



MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

MELBOURNE

103rd

Annual Report

and

Balance Sheet

Season 1982 – 1983

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MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

Princes Bridge
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE 103rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB will be held at the CLUBHOUSE on SATURDAY, 25th JUNE, 1983 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 Annual General Meeting held on 26th June, 1982.
2. To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Balance Sheet.
3. To elect Office-Bearers for the ensuing year.
4. To consider and if thought fit to pass the following motion submitted on the recommendation of the Committee:—

- (a) That Mr. J.G.H. Sprigg be appointed Patron of the Club;
- (b) That Mr. D.C. Brooke be elected a Life Member of the Club;
- (c) That Clause 14 of the Constitution of the Club be amended to read:—

“The Annual Subscriptions payable by Members for the year 1984/5 and thereafter shall be as follows:—

Senior Active Members	\$50
Senior Members	\$45
Junior Members	\$40
Associate Members	\$35
Country Members	\$20

And that Clause 14(b) be amended to read:—

- (b) Junior members who are full time members at a secondary or technical school shall upon application to the Committee be entitled to a rebate of \$20 (or in the case of a member elected after the first day of December \$10) in respect of the subscription payable by them. The Committee shall be entitled to require such evidence in support of an application as it thinks fit.
5. Presentation of Trophies.
 6. Any General Business that may be legally brought forward.

Nominations for the Office-Bearers for the ensuing year will close on the Notice Board at the CLUBHOUSE on SATURDAY, 18th JUNE, 1983 at 4.00 p.m.

By order of the Committee.

P.J. Ainsworth,
Honorary Secretary.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD ANNUAL REPORT of the MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Fellow Members,

The workload on our executive officers during the past two years has been very heavy, but this year we have reaped the fruits of their labour by winning three premierships including the Champion Club of Victoria.

We had eight members in the King's Cup crew and after the Perth national regattas eight of our members were selected in Australian crews to race overseas.

Throughout the season the standard of our rowing has been very high which reflects on the capability of our coaches. With greater depth in our rowing we have set ourselves for further progress next season.

I have occupied this position for a long time, but now find that with advancing years I no longer have the energy, drive or strength to successfully carry out the duties of office. Therefore, in the best interests of the Club I feel I should not again stand for election. I take this opportunity of thanking the officers and members who have worked so hard to keep Mercantile the leading rowing Club in Victoria.

James G. Sprigg

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To The Members,

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting the 103rd Annual Report and Financial Statement for the year ending 30th April, 1983.

The Club enjoyed another successful season which was reflected in the Club being awarded the Champion Club, Lightweight and Junior Premierships of Victoria. It was also pleasing to see the growing number of Championship successes of our crews and the increased Mercantile representation in Victorian and Australian crews.

Our senior heavyweight squad began the season well with two of its members, David and Mark Doyle, winning the FISA Senior B coxless pair Championship in Vienna, Austria while competing in the Australian team. The Mercantile squad continued their successful way by easily winning the Victorian Senior Eight Championship in December and we congratulate the crew of Stuart Moreton, Tasso Paxinos, Mark Doyle, Glenn Deag, Ian Belot, Neil Myers, Sam Patten, David Doyle, Graham Barnes (coxswain), and David Palfreyman (coach) on their victory. All except Tasso Paxinos, who was selected in the Victorian Youth Eight, were selected to represent Victoria in the King's Cup in April. Despite a setback for the squad following the Champion Eights when David Doyle suffered a collapsed lung, they performed creditably throughout the season. In particular, a crew composed of Jim Lowe from Banks Rowing Club together with Club Members Sam Patten, Neil Myers, Ian Belot, Graham Barnes (coxswain) and David Palfreyman (coach) won the Victorian Champion Fours from a strong field of interstate crews. In the King's Cup, the Victorian crew was only narrowly defeated by the experienced South Australian crew. We congratulate the following members of our senior squad on their selection into Australian teams and wish them well on their tours: Sam Patten (eight), Graham Barnes (lightweight eight), Glenn Deag, David Doyle and Mark Doyle (Senior B eight).

Our young lightweights also performed well during the season and developed into a strong senior lightweight squad. The season began well with Club Members Derek Mollison, Doug Scown, Joe Joyce, Greg Pechan and Martin Own (coach) being selected to represent Victoria in the Colts Regattas in New South Wales in September. Although this crew was unsuccessful at these regattas, a strong basis was established for our lightweight eight which won several important lightweight eight races prior to Christmas. In the second half of the season, our lightweight coxless four performed well in the finals of their event at the selection trials for Australian crews and at the Nationals. Our lightweight coxed four of Andrew McDonald, Ian Rycroft, Mike Pearson, Andrew Douglas, Matthew Thomas (coxswain) and Martin Owen (coach) won the Victorian Lightweight Coxed Four Championship. These two hours combined to form the Victorian Championship Junior Eight which won in a tough race against another Mercantile crew, both crews being well in front of the rest of the field. The Australian selectors confirmed our confidence in our lightweight oarsmen by selecting Alan Berger, Joe Joyce and Derek Mollison into the Australian Senior B lightweight coxless four. We congratulate these oarsmen on their selection and the squad on their performances during the season.

Our junior oarsmen under coach Phil Ainsworth also performed well during the season and in particular, mention must be made of our excellent performances in the junior eights and of our young lightweights who won every lightweight junior event in the season.

Our maiden and novice oarsmen unfortunately did not perform as well this season as in the past due mainly to a lack of coaches and coxswains. However, there were some fine wins in maiden four events in the second half of the season. Special mention must be made of Vic Ronai's continued excellent coaching and organisation of our novice squad which is appreciated by the Club and oarsmen concerned.

Our two youth eights under coaches Joe Fazio and Noel Donaldson performed well and members Paul Franks and Tasso Paxinos were selected into the Victorian Youth Eight. Noel Donaldson continued coaching our FISA junior four of Tony Johnston, Andrew James, Dom Scally, Stuart Gula and Rob Forsyth who won the Victorian Championship in their event and the Victorian Championship FISA junior coxless pair. They also represented the Club at the National Regatta. We congratulate these oarsmen on their fine season.

Our veteran oarsmen also continued to win many races, particularly in the Veteran A events. We trust that these oarsmen will continue to form an important part of Club life.

Our promotions sub-committee of Ian Wilson, Brian Doyle and Bill Morrison were able to attract corporate sponsorships of the Club from Esso Australia and Carlton and United Breweries Ltd. We thank our sponsors for their generous support and we will ensure that they will continue to be proud to be associated with our Club.

Finally, the Committee records its thanks to our President, Mr. Sprigg, for his support and guidance through the season. Mr. Sprigg's recent announcement that he will not be standing for President next season after 28 years in that position is very sad and marks the end of a great era for Mercantile. We record our appreciation for his leadership and hope the Club can continue as successfully and strongly following his retirement.

Andrew Guerin
Captain

MR. J.G.H. SPRIGG

On 12th October, 1914 the Committee of the Mercantile Rowing Club approved the application of Jim Sprigg for membership of the Club. At its meeting on 9th April, 1983 the Committee reluctantly accepted his decision that he would not seek re-election to the office of President at the forthcoming Annual Meeting.

