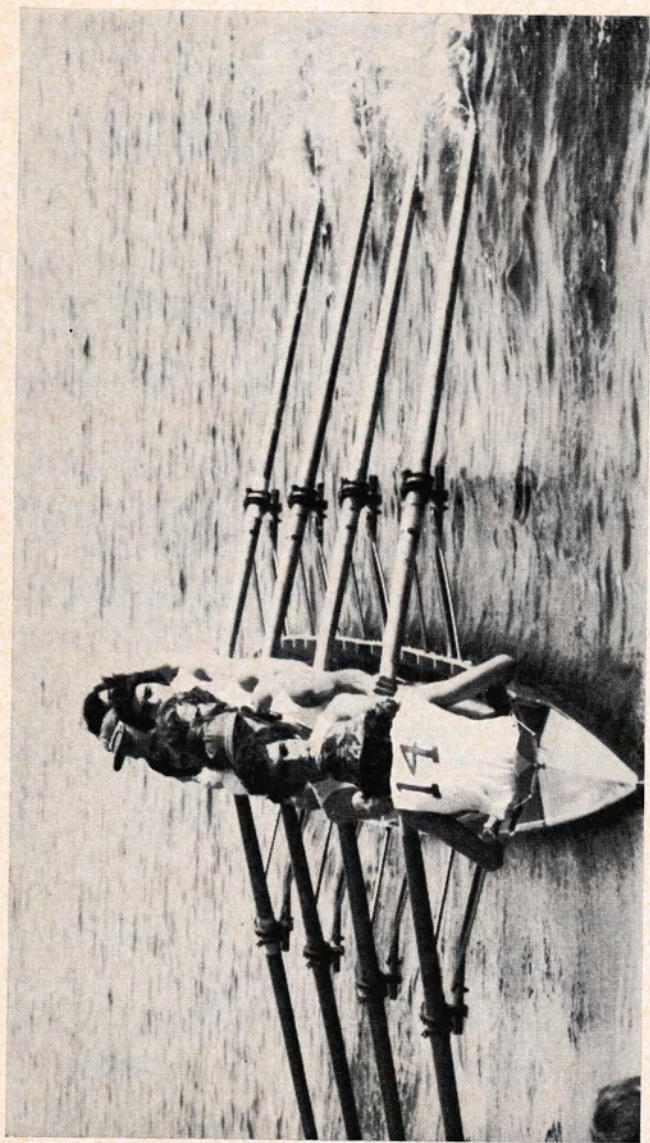
MELBOURNE



94th
Annual Report
and
Balance Sheet



Season 1973-74



AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CHAMPION LIGHTWEIGHT EIGHT
Andrew Guerin (bow), Marlin Owen (2), Tony Spriggins (3), Daryl Johns (4), Ian Duthie (5), Mike Kerin (6), Rod Stewart (7), Glenn Robertson-Smith (str.), Tim McCoy (cox, John Burford (coach).

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

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MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

Princes Bridge,
MELBOURNE, 3004.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 94th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB will be held at the CLUBHOUSE on SATURDAY, 29th JUNE, 1974, at 8 p.m.

The Annual Smoke Night will be held at the conclusion of the meeting.

B U S I N E S S :

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. Any General Business that may be legally brought forward.

Nominations for Office-Bearers for the ensuing year will close on the Notice Board at the CLUBHOUSE on SATURDAY, 22nd JUNE, 1974, at 4 p.m.

By Order of the Committee,

A. W. BLAXLAND,
Honorary Secretary.

The Ninety-Fourth Annual Report of the Mercantile Rowing Club

To the Members,

Gentlemen,

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting to you the 94th Annual Report and Financial Statement for the year ending 30th April, 1974.

The Club has again enjoyed a successful season, the highlights of which were the success of our crews in winning the National Championships in the Lightweight Eight and Junior Eight events and the State Championships in the Senior Scull, Lightweight Eight and Junior Eight events. The Club's Senior Eight was the first Victorian crew across the line in the final of the Senior Eight-oared Championship behind an Adelaide-Torrens composite crew to whom we extend our congratulations. The performances of the Lightweight Eights enabled the Club to regain the Lightweight Premiership.

Six members of the Senior Eight represented the Club in the King's Cup crew. They were: Hubert Frederico, John Harry, Jeff Howard, David Palfreyman, Bruno Romanin and John Shanasy. The King's Cup was won by New South Wales, the Penrith Cup by Victoria and the President's Cup by Queensland, and we congratulate all these crews on their performance. Ken Leach continued his successful sculling career by winning no less than ten senior events during the season, and he was unlucky not to receive the nomination for the President's Cup.

The Lightweight Eights suffered somewhat from a lack of competition, however extensive training with other crews enabled them to compete successfully against interstate crews on a first and final basis.

The Junior Eight had a very successful season, winning two championships and six regatta events and the Head of the Yarra. They built up an excellent esprit de corps and their standard of turnout and demeanour was a credit to themselves and the Club. Their fighting spirit enabled them to row above themselves on several occasions, notably in the heat of the National Championships when they came from behind to win by .1 second.

The Club's Maiden and Novice crews, whilst again lacking in depth this season, had some success, mainly over the Christmas period.

None of these results would have been possible without the tireless energy and enthusiasm of our Captain, Martin Owen, who has carried the Club on his shoulders over the past two years. The past year of his reign has been conducted under the most difficult operational circumstances and the results achieved bear witness to his efforts and he has set a standard which his successor will find hard to match.

The Ninety-third Annual Report stressed the need to lay the foundations for the Club's future representation at international level. These foundations have been laid over the past season, and if they are consolidated and built upon in the coming year, this, together with the foundations and structure of a more material nature in the form of the new Clubhouse, will ensure that the Club can look forward with confidence to a bright future.

The Boathouse

On the evening of Sunday, 6th May, 1973, a fire broke out in the Clubhouse with the result that the changing room, gymnasium and shower areas were destroyed and partial damage sustained by the clubroom and committee room. Prompt arrival and action by the fire brigade enabled the fleet of boats and oars to be saved. Unfortunately, much of the Club's history, which was displayed in the destroyed areas in the form of irreplaceable photographs and presentation oars, was lost. The Clubhouse was locked and empty of members at the time the fire broke out and it was subsequently established that the fire was deliberately lit and the culprit apprehended.

Immediate steps were taken to secure the Clubhouse and fleet and to protect the public from falling debris.

A Rebuilding Committee was appointed on 9th May under the Chairmanship of Robert Aitken and three sub-committees were formed to cover the areas of design suggestion, finance and building. Subsequently these committees were dissolved and a Rebuilding Committee under the Chairmanship of Norm Cairnes was appointed to co-ordinate the project.

Peter Jones was commissioned as the architect with the assistance of Daryl Johns.

In June, the Rebuilding Committee recommended that the Clubhouse be rebuilt over all five bays with a concrete slab ground floor and a timber first floor, 75 feet in width and 60 feet in depth. Including the Memorial Clubrooms, the Club will cover an area of 75 feet frontage with a depth of 90 feet, providing 6,500 sq. ft. at ground floor level and 7,000 sq. ft. first floor level.

During August and September, 1973, the complete structure to the rear of the Memorial Clubrooms was demolished, the concrete slab covering the Brighton Grammar School area and south-west corner removed and the site levelled. The work was carried out by club members under the direction of Andy Evans, David Palfreyman and Warwick Hutchins, enabling costs to be kept to a minimum.

The demolition completed, attention was turned to the reinstatement of the Memorial Clubrooms. Four cupboards were constructed in the Committee room and the kitchen enlarged and rearranged internally. The walls were repainted, the floors cleaned and tiled in the kitchen, the front windows replaced and remodelled to provide more ventilation, the electrical system reinstated and the ceiling replaced and coated. The Committee table was revarnished and stained. This work was completed in December, 1973, and further improvements will be carried out when the rebuilding of the Clubhouse is completed. This work was also carried out by members under the supervision of Ted Sorani, without whose enthusiasm and expertise, it would not have been possible.

The Clubrooms remained in use for the Club's social activities during the reinstatement work and will continue to be available throughout the building programme.

The plans and specifications were completed by September, 1973, and were issued for tender. The builder, Mr. I. Staehr, was appointed in November and the issue of a building permit was confidently expected shortly thereafter. However, the Melbourne City Council required alterations to the initial plans and proposals were eventually submitted to the Board of Referees who approved these subject to minor amendments in March, 1974.

The City Architect's approval of the amended plans was obtained at the end of April and the contract is now being finalised prior to the issue of a Building Permit and commencement of rebuilding in June, 1974. The construction time is expected to be five months.

Membership

The membership as at 30th April, 1974, was as follows:—

	1974	1973	1972	1966	1956	1936
LIFE MEMBERS	8	8	8	9	7	9
SENIOR ACTIVE MEMBERS	135	146	134	174	164	147
SENIOR MEMBERS	29	29	27			
JUNIOR MEMBERS	37	33	22	86	42	48
JNR. SCHOOLBOY MEMBERS ..	11	9	47			
COUNTRY MEMBERS	36	29	31	66	69	20
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS	38	36	38			
LEAVE OF ABSENCE	10	8	16			
	<u>314</u>	<u>298</u>	<u>323</u>	<u>335</u>	<u>282</u>	<u>224</u>

Executive and Committee

At time of going to press, eleven ordinary and one extraordinary Committee Meetings had been held. Attendances at these meetings has been:—

R. R. Aitken 11	T. Lockwood (c) .. 1	A. E. Maginn 8
A. W. Blaxland (a) 8	J. Shanasy 4	M. F. McKenna 8
J. W. Bradshaw .. 10	E. Sorani 9	B. Morrison 5
J. Burford 5	J. G. H. Sprigg .. 10	M. F. Owen 10
N. W. Cairnes 10	R. D. Stewart (e) 1	D. Palfreyman 6
I. R. Duthie 7	P. K. Watkin (f) .. 1	B. Romanin (d) .. . 5
M. L. Fudge (b) .. 7	D. Yunghanns .. . 10	

- (a) Appointed Oct., '73. (b) Appointed Oct., '73. (c) Resigned Sept., '73.
 (d) Appointed Dec., '73. (e) Resigned Nov., '73. (f) Resigned Oct., '73.

Finance

The Income and Expenditure Statement for the year shows a surplus of \$7,799.

While this may appear a satisfactory result, your Committee draws the attention of members to the fact that the surplus is due entirely to the revenue included under "Donations". Indeed the most striking item in this year's Accounts is the very substantial increase in this item, due partly to the result of the Special Effort conducted during the year and partly to the energetic and profitable endeavours of our Social Committee. The support of the members generally, and the Sunday morning oarsmen in particular, has been most heartening and has contributed greatly to the result.

