

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.



(Established 1880)

115 TH ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET 1994 - 1995

Mercantile Rowing Club
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One Of The Worlds Great Brewers

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE 115TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC. WILL BE HELD AT THE CLUBHOUSE ON SATURDAY 17TH MAY 1995 AT 7.30PM.

BUSINESS

1. To confirm the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 25th June 1994.
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 legally be brought forward.

Nomination for Office-Bearers for the ensuing year close on the notice board at the Clubhouse on Saturday, 10th. June 1995 at 4:00 pm.

By Order Of The Committee
John Leeming
Honorary Secretary
28th May 1995

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.

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* Until December

** From December

**THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH
ANNUAL REPORT
of the
MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I am very pleased to be able to tell you of the outstanding success of our renovated clubhouse. The club committee really stretched our dollar a long way, although we spent more than we originally budgeted. The extras, such as a ceiling in the auditorium, carpets, a room for management, and a room for the organisation of food, have made our clubhouse a real centre for excellence. We have not finished. When we have, it will be a centre second to none in Victoria.

It is this excellence that we strive for both in management and on the water. In management the club has been well served by its Captains of 1995 - Peter Murphy and Simon Morrison, and the committee. Jeff Lawrence has given magnificent service as Treasurer and we are all delighted to welcome Henry Edgar into that position for the coming season. Rob Manning's appointment as Club Administrator is a new position. It was a difficult decision to make, but your committee felt that it was imperative that we have a supervisory presence at the club.

We still have trouble getting our young oarspeople to work around the club. Two recent 'working bees' had four people each. This is a vital part of Mercantile tradition. We have prided ourselves in being a training ground for young people. We must improve in this area.

On the water our results have been good. We have introduced a new bunch of oarspeople to the Mecca of Rowing. They have the desire to win. Australian representation has come to seventeen members..... a wonderful effort.

But we cannot rest. We are planning for at least sixteen new young people to row and race next season, and a trip to Royal Henley by a Mercantile crew is planned.

I thank all coaches, and all members for their valued support this year. Rowing-wise, and financially, we are strong - due to your efforts. Let us keep building Mercantile in the years to come. Planning is one thing - making plans into reality is the challenge.

David Boykett

TO THE MEMBERS

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting the 115th Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Mercantile Rowing Club Inc. for the year ended 30th April 1995.

The most obvious change to the club over the past twelve months has been the renovations to the club rooms. The renovations not only provide the club with a more presentable appearance but also represent a sound investment in the future of the club. Members should be very proud to bring their guests to some of the growing number of social functions held at the club rooms. On behalf of the members I would like to thank those who invested many hours in negotiations and planning to ensure the project was completed to the high standard it has been. It is now for the committee to see that this resource is managed and maintained carefully whilst not losing sight of the fact that we are first and foremost a Rowing Club.

The committee has taken the administration of the club in a new direction this year by appointing a Club Administrator in a professional capacity. Members can be assured that this is a necessary step in ensuring the smooth and professional operation of the clubs growing administrative needs. We must recognise that as Australia's premier rowing club, running an operation which must compete successfully on the water with the growing number of professional Institutes of Sport and operate a successful social program there is a very real need for a Club Administrator. If we are to maintain our Club identity at the top level the committee must be able to call on a Club Administrator to help carry out many tasks that were simply not being done adequately.

Once again Mercantile is proud to have a large number of members in the National Teams which are detailed later in this report. Three points of significance though, are:

- The return of the Awesome Foursome to International competition
- Peter Murphy's selection in his seventh consecutive Senior National Team
- The return of a 'Mercantile' Australian Junior crew.

I feel the last point is of significance as it shows much promise for the clubs success beyond 1996. Congratulations to all members who gained Selection.

The highlight this year for me as Captain was 'The Return of the Annual Dinner' the support members gave to this function was overwhelming. It was very encouraging to see the large cross section of members in attendance all enjoying a very successful evening in our own club rooms.

Our Social Manager, Rob Manning, has done an excellent job injecting new life into our traditional Thursday evening Barrels. Rob introduced us to McRob's Burgers which helped keep the Barrel open well past Ten O'Clock regularly through the season.

As we look forward to the coming season our immediate goal is the appointment of coaches for the forthcoming season. Finding people with available time and the skills required to take our athletes to an international level is a task which I am finding takes many hours on the phone, talking to key people and keeping my ear to the ground. Over recent years schools are finding more and more money to boost their rowing programs thus attracting many of the people who might otherwise be more heavily involved at the club level. However, having said that by doing our homework we are slowly building what I believe will be an excellent group of coaches, with the ability to take our athletes to the heights we have come to expect at Mercantile.

I have made a number of references to our elite program and this is clearly the main focus of our on water activities. However at the management level of the club we must be acutely aware that the majority of members do not fall into the elite category and without these members we would not have the resources to be Mercantile Rowing Club. Philippe Batters has successfully lead a group of our more mature oarsmen back onto the water once or twice a week, they are backbone of our monthly luncheons and regulars on a Thursday evening.

Another regular crew is our 'Elite Eight' from the '60s which includes Olympians such as David Douglas and Tony Walker. These men can be seen on the water in the early hours of the morning. Mr Walker has also enjoyed coaching a senior Ladies crew who I met at the Annual Dinner. On that note I must stress to all our new members that you are most welcome to use the club facilities at your convenience and I encourage you to join in our social functions.

Finally, I would like to thank the many people who have supported me and given me guidance as Captain. I wish all members well for the coming season in all your endeavours both on and off the water.

Simon Morrison
Club Captain

TROPHIES

The following trophies will be awarded at the Annual General Meeting to be held on the 17th June 1995

CAPTAIN'S TROPHY

This trophy is awarded annually to the member who has won the most Regatta and Club races during the season on the basis of one point for a win with one additional point for any championship.

This year the trophy has been won by Thomas Hodgson who joined the Club towards the end of 1993. During the season he rowed in the men's junior four almost completing a perfect winning record with thirteen wins, including two championship wins at the State Titles. We congratulate Tom on winning this trophy.

MAX BAILEY TROPHY

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

The recipient of this trophy this year is Noel Jordan who successfully steered our men's junior four to many victories. This is his first year with the Club and he will hopefully continue with success at Mercantile and we congratulate him on winning this trophy.

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. Philippe Batters has been awarded this trophy this year. Philippe has been an enthusiastic promoter and recruiter for the club and he has set the example in taking advantage of our new social facilities. He has been generous with his time on the committee and with the facilities of his office to complete club business. We hope that he is able to continue his valuable work for years to come.

