

Minutes of Annual General Meeting Sat 18 July 2015

Toowong Rowing Club

Meeting commenced at 8am

Present: 82 members

Clayton Bailey	Nick Pettigrew	Tom Davidson	Steve Kennedy	Robyn Wagner
Scott Burgess	Heather Ann Briker-Bell	Chris Brown	Andrew Farr	Noela Zuk
David Frost	Wendy Cavell	Lyn Brown	Jim Gibb	Patrick Connors
Brendan Capper	Angelina Ellis	Wel Gamble	Peter Park	Brian Parmenter
Jenny Conn	Emma Brown	Stef Roseblade	Anthony Fanning	Shane Thomson
Lori Graham	Clare Raven	Jack Price	Chris Lyndon	Rudi Bianchi
Terry Connelly	Michael Murphy	Kieran Dwyer	Kerry O'Rourke	Jack Hutchinson
Luella Forbes	Elizabeth Musgrave	Leo Karadimitris	Cal Malouf	Robert van Mourik
Carol Watters	Callum Chisholm	Gabe Cryde	Russell Kerrison	Ian Robson
Judith Hodgson	Angus Morrison	Kegun Viviers	Chris Bell	Andrew Tynan
Michael Bryden	George Lethbridge	Rick Brown	Sue Stephens	
Don Boshier	Oliver Smith	Tracey Evans	Robyn Herries	
Peter Schryver	Tom Franey	Janelle Filkin	Katherine Lambros	
Diana Wilkinson	Dan McCarthy	Karen Bellingham	Aynsle Coit	

Apologies:

Andrew McLean Williams, Tom Jack, Frank Moss, Ray & Penny Weekes, Andy Browne, Bronwyn Maher, Peter Gregg, Paul Pettigrew, Helen Dickinson, Sue Gamble, Trish Carter, John Bliss, Alan Macgregor, Nick Wallrock, Peter Jell, John Bliss, Jeremy Brookes, Steve McRae, Clive Kilick, Tim McDonnell, Nick Silcox, Darren Purcell, Alex Fields, Amy James, Jack Armitage, Hamish Parry, Alice Doring, Madeline Coonan, Liz Wilson, David Reece, Mark Game, Kath Means.

Confirmation of AGM Minutes 2015

Acceptance of the Minutes from the 2015 AGM are a true and correct record proposed by Rick Brown and seconded by Shane Thomson.

Election of Office Bearers for 2016-2017

Kerry O'Rourke proceeded to call for nominations for the forthcoming club management. The following were elected as Office Bearers for the Club for 2015-2016

Patron: Jack Hutchinson

President: Kerry O'Rourke

Vice Presidents: Russell Kerrison, Tom Jack, Lyn Brown, Shane Thomson, Chris Lyndon, Marion Elliot, Peter Huggett

Management Committee Chairman: Peter Schryver

Secretary: Judith Hodgson

Treasurer: Sue Stephens

Club Captain: John Bliss

Vice Captains: Angelina Ellis & Jack Price

Committee Members: Leo Karadimitris, Mark Game, Rick Brown, Peter Park, and Peter Jell.

General Business:

Peter Schryver (PS) was invited to chair the meeting at this point. He first acknowledged the VPs for their ongoing participation and saw their commitment as a lasting link to the past and bringing to the present the considerable accumulation of experiences. PS sought their assistance in the forth-coming year.

PS acknowledged that TRC is the Premier club in Australia, made so by our representation at the National level of our U23 squad. He thanked the HP Squad coaches Kieran Dwyer and Alex Fields for their dedicated efforts with the TRC High Performance Squad.

Continuing, PS also acknowledged this year's achievements of the Masters men's and women's Squads, thanking Terry Mulligan and Angelina Ellis for their coaching efforts to establish TRC at the top of the leader board at the Australian Masters Championships this year. Peter thanked both Carol Watters and Luella Forbes for their great contributions in the function centre over the past 12 months.

PS acknowledged Andrew McLean Williams Chairman's Report and thanked Andrew for his considerable efforts as Chairman over the past two years overseeing many changes. These changes included the function centre now running as a separate entity from the rowing club, operating

with a club loan, purchasing new items for the business including new chairs, and facilitate operations to be more competitive in the hospitality market place. The next 12 months is forecasted to be the function centre's biggest year with bookings. To accommodate this growth Luella Forbes has now been appointed full time with Carol Watters now spending more time in promoting and securing bookings for the centre. A subcommittee is now being formed to support and advise on the function centre's operations, management and profitability.

The Club Captain's Report was not delivered with John Bliss being absent competing at the Henley Regatta. PS praised the dedicated work of our Club Captain, as well as our boat maintenance team, namely Peter Park, Clayton Bailey and Peter Gregg. It was noted this year has seen the club's highest number of incidents for boat damage. In a year where new boats have been purchased, it is timely to review how the boats are used, and seek effective means to reduce the damage being done on and off the water. PS advised that in the boat allocation process, some of the older HP boats are being passed down for use for the wider membership but more fund raising is needed to ensure the renewal process can continue. PS also encouraged a positive club culture that as members of TRC we don't just become "users" of the club. Membership entails supporting the club through volunteering for various activities – from boat and Club House maintenance, through to LTR & Transition Coaching and assistance in such fund raising programs.

Treasurer's Report:

Peter Park (PP), the outgoing Treasurer, committed his report to the Membership, and spoke to the key points raised in it. PP noted it has been an expensive year for the club with repairs (28 hull repairs, 18 damaged riggers, and \$14k in excess payments as a consequence of the insurance claims made). Due to boats purchased and additional repairs, our equity position has increased, but our cash position is depleted. PP noted that boat maintenance is expensive, and trends of more technology in boats means more maintenance. He does foresee it possible for the maintenance levy to be removed once we have greater income and less expense.

In response to a question from Noela Zuk, referring to recent events causing damage to club property, it was recorded that main damage came from collisions with other boats and pontoons. Kieran Dwyer (Kiwi) noted that HP puts responsibility of damage to the crews, and they have less damage. PP noted that supervision by coaches from tinnies also probably reduces incidents to some degree. Also the RQ Safety Course adoption has changed the mindset, and has added to the membership taking responsibility for reporting and preventing incidents. It is hoped, as we see the results of this reduction of incidents, we should eventually see reductions in Insurances premiums. PS noted the journey we are on is to bring a culture of "Safety Mindedness" to the club. AE noted the need to educate to instil this mindset so we ultimately look after each other as well as the boats.

PP called a motion to approve appointment of the 2015-16 Auditor, Jason O'Connor CPA. He has quoted \$1600 (+GST). This motion was moved by Heather Ann Briker-Bell and seconded by Noela Zuk.

A motion to raise club membership fees was called. As membership fees have not increasing over the last few years, it was proposed there be an increase in 2016 by 5%. This motion was proposed by Robert Van Mourik, and seconded by Shane Thomson.

Peter Schryver spoke on behalf of Diana Wilkinson, new Coordinator of Learn to Row and Transition Rowing, about these Programs. The past few years, LTR and Transition has been developed and coordinated by Brenton Rasheed (BR), and Diana is now taking this on with BR reducing his involvement due to work. To date the program has earned the club in the vicinity of \$20K. To maintain this it needs more support from the membership. The programs need coaches, and assistance to run the sessions. If all TRC members could "step-up" on Saturday's to assist, even one or two weekends – this profitable program can continue and benefit us all in the funds it raises.

Anthony Fanning (AF) spoke about the club establishing a foundation, to operate with the Management Committee on financial issues. AF spoke of a workshop back in April 2015 to discuss income streams, costs, profitability and means by which we can harness the experiences and expertise of the Vice Presidents in order to find more ways for the club to generate income. By looking at other successful Foundations, AF wants to improve the Club's wealth. He has asked Andrew McLean Williams and Mark Game for legal advice on how this could be structured. With a steering Committee set up in April, they hope to have another workshop in September 2015. AF invited all members to attend.

Rick Brown discussed the Raffle presently being run. He asked if all members could sell two books, this could raise \$14K. He encouraged all members to participate in this task.

Andrew Tynan asked about the Profit / Loss reporting on the Annual TRC accounts for the function centre and the HOTB. PP noted the audited report was unavailable at the time of printing the Annual Report.

With the separation of the Function Centre now, P& L will be a lot more transparent. Noela Zuk asked if the club prepared Annual Budgets. PP noted we do, and these are available for all members to view.

Cal Malouf asked PS about the land next door and any activities to report on securing the land. KO noted that a Development Application has to be made, and since the communication from BCC (Cr. Amanda Cooper – Chairperson for the Neighbourhood Planning & Development Assessment Committee) no further correspondences has been entered into. To recall – as KO noted, that communication from Cr. Amanda Cooper acknowledged BCC's support of TRC to propose a use for the land, and proposed to lend support contributing \$100K for the clubs 25% contribution. KO was concerned that no formal reply from the club has been made to that letter. This lack of response was a consequence of the discussions at the SGM (21/06/2014). In response to a question from Kiwi, it was confirmed that the letter noted above is in the TRC Correspondence.

PS noted all information would be gathered and develop a strategy to go forward without committing the club to financial risk or liability. PS noted it's important to keep our options open.

Regarding the Head of the Tweed, Katherine Lambros (new TRC member) noted that a scull was won by TRC. It was reported that John Bliss contacted the boat manufacturer to request a credit for the value of the scull, which can be credited toward the cost of a larger boat at a later stage. Such a boat may be a lightweight women's double, which is needed for a LW U23 crew in training with TRC, this is a logical next purchase.

The High Performance Coach, Kieran Dwyer, applauded the gate cover initiative. On a further note he asked any member having any issues with HP activities address any complaints or comments directly to him to ensure constructive measures can be taken alleviate any issues arising. He had a final comment complimenting the efforts for an excellent annual report. It was requested where possible photos be labelled, and members and individuals be identified in club reports.

Meeting closed at 9:06am.

TRC Financial Members 2015

Daniella Anderson	Katelin Douglas	Peter Jell	Peter Park	Harry Watt
Elliott Apel	Keiran Dwyer (coach)	Angus Jennings	Gill Parmenter	Carol Watters
Jack Armitage	Thomas Edgecombe	Alexander Jeremijenko	Hamish Parry	Ray Weekes
Lachlan Beil	Marion Elliott	Aubrey Job	Georgia Patchett	Penny Weekes
Chris Bell	Angelina Ellis (coach)	William Johnston	Hugh Paterson	Genevieve Whitehead
Karen Bellingham	Tracey Evans	Lucy Jordan	Georgia Petersen	Craig Whitehill
Rudi Bianchi	Anthony Fanning	Michael Jowett	Paul Pettigrew (coach)	Stephanie Wilkie
Emily Bishop	Andrew Farr	Leonidas Karadimitris	Matthew Pettigrew	Diana Wilkinson
John Bliss	Holly Fasso	Gavin Kelly	Nick Pettigrew	Elizabeth Wilson
Aimee Boulton	Alex Field (coach)	Julie-Ann Kelly	Alex Pham (cox)	Nicholas Winkler
Julie Bourne	Janelle Filkin	Steve Kennedy	Michael Potts	Roger Witham
Frances Bradshaw	Tim Foote	Alan Kennedy	Jack Price	Margaret Zerner (cox)
Denise Brayton	Luella Forbes	Charles Kerr	Simon Pringle	Noela Zuk
Heather-Ann Briker-Bell	Sholto Forbes-Spyratos	Clive Killick (coach)	Darryn Purcell	
Colin Brimblecombe	Thomas Franey	Katherine Lambros	David Quinn	HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS
Steven Bristow	David Frost	Robert Law	Samuel Randel Kneipp	Donald Boshier (2005)
Jeremy Brookes	Genna Fulcher	Shaneen Leishman (cox)	Brenton Rasheed	Wendy Cavell (2014)
Emma Brookes	Brian Gabrielli	George Lethbridge	Peter Raspotinik	Alex Hartley (1999)
Rick Brown	Welwyn Gamble	Deborah MacDonald	Clare Raven	Peter Huggett (2004)
Katherine Brown	Susan Gamble	Conon Macfarlane	David Reece	John (Jack) Hutchinson (1990)
Lynette Brown	Mark Game	Peter MacGregor	Andrew Ringwood	Tom Jack (1997)
Emma Brown	Isaac Game	Margaret MacKenzie (cox)	Barclay Roach	Haimish Karrasch (1997)
Andrew Browne	Isabel Gerbe	Alan Macsporrnan	Ian Robson	Les Keefer (2004)
Michael Bryden	Sophie Gerber	Nathan Maguns	Thomas Rogencamp	Russell Kerrison (2009)
Douglas Buchbach	Andrew Gerber (coach)	Greg Maiden	Peter Schryver	Christopher Lyndon (1999)
Brenden Capper	Jim Gibb	James Manning	Sam Scott	Ron Mahoney (2004)
Patricia Caterter	Kahren Giles	Bronwyn Marler	Harry Scott	Calile Malouf (1976)
Robert Casamento	Lizzie Gooden	Donald Marshall	Daniella Serra (cox)	Frank Moss (2005)
Norman Case	Wendy Grady	Mia Martin	Nick Silcox	Terry Mulligan (1979)
Natalie Charlton	Lori Graham	Tim McDonnell	Lachlan Sleeman	Jim Nunan (1998)
Madison Charlton	Stephen Green	Robert McDowall	Oliver Smith	David Orchert (1989)
Callum Chisholm	Peter Gregg	Andrew McLean Williams	William Starky	Ron Ormand (2004)
Jennifer Coates	Robert Gunningham	Stephan McRae	James Stephens (cox)	Jack Pritchard (dec.) (1979)
Aynsle Coit	Nicola Guy	Kath Means	Sue Stephens	Michael Toon (2005)
Jenny Conn	Cameron Hall	Kathy Mehonoshen	Nick Stevens	John Varendorff (2007)
Brittney Moana Connelly	Daniel Harris	Andy Milanovic	Stuart Stevens	
Mark Connolly	Benjamin Harrison	Alex Milanovic	Kate Stewart	
Terry Connolly	Matt Hart	Martin Moloney	Charles Sweeper	LIFE MEMBERS – FINANCIAL
Madeleine Coonan	Ryan Harvey	Deborah Monks	Paul Taylor	Christopher Bell
Lachlan Cornish	Ian Hawke	Frank Moss (coach)	Lucy Theodore	Lynette Brown
Alan Coulton	Tessa Heath	Anthony Moynihan	Shane Thomsen	Douglas Buchbach
John Crawford	Robyn Herries	Terry Mulligan (coach)	Michael Toon (cox)	Patricia Carter
Amanda Cripps	James Hesse	Lachlan Munro	Edina Trott	William Foley
Simon Crooks	Ashleigh Hockings (cox)	Alexandra Muratidis	Ashleigh Tucker	Stephen Green
Saoirse Cruikshank	Alexander Hodges	Michael Murphy	Andrew Tynnan	Kenneth Hutchinson
Gabe Cryle	Judith Hodgson	Elizabeth Musgrave	Robert van Mourik	Dan Kelleher
Thomas Davidson	Latina Kathleen	Tracey Nayler	John Varendorff	Nathan Magnus
Elicia De La Paix	Holt Adrian	Benjamin Newman	Heinrich Venzke	Frank Moss
Annette De Waal	Howard (coach)	Maya Norris	Kirsty Viljoen	Kerry O'Rourke
Paul Delekt	Katherine Howden	Harry Norris (coach)	Brendan Vitella	Hugh Patterson
Helen Dickinson	Peter Huggett	Katrina Nugent	Robyn Wagner	Silvio Praedella
Elizabeth DInsdale	Tom Jack (coach)	Philip O'Dwyer	Nick Wallrock	Shane Thomson
James Doring	Amy James	Mike O'Loan	Heather Warren	
Alice Doring	Cormac Javier	Kerry O'Rourke	Tom Waterman	

Chairman's Report

It is my pleasure to bring to you the 2016 Toowong Rowing Club Chairman's report.