Apart from this, normal revenue has only just covered the Club's running expenses including an allowance for depreciation. The fall in revenue from subscriptions is due to the fact that only six months' occupation fee was received from Brighton Grammar School.

The higher interest return is the result of the temporary investment of the money received from the insurance proceeds and other surplus funds.

Expenses generally remained fairly constant. Interest was down, due to a substantial reduction of the bank overdraft on the War Memorial Building Fund Account. The higher payments to the Victoria Rowing Association reflect the levy of \$2 per member made at the end of the year, which is being recouped with members' subscriptions.

In the Balance Sheet the value of the Boat House has been written down by the amount of the insurance claim. Altogether a total of \$5,474 was spent on the Boat House during the year in demolition work, and in the renovation and remodelling of the front part of the building.

The War Memorial Building Fund was increased during the year by a transfer of \$2,000 from the Club funds and by direct donations from members totalling \$10,921.50. In consequence, by 30th April the overdraft was reduced to \$1,372.88.

The continued generosity of our members is most encouraging and further donations have now eliminated the overdraft completely.

The Club has \$39,000 on deposit. Arrangements have been made for a new bank overdraft limit of \$25,000, guaranteed by twenty-five members, and your Committee is confident that with further donations to the War Memorial Building Fund, some of which are already promised, with the continued activities of the Social Committee, and the support of members generally, we shall just be able to provide the estimated amount of \$70,000 required to complete the building project. This will not be easy and the Club's interest commitment in the future will be very much higher. As always, the support of all members in rowing for the Club, in working for the Club, in financial support however great or small, and above all in enthusiasm, will be vital to the completion of this project and to the continued success of the Club.

Building Fund — Donations

The following members have generously made donations to the War Memorial Building Fund:—B. Abromwich, A. Adams, R. Aitken, G. Ansell, J. Appleby, K. Bilney, A. Blaxland, J. Blake, J. Bostock, D. Boykett, J. Bradshaw, N. Cairnes, P. Cayser, P. Connor, M. Corben, D. Crighton, R. Curtis, R. Dawson, J. Donoghue, J. Draffin, E. Evans, J. Ferguson, L. Fosdick, J. Fox, C. George, G. Grace, B. Gross, R. Harbig, J. Harry, J. Harvey, J. Hill, S. Hollywood, J. Howden, M. Hume, P. Humphris, W. Hutchins, A. Hyett, J. Jones, P. Jones, D. Jamieson, M. Kellam, R. Lachal, P. Leggett, M. McKenna, J. McKeown, G. Mahoney, H. Mahony, G. Manton, G. McCall, A. Miller, A. Monger, K. Mollard, C. Moore, S. Morell, R. Morell, G. Morgan, D. Morgan, W. Morrison, D. Oliff, J. O'Reilly, F. Owen, M. Owen, J. Picken, K. Pope, C. Porter, G. Richardson, R. Richardson, S. Richardson, T. Rodda, J. Rowe, A. Schrader, J. Seammen, M. Searle, H. Shears, J. Shears, E. Sorani, A. Southcott, H. Spencer, J. Spensley, J. Sprigg, T. Swan, G. Taylor, C. Thompson, R. Thursfield, M. Tomanovits, M. Tucker, H. Walker, J. Wertheimer, E. White, M. M. Williams, M. S. Williams, L. Williams, A. Williams, R. Wilson, W. Wilson, D. Yunghanns.

The Building Fund received donations totalling \$10,888 during the year, which includes \$605 provided by those members who have subscribed to the Tributors' Group. The above list of those who have helped us over the past year, whose help be it great or small, is gratefully acknowledged and whose continued support of the Club shows what Mercantile means to its members.

Tributors

The Tributors Group, now in their second year, raise money in a novel and painless way — by members pledging to contribute a set amount for every win Club crews achieve during the season. The Group has again been well supported and a total of thirty qualifying wins by the Club raised \$720. The Committee decided that all money should be credited to the building fund this year. Jim Harvey and Bill Morrison have run the scheme and members who wish to join the Group next year are asked to get in touch with them.

The Members of the Group are:—R. Aitken, A. Blaxland, J. Bostock, D. Boykett, J. Bradshaw, J. Burford, N. Cairnes, P. Cayser, D. Crighton, J. Draffin, A. Evans, B. Gross, J. Harvey, P. Humphris, J. Jones, M. Keeley, E. Leggett, G. McCall, K. McConville, M. McKenna, J. McKeown, G. McMahan, C. Mahoney, G. Manton, A. Monger, D. Morgan, W. Morrison, R. Richardson, S. Richardson, T. Rodda, J. Rowe, A. Schrader, J. Seammen, J. Shears, W. Shears, E. Sorani, J. Sprigg, G. Taylor, C. Thompson, R. Thursfield, M. Tomanovits, H. Walker, E. White, W. Wilson, D. Yunghanns.

Boats and Oars

The complete fleet is detailed below, together with a summary of its condition:—

Eights

Racing:

- J. Burford (1973)—very good.
- R. R. Aitken (1971)—very good.
- J. G. Sprigg (1968)—fair.
- S. H. Newcombe (1966)—poor.
- Cock Robins (1962)—fair.

Practice:

- R. W. Thursfield (1961)—fair.

Fours

Racing:

- M. F. McKenna (1972)—good.
- Ricky Loveless (1970)—good.
- The First Lady (1968)—good.
- Sir Bernard Evans (1966)—poor.
- J. J. Wylie (1964)—poor.
- Caltex & Dealers (1964)—good.

Tub:

- Deane Morgan (1961)—fair.

Pairs

Racing:

- W. T. Morrison (1971)—good.
- Bill Bradshaw (1967)—fair.
- Keith Bilney (1964)—poor.

Tub:

- Paul Harding (1962)—poor.
- Dr. R. A. Cooper (1961)—fair.

Oars

- Sykes, 12ft. 4in. (1972)—good.
- Sykes, 12ft. 2in. (1971)—good.
- Karlisch (1970)—good.
- Aylings (1967-68)—fair.
- S. & B. (1968)—fair.
- Donortico (1964-66)—fair.

Motor Boat

- Boat Trailer (1972)—fair.
- Hull—poor.
- Motor—poor.

The only new boat purchased this season was a racing eight from Sykes. This boat was named the John Burford and was used by the Champion Lightweight Eight.

A set of 10 oars has been ordered from Sykes for delivery in September, 1974.

The racing eight D. H. Boykett (1964) was exchanged for the eight "Cock Robins", plus the sum of \$450 with the Cock Robin Syndicate.

The racing eight S. H. Newcombe (1966) was accepted as an indefinite loan by Yarrowonga Rowing Club to assist them to re-equip after a serious fire at their clubhouse.

The tub four E. K. Varcoe (1951) was donated to Yarrowonga Rowing Club.

The tub scull Wal Turnbull (1964) was sold during the season.

Several working bees took place during the winter of 1973 and much work was completed on the Ricky Loveless, The First Lady and Sir Bernard Evans. The Karlisch and Sykes oars and other boats also received attention. The Committee wish to thank the Veterans for doing substantial repairs to the Caltex & Dealers, and to Russell Sherwood for his work on the repair of oars.

Maintenance of the fleet has not been made easy due to the fact that part of our fleet has been in storage in other clubs and schools. However, perusal of the state of the fleet as indicated above will show that much

work will have to be done during the coming winter months to bring the fleet up to a satisfactory standard. Strokes of crews must realise that it is their responsibility to ensure that regular weekly on-line maintenance is carried out on their boats by the crew members and that any damage or work beyond the scope of their ability is immediately brought to the attention of Boats and Oars Committeemen for rectification. Today's cost of boats and oars makes it imperative that all members treat the equipment with the utmost care at all times. The Club cannot afford the cost of major repairs nor can it afford to have boats out of commission whilst under repair, thereby disrupting the training programmes of crews. The ball is thus squarely in the members' court, and the Committee is confident that a real effort will be forthcoming in this area next season.

Coaching

The Committee extends its thanks to those members who offered their services and coached crews this season. They were:—Messrs. J. Burford, N. Cairnes, P. Cayser, H. Frederico, K. McConville, H. Shaw and R. Wilson.

The Club is always in need of coaches, especially for our more junior crews, and members who feel that they could assist in this field should contact the Captain.

Recruiting

The Club recruited extensively this year and many members of our winning crews have joined during the season.

John Burford who has been in charge here again, organised a recruiting night held on 27th May, 1973. All members of the First and Second Eights of Schools which competed at the Head of the River regatta on the Barwon were invited and over 40 of these attended to hear talks by the Club's top coaches and oarsmen. The evening concluded with a film and an informal get-together over light refreshments. As a result of the success of the evening, a similar function is to be held this year.

A continuing supply of good, keen young oarsmen is of paramount importance to our continuing success, and younger members are especially able to assist in this regard. Bring your friends down to the Club, and introduce them to the Captain and to the activities of the Club.

Boathouse

Much of the activities concerning the boathouse are covered elsewhere in this report, however the Boathouse member Mike Fudge would like to thank those members who have assisted him with routine tasks and working bees.

All members are asked to assist the boathouse member next season wherever possible to keep both the existing area and the new Clubhouse clean and tidy.

European Championships — Moscow, September, 1973

Eights.—Olympic Champions: New Zealand.

Gold Medal: EAST GERMANY, 6.19.02.
Silver Medal: CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 6.33.18.
Bronze Medal: U.S.S.R., 6.36.14.

Australia was not represented.

Coxed Fours.—Olympic Champions: West Germany.

Gold Medal: U.S.S.R., 7.08.17.
Silver Medal: EAST GERMANY, 7.18.20.
Bronze Medal: CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 7.18.81.

Australia 7th overall (winner of Petite Final), 7.17.63.

Crew: G. Dehring (bow), W. Dankbaar (2), W. Liley (3), L. Anderson (stroke), B. Tonkin (cox), J. Saunders (coach).

Coxless Fours.—Olympic Champions: East Germany.

Gold Medal: EAST GERMANY, 6.56.67.
Silver Medal: U.S.S.R., 7.00.55.
Bronze Medal: NORWAY, 7.01.85.

Australia was not represented.

Coxed Pairs.—Olympic Champions: East Germany.

Gold Medal: U.S.S.R., 8.09.83.
Silver Medal: EAST GERMANY, 8.13.42.
Bronze Medal: RUMANIA, 8.15.67.

Australia was not represented.

Coxless Pairs.—Olympic Champions: East Germany.

Gold Medal: RUMANIA, 7.39.10.
Silver Medal: NEW ZEALAND, 7.42.63.
Bronze Medal: WEST GERMANY, 7.43.53.