N. W. CAIRNES TROPHY

This trophy is awarded to the most improved coxswain and has been won by Paul Beitzel. Paul joined us while still a student at Wesley last year and has displayed maturity and poise beyond his years.

This year he coxed the Victorian Youth Eight as well as the mighty Senior Eight when they hit the water. He had wins at the Henley and Scotch Mercantile regatta's and is assisting with the Victorian U22 Trans Tasman men's heavyweight squad.

JEFF WYLIE MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Perpetual Shield and Trophy for the most improved lightweight rower 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.

This trophy has been won by Redmond Lloyd. Red was a member of Rob Manning's lightweight development squad which formed the nucleus of the successful lightweight Eight at Henley. Red joined us from Caulfield Grammar School and has displayed commitment and talent in a difficult area for young oarsmen. We congratulate Red on winning this trophy.

LATE F. R. BROWNE TROPHY

The Perpetual Shield and Trophy is donated by the family of the late F. R. Browne. This trophy is awarded by the committee to the most improved oarsman overall. This year the trophy has been awarded to Drew Ginn. This is a back to back win for Drew.

H. R. FREDERICO TROPHY

This trophy made available by the Honourable Justice Frederico is awarded annually to the most improved oarswoman at the Club.

This year the trophy has been won by Georgina Douglas who will have the honour of representing Australia in the women's eight this year at the World Championships. We congratulate Georgina and wish her all success at the World Championships in Finland.

KEITH BILNEY COACHES TROPHY

This trophy is awarded for the first time this year. It has been established in the memory of Keith Bilney who gave nearly 70 years of service to rowing as a coxswain, sculler, oarsman, administrator but, most of all as a coach. He gave of his time freely instilling in his charges a love of the sport, a burning desire to win but with a balanced approach to life. This trophy is awarded to the coach that is not necessarily the most successful coach in terms of race wins, it still could be, but the one who does the most to teach oarsmen & oarswomen how to

row, win races and achieve their potential and in so doing develop the foundations of the club and build and maintain the right attitudes of sportsmanship, dedication and loyalty.

With these criteria in mind the trophy has been awarded for the first time to the coach of our successful junior four, Peter Somerville. Peter has put in countless hours of work to bring his charges up to a standard high enough for them to be selected to represent Australia at the Junior World Championships in the Coxless Four. He has imbued in them a sense of pride in themselves and in the club and guided them to many race wins while maintaining a sense of humility. We congratulate Peter on being such a worthy first recipient of this award.

OBITUARY

KEITH ALEXANDER BILNEY

With the death of Keith Bilney in September last year Mercantile and Victorian rowing lost one of their most unselfish quiet achievers who gave nearly 70 years of service to the sport.

Keith was first introduced to Mercantile as a coxswain by Ron Shannon during the 1926-27 season. During his coxing career he won Most Improved Coxswain and then twice won Champion Coxswain. He then moved on to rowing as a lightweight when the limit was 10 stone (63.5 kg) and was a member of the Mercantile crew that visited Sydney in 1937.

Following World War II, amongst other things, he won the Herald Shield for scullers and stroked the Mercantile Senior 4 at Henley in 1946. He retired from active rowing shortly after only to begin coaching maiden and Junior crews at Mercantile in 1950.

In 1961 he turned his hand to lightweight rowing and produced the Victorian Champion lightweight four that went on to represent Victoria for the Penrith Cup. The next year he again coached the Penrith cup crew that still holds the record for the largest winning margin. That crew later formed the nucleus of the first Australian Champion Lightweight 8.

He went on to coach more Victorian and Intervarsity crews but the highlight of his career was coaching the first Australian Awesome Foursome Coxless Four to the Olympic Games at Tokyo in 1964.

In 1965 Keith moved to coaching school crews at Melbourne High and then Carey in 1966. He helped establish rowing at Carey and ultimately coached crews at all levels from the boys and girls firsts down to the very beginners. He remained interested and involved in Carey rowing almost to his last days.

During the 80's and early 90's his passion for coaching was boosted by the involvement of four of his five grandsons in rowing. The Ryan boys in the USA, all of whom rowed for the USA at the Junior World Championships, and Richard Wraith for Wesley, Mercantile and Australia at Junior and Senior B level.

In his later years he could be seen toiling his way up and back along the bike track with his old tin megaphone in his hand encouraging his stable of enthusiastic scullers. In fact he rode over 25 km coaching, on his bike, a little more than a week before he died.

A memorial service was held in his honour on Sunday 9 October at Mercantile and a large crowd listened to moving speeches from David Boykett, Daryl Wraith his son in law, David Hume and Geoff Thomas from Carey and witnessed the spreading of his ashes on the grass and in the river in front of the club as he requested.

Coaching rowing was his great love and over the years he was more than happy to offer his services to anyone who asked. He ran coaching courses complete with slides and diagrams long before the level 1 and level 2 courses were ever thought of. He coached crews and scullers from at least 14 clubs and schools, one way or another, over his career. All this would not have been possible without the never ending support of his wife Bernice. The work she put in gave him the extraordinary amount of time needed to contribute so much to rowing. To honour his memory the Keith Bilney Memorial Trust Fund has been established to provide funds for coaching education and development at Mercantile and an annual trophy to be presented at the AGM to the coach who best exemplifies the qualities of the ideal coach at Mercantile.

Rowing - General

The last year has seen radical changes made to the method of selection for all of our National Teams. With the appointment of a new National Head Coach has come a new year-round training program as well as a new format for team selection.

These changes follow what, by comparison to previous years, was a less successful World championships in Indianapolis, USA. This has resulted in a national program designed to follow the European season, and major selection criteria on-water based around a 5000m. time trials. The unfortunate down side to these changes is that our elite athletes have had fewer opportunities to race over 2000m. against their opposition than ever before. However, we look forward to the forthcoming World Championships in Finland to see how the results of the new National Program.

On the home court, it is now more important than ever, that Mercantile look to furthering the development of its new and younger athletes and coaches. To that end, it is extremely good news to see Peter Somerville's junior four being selected for the Junior World Championships, a first for Mercantile since Phil Ainsworth era of the 1980's, as well as Rob Manning's young lightweight squad, and Nick Boileau's youth women's squad.

Remembering the results of this and the next few years are the Olympians of Sydney in the year 2000, it is critical that we combine to develop our ranks in the younger age groups.

Finally, I wish to congratulate all members on their respective success throughout the last season. Success never comes easily, so any rewards are richly deserved.

Coaches

At a time when schools are offering incentives to coach elsewhere, we are indeed grateful to our coaching panel who devote many hours to the development of the club's athletes.