Over the intervening years Jim Sprigg has been an inspiration and a guidance to the Club. As a competitor he rowed with a vigour and enthusiasm which he has since endeavoured to instill into succeeding generations of oarsmen. His racing career, interrupted by War Service, covered all classes and categories of events from a Maiden Eight in 1914 to Senior Eights and Fours in 1928-29 and, after years of retirement, an Open Eight in 1941.

Jim joined the Committee in 1926-27 and was Captain from 1927-1929. He returned again as Captain during the latter part of the 1930-31 season. His energy, enthusiasm and oratorical power, his confident assurance that the "will to win" overcomes the technical skills of weaker hearts were then, as they are now, an encouragement to all selected in Mercantile Crews.

In succeeding years Jim was for varying periods out of Melbourne but when available he could always be found assisting crews on the water and, in particular, novice oarsmen. For years it was his delight to introduce new members to the skills of rowing from the stern seat of a Club four and it was his pride that he could in a couple of Sunday mornings teach beginners to acquire the fundamentals of rowing and to enjoy the learning of it.

On the death of Archie Dobbie in December 1954 Jim was invited by the Committee to become President, a position which he has since held with flair and distinction. Competing crews will remember his exhortations from the Henley staging as they proceeded to start and his vociferous encouragement on their return. Committees will remember his words of advice and encouragement and his perceptive observations of shortcomings on matters of maintenance and security. All members will remember his unflinching interest in every aspect of the Club's activities, the lively barbecues on Jim's tennis court, the conducting of "Cock Robin" at social functions, the "Good Morning Mr. Sprigg" and the genial words to young and old on Sunday mornings, the blatant assurance with which Jim pronounced that Mercantile was the Mecca of rowing preaching with equal confidence to converted and the not so converted.

Jim was the motivating spirit behind the original project for rebuilding the Club House by the Centenary year, the ultimate objective being assisted in part by the work of a small boy with matches, an efficient fire brigade and an accommodating insurance company. It was his persistent prompting which had much to do with the preparation of the club history. He was indefatigable in the Centenary celebrations and his staying power during the Club's trip to Henley-on-Thames eclipsed members 60 years his junior.

The Committee has recommended that he be appointed a Patron of the Club and in that capacity, if past experience is any guide, he is likely to provide the Club with support and guidance for many years to come.

BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

Mercantile has continued to add to its already excellent fleet of boats over the last season.

The quality and number of small boats has improved greatly with the acquisition of three fours and two pairs. The Club has been generously assisted by Esso Australia who have donated funds for the purchase of a new four of experimental design.

During the season the Ladies Auxiliary donated \$850 for the purchase of a flat bottomed aluminium coaching punt. This craft is specially designed to minimise boat wash and is ideally suited to coaching on the Yarra.

Under the supervision of Lindsay Wallis the fleet was kept in top condition throughout the season. All oarsmen are urged to assist with maintenance over the winter months.

It is planned to purchase a new eight and a set of blades over the coming season.

The following boats were purchased during the preceding year:-

The **H.T. SPENCER** is a Sykes lightweight coxless pair.

The **KEN HUME** is a lightweight coxless four made of Kevlar and purchased from Viv Haar of New Zealand.

The **A.W. DOBBIE** is a Sykes coxless pair for use by the heavyweights.

The **R.T. MORELL** is a Sykes coxed four for use by heavyweights.

The **ESSO** is an S. & B. coxed four for use by heavyweights, heavyweights.

The condition of the fleet and equipment is set out below:—

EIGHTS:

— Martin Tomanovits	1978	(excellent)
— Martin Owen	1976	(very good)
— John Burford	1973	(good)
— R.R. Aitken	1971	(good)
— J.G.H. Sprigg	1968	(fair)

FOURS: — Racing

— Esso	1983	(excellent)
— Ken Hume	1983	(excellent)
— R.T. Morell	1982	(excellent)
— Roger Wilson	1981	(excellent)
— R.H. Richardson	1981	(excellent)
— Lance Hill	1980	(excellent)
— Phil Cayzer	1978	(excellent)
— N.W. Cairnes	1976	(very good)
— Ricky Loveless	1970	(fair)
— The First Lady	1968	(fair)
— Caltex and Dealers	1964	(fair)

— Regulation

— Ted Sorani	1978	(very good)
— Deane Morgan	1961	(fair)

PAIRS: — Racing

— H.T. Spencer	1983	(excellent)
— A.W. Dobbie	1982	(excellent)
— Jean Bradshaw	1980	(excellent)

— John Gumley	1980	(excellent)
— John Harry	1980	(excellent)
— H.R. Frederico	1979	(excellent)
— W.T. Morrison	1971	(good)
— Bill Bradshaw	1967	(fair)

— Regulation

— Laurie Moll	1978	(very good)
— Paul Harding	1962	(poor)

OARS

— Sykes	12' 5"	1982	(excellent)
— Sykes	12' 6"	1981	(excellent)
— Sykes	12' 7"	1980	(excellent)
— Sykes	12' 5"	1979	(good)
— Croker	12' 5"	1978	(good)
— Croker	12' 3"	1977	(good)
— Croker	12' 4"	1976	(good)
— Croker	12' 6"	1974	(good)
— Sykes	12' 4"	1972	(good)
— Sykes	12' 2"	1971	(poor)
— Karlisch	12' 6"	1966	(poor)
— Assorted		(1950 - 1969)	(poor)

MISCELLANEOUS:

— Flat-bottomed aluminium punt	(excellent)
— Conventional aluminium hull	(very good)
— Wooden hull	(good)
— Johnson 15 hp motor	(good)
— Johnson 9 hp motor	(good)
— Boat Trailer	(good)

TROPHIES

CAPTAIN'S TROPHY:

Awarded to the member who has won the most Regatta and Club races during the season.

We congratulate Andrew Douglas on winning this trophy. Andrew started the season rowing in junior and lightweight junior races before graduating to lightweight senior later in the season. He was a member of the Champion Junior Eight and Champion Lightweight Coxed Four of Victoria.

MAX BAILEY TROPHY:

The Perpetual Shield and Trophy is awarded to the coxswain who has won the most Club and Regatta races during the season.

We congratulate Matt Thomas on winning this trophy. Matt steered many lightweight and junior crews to victory, including the Champion Junior Eight and Champion Lightweight Coxed Four of Victoria.

DR. R.A. COOPER MEMORIAL TROPHY:

This Trophy is made available by the generosity of the family of the late Dr. R.A. Cooper and is awarded annually to the member, who during the year has rendered the most outstanding service to the Club.

The Trophy has been awarded to Vic Ronai-Horvath for his excellent work with the Novices over the preceding season and also over previous years.

N.W. CAIRNES TROPHY:

This Trophy is awarded to the most improved coxswain and has been won by Robbie Forsyth. Robbie steered the FISA Junior Four to victory on several occasions.

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.

We congratulate Joe Joyce on winning this trophy. Joe was selected in the Lightweight Senior B Four to compete against New Zealand later in the year.