Taking on a role such as Chairman in a club with such a rich and long history was initially quite daunting but a job made easier when surrounded by the passionate and positive people in our club.

As soon as our committee hit the ground this year we were faced with the task of implementing a new membership database. Rowing Australia has been attempting to bring all states and clubs together with the view to having one membership system. We strategically decided to move quickly with our transition to Revolutionise and to have it running for the new membership year. Thanks must go to the whole committee for getting us ready for our December 1st go live date.

The Revolutionise product is an off the shelf system not developed for rowing but we are fortunate by being one of the largest clubs using it that we are able to have positive input into further development.

Our focus as a committee now and into the future will be to streamline our back end processes into Revolutionise. This will provide for you the member continuity in how your membership is managed, how our assets are managed and in the future will manage our regatta entries and payments.

The last 12 months for our club has continued our long tradition of being one the highest performing clubs in the country. As you read this report you will see the sheer size of this achievement by way of the names from TRC that represented our country, state and club with great success.

We are in the enviable position that we are in the top tier of all High Performance clubs at elite and Masters level. This is clearly a credit to our coaches and how they manage our athletes.

Our financial position overall is quite healthy. We set ourselves a tough target of improving our cash position as in the last few years our cash reserves had depleted to an uncomfortable position. Our cash position is positive yet we have still been able to update and manage our fleet requirements during the year.

The functions centre has had a good year with a new structure. Club member, Luella Forbes, was recruited into our first full time position. This has been a positive move and we are seeing results in the functions centre profitability. The net profit whilst not as big as some years is healthy. Given the tough market conditions and competition we face in the functions centre market this is positive news. We are looking in the future to further refine the administration of our functions centre business to help the staff deliver even better results for our club.

Communication has been a key focus for our committee now and into the future. Hopefully you have all seen a positive improvement in how often we communicate with our members. Apart from engaging members with the committee we are seeing improved communication improve safety awareness and also improve our ability to call upon you as volunteers in our club.

Within this annual report you will find significant detail on each committee positions portfolio. I urge you to read and understand the position our club is in and to provide input to your committee moving forward.

The future for us strategically is to refine and improve our systems as a club to provide continuity for our members and value for your membership. This change process must however fit in with the long and rich history of the club.

I look forward to working with you all as we continue this journey.

Yours in rowing,

Peter Schryver
Chairman
Toowong Rowing Club



Captain's Report

2015 - 2016 has been a very successful year on and off the water for the Toowong Rowing Club. I will leave the comments of on water successes to the appropriate coaches. The on water success of this great club is a direct result of the quality of our ever growing list of coaches. The dedication to detail from our senior coaches is nothing short of amazing. Thanks to Terry, Kiwi, Alex, Paul, Angie, Leo, Gabe, Harry, Clive, Mark and Andrew for all their efforts.

Off the water I can see the club is heading in a new strong and exciting direction under the guidance of the TRC committee and the strong leadership of our Chairman Peter Schryver. Peter has vision and direction for TRC. Peter aspires for the rowing club to become a well organised, well equipped sporting club, and to be managed in a professional manner. These goals will ensure TRC's prospects.

Future committee members will benefit from a professionally run organisation which will assist with the operations of the club. I have found one of the most rewarding aspects of being club captain has always been the willingness of the members to volunteer when required. The club working bees are a great example of clubmanship with unprecedented volunteers putting their hands up to help.

One occasion where I was overwhelmed with support was the Head of the Brisbane held in November 2015. The Head of the Brisbane was a great success, the club gained financially and we had good results on the water. Amid the many volunteers' that helped on the day, I would like to make special note of the Septuagenarian's efforts. These members were marshals out on the course using their vast experience to help the crews stay safe during the race. I would like to offer my sincere thanks to the Septuagenarian members for their support and efforts.

The other big fund raiser for the year was the Annual Raffle. Almost all the members sold at least one book with some members selling multiple books. Thanks to all those who donated prizes for the raffle and to Talbot Press for their continued support in printing all the raffle tickets.

Peter Park has been a major volunteer for the club; his countless hours behind the scenes with regard to boat maintenance have been unsurpassed. Boat maintenance is always one of the big concerns of the club as it is a specialised area. Maintenance requires knowledge and knowhow to keep the boats in good working condition. Peter Park has applied his skills of expertise, and knowledge of equipment to repair and build our most used boats until they become the envy of other clubs. We are truly blessed to have had Peter to maintain our boats to such a high standard. This is a skill a lot of our members do not have. Future vision could include a course in basic skills for boat maintenance. As we have a compulsory water safety course these two would be a compatible pairing. The lists of jobs that need doing around the club keep growing.

I have cherished my time as Captain of Toowong Rowing Club but it is time to hand over the reins. I would like to thank all those who have helped me throughout my term as captain. There are too many people to thank individually for their support; however I would especially like to thank the two vice-captains Angie Ellis and Jack Price. They have been reliable and always ready to amend any of my bad decisions. I have formed some great working relationships within the diverse areas of the club. Hopefully in the future our club will continue to develop strong bonds of unity and cohesion along with respect for one another.

Cheers Blissy.



President's Report

It has been another very successful year for our TRC and congratulations must firstly go to club Chairman Peter Schryver and our hard working Committee.

Well done to all the athletes who have performed so well to rank Toowong as No.2 High Performance and No.1 Masters club in Australia. Special mention should be made to the coaches who lead our competitive squads including Kiwi Dwyer, Alex Field, Terry Mulligan, Ange Ellis and Adrian Howard. Not only do these people share their skill and experience as coaches but also provide wider leadership and support to their teams. They frame a positive training environment for our hard-working rowers that underpins a culture of success we can all be proud of

This does not happen by accident. It takes time and experience and a Club culture that has been developing over 127 years.

Rowing is the ultimate team sport.

I have mentioned many times about the need for, and success of, our diverse squads under the watch of Vice-Captain, Ange Ellis. Our many squads form the strong backbone of TRC and reflect that our club is a healthy and inclusive sporting community.

Clive Killick came out from England a couple of years ago and started rowing with us. He observed a growing number of senior women who were a bit more than recreational rowers. Over a period of twelve months the Misfits became another squad at TRC. Clive established a development program and provided coaching to see many women improve their rowing skills and fitness and compete at regattas. They have a crew representing us at Henley this year. Thank you for your leadership Clive. There is no doubt that the Misfits' successes will continue over time and help maintain TRC at the top of the stack.

I am disappointed that John Bliss will stand down as Captain. Over the past 5 years this guy has done one amazing job and without doubt, we can look back and acknowledge Bliss as one of the finest Club Captains and leaders we've had.

Very pleased to see the Head of the Brisbane getting a new makeover under the leadership of Cameron Hall, a relatively new member but with all the enthusiasm of someone who has been here forever. I have no doubt all our members will get behind him and make this an important rowing event for Queensland, to rival the Head of the Yarra.

We are still chipping away with the West Shed. I have kept the Committee informed with developments. Thank you to Cal Malouf and Russell Kerrison with all their support and advice on this. When "all the ducks are lined up" we shall make a presentation to the Committee to inform the members. There are a lot of moving parts.

I have talked a bit about leadership in this article. It is very satisfying to see the numbers of real leaders amongst our members. Not just

the old fashioned variety of "command and control" but modern thinking people who find ways to support our key resources by helping and interacting.

Let's all just hang on for a great ride ahead. Just wait until we are No1 Club in the world!!!

Kerry O'Rourke
President
Toowong Rowing Club



Treasurer's Report

First of all, I'm sorry I'm not with you in person but instead in the UK.

Our Financial Year concludes on the 31st March in case members are wondering why some recent purchases are not shown.

2016 has been a consolidation year.
Cash held at END OF YEAR was \$174,680.

This compares	2016	\$174,680
	2015	\$ 99,617
	2014	\$136,000

Monies from membership have increased by \$11,680 to \$130,186. Our new software – Revolutionise – has significantly streamlined the process and reduced the administrative workload of the Committee. At present, the Club has a membership of 229.

We had quite a successful year in fundraising despite once again not having a corporate regatta. The Club Raffle raised \$12,504 which was a good effort. Thank you to those who contributed. The Learn to Row Programme raised \$8,937, double the result from the previous year. Sadly, we will not have this source of revenue this year. The Head of the Brisbane raised \$17,592. Please note this figure does include significant sponsorship monies from Hutchinson Builders, the Regatta Hotel, Aylward Game Solicitors and a number of other generous members and supporters of TRC.

Reality Check – The Club needs an income of \$12,000/month just to cover our overheads. This figure includes insurance, repairs,

rates, utilities, water, coaching expenses to name just some. It is a daunting figure but one that Members need to be aware of.

It has been a quiet year in terms of **acquisitions**. Our only purchases for the Rowing Shed have been a 2nd hand Sykes VIII and an Indoor Bike Trainer for the gymnasium.

With regard to **expenses**, repairs in general (but particularly this entails repairs to boats) have reduced this year by \$38,475. This is despite a reconstruction to the pontoon following damage caused by excessive water and debris damage. Thank you to Frank Moss for overseeing the pontoon project. Note the increase in rates, water etc. A lot of this was due to a water leak under the concrete which has now been rectified.

Total comprehensive income for the year was \$52,581.26, \$39,300.88 of which is attributable to the Function Centre and \$13,280.38 of which is attributable to other Club activities. There is a detailed breakdown of the income in the Annual Financial Reports. Total equity has increased to \$645,005.48.

Please note in addition to the assets contained in the Audit Report, the Club uses the site amenities constructed for the Club which have an incurred value of \$3.57 million.

Accounting and Audit - Best Accounting and Management maintains the Club's accounts and Jason O'Connor has undertaken to audit for the Club this year.

Sue Stephens (TRC Treasurer)



Shed Director's Report

The club's facilities has undergone minor transformations over the past year. Most notably, the workshop has been consistently kept in a very neat and increasingly practical state, with the installation of more lighting, storage space and the relocation of cox boxes. Our lessor, the Brisbane City Council, are very pleased with the state of the facilities following our annual inspection. Thanks must go to Hutchinson's Builders, who generously helped out with some plumbing work when a concealed leak was discovered below the concrete apron. The associated water bill of approximately \$5000 was agreed upon with Urban Utilities following great negotiating from Rick Brown and Peter Park. The club's gardens are becoming increasingly beautiful and seem to thrive whichever the season – our groundsman Rob Watters has certainly not lost his touch.

Thanks to the Blueys and Goldies for their efforts on the pontoon cleaning, the HP squad in cleaning the gym, John Bliss on his tireless around the club cleaning and everyone else that chips in. Although some of these tasks could be undertaken more frequently, keep up the good work around the shed, because at the end of the day we're all volunteers! It's up to all of us to keep our club great!

Leo Karadimitris



TRC High Performance 2015-2016

First of all, we would like to thank a few people who have assisted this year

- Kiwi and Alex, who's passion, attention and devotion to program is unparalleled
- Their partners, Therese and Justine, for letting them.
- The Committee, John Bliss and Peter Schryver; for doing everything one could ask to support the program.
- Saint Peter Park, who does not require an explanation.
- Madonna Hockings, who lead the charge in managing meals at Nationals - for what ended up being a hoard of people. Her efforts took the load of the coaches and athletes and allowed them to perform.
- Jack and Hutchinson Builders, who are always at the ready to help us get out of a jam.
- Our trailers; Gabe Cryle and David Scott, who hauled boats to Sydney and back.

Below is an account of some of the achievements of the season. We are very proud of the achievements over the last few years. From a cyclical low point in 2010, during a transition phase, the squad and its successes have grown year on year. The program has iteratively morphed and matured. This year, like every year, had some hard lessons taught the hard way. Like the seasons that lead to this one, they have been incorporated and the program will continue to improve. The number of different types of athletes, and at different stages of their development, is a testament to the strength of the program and the quality of our coaching team.