We must thank the following for their tireless efforts:

- * Noel Donaldson and Steve Spurling (Senior A Heavyweight Men)
- * David Colvin (Under 22 Heavyweight Men and Lightweight Men's Senior. Scull)

- * Peter Somerville (Junior Men and Youth Men)
- * Rob Manning (Under 22 Lightweight Men and Intermediate Men)
- * Nick Boileau (Under 22 and Youth Women)
- * David Eade (for his assistance with the Inter. Men)
- * Celia Patterson (for assistance with the Women's program)

Coxswains

More than ever before, the opportunities for coxswains to participate and develop their skills are decreasing. However, when they are needed, their tasks have been enthusiastically performed by the following :

- * Paul Beitzel
- * Noel Jordan
- * Bill Webster
- * Brett Hayman
- * Rachel Burford
- * Georgie Morell
- * Priscilla Eggers
- * Cathy Knight

Crews

Crews were boated in the following categories and squad members were as follows:

Men's Heavyweight - James Tomkins, Michael McKay, Andrew Cooper, Ben Dodwell, Drew Ginn, Peter Murphy, Jason Kovacic, Simon Sriggs, Simon Morrison, Gavin Hall, Nick Sadler, Simon Langenbacher, Richard Wraith, Geoff Barden, Tony Johnson.

Women's Senior Heavyweight - Georgina Douglas, Courtney Johnstone, Celia Patterson.

Men's Senior Lightweight - Derek Mollison, Andrew McNeil, Alan Peckham

Men's Under 23 Heavyweight - Guy Begley, Mathew Graham, Mark McNeil, Rob Douglas, Guy Yunghanns, George Patterson.

Men's Under 23 Lightweight - Redmond Lloyd, Josh Buxton, Andrew Armfield, Nick Armstrong, John Goldsworthy, Tim Gruzca, Lloyd Elliot, Damien Barlow, Richard Seymour, Daniel Fahy, Stuart Smart, Andrew Hodder.

Men's Youth - Stuart Olsen, Jason Connell, Kim Macleod, Mathew Pigdeon.

Men's Junior -Tom Hodgson, Simon Gadsden, Nigel Sullivan, Bill Tait.

Women's Under 23 Heavyweight - Fioran Bourke, Claire Wookie, Sophie Morell, Poss Herbert.

Men's Intermediate - Alan Davis, Henry Edgar, Marcus Tyrell, David Henshaw.

Women's Youth - Laura Patterson, Heather Murray, Jo Teasdale, Hayley Frodsham.

Men's Veteran's - The regular crews seen training on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday mornings over the last few years are still at it.

AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVES

Men's Coxless Four

J. Tomkins
M. McKay
A. Cooper
N. Donaldson (Coach)

Men's Eight

D. Ginn
B. Dodwell
B. Hayman

Women's Quad Scull

F. Spriggs

Men's Lightweight Four

D. Mollison

Women's Eight

G. Douglas

Men's Coxed Four

P. Murphy
D. Colvin

Men's Junior Coxless Four

N. Sullivan
S. Gadsden
B. Tait
T. Hodgson
P. Somerville (Coach)

VICTORIAN REPRESENTATIVES

KINGS CUP

J. Tomkins
 B. Dodwell
 M. McKay
 D. Ginn
 P. Murphy
 A. Cooper
 B. Hayman
 N. Donaldson (Coach)

PENRITH CUP

D. Mollison

WILKINSON CUP

N. Sullivan
 S. Gadsden
 B. Tait
 T. Hodgson
 P. Somerville (Coach)

U.L.V.A. TROPHY

F. Spriggs
 G. Douglas
 N. Donaldson (Coach)

BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

The 1994-95 rowing season saw Mercantile consolidate its fleet of superb rowing equipment. Although we did not buy any new boats, those boats which are part of our fleet were overhauled and maintained to their highest level. Members must be thanked for their part in keeping the fleet clean and operational.

The two Nomex pairs purchased from Jeff Sykes last year, remain the newest boats in our fleet of pairs. One of the boats was named the "**David Yunghanns**," in appreciation of his service to the club. The boat christening took place at the Presidents lunch in December 1994. The committee is yet to determine a name for the other pair. Both pairs were used this year by our Under 22 men.

Sean "**Trader Al**" Colgan continued his very generous support of Mercantile by donating another ten Cleaver Blade Carbon Fibre oars. These oars were used by the United States men's lightweight eight at the 1994 World Championships in the USA. The oars were used by the Mercantile senior eight which won several major races this season, including The Head of the Yarra.

The colours of Mercantile have often been neglected from the equipment. This year, however, it was decided that the blades of all oars should be repainted and a blue stripe added to the tip of the blade. Thanks go to Warwick Hutchins and his employees for providing the necessary materials to paint the blades. Most of the

clubs oars have now been painted and the distinctive blue stripe makes Mercantile crews more easily identifiable.

The emphasis placed on safety has been increased this year. With the popularity of rowing increasing, more and more inexperienced athletes are using the Yarra river for their training Melbourne Water are beginning to enforce the long standing regulation regarding lights. The regulation requires all boats on the water during non daylight hours to display a light which is visible through 360 degrees. Members should note that fines of up to \$1000 are levied the crews concerned not the club.

The "J G H Sprigg" has undergone a complete overhaul by boat builder Walter Rotter. Walter has achieved fantastic results in his rejuvenation of the "J G H Sprigg" which has been in our fleet since 1983. We extend our thanks to Walter for his magnificent effort. The Veteran VIII are planning to race the "Sprigg" at this years Masters Games to be held on Albert Park Lake.

This year also saw a complete rewiring of the club boat trailer and an overhaul of the ergometers.

A full list of the Clubs equipment and the condition thereof are detailed below:

BOATS

Eights

Jeff Lawrence	1991	Excellent
Arthur Atkins	1988	Excellent
J G H Sprigg	1983	Excellent

Coxless Fours

Susan Lee	1993	Excellent
N L Newton	1992	Excellent
Graeme McCall	1991	Excellent
Phil Ainsworth	1986	Good
Ken Hume	1982	Fair
Ted Sorani	1978	Fair

Coxed Fours

Trader Al	1994	Excellent
E C White	1991	Excellent
N W Cairns	1991	Excellent
Noel W Donaldson	1991	Excellent

Coxless Pairs

Unnamed Sykes	1993	Excellent
David Yunghanns	1993	Excellent
David Pincus	1993	Excellent
Warwick Hutchins	1993	Excellent
James Tomkins	1991	Excellent
Andrew Cooper	1992	Excellent
Michael McKay	1991	Excellent
Sam Patten	1991	Excellent
Andrew Evans	1990	Excellent
John Carr	1990	Excellent
Peter Gibbs	1985	Fair
Jo Jo Doyle	1985	Good
Octa Wilson	1984	Good