LATE F.R. BROWNE TROPHY:

The Perpetual Shield and Trophy are donated by the family of the late F.R. Browne for presentation to the most improved novice oarsman.

This year the Trophy has been won by Gary Avdugin.



CLUB EVENTS

J.G.H. SPRIGG TIME TRIAL — An eight oared race from the Mercantile tree, around Como Island, and return, in which crews must be composed of at least two novices and no more than two seniors. The winning crew was: T. Lavicka (bow), J. Lavicka (2), M. Pearson (3), M. Connolly (4), M. Robertson (5), A. Briggs (6), S. Moreton (7), I. Popa (str.), G. Barnes (cox). The race was won in the time of 27 mins 54.5 sec. The trophies were presented by Mr. Sprigg at the Annual Meeting.

LADIES DAY — Held in September, Nick Newton again organised a top quality smorgasbord luncheon for the members, their wives and girlfriends. Approximately 120 people attended and enjoyed the excellent food and company.

A.L. DOBBIE FOURS — These combination races were held in conjunction with Ladies Day. The trophies donated by the family of the late Mr. A.L. Dobbie, produced some excellent racing. We thank Mr. Alex Dobbie for again presenting the trophies.

GALA FUNCTIONS — Two outstanding "Gala" functions were held on July 31st and April 23rd. Both attracted around 400 young people who danced to the music of a mobile disco. Our thanks go to Marty O'Halloran and Bill Canty for organising these functions and raising much needed revenue for the Club.

COCKTAIL PARTY — This highly successful function was the first to be jointly organised by the Club and the Ladies Auxiliary. Held at the home of Brian and Leonie Doyle, this most enjoyable evening raised a substantial sum for the Club and will serve as a blueprint for similar functions in the future.

CHRISTMAS PARTY — This event was well attended by members and their children. Santa was again able to navigate his way down by boat and distributed presents to the eager youngsters, ably assisted by his female helpers. The singing of Christmas Carols brought the party to a successful close.

ANZAC DAY SERVICE — This ceremony, in which we remember those members who served in three wars and did not return, was conducted by the President with the assistance of Mr. John Seamen on Sunday morning, 24th April.

RACING RESULTS

INTERSTATE & KINGS CUP REGATTA

Sunday, 10th April, 1983

Interstate Eight Oared Championship — The Kings Cup	
1. Sth. Aust., 2. Victoria, 3. N.S.W.	5.38.13
Interstate Champion Youth Eight — N.F. Wilkinson Trophy	
1. Sth. Aust., 2. Victoria, 3. West Australia	5.54.83
Interstate Champion Lightweight Fours — The Penrith Cup	
1. Tasmania, 2. Victoria, 3. West Australia	6.13.14
Interstate Champion Single Sculls — The President's Cup	
1. West Australia, 2. N.S.W., 3. Victoria	7.02.64
Interstate Champion Women's Elite Four — ULVA Trophy	
1. Victoria, 2. Sth. Australia, 3. N.S.W.	3.24.35
Interstate Champion Women's Lightweight Four — Victoria Cup	
1. Victoria, 2. West Australia, 3. N.S.W.	3.35.31
Interstate Champion Women's Single Sculls — Nell Slatter Trophy	
1. Victoria, 2. Queensland, 3. Tasmania	3.45.51

AUSTRALIAN AMATEUR ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Perth, Western Australia — April 6th - 9th, 1983

Senior 'A' Four with Cox	
1. Adel./Aust. Nat. Rail., 2. Mosman/S.U.B.C./Syd./Balm. 3. Mercantile/Banks.	6.36.00
Senior 'A' Four without Cox	
1. Franklin/Lindisfarne, 2. Mosman/Sydney, 3. Adel./A.U.B.C./Pt. Adelaide.	6.30.80
Senior 'A' Quad Scull	
1. St. George, 2. M.U.B.C.	6.25.77
Senior 'A' Pair without Cox.	
1. A.U.B.C., 2. Banks No. 1, 3. Uni. of Qld.	7.08.10
Senior 'A' Double Scull	
1. St. George, 2. M.U.B.C., 3. Wendouree-Ballarot/ Fremantle	6.54.14
Senior 'A' Single Scull	
1. Mosman, 2. Fremantle and Wendouree-Ballarot. 3. Franklin	7.18.26
Senior 'B' Eight	
1. M.U.B.C./Mercantile, 2. Uni. of Qld/Commercial/Tweed Heads, 3. Tamar/N.Norfolk/Derwent-Mercantile	6.18.73
Senior 'B' Four with Cox	
1. Uni of Qld./Narranbundah, 2 Torrens 3. U.W.A.B.C./Swan River/ANA	6.53.23
Senior 'B' Pair without Cox	
1. Lindisfarne, 2. A.U.B.C., 3. B.R.C./A.N.A.	7.19.95
Senior 'B' Single Scull	
1. M.U.B.C. No. 2, 2. Port Adelaide	7.26.15
Lightweight Eight	
1. Buckingham/Barwon/M.U.B.C., 2. U.W.A.B.C./W.A.R.C./Swan River	6.16.86
Lightweight Four without Cox	
1. Buckingham No. 1, 2. Barwon/M.U.B.C., 3. U.W.A.B.C./W.A.R.C./Swan River	6.26.97
Lightweight Pair without Cox	
1. Barwon/M.U.B.C., 2. Buckingham No. 2, 3. Buckingham No. 1	7.12.16
Lightweight Double Scull	
1. M.U.B.C., 2. St. George, 3. A.C.T.R.C.	6.49.94

Lightweight Single Scull	
1. M.U.B.C. No. 1, 2. St. George No. 3, 3. M.U.B.C. No. 2	7.28.30
Junior Four with Cox	
1. U.W.A.B.C./A.N.A., 2. Toowong/Commercial, 3. Mercantile	5.04.82
Junior Pair without Cox	
1. A.C.T., R.C., 2. Corio Bay	5.31.42
Junior Single Scull	
1. A.C.T., R.C. No. 1, 2. A.C.T., R.C. No. 2, 3. Drummoyne	5.40.53

CHAMPIONSHIP AND REGATTA RACING

ICEBERGS REGATTA – July 8th, 1982.

Maiden Four

B. Georgelin, N. Boileau, P. Joyce, N. Taylor (str),
J. Courtney (cox), N. Newton (coach).

Maiden Scull

A. Guerin

ICEBERGS REGATTA – JULY 17th, 1982.

Veteran 'A' Four

T. Phillips, M. Kerin, J. Hawkins, P. Ainsworth (str),
V. Ronai-Horvath (cox).

ICEBERGS REGATTA – AUGUST 28th, 1982.

Maiden Scull

A. Guerin.

V.R.A. SPECIAL REGATTA (Henley Course) – OCTOBER 9th, 1982.

Open Eight

I. Belot, G. Deag, N. Myers, S. Morton, S. Patten, T. Paxinos,
M. Doyle (str), G. Barnes (cox), D. Palfreyman (coach).

Novice Pair

R. White, T. Hume (str), K. Little (cox), V. Ronai-Horvath (coach).

YARRA YARRA REGATTA – OCTOBER 16th, 1982.