Before we dive into the dry detail of a seasons achievements, I think it would be worthwhile to reflect on the culture of the community that is Toowong and a bit that we are doing well - as both a squad and a club - that have given me a lot of enjoyment over the last few years.

Toowong Rowing Club is like a family; like a big extended family. We don't share blood, but we do share passion for similar things; good water (or the search for it); a boat running sweetly; satisfaction of a well-executed session; the thrill of a good race. Families are not totally functional 100% of the time. There have been times in our not so distant past when this has certainly felt to be the case and our shed became a cold and shadowy cave. But I think we can agree, the last few years we have been a functional family. More so than ever in my experience here, the shed has felt like one club. This is surely a remarkable thing for a club as large and as broad as our own. It is without a doubt a special thing in a rowing club with diverse and still successful programs. I don't think this is purely by accident. Within the HP, Youth, Junior, Men's and Women's programs there has been a conscious effort to erode the ring fences and merge and operate as a single group. So too, within the club, it feels like there has been a movement towards a breakdown of formerly quite ridged sub-clubs. It's not much, but every little fence that gets knocked down sets off a ripple that creeps through the family and binds us a little tighter. The shed, even when a westerly blows through, has felt warm and welcoming.

I encourage this to continue. Keep finding ways to break down the barriers between our groups; even for a quick chat or a helping hand; a little bit of mutual understanding; a few shared experiences. I think if we all made a little effort in this regard, we could turn something that has been remarkable and special into something that is truly incredible.



TRC National Representatives 2015

Australian U23LW2X

Amy James (Toowong RC), Holly Lawrence (UTS RC) and coach Alex Field (Toowong RC), were excited to be selected as the Australian U23LW2x in April 2015.

The 3-month campaign started with Holly relocating to Brisbane and temporarily joining the Toowong squad. With the support from the club our training generally ran smoothly and we were able to enjoy many sunrises, and even some sunsets with a few evening rows. As Holly got used to the swirls in the Brisbane river, and we were able to spend more time in the boat together our speed started to pick up.

Our first training camp saw us meeting and training alongside many of the U23 team in Canberra. The camp was going well until we encountered 40-50km/h winds while attempting to row 1km race pieces. This wind seemed to follow us as we travelled overseas to Bosnia for our final training camp prior to the World Championships.

Bosnia was a new camp location for Australian Rowing, and while the first few days were a bit windy, we were lucky enough to experience glassy water for the rest of the camp. We had the pleasure of staying in a monastery and meeting some of the local animals around the place (many kittens, some pigs and cows on the way to dinner, and a new born puppy). We used the rest of the Australian team to practice racing pieces, while also finalizing technique and racing strategies.

As we arrived in Bulgaria, the team atmosphere grew more anxious. All crews showed their strengths with great results in the heat, the U23LW2x placing 2nd to move straight through to the semi-final.

The second race proved to be tougher with a higher level of racing, with our crew in 4th place, being overtaken in the last 500, which put us in the B final. The B final was a solid race and we were able to lead the field from start to finish.

Overall, it was a hard but rewarding 3 months. We learnt a lot and gained many great experiences. We (Holly and myself) would like to thank our coach, Alex for keeping us on track and helping us get the most out of our campaign.



Australian Jnr M4-

World Uni Games LW2x - Alice Doring

Last year I was fortunate enough to race in the LW2x at the 2015 Summer Universiade in Chungju, South Korea. After selection into the team I travelled to Melbourne to train with my doubles partner, Alice Arch, and coach, Bert Cocu, out of MUBC. It was great to get a taste of the Melbourne rowing experience - despite being in the middle of winter. Once in Korea we spent a few days training before attending the competitions open ceremony in the main athlete village which a fantastic and unforgettable experience. Alice and myself progressed through to the semi final however missed out on the A-Final. We had a great race in the B-Final and placed 3rd- 9th overall.

QLD Champs

On the 23rd of January, Toowong Rowing Club was represented in the 2016 Queensland State Championships by 35 athletes from Toowong's High Performance Squad.

This year Wyarralong Dam in Beaudesert was buoyed by Rowing Queensland and for the first time hosted the regatta. Being one of the first major regattas in the season these few days of racing provided Toowong athletes with the opportunity to get back into the rhythm of racing.

Toowong athletes did exceptionally well throughout all boat classes and had many podium finishes. TRC overtook the podium by placing 1st 2nd and 3rd in the U21 men's pair, the small boats also had a

very successful regatta with Amy James, Jack Price, Hamish Parry and Cormac Jarver all medalling in their sculling events, with special mention goes to Toowong's lightweight crew of Jack Armitage and Hamish Parry for winning the Open Heavyweight Men's Pair.

Overall, Toowong finished the regatta with 10 golds, 5 silver and 5 bronze medals.

2016 Queensland Champions:

Olly Smith, George Lethbridge U21 M2-

Jack Price LM1x

Amy James LW1x

Cormac Jarver U19 M1x

Tom Davidson, Callum Chisholm U19 M2x

Will Starky, Sam Scott U19 M2-

Elliot Apel, George Lethbridge, Adam Bakker (CRC), Callum Chisholm U21 M4-

Hamish Parry, Jack Armitage M2-

Sam Scott, Will Starky, Cormac Jarver, Tom Edgecome U19 M4x

Elliot Apel, Tom Davidson, Callum Chisholm, James Doring U21 M4x

NSW Champs

In February a contingent of 22 athletes from Toowong travelled to Sydney to compete at the NSW State Championships. The event proved busy with entries into 17 events across light weight men and heavy weight women's and men's categories. The event saw a lot of TRC athletes in small boats and the competition kicked off with nine scullers in events ranging from U19 to Opens in the men's division and one competitor in the female Opens division. A special mention goes to Thomas Davidson for placing third in the U21 single scull.

Toowong was strongly represented in the pairs, with three podium finishes for TRC members. Elliot Apel and Callum Chisholm won second place in the U21 pair, and in the U23 pair George Lethbridge and Olly Smith came third while Nick Pettigrew (paired with Darcy Wruck from Commercial) came first. Finally, two doubles enjoyed third place finishes on the podium. The U19 Men's double, raced by William Starky and Sam Scott, and the open women's double raced by Madeleine Coonan and Elizabeth Halsall of UTS.

As the event continued and bigger boats raced Toowong saw three more podium finishes. The Toowong/Commercial composite crew of Elliot Apel, Callum Chisholm, Thomas Davidson and Adam Bakker came first in the U21 quad scull, and the Toowong/Commercial composite U21 mens 8+ crew also finished first. This crew consisted of Toowong members James Doring, Callum Chisholm, Elliot Apel, George Lethbridge, Nick Pettigrew, Olly Smith, Tom Davidson and Ashleigh Hockings (coxswain). The U19 quadruple scull crew, consisting of William Starky, Sam Scott, Cormac Jarver, and Tom Edgecombe finished on the podium in third place.

The learning opportunities gained through racing over the week proved invaluable with all TRC competitors stepping up to perform to the best of their ability and coming away better athletes. As ever, a huge thanks goes to the coaches, Alex Field, Keiran Dwyer, and Paul Pettigrew, for their time, effort, patience with all the athletes over the competition week and in preparation.

Australian National Championships

In mid-March, Toowong High Performance athletes once again journeyed to Sydney to compete at the 2016 Australian Rowing Championships at the Sydney International Regatta Centre (SIRC). Toowong represented strongly across a Range of age groups and boat categories finishing with 19 medals total: 6 gold, 9 silver and 4 bronze.

The Lightweight faction within the high performance squad; Jack Price, Tim McDonnell, Nicholas Silcox, Hamish Parry, Jack Armitage, Michael Potts, James Doring, Tom Franey, had another consistent regatta dominating the events and bringing in 4 of the 6 gold medals for the club. Other stand out performances were the under 21 pair event, of the 'woolly pair' Callum Chisholm and Elliott Apel easily recognised for their luscious long hair, winning the race in a dominant fashion. Last of the Gold medals and highlight for many was the under 23 coxed eight of; Oliver Smith, Nick Pettigrew, George Lethbridge, Michael Potts, Hamish Parry, Jack Armitage and cox Daniella Serra. Who held off Mercantile for a solid win.

Silver Medals:

Open Lightweight Women's Single Scull, Double and Quad – Amy James

Open Lightweight Men's Coxless Pair - Jack Price, Tim McDonnell

Under 23 Men's Coxless Pair - Nick Pettigrew

Under 23 Men's Coxless Four - Oliver Smith, George Lethbridge, Nick Pettigrew

Under 21 Men's Double Scull - Callum Chisholm, Thomas Davidson

Under 21 Men's Quadruple Scull - Elliott Apel, James Doring, Callum Chisholm, Thomas Davidson

165 - U19M8+ Under 19 Men's Coxed Eight - Alexander Jeremijenko, Harry Scott, Aubrey Job, Thomas Edgecombe, Cormac Jarver, William Starky, Sam Scott, Daniel Harris, and Ashleigh Hockings.

Bronze Medals:

Open Women's Quadruple Scull - Madeleine Coonan and Lucy Jordan

Open Lightweight Men's Coxless Four - Tim McDonnell, Jack Price

Under 23 Men's Coxless Pair - Jack Armitage, Hamish Parry

Under 21 Men's Single Scull - Thomas Davidson

After the inter-club racing the highlight of the weekend was the Interstate Regatta, during which a number of Toowong athletes represented the maroon proudly. The Penrith Cup stamped their authority of the crew to beat, winning the cup for another year – the lightweight Men's Four comprised of Nick Silcox, Adam Kachyckyj (CRC), Jack Price and Hamish Parry won the event for the second year in a row. Amy James rowed the Victoria Cup Lightweight Women's Quad Scull. The QLD Men's Youth 8+ was mostly Toowong comprising of Oliver Smith, Nick Pettigrew, George Lethbridge, Elliott Apel, Callum Chisholm, Thomas Davidson and James Doring coxed by Ashleigh Hockings. Madeleine Coonan and Daniella Serra in the Queen's Cup women's eight, and Tim McDonnell and Jack Armitage in the King's cup men's eight.

By and large the trip was a success, it was good to see the athletes learning throughout the trip and step up to a new level of competition.

Australian Selection Trials

Once again a number of Toowong athletes were invited to trail for the Under 21 and Under 23 National team. Australian Under 23 selection was determined at two regattas in April and June, with the U21 Australian team also in April.

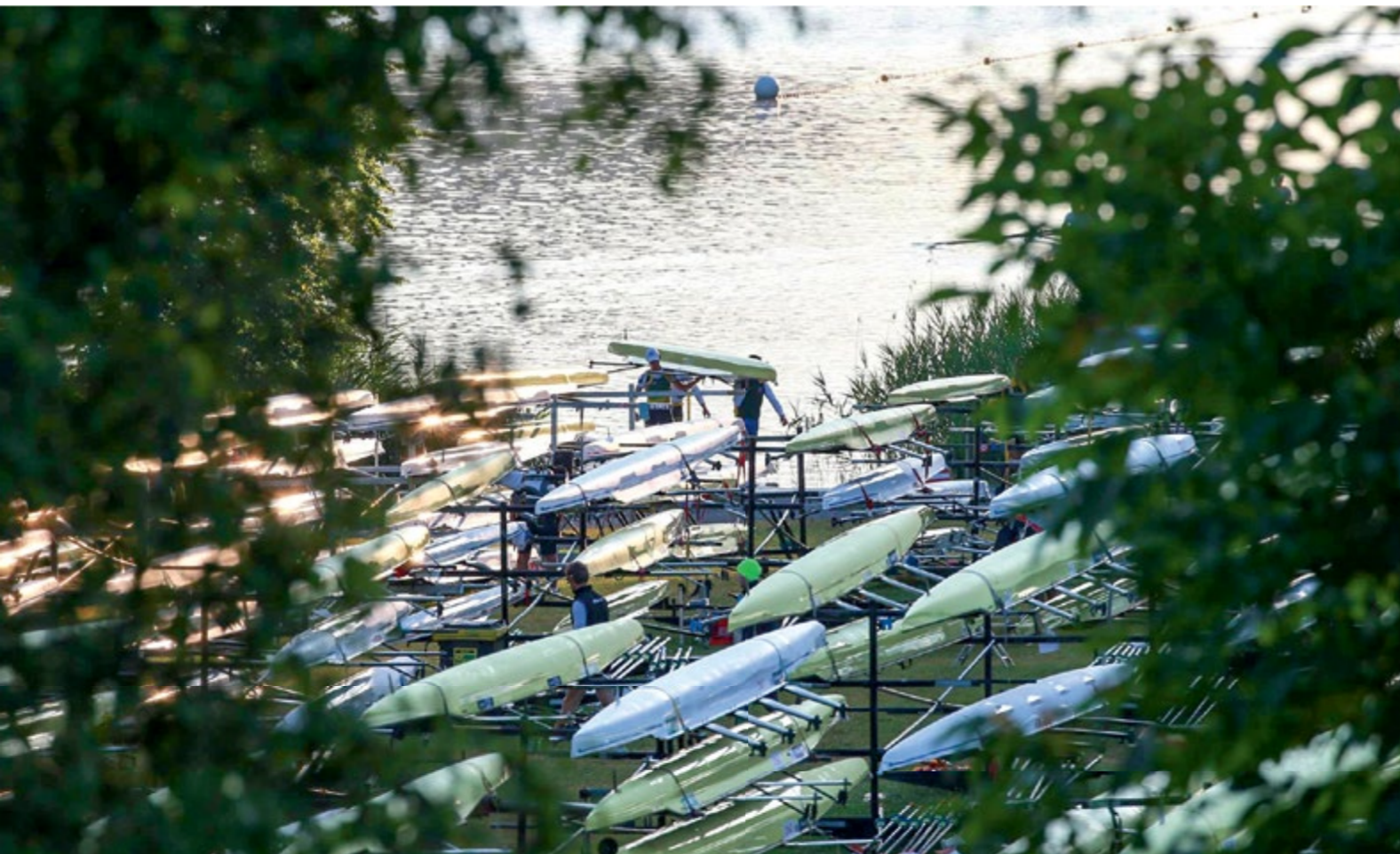
After impressive performances in the U21 pair Elliot Apel and Callum Chisholm were selected as one of the U21 Men's Pairs that combine with a number of other U21 heavy and lightweight boats to form the U21 Australian Team. Elliot and Callum will compete against New Zealand in a Trans-Tasman series of two regattas during 2016. Also trailing for the U21 team were Thomas Davison and Thomas Franey in the heavyweight and lightweight men's single respectively. After both pushing themselves in some two very competitive fields they unfortunately missed out on a place in the team.

