



Toowong Rowing Club

Annual Report and Balance Sheet 2020
incorporating the Toowong Rowing Club Magazine

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
3pm Saturday 22 August 2020

TRC Function Centre
Keith Street St Lucia

Meeting Agenda

Welcome and Introductions

Apologies

Acceptance of minutes of the previous
Annual General Meeting

Receiving of the Management Committee's Report

Receiving of the Financial Statements

Receiving of the Auditor's Report

Proposed resolutions to General Business from Members
(Resolutions to Matters submitted to the meeting
with notice prior to the meeting.)

a. Retirement of all Management Committee members
and other Office Bearers for 2020.

b. Election and Introduction of Management Committee members
and other Office Bearers for 2021.

Appointment of the Auditor for the 2020/2021 financial year

Meeting close

Minutes of Annual General Meeting Saturday 17 August 2019

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Meeting commenced at 3pm

Welcome and Introductions

Chairman Peter Schryver declared the meeting open at 3:05pm. He welcomed Members, Honorary Life Members and guests and discussed the meeting protocol.

Apologies:

Carol Sansoni	Doug Buchback	Noela Zuk	Jack Price
Annette De Waal	Lyn Brown	Brendan Capper	Peter Hicks **
Leo Kardimitris	Chris Bell	Katherine Howden	Steve Hinchy **

Attendees:

Lachlan Acworth	Jenny Conn	Andrew Gerber	Miles Matheson	Joshua Rogers
Humphrey Adrian	Terence Connolly	Jim Gibb	Andrew McLean Williams	Harry Routh
Elliott Apel	Max Crowe	Peter Gregg	Stephan McRae	Wade Ruffin
Ryan Barber	Saoirse Cruikshank	Robert Gunningham	Alex Milanovic	Peter Schryver
Karen Bellingham	Annette De Waal	Robyn Herries	Deborah Monks	Andrew Sharp
Trevor Bettenay	Austin Dipple	Dean Horder	Anthony Moynihan	Susan Sharp
John Bliss	Alex Douglas	Peter Huggett	Terry Mulligan	Jessica Sharp
Julie Bourne	Karen Douglas	Tom Jack	Elizabeth Musgrave	Lucy Theodore
Heather-Ann Briker-Bell	Keiran Dwyer	Peter Jell	Katrina Nugent	Daniel Thomas
Jeremy Brookes	Joe Edgecombe	Gavin Keily	Philip O'Dwyer	Shane Thomsen
Wil Browning	Angelina Ellis	Russell Kerrison	Kerry O'Rourke	Andrew Tynan
Tim Bugg	Janelle Filkin	Jack Kibble	Peter Park	John Varendorff
Mitch Carr	Luella Forbes	Geoffrey Lawrence	Ian Perkins	John Walker
Patricia Carter	Scott Foxtan	Peter Logan	Paul Pettigrew	Nick Wallrock
Laura Chancellor	David Frost	Chris Lyndon	Matthew Pettigrew	David Walsh
Andrew Clatworthy	Welwyn Gamble	Nathan Magnus	Richard Poiner	Carol Watters
Andrew Clough	Susan Gamble	Calile Malouf	John Price	Penny Weekes
Jenny Coates	Mark Game	Bronwyn Marler	Clare Raven	Craig Whitehill
Aynsle Coit	Chris Gasteen	Harrison Martin	Ian Robson	

Attended by Proxy:

Justin Alfredson	Alan Coulton	Ashleigh Hockings	Michael Murphy	Simon Smart
Tony Baildon	Gabe Cryle	Sabastian Horder	Frances O'Keefe	Nick Stevens
Lachlan Barry	James Fallon	Adrian Howard	Luke Pearson	Paul Taylor
Donald Boshier	Andrew Farr	Katherine Howden	Georgia Petersen	Robert van Mourik
Lynette Brown	Nick Feros	Amy James	Nick Pettigrew	Heather Warren
Douglas Buchback	Isaac Game	Leo Karadimitris	Benjamin Pincus	Thomas Williamson
Max Campbell	Jethro Gifford	Gavin Kirk-Lauritsen	Christian Place	Elizabeth Wilson
David Carter	Roger Gould	Katherine Lambros	Jack Price	
Shelley Clarke	Wendy Grady	Robert Law	Mathew Ready	
Todd Clements	Stephan Green	Michelle Loveday	Leon Roelfes	
Jeff Conn	Jasmine Halley	Gregory Maiden	Tom Ryals	
Mark Connolly	Bill Hatfield	James Manning	Carol Sansoni	

Members present 94
Members attending by proxy 55
TOTAL 149

Acceptance of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2018

The Chairman requested comment prior to acceptance of previous AGM minutes.

Terry Connolly noted that there were 66 members present for the Senior Membership vote (AGM 2018) yet the vote was recorded as and 19 for 64 against which exceeded the number of members present. The Chairman stated that this was due to the acceptance and use of proxy votes.

Russell Kerrison questioned the use of proxy votes which in his view the Club Constitution did not allow. The Chairman advised that the Constitution wording was open to interpretation and advice received was that proxy votes were acceptable.

Kerry O'Rourke noted reference to a meeting that was to be scheduled with Brisbane City Council regarding his proposed development on land adjoining TRC on the western side. He complained that the meeting had not occurred. The Chairman reminded the floor that Kerry O'Rourke and Russel Kerrison had met with committee. Agreement from that meeting was that prior to moving forward with a BCC meeting further detail was required from them. To date those details were not forthcoming.

Motion: That the minutes of the 2018 Toowong Rowing Club AGM be accepted as true and correct.

Moved: Heather-Ann Briker-Bell Seconded: Julie Bourne.

Vote: Approved by a show of hands from majority of Members present.

Receiving of the Management Committee's Report

The Chairman thanked Angelina Ellis and Liz Wilson for their efforts in the preparation of the Toowong Rowing Club Annual Report magazine.

Chairman's Report

Our club is in a healthy state as of today.

- 308 members
- 26% females – down 3%
- 74% males – up 3% due to a small increase in our off-season schoolboy programmes
- 27% are under the age of 18
- 26% are over the age of 60
- average member age is 39 years – down 3% due to off-season school programmes

In any club striking a balance of supporting members of all ages without exclusion is difficult. However, the Committee feels we have a fair and equitable balance of members of all age demographics ensuring the club is vibrant and busy. The fine line of having young rowers have their first club experience with us, versus bolstering the ranks of older athletes into our master's programmes, is one that is difficult to tread. It's clear to see that we are indeed finding a good balance with no reports of any member having difficulty in their ability to access equipment or facilities.

On a competitive level Toowong Rowing Club continues to excel with members achieving the following milestones:

- 3 new Australian athlete representatives
- 1 new Australian coach representative

- 7 new Queensland representatives across the Youth, Interstate and Masters teams
- 3rd place at the 2019 Sydney International Rowing Regatta - same place as 2018
- 1st place at the 2019 Australian Masters Rowing Regatta - improved from 3rd in 2018

I would like to add that the Toowong Rowing Club is the highest placed club (without full time paid coach staff) and above many clubs with full time paid coaches. This is a credit to our volunteer coaches and the structure in place.

Our fleet is key to our success and the envy of many. Strategically the Committee in the last four years have had a plan of maintaining and reducing the average fleet age. As of today, the average is:

- Eights: 11.25 years – no change from last year
- Coxless fours: 9 years – reduced this year by 2.25 years
- Coxed fours: 14 years – no change/Paula Lyndon has had a substantial refurbishment
- Pairs/Doubles: 8.5 years – no change but given the number of hulls in this boat category and the fact that some hulls are over 20 years old indicates our high-end boats are very young

One area of focus in the future is whether the club needs to provide high quality single sculls for our membership. The short-term opinion is that members wanting to row in a high-quality single scull generally provide this equipment to suit their personal preference. However, we acknowledge this investment is not always viable for all members and as such we will be looking at turning over the Carmody single sculls in the next 12 months. We will look at providing club training/racing sculls that are robust enough to last 6 to 8 years in the club environment.

This is the first year of running with our Strategic Plan as voted in by the membership at the 2018 AGM. Post that AGM the Strategic Plan was delivered to key stakeholders including the Brisbane City Council, Queensland Government (Sport & Recreation), Rowing Australia and Rowing Queensland. It has been well received by all parties, feedback was positive on our plan for the future.

The committee continued to deliver on Our Purpose and will continue to deliver the following:

- To provide a home for rowers of all demographics
- To provide for the development of athletes across all levels of competition
- To provide appropriate levels of equipment for training and racing
- To provide a safe environment in which to train and compete
- To provide value to members lives both on and off the water

The Committee committed to reviewing and delivering a new Constitution. I am pleased to say that I have a draft ready for a Motion later in this meeting. I would like to thank Mark Game, amongst others, for assisting in delivering a document which respects the past and embraces the future of our Club. Should the membership adopt this new Constitution it will bring our club into line with current practice and provide a clear and unambiguous rule set for Club governance.

We have finalised the membership handbook and it will be distributed to all members via our website after the approval of the

new committee. Thanks go to Ange Ellis and Noela Zuk for compiling a document that is an easy source of reference for our members.

Our Function Centre that has provided this beautiful room and a space for members is undergoing some change. Club member and Venue Manager Carol Watters has indicated her formal intention to retire from all functions centre activities. As communicated last year the profit from the type of functions we hold has been reducing, an industry trend. Our plan now is to use the Functions Room as a Venue for Hire. Prior to that occurring a business plan needs to be approved to ensure it is complementary to our club. The membership should expect the new Chairperson and Committee to report back on that in due course. I would like the room to formally acknowledge Carol Watters for the amazing job she has done in supporting this venue and in turn our Club since its inception.

The inclusion of the St. Peters Lutheran College program on a trial basis has proved itself to again be complimentary to the Club. Allowing a small school program, without a home of its own, to conduct a boy's program here with us provides income now and potentially into the future. A more formal user agreement is being finalised to ensure that no TRC member is inhibited by the program and also to allow St. Peters some certainty in its program.

The BBC Old Collegiate also joined our Club last year as we had the space and the ability to house them within the TRC family. They view themselves as part of TRC and have proven to be a positive helping hand around club. We have worked with them to ensure they retain their own identity.

The Head of the Brisbane again showed that consistent structure and organisation is the key to a well-managed event. Many thanks to Janelle Filkin and her Sub-Committee for delivering this event for us. The annual profit is increasing as we continually improve the event and the structure behind it.

Managing our relationships with Rowing Queensland and Rowing Australia has been a key area of focus for myself as Chairman. Rowing Queensland's only members are its clubs and as Chairman I have taken the role as your representative seriously with regard to ensuring we receive value from our governing body whilst we also contribute to their organisation. The construction phase of Wyaralong has seen the Rowing Queensland budget under significant pressure. Recently, myself and other Club Presidents convened a meeting of the RQ Board and Executive here at Toowong Rowing Club to seek direction and assurance from RQ that cost recovery of the Wyaralong project will not impact members beyond reasonable expectations. It should be the expectation of our membership that our Chairperson in the future will be in constant contact with the RQ Chairperson to ensure we are part of their solution moving forward.

As part of our support for the National Pathway Program we saw again TRC hosting the Queensland Pathways Camp this year. Young rowers from across the state converged on our club for a training camp prior to attending the Pathways Regatta in Sydney. This is clear evidence of our focus on engaging the broader community in showcasing all that TRC has to offer.

In wrapping up the Chairman's Report, I would like to thank the 2018 / 2019 Committee for their support and their effort over the past twelve months, in particular Jenny Coates, who is standing down from the committee. Finally, we have often been subject to criticism for not being visible enough, around the Club, to the Members. I can only assure the Membership that the club is indeed run well, and

this is due to the enormous effort behind the scenes from the whole committee.

I look forward to serving as Chairperson for the year ahead should the membership see fit.

To the Chairman's report there was an applause from the floor.

Receiving of the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report

The Treasurer referred to the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report as published in the Annual TRC magazine and noted that since they been circulated electronically prior to the AGM, there had been time for Members to fully understand the Club's financial position. Key points mentioned by the Treasurer were:

- Club operation surplus for year was \$23,977 due mainly to improvement in membership income and less capital purchases.
- Function Centre profit was \$39,012 due to income from pre-booked functions and reduced staff as facility moved to a Venue for Hire model.
- Function Room profit is held on deposit to finance future repairs and maintenance.
- Club finances were in reasonable shape to meet the objectives of Strategic Plan 2018-2022.

Stephan McRae asked if the Function Room was shutting down and if so, how would the Club absorb the ongoing loss of approximately \$80,000 annual revenue. Stephan had noted Club revenue of \$100,000 and costs in the P&L of \$28,000. Treasurer Peter Park replied that the Function operation had been virtually shut down since December 2018 and that there had never been an \$80,000 profit. He said that until this year the returns from the function room had only slightly exceeded the construction debt. The Function Room had been paying off debt and operating expenses. The Treasurer said there had not been a significant physical return to the club until recently.

A question was asked about the 45% increase in membership fee income since 2018. Peter Park answered that the 2019 membership income was the highest on record and that 2018 had been below average. He also said that the higher than average income this year was because the BBCOC joined for a half year in 2018 then renewed their memberships as per normal January 2019, thus one and a half memberships per BBCOC in one financial year.

Russell Kerrison noted that the Chairman had said the coaches were honorary but coaching expenses were listed as \$14,000. Treasurer explained that it was usual practice, depending on Club finances, that coaches were given an honorarium assessed against input. Junior coaches were paid expenses for out of State travel.

To reply to another question on the subject of coaching the Treasurer stated that Senior coaches received approximately \$4,000, and Junior Coaches approximately \$2,000 plus expenses (five coaches in total.) He noted there were several subsidiary coaches who were honorary.

The Treasurer was asked if St. Peters fees were listed as part of total membership fees to which he answered in the affirmative.

