# MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC.



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119th ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET 1998 - 1999 Mercantile Rowing Club thanks

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE 119TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC. WILL BE HELD AT THE CLUBHOUSE ON SATURDAY 26TH JUNE 1999 AT 7.30PM.

#### BUSINESS

- To confirm the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 27th June 1998.
- 2. To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Balance Sheet.
- 3. To elect office bearers for the ensuing year.
- 4. Presentation of Trophies and Awards.
- 5. General Business

Motion: That Mr. Drew Ginn be elected a Life member of the Club.

Any other General Business that may legally be brought forward.

Nominations for Office-Bearers for the ensuing year close on the notice board at the Clubhouse on Saturday 19th June 1999 at 4.00pm.

By Order of the Committee

W. Webster Secretary

28th May 1999

#### 1998 - 99 OFFICE BEARERS

#### PRESIDENT

Mr. A. N. Guerin

#### VICE PRESIDENTS

Mr. N.W.Cairnes

Hon. Justice H.R.Frederico

Mr. M.F.McKenna

Mr. R.B.Wilson Mr. D.J.Yunghanns Mr. A.M.Evans

Mr. W.T.Morrison

Mr. J.J.Lawrence

Mr. W.B.Hutchins Mr. D.H.Boykett

#### CAPTAIN

Mr. G. Barden

#### VICE CAPTAIN

Mr. G. Begley (Resigned Dec 98)

Mr. Paul Somerville (Appointed Dec 98)

#### HONORARY SECRETARY

Mr. W. Webster

HONORARY TREASURER

Mr. M. Kelly

#### SOCIAL MANAGER

Ms. G. Grant

#### **BOATS & EQUIPMENT**

Mr. W. Tait

#### CHAIRMAN OF SELECTORS

Mr. Peter Somerville

#### COMMITTEE

Mr. P. Batters

Mr. S. Morrison

Mr. H. Edgar

Ms. S. Logan

Mr. B. Hasforth

#### SELECTORS

Mr. D.Douglas

Mr. G. Boykett

#### HONORARY AUDITOR

Mr. P.R.Devenish (FCA)

(of Clarke & Co)

#### HONORARY SOLICITOR

Mr. R.R.Aitken

#### VICTORIAN ROWING ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN

Mr. D. A. Pincus

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Members should be pleased with the Club's progress towards its aim to be the premier Club in Australia by the end of the 2001-02 season. The concept of a "premier club" was created under the current five year plan adopted by your Committee in 1997 and requires the Club to achieve a high level of success in the competitive areas, considerable participation in social rowing, increased membership and also greater social activity at the Club. In other words, improving our rowing club in all major areas to the point where it is recognised by all in the sport as the Premier Club.

This season we have seen the number of members in Australian teams remain high, the level of success at National and State Championships rise significantly, the number of members competing or participating socially increase, membership rise and the social activities far better patronised. Your Committee believes that good progress towards its aims has been achieved and thanks members for their support.

We congratulate the following members who have been selected in Australian teams, namely Gina Douglas, James Tomkins, Drew Ginn, Michael McKay, Noel Donaldson, Ben Dodwell, David Colvin, Katie Foulkes and Travis Johnson.

Special mention should again be made of our coaching team of Peter Somerville, Noel Donaldson, Simon Morrison, Paul Somerville, Matt Lovell, Jason Faranda, Georgia Grant, Richard Wraith and Anthony Bergelin. These are the people who are critical to our continued success and we are most appreciative of their work. As members would appreciate, their time commitment to the Club is significant.

We cannot forget the splendid work of our Captain and Secretary who have been the driving force behind all Club activities. The burden of their tasks is enormous and consistent. We are very lucky to have such dedicated and enthusiastic members. It is fitting that the Dr. R A Cooper award for the Club member of the year goes to our Honorary Secretary, Bill Webster.

The Club's income and expenses have risen rapidly with the increase in activity. However the income will need to rise considerably again to match our aims. The need to increase our membership base to improve both subscription and social income streams has never been higher.

Congratulations to our "Barrels Bash" organisers Barry Gross and David Yunghanns together with the many members who have supported the "Bash" since it's inception. The enjoyment from the "Bash" and the considerable funds raised, have put the Club on a solid footing. More particularly, it has taught another generation of members of the secrets of conducting successful functions. We look forward to next years "Bash" conducted by Philippe Batters and the "Inebriate" group who have agreed to maintain the tradition.

Membership has experienced a steady rise to 361 from a low of 286 members in 1996. Fortunately the greatest increases are in the categories of senior and junior. We ask members to introduce their friends and family to membership and to the social activities of the Club.

We regret to advise the passing of Jack Jones, Frank Fogarty and Bill Hidgecock. These members actively participated in Club activities and are missed. The bequest from the Estate of the Late Bill Hidgecock to the Endowment Fund was greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to all members on such a good season and your Committee looks forward to your continued support.

Andrew Guerin President

#### TO THE MEMBERS

Your Committee has pleasure in submitting the 118th Annual report and Financial Statements for the year ending 30 April 1999

Mercantile Rowing Club has achieved many of the targets and goals set by the Executive and the Committee. The contribution members continue to make toward our club has enabled your committee to fund the purchase of new equipment and services that contributed toward the on water success of Mercantile crews.

#### Strategy and Coaching

We are in the midst of a significant transformation, which is changing Mercantile in two important ways: the professionalism of our coaching group and the streamlining our administrative process.

Mr. Peter Somerville will continue as the Head Coach at Mercantile. The Head Coach will support the Senior B category of athlete at the club providing structure to our coaching group. During the 1998 - 1999 season the club received great coaching service from Matt Lovell, Bronwyn Hall, Simon Morrison and Paul Somerville as club coaches. I am pleased to welcome back to the coaching group at Mercantile Mr. Tim Frederico and Mr. Richard Wraith. Congratulations to Victorian Institute of Sport Coach, Noel Donaldson and Mercantile Head Coach Peter Somerville for the five National Championships won by the athletes coached by both of these men were hard fought races in this a pre Olympic Year. To all Mercantile members who are to represent Australia at this years World Championship and Nations Cup regattas the club extends best wishes and good racing.

#### People and Fundraising

Mercantile members contributed to many great fundraising events, the amount raised at the Barrels Bash and the most recent Presidents Luncheon is a true reflection of the support members continue to provide for the club.

Bill Tait and Rob Douglas arranged a number of outrageous functions including the Jungle Party and the Karaoke Night. Both nights raised funds for the club and were very necessary social functions.

The Annual Dinner was a great night, this year Billy Brownless from the Geelong Football Club entertained members and their guests. A successful Presidents luncheon was arranged by Andrew Guerin combining current athletes and their parents. I was very pleased to invite my father along to the club to enjoy yet another great Mercantile function.