After a successful nationals campaign in numerous Under 23 boat classes Olly Smith, Nick Pettigrew, George Lethbridge, Jack Armitage and Hamish Parry, all members of the National Championship winning U23 Heavyweight Men's Eight were invited to return to Penrith and trial for the U23 Team, set to compete at the U23 World Rowing Championships in Rotterdam, The Netherlands in August. With performance standards set extremely high by the selectors and a number of very fast and experienced crews vying for only U23 six crews across all boat classes it was a very challenging week for all involved. Jack and Hamish, Olly and George, and Nick and Darcy (CRC) all put forward a strong performance in the final of the men's pair and were invited to be further involved in the trailing process. Up to two races a day for the remaining five days followed and after trialling multiple combinations, Olly and Nick were successful in being selected in the U23 Australian Men's Eight and have been based in Melbourne for the extent of the four month campaign. Due to extremely close racing and results, George missed out on the eight in what was one of the most difficult decisions of the week. Hamish and Jack were put straight through to the final day of trials after good history racing on the world stage over the past two years and good performances throughout the season. With so many crews performing at the high standards set by Rowing Australia Jack and Hamish just missed out on a spot in the top six and were sent home without being selected - something that came as a shock to most of the rowers after showing so much dominance throughout the season and outracing most heavyweight pair combinations at regattas. Despite not being selected both Jack and Hamish should be congratulated on their strong season claiming a state title and medal at the NSW state champs and Nationals in heavyweight pair races.

Daniella Serra was invited to trial in April and June as the cox of the Australian Under 23 Women's eight. After bolstering from many Australian athletes returning from US colleges, the W8+ was clearly fast enough to be selected, and with Danni as cox.

After considering their performances during 2016 and in previous years, three more additions to the Australian Rowing Team for 2016 are Madeleine Coonan (W1x), Hamish Parry (LM1x) and Amy James (LW1x) in the World University Games Team that will compete in Poznan, Poland in August this year. Alex Field was also selected to coach these three crews, as well as manage the whole team of eleven athletes.

Toowong has had a total of eight athletes selected to compete on the international stage in their respective boat class and age category; making Toowong Rowing Club one of the leading underage clubs in the country for another year.



TRC High Performance in Tasmania

If anyone was to walk into the gym at Toowong Rowing Club, and look at the honour roll, they would notice a constant stream of lightweight men earning selection to the Australian Rowing Team for the last 20 years. What would stand out though, is that in 2015, three of the athletes selected in the Senior Lightweight Four were all from TRC. Tim McDonnell, Darryn Purcell and Nick Silcox were joined by Western Australian, Perry Ward, with hot competition for seats coming from other TRC athletes Jack Price and Hamish Parry.

This was a new look combination at the international level, with Tim McDonnell returning to the senior team following his representation in the Lightweight Eight in 2013, Perry Ward making the switch to rowing from sculling and Darryn Purcell returning to the four from the Lightweight Pair the previous year. With 2015 being the all-important Olympic Qualification year, the crew trained full time out of the Huonville Rowing Club at Franklin under the guidance of Tasmanian Institute of Sport World Championship winning ex-Kiwi wannabe-Australian Coach Brett Crow. Rowing Australia had also sent the Mens Quadruple Scull to train out of the Huonville Rowing Club who proved to be valuable training partners and eventual World Championship Silver medalists.

The international tour took in World Cup regattas at Varese, Italy and Lucerne, Switzerland before a seven-week training camp leading into the World Championships at Lac d'Aiguebelette in France. Needing a top 11 finish at the World Championships to qualify for the Rio Olympic Games, results of 12th and 11th at the two World Cup regattas against a full field of mostly more established combinations, and tangible improvement from one regatta to the next, was a sign that preparations were on track. During the World Cup tour, the crew spent a lot of time experimenting with different combinations and styles of racing, all in the hope of climbing further up the finishing order to cement a qualifying position.

The seven-week preparation camp started with gusto, with the opening day taking in an 1800m ascent by bicycle of the second highest road pass in Europe, the Col du Grand St Bernard. Morale continued to improve when the final combination was decided upon, with some of the best sessions to follow. Unfortunately, 10 days before the World Championships were set to start, Perry Ward was diagnosed with a rib stress reaction and ruled out of racing at the World Championships entirely. With no reserve in Europe, and it being so close to the regatta, there was no hope of racing in the Lightweight Four and the crew split in to the Single Scull and Coxless Pair. Darryn Purcell and Nick Silcox raced together in the Pair, while Tim McDonnell raced the Single Scull. With only 10 days to prepare in their new boat classes, the two crews had their work cut out for them. Darryn and Nick earned a finals berth and placed sixth, while Tim raced in the D-final. No Olympic Qualification spots were available in either of these events, and the guys would have to go back to the drawing board and seek selection to race at the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta in 2016.

Leading in to the 2016 Australian Rowing Team trials, Darryn Purcell suffered a career ending rib injury on a training camp and retired before the trialing process began. At the trials, Rowing Australia named Nick Silcox in a crew alongside fellow Queenslander Adam Kachyckj and interstate rowers Alister Foot and Perry Ward as the preferred Lightweight Four, but ultimately they were not selected on performance grounds.



Sub-Junior Boys Report

After a short break following the conclusion of the boys Head of the River, towards the end of first school term, a small squad of Year 10 and 11 boys from Churchie and Terrace joined the Club and have been attending training sessions each Thursday at 5.00am and Sunday at 6.30am. For the most of this time the squad has consisted of the following 5 athletes:

James Hesse – Year 11 Churchie (Bow Open 1st VIII – 2nd place HOR)

Barclay Roach – Year 11 Churchie (Stroke Yr 11 1st VIII – 2nd place HOR)

Isaac Game – Year 10 Churchie (Stroke Yr 10 1st Quad – 1st HOR)

Harry Watt – Year 10 Terrace (Stroke Yr 10 1st Quad – 4th HOR)

Tom Rogencamp – Year 10 Terrace (Bow Yr 10 1st Quad – 4th HOR)

Recently however James Fallon, Year 10 Terrace (Two seat Yr 10 5th Quad – 2nd HOR), has joined the squad.

All boys have been very keen to experience Club life (including getting into a Toowong zootie) and spending time on the water striving to perfect their skills in this amazing addictive sport of ours. For the year 10 boys this has also included being introduced to sweep for the first time.

During these sessions the boys have trained, and all very capable, in the following boat classes, 1x, 2x, 2- and 4-. In the main training sessions have been at T2 with heavy emphasis on technical skills but with and some T3 and T4 work at times.

Unfortunately, during this period there is virtually no opportunity for the boys to compete for the Club at Regatta's because of the way the Regatta calendar is set up, despite their keenness to do so. The Winter Series was an opportunity but with 5 out of the 6 boys also playing rugby this term and the racing being on a Saturday has meant that they have not been able to compete. It might be well worth suggesting to RQ that next year the Winter Series be held on Sunday.

The best opportunity for these boys to compete (although not as Toowong) is at the Queensland Schools Championships in Rockhampton in September. Subject to their school's approval some of the boys are likely to compete at those Championships.

Well done to all the boys for the effort and commitment they have put into training so far and good luck to those that are able to compete in Rockhampton.

Mark Game

Sub-Junior Coach/Co-ordinator



Sub Junior Girls Report

The junior women's program has undergone some strategic changes over the past 12 months with Leo Karadimitris and Gabe Cryle providing a clearer pathway between school rowing and the club's High Performance squad. Athletes such as Emma Brookes and Nat Charlton have developed dramatically from complete novices, whilst Emily Bishop, Tess Heath, Madi Charlton and Issy Gerber aspire to Queensland Youth crews and beyond.

Harry Norris and Andrew Gerber Squad of sub-juniors with assistance from Andrew Williams and Frank Moss; from the completion of the

BSRA season of school rowing in term 3 of school 2015 this small group slowly assembled from a number of schools to row at Toowong, some already members with other new members coming into this program in January 2016. With boats at a premium they went out on Tuesday, Thursday and Sundays, the off-peak days, at a time not to overburden the busy pontoon 5.30am returning after the "Oldies" and before the "Speedsters" 6.50am. Although rowing mainly single, double and quad sculls in the final couple of weeks of term 1 2016 (March) they were able to go out in a sweep boat, pictured.



Liz Gooden (Bow), Sophie Gerber, Genevieve Whitehead, Georgina Chandler, Aimee Boulton, Maya Norris, Kirsty Viljoen, Alexandra (Sasha) Muratidis (stroke), Georgia Peterson (cox)



Georgina Chandler, Liz Gooden, Georgia Peterson, Maya Norris, Sasha Muratidis, Sophie Gerber, Aimee Boulton and Genevieve Whitehead.

The girls came together well as a squad of Toowong rowers, wearing their zooties proudly. They represented the club at Qld State Championships as well as Urban Rowing Regattas.

Qld States, U151x Gerber Gold, G42x Gerber, Muratidis Bronze.

Urban Rowing Regatta, G5 2x Gooden, Viljoen Gold; G51x Lizzie Gooden Gold and Genevieve Whitehead Gold; G34x Whitehead, Muratidis, Boulton, Norris Gold; G32x Gooden, Whitehead Gold, Muratidis, Norris Silver; G54x Gooden, Viljoen, Boulton, Muratidis Gold; G31x Aimee Boulton Silver; Kirsty Viljoen Gold; Maya Norris Silver.

The Urban regatta was a great bonding experience between these juniors and the other club members. It was great to hear the cheers coming from the Toowong tent as these girls rowed through and the guidance and assistance given by other club members whilst off the water.



Sophie Gerber and Maya Norris



Masters Rowing 2015/2016 Season

This report covers those competition masters who competed in regattas over the past year. For those members the primary competitions were the Head of the Yarra on 28 November 2015, the Queensland Titles at Coomera on 21/22 May 2016 and the Australian Masters Championships at Kawana 2/5 June 2016.

Head of the Yarra

Toowong was represented by seven crews whilst member Randal Martin competed in a UQBC composite crew.

For the first time in a number of years the club did not register a first place. Second places were achieved by the Mens H8+, Womens F8+ and Mixed D8+. The UQBC/Toowong crew in which Randal Martin rowed were placed first in the Mens C8+.

Queensland State Titles Coomera

The State Titles were conducted in windy but rowable conditions which proved good practice for the Australian Titles to follow. The club won 32 Golds, 19 Silver and 8 Bronze medals a long way ahead of other clubs. A schedule of the gold medal winning crews is as follows:-

Gold Medals

- Womens F8+ Elliott, Bourne, De La Paix, Kelly, Herries, Warren, Brown, Carter cox: Leishman
- Womens A&B2x Lambros, Schmeider (PRRC)
- Mens F2- Jell, Wallrock
- Mens A&B4x Schryver, Hall, Price, McDonnell
- Mens D8+ McKibben (SCRC), Luxford (SCRC), Keily, Manning, Reece, Malakellis (CRC), Wright (CRC), Law cox: Toon
- Womens E4+ Elliott, Evans, Cruikshank, Warren cox: Ellis
- Mens E2- O'Dwyer, Keily
- Mix D4x Evans, Hamilton (GUSP), Newell (PRRC), Schmeider (PRRC)
- Mix E4+ Evans, Cruikshank, MacSporracn, McRae cox: Ellis
- Womens G-K2- Brown, Carter
- Mens G-K4+ McRae, Jell, MacSporran, Wallrock cox: Gibb
- Mens C8+ Schryver, Price, Manning, Keily, Reece, Hall, Stevens, Law Cox: Toon
- Womens D8+ Bourne with UQBC members, McDonnell, Kininmonth, Draydon, Carpenter, Hughes, Bridgeford, Rodmell cox: Rhodes
- Mens F4+ McRae, Jell, MacSporran, Wallrock cox: Gibb
- Mens D2- Reece, Keily
- Womens E8+ Elliott, Bourne, De La Paix, Kelly, Herries, Evans, Cruikshank, Warren cox: Leishman
- Mens E4+ Sweeper, O'Dwyer, Keily, Reece cox: Toon
- Mix G-K 4+ Jell, Wallrock, Elliott, Warren cox: Gibb
- Mix E8+ Magnus, MacSporran, McRae, Sweeper, Evans, Cruikshank, Filkin, Guy cox: Leishman
- Mens G-K2- Jell, Wallrock
- Mens C4+ Law, Kennedy, Keily, Reece cox: Toon
- Mix A&B4x Lambros, Schmeider (PRRC), Smith (PRRC), Smith (PRRC)
- Mix D4+ Evans, Cruikshank, Sweeper, Magnus cox: Leishman

- Womens F4+ Elliott, Bourne, Herries, Warren cox: Ellis
- Mens F8+ Taylor, MacSporran, Wallrock, Jell, McRae, Brooks, O'Dwyer, Sweeper cox: Toon
- Mens A&B2x Schryver, Price
- Mens D4+ Law, Reece, Keily, Kennedy Cox Toon
- Womens E2- Evans, Elliott
- Mens E8+ Reece, Keily, Wallrock, Jell, McRae, MacSporran, Taylor, Law cox: Toon
- Womens G-K4+ Elliott, Warren, Brown, Coit cox: Leishman
- Mens A&B2- Price, McDonnell
- Mens G-K8+ Wallrock, MacSporran, Jell, McRae, Hutchinson (Sunshine Coast), Egerton (Sunshine Coast), Gibb, Park cox: Toon

Australian Masters Championships Kawana

The regatta was held over four days at Kawana on the Sunshine Coast during a period of possibly the worst weather this year. The extremely strong winds and rain caused flooding and damage down the whole east coast of Australia. Officials were forced to cancel racing on the Saturday morning and the regatta was abandoned late on the Sunday morning. Rowing in often heavy rain and strong winds rendered conditions very difficult at times.