The Treasurer restated that the Auditors report as presented in the TRC Magazine was clear with no conditions or comments, in the format required for compliance, and that unless there were

questions specific to the report, he would move a Motion for it to be accepted.

Motion: The Auditors Report of the clubs Accounts 2018 – 2019 be accepted.

Moved: Andrew McLean Williams Seconded: Andy Clatworthy

Vote: Approved by a show of hands from the majority of the members present

Russell Kerrison and Peter Gregg congratulated Peter Park on his work. There was applause from the floor.

A motion regarding Membership fees was mentioned by the Treasurer. Stephen McRae asked if a budget existed that would justify the proposed fee levels. Peter Park indicated there was a budget and it balanced against expected income.

Motion: That Toowong Rowing Club membership fees and charges remain unchanged for 2020.

Moved: Andrew McLean Williams Seconded: Andrew Clatworthy.
Votes: Approved by a show of hands from majority of Members present.

Treasurer advised that the changes to banking regulations require a motion confirming the Club's authorised signatories.

Motion: Treasurer's recommendation for four authorised signatories on the TRC bank accounts be accepted. Chairman, Captain, Secretary and Treasurer to be listed as signatories/any two to sign.

Moved: Andrew McLean Williams Seconded: Andrew Clatworthy
Vote: Approved by a show of hands by the majority of Members present

General Business and proposed resolutions to General Business from Members

Constitution Update

The Chairman advised the meeting that a draft had been prepared for review and he would move a Motion to have the new committee review the draft document, incorporate agreed amendments and circulate it to Members for review. This would be followed by a Special General Meeting for final approval. The process should take approximately 3 months.

Peter Huggett asked, and the Chairman confirmed that the draft document could be circulated as hard copy if required. He also mentioned that the new draft was based on the Model Rules as set out by Government and would respect the past and embrace the future. He made mention that TRC had a structure that included a President and Vice Presidents plus a Chairman and Management Committee and that some advice had been to leave this structure out of the document, but it had been retained, to respect the Club's history.

Russell Kerrison asked about the timeline for completion of the process. The Chairman's response is documented in the Motion below.

Kerry O'Rourke questioned the need to review the existing Constitution – he had not heard of the review and thought that this should have been put to the Members. The Chairman replied that the Constitution update was an item identified in the Clubs Strategic Plan that was accepted at the 2018 AGM.

Motion: That the new Committee review the draft Constitution document and within 2 months of this meeting date circulate a draft update along with a plain English comparison document to all the members who would have 6 weeks to review and comment on the document prior to a Special General Meeting, the date of which to be finalised but approximated as mid-December 2019.

Moved: Andrew Clatworthy Seconded: Angelina Ellis

Vote: Approved by a show of hands from the majority of the Members present.

Proxy Voting

All members were handed a document provided by Vice-Presidents Russel Kerrison and Chris Lyndon.

The Chairman explained that the discussion was to be about the use of Proxy Votes. He said Chris Lyndon had provided very good advice to the committee on the subject, but that Committee had also had internal advice from Mark Game, a solicitor. The Chairman said that Mark Game's advice had differed, so he had sought an independent review from a Constitutional Sports Lawyer.

Peter Hugget asked if the legal advice was in writing and if it would be available to members.

The Chairman replied in the affirmative to both questions. He said his instruction to lawyer John Mullins was for an independent and unbiased review and that he trusted Members would allow him to act on the advice given. The Chairman said that the advice was that proxy voting could be used at any TRC meeting - Section 14 of the current Constitution states very clearly that "Where there is an item of conjecture the committee is to manage the club's affairs."

The Chairman handed the floor to Chris Lyndon who made the following points.

- The papers prepared by Russell Kerrison and himself (with input from the President & other vice-presidents) were to provide food for thought particularly in relation to the issue (of proxy voting) today. He wanted to emphasize that it was not a question of all the other matters, the issue had been raised because there had been no consultation with the Membership.
- Following the 1981 Associations Incorporation Act which introduced the Model Rules, the Club Constitution was amended.
- The new Constitution did not adopt the Model Rules but had been prepared in order to bring it into line whilst retaining the essence of the existing Constitution.
- Rules 37 and 40 relating to Proxies were not adopted and were deliberately excluded.
- Voting is consistently described as "by members present"
- The Club is the sum of its members, the club's constitution and its history.

Kieran Dwyer asked Chris Lyndon why the issue saying that proxy voting had been used for several years. Chris Lyndon's replied that he was unaware that had happened.

Chris Lyndon summed up his argument by saying that legal issues aside, committee had reviewed the Constitution and had decided to allow proxy voting. He wanted a copy of the minutes of the Committee Meeting where that decision had been made. He said his multiple requests to the Chairman & Secretary for the minutes had gone without response.

The Chairman summed up saying that in his opinion the Constitution was being adhered to, there had been legal opinion and the decision made by the Committee was one of inclusion. He said TRC had 300 members 25% of whom could not vote as they are under 18 years of age and there being only 80 odd people in the room, out of the spirit of inclusion, the other 150 plus members absent needed to have a voice. To this there were cheers from the floor.

Kerry O'Rourke mentioned the 100 year plus history of the Constitution and asked for the decision on proxy votes to be put to the Members.

In answer to Chris Lyndon's request for a copy of the Committee's Motion on the subject in discussion, Chairman Peter Schryver stated he believed Committee did need to minute every decision and every action in line with the Constitution. Committee was charged by the Members to manage the affairs of the Club at the last AGM and the Committee's final position is legally, ethically and morally correct as heard by the meetings response to his previous statement. The Chairman welcomed any member unhappy with this decision to forward a complaint to the Office of Fair Trading.

Kieran Dwyer pointed out the hypocrisy of statements from older members as he recalled several incidents at meetings over the decade where the Constitution had not been followed including when a member nominated and elected to a committee position was not present and had not accepted the nomination.

The BBC Old Collegians

Peter Schryver answered a question raised concerning the status in the Club of the BBCOC. He noted that they pay the same club fees as all members but that their RQ Insurance is lodged through BBCOC enabling them to compete in their own colours. He said also that our BBCOC members had at times transferred to TRC to compete with TRC at national events. He believes we have a good relationship with good people who deserve the opportunity to join our Club, a statement which was greeted by applause from the floor.

Retirement of all Management Committee members and other Office Bearers 2020

Prior to standing down Peter Schryver asked John Bliss, candidate for the Chair, to speak. In doing so he noted that John was a well-respected, effective and long-term member of our Club.

In John's address he noted as follows:

- He wanted to ask the membership to vote for him as Chairman of the Club and had some ideas that he would like to share on the year ahead. He said if the membership agreed to vote for him and he would work with new committee to make them happen.
- He would make it a priority that our club to be more inclusive and stated that the wide range of membership groups could all know more about issues that concern them and about the decisions that Committee make on their behalf. He said there would be monthly updates inclusive of input from members. He would meet with the Vice-Presidents to seek their advice on a regular basis ensuring his committee stayed true to TRC traditions and that his new committee could take a fresh look at how to run the club.
- He believes good financial management is important. He has over the short and long term been involved in fundraising activities including the HOTB, Learn to Row, raffles and others.

He said that although these were needed, proper investigation of sound long-term funding initiatives would strengthen the club for the future. Another need he said was to re-connect with the Club's past members to keep them interested and involved.

- He summed up saying there was a lot to do but there were many members with experience and skills willing to help him. John said that TRC had 130 years of proud tradition and should continue to build on that success.
- John thanked everyone and asked for their vote so that work to make things happen could begin. He received an applause.

Chairman brought the meetings attention to the fact that there is only one person nominated for the 2 vice-captain positions and 5 people nominated for the 4 committee positions – approval was sought from the members present to allow the committee to appoint one of the 5 committee nominations as the second vice-captain and motion (below) was proposed.

Motion: The five nominees for committee would be elected to the four committee positions available and one vice-captain would be selected from those five at the next full committee meeting.

Moved: Peter Schryver Seconded: Peter Park

Vote: Approved by a show of hands by the majority of the Members present

The Chairman advised that with the meeting's approval of the above-mentioned motion there was only the Chairman's position requiring a vote.

Voting Commenced

Returning officers and scrutineers appointed: Paul Pettigrew/Tony Moynihan/Peter Park

The 2018–19 committee stood aside.

President Kerry O'Rourke, as invited, addressed the meeting.

Kerry spoke of the recent passing of the long serving club member Frank Moss and his commitment to the club since 1956. Frank's family had made a donation of \$3,000. The cheque was to cover the cost of a memorial lunch and the remainder to be put towards a project for the benefit of TRC. Kerry and Russell Kerrison would like the money to go to another trophy cabinet in the hallway, subject to Committee approval.

Peter Schryver apologised; he had neglected to invite Russell Kerrison to address the meeting regarding the document produced with and previously addressed by Chris Lyndon.

Russell Kerrison reiterated some of the points mentioned by Chris Lyndon. He discussed Section 14 of the Constitution and said that he did not agree with Committee's interpretation that they 'shall have the authority to interpret the meaning of these rules and any matters relating to the association on which the rules are silent'. He also said the rules were silent and the words "proxy voting" were not mentioned anywhere. He noted that clause 24 mentioned amongst other things 'members being present' and a member only being able to 'vote in person'. Russell questioned how those words could co-exist with the words 'proxy voting' saying that if the member had to attend in person, a proxy vote would not be required. He believed that normal interpretation of those rules would make it clear that proxy votes were excluded in the Club's Constitution.

Russell said he did not believe that Proxy Votes should not be allowed, saying it would be very simple to include proxy voting with the will of the members. He advised also that he is in favour of the further review of the Constitution there being several items in the Constitution that needed updating.

Committee member Mark Game addressed the issues identified by Russell Kerrison saying that as confirmed by independent legal advice there was uncertainty or ambiguity in Section 24 of the Constitution. He said it used words which were interchangeable and as a result opened the door for interpretation which the committee had done, based on law. He said the Committee looked at the Association and Incorporation Act and section 47 allowed that matters which were silent in the Constitution be let into the constitution, that allows for model 40 to apply. He said that was how it worked and that was the position the committee had taken based on its entitlement under the provisions of section 14 of the Constitution which stated that the management committee has to make a decision.

Mark addressed an issue previously raised by Chris Lyndon regarding the power and authority of the Management Committee. He said that if every time the Management Committee made a decision with its power it had to go back to the Membership, nothing would get done. He re-stated that Committee had acted properly and fairly and had tried to be inclusive. He said there were a number of athletes away representing our Club and our Country who could not be excluded. Mark Game stated that it was time to bring the Club into the 21st century and the Constitution, which Committee says has not been interpreted properly for some time, has been corrected here. Applause from the floor.

Election Result confirmed by Returning officer Paul Pettigrew:

Management Committee for 2019 – 20

Chairman: Peter Schryver (Secret ballot/149 Ballots)

Captain: Paul Pettigrew

Vice Captain: Angelina Ellis

Secretary: Katherine Howden.

Treasurer: Peter Park.

Committee: Leo Karadimitris/Mark Game/Paul Taylor
Deborah Monks/David Carter

Re-elected Chairman Peter Schryver mentioned Kathy Howden who had been re-elected as Secretary and who was not been able to attend today. He asked that it be in the minutes that Kathy had been exceptional to work with, hardworking, diligent and thorough along with Paul Pettigrew, Ange Ellis and other members of the committee.

President, Patron & Vice-Presidents

Patron: Jack Hutchinson.

President: Kerry O'Rourke

Vice-Presidents: Lyn Brown, Marion Elliot, Tom Jack, Peter Huggett, Russell Kerrison, John Varendorf, Terry Mulligan, Chris Lyndon, Doug Buchback, Andy Tynan, Shane Thomson, Peter Gregg

Motion: That the nominated Patron, President and Vice-Presidents be accepted by the Membership.

Moved: Terry Mulligan Secoded: Heather-Ann Briker-Bell

Vote: Approved by a show of hands of the majority of Members present

Questions without notice from the floor

Peter Gregg asked if the draft amendment of the Constitution would address Proxy Voting. Confirmed in the affirmative by Chairman.

Chris Lyndon advised the meeting of the process to secure copies of Committee Meeting minutes – request to be made to the Secretary for an email copy.

Club Magazine – An electronic copy of the 2019 magazine is posted on the Club website. The magazine is expensive to produce. Chairman requested feedback from members on whether Committee continue with the printed issue or have only the electronic copy available.

Appointment of Auditor

Treasurer Peter Park recommended the continuing appointment of Jason O'Connor for the 2019 – 20 Club account Audit.

Motion: Treasurer's recommendation be accepted, Jason O'Connor be appointed as Auditor for 2019 – 20.

Moved: Russel Kerrison Secoded: Angelina Ellis

Vote: Approved by a show of hands of the majority of the Members present

In thanking John Bliss for nominating for the position of Chairman, Peter Schryver said he hoped to be able to work with him to ensure John's ideas, passion and knowledge did not go unheard.

Russel Kerrison noted that the Chairman's Report was more detailed than the report in the magazine. Since it had been delivered from a written report, he requested a copy. Peter Schryver explained that his report was written when he believed he would be unable to attend the AGM on its original date. He said he would make the report available and publish it on the website as requested by Chris Lyndon.