Australia 8th overall (second in Petite Final), 7.55.92.

Crew: T. Conrad (bow), P. Shakespeare (stroke), J. Saunders (coach).

Double Sculls.—Olympic Champions: U.S.S.R.

Gold Medal: EAST GERMANY, 7.26.95.
Silver Medal: U.S.S.R., 7.33.97.
Bronze Medal: GREAT BRITAIN, 7.41.87.

Australia was not represented.

Single Sculls.—Olympic Champion: U.S.S.R.

Gold Medal: WEST GERMANY, 8.02.77.
Silver Medal: U.S.S.R., 8.05.87.
Bronze Medal: EAST GERMANY, 8.07.09.

Australia 10th overall (4th in Petite Final), 8.39.83.

Sculler: J. Sykes.

**F.I.S.A. Junior Championships — Nottingham, England,
August, 1973**

Eights:

Gold Medal: WEST GERMANY, 4.59.25.
Silver Medal: EAST GERMANY, 5.01.04.
Bronze Medal: U.S.S.R., 5.06.35.

Australia 8th overall (2nd in Petite Final), 5.09.7.

Crew: A. Guerin (bow), S. Webster (2), I. Porter (3), B. Dumbrell (4), D. Buchanan (5), G. Low (6), S. Shirrefs (7), G. Robertson-Smith (stroke), M. Aitken (cox), D. MacMillan (coach).

Coxed Fours:

Gold Medal: EAST GERMANY, 5.27.95.
Silver Medal: WEST GERMANY, 5.28.11.
Bronze Medal: GREAT BRITAIN, 5.39.37.

Australia was not represented.

Coxless Fours:

Gold Medal: WEST GERMANY, 5.41.69.
Silver Medal: EAST GERMANY, 5.44.92.
Bronze Medal: U.S.S.R., 5.45.04.

Australia was not represented.

Coxed Pairs:

Gold Medal: EAST GERMANY, 6.13.69.
Silver Medal: FRANCE, 6.19.45.
Bronze Medal: CANADA, 6.22.33.

Australia eliminated in repechage (13th-16th overall), 6.35.46.
Crew: G. Brooke (bow), C. Cooper (stroke), M. Aitken (cox).

Coxless Pairs:

Gold Medal: EAST GERMANY, 5.56.83.
Silver Medal: GREAT BRITAIN, 5.59.92.
Bronze Medal: U.S.S.R., 6.10.41.

Australia was not represented.

Double Sculls:

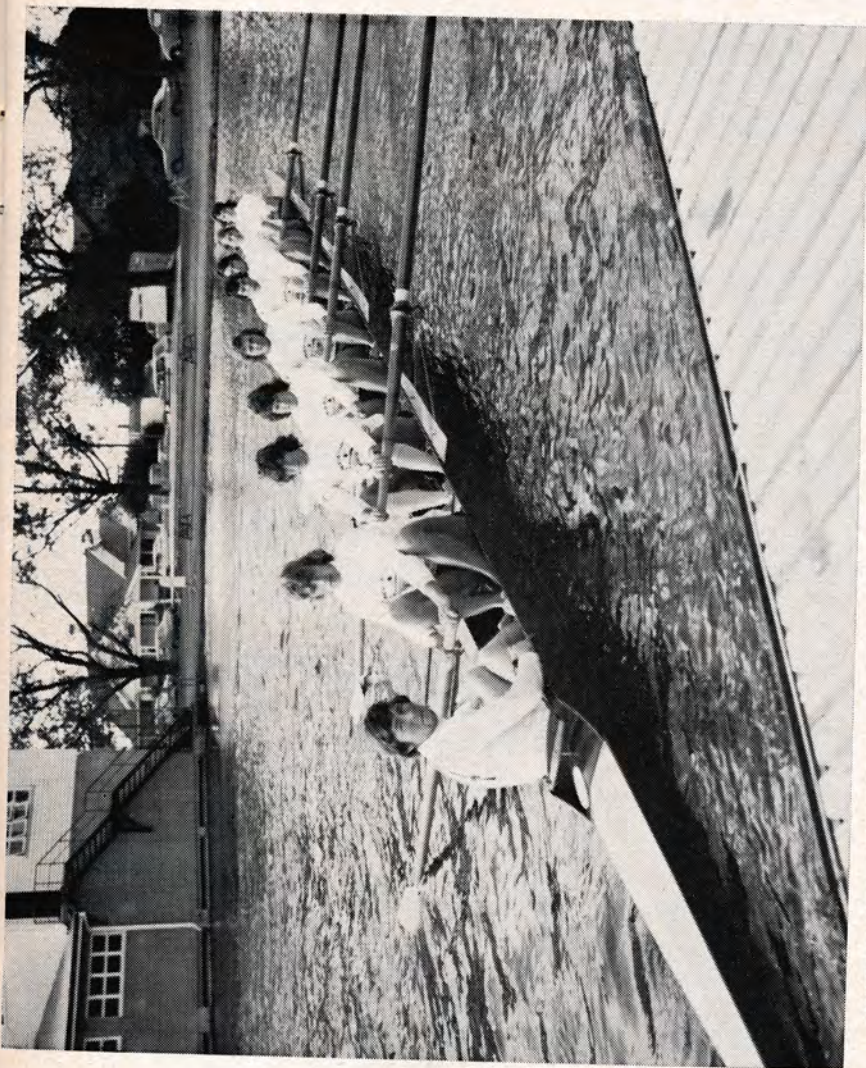
Gold Medal: EAST GERMANY, 5.32.96.
Silver Medal: U.S.S.R., 5.34.67.
Bronze Medal: WEST GERMANY, 5.43.03.

Australia was not represented.

Single Sculls:

Gold Medal: U.S.S.R., 6.04.88.
Silver Medal: EAST GERMANY, 6.07.58.
Bronze Medal: WEST GERMANY, 6.11.02.

Australia was not represented.



AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL AND VICTORIAN STATE CHAMPION JUNIOR EIGHT
Tim Horkings (bow), Simon Butler (2), Peter Richter (3), David Parton (4), Alec Sloan (5), Terry Creamean (6), Stephen Shirrefs (7), Stephen Webster (str.), Adrian Maginn (cox), Phil Cayser (coach).

Australian Amateur Rowing Championships

The King's Cup Regatta — Ballarat, Victoria, 11th and 13th April, 1974.

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

1st, New South Wales; 2nd, South Australia; 3rd, West Australia.
Time: 6.20. Margin: 1.6 sec.

Victoria was represented by D. W. Slessar (bow), J. R. Howard (2), R. J. Atkinson (3), W. G. Magennis (4), J. R. Harry (5), B. Romanin (6), J. E. Shanasy (7), D. Palfreyman (stroke), R. H. England (cox), H. R. Frederico (coach).

PENRITH CUP.—Australian Lightweight Four-Oared Championship:

1st, Victoria; 2nd, South Australia; 3rd, Queensland. Time: 7.40.5.
Margin: 6.0 sec.

Victoria represented by C. J. Smith (bow), G. L. Rees (2), A. G. Michelmores (3), T. C. Johnston (stroke), D. B. England (cox), P. E. M. L. Philp (coach).

PRESIDENT'S CUP.—Australian Single Scull Championship:

1st, Queensland; 2nd, New South Wales; 3rd, Victoria. Time: 8.2.1.
Margin: 1.6 sec.

Victoria was represented by D. A. J. McCowan.

N. F. WILKINSON TROPHY.—Australian Youth Eight-Oared C'ship:

1st, Tasmania No. 1; 2nd, New South Wales No. 2; 3rd, Victoria No. 2. Time: 6.55.8. Margin: 1.46 sec.

Australian National Regatta — Ballarat, 15th-16th April, 1974

CHAMPION LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR EIGHT:

1st Mercantile; 2nd Drummoyne (N.S.W.); 3rd Buckingham (Tas.).
Time 6.21.8. Margin 8.3 sec.

The crew was A. Guerin (bow), M. Owen (2), A. Spriggins (3), D. Johns (4), I. Duthie (5), M. Kerin (6), R. Stewart (7), G. Robertson-Smith (str.), T. McCoy (cox), J. Burford (coach).

CHAMPION SENIOR FOUR WITH COX:

1st Joondalup No. 1 (W.A.); 2nd Sydney University (N.S.W.); 3rd Tasmanian Composite. Time 6.41.9. Margin 0.25 sec.

The Club was represented in this event by J. Howard (bow), B. Romanin (2), J. Shanasy (3), D. Palfreyman (str.), M. Aitken (cox), H. Frederico (coach).

CHAMPION SENIOR FOUR WITHOUT COX:

1st Joondalup (W.A.); 2nd Sydney University No. 2 (N.S.W.); 3rd Haberfield (N.S.W.). Time 6.43.9. Margin 10.1 sec.

The Club was not represented in this event.

CHAMPION SENIOR PAIR WITH COX:

1st Joondalup (W.A.); 2nd Sydney University (N.S.W.); 3rd M.U.B.C.
Time 7.45.8. Margin 1.5 sec.

The Club was not represented in this event.

CHAMPION SENIOR PAIR WITHOUT COX:

1st Mosman (N.S.W.); 2nd Sydney (N.S.W.); 3rd Derwent Mercantile (Tas.). Time 7.18.4. Margin 7.9 sec.

The Club was represented in a composite crew of J. Watt (Corio Bay) (bow), R. Garrard (str.).

CHAMPION LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR PAIR WITH COX:

1st Torrens (S.A.); 2nd Drummoyne (N.S.W.); 3rd Leichardt (N.S.W.). Time 7.58.2. Margin 7.6 sec.

The Club was not represented in this event.

CHAMPION DOUBLE SCULL:

1st Haberfield (N.S.W.); 2nd Lindisfarne (Tas.); 3rd Corio Bay. Time 7.15. Margin 0.3 sec.

The Club was not represented in this event.

CHAMPION LIGHTWEIGHT SINGLE SCULL:

1st J. Sykes (Corio Bay); 2nd N. Walker (Derwent Mercantile); 3rd R. Bleakley (University of Queensland). Time 7.58.2. Margin 1.9 sec.

The Club was not represented in this event.

CHAMPION JUNIOR EIGHT:

1st Mercantile; 2nd Reeconian (Tas.); 3rd Barwon. Time 6.21.5. Margin 0.4 sec.

The crew was T. Horkings (bow), S. Butler (2), P. Richter (3), D. Parton (4), A. Sloan (5), T. Cremean (6), S. Shirrefs (7), S. Webster (str.), A. Maginn (cox), P. Cayser (coach).

CHAMPION JUNIOR FOUR WITH COX:

1st Wendouree/Ballarat; 2nd Glebe (N.S.W.); 3rd Power House. Time 7.5.2. Margin 1.3 sec.