OARS

	Qty	Year	Condition
Concept II Carbon Fibre Oars:			
Ultralight:			
-Lightweight Men	10	1994	Excellent
-Senior Men	10	1993	Excellent
-Under 22 Men	9	1992	Excellent
Women	8	1992	Excellent
-Intermediate/Youth Men	8	1991	Excellent
Standard Carbon:			
-Veterans / Social	10	1990	Very Good
-Veterans / Social	9	1990	Good
-Veterans / Social	8	1985	Good
Wooden Oars:			
-Assorted Wooden Oars	12		Fair

MISCELLANEOUS

Concept II Ergometer	1	1994	Excellent
Concept II Ergometer	1	1991	Excellent
Concept II Ergometers	2	1989	Excellent
S & B Single Axle Boat Trailer	1	1985	Very Good
Boat Transport Frame	1	1991	Excellent
NW-263 (Aluminium Hull) speedboat	1	1982	Poor

BUILDING REPORT

In May 1994 Mercantile embarked on it's most ambitious rebuilding program since the great fire of 1973. A rebuilding sub committee comprising Jeff Lawrence, Andrew Evans and Warwick Hutchins was formed to liaise with the club architect Anthony Lucas in the finalisation of the design and working drawings for submission to tender.

Using as a basis, the famous "Boat House Row" in Philadelphia USA, the sub committee settled on an innovative set of designs incorporating a clerestory ceiling effect to highlight the interior of the front of the boat house and incorporating a balcony and a gabled front elevation in the design to provide a relief to the stark existing structure.

Thus the whole of the exterior was remodelled to effectively harmonise with the newly completed Melbourne Rowing Club next door in an effort to give cohesion and approximate similarity to both boat houses and hopefully to set a pattern for any future redevelopment or renovation along the river bank. The entrance stairs were repositioned to the side of the club and the interior was completely rebuilt around the centre piece of the new bar which was designed with the invaluable input of David Yunghanns. Fold up doors gave access to both the balcony and the rear section of the club house enabling the bar area to be completely isolated when necessary.

The successful tender was, happily, a long standing club member and well known Australian light weight oarsman Malcolm Robertson, his crew commenced work in May 1994. The work proceeded with only the normal delays expected with any extensive renovation works of this nature, and the entire works were finished to operational status save for minor finishing touches in August 1994.

Not only have the renovations enhanced the overall look of the club but they have also made the club more amenable to social functions thus promoting that important aspect of club life. Mercantile now has a boat house to be proud of, equal to any and superior to most on the river bank.

However it should be made clear to all members that your committee, in authorising such extensive works, has committed the club to an ongoing financial responsibility and it is incumbent on all members, both young and old to support the club in it's efforts to extinguish the debt in the shortest possible time frame. Although the debt

facility has been guaranteed by ten senior members it still remains effectively a club responsibility and must be regarded as such.

Mercantile now has clubhouse facilities and a fleet second to none as it approaches the twenty first century and is ideally positioned to remain Australia's premier rowing club. It is to be hoped that all members recognise and strive to protect the benefits of such an advantaged position.

Social And Club Events

Since my appointment as Social Manager, I have endeavoured to invite more members and friends to enjoy the clubs social activities. With the rejuvenated Clubhouse, we are in a position to offer the best sunset location on the Yarra for our Thursday night barrels. Combining this with the amber fluid courtesy of C.U.B. and the hamburgers (Mc Robs) there is a great atmosphere being rebuilt and numbers attending on this traditional club night. This is a very powerful fund raising tool we have and the more members we see on Thursday's the greater the financial reward will be.

The turnout at this years Presidents luncheon was one of the largest the club has seen. It was a successful afternoon and it was great to see many of our younger members attending to meet and socialise with members we do not see down here very often. The afternoon commenced with the christening of the "David Yunghanns" coxless pair in light of his service to the club over many years. It was a very warm afternoon and ample fluid was enjoyed by all who attended. This led to a very entertaining session of Christmas Carols conducted by our own Pavoroty, Mr. Noel Donaldson. We hope to see an attendance this year like last year.

A party was organised on the evening of the Scotch Mercantile Regatta at the clubhouse. The attending numbers were well down on expectations but we believe due to the temperature during the day of 43 degrees many athletes were knocked around when racing, it played a major factor in numbers. Luckily we managed to break even and it will not daunt me to try again.

Another great night organised this year was the return of the Annual Dinner. We had 155 people in attendance and the clubrooms looked absolutely fabulous. One member put the night into perspective for me " it warms the heart to see so many members together ". This epitomises the general feeling of the evening and judging by the number of sore heads the following day, it was certainly enjoyed in true Mercantile fashion.

We organised a short auction which was conducted by the charismatic Philippe Batters with eight great items available for bidding. These items and the monies raised were:

1. Fully catered dinner, compliments of "Degree's Catering"	\$ 450:00
2. Restored Mercantile Oar, decorated to the purchasers request	\$ 500:00
3. Victorian Rowing Suit, donated by Peter Murphy	\$ 300:00
4. A row in the Australian Men's Coxed Four	\$ 250:00
5. A row in the Batters Coxed Four	\$ 150:00
6. Stereo Cassette Radio with C.D.	\$ 300:00
7. Continental Food Hamper	\$ 275:00
8. A Row in the Awesome Foursome	\$ 525:00

The total from this auction raised \$2750:00 and I thank all those who purchased items for the financial reward of the Club.

The format of the Annual Dinner will revert back to the Friday evening of the Scotch Mercantile Regatta. Please read your Mercantilian when you receive them to ensure you take note of all club social events and dates.

The Sprigg Time Trial

By the time of receiving this report, the Sprigg Time Trial will have been run and won. It is being held on Sunday 4th June and we expect one of our largest turnouts for years. The winning crew will be presented with the trophy at the Annual General Meeting.

Barrels Bash

Barry Gross and David Yunghanns will again be running the Barrels Bash this year. After its success of last year I urge all members to make it down for this fine Sunday afternoon occasion. Barry and David were able to raise over \$3000:00 in profit for the club and we thank them greatly for his fine effort. When members organise social function at the club, it is up to other members to support these functions and attend. The greater the attendances, the greater the financial reward. It is also a great excuse to catch up with friends you may not regularly see. So I'll see you all at the next Social Function we have.

Grand Final Day

I am still yet to confirm the details for this day, but I am hoping to have a large wall screen television to watch the live telecast of the Grand Final. Where else would you

want to watch it other than at Mercs with friends, food and more importantly, the bar. Watch for further details in your Mercantilian.