Open Eight

I. Belot, G. Deag, N. Myers, S. Morton, S. Patten, T. Paxinos,
M. Doyle, D. Doyle (str), G. Barnes (cox), D. Palfreyman (coach).

BARWON SPRING DING – OCTOBER 30th, 1982.

Lightweight Senior Four without Cox

D. Scown, D. Mollison, J. Joyce, G. Pechan (str), M. Owen (coach).

Lightweight Senior Pair without Cox.

A. Borger, G. Pechan (str), M. Owen (coach).

Junior Four

P. Fitzpatrick, J. Grant, G. Harris, A. Douglas (str), P. Bester (cox),
P. Ainsworth (coach).

V.R.A. MELBOURNE – NOVEMBER 6th, 1982

Senior Eight

I. Belot, G. Deag, N. Myers, S. Morton, S. Patten, T. Paxinos,
M. Doyle, D. Doyle (str), G. Barnes (cox), D. Palfreyman (coach).

Junior Four

P. Fitzpatrick, J. Grant, G. Harris, A. Douglas (str), P. Bester (cox),
P. Ainsworth (coach).

Junior Pair without Cox

A. Borger, G. Pechan (str.), M. Owen (coach).

WENDOUREE/BALLARAT REGATTA – NOVEMBER 27th, 1982.

Senior Eight

I. Belot, G. Deag, N. Myers, S. Morton, S. Patten, T. Paxinos,
M. Doyle, D. Doyle (str), G. Barnes (cox), D. Palfreyman (coach).

Lightweight Eight

I. Roycroft, A. McDonald, J. Joyce, M. Pearson, D. Scown,
D. Mollison, A. Borger, G. Pechan (str), M. Gishen (cox),
M. Owen (coach).

Junior Four

K. Spendier, C. Hall, M. O'Halloran, D. Pincus (str), M. Thomas (cox),
M. Manley (coach).

Lightweight Junior Four

P. Fitzpatrick, J. Grant, G. Harris, A. Douglas (str), P. Bester (cox),
P. Ainsworth (coach).

UPPER YARRA REGATTA – DECEMBER 4th, 1982.

Senior Eight

I. Belot, G. Deag, N. Myers, S. Morton, S. Patten, T. Paxinos,
M. Doyle, D. Doyle (str), G. Barnes (cox), D. Palfreyman (coach).

Lightweight Eight

I. Roycroft, A. McDonald, J. Joyce, M. Pearson, D. Scown,
D. Mollison, A. Borger, G. Pechan (str), M. Gishen (cox),
M. Owen (coach).

Lightweight Pair without Cox

A. Borger, G. Pechan (str), M. Owen (coach).

Junior Four

K. Spendier, C. Hall, M. O'Halloran, D. Pincus (str), M. Thomas (cox),
M. Manley (coach).

Junior Pair without Cox

C. Hall, M. O'Halloran (str), P. Ainsworth (coach).

Lightweight Junior Four

P. Fitzpatrick, J. Grant, G. Harris, A. Douglas (str), P. Bester (cox),
P. Ainsworth (coach).

Veteran 'A' Four

J. Fazio, T. Phillips, J. Hawkins, P. Ainsworth (str),
V. Ronai-Horvath (cox).

Veteran 'B' Pair

S. Gillon, G. Boykett (str), M. Gishen (cox).

V.R.A. SPECIAL REGATTA – DECEMBER 18th, 1982.

Champion Senior Eight

I. Belot, G. Deag, N. Myers, S. Morton, S. Patten, T. Paxinos,
M. Doyle, D. Doyle (str), G. Barnes (cox), D. Palfreyman (coach).

Junior Four

P. Fitzpatrick, J. Grant, G. Harris, A. Douglas (str), M. Smith (cox),
P. Ainsworth (coach).

Maiden Eight

D. Bird, S. Poynton, P. Law, A. Thomas, M. Hicks, D. Whyte,
J. Danckert, D. Aitken (str), P. LeFayve (cox), N. Newton (coach).

VICTORIAN UNIVERSITIES REGATTA – JANUARY 15th, 1983.

Lightweight Four without Cox.

D. Scown, G. Pechan, D. Mollison, A. Borger (str), M. Owen (coach).

Junior Pair with Cox.

C. Hall, M. O'Halloran (str), P. Ainsworth (coach).

F.I.S.A. Junior Four

S. Gula, T. Johnston, A. James, D. Scally (str), R. Forsyth (cox),
N. Donaldson (coach).

Maiden Eight

G. Harris, I. Swann, M. McKay, P. Law, D. Burke, R. Howden,
S. Harrison, C. Murrell (str), P. Franks (cox), J. Fazio (coach).

VICTORIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS – JANUARY 29th - 31st, 1983.

Champion Senior Four with Cox.

I. Belot, S. Patten, J. Lowe (Banks), N. Myers (str), G. Barnes (cox),
D. Palfreyman (coach).

BANKS REGATTA – FEBRUARY 12th, 1983

Lightweight Four with Cox

I. Rycroft, A. McDonald, A. Douglas, M. Pearson (str), M. Thomas
(cox), M. Owen (coach).

Junior Eight

J. Danckert, B. Thomas, P. Fitzpatrick, K. Spendier, C. Hall,
D. Aitken, G. Harris, J. Grant (str), K. Marshall (cox), P. Ainsworth
(coach).

HEAD OF THE YARRA – FEBRUARY 26th, 1983

Intermediate Section

I. Rycroft, A. McDonald, A. Douglas, M. Pearson, J. Joyce, D. Scown,
D. Mollison, G. Pechan (str), M. Thomas (cox), M. Owen (coach).

Veteran 'A' Section

G. Johnston, G. Boykett, S. Gillon, P. Philp, T. Phillips, J. Fazio,
J. Hawkins, P. Ainsworth (str), V. Ronai-Horvath (cox).

HENLEY REGATTA – MARCH 5th, 1983

Lightweight Eight

I. Rycroft, A. McDonald, A. Douglas, M. Pearson, J. Joyce, D. Scown,
D. Mollison, G. Pechan (str), M. Thomas (cox), M. Owen (coach).

Lightweight Four with Cox

A. McDonald, I. Rycroft, M. Pearson, A. Douglas (str), M. Thomas
(cox), M. Owen (coach).

Lightweight Pair without Cox

J. Joyce, G. Pechan (str), M. Owen (coach).

Junior Eight

I. Rycroft, A. McDonald, A. Douglas, M. Pearson, J. Joyce, D. Scown,
D. Mollison, G. Pechan (str), M. Thomas (cox), M. Owen (coach).