Meeting closed at 4.40pm

FINANCIAL MEMBERS 2020

Adness, Elizabeth
Anderson, Daniella
Apel, Elliott
Aquiue, Agustin
Babkov, Anton
Barber, Ryan
Bartley, Paul
Bell, Dominic
Bellingham, Karen
Bennett, Bruce
Beresford, Grant
Bettenay, Trevor
Bilston, Jenna
Bliss, John
Booker, Fin
Bourne, Julie
Bowes, John
Bowser, Jack
Bridge, Mitchell
Briker-Bell, Heather-Ann
Bristow, Steven
Brookes, Jeremy
Brown, Emma
Brown, Rick
Browne, Andrew
Browning, Wil
Bugg, Tim
Burr, Brad
Capper, Brenden
Carr, Mitch
Carter, David
Case, Norman
Chancellor, Laura
Clarke, Shelley
Clarke, Thomas
Clatworthy, Andrew
Coit, Aynslie
Cole, Harrison
Colquhoun, Matthew
Conn, Jeff
Conn, Jenny
Connolly, Mark
Cooney, Hamish
Coulton, Alan
Crawford, John
Crowe, Maximilian
Cruikshank, Saoirse
Cryle, Gabe
Damant, Felix
De Leacy, Megan
De Waal, Annette
De Bruyne, Yannick
Dipple, Austin
Doneley, Tyson
Douglas, Alex
Douglas, Karen
Douglas, Katelin
Dwyer, Keiran
Elliott, Marion
Ellis, Angelina
Evans, Tracey
Farr, Andrew

Filkin, Janelle
Forbes, Alexander
Forbes, Luella
Forrester, Christian
Frost, David
Gabrielli, Brian
Gamble, Susan
Gamble, Welwyn
Game, Mark
Gardener, Angus
Gasteen, Chris
Gerber, Andrew
Gerber, Sophie
Gerber, Stephanie
Gibb, Jim
Gifford, Jethro
Gould, Roger
Grabski, Samuel
Grady, Wendy
Gregg, Peter
Grizard, Flynn
Gunningham, Richard
Gunningham, Robert
Haley, Jace
Hamilton, Bobby
Hammer, Stephen
Harrod, Douglas
Hart, Michael
Hazell, Angus
Herries, Robyn
Hockings, Ashleigh
Hodgson, Judith
Hope, Lucy
Horder, Dean
Howard, Adrian
Howden, Katherine
Hurn, Timothy
Jell, Peter
Johnson, Toni
Jones, Riley
Jovanovic, Jovan
Karadimitris, Leo
Keily, Gavin
Kelly, Julie-Ann
Kennedy, Alex
Kennedy, Steve
Kibble, Jack
Kim, Seo-Jun Jun
Kirk-Lauritsen, Gavin
Koshti, Aditya
Lambros, Katherine
Law, Robert
Lawrence, Geoffrey
Logan, Peter
MacGregor, Peter
Mackie, Ian
Macsporrán, Alan
Maiden, Gregory
Manning, James
Marler, Bronwyn
Martin, Harry
Matheson, Miles

McBurnie, Angus
McCracken, Callum
McDonnell, Tim
McIntyre, Oscar
McIvor, Zander
Mckenzie, Ella
McLean Williams, Andrew
McPhie, Archie
McRae, Stephan
McStea, Connor
Milanovic, Alex
Monks, Deborah
Morgan, Ryan
Moynihan, Tony
Murphy, Michael
Musgrave, Elizabeth
Nielsen, Oscar
Nugent, Katrina
O'Keeffe, Frances
O'Dwyer, Philip
Park, Peter
Parker, Kylie
Parry, Hamish
Petersen, Georgia
Pettigrew, Matthew
Pettigrew, Nick
Pettigrew, Paul
Pham, Alexander
Pincus, Benjamin
Place, Christian
Place, Joshua
Plume, Katherine
Poiner, Richard
Pokorny, Ethan
Price, Jack
Price, John
Quinn, David
Raven, Clare
Ready, Mathew
Reece, David
Ridgway, Sadie
Ringwood, Andrew
Robb, Amanda
Robinson, Sarah
Robson, Ian
Ross, Reece
Routh, Harry
Ryals, Tom
Sansoni, Carol
Schryver, Peter
Sekulovski, Adam
Sharp, Andrew
Sharp, Jessica
Sharp, Susan
Sheppard, Blake
Shields, Kaitlyn
Smith, Cameron
Smith, Rebecca
Stevens, Nick
Stevens, Stuart
Taylor, Paul
Theodore, Lucy

Thompson, James
Thomson, Christopher
Thygensen, Mark
Toovey, Lachlan
Tsien, Imogen
Tully, Sophia
Tynan, Andrew
Udd, Jack
Underhill, Asha
van Duyn, Ian
van Mourik, Robert
Wallrock, Nick
Warren, Heather
Watters, Carol
Westenmyer, Josh
Whitehill, Craig
Williams, Ryan
Williamson, Thomas
Wilson, Elizabeth
Witham, Roger
Zerner, Margaret
Zuk, Noela

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Donald Boshier (2005)
Wendy Cavell (2014)
Alex Hartley (1999)
Peter Huggett (2004)
John (Jack) Hutchinson (1990)
Haimish Karrasch (1997)
Russell Kerrison (2009)
Christopher Lyndon (1999)
Ron Mahony (2004)
Calile Malouf (1976)
Terry Mulligan (1979)
Robert (Red) McNeil (2016)
David Orchert (1989)
Kerry O'Rourke (2008)
Darryn Purcell (2016)
Michael Toon (2005)
John Varendorff (2007)

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS (Deceased)

Joe Avery
Jim Cameron
Bill Doherty
Bill Dowd
Jim Dowrie
Cecil Grimley
Charlie Horn
Tom Jack
Les Keefer
Dave Magoffin
John Mayne
Alec McVinish
Frank Moss
Phil Millingen
Jim Nunan
Ron Ormand,

George Osbaldiston
J.Peacock
Alex Petrie
Jack Pritchard
Bill Strickland

FINANCIAL LIFE MEMBERS

Robert Armstrong
Christopher Bell
Lynette Brown
Douglas Buchbach
Robert Carroll
Patricia Carter
Charles Clarke
Peter Croagh
Martin Doyle
William Foley
Rupert Graff
Stephen Green
Peter Griffiths
Alex Hartley
Richard Holt
John (Jack) Hutchinson
Kenneth Hutchinson
Dan Kelleher
Chris Lyndon
Nathan Magnus
Richard Magnus
Calile Malouf
Peter Martin
Terry Mulligan
Kerry O'Rourke
Hugh Patterson
Silvio Praedella
Fred Scheffler
Shane Thomson
Paul Turner
John Varendorff



Mitchell Anderson



Chairman's Report

It is my pleasure to be able to present to you on behalf of the committee of management the 2019-2020 Toowong Rowing Club Annual Report.

As I write this report our club is currently operating in limited operations due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The closed to all operations on March 23rd, 2020 in line with health directives from State and National Health Authorities.

In our clubs 131-year history there has only been a handful of moments where the club has been closed for any period of time. The most recent being the 2011 floods that impacted the region.

At one of the last High-Performance sessions prior to closing news came to hand that the Australian Rowing Championships had been cancelled. Addressing their squad faced with the news, Coach Keiran Dwyer spoke with the squad and delivered what I feel encompassed our clubs philosophy during this profound period of world history.

“What you do here today and how you handle this disappointment will build and show your resilience”

With that our HP Crews kept training whether it be in isolation, in garages, on bikes, and on ergs. They trained against other clubs and against other states in online events. This was the case across our whole club. Members across all demographics kept in touch, stayed fit, trained differently, met in the online world and showed what the people of our club mean to each other.

During this period, we saw the passing of two long standing and respected members of our club. Tom Jack and Terry Connolly both passed away within days of each other. As a club we have always

banded together and met when faced with the news of a member passing but due to restrictions, we have been unable to facilitate this. Our wonderful group of Vice-Presidents will make sure when the time is right, we can pay our respects to these two amazing Toowong Members.

Prior to our ceasing operations our athletes across all the whole club wearing gearing up for a successful season ahead. The performances seen at the NSW State Champs and other lead up regattas were strong showing that the structure our volunteer coaches manage is right for our club and athletes.

Financially we are still in a sound position given the majority of our membership fees came in prior to the shutdown. Our 2019 Head of the Brisbane event provided us once again a solid income as did the functions centre operating as a venue for hire. Further details on our financial position are detailed in this report. I would like to thank our Treasurer Peter Park for his dedication to the club and acknowledge the great work he has done as treasurer. Peter has advised the committee he won't be running as treasurer for the year ahead. Thank you Peter.

As we recommence limited operations our plan for the year ahead is conservative. Getting our members out rowing safely and reopening our facilities has given us an opportunity to look at how we do things at the club and we look forward to seeing all members back at our great club in the weeks and months ahead.

Yours in rowing,

Peter Schryver



Captain's Report



The Hiatus Year – thanks very much COVID-19!

As Club Captain, know that my leadership is shaped by a vision to increasingly cement TRC's dominance as Australia's premier high performance club across Senior A/B, Youth, Junior and Masters age cohorts alike – at State, National and International level.

Performance is our core business and

from this position of strength, the symbiotic relationship with the other (general fitness / social) aspects of our Club Membership base allows us to thrive as an overall Club in both financial strength and pride!

Following dominating success in the 2019 racing season, all cohorts had outstanding momentum – in larger numbers and most perhaps fitter than ever – and by January 2020 were ready to take on all comers in 2020 season championship national and international regattas. However, thanks to COVID-19, that all came to a crushing halt – and we have spent the subsequent six months in hiatus with no clear pathway to returning to “normal” rowing training or racing in sight.

My report therefore is absent of regatta performances and will serve to update members on progress made against initiatives promised in my last year report:

Complete “Boat Rack Stickers” with Crew Weight Kg and Pair -/X configuration options for all boats in lower shed (inc boat racking position review of all Pairs and Sculls) = COMPLETED

Re-classify many boats, to see RED/YELLOW/GREEN “DOT” system re-activated = COMPLETED

Boat allocations re-done, via “collaborative autonomy” system (removing Club Captain as yes/no bottle-neck and inaccurate “white-boards” so question of “Can I use Boat X on Day Y” can be answered easily) so we get a much more effective and appropriate use of our fleet, by essentially small subset of boat(s) allocations delegated to cohort/squad leaders/coaches = COMPLETED

This will in turn provide a new approach to “running maintenance” responsibility and care of our fleet, enabling the boatmanship efforts and expert skills of Peter Park (in particular) to be more strategically leveraged = COMPLETED

Trial an online boat allocation/reservation system I have in mind, which will also allow the replacement of the paper-based books used (not consistently by all, unfortunately) for logging out/in each

time you row – which will have automated safety alert functionality if a crew or sculler does not return = ON HOLD UNTIL POST-COVID REQUIREMENTS KNOWN

Ergo Fleet refurbished and renewed, to give 8x Model D (classic) and 4x Dynamic (new) ergo's in brand new or as-new serviceable condition = COMPLETED

Big TRC Trailer sliding steps/planks installed, to safely load/unload boats up high = COMPLETED

Further initiatives that have been undertaken during the “hiatus” months include:

Build and install new Internet, Router, Firewall, LAN and WiFi network throughout shed = COMPLETED

Build and install new Security Surveillance System to provide 24/7 coverage of key areas inside Shed and Function Centre as well as surrounding areas (13 cameras in total) = COMPLETED

Install 8x wall mounted fans around surrounds of Ergo and Weights rooms, operated by central remote-control switch controls adjacent to light switches, so we finally have ample cooling and ventilation = COMPLETED

Pine sleepers installed along edge between cliff and grassed area of lower shed, to prevent sculling racks accidentally rolling off into rocks and river = COMPLETED

The COVID-19 pandemic has been devastating in so many ways and it has been very heartening to see how TRC rowers have kept going and been of great fitness and mental support to one another. The simplest of things have stood out to me the most: those with access to an ergo grinding out the miles in solitude and setting the odd record; those most passionate about the Club have come down to help clean up or do some painting or otherwise make an unseen contribution; female masters rowers riding bikes or getting out for walks all over Mt Coot-tha; getting out for runs or bodyweights in the park; HP athletes hitting the bikes even more than they already do; and quite a lot of male masters also hitting the bikes and seeing what Strava segments they can challenge the HP guys on; etc.

Moreover, whether you have been able to find a way to remain super-fit, or you have a few “cooped up” pounds to shred off – no matter...as when the mighty TRC is able to get back into full swing on water and train as hard as we normally do, it won't be long before we are racing and delivering dominating performances again!

Yours in rowing,

Paul Pettigrew

President's Report

After the great successes of 2019 who would have ever thought that 2020 would be like it has turned out.

Our committee have done a great job to lead us through the pandemic restrictions over recent five months. Slowly things are coming back to normal and it is hoped over next month the Club will be the same vibrant operation we all know so well. I am sure our members will be patient, tolerant and understanding as new rosters, boat allocations, etc are sorted out.

It has been a year where we have seen the passing of two of our long-standing members, Tom Jack and Terry Connolly. They will be remembered for a very long time to come and we are so proud to have them as part of our history. Please read the articles in this Annual Report on the contributions both these very fine people gave to our Club helping to make it where we are today. We also farewell Steve Hinchy who was an outstanding leader in Queensland and Australian rowing and great friend to the TRC community.

I should also acknowledge Carol Watters. Our Function Room was completed in 2008 and Carol immediately offered to take on the role as manager. From a standing start this "gutsy" woman got the operation going and over a period of more than 11 years she made our Function Room one of the best waterside venues in Brisbane. It paid off all Club debt and produced an income which made TRC one of the best equipped rowing clubs in Australia. Thank you, Carol, you are a champ!!!