Sunday South West Corner Sessions

Jim Harvey is operating the Sunday South West Corner Sessions for quite some time now. If you are unable to attend on Thursday evenings make a date for a Sunday and come down, have a beer and spend time with Jim, John "Thumbscrew" Carr, our President and all the others who regularly attend.

Members Friday Luncheon

On the last Friday of each month our Real Estate guru Philippe Batters has organised the members luncheon. It has started slowly, but with attendances picking up each month we would like to keep this an ongoing venture. All you have to do is attend the Club on the last Friday of the month and pay \$15:00 for a Steak, Salad and Cheese and Fruit Platter. Beverages are available at Mercantile bar prices.

Mercantile and Victorian Based Australian Athletes Guernsey Presentation

On June 15th, two days prior to the A.G.M., there is a presentation evening being held at the Club by the V.R.A. to present all Victorian based Australian athletes with their racing suits and tracksuits for the World Championships. It is going to be a fun evening with many people in attendance and it lends itself to a perfect warm up for the A.G.M. There are seventeen Mercantile athletes in the Australian team and this is your opportunity to meet these athletes who are based in Melbourne and Geelong.

Finally, I look forward to seeing you at the Club in the near future. If you have any queries regarding club events please feel free to call me at the Club, Tues. to Fri. 10am till 4pm.

The Mercantilian

As editor of the club's infamous newsletter, I am always looking for news and great stories, old or new, that other members will find entertaining and informative to read. If anyone would like to contribute to the "Mercantilian", please give me a call at the Clubhouse during the week or fax me on "650-3044". (this is a ph./fax no.)

Robert Manning
Social Manager

VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION 1994/1995 PREMIERSHIP POINTS

Senior Men			
Mercantile	74	Barwon	13
M.U.B.C.	33	Essendon	16
Banks	23	Ballarat City	10

Senior Women			
M.U.L.R.C.	39	Richmond	6
Essendon	33	Banks	4
Yarra Yarra	7	Y.W.C.A.	4

Junior Men			
Essendon	66	Ballarat City	53
St. Patricks	54	Power House	44
Corowa	53	Banks	43

Junior Women			
Essendon	171	Yarra Yarra	50
Corio Bay	68	M.U.L.R.C.	48
Y.W.C.A.	59	Power House	47

Lightweight Men			
Mercantile	10	Banks	3
M.U.B.C.	10	Carrum	1
Wend.-Ball.	8	Footscray City	1

Lightweight Women			
Essendon	3	M.U.L.R.C.	1

Champion Club - Men			
Essendon	30	Hamilton	16
Ballarat City	28	Banks	15
Mercantile	18	M.U.B.C.	14

Champion Club - Women			
Essendon	54	Corio Bay	17
Y.W.C.A.	30	M.U.L.R.C.	15
Yarra Yarra	26	Melbourne	13

GENERAL REPORT

General Committee Meetings of the club have been mostly well attended and have been the centre of some heated yet constructive debate. Simon Morrison and David Colvin have been our regular chairperson's and have kept firm control whilst allowing the committee to air important club issues.

Mercantile was in a position this year to win two men's premierships, Men's Senior and joint winners with M.U.B.C. in the Men's Lightweight. This is always a great achievement but disappointingly we were unable to record any wins in the women's competition. This happened even where solid entries and participation levels were evident. More support and direction needs to be channelled towards our female athletes if the Club wants to present a balanced perspective to the rowing community.

As the world shrinks every day, so does the distinctions between Mercantile "the club" and the hierarchies of modern rowing. Often to protect our identity and assets we have induced conflict between ourselves, the V.I.S., V.R.A. and the A.R.C.. Whilst I believe that this is unavoidable in defending balanced debate; the current dialogue and approach of our Club Captain, Simon Morrison, has opened up new and refreshing ground for much needed consensus.

In a recent radio interview, Mr. Frank Pike; as Head of the V.I.S., defended his Institution's sole purpose in promoting elite athletes but also warned against any erosion of club values and traditions. In support of this, Mercantile is promoting an express desire to "recycle" athletes; successful or otherwise, into continuing supporters of Mercantile and Victorian rowing. The current Committee with their experience in club organisation and rowing spanning generations, is united behind our Captain and President in pursuing the benefits derived from club values and traditions.

The Club's appreciation must be again forwarded to the following:

- Wal Oakley and Caroline Downing for their persistence in obtaining media coverage of our sport.
- Roger Wilson for his great commentary and always making us believe that a Mercantile crew is never out of contention in a race at Regatta venues.
- The Scotch Mercantile Regatta was complemented by another tireless Scotch Mercantile Regatta Committee and the effort by all Mercantile members on a day of 43 degrees. The regatta committee would like to thank all members who assisted in the smooth running of the days events.
- Bill Waterfield and the V.R.A. Regatta Officials during the conduct of regattas.
- All persons who have generously given both donations of time and monies to Mercantile is detailed later in this report.
- Our patient "Committee Minutes" typist who has to wade through my hand writing and decipher my text, Jenny Batters, wife of Philippe.
- To all our members who serve as umpires, officials and starters at regattas we thank you all very much for your input into the various regattas around the country. Members such as Spiv White, Andrew Guerin, David and Graeme Boykett, Ron Negri, Jim Harvey, Justice Hubert Fredrico, Steve Gillon and Warwick Mahony all put in a tremendous amount of effort for the sport and the club. I hope that younger members will also give their service to rowing as the listed members already noted.

With the coming year holding so much promise for the future, we need the support of all our members to ensure that Mercantile stays the very best Club in Australia if not the world.

For and on behalf of the Committee
John Lemming
Honorary Secretary

COMMITTEE

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

Philippe Batters	9
David Boykett	10
David Colvin	9
Alan Davis	7
Georgina Douglas*	1
Henry Edgar**	1
Andrew Evans	6
Warwick Hutchins	4
Greg Johnson	5
Jeff Lawrence	11
John Leeming	10
Michael McKenna	6
Andrew McNeil	9
Robert Manning	10
Simon Morrison	9
Peter Murphy	6
Celia Patterson	8
George Patterson†	4
Tony Walker†	7
Richard Wraith	8

*Resigned Committee December 1994 (Due to acceptance of AIS scholarship)

‡Resigned as Club Manager December 1994

†Appointed Committee December 1994

**Appointed Incoming Treasurer March 1994

REGATTA RESULTS**Dimboola**

Men's Senior Pair:

(B) A. McNeil (Str) S. Morrison

Men's Intermediate Four

(B) H. Edgar (2) J. Buxton (3) A. Armfield (Str.) R. Moreton (cox) A. Croxford

Warrnambool

Men's Senior Four

(B) R. Moreton (2) D. Henshaw (3) T. Hodgson (Str.) M. Graham (cox) P. Beitzel

Carrum Regatta

Men's Intermediate Four

(b) L. Halligan (2) T. Hodgson (3) B. Tait (Str.) S. Gadsden (cox) N. Jordan

Men's Senior Pair

(B) L. Halligan (Str.) T. Hodgson

Melbourne Regatta

Men's Senior Pair

(B) M. Graham (Str.) M. McNeil

Essendon Regatta

Men's Lightweight Senior Pair

(B) A. Armfield (Str.) J. Buxton

Victorian Universities Regatta

Elite Men's Pair

(B) T. Ellis (Banks) (Str.) P. Murphy

Men's Senior Four

(B) W. Tait (2) T. Hodgson (3) N. Sullivan (Str.) S. Gadsden (cox) N. Jordan

Men's Senior Pair

(B) J. Faranda (M.U.B.C.) (Str.) G. Begley

Men's Intermediate Four

(B) B. Tait (2) T. Hodgson (3) N. Sullivan (Str.) S. Gadsden (cox) N. Jordan

Scotch Mercantile Regatta

Men's Senior Four

(B) B. Tait (2) T. Hodgson (3) N. Sullivan (Str.) S. Gadsden (cox) N. Jordan

Men's Senior Eight

(B) S. Langenbacher (2) R. Wraith (3) N. Sadler (4) A. McNeil (5) M. Graham

(6) S. Spriggs (7) G. Hall (Str.) S. Morrison (cox) P. Beitzel

Henley Regatta

Men's Lightweight Eight

(B) N. Armstrong (2) D. Barlow (3) A. Armfield (4) J. Buxton (5) G. Hall

(6) G. Hall (7) J. Goldsworthy (Str.) R. Lloyd (cox) G. Morell

Men's Elite Four

(b) B.Tait (2) T. Hodgson (3) N. Sullivan (Str.) S. Gadsden (cox) N. Jordan

Men's Elite Pair

(B) B. Tait (Str.) S. Gadsden

Men's Elite Eight

(B) S. Langenbacher (2) T. Hodgson (3) G. Yunghanns (4) P. Somerville
(5) M. Graham (6) S. Spriggs (7) G. Hall (Str.) R. Wraith (cox) P. Beitzel

Men's Lightweight Pair

(B) J. Buxton (Str.) A. Armfield

Men's Senior Four

(B) B. Tait (2) T. Hodgson (3) N. Sullivan (Str.) S. Gadsden (cox) N. Jordan

Barwon Regatta**Men's Senior Pair**

(B) G.Hall (Str.) S. Morrison

Men's Senior Eight

(B) B.Tait (2) T.Hodgson (3) N. Sullivan (4) S.Gadsden (5) A. Cooper
(6) M.McKay (7) J. Kovacic (Str.) J.Tomkins (cox) N. Jordan

Victorian Championships - Ballarat**Champion Men's Senior Four**

(B) B. Tait (2) T. Hodgson (3) N. Sullivan (Str.) S. Gadsden (cox) N. Jordan

Champion Men's Senior Eight

(B) B. Tait (2) T. Hodgson (3) N. Sullivan (4) S. Gadsden (5) A. Cooper
(6) M. McKay (7) P. Murphy (Str.) J. Tomkins (cox) N. Jordan

Footscray**Men's Senior Pair State Sprint Champions**

(B) J. Buxton (Str.) A. Armfield

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.
PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
 for the year ended 30th April 1995

<u>1993/94</u>	INCOME	<u>1994/95</u>
31	Interest Received	12
16,076	Profit on sale of Assets	-
12,000	Rent Received	15,000
26,728	Subscriptions Received	34,518
	Less Subscriptions written off	(1,555)
33,960	Donations - General	17,365
11,072	- Social	10,345
901	- Tributors	-
650	- Building	38,349
3,108	Hire of Boat Racks	680
3,850	Members Functions	35,675
2,943	Sundry Income	220
2,079	Ergometer Fees	-
206	Profit (Loss) on sale of Stock	-
<u>4,024</u>	Profit on SW Corner	<u>3,934</u>
117,628		155,094

*11,500
10,000*

LESS: EXPENSES

	Administration Expenses	2,138
60	Advertising	-
655	Bank Charges	1,616
36,094	Depreciation - Boats	35,698
4,329	- Oars	5,088
265	- Trailers	215
1,348	- Sundry	3,570
2,102	Fire Protection	2,361
664	General Expenses	1,026
1,819	Gymnasium	-
9,822	Insurance	5,924
19	Interest Paid	37
	Interest Paid - Building	8,791
142	Licences & Associated Fees	203
3,819	Light & Power	4,478
-	Memorabilia	6,621
3,671	Printing, Stationery & Postage	2,714
2,499	Rates	1,020
3,642	Building Design & assoc. Fees	700
	Repairs & Maintenance	
3,597	- Boats & Oars	10,968
4,341	- Boathouse incl. Cleaning	5,759
226	- Other Equipment	19
350	Written Off Member Expenses	1,007
520	Telephone	1,386
330	Trophies	350
<u>2,769</u>	VRA Affiliation	<u>3,999</u>
83,084		106,729

\$ 34,544

SURPLUS FOR YEAR

\$ 48,365

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.**BALANCE SHEET**

as at 30th April 1995

<u>1993/94</u>	MEMBERS FUNDS	<u>1994/95</u>
247,801	Accumulated Funds (1st May)	282,345
34,544	Surplus for Year	48,365
<u>48,864</u>	War Memorial Building Fund	<u>48,864</u>
\$ 331,209		\$ 379,574
	REPRESENTED BY:	
	CURRENT ASSETS	
2,126	Subscriptions Outstanding	1,430
3,130	Sundry Debtors	260
1,295	Cash at Bank - General Account	-
24,408	- Building Account	571
55	- Social Account	1,463
2335	Stock on Hand - General Account	3,034
3,500	- Social Account	2,553
<u>3,390</u>	Member Expenses Outstanding	<u>3,919</u>
40,238		13,229
	CURRENT LIABILITIES	
-	Cash at Bank - General Account	3,545
763	Subscriptions in advance	762
12,270	Sundry Creditors	22,068
10,500	Loans -Other	5,500
-	Loans - Westpac Bank - Building	73,666
-	Loans - Mercantile Endowment Fund	14,364
<u>10,000</u>	Loan - Scotch Mercantile Regatta	<u>15,000</u>
35,533		134,905
6,704	WORKING CAPITAL	(121,676)
	FIXED ASSETS	
145,911	War Memorial Clubhouse	339,004
277,343	Boats - at Cost	277,343
<u>127,417</u>	Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>163,115</u>
149,926		114,228
30,248	Oars - at Cost	35,548
<u>11,584</u>	Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>16,672</u>
18,664		18,876
2,650	Trailers - at Cost	2,650
<u>1,858</u>	Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>2,073</u>
792		577
14,813	Sundry Assets - at Cost	37,737
<u>1,858</u>	Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>9,172</u>
9,211		28,565
<u>324,504</u>	TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	<u>501,250</u>
\$ 331,209	TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 379,574