The club achieved a total of 39 medals comprising 16 Gold, 13 Silver and 10 Bronze. The club was crowned Championship Club of the regatta out of 110 competing clubs with a total point score of 605.75 ahead of Canberra Rowing Club on 510 and Mossman Rowing Club on 399 points.

A full report of the results is as follows:-

Gold Medals

- Womens A4x Lambros, Schmeider (PRRC), Doman (Coffs Hbr), Jagoe (Lwr Clarence)
- Womens A2- Evans, Cruikshank
- Mens A1x Price
- Mens B2x Hall, Price
- Mens D4+ Manning, Keily, Reece, Law cox: Toon
- Womens E4+ Elliott, Warren, Cruikshank, Evans cox: Leishman
- Mens E2- O'Dwyer, Keily
- Womens F4+ Elliott, Bourne, Herries, Warren cox: Serra
- Mens F4+ Reece, Keily, Wallrock, Jell cox: Webster
- Mens F8+ Reece, Keily, Wallrock, Jell, McRae, MacSporran, Taylor, Law cox: Toon
- Mens G4+ Wallrock, Jell, MacSporran, McRae cox: Webster
- Mens G8+ Lowe (Banks), Shinnars (Banks), Blair (Banks), Jell, Wallrock, MacSporran, McRae, Pilmore (Banks) cox: Webster (Merces)
- Mens H4+ Wallrock, Jell, Gibb, Park cox: Toon
- Mix F-G4+ Wallrock, Jell, Elliott, Warren cox: Ellis
- Mix F-G8+ Carter, Brown, Warren, Elliott, McRae, Jell, MacSporran, Wallrock cox: Toon
- Mix E8+ Reece, Sweeper, MacSporran, McRae, Thomasson (CRC), Leary (CRC), Cruikshank, Evans cox: Toon

Womens Interstate D8+ Spriggs, Taylor, Draydon, Bourne, Kininmonth, Evans, Cruikshank, Rodmell cox: Luck

Mens Interstate D8+ McKibben, Luxford, Keily, Manning, Reece, Malakellis, Wright, Law cox: Toon

Silver Medals

Mens A2x Price, Schryver

Mens A2- Price, Schryver

Mens A8+ Stevens, Sweeper, Taylor, Brooks, Sleeman, Kennedy, Moynihan, Menzies cox: Toon

Mens B8+ Schryver, Price, Kennedy, Sleeman, McDonnell, Menzies, Stevens, Hall cox: Ellis

Womens C4- De La Paix, Evans, Cruikshank, Lambros

Mens C4+ Reece, Keily, Kennedy, Hobart (UQBC) cox: Serra

Womens D4+ De La Paix, Bourne, Cruikshank, Evans cox: Leishman

Mens D2- Keily, Reece

Womens F2- Elliott, Warren

Mens I8+ Gibb, Hutchinson, Egerton (SCRC) Gibbs (Yarra Yarra)

Fulcher (SCRC), Tippett (Mersey), Dykstra (S.Coast), Macdonald (Murwillimbah) cox: Gilbert

Mix H-K8+ Coit, Brown, Carter, Elliott, Hutchinson & Egerton (Sunshine Coast), Park, Gibb cox: Leishman

Womens E4+ Elliott, Bourne, Herries, Kelly cox: Serra

Mix C4x MacDonald, Menzies, Gabrielli, De Waal

Bronze Medals

Womens B2x Schmeider (PRRC), Lambros

Mens B2x Schryver, McDonnell

Mens B2- Stevens, Hall

Womens E2- Elliott, Evans

Mens E2- Reece, Sweeper

Womens F4+ De La Paix, Kelly, Brown, Carter cox: Leishman

Womens F8+ Elliott, Bourne, De La Paix, Kelly, Herries, Warren, Brown, Carter cox: Leishman

Womens G2- Brown, Carter

Mens I4- Gibb, Gibb (Yarra Yarra), Egerton (SCRC), Hutchinson (SCRC)

Mix D4x Hamilton (GUS), Reece, Schmeider, Evans

Separate reports are provided for the Men's and Women's Interstate Eights both of which won the Interstate event. There were four rowers plus cox and coach plus two reserves from Toowong in the mens crew and three members plus coach in the women's crew.

The on water training this year has been somewhat unusual in that we did not suffer any disruptions to training through debris keeping us off the water as has occurred most years over recent times. As the training period progressed another major problem emerged in effectively coaching such large numbers. There has developed a propensity for crews to get on the water earlier and earlier to the end result boats are coming off the water while it is still dark. I appreciate the family/work considerations but it is very difficult to find the Toowong crews just by bow/stern lights in the dark and I find I waste a lot of time looking for crews. It can be quite galling to be accused of not coaching widely in such situations.

The most pleasing element of the past season has been the development of the woman's programme. Members may recall that

up until last year I have been expressing strong concern that our women's programme was failing to recruit new members to refresh and develop that programme. The results at the Nationals are of great credit to Ange and special mention and thanks must go to Clive Killick in the developmental work done. The spirit and enthusiasm he fostered in his crews was great to see.

The coaching position this past season has been the strongest yet with four coaches working being myself and Adrian mainly focussed on the men with Ange and Clive primarily focussed on the women. As things stand at the moment with Adrian returning to competing after his surgery and Clive possibly returning to England, next year will be potentially quite challenging with fewer coaches working to the World Masters Games in Auckland and the subsequent Australian Titles at Nagambie.

The issue of crew selections is one of concern for the future. This year there were 11 mens eights entered at Kawana with 8 of them requiring selection decisions. The job of coming up with combinations which allow for race clashes between age categories, clashes between sweep and sculling which the programme gives no consideration to, not to mention workable combinations is quite taxing to say the least. Without the great help of Adrian, the job would have hit the wall and in the end we both had had enough. The behind the scenes goings on with people venting and placing demands on us made the latter part of the season completely unenjoyable. I will not put myself through that again and the committee needs to consider how it might work in future.

I finalise my report by thanking a number of people who have been of great support during the season. On a coaching level I especially thank Ange and Adrian for their input and providing a sounding board in our coaching. I am very grateful to Peter Park for the work he does in keeping the fleet in good order and in particular for the work he did on the Malouf which was not in good order to say the least when we took it over for the State and club masters crews. I recognise and thank Kiwi and his athletes for organising the tinnie fuel for us coaches.

I know there are many others who work hard to keep the club operating and all crews are obliged to those largely unseen workers without whose input we cannot succeed on the water. As I observed in my reports for the last two years there is no doubt Toowong's greatest strength is the volunteers whose positive input makes the club so strong.

Terry Mulligan



Men's Masters Queensland 8+

In January 2016 the familiar, if dreaded, hum of the spinning ergometer heralded the beginning of Queensland's Masters Interstate eight title defence. The keen anticipation of extending a three-peat from 2015 was heightened by the prospect that the race was to be held on the home waters of Kawana on the Sunshine Coast. The success of the previous 3 years was manifest as the nomination and selection process displayed unseen depth and quality, leading to a sharp competitiveness for seats in the boat culminating in seat racing on the Brisbane River.

The final team comprising 3 different clubs and with the now-familiar Sunshine Coast contingent, remained a broad representation of the state's talent.

Bow	Bob Law	(TRC)
	Glenn Wright	(Commercial)
	Michael Malakellis	(Commercial)
	David Reece	(TRC)
	James Manning	(TRC)
	Gavin Keily	(TRC)
	Ian Luxford	(Sunshine Coast)
Str	Chip McKibbin	(Sunshine Coast)
Cox	Michael Toon	(TRC)
Coach;	Terry Mulligan	(TRC)
Reserves;	Cameron Hall	(TRC)
	Paul Taylor	(TRC)

The first 3 weeks of training were held in 4's on the Brisbane River with reserves Cam and Paul participating and providing the vital extra hands to which much of the true strength of the final boat is owed. The sessions between the two 4's were intense, fast and furious leaving no doubt about the competitive nature of the whole squad and the potential speed of the eight.

Once the crew convened in the eight, it was at Lake Kurwongbah on Saturday's for two sessions per training day. Opportunities were taken to race at the GPS regatta at Wyaralong Dam and the Queensland Masters Championships at Coomera, with times over the course confirming that the crew was on track to achieve its goal.

At 5 PM on the first Saturday in June, the crew lined up at Lake Kawana in near-perfect conditions, after a challenging few days due to a powerful weather event effecting much of the East Coast. Crews from NSW, ACT, South Australia, WA and Victoria lined up either side of the Queensland Crew, creating a magnificent spectacle for the onlookers, as the crews were silhouetted by the setting sun.

At the the starters command, the Queensland crew executed their starting sequence smoothly, quickly and powerfully, as had been practiced many times at each training opportunity, but never better than at this crucial moment. By the 150m mark it was apparent that we had executed what we had practiced in training; the rhythm was

established, there was a focus upon the catch gap, the quads were quickly being pushed flat, and we rebounded from the finish. We were right where we wanted to be, and the crew felt confident and strong, and knew it was within our grasp to take the race, this time on home waters.

At the 400m mark, the Victorian eight, runners-up to Queensland in the past three years, were once again declaring their interest in contesting the title by mounting a courageous charge. The Queensland crew, still rating over 40 strokes per minute at this stage, absorbed their challenge more than half a length in the lead, before Chip in the stroke seat steadied the rate at 39 and led the crew into an irresistible charge well into the lead through 500m.

Cycling through the effective commands that the crew knew would impact the most on their speed, Toony in the coxswain's seat reminded the eight to win it for the Queenslanders on the banks of Lake Kawana, but most of all their peerless dedicated coach, Terry.

This was all that was required for an open-water advantage to be established and the final few hundred meters were raced, laced with the anticipation of celebration for the fourth year in succession. The eight crossed the line in record time of 2:56.99. The familiar sight of Lux in seven seat raising both arms to the sky in triumph was followed by the cry of 'Queenslander' after offering 3 cheers for the other crews.

The home waters accentuated the satisfaction the crew was able to experience not only by seeing partners, children, friends, members of Sunshine Coast Rowing Club, Commercial Rowing Club, Toowong and other Queensland rowing clubs on the bank, but also the news that the Queensland women's Masters eight had also won, completing a back-to-back double in the big boats at Interstate level.

As Terry said many times, there are many more people than just the 9 people in the boat and a coach that make a crew successful. Thanks to the selectors, Adrian Howard, Cathy Phillips and Brian Parmeter, to Peter Park for maintaining the 'Cal Malouf' especially repairing four foot plates only days before the regatta, Paul and Cam – what a great pair of reserves! Edwina Luck for filling in for Toony, Nathan Magnus for driving two riggers most of the way to Lake Kurwongbah one Saturday, (yep, I packed the wrong riggers!) the Toowong Rowing Club for letting the crew use the 'Cal Malouf', Peter Jell and Nathan for towing boats to and from regattas, David Reece's daughter Bethany for those great muffins on a Saturday sessions and the Pine Rivers Rowing Club for their wonderful hospitality and letting us train at Lake Kurwongbah.

Thanks once again to Terry Mulligan – for not only bringing this crew together, developing it so that it was able to win for the fourth year in a row, but for infusing the experience with a professionalism and clear passion that makes it worthwhile and a truly memorable experience, ensuring the crews ongoing success and legacy. Thanks so much Terry.

Bob Law (steered both literally and literatively by Michael Toon)



QLD Masters Women's Interstate 8+



The quest to defend a national title in the home state motivated a strong contingency of women to trial for the 2016 Queensland Masters Womens 8+. Selection for the squad began in early February with twelve women nominating for the opportunity to represent their state. The 1km ergo trials produced impressive results with several women achieving PB times. Christine Taylor's (CRC) weight adjusted time of 3.01.5 set a new world record as verified by Concept 2.

Despite the strong number and calibre of nominations, the combined ages fell short to form a D-aged crew. To amend this the selectors invited experienced rowers aged 55+ to nominate and join the other women in seat racing trials at Lake Kurwongbah on 21 February. The trial results saw the announcement of a talented and experienced squad from three of Queensland's leading clubs. The final crew selected formed the youngest ever Qld ISMW8+(Av. 50) and TRC was strongly represented with 3 athletes and coach.

Fleur Spriggs	Commerical
Christine Taylor	Commerical
Margot Draydon	UQBC
Julie Bourne	Toowong
Rachael Kininmonth	UQBC
Tracey Evans	Toowong
Saoirse Cruikshank	Toowong
Cath Rodmell	UQBC
Edwina Luck (cox)	Commerical
Nicky Hughes (reserve)	UQBC
Debbie Flynn (reserve)	Commerical
Angelina Ellis (coach)	Toowong

With selections finalised and the task ahead to keep the cup, everyone was keen to get going on the water. The first month of training was held out of UQBC and many thanks to the Uni ladies for allowing us use of their privately owned boat and oars in the early season. From the outset the crew set high expectations that were matched by their disciplined work ethic. The 12-week preparation, comprising two weekly sessions, saw continual gains in technique and fitness that invested in faster boat speeds over the season.

Special thanks to our top reserves Nicky Hughes and Deb Flynn who were ever-ready to sub in with a smile at a moment's notice.

In the lead up to competition, the Qld Women's 8+ joined the Qld Men's 8+ at Lake Kurwongbah for a Saturday session that sharpened race work and boosted confidence. The season was not without challenges and doubts, especially when tested at the GPS and State Championship regattas, however these skilled oarswomen and cox displayed both the tenacity and composure that underpinned their past racing successes, and competitor qualities that would ensue more could be achieved at the AMRC in June.