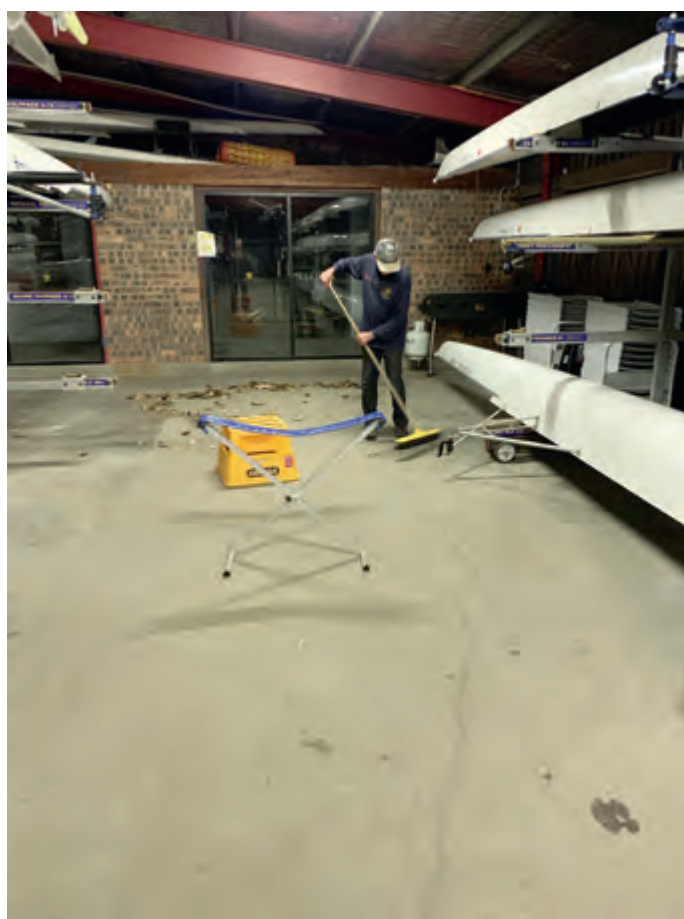
With the reopening of the Club, maybe it is time to have a very serious look as to where we are going not only in the short term but also for the next 130 years.

We have talked about the West Shed for some years now and it is as plain as the nose on your face that we must get things happening. I have been talking with BBC and they are gearing up to proceed with getting a development permit for their new facility. The two clubs have a history of over 100 years together and we are certain to have another 100 years side by side. It is now time to do some detailed planning for this to start moving. Maybe we could have a club forum so that all members can have the opportunity to put forward their ideas as to where we should be heading and what should be our priorities.

It is also encouraging to see, through the Vice Presidents, the concept of a foundation being formed so that tax deductions can be given to people donating to the Club.

We have to start the process for TRC to become a modern, large and influential community sporting club.

Kerry O'Rourke
President



Treasurer's Report

Financial Year 1st. May 2019 – 30th April 2020



The club's income for the financial year was in line with recent years however the substantial increase in Major Acquisitions has resulted in a deficit for the year.

With the Covid-19 shutdown occurring in late March there is likely to be reduced income for the 2020 – 2021 financial year and possibly additional costs to manage the Club operation, in compliance with the "NEW NORMAL" –

this will be covered in the next financial year report.

The table of Acquisitions details the \$ 88,151 spent on equipment purchases including gym equipment partly funded by Play for Purpose.

Venue operation as Hall for Hire was steady with a mix of member use as well as previous hall hirers and events secured by our Catering partner.

Peter Park

Treasurer

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL CASH POSITION

Club Income	\$ 227,687
Club Expenses	\$ 231,055
Depreciation (not relevant – untaxed association)	-\$ 61,298
Acquisitions	+\$ 88,151
Total Expenses	\$ 257,908

Cash deficit CLUB	-\$ 30,221
Venue Income	\$ 24,043
Venue Expenses	\$ 29,166
Cash deficit VENUE	-\$ 5,123

CASH POSITION 2019 – 2020

Total Deficit	<\$ 35,344
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The club remains in a solid position moving into the next financial year subject to a safe return to operating in the NEW NORM following Covid 19 and effective management and maintenance of the clubs fleet, equipment and facilities.

INSURED VALUES

Fleet and equipment	\$ 570,000
Pontoon	\$ 180,000
Buildings & Fittings	\$ 3,500,000
Trailers	\$ 21,000
Public Liability	\$ 20,000,000

HIGH PERFORMANCE REPORT



Ella McKenzie



Angus Morrison (s), Alex Jeremijenko (3), Elliot Apel (b)

The 2019/20 season for the high-performance squad was following the patterned crescendo of training and racing since mid-2019. While the season never really had a traditional ending, the months of hard training and competition that preceded the Covid-19 break will undoubtedly hold our athletes in better stead for the seasons ahead.

Some of the key highlights of the season are below.

Head of the Yarra

This mid-season hitout on the Yarra is becoming a staple on our racing calendar. With our men running 2nd in B grade the year before, they returned with a vengeance, storming the field with a 30 second win to claim 1st place. The crew of Hockings, Williamson, Kibble, Crowe, Apel, Pincus, Carter, Bowser and Gifford made a big statement over interstate club rivals like Mercantile RC and carried the 8+ momentum into QLD state champs.

In the women's racing, Robinson, Chancellor and Theodore teamed up with the strongest in Queensland to claim 2nd place in A grade. This is an awesome achievement, especially given the calibre of crews that enter in the open event.

QLD State Championships

TRC well and truly dominated this regatta, claiming gold in heavyweight / lightweight, male / female, small boat / big boat, and open / underage events. Most notably, both open men's and women's and U21 men's and women's eights won – a rare feat that shows the depth of men's and women's talent. 1st placings are below.

- OM2- Elliot Apel (TRC) and Jared Bidwell (KRC)
- U21M8+ Peterson, Bowser, Toovey, Crowe, Ryals, Place, Burr, McCracken, Barber
- U21W8+ Ridgeway, Bilston, Johnson, Chancellor, Hope, Gerber, McKenzie, Tully, Tsien
- U21W4x Douglas, Tsien, Bilston, Johnson
- U19W4- Gerber, Hope, Tully, McKenzie
- OM4- Pincus, Kibble, Apel, Gifford
- U19W4x Gerber, Hope, Tully, McKenzie
- OW8+ Hockings, Theodore, Robinson, Smith, Chancellor, Bilston, Hope, Douglas, Gerber
- U21W1x Chancellor
- OLW1x Theodore
- OLM4- Dipple, Ready, Place, Price
- OLW2x Theodore, Douglas
- U21M4- Crowe, Toovey, Bowser, Ryals
- CM8+ Shields, Williamson, Kibble, Pincus, Apel, Crowe, Gifford, Bowser, Carter



M4- Ben Pincus (s), Jack Kibble, Elliot Apel, Jethro Gifford

NSW State Championships

While this regatta was short lived after winds and storm cut the regatta short on day 3, our squad members were awarded with a few medals at this all-important regatta.

- U19W1x Sophie Gerber – 3rd place
- U21LM1x Christian Place – 1st place
- OLM1x Hamish Parry – 1st place
- U21LM2x Place and Barber – 2nd place
- U23LM2x Williamson and McGuinness (ADEL) – 2nd place
- OLM4- Matheson, Carter, Dipple, Ready – 3rd place

The squad utilised the Covid break to work on other cross training modes such as the ergo, bike or running. This saw some truly impressive personal bests being smashed, especially in the field of endurance.

I'd like to thank the club community for the ongoing support of the High Performance squad; the committee led by Chairman Schryver, Peter Park and John Bliss for all the mechanical help and mentorship, and all the other support staff and parents that assist throughout the season. Big thanks also to head coach Kiwi, and squad coaches Andrew Gerber and Andy Clatworthy for the ongoing collaboration.

I encourage the squad to keep grinding until they reach their goals (then set new ones!), and to enjoy the process alongside their teammates. Onwards and upwards.

Leo Karadimitris



Ben Pincus, Jack Kibble

Tom Williamson



Lucy Theodore



Lucy Theodore, Jack Kibble, Ben Pincus



Men's 8+ State Champions



Women's 8+ State Champions - (l to r) Katelin Do...enna Bilston)



Men's 8+ State Champions

Trans Tasman Regatta

4 under-21 Toowong athletes and 1 coach were selected to represent Australia at the 2019 Trans-Tasman Regatta against New Zealand and Canada. Ben Pincus and Jethro Gifford formed half of the male heavyweight contingency competing alongside fellow Queenslanders Logan Ulrich and Miller Rowe. TRC also had a strong lightweight representation with Tom Williamson and Katelin Douglas selected in the male and female lightweight double sculls. Leo Karadimitris was chosen to oversee the men's sculling squad as a part of an esteemed coaching team.

Selection in the U21 team made for a long winter in small boats for the athletes. Leo took charge of the TRC squad for the duration of the training block while Kiwi took an extended sabbatical. All selected athletes rose to the challenge of an increased training load, alongside a few who had narrowly missed out on selection. Heading into the first regatta in Penrith, confidence was high.

This confidence was quickly quelled as the team was hit with a bout of the flu. All TRC athletes were unaffected but the men's squad was left in shambles with last minute replacements being sourced from all over Australia. Despite this, the AUS team performed admirably, chalking up a number of wins across the regatta. Special mention must go to Katelin and the Women's Quad for an outstanding performance in the finals after losing a crew member to injury in the heats. The overall effort did however fall short, leaving Australia trailing by 30 points.

After a disappointing first leg, the athletes were determined to ensure the second regatta in New Zealand went the way of the Aussies. After another solid block of training in Brisbane and a week-long camp training out of the NTC at Lake Barrington, the team looked poised to give the Kiwis and Canadians a run for their money. Day one on Lake Karapiro saw the men's squad take control of the regatta, recording favourable results across the board. This trend continued for the duration of the regatta, with the men winning both medium boat finals and the heat and final of the eight convincingly. Unfortunately, while Australia performed strongly throughout the regatta, a few less than ideal results mean that the team finished the series 27 points behind New Zealand who reclaimed the Rusty Roberson Trophy. The series afforded these athletes and coaches an invaluable opportunity to train and compete in the company of similarly driven and committed individuals and we hope to see these TRC athletes don the green and gold at a world championship one day.

Tom Williamson



HP Debrief

Under 23 World Championships

The 2019 U23 World Championships was an exciting time for Toowong, with 4 members lucky enough to represent Australia in Sarasota, USA. Elliott Apel, Alex Jeremijenko and Angus Morrison were selected in the U23 Men's Eight, while I competed in the U23 Lightweight Women's Pair.

Leading up to this, I got the opportunity to move interstate to brave the lovely Canberra weather for two months. Jilly Roberts and I trained with the U23 Lightweight Men's Double out of ACTAS (Australia Capital Territory Academy of Sport). It was an awesome experience to train under Nick Garratt and alongside other U21 team members. Our next stop was Penrith for a four week pre-departure camp, where all of the Aus-based athletes from the U23 team were able to get some tough work done together before we left for the US.

During this time, Elliott, Alex and Angus were training at Princeton University. They went through a long month of training and trials before they were later selected in the Men's Eight. Their training as an VIII continued at Princeton for another month before heading down to Florida.

In the middle of July, the whole team came together in Sarasota to experience some seriously exciting racing. On the 3rd day, the Men's Eight competed in the repechage for the last two spots in the A final. With the first two boats progressing through, the boys were sitting 3rd through the 1500m mark and managed to row through Canada to beat them to the A final by 0.27 seconds. On the final day of the World Champs, the boys scored themselves 6th place in the world – an incredible result.

With big storms rolling through daily in Sarasota, Jilly and I got to row two preliminary races, as a storm hit in the middle of our first one (making us get out at the bank with 300m to go). We picked up 4th place in the A Final after a very close race!

We are so grateful for all the support we got from everyone at Toowong in the months, and even years, leading up to this event. It was such an incredible opportunity to represent our country, and more importantly, our club on a World Stage. It's an experience we will never forget.

Lucy Theodore



World Championships

From a Senior A, Olympic potential athlete's point of view when you use the phrase "shit hit the fan" to describe the year, it just doesn't quite do it justice.

My season finished with an earth shatteringly painful race, that resulted in my missing out on Olympic qualification by one place, and the temporary loss of eye function. In saying that, it was f&*ing epic. The better crew won (Belgium), and I came back to Australia knowing I could qualify the boat at the Final Qualification Regatta in Lucerne.

I'll skip the rest. You know how it is. 200+ ks of training a week, 3 weights sessions, 4 scheduled crying sessions (followed by 4 scheduled pick-me-up sessions), blisters, some pb's, some good races, some bad races. Fast forward to March, and I was successfully picked in the 2020 lightweight men's double again, better than ever, confident about securing my spot in 3 months' time to Tokyo.

Then the idea that one man can change the world (the sort of thing your mum tells you growing up) was epically brought to life when some bloke ate an undercooked bat. Bastard.

Fast forward another few months. I've erged more now than the last few seasons combined, done some isolation soul searching, played concert level loud music in my house in lieu of the real thing (to the curious and bewildered looks of passing pedestrians), and been absolutely smashing my own erg records.

In brief, I'm fitter and stronger than ever, and can't wait to show the world.

Hamish Parry

(club senior A and all-round weird guy).



Men's 8+ State Champions - (l to r) David Carter..., Ben Pincus



Lucy Theodore (b)



LM2- Tom Williamson (s), David Carter

Junior Boy's HP Squad Report

Since providing the report for the 2019 AGM, the squad consisting of the following boys continued to train up to the end of the school 3rd term when all boys then commenced training in their various school programs:

CHURCHIE

PLACE, Christian
TOOVEY, Lachlan
ARDREY, Liam
COONEY, Hamish
PARRY, Samuel
PLACE, Joshua
CHADWICK, James
HAVAS, Declan
ROSS, Reece
TAYLOR, Max
RAMSWARUP, Rohaan
HENZELL, Oscar
CHRISTIE, Max
WILLEMSSEN, Sebastien

BBC

BARRY, Lachlan
BRAITHWAITE, Sam
HEDBERG, Angus
CROOK, Sam
AYRES, Harry
CLARKE, Thomas
SHEPPARD, Blake
SALISBURY, Mitch
KENNY, Sam
WATTERS, Darcy
McSTEA, Connor
ANDREW, Cameron
DIXON, Xavier

GT

CAPSTICK, Robert
KING KOI, Thomas
REPAR, John
MCGEEVER, Mitch
MUNN, Angus

BGS

FENNON, Thomas
FORBES, Alexander
KENNEDY, Alexander

KENMORE SHS

HAZLEWOOD, Lachlan



Queensland Pathway Squad group Yoga Session



Mitch Salisbury and Angus Hedberg



Mark Game and Lachlan Hazlewood

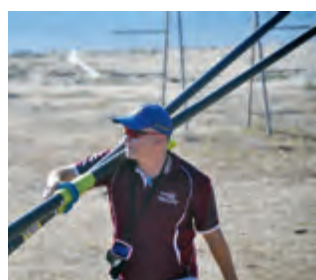
Some of those boys competed at the South Queensland Schools Championships at Wyaralong (20-21 July 2019) and the Queensland Schools State Championships at Wyaralong (20-23 September 2019).