Junior Four

S. Gula, T. Johnston, A. James, D. Scally (str), R. Forsyth (cox),
N. Donaldson (coach).

F.I.S.A. Junior Four

S. Gula, T. Johnston, A. James, D. Scally (str), R. Forsyth (cox),
N. Donaldson (coach).

BARWON REGATTA – MARCH 12th, 1983

Lightweight Four with Cox Championship

A. McDonald, I. Rycroft, M. Pearson, A. Douglas (str), M. Thomas
(cox), M. Owen (coach).

F.I.S.A. Junior Four Championship

S. Gula, T. Johnston, A. James, D. Scally (str), R. Forsyth (cox),
N. Donaldson (coach).

Lightweight Junior Four

N. Boileau, P. Joyce, W. Leslie, S. Harrison (str), J. DeFraga (cox),
A. Guerin (coach).

Maiden Four

D. Paterson, S. Robinson, P. Jobling, T. Sanchez (str), R. Forsyth
(cox), N. Newton (coach).

BALLARAT REGATTA – MARCH 14th, 1983

Junior Eight Championship

I. Rycroft, A. McDonald, A. Douglas, M. Pearson, J. Joyce, D. Scown,
D. Mollison, G. Pechan (str), M. Thomas (cox), M. Owen (coach).

F.I.S.A. Junior Pair without Cox Championship

A. James, D. Scally (str), N. Donaldson (coach).

Lightweight Junior Four

N. Boileau, P. Joyce, W. Leslie, S. Harrison (str), J. DeFraga (cox),
A. Guerin (coach).

Veteran 'A' Eight

D. Bowen, S. Mollard, N. Newton, M. Kerin, G. Boykett, A. Guerin,
P. Ainsworth, A. Duthie (str), V. Rona-Horvath (cox).

FOOTSCRAY REGATTA – MARCH 19th, 1983**Lightweight Pair without Cox**

J. Joyce, G. Pechan (str), M. Owen (coach).

Junior Eight

D. Pincus, J. Grant, I. Rycroft, A. McDonald, A. Douglas, M. Pearson,
C. Hall, M. O'Halloran (str), M. Thomas (cox), P. Ainsworth (coach).

Lightweight Junior Four

N. Boileau, P. Joyce, W. Leslie, S. Harrison (str), J. DeFraga (cox),
A. Guerin (coach).

Maiden Four

D. Burke, S. Robinson, P. Jobling, T. Sanchez (str), R. Forsyth (cox),
N. Newton (coach).

Veteran 'A' Eight

N. Newton, M. Kerin, P. Philp, T. Phillips, J. Fazio, A. Guerin,
J. Hawkins, P. Ainsworth (str), V. Ronai-Horvath (cox).

SCOTCH – MERCANTILE REGATTA – MARCH 26th, 1983**Open Eight**

J. Danckert, J. O'Connor, A. McDonald, P. Fitzpatrick, J. Grant,
A. Douglas, C. Hall, M. O'Halloran (str), M. Thomas (cox),
P. Ainsworth (coach).

Senior Pair

G. Deag, I. Belot (str), G. Barnes (cox), D. Palfreyman (coach).

Lightweight Pair without Cox

D. Mollison, D. Scown (str), M. Owen (coach).

Junior Eight

D. Pincus, J. Grant, I. Rycroft, A. McDonald, M. Pearson, A. Douglas,
C. Hall, M. O'Halloran (str), M. Thomas (cox), P. Ainsworth (coach).

Junior Four

S. Gula, T. Johnston, A. James, D. Scally (str), R. Forsyth (cox),
N. Donaldson (coach).

Lightweight Junior Four

A. Herald, N. Boileau, W. Leslie, S. Harrison (str), J. DeFraga (cox),
A. Guerin (coach).

Maiden Scull

N. Rycroft.

NAGAMBIE VETERAN REGATTA – APRIL 23rd, 1983**Veteran 'A' Four**

T. Phillips, M. Kerin, J. Hawkins, P. Ainsworth (str),
V. Ronai-Horvath (cox).

Veteran 'B' Pair

S. Gillon, G. Boykett (str), K. Marshall (cox).



V.R.A. PREMIERSHIP POINTS 1982 - 83.

Champion Club Premiership		Junior First Division	
Mercantile	48	Mercantile	138
Corio Bay	41	Corio Bay	122
Banks	33	Melbourne	90
Melbourne	28	Wendouree/Ballarat	60
Power House	28	Corowa	60
Wendouree/Ballarat	25	Footscray City	26
Corowa	18	Essendon	19
M.U.B.C.	16	Yarra Yarra	13
Barwon	10	Barwon	12
Essendon	9	Hawthorn	8
Richmond	9		
Yarra Yarra	8	Junior Second Division	
Footscray City	7	Powerhouse	90
Mildura	7	Banks	72
Ballarat City	5	Melbourne Grammar	40
Hawthorn	5	Richmond	32
Yarrowonga	5	M.U.B.C.	26
Melbourne Grammar School	5	Wahgunyah	16
Wahgunyah	4	Geelong College	16
Carey Grammar	3	Mildura	15
Geelong College	3	Yarrowonga	10
Nagambie	3	Ballarat City	8
Ballarat High	2	Carey Grammar	8
Bendigo	2	Nagambie	8
Rutherglen Lake	2	Ballarat High	8
City of Warrnambool	1	Geelong Grammar	8
Dimboola	1	Wesley College	8
Geelong Grammar	1	Bendigo	3
Wentworth District	1	City of Warrnambool	2
Wesley College	1	Rutherglen Lake	2
		Dimboola	1
		Wentworth District	1
Senior Premiership		Winter Premiership	
Banks	54	Corio Bay	21
Mercantile	48	Mercantile	10
M.U.B.C.	15	M.U.B.C.	10
Wendouree/Ballarat	8	Banks	8
Corio Bay	6	Richmond	8
Barwon	4	Footscray City	4
Rutherglen Lake	4	Melbourne	4
Melbourne	2	Power House	1
Power House	2		
Lightweight Premiership			
Mercantile	86		
M.U.B.C.	29		
Corio Bay	24		
Banks	12		
Barwon	10		
Power House	8		
Essendon	8		
Footscray City	4		
Yarra Yarra	4		
Ballarat City	2		
Richmond	2		
Yarrowonga	2		

ROWING – GENERAL

RECRUITING:

The recruiting subcommittee headed by Brian Doyle was successful in recruiting a large number of schoolboy oarsmen into the Club. These recruits rowed in Youth, FISA Junior, Maiden and Junior crews and won many races. This year it is intended to place more emphasis on recruiting into the Novice and Maiden ranks as these categories suffered from a lack of new blood last season.

COACHING:

Mercantile is building up a most capable and experienced group of coaches as shown by the Club's success in winning three premierships last season. David Palfreyman coached the Senior squad, Martin Owen and John Leeming coached the lightweight, Phil Ainsworth the Juniors, Joe Fazio the Youth group and Noel Donaldson the FISA Juniors. The Maidens were managed by Nick Newton and Andrew Guerin while Vic Ronai-Horvath looked after the Novices.

HEAD OF THE RIVER 1983:

In a very exciting finish Brighton Grammar School, under coach and Club member Paul McGann, scored its first win in the Head of the River from the highly favoured Wesley crew coached by David Palfreyman. We congratulate Paul and his crew on a magnificent win.

Victorian Rowing relies for its strength on oarsmen recruited from the Public School system. Mercantile members are very actively involved in coaching school crews and crews coached by our members won four of the five Head of the River Finals.