Day 3 of the Australian Masters Rowing Championships saw the weather miraculously transform from torrential rain and gale-force winds to dry and calm conditions allowing interstate events to go ahead on dusk. The ISWMD8+ race had the largest field of entries with representative crews from every State and the ACT. Drawn in Lane 7 our Queensland ladies were not daunted by an outside lane position or unknown contingencies from southern states. Out of the start Qld was assertive and set the terms early to hold a narrow lead approaching the 250m. At the midway mark the maroons clocked 1.38.94 to consolidate a 2 second lead over NSW. The race plan to attack every quarter was flawlessly executed as they held power and length to open a margin of two boat lengths to the line. Queensland's winning time of 3.19.76 eclipsed last year's record by almost 6 seconds to set a new benchmark in Australian masters women's rowing. Only minutes later the home crowd had more to celebrate when our Qld Men's 8+ also crossed the line victorious in record time.

On behalf of the 2016 Qld Masters Womens 8+ I would like to thank RQ Development Manager Peter Hicks and selectors Adrian Howard, Kathy Phillips, Brian Parmenter and Donna Campagliano for their time and support this season. Many thanks John Bliss and Peter Park for your help and time with boat allocation and maintenance. Coaching has its 'peaks and troughs' and I am grateful to fellow TRC coaches Terry Mulligan, Keiran Dwyer and Alex Field for sharing their advice and observations.

Ange Ellis





Andy & Jim G



Blissy & Rudi



Don Boshier



2015 Kibble Cup Winners: Olly Smith, Elizabeth Dinsdale, Charlie Sweeper, Chris Lyndon



Don & Peter



Nathan's Dreaming



Kerry, Rudi and Norm



TRC Cyclists



Sat Mens 8+



Jeff and Jenny Conn



Gill Parmenter



Wendy & Michael



Robyn and Boys



Lady Killer in zooty



Katherine saving our tent



No hands



Post row picnic

Blueys and Goldies Report

This year's report is in the form of a quiz about how well you know the Blueys and Goldies.

1. During the year what percentage of rows are “crackers” and what percentage “sensational”? (Hint: cracker is higher than sensational, on the Kerry O'Rourke Scale of Rowing Perfection)
2. How long each week do Kerry and Col spend in keeping the lawns in tip-top condition?
3. How many jokes can Rudi tell in a typical morning row? (Bonus point if you know how many of them involve “Paddy”).
4. Name the individual who appeared seemingly from nowhere to replace Pru as the regular cox of the Bs&Gs, much to the relief of the larger (read: “fatter”) members of the squad.
5. Name the nanny from Maryland in the USA who put a lot of the male member of the Bs&Gs to shame with her power and skills in the boat?
6. Each year how many rowers are coerced by Kerry to row on Saturday mornings with the Bs&Gs:
 - A: Less than 10?
 - B: Between 10 and 50?
 - C: Between 50 and 100?
 - D: Every member of the club?
 - E: Every member of the club at least twice over?
7. What is the colour of the blades recently painted by Kerry and Andrew Farr? You need to specify the exact shade. (Note: Yellow is not the correct answer!)
8. What is the Bs&Gs alternative name for the “Marion Elliot”? (Bonus point if you can describe why.)
9. How many more seasons will the Bs&Gs continue to row in the “Marion Elliot”?
 - A: One more?
 - B: Two more?
 - C: Five more?
 - D: How long is a piece of string?
10. Name the long serving female member of the Bs&Gs, who left for and then was “sacked” by a women’s crew, so returned bringing a number of other women with her?
11. Which rower decided that snow skiing was better exercise than rowing but then promptly broke his leg, so missed out on exercise altogether?
12. At what distance from the finish line of the Head of the Tweed did Kerry’s crew have a drinks break, just as Frosty’s crew comes barrelling along and ends up pipping Kerry’s crew at the finish line?
13. Who was the cox of Frosty’s crew that was heard from Kerry’s boat giving the number three rower (who normally rows with the Bs&Gs) a right bollocking? (Bonus point if you can describe the relationship involved.)
14. Name the rower from Sydney in Kerry’s Head of the Tweed crew who offered to stroke, given he had stroked at least two winning Head of the Yarra eights and, apparently, holds the course record for that race? (Bonus point if you can approximate Kerry’s response.)
15. Who is the mystery man whose name seems to pop up on Bs&Gs email most Fridays? He goes by the name “Rohan da Morra”.

15 correct:	You might have been in the club too long. Try to find something else to do with your life.
10 – 14 correct:	Well done! Not much gets past you.
6 – 9 correct:	Good, but you need to pay more attention to what is going on.
5 or less correct:	Time for a refresher class with Kerry.

Learn to Row & Transition Rowing

The TRC Learn to Row courses, and Transition Level coaching was extremely successful for the 2015 year, raising nearly \$10,000!

The LTR program has become a huge contributor to our club's financial resources, its reputation as a good fun but professional service provider, and has allowed many people to smile and be happy as they follow our instructions out on the water! We had over 30 people in the LTR courses, and over 30 in the transition level program throughout 2015.

I have been involved as a coach and the program coordinator since the end of 2014 and for the whole of 2015. We had a great team over this time including coaches Rick Brown, David Frost and Ian Robson, and the very consistent support of Karen Bellingham who was there nearly every Saturday morning to fill in as a rower or cox, whatever was need to get a crew on the water. There were also a number of members who helped fill seats throughout the year and coaches like Frank Moss and Don Boucher who helped out from time to time when someone was away. On behalf of the Club, I would like to sincerely thank all these people for their support.

I resigned from the role at the end of 2015 and, unfortunately, there has not been anyone able to volunteer and take over the coordinating of the program since the beginning of 2016 so the program has not been active this year. Hopefully this will change when...is there anybody out there???!!!!!!!

The potential of this coaching program is significant as has ensured the continuity and reliability of being able to learn to row, and more, at the Toowong Rowing Club. The community knows that if you

want to learn to row, contact TRC! And there are a lot out there who want to do just that and we need to tap into that stream. Our beginner rowing program is a true “connector” to our community and should be considered a core institution of the club. This community relevance is important because many of the grants TRC applies for emphasises the “community relevance” to justify the funding sought, and it is important the club is seen to be making this connection. We must always remember that our club facility is here for the community, and is not just a rowing club.

Diana Wilkinson

TRC Learn to Row & Transition Level Coaching Coordinator



Annual Dinner

New venue, new format, new emcees (females to boot)....what could possibly go wrong?! Thankfully very little on Toowong Rowing Club's night of nights, except however for a rather original boat naming ceremony on the footpath outside the Regatta Hotel to kick start the official proceedings. The 2015 Toowong Rowing Club Annual Dinner was held on Saturday 31 October 2015 at the majestic Regatta Hotel in Toowong, the watering hole where Toowong Rowing Club (TRC) was founded back in 1889 and across the road from the original site of the TRC shed. The decision to host the Annual Dinner at the Regatta was one around strengthening the existing relationship between TRC and the Regatta Hotel.

For the first time ever, the dinner was emceed by not one but two women. A task not dissimilar to climbing Everest or tackling a marathon a day for a year, however we took these privileged and coveted roles in our strides, drawing on the experiences of those before us and with a few pep talks along the way. The main brief: keep it short, sharp, sweet and ensure our illustrious leader and Club President Kerry isn't given the microphone for any length of time.

The Annual Dinner is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the Club's extensive history both on and off the water and this year was no different. A well delivered toast to our Club was undertaken by upcoming Club man and High Performance squad coach Leo K. Following Leo, a succinct and professional response was given by our Chairman, Pete Schryver. In true TRC form and abovementioned, three new additions to the extensive TRC fleet were named in a rather unique and unconventional manner – congratulations to Tim McDonnell (McMan), Nick Silcox (Big Red) and Peter Park. Well deserved recognition our volunteer Club coaches and administrators and most importantly our magnificent athletes of all ages, was formally acknowledged through the wonderful speeches given by Club members Kiwi, Paul, Ange and Gav.

A further highlight of the evening, was the photographic montage of TRC images shown throughout, a visual feast of the momentous and extensive history of TRC to date (thank you Mike and Smarte). However without doubt, the jewel in the evening's crown, the main highlight of the evening, was the release of the new TRC Club song written by the one and only (thank goodness) club stalwart, Nathan Magnus. In true Nathan form, all in attendance were singing along with the pre-approved and Talbot Press printed song sheets and karaoke style sing-a-long as part of the televised montage. Such magnificent vocal prowess resulted in a very entertaining encore and then kick started the long awaited dance floor action to all the classic beats from 2015, oh and of course the 60's, 70s, 80s, 90s and the early 2000's... Those left propping up the bar and strutting their stuff into the wee hours of the next day, well and truly made it rain and new friendships with the friendly Regatta employees.

Thank you to all involved behind the scenes, in particular Bliss and Jim Gibb, who made the evening a success especially given the number of new aspects for the evening. A special thanks to Kerry for being your usual fabulous, good humoured self and for following the brief by keeping it brief. We are back to the TRC Function Room for the 2016 Annual Dinner so save the date – Saturday 22 October. Ensure your dancing shoes are spick and span and ready for another full-filled, memory inducing or removing evening. We shall see you there.

Emma Brown and Clare Raven



Masters Rowing Camp

Over the weekend January 30 & 31, Sue Stephens and Stef Roseblade again surrendered their beautiful Murwillumbah home to two dozen 'rowing tragics' for the annual masters rowing camp. Whilst some camped out in swags on the back verandah others were kindly billeted by Sue & Stef's friendly neighbours. Once the trailer arrived (super towing Marion!) no time was lost rigging boats for the first am session. Although heavy clouds drifted in towards Mt Warning, the weather didn't cut short an opportunity for all to hone their rowing in singles, pairs and doubles. It was great to see improving skill and confidence in small boats and most rowed new combinations over the weekend. A special mention goes to new members Kate Stewart and Paul Delekta, who took to single sculling with ease. The calm water of the upper Tweed River was also a perfect spot to cool off

with a post-training swim and refresh the safety capsizing procedure. The weekend provided a good opportunity to review technique using video footage and discuss all matters of rowing over lingering morning teas and lunches. Whilst the late afternoon sunset saw some take up cocktails, others took to their yoga mats - thanks again Deb MacDonald for taking us through a great yoga class. Both 'vinyasa' and 'mojitas' proved excellent recovery & relaxation strategies before we headed to the pub for some good local fare with a glass or two. A very special thanks to Sue and Stefan for their hospitality and generous use of singles and tinny, and Marion Elliott for towing the boats and coordinating another great weekend.

Ange Ellis



TRC Masters on High at Henley

Day One at Henley Masters Regatta was a wonderful experience for all concerned but unfortunately the E VIII lost their semi-final to Marlow RC. They rowed well and stayed level in the early stages but the other crew had just too much power pulling in front in the second half of the race. Here are a couple of photos of the crew first going through a lock as they worked the boat from Shiplake College to Henley on Thursday and then as they approached the start on Friday.



The TRC IV of Jude Hodgson, Katherine Howden Jenny Coates, and Denise Brayton, coxed by Andy Probert (GB International and Cambridge Blue) won their semi final in W E IV at Henley Masters and performed heroically in the final, racing side by side with a very experienced Royal Chester IV before losing some ground at the end of the race. This was a great performance from the Toowong development crew against vastly more experienced opposition and a wonderful experience of two boat racing on this historic course.

Clive Killick

Rowing California Style



Rowing California Style In August 2015 I moved to San Diego California to row for San Diego State University (SDSU). I was very fortunate to receive a full rowing scholarship to the university. This year I trialed for the 1st Varsity VIII however I ended up rowing the Pinochle Regatta (The All American Conference) in the 2nd Varsity VIII. I was given the job as stroke for regatta and our crew placed 4th, with SDSU finishing 5th overall. It has been an amazing experience to row in the USA competing at some of the top courses in California (San Diego, Sacramento, Los Angeles) at big regattas such as the San Diego Classic and the Row for Cure Regatta. I'm really looking forward to the 2016/17 season and I've set my goal to row in the 1st VIII and return in the holidays to trial for the U23 Australian team.

Hannah Norris

TRC HISTORY



Back: John Pettigrew, Bo Hanson, Toby Roberts, Randall Martin and Andrew Moore. Front: Tom Jack & Alan Bromley

When the former members & coaches of the Australian Junior HWT 4- John Pettigrew (Paul's younger brother), Bo Hanson, Andrew Moore, Randall Martin and Toby Roberts (reserve) reunited over a pint, it felt more like yesterday when they combined forces as the Australian Junior HWT4- competing at the 1991 World Junior Rowing Championships in Banyoles, Spain. But even though 25 years have gone by the memories and mateship continues.



Bo Hansen, John Pettigrew, Andrew Moore and Randall Martin

Coached by Qld rowing legends Alan Bromley and our own Tom Jack, back in 1991 these former BGS Old Boys stood proud on the dais as silver medalists at the Junior Worlds. After their return Randall and Andrew joined TRC and became long-standing HWT2- state champions. Bo Hanson went on to row at four Olympic Games winning 3 bronzemedals (1992, 1996, 2000, 2004).