The Club was not represented in this event.

CHAMPION SCHOOLBOY EIGHT:

1st Melbourne Grammar School; 2nd St. Ignatius College (N.S.W.); 3rd Scotch College. Time 6.24.5. Margin 4.0 sec.

CHAMPION SCHOOLBOY FOUR:

1st Newington College; 2nd South Grafton High School; 3rd The King's School. Time 7.13.2. Margin 5.5 sec.

Victorian State Championships

Eight-Oared

SENIOR.—Rowed at Ballarat, 2nd-3rd February, 1974. Won by Adelaide-Torrens (S.A.) by $\frac{3}{4}$ length from Mercantile. The Club was represented by R. Stewart (bow), J. Howard (2), E. Schrader (3), J. Harry (4), D. Buchanan (5), B. Romanin (6), J. Shanasy (7), D. Palfreyman (stroke), M. Aitken (cox), H. Frederico (coach). Time 6.25.

LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR.—Rowed at Ballarat, 15-16th December, 1973. Won by Mercantile. The crew was A. Williams (bow), M. Owen (2), M. Fudge (3), I. Duthie (4), P. Maginn (5), D. Johns (6), A. Hart (7), G. Robertson-Smith (str.), A. Maginn (cox), K. McConville (coach). Time: 6.58.

JUNIOR.—Rowed at Ballarat, 11th March, 1974. Won by Mercantile. The crew was T. Horkings (bow), S. Butler (2), P. Richter (3), D. Parton (4), A. Sloan (5), T. Cremean (6), S. Shirrefs (7), S. Webster (stroke), A. Maginn (cox), P. Cayser (coach). Time: 6.13.5.

Four-Oared

SENIOR.—Rowed at Ballarat, 15th-16th December, 1973. Won by M.U.B.C. The Club was represented by J. Howard (bow), B. Romanin (2), J. Shanasy (3), D. Palfreyman (stroke), M. Aitken (cox), H. Frederico (coach). Winner's time: 7.7.8.

LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR.—Rowed at Ballarat, 2nd-3rd February, 1974. Won by M.U.B.C. The Club was represented by M. Owen (bow), I. Duthie (2), P. Maginn (3), G. Robertson-Smith (stroke), T. McCoy (cox), K. McConville (coach). Winner's time: 7.05.

JUNIOR.—Rowed at Ballarat, 15th-16th December, 1973. Won by Monash University. The Club was represented by R. Stewart (bow), D. Parton (2), P. Richter (3), J. Keeran (stroke), I. Featherstonehaugh (cox), P. Cayser (coach). Winner's time: 7.41.

YOUTH.—Rowed at Ballarat, 2nd-3rd February, 1974. Won by Barwon Rowing Club. Time: 8.05. The Club was not represented.

Pair-Oared

SENIOR.—Rowed at Geelong, 1st-2nd December, 1973. Won by M.U.B.C. Time: 5.39. The Club was not represented.

LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR.—Rowed at Geelong, 1st-2nd December, 1973. Won by Melbourne Rowing Club. Time: 5.40. The Club was not represented.

JUNIOR.—Rowed at Geelong, 1st-2nd December, 1973. Won by Footscray City Rowing Club. Time: 5.54. The Club was not represented.

PAIR WITHOUT COX.—Rowed at Geelong, 1st-2nd December, 1973. Won by M.U.B.C. The Club was represented by P. Philp (bow), J. Howard (stroke). Winner's time: 5.16.

Double Sculls

SENIOR.—Ballarat, 15th-16th December, 1973. As there was one one entry, the event was declared a no-race. The Club was represented by R. Garrard (bow), K. Leach (stroke).

Single Sculls

SENIOR.—Rowed at Ballarat, 2nd-3rd February, 1974. Won by K. Leach of Mercantile. Time: 8.04.

LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR.—Rowed at Geelong, 1st-2nd December, 1973. Won by N. Smith (Power House). Time: 5.37. The Club was not represented.

JUNIOR.—Rowed at Ballarat, 15th-16th December, 1973. Won by D. Ramage (Corio Bay Rowing Club). Time: 8.03. The Club was not represented.

Regattas

Metropolitan Novice Regatta — 16th June, 1973

The Club was represented in the following events: Open Pair, Maiden Pair, Maiden Scull, Novice Pair (2 crews) and Novice Scull.

Latrobe University Regatta — 14th July, 1973 (non qualifying)

The Club was represented in the Open Pair and Maiden Scull events.

Metropolitan Novice Regatta — 4th August, 1973

The Club was represented in the following events: Open Pair, Maiden Pair, Maiden Scull, Novice Scull.

Metropolitan Regatta — 6th October, 1973

OPEN EIGHT.—W. Hutchins (bow), L. Ayres (2), E. Schrader (3), J. Harry (4), J. Shanasy (5), B. Romanin (6), G. Howard (7), D. Palfreyman (stroke), A. Maginn (cox), H. Frederico (coach) won this event.

The Club was also represented by: Senior Fours (2 crews), Open Sprint Eight, Junior Four, Maiden Pair, Novice Pair.

Warrnambool Centenary Regatta — 15th October, 1973

The Club was not represented at this regatta.

Banks Regatta — 20th October, 1973

The Club was represented in the following events: Open Sprint Eight, Senior Four, Senior Pair, Junior Pair, Maiden Pair and Novice Pair.

Mercantile Regatta — 10th November, 1973

SENIOR SCULL.—K. Leach won this event.

The Club was also represented by the following crews: Senior Four (2 crews), Senior Scull (2), Lightweight Senior Pair, Junior Four, Maiden Eight and Novice Pair.

Dimboola Regatta — 17th November, 1973

SENIOR SCULL.—K. Leach won this event.

The Club was also represented by the following crews: Open Eight, Open Sprint Four, Senior Four, Senior Pair, Junior Pair, Novice Eight.

Horsham Regatta — 18th November, 1973

SENIOR SCULL.—K. Leach won this event.

The Club was also represented by the following crews: Open Eight, Senior Four, Senior Pair and Novice Eight.

V.R.A. Melbourne Regatta — 24th November, 1973

LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR EIGHT.—A. Williams (bow), M. Connolly (2), M. Fudge (3), M. Owen (4), P. Maginn (5), D. Johns (6), I. Duthie (7), A. Hart (stroke), T. McCoy (cox), K. McConville (coach) won this event.

SENIOR FOUR.—J. Howard (bow), B. Romanin (2), J. Shanasy (3), D. Palfreyman (stroke), M. Aitken (cox), H. Frederico (coach) won this event.

SENIOR SCULL.—K. Leach won this event.

VETERAN EIGHT.—K. Hume (bow), M. McKenna (2), E. Sorani (3), A. Evans (4), P. Guest (5), D. Yunghanns (6), M. Tomanovits (7), G. Taylor (str.), A. Maginn (cox), won this event.

The Club was also represented by: Senior Four, Senior Scull and Novice Pair.

Corio Bay Centenary Regatta — 1st-2nd December, 1973

SENIOR SCULL.—K. Leach won this event.

The Club was also represented by: Lightweight Senior Eight, Senior Four (2 crews), and Senior Scull.

Upper Yarra Regatta — 8th December, 1973

VETERAN EIGHT.—K. Hume (bow), A. Evans (2), J. Howden (3), M. McKenna (4), P. Guest (5), D. Yunghanns (6), M. Tomanovits (7), G. Taylor (stroke), A. Maginn (cox) won this event.

The Club was represented by: Senior Four (2 crews), Senior Scull (2), and Lightweight Senior Eight.

Twilight Regatta — 11th December, 1973 (non qualifying)

JUNIOR FOUR.—R. Stewart (bow), P. Richter (2), D. Parton (3), J. Keeran (stroke), I. Featherstonehaugh (cox), P. A. Cayser (coach) won this event.

The Club was represented by: Lightweight Senior Eight, Senior Four, Senior Scull and Junior Four.

Championship Regatta — Ballarat, 15th-16th December, 1973

SENIOR SCULL.—K. Leach won this event.

The Club was also represented in the Maiden Pair event.

Nagambie Regatta — 26th December, 1973

The Club was represented in the Senior Pair, Junior Eight, Junior Pair, Maiden Pair, Lightweight Maiden Pair, Novice Eight, Youth Four (2 crews) and Handicap Scull events.

Yarrowonga Regatta — 29th December, 1973

SENIOR PAIR.—R. Stewart (bow), J. Howard (stroke), P. Sorani (cox) won this event.

JUNIOR EIGHT.—R. Symon (bow), G. Robertson-Smith (2), A. Williams (3), J. Thompson (4), J. Williams (5), B. Romanin (6), M. Fudge (7), M. Owen (stroke), T. McCoy (cox) won this event.

LIGHTWEIGHT MIADEN PAIR.—M. Connolly (bow), G. Robertson-Smith (stroke), T. McCoy (cox) won this event.

NOVICE EIGHT.—A. Donaldson (bow), N. Delfos (2), G. Carter (3), R. Shaw (4), T. Kelly (5), C. Jones (6), H. Pinning (7), C. Burns (stroke), T. Frederico (cox), H. Shaw (coach) won this event.

The Club was also represented in the Open Eight, Maiden Four and Youth Four events.

Rutherglen Regatta — 1st January, 1974

SENIOR PAIR.—R. Stewart (bow), J. Howard (stroke), T. McCoy (cox) won this event.

LIGHTWEIGHT MAIDEN PAIR.—M. Connolly (bow), G. Robertson-Smith (stroke), T. McCoy (cox) won this event.

The Club was also represented in the Open Eight, Lightweight Maiden Pair, Novice Eight and Youth Four events.

Twilight Regatta — 9th January, 1974 (non qualifying)

SENIOR SCULL.—K. Leach won this event.

JUNIOR PAIR.—M. Owen (bow), I. Duthie (stroke), T. Frederico (cox) won this event.

The Club was also represented in the Senior Eight and Senior Scull events.

V.R.A. Special Regatta — 12th January, 1974

JUNIOR PAIR.—M. Owen (bow), I. Duthie (stroke), T. Frederico (cox) won this event.

The Club was also represented in the Senior Eight, Senior Scull and Lightweight Senior Four events.

Universities Regatta — 19th January, 1974

SENIOR SCULL.—K. Leach won this event.

JUNIOR EIGHT.—T. Horkings (bow), A. Spriggins (2), P. Richter (3), A. Sloan (4), D. Parton (5), E. Schrader (6), S. Butler (7), S. Webster (stroke), A. Maginn (cox), P. Cayser (coach) won this event.

The Club was also represented in the Senior Eight, Senior Scull, Lightweight Senior Four and Junior Pair events.