Watter, Crook, Ayres and McStea were successful in being selected in the Metropolitan West Open IR4x+, Willemsen and Christie in the Metropolitan East U16 IR4x(+) and Taylor, Place and (for the 2nd year running) in the Metropolitan East Open 4x(+) .

Prior to the State Championships some boys trialed for their respective Interregional Quads.



TRC 2019 Jnr Boys Squad at QLD School States



Andy Clatworthy
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James Fallon, PT and Tim Hurn



Tim Hurn, Blake Sheppard and Oliver Grabski

Podium results from those events were as follows:

NAME	EVENT	RESULT
South Queensland Schools Championships		
Hedberg & Salisbury	Boy Year 11 2-	2nd
Havas & Taylor	Boy Year 11 2-	3rd
Parry & Place	Boys Open 2-	1st
Hedberg & Salisbury	Boys Open 2-	2nd
Watter, Dixon, Sheppard, Ayres & McStea	Boys Year 11 4x+	2nd
Ross, Place, Havas & Taylor	Boys Year 11 4x+	3rd
Toovey & Place	Boys Open 2x	1st
Hedberg & Salisbury	Boys Open 2x	2nd
Hazlewood	Boys Year 10 1x	3rd
Parry, Cooney, Ardrey, Chadwick, Toovey, Taylor, Havas & Place	Boys Open 8+	1st
Crook, Dixon, Ayres, Watter, Sheppard, Hedberg, Kenny, Salisbury & McStea	Boys Open 8+	3rd
Hedberg & Salisbury	Boys Year 11 2x	2nd
Place	Boys Open 1x	1st
Ayres, Hedberg, Sheppard, Salisbury & McStea	Boys Year 11 4+	1st
King Koi, Repar, Capstick & McStea	Boys Open 4+	1st
Salisbury	Boys Year 11 1x	2nd
King Koi, Repar, Capstick & McStea	Boys Open 4x+	1st

Queensland Schools State Championships

Taylor, Place & Toovey (Met East)	Interregional Boys Open 4x(+)	1st
Hedberg & Salisbury	Boys Year 11 2-	3rd
Toovey & Place	Boys Open 2x	2nd
Taylor	Boys Year 11 2x	3rd
Place	Boys Open 1x	2nd
Kenny, Sheppard, Hedberg & Salisbury	Boys Year 11 4+	1st
Munn	Boys Year 9 4x	1st

Following the Queensland Schools Championships all boys commence their school pre-season training with their respective schools.

Due to the cancellation of Australian National Rowing Championships at SIRC due to the Covid-19 epidemic the squad members were unable to compete at that event this year.

Mark Game & Andy Clatworthy

2020 Squad

Again, due to the Covid-19 epidemic, a junior boy's squad has not been able to be put together for 2020. We are looking forward to being able to reintroduce the program after the 2021 GPS program in 2021.



Masters Rowing 2019/2020

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 30 November 2019 and the Scenic Rim Regatta at Wyaralong Dam on 16 February 2020.

The GPS regatta of 15 March was cancelled due to very high winds over the course. The Queensland Championships due to be run over the 18/19 April and the Australian Masters Championships due 29 April to 2 May 2020 were both cancelled due to the corona virus pandemic.

Head of the Yarra

Toowong was represented by seven crews with two of those crews from our high performance group. Club member Randall Martin competed in a UQBC composite crew which won the masters C division. The club won the men's masters G8 division successfully defending the result from the previous year. Third places were gained by our women's F 8 and our men's D8. The winning G8 crew was made up of Pettigrew, Gould, Keily, Jell, MacSporran, Wallrock, Thomsen, Park with Chelsea Ashby as cox.

Regatta Results

In a normal year I have provided the gold medal results for the State Titles as well as the place getters in the Australian Titles. Given both these regattas were cancelled the only short course regatta which was conducted was the Scenic Rim regatta. The gold medal results for that regatta are as follows:-

M F- M 2x	O'Dwyer/Keily
M D& E 4	Bennett/Horder/Reece/Pettigrew C Underhill
W F-M 4	Kelly, Brown, Herries, Bourne C Filkin
M A-C8	Pettigrew, Moynihan, Horder, Bennett, Bugg, Hammer, Howard, Stevens C Underhill
M D & E 8	Bennett, Pettigrew, Reece, Keily, Conn, Carr, Moynihan, Law C Underhill
M F-M 2-	Reece/Keily
M A-C 2-	Howard/Stevens
W F-M 4x	Briker-Bell, Sansoni, Forbes, Howden
M D&E 2-	Reece/Law
W F-M 2-	Herries/Bourne
M A-C 4	Howard, Hammer, Bugg, Stevens

It is notable that at this regatta Toowong and Commercial both won 11 events with all of Commercial's wins coming from sculling events.

General

With the National Regatta being cancelled the Interstate Events did not take place. Nevertheless the members who gained selection to those crews should be recognized.

In the Queensland women's 8 TRC members Julie-Ann Kelly and Saorise Cruikshank were selected with Ange Ellis as coach alongside reserves Tracey Evans and Kylie Parker. For the men's crew, Bob Law, David Reece, Paul Pettigrew and James Manning were selected along with Michael Toon as cox and Terry Mulligan as coach.

The quality of training leading up to the cessation of training forced upon us has I believe been of the highest standard generally across the groups. It was the most frustrating feature of being denied the opportunity to demonstrate at the Nationals the early quality shown by many crews competing at the Scenic Rim Regatta.

Ange and I remain most appreciative of those who make our jobs easier working behind the scenes. In regard to the women Deborah Monks has continued to arrange entries and provide administrative assistance to Ange. As she has done for many years Robyn Herries has done the job of 'communications officer' maintaining the email addresses for distribution of training programs etc. Marian Elliot for two decades has acted as coordinator for the women's masters group.

The same faces as last year continue to provide services for the men's program. Bob Law has continued to organize regatta entries and like Marian undertook the task of arranging suitable accommodation in Tasmania which had to be cancelled. Again, leading by example Paul Pettigrew has raised the bar to new heights in the standard of training to follow the training programs religiously published each week at the same time leading the club as Club Captain. At the same time in conjunction with Peter Park and others he has ensured the boats used by the masters were set up and maintained to a high standard.

The corona virus pandemic has been a huge challenge to us all no doubt affecting club members in many different ways. As we gradually return to the new normal we can look forward to renewing the bonds that bind us of a love of rowing and the comradeship that goes with it.

I conclude my report using the same paragraph I have used in the past:-

It has been said before that Toowong is not about the buildings or the fleet, fantastic though they are. Rather it is about the people who make up the club. There is no University Senate or School board who 'owns' Toowong but rather each individual member from the oldest to the youngest are all equal shareholders in the club. That pride of ownership across all programs is so important and the basis of the club's greatest strength, the volunteers whose positive input make the club so strong.

Terry Mulligan



Masters



Dougie



Thanks Carol



Fab Four - Clare, Michael, Jack and Emma



Mens D4+ AMRC Perth 2019



Women's D8+ HOTY 2019



Wel Gamble ANZAC Row Ceremony 2020



International Womens Day Row 2020

Peter Schryver and Jeff Conn



TRC Masters Scenic Rim Regatta

Santa's Helpers Xmas Row



Blueys & Goldies Report

Well, 2020 started with much promise but clearly someone was not happy with the world. Apparently, Kerry's direct line to him/her above must have been cut off for some reason. 2020 started with a stable crew and by March were really hitting our straps. We had a replacement boat, which pleased those members of the squad who were suffering niggling injuries from having to haul the Caesar up to the shed from the pontoon, and better oars. Squad member "happily" took their turn as cox and there were no equipment failures or accidents on the water.

But, come late March it was all about how best to deal with the pandemic. Do we row or not, or do we, as some wag suggested, row with four in an eight to enable social distancing? In the end, the inevitable was accepted and the only rowing those dedicated

members of the squad could do was on an ergo or in their dreams.

So, what did the squad do when suffering rowing withdrawal for the 2-3 months enforced layoff? Which rower turned to walking with a golf stick in his hand? Who burned up the asphalt on his bike? Which rowers grew "iso" beards? How many loaves of sourdough bread were baked? Who put on too many kilos? These and other burning questions were answered when the crew finally got on the water in late June.

And a "blast from the past" – Paul Cosgrove has been providing a bit of coaching for us. Always very welcome.

How good is it to get back out on the water? Best. Feeling. Ever.

Steve Kennedy



Sunday session with Coach Cosgrove

Hands on B&Gs!

Toowong Rowing Talent I.D.

In December 2019, the QAS advertised for young athletes to come along and take part in a variety of physical testing for the purpose of matching their physical profile to particular sport/s. In an effort to make sure that rowing was an option for these young athletes, Andrew Service, the Development Officer for Rowing Queensland, and several other members of the rowing community, jumped at the opportunity to be involved in this talent ID process. Andrew asked for volunteers from TRC, GPS, UQBC and CRC to assist with the testing at the QAS facilities at QE2, Nathan.

From the testing, 27 athletes were invited to try rowing. What a tremendous opportunity to seek talent outside of QLD rowing schools. The two - day program took place at CRC, who generously

offered the use of their club and equipment. Because of the programs already in place at GPS and CRC, the girls who wished to continue learning to row were split between these clubs. The boys (3) were invited to continue at TRC with the support of myself and our club captain, Paul Pettigrew. After 7 weeks, the program was unfortunately put on hold because of coronavirus.

Many thanks to Andrew Service for his leadership and support; Phil O'Dwyer, Nick Stevens, David Frost, Peter Gregg, Ian Robson and Jim Gibbs for their help with coaching. I hope that this talent ID program is the start of something big for rowing.

Cheers,

Blissy



Vale Tom Jack

Tom Jack: a letter from Russell Kerrison

Dear Tom

No matter where you were, your trademark answer to a telephone call was - *Bubbles Bath-House!* The nurses at The Wesley and Canossa must have thought it a pretty interesting business you ran from your hospital bed.

But let's go back to our beginning.

We met in January 1951; Sub-Juniors on our first day at Brisbane Boys' College where our fathers paid a whopping £33 per term for three terms a year; I hope they thought it was a good investment. In the ensuing seven decades, we often joked about trying to give each other the flick - but neither of us was going anywhere. Now that you've gone Tom, the joke's not so funny anymore.

Our paths inevitably diverged at times then just as inevitably converged again; the common thread in this continuum was Toowong Rowing Club.

We had another maritime career before rowing. Sub-Juniors at BBC were not allowed to row until the third term but the pull of the Brisbane River had its lustful way with us. You, Gordon Manchester and I put in ten quid each and bought a (very) second hand Trainee sailing boat. For its maiden voyage, we launched the nameless vessel from your grandmother's house on Coronation Drive, just upstream from the old Toowong Ferry and TRC shed.

Ten minutes into the adventure we managed to upend the boat in the slightest breeze. Three 14 year old innocents, no life jackets of course, took nearly two hours to swim the Trainee, bottom up and mast pointing at the riverbed, back to your grandma's and somehow get it on the bank. That Saturday afternoon marked the beginning and end of our sailing careers and we waited impatiently for the third term and the chance to engage with real boats.

You cut your rowing teeth in a cox's seat at BBC and quickly recognised the value of a good cox, in both training and racing, then proceeded to perfect the role. Within two years you were coxing the BBC First IV (the Head of the River was contested in fours then) and



Hands on... cox: Tom Jack, Cal Malouf, Graham Hussie, Gavin Boyd, Toby Truman, Kev O'Dwyer Lefty Millar, Jack Pritchard, Peter Griffith



Tom and Maggie

by the end of 1953, you had left school and joined Toowong where you have been an integral part of the scene for the last 67 years.

On leaving school you went to work for that very British shipping line *The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company* which was a fertile breeding ground for Toowong Rowing Club. Members spawned there include Max Williams, Toby Trueman, Keith Cashman, John Cooper and the redoubtable You.

At Toowong, with encouragement and guidance from the great Dave Magoffin, you made your mark early and after coxing successful Novice, Trial, Maiden and Senior IVs, you coxed Toowong to win the Queensland Vlls Championship in 1954 and 1955. After that it was a long string of successes - as well as some 'successful losses' - over many years. This included coxing the Queensland VIII in the King's Cup in 1961.

Coxing morphed into coaching and you spent decades at both BBC and Toowong generously passing on your knowledge and experience to generations of young men and women - some older ones too. You also helped coaches coach. A constant companion while coaching from a tinnie was your dog *Molly* - before *Molly* it was *Sally* and before *Sally*, *Maggie*.

In 1964, with Jack Hutch, you coached the Toowong Lightweight VIII. Spud Murphy stroked it while I was in the 2 seat and in Maryborough that year we won the first ever Queensland Lightweight Eights Championship. We all felt pretty good about that.

In recognition of your skills and capability you were sent abroad by Rowing Australia both to manage Australian teams and coach Australian crews at World Championship regattas.

Thirty years ago, in 1990, life took a downturn when you were diagnosed with cancer, the severity of which waxed and waned over three decades until it took you from us on 20 April 2020.