The 1998 Barrels Bash was a wonderful club event organized by the men who are synonymous with the term fundraising, Barry Gross and David Yunghanns. The proceeds from the function made possible the purchase of a new boat trailer for the club. The Committee is grateful to the Inebri Eight squad who has volunteered to continue this fundraising event.

The Scotch Mercantile regatta was held at Nagambie, the regatta was a great success, thanks to Mr. Roger Wilson for his professional commentary during the regatta and to all the regatta committee. New club recruits Scott Nash and Kris Coventry sold more regatta programs in one morning than were sold at the State Championship regatta the previous weekend. The regatta will return to the Yarra in the year 2000 and remain a great event within the VRA calendar.

#### The Mercantile Community

If we are to call Mercantile the greatest club in Australia it is because we have great people who contribute in so many different ways to our on-water and social success.

Philippe Batters and the Inebri squad provide a valuable social rowing service to the club, the spirit of the group welcomes all new comers who wish to row socially. The squad have supported every Thursday night Barrel and continue to support all the club social functions. Paul Noonan has completed the restoration of his timber double scull and installed the second external storage rack outside the club. Thank you to Graeme McCall for the generous donation of a double scull to add to the fleet of boats owned by Mercantile. Your committee has allocated funds toward the purchase of a racing eight and pair built by AUSROWTEC we thank Mr. David Palfreyman for his assistance in this deal.

Thank you to Mr. Michael Kelly for his time as treasurer at the club, never before has the club had such demands on the committee and its administrators. Michael has provided a professional service and I thank him for all his work.

Those of you who continue to support the Thursday Night barrel will wish to thank Miss Nicola Ross for the great work done behind the bar during the time Nikki has spent at the club. Please remember that many of those who attend the barrel are not off the water or out of the gym until 7.00pm. Our athletes are preparing for the coming season and importantly Mercantile members are continuing to support this great club.

I have again nominated for the Captains position this season and thank our current President Andrew Guerin and Secretary Mr. Bill Webster for their continued support. The Club benefitted greatly this year from the contribution made by Mr. Paul Somerville as Vice Captain, I am pleased to receive Paul's nomination for the position again in the year 2000. The AGM is always a memorable night, I look forward to seeing you all at the bar.

Geoff Barden Captain

#### TROPHIES

#### 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 Captain's Trophy has again been won by Georgina Douglas. Georgina had another magnificent season in the single scull and has been selected to represent Australia in the single scull at the World Championships at St. Catherines in Canada in August.

#### 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 on the basis of one point for a win with one additional point for any championship.

This year the Max Bailey Trophy has been won by Millie Terracall. Millie is in her second season at the Club and coxed our Youth Womens squad to many wins including victory in the State Senior Eight Championship.

#### 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.

This year the Dr. R.A.Cooper trophy has been awarded to Bill Webster.

#### N. W. CAIRNES TROPHY

This trophy is awarded to the most improved coxswain of the season.

This the trophy has been awarded to Jane Wiltshire who joined the Club earlier this season and coxed our Youth Women's Squad. Jane's victories this season included the Mens Under 23 Coxed Four at the National Championships in Adelaide.

#### JEEF 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 awarded this season to Tom Skidmore. This was Tom's first season at the Club and also his first season as a lightweight.

#### LATE F. R. BROWNE TROPHY

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

This trophy has been awarded to Bill Tait. This season Bill made an impressive comeback from a persistent back injury and took the vital next step in his rowing career. Bill had a number of excellent performances during the season his both pair and four and earned himself

a seat in the Victorian King's Cup crew.

#### H.R. FREDERICO TROPHY

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

This trophy has been awarded to Lisa Farrelly. Lisa rowed in our Youth Women's squad and was our first member to be selected in the Victorian Women's Youth Eight.

#### KEITH BILNEY COACHES TROPHY

This trophy was established in the memory 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 in terms of race wins, 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 attitudes of sportsmanship, dedication and loyalty.

This year the trophy has been awarded to Paul Somerville. Paul coached our Womens Youth Squad this year. His work in recruiting, building and coaching the squad was splendid. This was Paul's second season of coaching, previously he coached our Intermediate Men. Both of Paul's squads have been characterised by great enthusiasm and spirit, this is a credit to Paul. In just over a year he has not only introduced many new young members to the ways of Mercantile but also positioned the Club to become the new force in womens rowing in Victoria.

#### GENERAL REPORT

At the beginning of 1997 the Committee developed a strategy paper for the next five years. The Club faced a number of problems at that time including a lack of on water success, declining membership and uncertain future income. The strategy paper dealt with the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats facing the Club and outlined a plan to again make us the premier club in Victorian and Australian Rowing.

The key conclusion of the strategy paper was the recognition of the absolutely vital role that skilled, organised and highly motivated coaches play in the life of the Club. The central recommendation of the paper was the employment of a Head Coach to organise and coordinate our rowing programs and take specific responsibility for the Under 23 squad. Peter Somerville was employed in October 1997 as our Head Coach and a year ago was given the added authority of being Chairman of Selectors. The reason for making the Under 23 squad a specific responsibility was that this category is the crucial stage between youth and the senior / elite level and is where, traditionally, there has been the largest dropout rate. It has also been the most difficult level at which to attract good quality coaches.

Now after two solid seasons of building numbers at the youth level those members will be moving up to the Under 23 category in the coming year. These members are already in winter training with many aiming for the Pacific Rim Regatta in September. We are confident of a strong showing and urge all members get behind this new generation of Mercantilians.

Off the water our financial position is substantially better than it was two years ago. Again the situation could best have been described as dormant rather than desperate. In the past year collections from members have been much stronger. Whilst more effort can, should and will be put into chasing the slow payers we have also tried to make sure that members feel an involvement with the Club. Regular social functions including Barrel's Bash, the Annual Dinner and the President's Luncheons on top of our Thursday night and Sunday morning barrel trade aim to bring members to the boatshed and meet and mix with fellow members. Regular editions of "The Mercantilian" newsletter to keep members informed and for next season a new Mercantile Marquee at regattas for members both competing and supporting to gather under.

A significantly increased return was also gained from hall hirings in the past year. An increase in the hire price had no effect on the number of hirings and delivered better than expected revenue for the Club. This is now the Club's most significant revenue stream. Our agreement with Degrees Catering has been continued and we look forward to another excellent return from our hall hiring.

One revenue element of the five year plan that has not yet been addressed is sponsorship. We are of course very grateful to Carlton & United Breweries for the provision of our supplies of kegged beer, but the opportunity exists for the Club to seek a major cash corporate sponsorship.

This needs to be pursued in the coming year and the Committee would be keen to seek the involvement of members with ideas and / or expertise in this area. The image of rowing is very good and the securing of a major sponsor could make a significant difference to the activities of the Club.