Twilight Regatta — 23rd January, 1974, (non qualifying)

JUNIOR PAIR.—P. Connor (bow), J. Thompson (s(troke), M. Thompson (cox) won this event.

The Club was also represented in the following events: Senior Eight, Senior Scull, Lightweight Senior Four and Junior Eight.

N.S.W. Championship Regatta — 26th January, 1974

The Club was represented in the Championship Senior Eight and Champion Senior Scull events.

Albert Park Centenary Regatta — 29th January, 1974

JUNIOR EIGHT.—T. Horkings (bow), S. Shirrefs (2), P. Richter (3), A. Sloan (4), D. Parton (5), T. Cremean (6), S. Butler (7), S. Webster (stroke), A. Maginn ((cox), P. Cayser (coach) won this event.

The Club was also represented by: Senior Scull, Lightweight Senior Four and Youth Four.

Australia Day Regatta — 28th January, 1974

SENIOR EIGHT.—R. Stewart (bow), J. Howard (2), E. Schrader (3), J. Harry (4), D. Buchanan (5), B. Romanin (6), J. Shanasy (7), D. Palfreyman (stroke), M. Aitken ((cox) won this event.

The Club was also represented in the following events: Senior Scull, Lightweight Senior Four, Junior Eight and Youth Four.

Championship Regatta, Ballarat — 2nd-3rd February, 1974

The Club was represented in the Junior Pair event.

Colac Regatta — 16th February, 1974

The Club was represented in the following events: Junior Eight, Maiden Eight.

Footscray Regatta — 23rd February, 1974

LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR EIGHT.—M. Owen (bow), P. Maginn (2), D. Johns (3), A. Spriggins (4), R. Stewart (5), M. Kerin (6), I. Duthie (7), G. Robertson-Smith (stroke), T. Ling (cox), J. Burford (coach) won this event.

JUNIOR EIGHT.—T. Horkings (bow), S. Butler (2), P. Richter (3), D. Parton (4), A. Sloan (5), T. Cremean (6), S. Shirrefs (7), S. Webster (stroke), A. Maginn (cox), P. Cayser (coach) won this event.

The Club was also represented by a Maiden Eight and Junior Pair.

Henley Regatta — 2nd March, 1974

JUNIOR EIGHT.—T. Horkings (bow), S. Butler (2), P. Richter (3), D. Parton (4), A. Sloan (5), T. Cremean (6), S. Shirrefs (7), S. Webster (stroke), A. Maginn (cox), P. Cayser (coach) won this event.

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

Barwon Regatta — 9th March, 1974

JUNIOR EIGHT.—T. Horkings (bow), S. Butler (2), P. Richter (3), D. Parton (4), A. Sloan (5), T. Cremean (6), S. Shirrefs (1), S. Webster (stroke), A. Maginn (cox), P. Cayser (coach) won this event.

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

Ballarat Regatta — 11th March, 1974

LIGHTWEIGHT SENIOR EIGHT—A. Guerin (bow), M. Owen (2), A. Spriggins (3), D. Johns (4), I. Duthie (5), M. Kerin (6), R. Stewart (7), G. Robertson-Smith (stroke), T. McCoy (cox), J. Burford (coach), won this event.

The Club was represented in the following events: Senior Scull, Junior Four and Open Eight.

Head-of-the-Yarra — 16th March, 1974

OPEN SECTION.—T. Horkings (bow), S. Butler (2), P. Richter (3), D. Parton (4), A. Sloan (5), T. Cremean (6), S. Shirrefs (7), S. Webster (stroke), A. Maginn (cox), P. Cayser (coach), won this event.

The Club was also represented in the Intermediate Section (1 crew), and the Veteran Section (1 crew).

Scotch-Mercantile Regatta — 23rd March, 1974

JUNIOR EIGHT.—T. Horkings (bow), S. Butler (2), P. Richter (3), D. Parton (4), A. Sloan (5), T. Cremean (6), S. Shirrefs (7), S. Webster (stroke), A. Maginn (cox), P. Cayser (coach), won this event.

The Club was also represented by: Lightweight Senior Eight, Junior Four, Junior Pair, Maiden Four.

Mildura Regatta — 13th April, 1974

The Club was not represented at this regatta.

Wentworth Regatta — 15th April, 1974

The Club was represented at this regatta in the Maiden Four event.

Premiership Points

SENIOR.—M.U.B.C., 80; Mercantile, Monash University, 36; Banks, 14; Power House, Barwon, 12; Albert Park, 11, Corio Bay, 6.

JUNIOR FIRST DIVISION.—Barwon, 120; Corio Bay, 88; Mercantile, 74; Power House, 70; Banks, 58; Hawthorn, 30; Wendouree-Ballararat, 23; M.U.B.C., 18.

JUNIOR SECOND DIVISION.—Essendon, 122; Albert Park, 93; Richmond, 50; Monash University, 32; Ballarat City, 22; Yarra Yarra, 20; Footscray, Wentworth, Rutherglen, 16; Nagambie, 12; Mildura, Horsham, Warrnambool, Robinvale, 8; Wahgunyah, Colac, 6; Latrobe University, 4.

LIGHTWEIGHT.—Mercantile, 44; Barwon, 36, M.U.B.C., 33; Power House, 30; Melbourne, 22; Corio Bay, 18; Footscray, 14; Ballarat City, Warrnamtool, 12; Albert Park, 10; Banks, 4; Dimboola, Yarra Yarra, 2.

Scotch-Mercantile Regatta

The Sixteenth Annual Scotch-Mercantile Regatta was conducted in perfect conditions on the Henley course on Saturday, 23rd March, 1974. A record entry of 1,433 oarsmen and scullers ensured a full day's racing.

The Club is indebted to Mr. J. W. Bradshaw for ensuring the regatta's success with his usual efficient organisation.

The Regatta Committee would like to thank those members who acted as officials and marshals.

This year's Regatta Committee was Mr. R. R. Aitken (Chairman), Mr. J. W. Bradshaw (Secretary), Mr. P. O'Brien (Treasurer), Messrs. A. Blaxland, D. Boykett, N. Cairnes, E. Davidson, I. Duthie, A. Maginn, D. Morgan, V. Nash and M. Owen.

Australian Inter-Varsity Regatta

Penrith, N.S.W., 24th-25th May, 1974

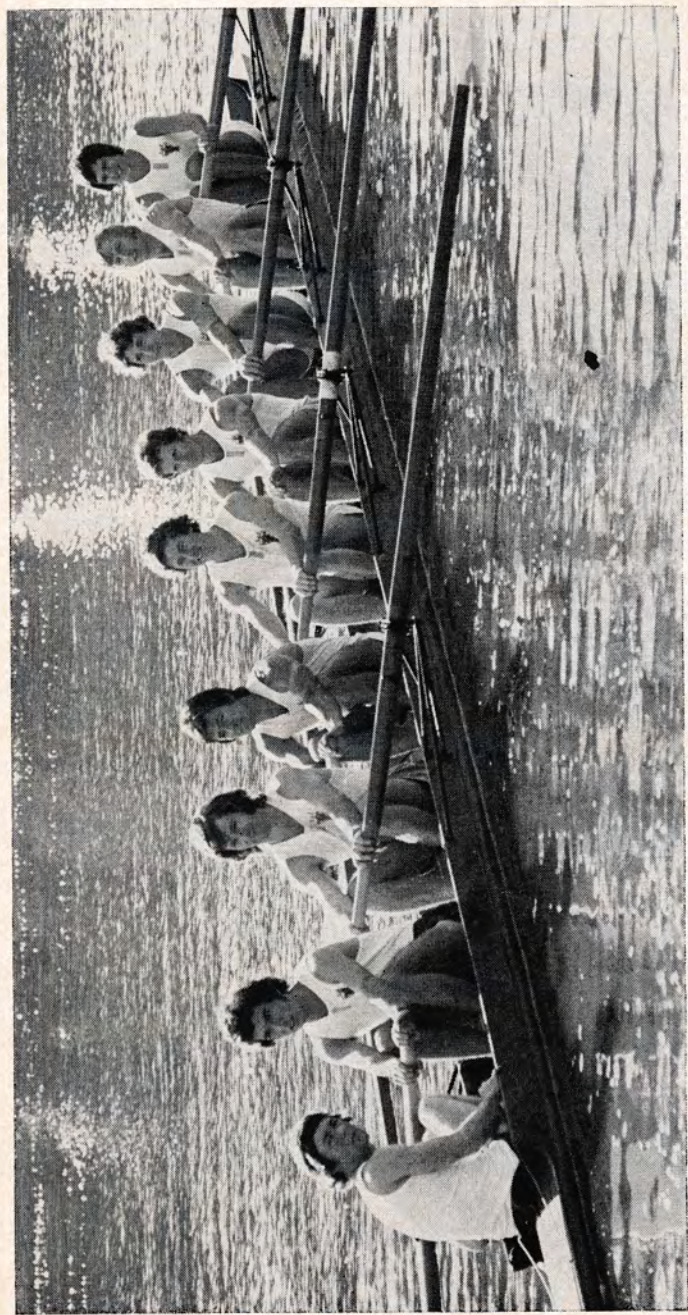
OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE EIGHTS.—Adelaide, 1, Melbourne, 2; Monash, 3.

LIGHTWEIGHT FOUR.—Adelaide, 1; Melbourne, 2; Sydney, 3.

COXLESS PAIR.—Melbourne, 1; Western Australia, 2; Tasmania, 3.

SCULLS.—Queensland, 1; Melbourne, 2; Latrobe, 3.

Club members who competed were:— T. Horkings, A. Maginn (Melbourne University Eight), I. Holyman, M. Kerin, B. Romanin (Monash University Eight), S. Mollard, M. Owen, A. Williams (Monash University Lightweight Fours), S. Derham (Latrobe University Eight), N. Newton (Latrobe University Sculls).



VICTORIAN STATE CHAMPION LIGHTWEIGHT EIGHT

Andrew Williams (bow), Martin Owen (2), Mike Fudge (3), Ian Duthie (4), Paul Maginn (5), Daryl Johns (6), Allan Hart (7), Glenn Robertson-Smith (str.), Adrian Maginn (cox), Ken McConville (coach).

Schools' Head of the River Race

Our congratulations go to Geelong Grammar School and their coach Mr. F. C. Covill for their win on the Barwon course on 6th April, 1974.

Congratulations also go to Lindsay Fraser, a member of the winning Scotch College second crew, and to Glenn Robertson-Smith, coach of the winning Scotch College fourth crew.

The following Club members assisted in coaching the Head of the River crews — H. Frederico, A. Guerin, P. Guest, M. Owen, P. Watkin and R. Wilson.