I recall your determination and grit when continuing to coach in spite of the seriousness of your illness. How often I heard you say - "no point complaining Kerro, there's always someone else worse off". You lived by that mantra for years and somehow kept your sense of humour as well.

Toowong Rowing Club honoured you in 1995 by naming its new eight *Tom Jack*. How fitting; twenty five years later it is still in use and winning races.

You had the knack of identifying young talent early and nurturing it. While successes by all your rowers were meaningful (no favourites!) I recall that you were especially proud of Josephine Theile who you coached from her earliest years as a schoolgirl at Brisbane Girls Grammar and then Toowong. Josie went on to win many Australian national titles, represented Australia at World Championship regattas

and then won a Rowing Scholarship to Harvard where she stroked the Harvard Lightweight Women's 1st VIII.

All that was happening during a period that your health was especially fragile; those around you were in awe of the achievement.

In recent times, you were the driving force behind the Toowong Octogenarian VIII, which we believe was an Australian first. You heard that Banks Rowing Club in Victoria boasted a crew of octogenarians but your research revealed they weren't all over 80 - it was their average age. In your own words, "I thought that was pathetic" and you proceeded to assemble a proper Octogenarian VIII at Toowong. It first took to the water in December 2016, an occasion that was heralded by The Courier-Mail with a full page spread. You coxed it (who else?) and we rowed in the Tom Jack (what else?).

Mixed in with life's good times were moments of challenging sadness; I remember how deeply affected you were when you walked in to discover the lifeless body of your dear friend Jimmy Nunan in his kitchen one morning.

You've been preceded by a long list of Toowong stalwarts. We lost Toby Trueman and Errol Heath as young men. Others on the path ahead of you include Jim Dowrie, Raoul Mellish, Ron Ormond, Jack Pritchard, John Cooper, Les Keefer, Gavin Boyd, Peter Cole, Blue Butler and recently, from the Octogenarian VIII, Jimmy Nunan, Mossie and Brimbles. Ahh me - you are joining a select group. Tell St Peter you're a mate of Mossie - he'll let you in.

Thank you Tom, just thank you. The world at large, the world of rowing and in particular, BBC and Toowong Rowing Clubs, are better places for the passionate stamp you left on them. We salute you.

You not only had a trademark response to telephone calls, but also a trademark sign-off for emails - TTFN.

So that's it Tom; thanks for the memories and TTFN.

Go in triumph and go in peace - the peace you have earned like no other.

Kerro



Breakfast with mates: Tom, Jack and Rudi

For all of us, there are a few touchstone moments in our lives, that we look back on years or decades later in realisation of how formative they were in our creation and how they defined the character of what we have become. Tom Jack will always be special to me as he was the first coach to see rowing potential in a young, short, fat, timid, confidence-lacking and definitely not-athletic boy at BBC as through him, I first learned how to set and achieve a seemingly unreachable lofty-goal and how to overcome all adversities and roadblocks to ultimately prevail.

It was 1984; I was in Year 10 at BBC and Tom was the Coach of the (Year 11) U16 VIII. A crew that was a serial winner of Head of the River year after year and had just completed an undefeated season. I was way down the back of my cohort in the Year 10 4th IV and so dearly wanted to be in the U16 VIII under Tom next season. I had never won a race before and wanted to experience what the boys ahead of me were revelling in. I didn't make it into the crew, but I nearly did.

During the off-season, I grew at least a foot (late blooming genes finally kicked in), ran 10 km each day around the firebreak trails of Brookfield, lost all my *puppy fat* and did all the body strength exercises Tom had prescribed for me to do. I was seemingly unrecognisable when I came to the BBC Shed for the first session of the new season and I remember Tom and the other coaches upon seeing this tall, fit and skinny "rowing build" kid enquiring where I had come from and welcoming me to the BBC Rowing Program. When I said I was "Paul Pettigrew" they simply said they did not recognise me!

Tom had a very well-honed process to select and deliver the fastest crew on the river and I was hopeful for the result I had worked so hard for over winter. But alas, during the Christmas school holidays the rope swing I had built over the dam at my parents' property in Brookfield spectacularly snapped over land during a vigorous attempt on a hot and sweltering Queensland summer day to swing farther out into the water than before, which broke all four of my forearm bones an inch behind both wrists! My U16 VIII season opportunity was crushed. Tom remained supportive in his brutalist way, probably said something like *toughen up, buttercup* and so I tried and set a new goal to achieve 1st VIII selection the following season.

I again followed Tom's advice off season and the recovery and training paid off as I finally got to row and race in an VIII for the first time. My BBC 1st VIII HoR result in 1986 was not victorious but from where I had come, I was so very proud of the achievement to be selected (under Olympian and new Coach Simon Newcomb) as its Stroke, as it meant my first rowing goal ever was achieved. Lesson well learned, thank you Tom!

From this, Tom continued his mentoring by introducing me to a young coach at TRC – Terry Mulligan. Over the next year, Terry coached our TRC Junior 4+ to great success which led to my selection in the Australian Junior 4+ at the World Championships in Cologne, Germany (West Germany actually in the height of the Cold War – and Tom's interaction with the USSR Team Manager is a story to be told over a beer and not here!). Tom was with us as our AUS Team Manager in his first of many stints on the Australian Rowing Team, also joining from TRC was Dave Ochert as Coach of the excellent Courtney Johnstone and Kiri Robson Junior Women's Pair.

I can still clearly picture Tom taking delivery of our brand new Empacher boats that he organised for us on a sunny day at Rotsee in Lucerne, Switzerland, proudly wearing his green and gold AUS kit tracksuit, rigging the boats to within an inch of their lives to perfection. He was so happy, and we felt so safe and secure in his confident hands; that moment was what it was like to be with Tom in his prime.

Tom had similar formative impacts on the forging of character in countless young and aspiring teenage girl and boy rowing athletes and coxwains over many, many decades.

I was but one.

Tom: We are all eternally grateful for how you spotted unseen talent in us and developed it to quite simply, shape us for the better. We have carried these lessons across into our lives, into our careers, into our pastimes and into parenthood. You have led by dogmatic example to the very end to never give up and to always strive to set and achieve goals that may seem impossible to reach (*don't be a pussy, Pettigrew!*) – as the real victory is in having the courage to try, take no shit and leave nothing behind. Your legacy lives on through those of us fortunate enough to benefit from and be inspired by your unrelenting passion, grit and strength.

Love you Tom.

Paul Pettigrew

I first met Tom in 1986. I only noticed him because of his hot-headed discussions with Terry about who should be allocated boats. Apparently, women were a long way down the pecking order. I used to wear a t-shirt that said "When I grow up I want to be a nurse so I can help people & see loads of willies". Tom remembered this shirt & when I looked after him during one of his many surgeries he announced to the theatre staff that I was only a nurse so I could look at willies! I hadn't been at Wesley very long at that stage & was mortified!

With Tom you always knew exactly where you stood. He didn't care what anyone thought.

Over the last few years when his visits to hospital were more frequent, we would visit for hours at a time. When he didn't want to see anyone I would open the door & he would say TTFN, but when he did want to talk we would talk rowing, dogs, family, football & anything else that came up.

Tom was a man with a very colourful turn of phrase. Some of my favourites were:

'Just got there by the length of a bee's dick'

'Your eyes look like two piss holes in the snow'

'Prue, you are going up & down the slide like a harlot's knickers!' (The reply from Prue being "Who's Charlotte?")

Tom was never sorry for himself. He was the most positive person. He had to deal with such a lot but was always grateful for being on the green side of the grass.

Rest In Peace Tom. You don't have to fight anymore.

Julie Bourne



Tom Jack: AUS Coach (1995-96) and Team Manager (1984-89)

In 1995 I asked at Rowing Queensland if there was a squad in Brisbane in need of a cox. I was a schoolboy, disappointed at having missed out on my school's first eight position and looking for extra experience. I could hardly have imagined a more fortuitous enquiry, as soon after I was told to venture down to Toowong Rowing Club and enquire after Tom Jack.

He was easy to find. I was told to look for a guy being followed by a blue heeler dog. Followed was hardly the word. Tom's dog Rolly, a gift from a Queensland Youth Eight he had coached, was glued to him.

By this stage Tom was already a legend of the club through an association spanning half a century and the club's flagship was named in his honor. In this time he had coxed the Queensland King's Cup Eight, officiated the King's Cup the last time it was raced on the Milton Reach of the Brisbane River, coached BBC crews to multiple Head of the River wins, managed and coached Australian Teams and was about to take his junior pair, Andrew Service and Cameron Taylor to another World Junior Championship in Poznan, Poland.

It was an ideal time for a young cox to present to the club because Tom led a rich period of elite rowing where at one point the entire club eight had represented Australia at every level from Junior, Under-23 and Senior A, both heavyweight and lightweight. Big boats ventured out on the water regularly and Tom, often accompanied by Alan Bromley, and always accompanied by his dog, issued his terse orders through his megaphone. I can still hear him at the start of each piece in his clear, clipped tone urging the crew 'Not to go mad like a bull in a china shop'.

There was much to learn from Tom and he was happy to teach. Tom was no-nonsense. Even his name was no-nonsense. Like many coxes he could be a firm disciplinarian but always held his humour, attributes that I have learnt from him and try to exhibit myself.

Like Tom, the eight named after him was a stalwart of the club that most have an association and affection for. The countless races this boat has been involved in stand as a fitting tribute to Tom. The 'Tom Jack' has even been rowed by Sir Steven Redgrave, and I could not put a number on the amount of times I have steered it.

It is hard to imagine not seeing Tom at the club on a Saturday and being admonished for not being clean-shaven, or 'running out of Wilkinson Swords' as Tom would have put it. Talking to Tom at the club was always a reminder of many of the best things about rowing, which he demonstrated. Tenacity, grace and good company.

Tom's wisdom, energy, humour and support were vital to the athletes fortunate enough to have been coached by him. Like many, I owe him such a tremendous debt of gratitude.

Thanks for everything Tom

Michael Toon



Terry Connolly and Chris Bell - Australian Masters champions MG2-

Vale Terry Connolly

In the late sixties, early seventies I worked for a British shipping company called "Blue Star Line". Their ships specialised in frozen cargo. These systems needed constant checking and maintaining. They utilised a company in Melbourne called "Hall-Thermotank" and we would be constantly visited by their staff. One of their staff was an energetic young New Zealander by the name of Terry Connolly. He lived in Melbourne with his lovely wife Marg. As I was the Electrical Officer on board the many ships we must have crossed paths but did not register. I then met Terry again here in Brisbane in the Veteran rowing scene and our friendship came to life. Like good wine it became better with age and I will always consider it an honour to have been able to call him a friend. He was to put it in simplistic terms "A bloody good bloke". I am sure I speak on behalf of his many friends that to have known Terry has made our lives that much richer. Our mate has gone and left us and we are all very sad...May he be with his maker in peace.

Rudi Bianchi



TRC Mates, Yarra 2016

Terence John Connolly "Terry" was born on 6th January 1941 in Hamilton New Zealand. Terry moved to Auckland during his childhood, where he attended school and then went on complete his apprenticeship as a refrigeration mechanic.

It was after completing secondary school that Terry took up rowing, joining Waiemata Rowing Club. When he was 9 years old Terry was involved in a serious car accident that resulted in him spending considerable time in hospital and then rehab. He never regained complete use of his right arm, and thought rowing would be a good sport to build strength – little did he know the lifelong love of the sport that would develop. Terry also loved a good game of rugby as a young man playing for Eden Rugby Club, and spent some years running marathons. Terry was a skilled rower, experiencing great success as a member of the Auckland Provincial Eight-Oar Crew, and narrowly missing selection for the New Zealand 8+ for the 1962 British Empire and Commonwealth Games in Perth.

Terry gave rowing away after missing selection for the games, and met Margaret at a party not long after. Margaret was from Melbourne, with Auckland her first stop on a worldwide backpacking adventure. Margaret didn't get any further than Auckland returning to Melbourne with Terry early in 1964. They married in 1965, and their 2 daughters joined the family in 1969 and 1971. The family moved frequently due to work, with Terry giving up "the tools" and moving into sales and management roles in air-conditioning and refrigeration, eventually settling in Brisbane in 1980.

Terry recommenced rowing at Commercial Rowing Club in the late 80's, holding the positions of committee member (1993-94), Captain (1994-1996) and Chairman (1996-99). There was a shortage of competitive veteran male rowers at Commercial during this time, so a move upstream to Toowong was made, with Terry maintaining membership at both clubs for a number of years.

Terry and Margaret were inseparable for a lifetime of adventure, travelling widely and loving life together. Terry was a wonderful father, family man and community member, and was dearly loved and highly respected by many. Terry is survived by Margaret, daughters Janine and Andrea, and seven grandchildren.

Andrea Connolly



Toowong Head of the Brisbane

ROWING

What: The annual Head of the Brisbane Toowong Rowing Club event.

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Head of the Brisbane Regatta rowers happy their race finished.



All smiles after a race at the Head of the Brisbane Regatta.



Rowers from Head of the Brisbane competitors.



Nathan Magnus from Toowong Rowing Club.



Blissys crew from Toowong.



Head of the Brisbane action.

BOOYAH!

The Head of the Brisbane (HOTB) committee had one job, and we aced it.

Since taking over as chair in 2017, my primary goal for every HOTB production is to enhance Toowong Rowing Club's reputation within the community, not just the rowing community—I want TRC known as a respectful and welcoming group. We may form a committee, but we need involvement from all demographics in the club.

Being a HOTB committee member isn't just about organising a race. It is also about personal development. Before taking on the chair position, I had never orchestrated an event like this. I've learned about catering, river depth, securing buoys, sound systems, adding the right mix of merchandise and services to entertain those not racing, and managing people: getting them to realise their potential while feeling comfortable voicing their opinions and ideas. I approached it as I would any IT project; we even have a 56-page project plan; a plan that I feel confident would enable anyone to pull off a successful HOTB regatta.