Mercantile's appreciation must again be forwarded to the following:

- Roger Wilson for his entertaining commentary at regattas and his efforts to ensure that rowing receives media coverage.
- · Wal Oakley for his media coverage in The Age and The Sunday Age.
- . De Fraser and Maxine Brice at the VRA office for all their assistance and understanding.
- Scotch-Mercantile Regatta Committee and in particular Andrew Guerin.
- · Jenny Nunn at Phil Batters' office for her administrative assistance.
- The organisers of "Barrels Bash" Barry Gross and David Yunghanns who again turned
  on a great show and in the process paid for the our new boat trailer. After 5 years this
  was Barry and David's last function. The baton has now been handed to the "Inebri
  Eight".
- Sean "Trader Al" Colgan for his continued support and for pointing out to the US rowing authorities that Mercantile members finished higher on the medal tally than the entire US team!!
- Our caterer Degrees Catering and in particular Kathy Powers and Peter Couttas for their cooperation during the year.
- R.R. Aitken our Honorary Solicitor for his advice during the year.

William Webster Secretary

#### Attendance at Committee Meetings

11 meeting have been held since the AGM, attendance is as follows

9	G. Barden	11
9	M. Kelly	5
9	G. Begley	-
6	B.Tait	2
8	P. Batters	10
5	S. Morrison	9
8	S. Logan	3
6	R. Wraith	4
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#### **OBITUARIES**

The passing of the following members is noted with regret.

#### **JACK JONES**

Jack Jones was one of our longest serving members. Along with Henry Guinn, Alec Dobbie, Graham Richardson, John Seammen, Arthur Atkins and Norm Cairnes he was one of a group of present members who had represented the Club at regattas prior to the second world war, more than sixty years ago. He joined the club as a junior members in 1937 racing for the most part in the lightweight crews.

Jack never achieved senior ranks in regatta rowing probably because he was on active service at the time and age when normally he would have done so. He did not return to active rowing after the war. He was one who simply enjoyed rowing and was regularly at the Club for Sunday morning outings. In more recent years he purchased both a single and double scull so that he could arrange his rowing at times to suit him best.

Jack and his wife Patricia were part of the group of members who journeyed to Henley on Thames in 1981 as part of the Club's centenary celebration. While he participated with enthusiasm in the social side of the regatta his interest was in the rowing and each day would find him in the stand with his binoculars assessing the merits of the crews and enjoying the rowing. Jack was not one who sought or achieved great success on the water, he just enjoyed his years at Mercantile for the company and the sport.

#### FRANK FOGARTY

Frank Fogarty was the youngest son of John J. Fogarty, a well known Mercantile oarsman in the Club's early years. His eldest brother Tom rowed for the Club in the 1930's. Frank joined the Club immediately after the second world war and competed in maiden, junior and senior races for some years with success at major metropolitan regattas and in the country. He was always a cheerful and entertaining companion and great value on trips to such regattas as Bairnsdale and Rutherglen.

Although Frank ceased active racing in 1949 he maintained his membership until his death. Until his health failed he was regularly seen at the Sunday morning gatherings and had a consistent in and support for the Club.

#### C. W. (BILL) HIDGCOCK

Bill Hidgcock, was a member of the Club for over fifty years. Bill was an old Geelong Grammarian and joined the Club in 1945 immediately on return from active war service. He raced for the Club during the 1945 / 46 season winning Maiden VIII's, Junior IV's and Open

VIII's in the company of well known old Mercantilians such as Hugh Clarke, Harry Duncan, Herb Shears, Bill Wallace and Arthur Atkins. At the end of 1946 he went to live in the country and took no further part in competitive rowing.

In his latter years he had lived in the Yea district and had not enjoyed the best of health. Although Bill rowed at Mercantile for only a short time he valued his association with the Club so much that he maintained his membership for another fifty years. It is the continued support of members such as Bill which help make up the traditions of Mercantile and help to provide the financial stability which enables the active members of today to enjoy the fleet and facilities of which the Club is proud.

#### MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB BOATS AND EQUIPMENT REPORT 1998/99

In the last couple of years the Committee has developed a complete boat replacement program for our fleet. This program takes into account our current fleet, our expected needs over the next five years and our financial capacity. The policy considers the different types of boats and the needs of members in terms of both elite level competition including national selection and also recreational use. Our aim is to ensure that we have the best possible fleet of boats to satisfy our members needs. Given the priority of pair oared rowing in terms of national selection, our pairs will be maintained as the youngest group of boats in the fleet. Fours will be renewed less regularly and eights will generally be kept until the end of their life.

During the last year we purchased 3 boats. A brand new coxless pair the "Peter (China) O'Brien, a coxed four the "W. H. Webster" and an eight the "Jim Howden". The pair was for the use of our Elite Men, whilst the four being of medium size was used by our Youth Women. The eight is an ex-Brighton Grammar School boat and was purchased for our growing band of social rowers. We also purchased a set of 10 adjustable cleaver oars and thanks to the support of all those who attended Barrel's Bash a new boat trailer.

Disposals during the year were the coxed four the "N. W. Donaldson" and the pair "James Tomkins".

Scheduled purchases for the coming year are an eight, a coxless pair and a coxless four.

Thanks must also go to Walter Rotter for the repairs he has done on various boats in the shed.

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

BOAT	MAKE	YEAR	CONDITION
EIGHTS	400006-CA		
J.J. LAWRENCE II	SYKES	1997	EXCELLENT
JEFF LAWRENCE	SYKES	1991	EXCELLENT
ARTHUR ATKINS	SYKES	1988	GOOD
J.G.H.SPRIGG	SYKES	1983	GOOD
ЛМ HOWDEN	S&B	1984	GOOD
COXED FOURS			
W. H. WEBSTER	AUSROWTEC	1998	EXCELLENT
TRADER AL	SYKES	1994	EXCELLENT
N.W.CAIRNS	SYKES	1991	EXCELLENT
TED SORANI	SYKES	1996	EXCELLENT
COXLESS FOURS			
DAVID BOYKETT	SYKES	1997	EXCELLENT
PHILLIPE BATTERS	AUSROWTEC	1996	EXCELLENT
SUSAN LEE	SYKES	1993	EXCELLENT
N.L.NEWTON	SYKES	1992	EXCELLENT
GRAEME McCALL	SYKES	1991	EXCELLENT