Combined High Schools' Regatta

We congratulate Melbourne High School for winning this event and also Club member Ian McWilliam, a member of the crew.

Sculling

During the winter of 1973 the Victorian Amateur Sculling Association held their usual series of races on the Yarra and the following results were obtained:—

HERALD SHIELD (series of six races over 2000 metres).—A total of 24 scullers competed, and the event was won by J. Murray of Barwon Rowing Club. M. Connolly of Mercantile finished sixth.

DENNIS CUP (series of six races over half mile, for open boats).—A total of 8 competed. Won by L. Bailey of Power House.

STOKES TROPHY (series of six races over 1000 metres, for fibreglass boats).—A total of 7 competed. Won by M. Gillies of Melbourne Grammar School.

BEGELHOLE CUP (¼-mile sprint for best boats).—Won by J. Shanasy with K. Leach 2nd and P. McNamara 3rd.

DUDGEON CUP (¼-mile sprint — open boats).—Won by L. Bailey of Power House. Six competitors.

KERBY CUP (2000 metres — best boats).— The event attracted 14 competitors and was won by A. Whitworth. M. Connolly of Mercantile was fourth.

YOFFA SHIELD (5 mile marathon — 24 competitors).—The best boats section was won by W. Magennis of M.U.B.C., and the open boat section was won by V. Ronai also of M.U.B.C.

It is to be hoped that Club members will support the coming winter series of events to be run by the Sculling Association.

Club Races

Guinn Memorial Pairs — 3rd June, 1973

The successful crew was L. Ayres (bow), M. Connolly (stroke) and P. Sorani (cox).

Our thanks go to the anonymous member for donating the trophies for this tub pair event on the Princes Bridge course.

A. L. Dobbie Memorial Fours — 16th September, 1973

This race, held annually on Ladies' Day in memory of a former President, was won by C. Jones (bow), M. Connolly (2), R. Shaw (3), R. Dawson (stroke) and T. McCoy (cox).

We thank the family of the late A. L. Dobbie for making the trophies available.

J. G. Sprigg Time Trial

This event was again hotly contested, the successful crew being A. Williams (bow), N. Newton (2), P. McNamara (3), T. Lockwood (4), J. Shanasy (5), B. Romanin (6), R. Stewart (7), M. Owen (stroke) and T. Ling (cox).

The winning time was 27 mins. 51.7 secs.

Bradshaw-Richardson Time Trial

In its second year, this event was keenly contested, and was won by N. Newton (bow), I. Duthie (2), R. Stewart (3), M. Owen (stroke), P. Sorani (cox).

Stonk-Moose Time Trial

The winning crew was M. Connolly (bow), A. Maginn (2), I. Duthie M. Owen (stroke), P. Sorani (cox).

We thank Mr. L. L. B. Moll for donating the trophies.

Combination Races

Morell Eights — 17th December, 1973

Nine crews competed in this event for trophies donated by the family of the late Sir Stephen Morell.

The final was won by B. Morrison (Merces.), bow; S. Derham (M.G.S.), 2; K. Bailey (Merces.), 3; M. Owen (Merces.), 4; C. Evans (Wentworth), 5; P. McNamara (Nagambie), 6; S. Butler (Merces.), 7; B. Romanin (Merces.), stroke; J. Frederico (Xavier), cox.

Picken-Williams Eights — 7th April, 1974

We would like to thank Mr. J. H. Picken and the family of the late Mr. M. S. Williams for the donation of these trophies.

The final was won by J. McMahon (Merces.), bow; M. Connolly (Merces.), 2; P. Jones (Merces.), 3; A. De Preu (M.G.S.), 4; D. Parton (Merces.), 5; N. Newton (Merces.), 6; S. Shirrefs (Merces.), 7; C. Williams (Sydney), stroke; P. Sorani (Merces.), cox.

Ten crews competed.

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. A total of 80 oarsmen scored points for the trophy this season, and we congratulate Ian Duthie on his win with a total of 41 points. Simon Butler was second with 38 points and Glenn Robertson-Smith third with 37 points.

Max Bailey Trophy.—The Perpetual Shield and Trophy for champion cox has been won by Adrian Maginn with a total of 16 wins for the season.

Dr. R. A. Cooper Memorial Trophy.—This trophy, which is made available by the generosity of Mrs. R. A. Cooper and family in memory of the late Dr. R. A. Cooper, is awarded annually to the member who, during the year, has rendered the most outstanding service to the Club. The second recipient of this trophy is Ted Sorani and we take this opportunity to congratulate him and thank him for his untiring efforts on behalf of the Club during the season.

Jeff Wylie Memorial Trophy.—The Perpetual Shield and Trophy for the most improved lightweight oarsman, is donated by the Management and Staff of Edward Lumley and Sons Pty. Ltd., and is awarded annually in memory of the late Jeff Wylie, a former Captain of the Club. The award goes to Andrew Guerin, to whom we extend our congratulations.

Late R. F. 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 Clive Jones, to whom we extend our congratulations.

N. W. Cairnes Trophy.—This Trophy, for the most improved coxswain of the season, has been awarded to Paul Sorani, and we look forward to his continued improvement.

Social Activities

Ladies' Day.—This Sunday, which opens the rowing season, was well attended, and members entertained the ladies at a barbecue on the river bank at the conclusion of the Dobbie Memorial Fours.

Annual Dinner.—The Clubhouse was not available again this year due to the fire, and the dinner was held at the Dorchester. Over eighty members and their guests sat down to the meal, and were afterwards rewarded with a most amusing speech by our guest speaker, Mr Don Macmillan, rowing master at Scotch College, who recounted the experiences of his crews whilst in England for the FISA Junior Championships.

Several other functions have been held, including an evening barbecue after the Henley Regatta held at the home of Lloyd Williams, who generously allowed us the use of his grounds.

The building fund has benefited substantially from these activities and the Social Committee would like to thank all those whose efforts have made this result possible.

Squash

The Club has now competed in four competition seasons, and has in that time achieved an enviable record of four pennants and one runners-up flag.

Despite this satisfactory record, the winter 1973 season ended with a very bleak record in that no team reached the finals, and the teams (as detailed in the previous report) completed the season in the following positions on their respective ladders:—

- C1 — Fourth.
- D2. — Fifth.
- E — Sixth.

Spring provided the opportunity for the Club to make amends for the previous season's lack of success in that two pennants came our way, and in one case despite an elevation in grading. The C grade and D2 Grade teams were successful in taking the pennants, with the E Grade team unfortunately unable to reach the finals.

During the spring season two very capable players joined the Club, and made a substantial contribution to the C grade pennant win. Doug McEwan joined the Club from the first round and for the season suffered only one defeat. Unfortunately Doug left on an overseas trip prior to the grand final, however, a capable replacement in Paul Wheeler was recruited to play in the Grand Final. Paul ended the season with an unbeaten record.

Three other 'recruits' to the squash section, who also provided a valuable contribution, were Dick Garrard, Rod Stewart and Hal Darcy, all of whom played in the E grade side.

The teams were as follows:—

C grade (Premiers) R. Griffiths, R. Aitken, P. Wheeler, K. Leach, D. McEwan.

D2 grade (Premiers) D. Johns, B. Gross, G. Park, J. Burford, J. Larter, R. Pirani.

E grade (seventh) P. Philp, R. Garrard, R. Stewart, H. Darcy, V. Mulder.

Three teams are again competing in the 1974 Autumn pennant, two of which have been elevated in grading. At this stage of the season with ten of the fourteen rounds completed, the B2 team have a fighting chance of making the 'three', however the remaining sides will find it a very difficult task.

The teams are as follows:—

B2 grade (fifth) P. Wheeler, R. Griffiths, D. McEwan, K. Leach.

D1 grade (fifth) R. Aitken, J. Evans, D. Johns, B. Gross, J. Burford.

E grade (seventh) R. Garrard, P. Philp, R. Stewart, S. Gillon, R. Negri.

Further additions to our teams for this pennant are John Evans, and Ron Negri. John is having considerable success in the D1 team and Ron has only recently tried his ability in competition and should have many success to come.

Our congratulations are extended to all successful clubs and again our thanks are extended to the clubs who so generously hosted the finals games in which we competed. Our thanks are also extended to the President and Committee of the Amateur Sports Club of Victoria, who have again provided their facilities for our use.

During the Winter Pennant 1973, it was agreed by the team captains and S.R.A.V. delegates, that a Championship should be held each season in which points would be issued dependant on the results of each home and away game. The winners for the Winter and Spring pennants are as follows:—

Winter 1973 — 1st R. Griffiths, 2nd R. Pirani, 3rd R. Aitken, 4th A. Darker.

Spring 1973 — 1st R. Griffiths, 2nd D. McEwan, 3rd B. Gross, 4th J. Burford.

Club members are reminded that our squash ranks are open to all Club members, and any member will find that competition squash provides a two-fold purpose, one of providing an excellent competitive sport, and the other, the enjoyment of the social side of the sport. Any member wishing to play squash should contact Ron Griffiths or John Burford for further information.

Mercantile Ladies' Auxiliary

Once again the Club has received overwhelming support from the Ladies' Auxiliary, and the Committee wish to express its sincere thanks to them for their continued efforts on behalf of the Club.

The Ladies' Auxiliary was formed in September, 1967 and since then has donated to the Club two coxed fours, "The First Lady" and the "Ricky Loveless" and the boat trailer, with a total value of \$4300. This is a magnificent effort and in order to continue its activities the Ladies Auxiliary will be conducting a recruiting drive for new members during the winter of 1974. The Committee is confident that all wives and mothers, especially those of our younger members who have gained so much from the sport this season, will be anxious to swell the ranks of the Auxiliary and in doing so become part of the Club.

The Ladies' Auxiliary has held the following functions this season:—

June 1973 — A Theatre Night at the Comedy.

September 1973 — A Theatre Matinee and Luncheon.

October 1973 — Luncheon at Mrs. N. Bryan.

March 1974 — Scotch Mercantile Regatta Catering.

These activities resulted in a profit of almost \$600 which will be going towards their current project to equip the kitchen of the new Clubhouse.

Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary are:— Mesdames J. Loveless (President), J. Bradshaw (Secretary), E. McKeown (Treasurer), C. Boykett, N. Boykett, N. Bryan, B. Batters, D. Bailey, P. Coleman, S. Douglas, S. Garrard, C. Horkings, A. Hogg, P. Maginn, M. Owen, P. Philp, P. Shanasy, M. Sherwood, S. Wood.

General

The Committee would like to thank all those members who have assisted with all the jobs around the Clubhouse which have needed attention from time to time.