TRC TOURERS

Rowing in Russia 2015



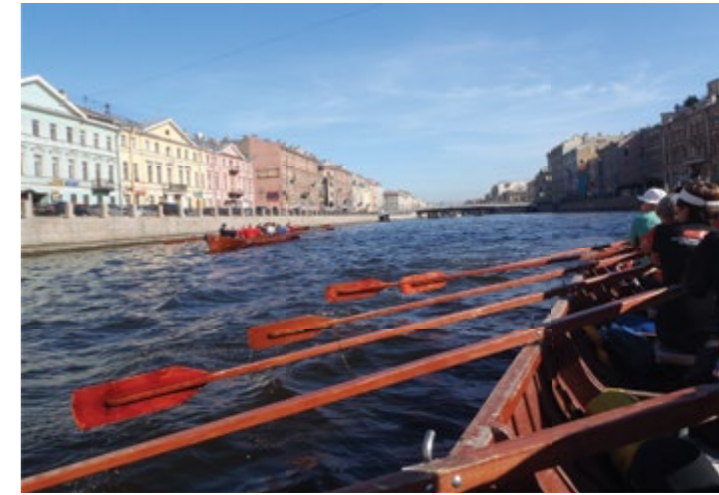
Lynn and Chris Brown and I were invited to join a rowing tour in Russia in September. What an opportunity. After much research, discussion and trepidation with trying to get the formal government invitations, visas etc we took flight, meeting up again at Leningrad airport where we were met by a local and others on the tour. There were 15 in all. Our local man spoke very limited and tentative

English. After being directed to 2 minibuses/vans we seemed to spend ages negotiating the city of rather drab apartment blocks and endless traffic queues on to the "highway" where we came to believe all the TV highway patrol programs about Russia and their drivers were true! After about 4 hours of driving through depressing countryside with duchies and villages that looked deserted, neglected and in need of lots of TLC, getting lost more than once, with drivers that didn't speak English, couldn't read the GPS or understand toilet stop we arrive at our hunting lodge near Novgorod. This is more like it – probably built for the wealthy. Log construction with roaring fires, sauna, comfortably rooms and staple county fare.

After a day of sightseeing we met Uri who had sailed around the world and was building another boat for another around the world adventure in a rundown boat building yard. Here we launched our boat to row on the river, through town, past the Kremlin and many fishing dinghies with everyone wearing army fatigues. Were we being watched? Lunch was on the riverbank with a fisherman providing us with a type of rose tea. The next day we rowed out on the lake, where we couldn't see the horizon, and past more onion topped churches.

We moved camp to Schlisselburg where our hotel was a converted warehouse. Here we spent a day rowing on Lake Ladoga (the largest lake in Europe). The current going into the Neva R was so strong that it took us an hour to row 1 kilometre! The boat usually clips along around 8k/hour. Our lunch stop today was at an old Roman fort on an island. It has been used by many different regimes over the centuries for military purposes. What a God forsaken place to spend your time or imprisonment.

The next day we started out to row the 72 kilometres down the Neva R to St Petersburg. Luckily we were with the current today but it wasn't as fast as expected. We had 3 stops along the way 2 nature stops and lunch on a beach on the side of the river where our "junior economic diplomat" guide boiled the kettle for tea. St Petersburg was heralded



by swing bridges and huge apartment complexes that stretched forever until we hit some industrial areas and then the city centre. Wow! Under the bridges, past the winter palace and the jail to eventually sit in the confluence of the Neva and Little Neva to contemplate the significance of where we were - The Venice of the North. We rowed on past the Hermitage, St Peter and Paul Fortress, the Admiralty, along some canals, past the German rowing club, then to be greeted by rowers waiting for us from the English Rowing Club – our destination.

The next day was spent rowing around the many canals of St Petersburg with our city guide, Anna, who sat up the front of the boat and had us all wired up with headphones. We stopped at various points of interest, and pulled up on the beach at the fortress for lunch and a tour. We were treated to afternoon tea at the German rowing club where we met a lady who competed at the 2000 Sydney games. It was also in need of much TLC.

The next day we had another church boat with a Russian crew join us to row the canals. Halfway through the morning we mixed the crews up – what an experience. Russian commands, no translation, no caution and no fear. We played chicken with the cruise boats, took corners with little visibility, stopped places we shouldn't have and survived. We came around one corner and turned around to see we were beside the Church of the Spilled Blood – that was a real WOW!!! moment! On returning to the club house we were treated to a Russian BBQ with traditional fare such as borscht served in a 100 year old silver trophy and a traditional wood burning water heater for tea. Our Rowing in Russia was over but our sightseeing continued with Anna for another couple of days, doing a walking tour of St Petersburg with a ride on the Metro, going to Catherine palace, Peterhof, the war graves plus many other interesting experiences. A highlight was dinner at Anna's house – an apartment in one of these dreary apartment blocks. It consisted of 4 rooms (kitchen/living, Mamma and Pappas room, the girls' room and the bathroom). There was Anna, husband, 14, 11 and 2 year old girls. Their whole house would have been about ¼ the size of the TRC gym. 16 of us had dinner in the kitchen that night. They were so happy and excited to cook for us and interact. If your kids want to complain about anything – send them to Russia.

A great experience to add to the wonderful and growing bank of memories.

Aynslie Coit

TOOWONG MOWING CLUB

Well, yes we are still operating!!

We are grass tragics... pretty much all year round the job goes on. The Mowing Club looks after a fair patch of St Lucia and we take a great deal for pride in making it the best in the west.

The area includes the front of our Shed and BBC, the park between the club and the kindergarten and all along the bike tracks. We do get lots of compliments from the locals who are also proud of the success of their rowing club and its presentation in the community.

Thank you to...

Col Brimblecombe, now 82 years young and an absolute wizard with a mower that is self-propelled has gears, a deep throated exhaust, fat tyres and with his own name on it. You are a champ, Col.

Rob Watters, he is the big lifter of the mowing team, keeping the whole place tidy and respectable for the many functions.

Stephan Roseblade, a mowing master-operator who did his 'greens keeping' apprenticeship in England. He has more kit than the Australian Cricket Captain.

Peter Gregg, who keeps these complicated and sophisticated machines in perfect working order and likes to drink the Club beer after the work is done.

Leo Karadimitris, our super Shed Director, is our top boss and a legend to work for!!

This year we lost our only female member Tracey Evans who used all her Mowing Club experience to complete her PhD. She now goes under the title of Dr Grass.

We are always keen for new members so if you remember the 60s, and into beer and grass (clippings!), you're sure to enjoy time with our 'green team'.

Kerry O'Rourke



Our Senior Statesmen





FUNCTION ROOM REPORT

For the first time in the Club's history, the function centre's financials are being presented separately to the Club's financials. This will allow greater transparency for members to ascertain the success of the Function Centre in continuing to provide much needed funds into the TRC coffers.

Income and Expenditure have both continued to rise. This year 2015-2016, the Function Centre made a Net Operating Profit of \$46,032.88. After allowing for depreciation of its assets, its profit was \$39,300.88.

Our biggest expense remains our employment expenses which have increased this year in real terms and also as a percentage of expenses with the full-time employment of Luella Forbes, who is a member of TRC as well.

The function centre has contributed \$20,000 to the Club's investment account during the year and will continue to do this. From its books, the Function Centre also purchased new lounges and new dining chairs.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank my Sub-Committee members for their professional approach in helping me guide the Function Centre down a profitable path – Andrew Tynan, Jim Gibb, Peter Huggett and Kahren Giles. Our budgets and forecasts for the Centre have proven to be very accurate. Thanks must also go to Rob Watters, Carol Watters and Luella Forbes for their tireless efforts.

I don't think the Club as a whole gives enough credit to the fact that our Club is the envy of so many. The gardens are always beautifully presented. Everything is clean and tidy. It is always a pleasure to sit up on the balcony and admire the manicured lawns (thanks to Kerry and his Mowing Club). It is a hidden bonus that having the Function Centre gives us.

We look forward to another successful year ahead. Any member considering a function in the next year, please consider our beautiful venue.

Sue Stephens
(Treasurer & Function Room Sub-Committee Chairman)

This has been a challenging year. The realisation that an extra staff person was necessary to help with the increasing workload enabling us to increase our turnover, also meant we had to ensure the income met the extra wage costs this would incur. It also meant a restructure of staffing management would be required to help cover these costs.

Peter Huggett had been the Bar Manager from the beginning and his diligence and reliability has been invaluable with beverage and wait staff management. He graciously completed his tenure on 31 December and, in the process, passed on his experience to our new full-time employee.

I do thank Peter sincerely for the time, effort, support and loyalty he has given me, the function room and the club over the years.

Luella Forbes started with us on 7th May last year. It has been a huge learning curve for her in function management, venue management, staff management, food management and presentation, and data management. She has taken it on happily and willingly and we have been able to work very well as a team.

This year we have also endeavoured to support our younger club members by offering them an opportunity to gain experience in the hospitality industry that may help them to fill employment gaps in the future.

Members - Mandy Cripps, Ryan Harvey, Brendan Vitelli, Will Starkey, Lachie Cornish and Michael Murphy have all helped at our functions. We regularly get feedback and thanks from clients and guests who go out of their way to complement them on their friendly and efficient service. Thank you to all of you.

Another innovation last year was the taking on of two University Department of Tourism students for 80 hours each in work experience in hospitality. This worked very well for both sides and we look forward to accepting some more students this year.

Again last year we have had several members and friends use our function room and we thank them sincerely for their support.

Taking on an assistant has allowed me more time on marketing. We participated in our first wedding Expo and followed it up with our first open night. A repeat is being considered for this coming year.

We have also increased our networking with Brisbane Chamber of Commerce and Wedding suppliers groups. Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn are also areas I am working on and I ask that members help support us in this area by sharing posts etc with their friends and connections.

The number of functions this year has doubled resulting in greater financial success. This does though have more impact on members, particularly the high performance group who have frequently and graciously turned down their music and kept out of sight when garden weddings and seminars etc are on. This has been an inconvenience for them and I wish to thank them all for their willing co-operation and support.

In winding up I wish to thank the committee for their continued support in this year of change. We look forward to even better outcomes in the future.

Carol Watters

Toowong Rowing Club
Venue Profit & Loss Statement
 April 2015 To March 2016

Income		
Breakfast Saturday Income	\$15,500.11	
Hire of Venue	\$86,344.47	
Hire of Kitchen	\$631.82	
Hire Function Room Accessories	\$3,051.98	
Garden Wedding Set-up	\$12,072.72	
Catering Income	\$9,446.36	
Bar Takings	\$120,947.52	
Additional Function Income	\$21,750.00	
Total Venue Income	\$269,744.98	
Expenses		
Admin & bookkeeping	\$10,735.48	
Advertising	\$2,368.24	
Bank Charges Acc	\$480.75	
Breakfast Saturday Expenses	\$5,087.36	
Additional Function Costs	\$19,147.50	
Caterer's Costs	\$6,601.63	
Clean & Rubbish costs	\$9,723.63	
Clothing Purchases	\$248.40	
Crockery & glassware	\$205.17	
Deprec Equip & Furn	\$516.00	
Drinks Purchases	\$33,329.26	
Drinks Stock Adjustment	\$97.05	
Electricity	\$5,194.98	
Fees/licenses	\$682.41	
Function Purchases	\$5,112.11	
Gas	\$498.59	
Hire Costs Functions	\$4,231.20	
Mobile Telephone	\$1,073.68	
Printing & stationery	\$193.42	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$5,078.88	
Security	\$1,109.23	
Staff Training	\$56.37	
Staff Expenses		
Bar Manager - P Huggett	\$4,750.00	
Assistant - RW	\$9,925.00	
Manager - CW	\$38,366.50	
Assistant Salary - LF	\$47,983.27	
Superannuation Expense	\$4,558.43	
Superannuation Expense CW	\$3,644.82	
Superannuation Expense RW	\$1,204.14	
Workcover	\$1,226.95	
Total Staff Expenses	\$111,659.11	
Minor Equipment	\$281.65	
Total Venue Expenses	\$223,712.10	
Venue Operating Profit	\$46,032.88	
Other Expenses		
Depreciation Assets	\$6,732.00	
Venue Net Profit	\$39,300.88	

Toowong Rowing Club
Club Income & Expenditure Statement
 April 2015 To March 2016

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An Incorporated Association ABN 24 252 181 434

Jason O'Connor B.Com CPA
PO Box 5480
BRENDALE DC QLD 4500

Dear Jason

Re: Representation Letter on behalf of the Committee of Members

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial report of the **Toowong Rowing Club Incorporated** for the year ended **31 March 2016**, for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the financial report is, in all material respects, presented truly and fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the Associations Incorporations Act 1981 and the Incorporated rules of incorporation.

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following representations made to you during our audit.

We acknowledge our responsibility for ensuring that the financial report is in accordance with the Accounting Standards, the Associations Incorporation Act 1981, the Associations Incorporation Regulations 1999 and the constitution and confirm that the financial report is free of material misstatements, including omissions.

We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control to prevent fraud and have disclosed the results of management's assessment of the risk that the financial report may be materially misstated as a result of fraud. We advised that we have no knowledge of any fraud or suspected fraud affecting the association involving management, employees or volunteers or the communication thereof.

General

- All financial records and related data have been made available for inspection. All material transactions have been properly recorded in the accounting records underlying the financial report. An accurate and complete list of members has been provided.
- There have been no irregularities involving any member of management or other members of the Association that could have a material effect on the financial statements.
- There have been no:
 - violations or possible violations of law or regulations, the effects of which should be considered for disclosure in the financial statements or as a basis for recording a contingent loss; or
 - communications from regulatory authorities concerning non-compliance with, or deficiencies in, financial reporting practices.

Assets

- Adequate provision has been made for allowances which may be given and for losses which may be sustained in connection with the collection of accounts receivable and non-trade receivables. There were no deficiencies or encumbrances attaching to the title of the Association's assets at reporting date other than those reflected in the financial statements.
- There are no agreements to repurchase assets previously recorded in the accounting records as sold.
- Adequate provision has been made in the financial report for any permanent diminution in the value to the Association of any non-current assets.

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Liabilities

- All liabilities which have arisen or which will arise out of the activities of the Association to the end of the financial year have been included in the financial report.
- There were no contractual commitments for capital expenditure at reporting date not included in the financial report or the notes thereto.
- There were no contingent liabilities, including guarantees, at reporting date which are not disclosed in the financial report or the notes thereto.