I bow down to the efforts of the 2019 HOTB committee. If you've ever wondered what's involved, check out this list. We are always looking for passionate volunteers. The more members we get from the various demographics, the better the event for all.



Role	Organising Volunteer
T-shirts + bow numbers	Trish Carter
Vendors	Janelle Filkin
Medals + trophies	Karen Bellingham
MSQ + Council	John Price
Boat Marshals + tinnies	Robyn Herries
Coffee van	Marion Elliot
Car park	Kathy Howden & Jenny Coates
Pontoon roster	Heather-Ann Briker-Bell
Racks, boat trolleys, BBC tinnie placement as per precinct layout plan.	Organised by Kerry O'Rourke on the day because volunteer no show.
Drones	Volunteer for the HOTB turn pulled out.
Boat Hire	Katherine Lambros
Feed/water RQ/BROs	Wendy Grady & Carol Sansoni
River clean up	Volunteer no show
Regatta emcee	Pete Schryver

Role	Organising Volunteer
Food boxes for marshals	Marion Elliot
Photography	Janelle Filkin
Entertainment	Angie Ellis
Bar and Function centre balcony - seating & tables	Luella Forbes
PA System	Janelle & Luella
Course layout	John Price & Blissy
Yellow Buoys	James Manning
CityCat + Mirimar	Saoirse Cruikshank
RQ + BRO liaison Entries (RQ)	Janelle Filkin & Trish Carter
Social Media	Janelle Filkin
Catering	Janelle Filkin
HOTB Sponsors	Deborah Monks & Annette De Waal
School liaison	Jenny Conn
Media / Publicity	Deborah Monks



As chair of the HOTB committee, and someone who gets bored easily, I continually look to improve on the previous year. Inspiration can strike at any time. In April 2019, I was sitting at traffic lights on my way to my post-row coffee at the Regatta Hotel (HOTB sponsor and caterer). My reverie of that morning's row was interrupted by a cacophony of sirens. Within seconds, a police car blasted past me, followed by an ambulance, quickly followed by a fire truck.

By the time I had my coffee in my hot little hands, I had a plan.

What I didn't foresee, although suspected, was the background work required. I started with the Police, as I knew they would have the most restrictions limiting what we could get away with; we didn't have online donations because I couldn't get that process approved in time. Organising the Police took over two months. After a chance comment from Blissy, I found out that TRC member Gabe Cryle was a fireman. Sorted. The Ambulance proved more difficult, but eventually, we had enough crew members to fill three eights, and the Emergency Services Challenge, a 700-metre race between Ambulance, Fire, and Police was born.

Thanks to everyone who helped us train. Due to the nature of their work, it was difficult to get full crews simultaneously, so TRC members filled the seats, coxed, coached from tinnies, or filmed.

The Emergency Services crews also partook in off-water training on THE ERGOLATOR: an ever-evolving contraption that may never see the light of day again. Still, it helped the crews understand the rowing stroke.



One iteration of the Ergolator

Most of you were there. You saw the race. The support and acclamation towards the Emergency Services crews on the day choked me up. The crews were overwhelmed at the rowing community's response to their presence and race; they could not stop smiling; some cried a little. Even the downpour didn't dampen (pun intended) their enthusiasm. We must give a massive shout-out to Blissy for donating the Emergency Services trophy.

The Emergency Services community got behind the event as well, with many turning up to support their colleagues. As requested often during my time coxing the Police crew in training sessions, the Water Police turned up to keep private watercraft under control. And go figure, the Police presence had a calming effect on the City Cats. Check out more photos and videos on the Head of the Brisbane website: <http://headofthebrisbane.com/photos>. Photos and drone footage of the Emergency Services race courtesy of Mitchell Anderson.



There are vantage points all over to watch the race.

The most difficult thing for a rower to do is to watch others row while you are trapped in a tinnie. In accordance with MSQ rules and regulations, if we don't have the correct number of boat marshals, then we cannot run HOTB. Words cannot express our gratitude to those who fulfil this essential role. We try to make the task more pleasant by providing boat marshals with a HOTB t-shirt and snack/drink box. For the HOTB committee members, organising boat marshals is one of the more stressful tasks. Robyn Herries did an amazing job and worked up to the wire filling positions after volunteers pulled out. Please join us in thanking the 2019 boat marshals.

How about those t-shirts! You can spot them a mile away. Good job Trish Carter.



TRC boys in shirts



CRC women in HOTB-shirts

No	Boat Licence Holder	Position on Course
1	Doug Buchbach	Pre-start area, TRC side of the river (Same position as last year)
2	Chris Lyndon John Walker	Pre-start area, TRC side of the river
3	Clayton Bailey	Between BBC and UQBC pontoons (Same position as last year)
4	Alan Coulton Kerry O'Rourke	Downstream from Eleanor Schonell Bridge (Ferry Terminal)
5	Brian Parmenter	Red Beacon (Same position as last year)
6	Andy Clatworthy stepped in after volunteer pulled out to race instead.	Turning Area (Same position as last year)
7	John Price and Elizabeth Musgrave	Turning Area (Same position as last year)
8	Terry Connolly + Grandson	Yellow Buoy (near corner of Newcastle St and Brisbane Corso, Fairfield)
9	Bronwyn Marler Liz Wilson	Green Beacon
10	Volunteers did not show. Other volunteer had to manage two areas.	Yellow buoy (near The Esplanade, St Lucia)
11	James Manning Matt Colquhoun	Downstream from the finish line, West End side of the river
a	Tracey Evans	Pre-Race Pontoon Assistant Call boats through to start area in race order.
b	Terry Mulligan	Finish Race Pontoon Assistance Press honker as crews cross the finish line

Tinnie

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Howden's
pontoon.

Sit on pontoon
across from
TRC



Like previous years, we provided off-water distractions: Music—Matt Kairl; Food—the Regatta Hotel; Merchandise—the Regatta Shop; Clothing—AlcieMay; Chiro/Physio—Total Body Fusion; Coffee—Rich Pour; Alcohol—TRC Function Centre. Details here (can you spot yourself in the banner photo?) <http://headofthebrisbane.com/what-s-on>

We are forever striving to make the event better. The first changes going forward will see a shorter interval between races (more exciting and racing will finish earlier) and the medals ceremony occur 1-1.5 hours after the last race. That will give people time to eat, drink, shower, and put boats away without having to rush.

Profits were down on the previous year, but we did expect that. The 2019 HOTB earned \$27,105 for the club, a -9% variance on 2018. Sponsorship was down slightly, and the cost of medals and t-shirts increased. We also moved the registration system back to Rowing QLD. Although this move incurred a fee, it resulted in fewer mistakes, freed up time for the HOTB committee to spend on other aspects of the event, and ensured a quicker turnaround for results. We received more in seat fees, and, thanks to the rain, bar takings increased 154% on the previous year.

We continue to review the expenses incurred for HOTB to see where we can make savings. If you want to discuss the HOTB finances in more detail, please speak to me.

Now, over to Deb Monks for a report on our sponsors.

Janelle Filkin

HOTB Committee Chair



Lucy emcee extraordinaire



2019 Annual Awards Ceremony and Cocktail Party

On Saturday 9 November, TRC members gathered once again with their families at the clubhouse for our Annual Awards Ceremony on the Terrace.

The Spring twilight created the perfect atmosphere to acknowledge and celebrate members who continue to achieve outstanding performance milestones and of course to acknowledge the contribution of outstanding club members who continue to tirelessly serve our club.

The 2019 recipients included:

Australian Representation (for the first time):

Lucy Theodore, U23 World LW2-
Elliot Apel, U23 World M8+
Alexender Jeremijenko, U23 World M8+

Most Improved Newcomer:

Ella McKenzie

Most Outstanding Junior (Tom Jack Perpetual Trophy):

Female: Phoebe Robinson
Male: Lachlan Toovey

Most Races Won:

Masters Female: Katherine Lambros – 16 Gold Medals
Masters Male: Peter Jell – 25 Gold Medals
High Performance: Laura Chancellor and Phoebe Robinson
Tied with 11 Gold Medals

Best Club Person:

John Bliss

Most Outstanding Athlete (Jack Hutchinson Perpetual Trophy):

Hamish Parry

Boat Naming:

Sykes 2-: Peter Schryver
Sykes 4-/x: John Bliss

This year, Jude and myself had the vantage point of serving drinks from the bar. Observing many of our young members proudly wearing their TRC blazers was certainly a highlight. It was also great to see so many members mingling in their cocktail attire whilst enjoying the complimentary canapés.

We are very privileged to be able to celebrate the outstanding performances and voluntary contributions of our members on the terrace of our clubhouse. Please take the opportunity when next at the club to congratulate our 2019 annual award recipients.

Katrina Nugent





Kibble Cup - Saturday 21st December 2019

The 2019 Kibble Cup saw a classy field of mixed scratch 4- crews take to the river in the quest for naming honours on the club's historic trophy. It was fantastic to have our full HP squad, with no shortage of QLD & AUS reps, racing the 500m sprint between rigorous Saturday training sessions together with a trusty band of master's women. The event was not without controversy when two boats locked riggers early in the first heat and a restart was called. The four-boat final proved a tight battle with the winning crew of Ben Pincus, Harry Rowth, Sophie Gerber and Tracey Evans taking it out by a stroke on the line.

Our club's oldest trophy (dating 1891) has recently undergone refurbishment with an extra plinth added, winning crews updated and a full silver polish. So, if you are yet to have a crack at 'The Kibble', make 2020 the year for it – the bling never looked better!

Hold It Up TRC

Ange Ellis



2019 winners Ben Pincus, Harry Rowth Sophie Gerber and Tracey Evans



Kibble crew



Kibble Cup winners

TOUR ROWING IN 2019

FISA TOUR – THE NORTH OF THE SOUTH – NZ

Susan and Wel Gamble, myself, Bronwyn and Warwick Marler and a few other Aussies headed across the ditch to NZ for 10 days of the FISA world tour in April with about 40 others from all over the world. It was so good to catch up with rowing friends again and to make new ones. We met in Picton and were treated to a traditional and formal Moari welcome and hangi. For a few days we headed out from here to row the Marlborough the a different sound each day. Our timing for heading out and coming back needed to fit with the inter- islander ferries. Our first rowing day was unloading some new coastal boats then rowing out, around an island then to Momorangi Bay café for lunch. The wind picked up on our way home but the boats handled it well. To get to our evening meal at the Brancott Winery we had a beautiful drive through the Blenheim vineyards. Day 2 was very wet and our rowing and BBQ lunch was cut short. After getting dry our lunch of white bait fritters was at the Picton RC. Each day we were surrounded by mountains and rain, freezing or sunny we were out on the water. Next day we had a beautiful morning row to Lochmarra Lodge for Morning tea then around to Toreia Bay with a cold front and squalls passing through. It was a bit difficult getting boats out and loading as it was just the end of a track on a very steep hill. Boats needed to be loaded to get over the hill to Portage

Bay Resort where we stayed and left from the following day. From this beautiful bay we rowed to Raethki Lodge for another sumptuous, late morning tea and then headed off again to row 18klms along the Kenepuru Sound which took us to Havelock and a very late lunch at the Mussel Pot. No guessing what was for lunch.

We then moved to Nelson where we spent a day rowing on a pristine Lake Roititi – an Alpine lake. It was 5C in Nelson that morning and a bit colder on the lake. Even though it was a shorter row today the scenery was beautiful. On the way back to Nelson we were hosted for dinner by the Nelson RC president and shown over his Angus cattle stud and fed by the members of the club. Again, absolutely spectacular scenery. Our last rowing day was a longer row out across Tasman Bay and along Rabbit Is. to Mapua Inlet.

I must say this was one of the smoothest and best organised FISA tours I have been on. Thank you to the NZ organisers who had never done a FISA tour before, let alone organise one. We hope to join them for a row on the lakes around Queenstown at some stage. Their photos looked spectacular. Being just a couple of weeks after the Mosque massacre we were able to encourage them and lift their spirits through our shared love of rowing.

Aynslie Coit



Picton rowing Club NZ



FISA Tour Group Picton Marina NZ



Lake Roititi NZ

ROWING IN JAPAN

Susan, Wel and I were lucky to be invited to row in Tokyo and on the lakes around Mt Fuji in September. We arrived in the evening and negotiated our way on the Skyliner to Nippori station where, thankfully, we were met and guided to our hotel. Even though it was just across the street I think we could have very easily gotten lost. After a day sightseeing in Tokyo and acclimatising we were on the train and bus to Kawaguichi. From here we spent a few days rowing on Lake Kawaguichi, Lake Motosuko and Lake Yamonaka which are all at the base of Mt Fuji. We became a bit blasé about it towering above us each day from a different angle as if it was keeping watch. We were extremely lucky to be able to see it without being covered in cloud. On my last visit the guide told us that she only shows her face about 5 days a year. Well we got those five days in a row!

Our next night was spending the night on the mountain in a very basic hikers hut. Some, including Susan and an 82 year old German guy, were coerced into climbing from the bottom – a 4½ hour steep climb while others of us opted for a car ride to the 5th station (end of the road) and then a half hour walk to our accommodation where we waited for the climbers, who snacked then crashed when they arrived. Our accommodation was all in together with bed bugged bed rolls, no showers and toilets that were outside on the edge of the cliff overlooking the lakes we had rowed on and the towns way below. The food was very hearty though. Next morning we were up at Aussie rowers hours (not appreciated by the Europeans) for a 45minute hike to between the 6th and 7th stations in the dark, with torches, on a steep, narrow, rocky track. Why? You may ask. To see

the sunrise from as far up Mt Fuji as we could. We didn't look to be that far from the top and thought we could have gone the extra if we had had the time. It looked easier climbing that what they had done on the lower slopes or what we had just done in the dark.