The social gatherings between the Committee and the Committee of Banks Rowing Club have continued to the benefit of all concerned.

The Club history continues to be compiled by Norm Cairnes and Deane Morgan, and members who have information and anecdotes they feel should be on record should contact them.

The Anzac Day service was held on Sunday, 21st April and was well attended. The President read the names of the fallen, David Stirling conducted the recitation and Alec Dobbie laid the wreath.

We thank those clubs who have been host to our crews away on trips, namely Sydney Rowing Club, Wendouree Rowing Club, Wentworth Rowing Club and Yarrowonga Rowing Club.

The club has once again had a good group of coxes this season, and the Committee would like to thank the following without whom much of our operations would not have been possible:— Martin Aitken, Graham Barnes, Chris Cherry, Ian Featherstonehaugh, John Frederico, Tim Frederico, Tim Ling, Adrian Maginn, Tim McCoy, Lindsay McMahon, Michael Redman, Steven Sherwood, Paul Sorani and Martin Thompson.

To the parents of our younger coxes we extend our thanks for their co-operation and understanding during the season.

Roger Wilson again organised the Christmas Camp which was enjoyed by all who attended. He and his wife are thanked for their hard work to ensure the camp's success.

The Committee wish to thank Ian Duthie and Neil Delfos for towing our boat trailer to the various country locations, often at much inconvenience to themselves.

The Victorian Rowing Association has conducted another excellent series of regattas this season, culminating in the King's Cup Regatta and National Championships, and our congratulations go to the Regatta Secretaries and other officials concerned.

The Licensed Officials Panel has again made a great contribution to the smooth running of regattas during the season. Any of the Club's retired oarsmen who feel that they could participate in this important part of rowing administration are asked to contact the Secretary of the Victorian Rowing Association, Mr. W. Waterfield.

Graeme Boykett has disappeared in the direction of Singapore and has not been heard of since.

Tom Lockwood's posting to Swan Hill coincided with the great flood in the area and his rowing ability was put to good use.

Craig Williams, who left for Sydney at the end of last season, has been seen back on the Victorian circuit in a sculler. He now rows for Sydney Rowing Club. His brother Jamie has also been in evidence.

Ken Pope writes from Maroochydore, Queensland, and sends his regards to all his friends from the South West corner.

Grant Taylor, on an American Field Service Scholarship in Minnesota, informs us that he is spreading the Mercantile fame far and wide, albeit with a Yankee drawl!

Mrs. Pauline Fairlie, daughter of the late Wal Turnbull, again generously donated a trophy for the Senior Scull event at Scotch-Mercantile Regatta in memory of her father. The winner this year was A. McCowan of Albert Park.

Mrs. Sprigg is the driving force behind E.M.M.A., and we thank her for her efforts to increase the Club funds. Members are reminded to bring their used containers down to the Club, and so enable her to continue her good work.

The ABC and commercial stations have continued to give the sport good coverage.

Roger Wilson continues to keep everyone well informed whether it be from a commentary box or the sporting pages of the Age. His standard of comment remains high and it is to be hoped that he will continue to inject enthusiasm into almost every race he "calls".

Pat McNamara was re-elected Captain of Nagambie Rowing Club, and his crews have been seen at many regattas this season.

The Committee wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. J. McNamara for their generosity in allowing members to use their property for accommodation on the night of the Nagambie Regatta.

We wish to thank the Melbourne Fire Brigade for keeping their cool while the heat was on at the Clubhouse on 6th May, 1973, and thereby saving our large fleet of boats and oars from destruction.

Our sincere thanks goes to all those clubs and schools who so generously offered storage space for our boats and equipment after the fire and to those who have allowed us to use their changing rooms and showers at much inconvenience to themselves.

The Committee would like to thank our tenants, Brighton Grammar School, for their forbearance during our present predicament and we sincerely hope that they will be able to return to their part of the Clubhouse in time for next season's activities.

We congratulate the following who have increased the size of their families during the season:— Barry Gross, a daughter; David Palfreyman, a daughter; Geoff Park, a daughter; Roger Wilson, a daughter.

John Gumley and Mike Kerin are to be congratulated on their marriages, and we wish them and their wives every happiness and success.

It is with deep regret that we record the deaths of two members, Norman Kerrigan and Michael Williams, the Club and sport being poorer for their passing. We extend our sympathy to the members of their families and their friends.

The veterans continue their activities on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings and have competed, sometimes successfully, at several regattas. Anyone wishing to join the Veterans should contact Bill Rutledge.

Our thanks go to all other Clubs and Public and High Schools for their co-operation during the year. Our members who have attended country regattas have enjoyed the hospitality extended to them by the Country Clubs. We extend our best wishes and good speed to them all for the coming season.

To our President, the Committee wishes to convey their thanks for his inexhaustible enthusiasm, encouragement and advice, and also the way in which he promotes the Club to new and old members alike. His support, and that of the Vice-Presidents and senior members, is the rock on which the foundations of the club stand.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the Committee thanks all members for their assistance during the year, and anticipates the same co-operation being given to the in-coming Committee.

For and on behalf of the Committee.

A. W. BLAXLAND,
Honorary Secretary,
Mercantile Rowing Club.

LIST OF MEMBERS, 1973-74

LIFE MEMBERS

Aitken, R. R.	Morgan, D. J. R.	Thursfield, R. W.
Bradshaw, J. W.	Picken, J. H.	*Williams, M. S.
Cairnes, N. W.	Sprigg, J. G. H.	

SENIOR ACTIVE MEMBERS

Ainsworth, P. J.	Gross, B.	O'Brien, P. H.
Ayres, L. F.	Guest, P. M.	Owen, M. F.
Bailey, K.	Gumley, J. H.	Palfreyman, D.
Baird, A. T.	Harbig, R.	Park, G. A.
Baker, K.	Harry, J. R.	Parmenter, B. R.
Ball, D. G.	Harvey, J. R.	Patterson, I. H.
Blaxland, A. W.	Hill, J.	Philp, P. E. M. L.
Boykett, D. H.	Hogan, T. J.	Porter, C. F.
Bradley, A. J.	Howard, J.	Pirani, R. L.
Burford, J.	Hughan, J. R.	Redman, R.
Burnell, M. C.	Hume, M. C.	Rees, R.
Byrne, M. A.	Hunter, D. S.	Renouf, L. P.
Carter, G. M.	Hutchins, W. B.	Richardson, G. W.
Cayser, P. A.	Hyett, A. F. W.	Richardson, R. H.
Connor, P. H.	Johns, D. L.	Richardson, S. G.
Cordell, A. M.	Johnson, G. M.	Roberts, R.
Cowling, D. S.	Jones, J. McD.	Ruttledge, W. L.
Cummings, R. F.	Jones, P. L.	Ryan, S. P.
Curtis, R. A.	Jones, P. L. V.	Schrader, E. D.
Darker, A.	Keeran, J. A.	Shanasy, J.
Dawson, R. St. L.	Kellam, M. B.	Shears, H. P.
Delfos, N.	Kerin, M. J.	Sherwood, R.
Dobbie, A. W.	Kohn, A. B.	Smith, K. A. D.
Dobie, P. D.	Lasen, G.	Smith, M. C.
Donoghue, J. D.	Leach, K.	Spensley, J. S.
Douglas, D. G. A.	McCall, G. A.	Stewart, R. D.
Downey, P. J.	McConville, K. H.	Stratford, A. C.
Draffin, J. R.	McCorkell, S. R.	Swan, T. R.
Drummond, R. J.	McDavitt, J. P.	Talbot, L. J.
Duthie, I. R.	McKenna, M. F.	Taylor, G. M.
Easson, R. I.	McKeown, J. W.	Thom, J. J.
Eddie, A.	McMahon, G.	Tomanovits, M. G.
Emsell, B.	Mahoney, C. W.	Tucker, M. H.
Evans, A. M.	Mahony, H.	Tynan, J.
Everist, I. C.	Manton, G. O. V.	Vautin, W.
Faulkner, M. R.	Midgley, J. R.	Wallace, W. L. N.
Fox, J. A.	Miller, A. P.	Wertheimer, E. J.
Frederico, H. R.	Millikan, P. L.	Williams, L. S.
Garrard, R. J.	Mollard, K. F.	Williams, M. M.
Gibbs, P. M.	Moore, C. C. M.	Wilson, G. J.
Gibson, A. D.	Morell D. R.	Wilson, W. I.
Gibson, D. H.	Morell, R. T.	Wood, P. V.
Gillon, S. M.	Morgan, E. M.	Yunghanns, D. J.
Glennon, M. P.	Morrison, W. T.	
Green, H. P.	Mulder, V.	
Griffiths, R. I.	Negri, R. A.	

SENIOR MEMBERS

Adams, A. W.	Harding, P.	Spencer, H. T.
Arnold, W. S.	Hewitt, H. N.	Stirling, D. S.
Atkins, A. H. C.	Hyett, G. S.	Thomas, J. C.
Bostock, J. B.	McCubbery, R. J.	Thompson, C. T.
Brooke, D. C.	Newcomb, S. H.	Walker, H. J. R.
Broughton, O. S.	Newport, F. N.	Watkin, P. K.
Carr, J. P.	Nixon, N. V.	White, E. C.
Clarke, J. H. P.	Shears, J. D.	Wilson, R. B.
Doyle, B. J.	Sorani, E.	Wood, M. R.
Fletcher, J. M.	Spalding, N.	

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Booth, D. J.	Grace, G. H.	Robertson-Smith, R. G.
Brien, F. D.	Guerin, A. N.	Romanin, B.
Buchanan, D. S.	Holyman, I. D.	Shaw, I.
Burns, C. R.	Horkings, T.	Shirrefs, S. A.
Butler, S. J.	Lockwood, T.	Sloan, A. T.
Collins, T. B.	Maginn, A. E.	Spriggins, A. J.
Connolly, M. C.	Maginn, P. T.	Symon, B. R. S.
Cremean, T. A.	Morrison, B. W.	Van Veenendaal, J.
Derham, S. A. M.	Newton, N. L.	Webster, J. S.
Donaldson, A.	Parton, D. B.	Weight, C. T.
Durance, K. F.	Pinninger, H. R.	Williams, A. P.
Fudge, M. L.	Prince, R. J.	
Galbraith, I.	Richter, P. G.	

JUNIOR SCHOOLBOY MEMBERS

Coleman, S. J.	Hollywood, S. P.	Negline, J. W.
Crighton, C. D.	Jones, C. P.	Redfern, C. P.
Fraser, L. A.	Jorgensen, M. E.	Shaw, R. D.
Gaffney, M. T.	Kelly, T.	