Other

- No events have occurred subsequent to reporting date which would require adjustment to or disclosure in the financial report.
- The Association has no plans or intentions that may materially affect the book value or classification of assets and liabilities at reporting date.
- All details concerning related party transactions and related amounts receivable or payable (including purchases, loans and guarantees) have been correctly recorded in the accounting records and have been properly disclosed in the Association's financial report or the notes thereto, either where required by statute or where such disclosure is necessary for the fair presentation of the Association's financial report.
- Other than as detailed in the Association's financial report, the Association is not aware of any breach or non-compliance with the terms of any contractual arrangements, however caused, which could initiate claims on the Association which would have an effect on the Association's financial report.
- The Association has an established procedure whereby the adequacy of insurance cover on all assets and insurable risks is reviewed. This review has been performed, and where it is considered appropriate, assets and insurable risks of the Association are adequately covered by insurance.
- The minutes of committee meetings made available to you are a complete and authentic record of all meetings since 1st May 2013 to the date of this letter. All statutory records were properly kept during the period.
- Records maintained during the period were in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 and the Associations Incorporation Regulations 1999.
- We have responded fully to all inquiries made to us during the course of your examination. Nothing has come to our attention that would indicate that the financial report is inaccurate, incomplete or otherwise misleading.
- We understand that the following statutory duties may apply to the management committee:**
 - If a subcontractor does not present us with a valid tax invoice or a "statement by a supplier" we are required to withhold 49% of the payment and remit it to the Australian Taxation Office. <https://www.ato.gov.au/Forms/Statement-by-a-supplier-not-quoting-an-ABN/>
 - Under the Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 2003, we may be required to obtain a workers compensation insurance for subcontractors. <https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/insurance/which-insurance-product-is-right-for-you/accident-insurance/who-should-i-cover/>
 - We may be required to pay superannuation on payments to subcontractors where the amount is greater than \$450 per month. <https://www.ato.gov.au/Business/Employee-or-contractor/Your-obligations/Your-tax-and-super-obligations-for-contractors/>
 - Management Committee members may become personally liable for unpaid withholding taxes and unpaid superannuation under the Taxation Administration Act 1953. <https://www.ato.gov.au/General/Managing-your-tax-debt/What-if-you-can-t-pay-your-tax-/Stronger-measures/Director-penalty-notice/>

Yours faithfully
Toowong Rowing Club Incorporated


Chairperson

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2016.


Treasurer

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FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

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AUDITOR:
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TOOWONG ROWING CLUB INCORPORATED

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Boat storage fees	9,545.48	12,036.42
Catering and functions	188,102.90	157,613.31
Donations received	1,887.00	2,390.31
Grants received	-	10,000.00
Interest received	858.84	1,718.69
Learn to row program	8,937.42	4,545.90
Membership subscriptions	130,186.08	119,453.41
Registrations	13,325.99	9,846.36
Sponsorship	-	3,000.00
Sundry income	34,700.40	11,666.47
Venue hire	90,028.27	65,476.36
Total Income	477,572.38	397,747.23
EXPENDITURE		
Audit fees	1,600.00	1,600.00
Catering and function costs	79,925.83	74,973.76
Coaching expenses	12,759.60	-
Depreciation expense	38,804.79	38,060.36
Fees and permits	1,824.21	2,259.59
Insurance	35,231.85	54,583.62
Printing, postage and stationery	2,150.69	2,245.27
Rates, water, gas and electricity	19,771.88	12,449.08
Repairs and maintenance	65,607.40	88,690.20
Security	1,524.60	2,412.53
Subcontractors	140,914.15	92,764.79
Sundry expenses	19,586.41	3,798.78
Supplies - fuel and oils	3,285.32	3,809.24
Telephone	2,004.39	1,926.71
Total Expenditure	424,991.12	379,573.93
Surplus before income tax expense and depreciation	52,581.26	18,173.30
Less income tax expense	-	-
Surplus after income tax expense and depreciation for the year attributable to the members	52,581.26	18,173.30
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the members	52,581.26	18,173.30

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2016

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash on hand	1,181.17	1,280.89
Cash at bank	72,567.46	10,589.09
Cash on deposit	101,509.10	90,177.44
Accounts receivables	24,001.66	9,921.61
Other debtors	3,358.55	677.67
Stock on hand	3,819.84	3,916.89
Total Current Assets	206,437.78	116,563.59
NON CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	3	509,100.28
Total Non-Current Assets	509,100.28	520,429.67
TOTAL ASSETS	715,538.06	636,993.26
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payables	50,058.31	16,422.99
Credit cards	577.50	2,429.84
Deposits held	7,000.00	17,235.00
GST payable	8,685.49	4,370.79
Other payables	4,211.28	4,110.42
Total Non-Current Liabilities	70,532.58	44,569.04
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Total Non-Current Liabilities	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	70,532.58	44,569.04
NET ASSETS	645,005.48	592,424.22
EQUITY		
Accumulated surplus	645,005.48	592,424.22
Total Equity	645,005.48	592,424.22

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

	Accumulated Surplus	TOTAL
	\$	\$
Opening balance 1 April 2014	574,250.92	574,250.92
Plus surplus attributable to members	18,173.30	18,173.30
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-
Closing Balance 31 March 2015	592,424.22	592,424.22
Opening balance 1 April 2015	592,424.22	592,424.22
Plus surplus attributable to members	52,581.26	52,581.26
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-
Closing Balance 31 March 2016	645,005.48	645,005.48

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from customers	459,952.61	391,597.87
Payments to suppliers and employees	(358,273.40)	(363,980.68)
Interest received	858.84	1,718.69
Interest charges	-	-
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	102,538.05	29,335.88
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of assets	-	-
Payment for assets	(27,475.40)	(67,063.59)
Net Cash Used In Investing Activities	(27,475.40)	(67,063.59)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
Repayment of borrowings	-	-
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Financing Activities	-	-
Net Increase in Cash Held	75,062.65	(37,727.71)
Cash at the beginning of the year	99,617.58	137,345.29
Cash at the end of the year	174,680.23	99,617.58

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Cash at bank	72,567.46	10,589.09
Cash on deposit	101,509.10	90,177.44
Accounts receivables	24,001.66	9,921.61
Other debtors	3,358.55	677.67
Stock on hand	3,819.84	3,916.89
Total Current Assets	206,437.78	116,563.59
NON CURRENT ASSETS		
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Total Non-Current Assets	509,100.28	520,429.67
TOTAL ASSETS	715,538.06	636,993.26
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payables	50,058.31	16,422.99
Credit cards	577.50	2,429.84
Deposits held	7,000.00	17,235.00
GST payable	8,685.49	4,370.79
Other payables	4,211.28	4,110.42
Total Non-Current Liabilities	70,532.58	44,569.04
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NET ASSETS	645,005.48	592,424.22
EQUITY		
Accumulated surplus	645,005.48	592,424.22
Total Equity	645,005.48	592,424.22

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

NOTE 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

New, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The incorporated association has adopted all of the new, revised or amending Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

The incorporated association has early adopted AASB 1053 'Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards' and AASB 2010-2 'Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements'. No other new, revised or amending Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have been early adopted.

Any significant impact on the accounting policies of the incorporated association from the adoption of these Accounting Standards and Interpretations are disclosed in the relevant accounting policy. The adoption of these Accounting Standards and Interpretations did not have any significant impact on the financial performance or position of the incorporated association.

The following Accounting Standards and Interpretations are most relevant to the incorporated association:

AASB 1053 Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards

The incorporated association has early adopted AASB 1053 from 1 May 2013. This standard establishes a differential financial reporting framework consisting of two Tiers of reporting requirements for preparing general purpose financial statements, being Tier 1 Australian Accounting Standards and Tier 2 Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements. The incorporated association being classed as Tier 2 continues to apply the full recognition and measurement requirements of Australian Accounting Standards with substantially reduced disclosure in accordance with AASB 2010-2.

AASB 2010-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements

The incorporated association has early adopted AASB 2010-2 from 1 May 2013. These amendments make numerous modifications to a range of Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, to introduce reduced disclosure requirements to the pronouncements for application by certain types of entities in preparing general purpose financial statements. The adoption of these amendments has significantly reduced the incorporated association's disclosure requirements.

Basis of preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB'), Queensland legislation the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 and associated regulations, as appropriate for not-for-profit oriented entities. These financial statements do not comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ('IASB').

Historical cost convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the incorporated association's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 2.

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NOTE 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefit will flow to the incorporated association and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Donations
Donations are recognised at the time the pledge is made.

Grants

Grants are recognised at their fair value where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attached conditions will be complied with.

Interest

Interest revenue is recognised as interest accrues using the effective interest method. This is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and allocating the interest income over the relevant period using the effective interest rate, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

Other revenue

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

Income tax

As the incorporated association is a charitable institution in terms of subsection 50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997, as amended, it is exempt from paying income tax.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Trade and other receivables

Other receivables are recognised at amortised cost, less any provision for impairment.

Property, plant and equipment

Plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis to write off the net cost of each item of property, plant and equipment (excluding land) over their expected useful lives as follows:

Fixtures and fittings	5% to 10%	Prime Cost
Plant and equipment	5%	Prime Cost

The residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when there is no future economic benefit to the incorporated association. Gains and losses between the carrying amount and the disposal proceeds are taken to profit or loss.

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NOTE 1: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impairment of non-financial assets

Non-financial assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount.

Recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use. The value-in-use is the present value of the estimated future cash flows relating to the asset using a pre-tax discount rate specific to the asset or cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Assets that do not have independent cash flows are grouped together to form a cash-generating unit.

Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the incorporated association prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. Due to their short-term nature they are measured at amortised cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

Goods and Services Tax (GST) and other similar taxes

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the tax authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of the acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority is included in other receivables or other payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the tax authority, are presented as operating cash flows.

Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority.

NOTE 2: CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS, ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, contingent liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management bases its judgements, estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on other various factors, including expectations of future events, management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. The resulting accounting judgements and estimates will seldom equal the related actual results. The judgements, estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

Estimation of useful lives of assets

The incorporated association determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment and finite life intangible assets. The useful lives could change significantly as a result of technical innovations or some other event. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, or technically obsolete or non-strategic assets that have been abandoned or sold will be written off or written down.

Impairment of non-financial assets other than goodwill and other indefinite life intangible assets

The incorporated association assesses impairment of non-financial assets other than goodwill and other indefinite life intangible assets at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the incorporated association and to the particular asset that may lead to impairment. If an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. This involves fair value less costs to sell or value-in-use calculations, which incorporate a number of key estimates and assumptions.

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NOTE 3: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Plant and Equipment:

Plant and equipment at cost	580,794.04	554,839.13
less accumulated depreciation	(175,159.31)	(143,140.80)
	405,634.73	411,698.33
Furnishing and fittings at cost	128,921.61	127,401.12
less accumulated depreciation	(25,456.06)	(18,669.78)
	103,465.55	108,731.34
Total Plant and Equipment	509,100.28	520,429.67

NOTE 4: CASH FLOW INFORMATION

a. reconciliation of cash flows from surplus

Surplus attributable to members	52,581.26	18,173.30
Non Cash flows	38,804.79	38,060.36
Depreciation		
Changes in assets and liabilities	(14,080.05)	5,807.03
(Increase) / decrease in accounts receivables	(2,680.88)	(237.70)
(Increase) / decrease in other receivables	97.05	(207.93)
Increase / (decrease) in stock on hand	33,635.32	(30,660.16)
Increase / (decrease) in trade and other payables	(10,235.00)	12,235.00
Increase / (decrease) in deposits held	4,314.70	(5,430.79)
Increase / (decrease) in GST payable	100.86	1,596.77
Increase / (decrease) in other payables	-	(10,000.00)
Increase / (decrease) in unexpended grants	102,538.05	29,335.88

b. reconciling of cash

Cash on hand	1,181.17	1,280.89
Cash at bank	72,567.46	10,589.09
Cash on deposit	101,509.10	90,177.44
Less credit cards	(577.50)	(2,429.84)
	174,680.23	99,617.58

NOTE 5: ACCUMULATED SURPLUS

Opening balance	592,424.22	574,250.92
Plus Surplus attributable to the members	52,581.26	18,173.30
Closing Balance	645,005.48	592,424.22

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NOTE 6: EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There are no other matters or circumstances that have arisen since 31 March 2016 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the incorporated association's operations, the results of those operations, or the incorporated association's state of affairs in future financial years.

NOTE 7: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Market risk

Interest rate risk

The incorporated association is not exposed to any significant interest rate risk.

NOTE 8: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The incorporated association had no contingent liabilities as at 31 March 2016 and 31 March 2015.

NOTE 9: COMMITMENTS

The incorporated association had no commitments for expenditure as at 31 March 2016 and 31 March 2015.

NOTE 10: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Key management personnel – Committee Members
There were no remuneration paid to any Committee Member for positions held, all Committee Members hold an honorary position.

Transactions with related parties

There were no transactions with related parties during the current and previous financial year.

Receivable from and payable to related parties

There were no trade receivables from or trade payables to related parties at the current and previous reporting date.

Loans to/from related parties

There were no loans to or from related parties at the current and previous reporting date.

NOTE 11: COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The comparative figures have been re-instated to comply with the change in the conceptual framework from a special purpose conceptual framework to the Reduced Disclosure Regime conceptual framework.

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

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In the members of the committee opinion:

- the attached financial statements and notes thereto comply with the Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Regime;
- the attached financial statements and notes thereto give a true and fair view of the incorporated association's financial position as at 31 March 2016 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the incorporated association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

On behalf of the management committee

Chairperson

Treasurer

Dated this 7th day of July 2016.

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the members of Toowong Rowing Club Incorporated

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of **Toowong Rowing Club Incorporated** (the association) which comprises the statement of financial position as at **31 March 2016** and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement by members of the committee.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 Queensland. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Auditor's Opinion

The financial report of **Toowong Rowing Club Incorporated** is in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 Queensland including:

1. Giving a fair view of the Association's financial position as at **31 March 2016** and of its performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
2. Complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) – Reduced Disclosure Regime and the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland 1981.


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