COXLESS PAIRS					
J. R. HARVEY		SYKES	Č-	1998	EXCELLENT
PETER (CHINA) O'BR	HEN	SYKES		1998	EXCELLENT
BARRY GROSS		SYKES		1993	EXCELLENT
DAVID YUNGHANNS		SYKES		1993	EXCELLENT
WARWICK HUTCHIN	S	SYKES		1993	EXCELLENT
DAVID PINCUS		SYKES		1993	EXCELLENT
ANDREW COOPER		SYKES		1992	EXCELLENT
MICHAEL McKAY		SYKES		1991	EXCELLENT
SAM PATTEN		SYKES	k	1991	VERY GOOD
ANDREW EVANS		SYKES		1990	VERY GOOD
JOHN CARR		SYKES	i)	1990	VERY GOOD
SINGLE SCULLS					
SYKES NOMEX		SYKES	3	1995	EXCELLENT
SYKES WOODEN (Y	ELLOW)	SYKES	5	1990	VERY GOOD
SYKES WOODEN (B	LACK)	SYKES	S	1980	GOOD
SOUAD	IDENTIFIC	CATION	QUANTITY	YEAR	CONDITION
ULTRALIGHT CLEA	VER OARS				
YOUTH WOMEN			ADJUSTABLE	1998	EXCELLENT
SENIOR MEN	U.S.A. BLA	DES	10 x 3760mm	1995	EXCELLENT
UNDER 23 MENGRE			10 x 3760mm	1994	EXCELLENT
SENIOR MEN	GREEN &	RED	10 x 3775mm	1993	EXCELLENT
YOUTH	RED,BLUE	& WHITE	8 x 3755mm	1992	EXCELLENT
SENIOR WOMEN	BLACK &	RED	6 x 3720mm	1992	EXCELLENT
LW MEN	BLACK &	YELLOW	4 x 3750mm	1992	EXCELLENT
JUNIOR MEN	YELLOW		4 x 3760mm	1992	EXCELLENT
INTERMEDIATE	BLUE & W	HITE	8 x 3755mm	1991	EXCELLENT
/ VETERAN					
STANDARD CARBO	N OARS				
VETERAN	RED		10	1990	VERY GOOD
/ SOCIAL					
SCULLING BLADES					
CROKER			6	1997	EXCELLENT
WOODEN STANDA	RD OARS				
ASSORTED	WOODEN	17		1887	FAIR
MISCELLANEOUS					
CONCEPT C ERGOM	ETER		4.	1997	EXCELLENT
SYKES TANDEM AX	EL BOAT TRA	ILER	L	1998	EXCELLENT
S &B SINGLE AXLE			1	1985	GOOD
BOAT TRANSPORT F	RAME		T.	1991	EXCELLENT
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#### Rowing - Head Coach Report

Season 1998/1999 has been a very solid year for the on-water performances of the Mercantile crews. To start the year of very nicely the Oarsome Foursome picked up a lazy two gold and a silver medal at the World Championships in Cologne, Germany last year. Mike McKay and Drew Ginn came second in the Olympic class coxless pairs and then teamed up with James Tomkins, Brett Haymen and Nick Green to win the coxed four. James, Brett and Nick won the coxed pair in commanding fashion. This was a good result following on from a solid season by the crew. The pairs came first and third at Lucerne and the four seriously challenged the British four at the Royal Henley Regatta. Gina Douglas may have been a little disappointed with her final result at Cologne but in her first representative season sculling her Lucerne result, where she was a finalist, showed some very promising signs. Noel Donaldson performed outstandingly under some stressful situations to achieve these results as coach of all the above crews.

Ben Dodwell represented Mercantile at the World Champs in the coxless four. Katie Foulkes, who coxed the women's eight, was our other representative. Ben finished fourth in what was a class field, headed by Briton, Steve Redgrave. Katie, who is based at the AIS in Canberra, continues to grow in experience and knowledge as a cox. If she is not careful she could well see herself in Sydney on the start line as cox of the Australian Women's Eight.

Mercantile had rowers at the Nation's Cup in Greece. Simon Gadsden was in the men's eight that won. This was a terrific effort by Simon and his crew. Christine Camiller was unlucky to hit a buoy in the final few strokes of the lightweight single scull semi-final, which she was winning. Unfortunately she lost an oar out off her hand and could only manage fourth spot and a place in the Division B Final, which she won comfortably.

We had numerous crews winning at the Australiasian Regatta, at the domestic regattas, at the state championships, at the national championships and will shortly have our national representatives winning at the Nation's Cup, at the Rowing World Cup and the at the World Rowing Championships.

Our members made up the bulk of the Victorian Team to compete at the 1998 Australiasian regatta. The event, held in Queensland, proved to be a high quality competition that was well organised by the Queensland Rowing Association. We had three pairs and a single sculler representing us. The pair of Rob Douglas and Bill Tait raced well to win the event. They teamed up with David Crawshay and Travis Johnston to win the coxless fours as well. Unfortunately the Victorian eight, which comprised of the winning four plus Mercantilians Andrew Rees, Blair Hasforth, Noel Dunstan and Mitch Russian finished a close second to New South Wales.

I view the Australiasian Regatta as a very valuable tool for training our club athletes during the winter months. When our athletes decide to try out for this team, we are able to control the amount and quality of training that they complete in the winter months. The only other option for them is the intervarsity competition, which is largely out of our control and usually more of a good time party than a solid preseason. An added bonus of competing at the Australiasian Regatta for the younger rowers is the opportunity to gain some important experience in the coxless boats before they have to race seriously later in the year.

The State Championships saw a solid performance by our athletes. We picked up the usual bag of medals. A pleasing aspect of the regatta was the wide variety of events, which we won. Not just limited to winning the male events, this year we won quite a number of female races. This is a pay-off for the continuing commitment that we have made to develop female rowing at Mercantile, and as a consequence to Victorian and Australian Rowing.

If the state championships were a solid performance then the national championships were a great performance. Some really encouraging signs for the club were displayed at the Regatta held at West Lakes in Adelaide. When Mercantile was at its zenith during the 1980's we were winning a lot of senior B races. This year we won the men's B pair and the men's B coxed four as well as having members in the crews that finished 1st and 2nd in the B eights. Another good sign was that we had two female B fours that competed well at the regatta. These two crews will continue to improve with more experience.

Although Gina Douglas only managed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the single sculls she bounced back in typical great form to win the double sculls with new Mercantile recruit Marny McBean. Katie Foulkes coxed the winning women's A eight from the AIS.

The King's Cup regatta was not the Victorian white wash that we predicted might happen. Never the less Mercantile was well represented in the Victorian team. Victoria won the inaugural Zurich Cup presented to the best state overall.

Many thanks must go to all the people who helped to coach our athletes over the past year. We are nothing if the standard of our coaches is not up to scratch. So the club's coaches can all take pride in the fact that as a rowing club we achieve great results over the whole of the rowing spectrum; from junior, through youth and senior B, to our senior athletes. So I personally thank the following people who coached Mercantilians over the past year:

Noel Donaldson	John Cumper	Paul Somerville
Simon Morrison	Mat Lovell	Jason Faranda
Georgia Grant	Rob Jones	Richard Wraith

The club had a huge number of members (over forty at the last count) coaching within school programs. This "infiltration" of rowing programs ensures that school athletes are taught to row

with the tried and tested Mercantile rowing style. On a more serious note there is a great advantage to us as a club when we have our members out and about in the schools coaching the boys and girls. It makes our club well known and more accessible. This is an enormous help when we try to recruit the next intake of budding international rowers. For instance, Mercantilians coached the winner, second and fourth in the boy's 2<sup>nd</sup> eights at the Head of the River (congratulations to Tim Frederico on winning with the Xavier 2<sup>nd</sup> VIII). When these good athletes research what club they might join, our name will be high on their list.