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Appleby, J. P.	Granowski, W. O.	Palfreyman, D. B.
Baxter, D.	Hidgcock, C. W.	Rodda, T.
Blair-Holt, J. A.	Holyman, G. I.	Rush, R. T.
Bolton, R. S.	Howgate, D. P.	Seammen, J. W.
Bram, A.	Hume, K. M.	Searle, N. M.
Carlton, R.	Larter, S. J.	Shears, E.
Corben, M. H.	Leggett, E. P.	Spark, J. M.
Cordell, A. J.	Longmuir, I.	Ward, C. H. M.
Crighton, D. J. M.	Loveless, A. T.	Watson, C. D.
Epstein, G. L.	McKay, T.	Wilkinson, C. V. H.
Fogarty, F.	Mollard, S. F.	Williams, J. G.
Fosdick, L. V.	Nicholls, C. J.	Wylie, W. J.
George, C. D.	O'Brien, R. A.	

COUNTRY MEMBERS

Ansell, G. L.	Hart, A. L.	Moll, L. L. B.
Bailey, J. H.	Humphris, P. W.	Monger, A. C.
Bailey, W. M.	Keeley, M. R.	Morell, S. D. H.
Boykett, G. H.	*Kerrigan, N.	Noble, F.
Boykett, P. H.	Lee, R. E.	Olliff, D.
Calder, D. A.	McArthur, F. S.	O'Reilly, J. H.
Coleman, M. G.	McDougal, A.	Pennefather, A.
Connolly, R. W.	McEwan, D. G.	Pope, K.
De Guingand, C.	McClellan, A. R.	Rowe, J. S.
Ellis, J. C. S.	McNamara, P. J.	Thompson, C. P.
Ferguson, J. M.	Miller, P. M.	Williams, C. L.
Fogarty, M. J.	Milner, A. C.	Williams, J. M.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Benjamin, P. L.	McWilliam, I. A.	Shanasy, S.
Lachal, R. P.	Naughton, B.	Taylor, G.
McArthur, A. H.	Pearce, J. M.	
McKenzie, M. D.	Ryan, P. J.	

*Deceased

OBITUARIES

MICHAEL SYDNEY WILLIAMS

Michael Sydney Williams, familiarly known to us all as "Mick", joined the Club in 1918. He won his Maiden Eight soon afterwards and for a period enjoyed Regatta racing. Unfortunately pressure of professional duties made it necessary for him to relinquish competitive rowing and he then became a regular weekend oarsman.

Towards the end of the Twenties he was elected Honorary Solicitor to the Club and he held this office continuously until his death.

He was a great clubman and supported Mercs. at country as well as Metropolitan Regattas. A most generous supporter of Club activities, he was also always ready to assist any member in necottious circumstances.

Mick had a pleasing personality which endeared him to us and he became the confidant and friend of many members and also members of other rowing clubs.

More than twenty-five years ago he was elected a Life Member and a Vice President. A keen supporter of Victorian rowing, he attended Kings Cup racing in all States and for many years presented to Victorian crew members the oar they used in their particular race. As he purchased these oars, it was a most generous donation to the crew.

He had a large circle of Interstate rowing friends and was almost as well known at interstate meetings as at Victorian Regattas.

In 1956 he was elected President of the Victorian Rowing Association and he carried out the duties with tremendous enthusiasm. In his official capacity, he attended all country regattas and innumerable annual meetings, thus creating a great amount of goodwill among oarsmen for the Victorian Rowing Association.

For many years he was a Vice President of Melbourne Amateur Regatta Association.

It is indeed unusual to find anyone with the ability to retain enthusiasm for well over fifty years; but such was Mick. He will be missed. Mercantile will miss him — and rowing will be the poorer.

NORMAN KERRIGAN

Norman was a lightweight oarsman in the late thirties and although living in Sydney for the past ten years, he retained his interest and membership of the Club until his death in 1973.

Ill health arising from privations suffered during four years as a prisoner of war in Germany was responsible for his removal to Sydney, but on his occasional visits to Melbourne, he always called at the Club to renew old friendships.

To his wife, Peg, who accompanied him to many regattas in post war years, we extend our sincere sympathy.

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT YEAR ENDING 30th APRIL, 1974

INCOME:

	1974	1973
Subscriptions	\$6,680	\$7,521
Less Amounts written off	760	\$1,142
	\$5,920	\$6,379
Donations	8,054	2,063
Interest Received	2,072	38
Sundry Income	—	140
Rent Received on Boats	22	—
Hire Clubroom	—	170
TOTAL INCOME	\$16,068	\$8,790

EXPENDITURE:

Depreciation	\$2,261	\$2,592
Entrance Fees—Regattas	428	365
Fire Protection Expenses	94	155
Freight—Country Regattas	122	72
General Expenses	420	210
Insurance	731	407
Interest on Overdraft	689	1,078
Lighting, Gas, Rent and Water Rates	541	624
Printing and Stationery	921	713
Repairs and Maintenance	423	568
Telephone	134	126
Trophies—Club Races	190	20
V.R.A. Dues, Fees and Donations	1,237	593
Mercantile Regatta Expenses	78	—
	\$8,269	\$7,523

SURPLUS TRANSFERRED

TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS	\$7,799	\$1,267
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MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th APRIL, 1974

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

	1974	1973
Bank of New South Wales (War Memorial Building Fund)	\$1,373	\$14,261
Bank of New South Wales	184	
Trophy Orders A/c. (see Note 3)	5,885	5,701
Subscriptions paid in advance	87	196
Sundry Creditors	1,083	715
Olympic Fund	100	100
	<u>\$8,712</u>	<u>\$20,973</u>

R. A. COOPER MEMORIAL TRUST FUND

Balance 1st May, 1973	\$2,500	
Add Net Income	186	
	2,686	
Less Trophies	30	2,500

ACCUMULATED FUNDS:

Balance 30th April (see Note 1)	43,789	27,828
War Memorial Building Fund Donations (see Note 2)	27,870	16,948
	<u>\$74,315</u>	<u>\$44,776</u>

	<u>\$83,027</u>	<u>\$68,249</u>
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MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th APRIL, 1974

CURRENT ASSETS:

	1974	1973
Bank of New South Wales — R. A. Cooper Memorial Trust Fund	178	
Bank of New South Wales		817
Subscriptions Outstanding	724	693
Stock on Hand	198	258
Sundry Debtors and Prepayments	1,065	1,280
	<u>\$2,165</u>	<u>\$3,048</u>

INVESTMENTS (at cost):

Loan—Brayburn Securities Ltd.	\$35,000	
Loan—Australian Guarantee Corp. Ltd.	4,000	
Commonwealth Treasury Bonds—		
V.R.A. Trophy Order A/c.	\$597	597
F. R. Brown Trophy A/c.	50	50
J. J. Wylie Trophy A/c.	100	100
R. A. Cooper Memorial Trust Fund—		
Finance Corporation of Australia Ltd.		
— 8% Debentures (1981)	1,000	1,000
Australian Foundation Investment Co. Ltd. — 1,356 Ordinary shares	1,397	1,397
	<u>\$42,144</u>	<u>\$3,144</u>

NON-CURRENT ASSETS:

War Memorial Clubhouse (see Note 4)	\$21,746	\$44,917
Boathouse (at cost)	5,201	5,201
Club Fittings at valuation 1/7/69 (Less Provision for Depreciation) ..	—	60
Boats (at cost, less depreciation)	8,889	8,579
Oars (at valuation)	1,528	1,910
Boat Trailer (at cost, less depreciation)	839	940
Sundry Assets (at cost, less depreciation)	515	450
	<u>\$38,718</u>	<u>\$62,057</u>
	<u>\$83,027</u>	<u>\$68,249</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I report that, in my opinion, the accompanying Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Statement of 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 30th April, 1974, according to the information and explanations given to me and as shown by the books and records.

P. R. DEVENISH,
Chartered Accountant.

Dated at Melbourne, 4th June, 1974.

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

NOTES ACCOMPANYING BALANCE SHEET AT 30th APRIL, 1974

Note 1.—ACCUMULATED FUNDS:

	1974	1973
Balance brought forward 1st May	\$27,828	\$26,561
Net Surplus for year	7,799	1,267
	\$35,627	\$27,828
Add Excess of Insurance Recovery over cost of Assets shown in Balance Sheet	8,162	—
Transfers on inclusion of War Memorial Building Funds — own Funds	2,000	1,000
	45,789	28,828
Less Transfer to War Memorial Building Fund	2,000	1,000
Balance Forward 30th April	\$43,789	\$27,828

Note 2.

The figure of \$27,870 represents total donations to the War Memorial Building Fund received to 30th April, 1974. A separate Audited Receipts and Payments Statement is attached hereto.

Note 3.—TROPHY ORDERS ACCOUNT:

Balance brought forward 1st May	\$5,701	\$5,206
Add Amounts for Trophies Awarded	217	638
	\$5,918	\$5,844
Less Trophy Orders paid	33	143
Credit Balance Forward 30th April	\$5,885	\$5,701

Note 4.—WAR MEMORIAL BUILDING:

Balance Brought Forward 1st May	\$44,917
Add Expenditure to date on Re-installing Building	5,474
	50,391
Less Insurance Recovery	28,645
	\$21,746

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

WAR MEMORIAL BUILDING FUND

Statements of Receipts and Payments for year ended 30th April, 1974

Payments	
1973	
April 30 Balance brought forward	\$14,261.38
1974	
April 30 Bank Fees	33.00
Receipts	
April 30 Sundry Donations	\$10,921.50
Transfer from Club Funds	2,000.00
Balance	1,372.88
	<u>\$14,294.38</u>
April 30 The Bank of New South Wales Account Overdrawn	\$1,372.88

Cumulative Statement of Receipts and Payments to 30th April, 1974

Receipts	
Sundry Donations	\$27,869.94
Club Contributions	6,500.00
Interest Received	172.64
Profit on disposal of Etchings	47.25
Brighton Grammar School —	
Account Builder	\$8,576.84
Account Architect	600.38
	<u>9,177.22</u>
Payments	
Lawson & Laughlin Pty. Ltd.	\$40,826.96
May-Oatway Fire Alarms	1,183.50
M. Boyle—Architect	100.00
V. Alekna—Architect	2,791.02
Bank Fees	102.55
Bank Interest	85.90
Furnishings	50.00
Balance	1,372.88
	<u>\$45,139.93</u>
	<u>\$45,139.53</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I report that in my opinion the accompanying Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Mercantile Rowing Club War Memorial Building Fund is properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund at 30th April, 1974, according to the information and explanations given to me and as shown by the books and records.

P. R. DEVENISH,
Chartered Accountant.

Dated at Melbourne, 4th June, 1974.