Firsts: Paul McGann (Brighton)
Seconds: Graeme Boykett (Scotch)
Fourths: Andrew Murchie (Scotch)
Fifths: David Pincus (Wesley)

Other members involved were:

Brighton Grammar:	Andrew Briggs, Mike Pearson, Mark Gishen.
Carey:	Noel Donaldson.
Caulfield Grammar:	Martin Aitken, Ian Belot, David Aitken, Cameron Hall.
St. Kevin's College:	'Freddy' Frederico (firsts), Tim Frederico, Martin O'Halloran, Alan Borger.
Wesley College:	David Palfreyman (firsts), Ken Marshall.
Xavier College:	Martin Tomanovits, John Hawkins, Don Werner.

COXSWAINS:

The Club was short of coxswains during the season to the extent that some oarsmen could not be boated due to the shortage. It is hoped that this problem will be rectified next season.

We thank the following coxswains for their efforts: Graham Barnes, Mark Gishen, Matt Thomas, Paul Franks, Robbie Forsyth, Peter Bester, Brett Marshall, John DeFraga, Matthew Smith and Paul LeFayve.

SCOTCH—MERCANTILE REGATTA:

The 25th Annual Scotch Mercantile Regatta was held on March 26th, 1983.

The inaugural Esso Trophy, awarded to the most successful Club at the regatta on a points-percentage basis, was won by Melbourne University Ladies.

Again, the entry was very large, but the regatta was superbly organised by Regatta Secretary Bill Bradshaw, ably assisted by a committee of Messrs. R.R. Aitken, P.H. O'Brien, A.N. Guerin, M.F. McKenna, D J.R. Morgan, W.V. Nash, D.A. Pincus and D.H. Boykett.

We thank the Regatta Officials of the Victorian Rowing Association for the smooth running of such a large program and our Ladies Auxiliary who did an excellent job in catering for the oarsmen.

FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL:

Large capital purchases again placed a heavy burden on the Club's finances last season.

With Mercantile's fleet now the envy of other clubs it is hoped that more money can be spent on improving the clubhouse next season. The improvement in the Club's financial position may be short-lived if members continue to have accounts outstanding well into next season. All members are requested to settle their accounts immediately on receipt to enable the Committee to carry out its plans to improve Club facilities and fund the boat replacement program.

With your help Mercantile can look forward to a strong financial position during the coming season.

DONATIONS:

Carlton and United Breweries have continued to supply the Club with their excellent product and their assistance has enabled the South West Corner, under the management of Paul Fitzpatrick, to return a record profit to the Club. Members are encouraged to partake of the refreshments provided on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings.

A new sponsor, Esso, was welcomed to the Club during the season. They provided the Club with a new four and contributed towards the cost of staging the Scotch-Mercantile Regatta. We are grateful for their help.

Copies of the Club's history — 'Mercantile, A Century of Rowing' are still available and inquiries regarding purchase may be made to Mr. Bob Aitken or Mr. Deane Morgan. Proceeds from the sale of this book go towards reducing the building overdraft.

We acknowledge with thanks donations received from Messrs. J.G.H. Sprigg, J.W. Bradshaw, D.J.R. Morgan, A.J.H. Mahoney, R.R. Aitken, N.W. Cairnes, H.R. Frederico, S.G. Richardson, P. Kerr, M. Gishen, C.W. Hidcock.

TRIBUTORS:

The Tributors have pledged their support for the Club based on the number of regatta wins during the season.

We thank the following members, led by Mr. Bill Morrison, for their contributions: Messrs. J.B. Bostock, D.H. Boykett, W. Hutchins, M.F. Owen, R.W. Thursfield, R.R. Aitken, J.S. & S.M. Rowe, D.J. Crichton, J.G.H. Sprigg, H.R. Frederico, J.W. Bradshaw, J.W. McKeown, L.S. Williams, W.T. Morrison, A.W. Blaxland, R.H. Richardson, N.W. Cairnes, J. Jones, B. Cross, M.F. McKenna, E.P. Leggett, E.C. White.

MERCANTILE LADIES AUXILIARY

The Ladies Auxiliary decided this year to hold joint functions with the men. The first such function was the highly successful Cocktail Party held at the home of Brian and Leonie Doyle. Similar joint functions will be held including a Garden Party at Geoff McMahon's Academy of Floral Art on 4th June and a Dinner Dance later in the year.

Catering at the Scotch Mercantile Regatta raised \$230 and a four metre aluminium coaching punt worth \$850 was purchased for the Club.

Members of the Ladies Auxiliary are: Mesdames J. Wallis (President), L. Grant (Secretary), E. McKeown (Treasurer), H. Belot, M. Berger, K. Boykett, J. Bradshaw, J. Fitzpatrick, J. Guerin, A. Gumley, J. Joyce, J. Loveless, M. O'Halloran, I. Patzold, R. Sanchez, I. Scown, P. Thomas.

COMMITTEE

At the time of going to press, 11 committee meetings have been held and the attendance has been as follows:—

J.G.H. Sprigg	11	A.N. Guerin	10	N.L. Newton	8
B.J. Doyle	10	P.J. Ainsworth	11	H.T. Frederico	9
M.J. Pearson	6	T.D. Phillips	2	P.R. McGann	7
L.W. Wallis	11	P.J. Fitzpatrick	10	J.G. Grant	4
J.J. Lawrence	3	M.K. O'Halloran	11	M.F. Owen	8
D.A. Pincus	9	R.R. Aitken	8	J.W. Bradshaw	7

GENERAL

Mercantile has undoubtedly consolidated its premier position in Victorian rowing after the many racing successes achieved during the season. We congratulate all winning crews and especially those members who have gained international selection. Good luck and good racing in the competition to come!

It is pleasing to see that the decline in the Club's membership has been arrested. There have been significant increases in the numbers of junior and junior schoolboy members which augurs well for the future.

The Club has built up an excellent fleet with five new boats having been purchased last season. However, the shed is in need of much work and members are asked to heed any calls for assistance at working bees.

We continue to be well represented on the V.R.A. Executive by Messrs. Bradshaw, O'Brien and McGann.

Our regattas have been superbly organised by the dedicated group of members on the Racing Officials Panel. We thank the following for their efforts: Messrs. Aitken, Bradshaw, Frederico, Harding, Harvey, Jones, Mahoney, Morgan, Morrison, O'Brien, Richardson, Ronai-Horvath, St. Vincent-Welsh, White. New officials are constantly needed so any member able to assist in this area would be most welcome.

Publicity and public relations are an increasingly important part of our sport and we thank Roger Wilson for his efforts, especially in the area of racing commentaries. Our new on-the-spot racing correspondent Nick Boileau wrote an excellent series of articles for 'The Age'. The 'Herald', 'The Age' and the 'Weekly Times' continue to give rowing good coverage. We thank the ABC for its excellent coverage of the National and Kings Cup Regattas and Channel 0/28 for its documentary on the 'Head of the Yarra' and coverage of other events.

Mr. Sprigg has again organised the disposal of surplus containers and we thank him for raising valuable funds for the Club.

Geoff McMahon has assisted with the donation of flowers when appropriate and has generously offered the facilities of the Australian Academy of Floral Art for a Garden Party which will be held on June 4th.

The Tributors have again had a busy year with the large number of wins and our thanks goes to this group headed by Bill Morrison for their donations.