Some of the members coaching at the school level include; Noel Donaldson, Pete Somerville, David Aitken, Peter Sutton, David Crawshay, Tony Walker, Bill Tait, Georgina Douglas, Rob Douglas, David Douglas, Georgia Grant, Jason Faranda, David Pincus, Anthony Bergelin, David Clerk, Julia Cuthbert, Travis Johnston, Ben Crouch, Millie Terracall, Drew Ginn, James Tomkins, Matt McArdle, Nikki Ross, Laura Blunden, Melanie Hayden, Mark Doyle, Paul McGann, Guy Begley, Melissa Clarke, Fiona Harris, Antony Schober, Matt Phillips, Blair Hasforth, John Kupcis, Sam Hayton, Tom Skidmore, Paul Noonan, Noel Dunstan, Elle Garnys.

My apologies to anyone who I have left of the list.

Currently the club's athletes who are not on the Australian team are organised into squads for a solid pre-season's work. We have squads for our senior A athletes and large squads for our senior B and youth teams. With ten heavy weight senior B males and 18 females, 8 lightweight males and 2 females plus a few "odd-bods", the numbers are large and of a promising standard. For the first time in several seasons the club will be boating lightweight teams for both males and females. Tim Frederico has been signed on to assist me with the men's crew.

A major goal for the winter is to make the team and compete in the 1999 Australiasian Regatta. This year SOCOG are running the event and it is to be run in conjunction with a regatta called the "Pacific Rim International". As a part of its Olympic preparations each sport must hold an international event where all the systems to be used as a part of the Games must tested. All the Olympic timing systems, the officials and volunteers and the myriad of other components that make up the Olympic Regatta will be used. This will make it exciting events for our senior B team.

Peter Somerville Head Coach

#### 1999 State Team Representatives

Men's coxed eight (King's Cup)

David Colvin, James Tomkins, Drew Ginn, Mike McKay, Ben Dodwell, Bill Tait, (Noel Donaldson)

#### Women's coxed eight (Governor General's Trophy)

Georgina Douglas, Katie Foulkes

#### Women's single scull (Nell Slatter Trophy)

Georgina Douglas, (Noel Donaldson)

#### Men's youth coxed eight (Noel F Wilkinson Trophy)

Travis Johnston, Andrew Rees, David Crawshay, Mat Phillips, Mitch Russian

#### Women's youth coxed eight

Lisa Farrelly

#### 1999 Australian Representatives

#### World Rowing Championships (St. Catherines, Canada)

Men's coxless pair

James Tomkins, Drew Ginn (Noel Donaldson)

#### Men's coxed eight

Mike McKay, David Colvin

#### Men's coxless four

Ben Dodwell

#### Woman's single scull

Georgina Douglas (Noel Donaldson)

#### Women's coxed eight

Katie Foulkes

#### Nation's Cup (Hamburg, Germany)

Men's coxed eight

Travis Johnston

#### VICTORIAN REGATTA RESULTS 1998/99 - Winners

Dimboola Regatta - 21 November 1998

#### Mercantile Rowing Club Inc.

Mens Novice Coxed Four

Geoff Greeves, Sam Hayton, Geoff Coates, Tim McKinley, Cox Mitch Russian

Mens Intermediate Four

Henry Edgar, Marcus Tyrrell, Guy Begley, Ben Stevenson, Cox Noel Jordan

Mens Intermediate Eight

Sam Hayton, Geoff Greeves, Tim McKinley, Geoff Coates, John Kupcis, Michael Gilbertson,

Blair Hasforth, Andrew Rees, Cox Millie Terracall

Mens Open Coxed Pair

Blair Hasforth Andrew Rees

Female Novice Four

Edwina Fordice, Lisa Farrely, Georgia Bunn, Elizabeth Doody,

Female Intermediate Double Scull

Laura Van Buuren, Petrice Lovell

Female Open Pair

Laura Van Buuren, Nicola Ross

#### Henley on Maribyrrnong - 28 November 1998

Female Novice Eight

Elizabeth Doody, Gemma Butler, Georgia Bunn, Nicola Ross, Jean Tait, Laura Blunden, Melanie Hayden, Melissa Clark, Cox Amy Brennan

Female Intermediate Four

Jean Tait, Laura Blunden, Melanie Hayden, Melissa Clark, Cox Millie Terracall

Female Intermediate Eight

Elizabeth Doody, Gemma Butler, Georgia Bunn, Nicola Ross, Jean Tait, Laura Blunden, Melanie

Hayden, Melissa Clark, Cox Millie Terracall

Female Open Pair

Laura Van Buuren, Petrice Lovell

Female Open Four

Jean Tait, Laura Blunden, Melanie Hayden, Melissa Clark, Cox Millie Terracall

#### Colac Regatta - 29 November 1998

Female Intermediate Scull

Fiona Harris

Female Intermediate Double Scull

Fiona Harris, Nicola Ross

#### Carrum Regatta - 12 December 1998

Mens Intermediate Eight

Tim McKinley, Sam Hayton, Matthew Phillips, Geoff Coates, John Kupcis, Michael Gilbertson,

Blair Hasforth, Andrew Rees, Cox Mitch Russian

Mens Senior Four

Scott Nash, Kris Coventry, David Crawshay, David Clerk, Cox Harley Sedman Female Intermediate Double Scull Fiona Harris, Miriam Der Beek

#### Wendouree Ballarat - 23 January 1999

Mens Intermediate Eight

Sam Hayton, Tim McKinley, Michael Gilbertson, Jason Faranda, Andrew Rees, Blair Hasforth, Geoff Coates, Matthew Phillips, Cox Mitch Russian

Female Senior Scull

Georgina Douglas

Female Youth Four

Melissa Clark, Jean Tait, Laura Blunden, Melanie Hayden, Cox Jane Wiltshire

Female Elite Pair

Laura Van Buuren, Petrice Lovell

#### Universities Regatta - 30 January 1999

Mens Elite Pair

Drew Ginn, James Tomkins

Mens Elite Eight

Travis Johnston, Robert Douglas, Bill Tait, Simon Gadsden, Robert Walker, Matthew Long, Drew Ginn, James Tomkins, Cox David Colvin

#### Head of the Yarra - 6 February 1999

Mens C & D Eight

Terry Phillips, Soren Christensen, Steve Mollard, Kel Boyington, John Shanasy, David Douglas, Stephen Gillon, Peter Philp, Cox Bill Webster: Time 28:04.56

#### Victorian Championships Regatta - 13 & 14 February 1999

Mens Elite Pair

Drew Ginn, James Tomkins

Mens Elite Eight

Travis Johnston, Simon Gadsden, Bill Tait, Matthew Long, Rob Walker, Michael McKay, Drew Ginn, James Tomkins, Cox David Colvin

Female Senior Scull

Georgina Douglas

Female Senior Eight

Elizabeth Doody, Julia Cuthbert, Lisa Farrely, Lou Gannon, Melissa Clark, Jean Tait, Laura Blunden, Georgina Douglas, Cox Millie Terracall

Female Elite Scull

Georgina Douglas

#### Scotch Mercantile Regatta - 20 February 1999

Mens Novice Four

Cam Elliot, Charles Tandy, Travis Bull, Rob Sloan, Cox Harley Sedman

Mens Novice Eight

Cam Elliot, Charles Tandy, Travis Bull, Rob Sloan, Tim McKinley, Michael Gilbertson, Geoff Coates, Matthew Phillips, Cox Mitch Russian.