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.
J G H SPRIGG, JEFF WYLIE & F R BROWNE TROPHY TRUST FUND
BALANCE SHEET
as at 30th April 1995

<u>1993/94</u>	MEMBERS FUNDS	<u>1994/95</u>
1,000	Capital Account	1,000
<u>1,000</u>		<u>\$ 1,000</u>

REPRESENTED BY:
CURRENT ASSETS

INVESTMENTS:

	Shares:	
1,000	Potter Warburg Authorised Trustee Fund	1,000

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.
ENDOWMENT FUND
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
for the year ended 30th April 1995

<u>1993/94</u>	INCOME	<u>1994/95</u>
	Interest Received:	
45	ANZ Executors & Trustees	62
-	Mercantile Building Fund	431
	Dividends Received:	
462	Broken Hill Pty Co Ltd	517
452	BTR Nylex Ltd	478
134	Boral Ltd	166
278	Bums Philp Ltd	212
264	CSR Ltd	297
190	Evans Deakin Ltd	-
94	Lyon Nathan Ltd	104
314	National Australia Bank	481
288	Mayne Nickless Ltd	317
262	Pacific Dunlop Ltd	287
50	Western Mining Corp	85
-	Walker Corporation	90
<u>2,788</u>		<u>3,033</u>
	Trust Distributions:	
428	PW Growth Trust	437
<u>3,261</u>	TOTAL INCOME	<u>3,964</u>
	LESS:	
4	Government Duties	4
<u>\$ 3,257</u>	SURPLUS FOR YEAR	<u>\$ 3,960</u>

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.
ENDOWMENT FUND
BALANCE SHEET
as at 30th April 1995

<u>1993/94</u>	MEMBERS FUNDS	<u>1994/95</u>
20,000	Capital Account (30/4/2002)	20,000
19,970	Capital Account (30/4/1993)	22,274
900	Donations	702
Income Account:		
24,144	Balance 1/5/94	27,401
3,257	Surplus for Year	3,960
<u>\$ 68,272</u>	BALANCE OF MEMBERS FUNDS	<u>\$74,337</u>
REPRESENTED BY:		
CURRENT ASSETS		
INVESTMENTS:		
Deposits		
164	ANZ Executors & Trustees	3,020
Shares:		
7,774	Broken Hill Pty Co Ltd	7,774
8,318	BTR Nylex Ltd	8,587
2,868	Boral Ltd	3,013
3,974	Burns Philp Ltd	4,186
5,639	CSR Ltd	5,639
3,531	Evans Deakin Ltd	-
3,390	Lyon Nathan Ltd	3,390
4,470	National Australia Bank	4,470
5,932	Mayne Nickless Ltd	5,932
5,574	Pacific Dunlop Ltd	5,574
2,555	Western Mining Corp	2,919
3,100	Walker Corporation Ltd	3,100
<u>57,124</u>		<u>54,585</u>
(Market Value of Shares 30/04/95 \$71,920)		
Trust Units:		
8,092	PW Growth Trust	-
Other Receivables:		
2,892	Mercantile Rowing Club - Donations	1,892
-	Mercantile Rowing Club - Building advance	14,364
-	Mercantile Rowing Club - Interest on advance	431
-	R A Cooper Fund - Interest	45
<u>\$ 68,272</u>	TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$74,337</u>

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.
R.A COOPER MEMORIAL TRUST FUND
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
 for the year ended 30th April 1995

<u>1993/94</u>	INCOME	<u>1994/95</u>
	Interest Received:	
118	Citicorp Australia Ltd	122
106	Custom Credit Corp Ltd	-
12	Westpac Banking Corp	71
	Dividends Received:	
994	Aust. Foundation Invest Co	1,019
<u>1,231</u>		<u>1,212</u>
	LESS: EXPENSES	
3	Government Duties	3
95	Mercantile - Cooper Trophy	95
<u>\$ 1,133</u>	SURPLUS FOR YEAR	<u>\$ 1,114</u>

R.A COOPER MEMORIAL TRUST FUND
BALANCE SHEET
 as at 30th April 1995

<u>1993/94</u>	MEMBERS FUNDS	<u>1994/95</u>
5,699	Capital Account	5,699
	Income Account:	
3,964	Balance 1/5/94	5,097
1,133	Surplus for Year	1,114
<u>\$ 10,797</u>	BALANCE OF MEMBERS FUNDS	<u>\$ 11,910</u>

REPRESENTED BY: CURRENT ASSETS

DEPOSITS:		
3,493	Cash at Bank	5,999

INVESTMENTS:

Debentures:		
1,000	Citicorp Aust Ltd	-
Shares:		
5,956	Aust Foundation Invest Co Ltd (Market Value 30th April 1995 \$20,482)	5,956
Other Receivables:		
348	Aust Foundation Invest Co Ltd	-

LESS:

Accounts Payable		
	Mercantile Endowment Fund	45
<u>10,797</u>	TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 11,910</u>

MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.
KEITH BILNEY MEMORIAL TRUST FUND
BALANCE SHEET
as at 30th April 1995

<u>1993/94</u>	MEMBERS FUNDS	<u>1994/95</u>
-	Capital Account	
	Donations received	2,444
	REPRESENTED BY:	
	CURRENT ASSETS	
-	Cash at Bank	2,444

TREASURERS REPORT

As with our success on the water, the financial strength of the Club continues to improve as new directions and member activities see an increase in the benefits of membership of the Club.

As mentioned elsewhere in this report, the focus of the Club during the past season, particularly from a financial point of view, has been in the fantastic building renovation program undertaken during which over \$215,000 has been spent in providing the first class clubrooms which we enjoy today.

To undertake the building works the Club has entered a 10 year loan program with our bankers Westpac Banking Corporation for borrowings of \$75,000 which has been guaranteed by 10 members of the Club. Other borrowings were obtained from the Mercantile Endowment Fund (\$14,364) and the Scotch Mercantile Regatta Trust (\$5,000)

During the past few years some funding has been set aside for this work, and long term lease arrangements were completed with our sub tenant Brighton Grammar School who provided a capital contribution in return, and while the Committee agreed to additional works some \$60,000 over our initial budget, this was achieved without increasing borrowings beyond the original limits sought by the Club.