In a capital intensive sport such as rowing it has become increasingly difficult to finance the purchase of new equipment. In this respect we are most grateful for the help of our sponsors Esso Australia and Carlton and United Breweries. Our members have won many races wearing the CUB logo and our senior heavyweights have the benefit of a new four the 'Esso'.

We regret to record the passing of Bert Spencer and Allan Gibbs. Our sympathies are extended to the families of these members. The Club has been able to purchase a new lightweight coxless pair, the Bert Spencer, with funds from his estate. We gratefully acknowledge the assistance of Bert's family in making these funds available.

Congratulations go to 'Freddy' Frederico and his wife on the birth of a son, and to Tim Young and Anne Chirnside on their marriage.

Progress on our international standard rowing course at Carrum appears to be stalled. If built, this course would provide a tremendous boost to Victorian rowing. Members are asked to show their support for this project whenever possible.

Security continues to be a problem at the Club and it is sad to report the theft of our new Temprite earlier this year.

Our printer, Tripart Marketing, has again produced this report at a very reasonable price and we thank Jim 'Thumbscrew' Carr for making the arrangements.

For and on behalf of the Committee,

P.J. Ainsworth,
Honorary Secretary,
Mercantile Rowing Club.

MEMBERS 1982 – 1983

MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Club as at 30th April, 1983 was as follows:—

	1983	1982	1981	1980
Life Members	7	7	7	7
Senior Active Members	154	155	150	156
Senior Members	23	23	23	23
Junior Members	58	55	52	55
Junior Schoolboy Members	28	17	32	46
Country Members	29	33	28	33
Associate Members	82	69	73	71
	381	359	365	391

LIFE MEMBERS

Aitken, R.R.
Bradshaw, J.W.
Cairnes, N.W.

Morgan, D.J.R.
Sorani, A.

Sprigg, J.G.H.
Thursfield, R.W.

SENIOR ACTIVE MEMBERS

Adams, J.S.
Ainsworth, P.J.
Aitken, M.
Ashton, P.W.
Bailey, K.
Bailleau, W.J.
Ball, D.G.
Batters, P.
Belot, I.R.
Benjamin, P.L.
Birch, R.
Blaxland, A.W.
Bowen, D.A.
Boykett, D.H.
Boykett, G.H.
Briggs, A.P.
Burford, J.
Butler, S.J.
Charles, J.R.
Cordell, A.M.
Cordell, M.J.
Courtney, A.
Cowling, D.S.
Cross, T.R.
Curnow, S.R.
Dawson, R.St.L.
Dobbie, A.W.
Donovan, M.
Douglas, D.G.A.
Duthie, I.R.
Dyason, D.R.
Emsell, B.
Evans, A.M.
Everist, I.C.
Fitch, P.C.
Fogarty, D.
Foley, J.E.
Franet, P.J.
Frederico Hon.
Justice, H.R.
Frederico, H.T.
Gibbs, Dr. P.M.
Gibson, A.D.
Gilbert, R.A.
Gillon, S.M.
Gomes, U.
Griffiths, R.I.
Gross, B.B.
Guerin, A.N.
Gumley, J.H.
Guy, R.J.
Harry, J.R.
Harvey, J.R.
Hawkins, J.F.
Hill, J.
Hobbs, S.
Hogan, T.J.
Holland, C.S.
Hughan, J.R.
Hutchins, W.B.
James, S.L.
Jeffery, S.R.
Johnston, G.M.
Jones, J.McD.
Jones, P.L.
Jones, P.L.V.
Kellam, M.B.
Kerrin, M.J.
Kohn, A.B.
Lawrence, J.J.
Mahony, H.J.
Mahony, C.W.
Martin, J.D.
Manley, M.W.R.
Manton, G.O.V.
Marshall, K.A.
Mollard, S.D.
Morell, R.T.
Moreton, S.C.
Morrison, B.W.
Morrison, W.T.
Mulder, V.
Murchie, A.D.
Myers, N.J.
McCall, G.A.
MacKinder, G.
McCorkell, S.R.
McDonald, A.W.
McGann, P.R.
McIntosh, A.J.
McKenna, M.F.
McKenzie, D.M.
McKeown, J.W.
McLean, D.A.
McMahon, G.
Negri, R.A.
Negri, Dr. R.B.
Newton, N.L.
Nickson, J.H.
O'Brien, P.H.
Owen, M.F.
Palfreyman, D.
Paterson, I.H.
Patten, S.
Pearson, M.J.
Phillips, T.D.
Philp, P.E.M.L.
Pilmore, R.B.
Pincus, D.A.
Pirani, R.L.
Reardon, G.
Redman, R.J.
Reiner, I.M.
Renouf, L.P.
Richardson, G.W.
Richardson, R.H.
Richardson, S.G.
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Rycroft, N.W.
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Sloan, A.T.
Smith, M.J.
Smith, P.R.
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Thornton, I.R.
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Vautin, W.
Wallace, Dr. A.M.
Wallace, W.L.N.
Wallis, L.W.
Waring, S.J.
Watson, D. McA.
Webster, N.G.
Weeks, P.G.
Werthiemer, E.J.
Whelan, R.J.
White, R.A.
Williams, L.S.
Wilson, G.J.
Wilson, W.I.
Wirtz, E.
Worthley, D.A.W.
Yunghanns, D.J.
Zois, A.

SENIOR MEMBERS

Adams, A.W.
Atkins, A.H.C.
Bostock, J.B.
Brooke, D.C.
Broughton, O.S.
Carr, J.P.
Clarke, J.H.P.
DeGuinand, C.
Doyle, B.J.
Fletcher, J.M.
Harding, P.
Hewitt, H.N.
Hyett, G.S.
Newcomb, S.H.
Newport, F.P.
Rowe, J.S.
Shears, J.D.
Spalding, N.
Thomas, J.C.
Walker, H.J.R.
White, E.C.
Wilson, R.B.
Wood, M.R.

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Aitken, D.F.	Harris, G.I.	Paxinos, T.
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Borger, A.	Hosking, A.R.	Preece, D.G.
Buckley, J.S.	Howe, P.	Rankin, S.W.
Burke, D.	Hume, T.D.	Robinson, S.C.
Canty, W.J.	Jacobson, R.O.	Russell, J.C.S.
Deag, G.J.	Joyce, J.W.	Scown, D.J.
Douglas, A.	Law, P.	Simpson, W.
Doyle, D.J.	Little, P.G.	Spendier, K.F.
Doyle, M.A.	Leslie, W.J.	Sutton, W.
Fitzpatrick, P.	Mathews, J.P.	Thomas, B.T.
Franks, P.D.	Middendorp, N.P.	Thomas, B.W.
Gale, B.	Minahan, D.M.	Tivey, J.R.
Girvan, P.M.	Mollison, D.B.	Watson, P.W.
Grant, J.G.	McKay, M.S.	Whyte, A.R.
Goold, J.B.C.	McKinnon, B.	Yunghanns, D.B.
Griffiths, P.D.	McLean, I.K.	Zemel, D.I.
Gula, S.	O'Connor, J.A.	
Hall, C.	O'Halloran, M.K.	