Mens Intermediate Four

Andrew Rees, Blair Hasforth, Geoff Coates, Matthew Phillips, Cox Mitch Russian

Mens Youth Eight

Sam Hayton, Tim McKinley, Michael Gilbertson, John Kupcis, Andrew Rees, Blair Hasforth, Geoff Coates, Matthew Phillips, Cox Mitch Russian

#### Australian Henley - 27 & 28 February 1999

Mens Novice Four

Sam Hayton, Scott Orchard, Tim McKinley, Michael Gilbertson, Cox Millie Terracall

Mens Intermediate Four

Scott Nash, Kris Coventry, Matthew Phillips, David Crawshay, Cox Mitch Russian

Mens Senior Pair

Bill Tait, Rob Douglas

Mens Youth Eight

Sam Hayton, Tim McKinley, Michael Gilbertson, John Kupcis, Andrew Rees, Blair Hasforth, Geoff Coates, Matthew Phillips, Cox Mitch Russian

Mens Open Eight

Geoff Coates, Blair Hasforth, Kris Coventry, John Kupcis, Simon Gadsden, Scott Nash, Rob Douglas, Bill Tait, Cox Millie Terracall

Female Intermediate Four

Jean Tait, Melissa Clark, Melanie Hayden, Laura Blunden, Cox Jane Wiltshire

Female Intermediate Eight

Julia Cuthbert, Elizabeth Doody, Lou Gannon, Lisa Farrelly, Jean Tait, Melissa Clark, Melanie Hayden, Laura Blunden, Cox Millie Terracall

Female Elite Scull

Georgina Douglas

#### TREASURERS REPORT

The past year has been a good one for the club treasury. We have been able to significantly increase our revenue over previous years, thanks largely to a great response from the members in paying their subscriptions and supporting fund raising activities and the continued involvement of Degrees Catering. This large increase in revenue has facilitated the continued employment of our head coach, as well as the purchase of new boats and equipment. It is clear however that the resurgence of the club is going to further strain the finances as new boats are needed for the growing number of athletes. Because of this, we must continue to look for ways to expand the revenue base of the club, be this through increased membership, or more innovative approaches, the assistance and input of members in welcomed in this process. I would also like to publicly thank the secretary, Bill Webster, who took over much of the financial running of the club during my extended time away over the summer. This assistance was greatly appreciated.

In conclusion, thank you again to the large proportion of members who paid there subscriptions and I hope you can see and feel the impact that your continued assistance is having on the revival of Mercantile.

Michael Kelly Treasurer

### MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC. PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT for the year ended 30th April 1999

	for the year ended 30th Apr	ril 1999
1997/98		1998/99
S	INCOME	S
33	Interest Received	9
25,841	Rent Received	26,384
37,641	Subscriptions Received	56,837
	Less Subscriptions written Off	
19,825	Donations - General	6,093
25,596	- Social	14,800
-	Degrees Catering	72,081
1,300	Hire of Boat Racks	900
600	Hire of Boats	1,250
41,150	Members Functions	
6,206	Sundry Income	14,308
	Profit on S.W. Corner	(4,774)
8,297	Profit on sale of equipment	12800
166,489		200,688
	V and Variables state	
	LESS: EXPENSES Administration Expenses	5 022
971	Bank Charges	5,932
3/1	Donations	1,310
37,008	Depreciation - Boats	44.070
6,146	- Oars	44,076
115	- Trailers	5,257
5.488	- Sundry	815
2,686	Fire Protection	4,631
2,000	General Expenses	2,674
11,114	Insurance	2,319
11,114	Entry fees and Boat Transport	12,093
17,940		9,749
1,329	Interest Paid - Building Loss on Sale of Stock - general	13,255
1,323		
7.224	Licences and Associated Fees Light & Power	140
648	Memorabilia	8,011
3,676		7,040
340	Printing, Stationery & Postage Rates	2,860
13,508		9,106
15,500	Coaching costs Repairs & Maintenance	32,034
28,657	- Boats & Oars	0.047
6,780	- Boathouse incl. Cleaning	6,017
0,700	Written Off Member Expenses	5,471
2,556	Telephone Expenses	4 000
1,292	Trophies	1,922
6,222	V.R.A.	5,800
153,700	Y.N.A.	6,486
12,789	SURPLUS FOR YEAR	186,998
12,100	JON DOS FOR LEAR	13,690

#### MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC. BALANCE SHEET as at 30th April 1999

	as at 30th April 1999		
1997/98		1998/99	
S	MEMBERS FUNDS	\$	
352,944	Accumulated Funds (1st May)	365,733	
12,789	Accumulated Funds (30th April)	13,690	
48,864	War Memorial Building Fund	48,864	
414,597		A 7 A 7 TO 1	428,287
	REPRESENTED BY:	-	
	CURRENT ASSETS		
33,825	Member Expenses & Subs Outstanding	19,286	
1,000	Sundry Debtors		
	Cash at Bank		
	- Building Account		
6,376	- Social Account	1,602	
1,012	- Bilney Fund Account	1,014	
1,253	Stock on Hand - General	915	
69	- Social	51	
43,535			22,869
	CURRENT LIABILITIES		
6,514	Cash at Bank - General Account	3,347	
	Subscriptions in Advance		
44,684	Sundry Creditors	6,950	
5,500	Loan - Other	5,500	
18,000	Loan - Scotch Mercantile Regatta	18,000	
42,274	Loan - Westpac Bank - Building	34,615	
14.364	Loan - MRC Endowment Fund	14,364	
131,336			82,776
(87,801)	WORKING CAPITAL		(59,907)
	FIXED ASSETS		
368,122	War Memorial Club House	368,122	
368,122		( ) ·	368,122
323,119	Boats - at cost	357,154	
236,616	Less Accumulated Depreciation	286,512	
86,503			70,642
35,049	Oars - at cost	35,049	
23,237	Less Accumulated Depreciation	27,194	
11,812			7,855
2,650	Trailers - at cost	9,650	
2,414	Less Accumulated Depreciation	3,114	
236		12.159	6,536
54,438	Sundry Assets - at cost	56,938	
18,714	Less Accumulated Depreciation	21,900	
35,724			35,038
502,397	TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		488,193
414,597	TOTAL ASSETS		428,287

#### MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC R A COOPER MEMORIAL TRUST FUND INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT for the year ended 30th April 1999

1997/98	INCOME	1998/99
	Interest Received	
	Citicorp Australia Ltd	-
48	Westpac Banking Corp	8
	Dividends Received:	
1,219	Aust. Foundation Invest. Co	1,353
1,267		1,361
	LESS: EXPENSES	
6	Government Duties	18
6,395	Mercantile - R A Cooper Trophy, Coxed 4+ sundry	
(5,134)	SURPLUS FOR YEAR	1,343

#### R.A. COOPER MEMORIAL TRUST FUND BALANCE SHEET as at 30th April 1999

1997/98	MEMBERS FUNDS	1998/99
5,755	Capital Account	5,940
	Income Account:	
7,348	Balance 1/5/97	2,215
(5,134)	Surplus for Year	1,343
7,969	BALANCE OF MEMBERS FUNDS	9,498
	REPRESENTED BY: CURRENT ASSETS	
	DEPOSITS:	
794	Cash at Bank	2,342
	INVESTMENTS:	
	Shares:	
5,956	Australian Foundation Invest Co Ltd	7,156
	(Market Value 30th April 1995 \$20,482)	
	(Market Value 30th April 1996 \$23,405)	
1,219	Advance to Mercantile	
	LESS:	
	Accounts Payable	
	Mercantile Endowment Fund	
7,969	TOTAL ASSETS	9,498

### MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC. JGH SPRIGG, JEFF WYLIE & FR BROWNE TROPHY TRUST FUND BALANCE SHEET as at 30th April 1999

1997/98	MEMBERS FUNDS	1998/99
1,000	Capital Account	1,000
	REPRESENTED BY: CURRENT ASSETS	
	INVESTMENTS:	
1,312	Shares: Potter Warburg Trustee Fund	1,312

## MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC. ENDOWMENT FUND INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT for the year ended 30th April 1999

1997/98	INCOME		1998/99
	Interest Received		
128	ANZ Executors & Trustees	36.80	
598	Mercantile Building Fund	554.46	591
	Dividends Received:		
	A.M.P. Ltd	27	
1,245	Broken Hill Pty Co Ltd	1,315	
219	Boral Ltd	154	
394	CSR Ltd	546	
48	Lion Nathan Ltd		
611	National Australia Bank	663	
288	Mayne Nickless Ltd	288	
179	Pacific Dunlop Ltd	179	
101	Western Mining Corp	56	
80	Walker Corporation	118	
40	Fosters Brewing Group	92	
239	State of Qld notes	488	
140	Pacifica Ltd.	260	
	Infrastructure Trust	165	4,351
4,309			4,942
	Trust Distributions		
	PW Growth Trust		
4,309	TOTAL INCOME	- T	4,942
	LESS: EXPENSES		
16	Government Duties		9
4,293	SURPLUS FOR YEAR		4,933

#### MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC. ENDOWMENT FUND BALANCE SHEET as at 30th April 1999

1997/98	MEMBERS FUNDS		1998/99
20,000	Capital Account (30/4/2002)		20,000
E47444	Capital Account (30/4/1992)		
24.885	Balance at 30/4/98	32,154	
A 114-5-1	Legacy Received	500	
7,269	Donations from Members	2,515	35,169
9,729	Capital Reserve Account		9,729
10.005	Income Account:	44,578	
40,285	Balance 30/4/98	4,933	49,511
4,293	Surplus for Year		114,409
106,461	BALANCE OF MEMBERS FUNDS		12.0
	REPRESENTED BY: CURRENT ASSETS		
	DEPOSITS:		2 222
850	ANZ Executors & Trustees		3,226
	INVESTMENTS:		
	Shares:		2 697
	A.M.P Shares		3,687
31,688	Broken Hill Pty Co Ltd		31,688
3,655	Biota Holdings Ltd		3,655
3,396	Boral Ltd		3,550
4,443	Burns Philp Ltd		4,443
	Cable and Wireless Optus Ltd		2,842
11,608	CSR Ltd		11,608
2,080	Fosters Brewing Group Ltd		2,080
2,178	Infrastructure Trust of Aust Group		2,178
5,932	Mayne Nickless Ltd		4,972
4,470	National Australia Bank		4,470
4,226	Pacfica Ltd		4,226
5,574	Pacific Dunlop Ltd		5,574
3,000	State of Qld Exchange Instalment Notes		6,100
2,920	Western Mining Corp		2,920
3,100	Walker Corporation		3,100
88,271			97,094
3145	(Market Value 30th April 1995 \$71,920)		
	(Market Value 30th April 1996 \$80,623)		
	(Market Value 30th April 1998 \$105,281)		
	OTHER RECEIVABLES:		
-	Opening Balance		17,250
89	Accounts Recievable		
	Legacy		500
2,289	Mercantile Rowing Club - Donations		2,165
598	Mercantile Rowing Club - Interest		554
17,387	Mercantile Rowing Club - Building Advance		
(3,023)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		(6,380
106,461			114,409

## MERCANTILE ROWING CLUB INC KEITH BILNEY MEMORIAL COACHES TRUST FUND INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT for the year ended 30th April 1999

1997/98	INCOME		1998/99
	Interest Received:		
2	Westpac Banking Corp		2
	Dividends Received:		
	Dividends Reinvested		481
320	Dividends paid to bank account		481
	Bankers Trust Financial Services Limited		
322		9	965
	LESS: EXPENSES		
	Government Duties	1541	
95	Donation to Mercantile RC for Trophy & Coaches Assistance		95
227	SURPLUS FOR YEAR	-	870

#### KEITH BILNEY MEMORIAL COACHES TRUST FUND BALANCE SHEET as at 30th April 1999

1997/98	MEMBERS FUNDS	1998/99
3,717	Capital Account	4,294
350	Donations Received	625
	Income Account:	
	Balance 1/5/95	*
227	Surplus for Year	870
4,294	BALANCE OF MEMBERS FUNDS	5,789
	REPRESENTED BY: CURRENT ASSETS	
	DEPOSITS:	
428	Cash at Bank	1,441
	INVESTMENTS:	
	Trust Units:	
3,866	BT Split Growth Trust	4,348
	(Market value at 30/4/98 \$4728.45)	
	(Market value at 30/4/99 \$4556.07)	
	Other receivables - MRC donations	
4,294	TOTAL ASSETS	5,789

#### **MEMBERS 1998 - 1999**

#### The membership of the Club as at 30th April 1999 was as follows

	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995
Life	12	12	11	11	12
Senior	166	152	163	148	171
Senior *	21	22	22	30	14
Junior	65	54	54	32	56
Country	42	40	37	26	34
Associate	50	50	44	38	50
Honorary	5	5	5	1	1
Thomas 3-	361	335	336	286	338