While the additional works necessitated a temporary halt to our annual boat replacement program as available funds were diverted to the Building, the final works completed have exceeded everyones expectations. Next season further works will see Heating and Airconditioning and the memorabilia collection completed, while it is also hoped that other neglected areas such as the Gymnasium can be improved.

Once again **Carlton & United Breweries** have continued their magnificent financial support of the Club both in product and financial assistance. This is the third year of a five year agreement with Carlton & United Breweries which this year saw us receive the amount of \$11,500 plus 60 barrels of their delightful products. Also a significant sum was donated to assist in the renovation of the new bar. We thank Carlton & United Breweries for their continued support.

Sean "Trader Al" Colgan continued his magnificent assistance to the Club with the donation of a further set of 10 Carbon Fibre Oars and also a sum to assist in the Building works.

In addition to the above, during the Season the Club also received generous donations from a number of members as follows: **Andrew Guerin, Harry Mahoney, Peter Boykett, Keith Bilney, Graeme Richardson, Graeme McCall, Bill Unwin, Phil Ainsworth, Ian Duthie, Rob Connolly, Justice Hubert Frederico, Vic Mulder, Norm Cairnes, Russ White, David Boykett and Stephen Gillon.** Thank you to all these members for their kind assistance.

Jeff Lawrence
Honorary Treasurer

MEMBERS 1994 - 1995

The membership of the Club as at 30th April, 1995, was as follows

	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991
Life	12	11	7	7	7
Senior Active / Competitive	171	149	162	165	155
Senior	14	14	13	10	11
Junior Competitive	51	40	43	42	41
Junior	5	3	16	34	31
Country	34	34	31	34	32
Associate	50	49	51	56	62
Honorary	1	3	6	4	3
Leave of Absence	3	3	-	-	-
	341	306	329	352	342

Life Members

Ainsworth	Phil, J.	Aitken	Robert, R. MBE	Bradshaw	Bill,
Cairnes	Norm, W.	Cooper	Andrew, D. OAM	Donaldson	Noel, W.
Guerin	Andrew, N.	Lawrence	Jeffrey, J.	McKay	Michael, S. OAM
Owen	Martin, F.	Sorani	Ted,	Tomkins	James, B. OAM

Senior Competitive Members

Armfield	Andrew,	Begley	Guy, K.	Buxton	Joshua, P.
Connell	Jason, R.	Davis	Alan,	Dodwell	Benjamin,
Douglas	Georgina, C.	Ginn	Drew, C.	Graham	Mathew,
Hall	Gavin, S.	Hayman	Brett,	Henshaw	David,
Johnstone	Courtney, M.	Kovacic	Jason,	McNeil	Andrew, S.
McNeil	Mark,	Mollison	Derek,	Morrison	Simon, A.
Murphy	Peter, J.	Petricola	Mathew, A.	Sadler	Nicholas, D.
Spriggs	Simon, D.	Tyrrell	Marcus, C.		

Senior Active Members

Adams	James, S.	Anderson	Warwick,	Ashby	Duncan, R.
Baillieu	Timothy, J.	Balmforth	Darren,	Barden	Geoff, I.
Batten	Malcolm, W. OAM	Batters	Philippe, R.	Benjamin	Peter, L.
Billard	Stuart, G.	Boykett	David, H.	Boykett	Graeme, H.
Brennan	Rosemary,	Briggs	Andrew, P.	Bruce	Jamie,
Burford	John,	Cannon	Andrew, M.	Carew	William, F.
Colvin	David, E.	Coveney	Scott, A.	Craig	Robert, I.
Creasy	Dennis, E.	Dawson	Ray, S.	Dempster	Peter,
Dobbie	Alex, W.	Donovan	Michael, J.	Douglas	David, G.
Doyle	David, J.	Doyle	Mark, A.	Duthie	Ian, R.
Edgar	Henry, C.	Edwards	Roderick, K.	Evans	Andrew, M.
Fogarty	Michael, J.	Foley	John, E.	Franel	Phil, J.
Frederico	H. Tim,	Frederico	Hon. Hubert, R.	Gadsden	Christopher,
Gillon	Stephen, M.	Gross	Barry, B.	Hansen	Greg,
Harrison	Simon, R.	Harry	John, R.	Harvey	Jim, R.
Harvey	Peter,	Hayes	John, V.	Hayne	James, E.
Herold	Andrew, G.	Hill	John,	Howden	Jamie, B.
Hutchins	Tom, A.	Hutchins	Warwick, B.	Inglis	Anthony, C.
Johnson	Anthony, L.	Johnston	Christine, S.	Johnston	Gregory, M.
Jonas	Louise,	Jones	Cam, A.	Jones	Jack, M.
Joyce	Paul, G.	Kellam	Murray, B.	Kerin	Mike, J.

Kerr	Jason, D.	Koekoek	Lucas A T.	Langenbacher	Simon,
Lee	Susan,	Lindsay	Alister, W.	Mahoney	Harry, J.
Mahony	Warwick, C.	Manning	Robert,	Mansfield	Patrick,
Manton	Garth, O.	Marshall	Ken, A.	McCall	Felicity,
McCall	Graeme, A.	McDonald	Andrew, W.	McGorlick	Michael, W.
McKenna	Michael, F.	McKenzie-McHarg	Hugh, W.	McMahon	Geoffrey, F.
Mighell	James,	Mollard	Stephen, D.	Moreton	Richard,
Moreton	Stewart, C.	Morrison	W, T.	Mulder	Victor, G.
Nation	Michael, J.	Negri	Justin,	Negri	Ron, A.
O'Brien	Peter, H.	Oakley	Wal, W.	Palfreyman	David,
Partridge	Lea,	Paterson	Ian, H.	Paterson	Richard,
Patten	Sam, G. OAM	Patterson	Celia, L.	Peacock	Andrew
Pearson	Michael, J.	Peckham	Alan, J.	Phillips	Terry, D.
Philp	Peter, E.	Pincus	David, A.	Quirk	Simon, P.
Rantall	Scott,	Reckefuss	Jurgen,	Reed	Stephen, K.
Reid	Scott, J.	Richardson	Geoff, W.	Richardson	Ron, H.
Richardson	S, Graeme.	Roberts	Philip, G.	Robertson	W. Malcolm,
Robertson-Smith	R. Glen,	Ronai-Horvath	Victor,	Ryan	Sean, P.
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