JUNIOR SCHOOLBOY MEMBERS

Bills, B.A.	Johnson, A.G.	Reed, M.R.
Bills, S.C.	Johnson, A.L.	Sanchez, T.
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Edwards, P.S.	Joyce, P.	Shankley, N.J.
Georgelin, B.	Lees, R.J.	Swann, I.G.
Gilford, C.A.L.	Lort-Phillips, E. St.A.	Tam, J.
Hays, N.C.	Morrison, C.	Taylor, N.
Howden, J.B.	Mullaly, J.D.	Tomkins, J.B.
Howden, R.K.	Murrell, C.G.	
Jobling, P.	McCasker, R.W.	

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Antonie, P.	Hemmingway, P.N.	Park, G.A.
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Bell, C.M.	Hollyman, G.I.	Randall, T.J.
Barnes, D.	Howden, J.G.	Reedy, P.
Blairholt, J.A.	Hume, D.	Ruffin, J.F.
Border, A.	Hume, K.M.	Saleh, C.G.
Bowen, J.R.	Hume, M.C.	Sanchez, C.
Bradshaw, Mrs. G.E.	Humphris, P.W.	Seammen, J.N.
Corben, M.H.	Jacobson, B.G.	Shears, E.
Cordell, A.J.	Jacobson, B.J.	Shears, T.W.
Crichton, D.J.M.	Jones, R.A.	Smith, W.
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Culka, J.V.	Kerr, P.R.	Sprigg, R.S.
Cunningham, P.M.	Knight, W.T.	Stanley, R.J.
Daffy, T.C.	Legget, E.P.	Thomas, R.L.
Day, C.K.	Lellton, Ms. A.	Thorburn, Dr. J.D.
Donaldson, N.W.	Loveless, Mrs. J.	Tomanovits, Mrs. A.C.
Dumbleton, W.	Loveless, R.T.	Trumble, S.T.P.
Fallon, J.F.	Milligan, A.J.	Unwin, W.R.J.
Feakes, J.T.	Mollard, K.F.	Vozzo, V.
Ferguson, J.M.	MComas, M.	Walker, G.A.H.
Fogarty, F.	McConville, K.H.	Watkin, P.K.
Forrest, J.H.L.	McDonald, D.	Webster, J.S.
Glynn, D.J.	McKenzie-McHaig, H.W.	Wells, J.D.B.
Granowski, W.O.	O'Brien, R.A.	Werner, D.M.
Greenhatch, K.	Oliver, R.J.D.	Willis, J.D.
		Wraith, G.J.

COUNTRY MEMBERS

Ansell, G.L.
Bailey, W.M.
Bowman, J.W.
Boykett, P.H.
Cayzer, P.A.
Connolly, M.C.
Connolly, R.W.
Delfos, N.
Donoghue, J.D.
Fogarty, M.J.

Gamble, P.
Garrard, R.J.
Lee, R.E.
Marley, D.C.
Miller, P.M.
Moll, L.L.B.
Monger, A.C.
McArthur, F.S.
McLean, A.R.
McNamara, P.J.

Noble, F.
Oliff, D.
Stone, F.S.
Taylor, G.M.
Thomson, P.
Thompson, C.P.
Thompson, C.T.
Williams, M.M.
Young, T.

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH APRIL, 1983

1982 \$		1983 \$
	CURRENT LIABILITIES	
2,012.03	Westpac Banking Corporation – General Account	1,010.95
17,564.17	Westpac Banking Corporation – Building Account	15,877.00
6,938.12	V.R.A. Trophy Order Account	6,938.12
4,139.48	Sundry Creditors	3,811.44
310.00	Suspense Account	110.00
100.00	Olympic Fund	100.00
168.40	Subscriptions in advance (1982)	
4,479.70	R.A. COOPER MEMORIAL TRUST FUND	4,694.59
	ACCUMULATED FUNDS	
43,966.09	War Memorial Building Fund	45,643.81
88,598.30	Balance at 30th April, 1983	88,598.30
	Surplus for year	13,448.80
168,276.29		102,047.10 180,233.01
	CURRENT ASSETS	
656.20	Westpac Banking Corporation	871.09
1,423.20	Subscriptions Outstanding	3,092.80
719.50	Stock on Hand	1,381.00
6,141.28	Sundry Debtors & Pre-payment	4,670.72
—	National Mutual Building Society	177.72
	INVESTMENTS (at cost)	
560.00	Commonwealth Bonds	560.00
	R.A. COOPER MEMORIAL TRUST FUND	
1,323.50	Australian Foundation Investment Co. Ltd.	1,323.50
1,500.00	Custom Credit Corporation Ltd.	1,500.00
1,000.00	Citicorp Australia Ltd.	1,000.00
	NON CURRENT ASSETS	
107,571.59	War Memorial Club House (at cost)	107,571.59
37,403.47	Boats (at cost less depreciation)	49,678.09
6,194.00	Oars (at cost less depreciation)	5,071.00
963.05	Trailer (at cost less depreciation)	800.00
2,820.50	Sundry Assets (at cost less depreciation)	2,535.50
168,276.29		180,233.01

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH APRIL, 1983

1982		1983
\$	INCOME	\$
14,252.80	Subscriptions	18,670.90
2,456.80	Less amounts written off	1,685.00
11,796.00		16,985.90
1,013.08	Donations — General	1,784.37
7,704.67	— Social Account	11,878.84
	— Esso Australia	5,000.00
674.00	— Tributors	760.00
9,391.75		19,423.21
205.00	Hire of Boat Racks	235.00
1,060.00	Hire of Club Room	740.00
860.00	Sundry Income	1,392.82
6,912.85	Rent	7,650.13
55.48	Interest Received (1982)	—
80.00	Profit on sale of oars (1982)	—
—	Hire of Boats	675.00
30,361.08		47,102.06
EXPENDITURE		
7,351.95	Depreciation	9,281.05
400.00	Entry Fees — Regattas	467.52
2,844.78	Lighting, Gas, Rates, etc.	3,863.00
2,971.45	Insurance	4,658.15
30.00	Trophies	310.02
789.00	Fire Protection	728.50
1,313.91	Printing & Stationery	1,630.33
3,351.83	Repairs & Maintenance	2,752.11
1,587.80	V.R.A. Affiliation Fees, etc.	3,665.00
450.00	Freight	1,591.60
280.14	General Expenses	256.98
2,669.64	Interest on Overdraft	2,375.85
255.86	Telephone	349.09
562.50	Loss on Sale of Stock	576.40
—	Recruiting	54.50
—	Loss on Sale of Assets	730.00
—	Bank Fees & Charges	363.16
5,502.22	Surplus for Year	13,448.80
30,361.08		47,102.06

MERCANTILE CENTENARY FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENT — 30th APRIL, 1983

INCOME

Balance brought forward	1,047.91
Sale of Books	105.00
Interest — National Mutual Building Society	25.83
	1,178.74

EXPENDITURE

Bank Charges	1.02
Transfer to War Memorial Building Fund	1,000.00
National Mutual Building Society	177.72
	1,178.74

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