#### Life Members

Ainsworth	Phil J.	Aitken	Robert R. MBE	Boykett	David H.
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 Members					
Anderson	Warwick	Atchison	John W.	Atkins	Arthur H.
Baillieu	Timothy J.	Batten	Malcolm W. OAM	Barden	Geoff I.
Batters	Philippe R.	Begley	Guy K.	Bell	Andrea J.
Bernsdorf	Tania	Black	Robert H.	Blackburn	Justin D.
Bolton	John G.	Bostock	John B.	Boykett	Graeme H.
Briggs	Andrew P.	Brooks	Robyn A	Bruce	Jamie
Burns	Donald J.	Cannon	Andrew M.	Canny	David
Carew	William F.	Carr	John P.	Christensen	Soeren
Clerk	David	Colvin	David E.	Cordell	Anthony M.
Crichton	David J.	Dawson	Ray	De Guingand	Chris J.
Deutscher	Robert J.	Dobbie	Alex W.	Donovan	Michael J.
Doody	Leith McD.	Douglas	David G.	Douglas	Georgina C.
Douglas	Libby	Douglas	Robert G.	Downey	Peter J.
Dunstan	Noel	Duthie	lan R.	Eaton	Annabelle
Ebbitt	Isabella L.	Edgar	Henry C.	Evans	Andrew M.
Everist	Ian C.	Faranda	Jason M.	Fogarty	Michael J.
Foley	John E.	Foulkes	Katie	Franet	Phil J.
Frederico	H. Tim	Frederico	Hubert R.	Gadsden	Simon P.
Gakovic	Zeljko	Gillon	Christopher J.	Gillon	Stephen M.
Ginn	Drew C. OAM	Glass	Andrew	Granowski	Warwick O.
Grant	Georgia E.	Grant	John G.	Graver	David R.
Greenwood	Breeana L.	Griffiths	Peter	Griffiths	Rory
Gross	Ваггу В.	Guinn	Henry G.	Hall	Gavin S.
Hansen	Greg	Harding	Paul	Harrison	Simon R.
Harry	John R.	Harvey	Jim R.	Harvey	Penelope J.
Hearn	Leigh G.	Henshaw	David	Hewitt	H. Neil OAM
Hill	John	Hogan	Timothy J.	Holyman	G. lan
Hutchins	Tom	Hutchins	Warwick B.	Inglis	Anthony C.

			TORSI ALL		
Jefferson	Debbie W	Johnson	Anthony L.	Johnston	Gregory M.
Jones	Cam A.	Joyce	Joseph W.	Kellam	Murray B.
Kerr	Jason D.	Koekoek	Lucas A T	Lewis	Mark
Lindsay	Alister W.	Long	Matthew	Mahoney	Harry J.
Majgaaro	Daniel N.	Mansfield	Patrick	Marley	Derek C.
Marshall	Ken A.	McCall	Graeme A.	McGorlick	Michael W
McKenzie-McHarg	Hugh W.	McKenna	Michael F.	Minahan	Denis M.
Mollard	Stephen D.	Monger	Bronwyn	Moreton	Richard
Moreton	Stewart C.	Morrison	Bruce W.	Morrison	lan J.
Morrison	Simon A.	Morrison	WT.	Mulder	Victor G.
Nash	Scott	Nation	Michael J.	Negri	Justin
Negri	Ron A.	Newton	Nicholas L.	Noonan	Paul K.
O'Brien	Peter H.	O'Doherty	David	O'Reilly	Bernard
O'Suilivan	Luke	Oliver	Richard J.	Palfreyman	David
Parmenter	Brian R.	Partridge	Lea	Patten	Sam G.
Patterson	Celia L.	Peckham	Alan J.	Pezimenti	Lucio
Phillips	Terry D.	Philp	Peter E.	Pincus	David A.
Potter	Sarah	Price	Michael	Prowse	Paul G.
Quirk	Simon	Reed	Stephen K.	Reid	Scott J.
Richardson	Geoff W.	Richardson	Ron H.	Richardson	S. Graham
Robertson	W. Malcolm	Robertson-Smith	R. Glen	Robson	Annita
Ronai-Horvath	Victor	Ross	Nicola	Ryan	Sean P.
Schoner	Simon	Seammen	John W.	Shanasy	John E.
Shears	John D.	Skidmore	Thomas J.	Sloan	Alex T.
Smyth	Edward A.	Somerville	Paul G	Somerville	Peter D.
Strang	Robert A.	Strang	Robert W.	Sullivan	Lynne
Sutherland	Tanya	Tait	Bill	Taylor	Robyn
Tomanovits	Martin G.	Tyrrell	Marcus C.	Unwin	Bill A.
Voller	Jon J.	Walker	Robert	Walker	Tony
Wallace	Alan M.	Wallace	Bill L.	Way	Simon A.
Wayne	William J.	Webster	Neil G.	Webster	William H.
Wertheimer	John	Whelan	Jeremy J.	White	Bill C.
Wilkinson	David R.	Williams	Felicity	Willows	Paul
Wilson	Ian W.	Wilson	Roger B.	Wolf	Felicity
Wraith	Richard G.	Yunghanns	David J.		

#### Junior Members

Angliss	Jane	Antica	Jason F.	Barrie	Kim
Batters	Benjamin C.G.	Bell	Amy	Blunden	Laura V.
Bolton	Mark P.	Boutsakis	Adrian	Breslin	Emma
Bull	Travis S.	Bunn	Georgia	Butler	Gemma
Clark	Melissa	Coates	Jeffrey	Coombe	Jeremy
Coventry	Kris	Crawshay	David W.	Cuthbert	Julia
Deague	Anthony	Diab	Adam	Doody	Elizabeth
Doran	Philomena	Elliott	Cameron B.	Farrelly	Lisa
Fast	Stephanie	Gannon	Lucinda	Gilbertson	Michael
Greaves	Goeffrey J.	Hasforth	Blair H.	Hayden	Melanie
Hayton	Sam	Hemingway	Joseph	Howard	Alison
Johnston	Travis	Kelly	Michael J.	Kupcis	John P.
Lawes	Tim	Lewis	Meg	Lgnatiadis	Bill
Logan	Sarah A.	Lovell	Petrice	McManamny	Sally

John S.

Anthony

Geoffrey M.

Rowe

Spriggins

Taylor

Mercantile Rowing Club Inc.			119th A	nnual Rep	
McKenzie-McHarg Mulcahy Rees Russian Sedman Sloan Tait Van Burren	Daisey Ben Andrew Mitchell Harley Robert R. Jean Laura	McKinley Phillips Roberts Scheltus Short Stryker Tandy Wiltshire	Tim Matthew David Nicky Sam Natalie J. Charles R. Jane L.	Miller Powell Rogers Schober Simpson Sutton Terracall	Sally-Anne Anna Carolyn Antony Sophie Peter W. Millie
Country Membe	ers				
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Bailey	William M.	Baillieu	William J.	Bowen	David
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