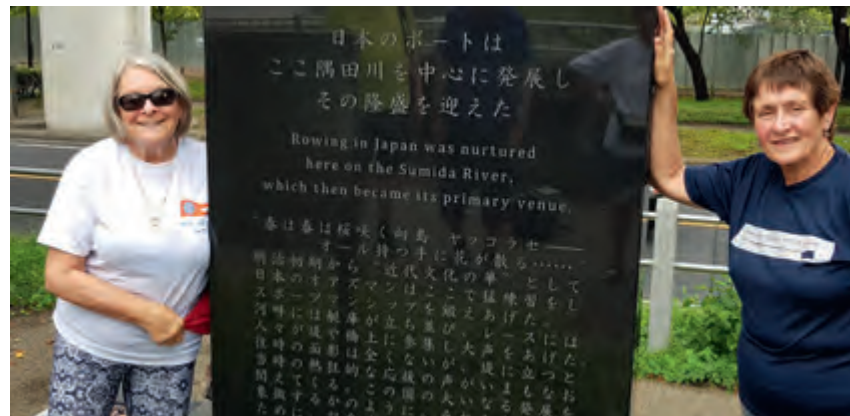
Back at our hotel in Tokyo we visited the Tsurumi RC/Yokohama Junior RC where our friend coaches and where they lift the boats in and out of the water with a huge industrial crane. Way to go! We were a scratch 8 with 7 different nationalities and a Japanese Olympic cox, which surprisingly worked well. We spent a couple of days rowing out of Sumida RC which is a cage under a bridge. From here we rowed on the canals and rivers through Tokyo. One day we stopped near the Tokyo Sky Tree for lunch at a boutique brewery. Just near here under the old town Hashibashi Bridge is a plaque dedicated to the beginnings of rowing in Japan. A few days later this area was to be flooded when typhoon Hagabis hit. A visit to the Toyosu Tokyo Fish market, the Imperial Palace and the Edo-Tokyo cultural museum where other highlights out host treated us to.

Luckily Susan and I were in Hiroshima when the worst typhoon in 100 years hit and our sightseeing there, Miyajima Island (UNESCO site), in Osaka, Kanazawa, Takayama and the UNESCO site of Shinakawago, in the mountains, were not affected. However, many of the travellers we met who were in Japan for the World Cup had terrible disruptions and cancellations to their travel plans.

Another great experience making up for the fact that we probably won't be travelling in 2020.

Aynsle Coit

Sunrise on Mt Fuji – Sue Gamble & Aynsle Coit



Sue Gamble & Aynsle Coit in Japan



Lake Yaminaka, Japan

World Sailing Single-Minded & Manned - Bill Hatfield



Rounding Cape Horn...again

Having spent many a mile in my single scull, the prospect of spending 9 months at sea on my own was not as daunting as one would think. As a commercial fisherman for many years, I found I got sick of the crew, but never tired of the sea.

After retiring, I spent some years as a live in nanny for my daughter and then bought myself an Adams 33 and renamed it, "Katherine Ann". I found a voyage sanctioned by the World Sailing Speed Record Council that had not been undertaken. Sailing around the world, solo, non-stop, westabout, in a boat under 40 feet. A voyage of around 26,000 nautical miles.

Having crossed the Pacific and rounded Cape Horn at the age of 38, going the other way around seemed like a bit of fun. At the age of 76 in September 2015, I set off from the Gold Coast Seaway.

After 6 months at sea and having completed 2/3rds of the journey, I came unstuck. The yacht capsized in heavy weather south of Cape Horn. I found myself swimming in the southern ocean.....almost as cold as Ballarat in 2012. I managed to grab hold of a trailing rope and as the boat righted itself, I pulled myself up over the still submerged railing.

It was an anxious week for my family and friends as I lost all electrics and disappeared off the satellite tracker. I limped into Port Stanley, Falkland Islands using one headsail. I sold what was left of the boat and got the next flight back to Brisbane.

On the flight home, I had time on a stopover in Auckland to search the www for a little steel boat in Melbourne. The boat appeared sort of ok until the well-

meaning broker hosed the deck, blowing away the painted rust to saturate the interior. You can't trust those Victorians.

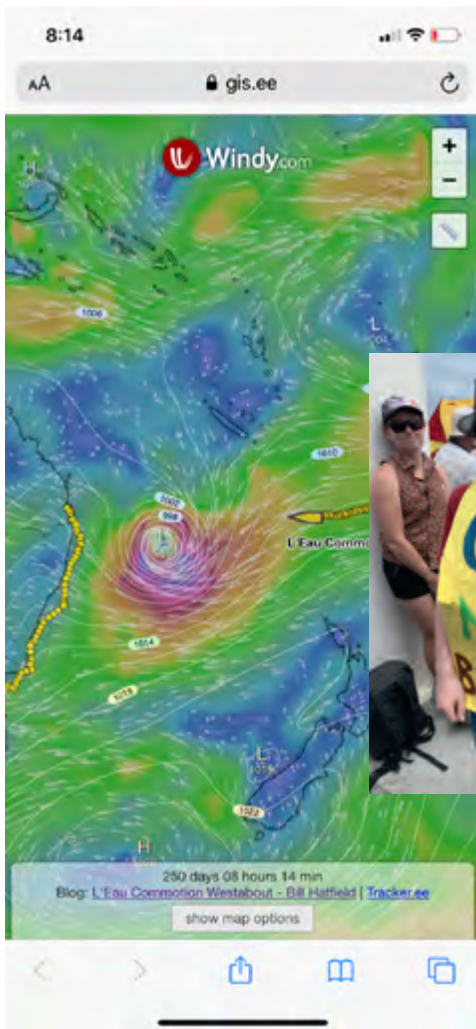
Coming to the conclusion that the cheapest way may not be the best way, I asked my good friend Hank Kaufmann, a leading yacht designer in the 1980s, what was his best design. He recommended a Northshore 38, which coincided with my own research. Together we flew to Cairns and inspected "L'eau Commotion". The boat passed with flying colours.

Within a few months, I was on my way again, well provisioned with rolled oats, brown rice, tinned fish and beans. The winds that blew down the transmission towers in South Australia causing blackouts throughout the state in October 2016, also hit L'eau Commotion in the Great Australian Bight, causing stress in the rigging. I continued on towards Cape Leeuwin when further damage made me decide it was best to get the boat repaired and I limped into Albany. And then back to Brisbane again.

I set off again in June 2017. Things went reasonably smoothly until I got around to Cape Horn. I noticed the rigging wires were frayed... to an alarming extent. I pulled into an open bay, Puerto Espanol and on the second iteration of the repairs, headed off once more. By this stage I couldn't use the mainsail so I wandered around Drake Strait under headsail and staysail for a couple of weeks while trying to sail northwest. I was rolled, wiping off my solar panels, wind generator and destroying the wheel steering. I headed back to Port Stanley,



Homeward bound



Dodging cyclones



Welcome Home Bill

Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than those you did. So throw off the bowlines, sail away from safe harbor, catch the wind in your sails.

Explore. Dream. Discover.

Mark Twain

Falkland Islands using the emergency tiller steering. It took nearly 3 months to get the necessary rigging and to install a hydrogenerator. I had a smooth run back to Brisbane, arriving in September 2018.

By that stage and being 79, I thought to hell with the expense, I'd get some decent rigging. David Lambourne redesigned the rigging and guaranteed his work. He had also re-rigged Jessica Watson's boat after her tangle with the bulk carrier. I left port before the bill came in.

From June 2019 to February 2020, I had a reasonably smooth journey from the Gold Coast Seaway to the Gold Coast Seaway (via Bass Strait, Cape Leeuwin, Cape of Good Hope, Canary Islands and Cape Horn), arriving one month after my 81st birthday.

Like all good masters' rowers, I've been working on my handicap... 18 months until I make it into 'L'.

Bill Hatfield

On behalf of Toowong Rowing Club congratulations Bill on your extraordinary nautical adventures and achievements. Your skill, courage and tenacity are truly inspiring.

Bill Hatfield set 2 new world records and the recipient of the following accolades:

- World Speed Sailing Record Council. First Around the World Westabout, Singlehanded 40ft.
- Guinness Book of World Records. Oldest person to sail around the world, non-stop, unassisted.
- Ocean Cruising Club
 - The Australian Trophy 2016
 - The Barton Cup 2018
 - Honorary Life Membership 2020

Ange Ellis

TRC Mowing Club

Thank you to this little band for another year of cutting, trimming and tidying to help keep the club in good shape: Jim Gibb, Alex Milanovic, Peter Logan, Saoirse Cruikshank, Andrew Farr, Robert Gunningham and Terry Mulligan. All the locals regularly comment on how well the club looks.

We are still looking for others who would like to join us, every week in summer and every two weeks in winter. Lots of fun if you are into grass!!! Naturally, we would welcome more volunteers to keep the place in good shape.

Kerry O'Rourke

Saturday Brekky

For many years, TRC rowers have enjoyed Saturday Brekky. The coffee machine in the Function Room was underutilized, so why not make it work for us on a Saturday morning with brekky.

As with many things that happen around the Club, this would not have been possible without a considerable volunteer effort. In the main this was led by Carol Watters and Lyn Brown who reeled in the services of many of the Masters women doing chopping, setting up and cleaning up.

Wendy and Michael Cavell were an integral part of the Saturday Brekky, behind the counter making the coffees. After a long commitment Wendy and Michael 'retired' from their barista roles on the Australian Day weekend 2020 and we take this opportunity to again thank them for their participation and commitment at the Toowong Rowing Club.

The Committee set to thinking and planning a way forward for Saturday Brekky, primarily a breakfast that would engage all demographics within the Club, and include some feedback ideas from members. A professional barista, Emma Casey, was engaged to make the coffee, the Continental breakfast continued with Lyn and her band of helpers, and a hot brekky, a breakfast wrap, was added to the menu, with a vegetarian option. The pricing schedule was slightly revised and payment by Eftpos was introduced.



Wendy and Michael Cavell

The new look Saturday Brekky started, with Katrina Nugent at the helm, and Emma churning out coffees of all descriptions, and the feedback was positive. The most visible change was that the High Performance rowers were there in numbers, tapping their cards, phones and watches for payment and the hot brekky option was a great success.

Just as we were getting into the "swing" of the new look brekky, in March, the global pandemic struck and the rowing club closed.

Saturday Brekky will return at some point in time and with the Eftpos payment system, and input from a professional barista working in a new world café industry, we can all be fed and be safe.

Noela Zuk



thank you Wendy and Michael

The Don Boshier Flagpole

For so many years, Don Boshier had wished that Toowong Rowing Club had a flagpole. Indeed, to have one to hoist the Australian or TRC flag would be a monument of pride and 'simply make the place proper'.

Don's vision for a club flagpole was shared by many but it was enabled by the generous work of Rudi Bianchi, Peter Gregg and Jack Hutchinson who donated their time and resources for the flagpole to become reality. Thanks to Rudi who organised new Australian and club flags that will proudly fly at future club events.

On Saturday 7 March 2020, a ceremony was held after Saturday breakfast to officially commission 'The Don Boshier Flagpole' with unveiling of the plaque and raising the national flag. It was a long-awaited and proud moment for Don (aged 91) joined by his son-in-law Rod and many club mates that morning.

May Don's beloved flagpole fly our flags high and be testament of Toowong Rowing Club spirit well into the future.



Ange Ellis



Don Boshier



CLUB BOAT FLEET 2020

USE	BOAT NAME	TYPE	MAKE	BUILT	USE	BOAT NAME	TYPE	MAKE	BUILT
R	To be named	8+	Empacher	2017	R	Connelly, Terry	2- / 2x	Hudson	2012
R	Pradella, Silvio	8+	Sykes	2017	R	Bailey, Clayton	2- / 2x	Sykes	2010
R	Malouf, Cal	8+	Sykes	2009	R	Pritchard, Jack	2- / 2x	Sykes	2003
R	Mulligan, Terry	8+	Sykes	2009	Y	Dowrie, Jim	2- / 2x	Sykes	2004
Y	Jack, Tom	8+	Sykes	<2000	Y	Hoyes, Bob	2- / 2x	Sykes	2005
Y	Ellis, Angelina	8+	Sykes	2000	Y	Mahony, Ron	2- / 2x	Sykes	2003
Y	O'Rourke, Kerry	8+	Sykes	2006	Y	Varendorff, John	2- / 2x	Kirs	2006
G	Cavell, Wendy & Michael	8+	Sykes	2004	Y	Watters, Carol	2- / 2x	Kirs	2006
G	Caesar	8+	Sykes	<2000	Y	Bosher, Don	2- / 2x	Ausrowtec	2006
R	Dagge, Greg	4+	Sykes	2001	G	Hooper, Ivan	2- / 2x	Sykes	2003
R	Lyndon, Paula	4+	Sykes	<2000	G	Hartley, Alex	2x	Sykes	<2000
G	Jell, Peter	4+	Carmody	2012	G	MacPherson, Allen	2x	Sykes	<2000
G	Edmonds, Graham	4+	Sykes	<2000	G	Gregg, Peter	2x	Carmody	2008
Y	Tynan, Andrew	4-	Carmody	2009	R	Purcell, Darren	2-	Sykes	2006
G	Warren, Heather	4+	Sykes	1995	Y	Carter, Trish	2-	Sykes	2007
Y	Toon, Michael	4-	Sykes	1999	Y	Magoffin, Dave	2-	Sykes	1998
R	Park, Peter	4- / 4x	Sykes	2013	Y	Keily, Gavin	2-	Sykes	2005
R	Dwyer, Keiren	4- / 4x	Sykes	2009	Y	Huggett, Peter	2-	Kirs	<2000
R	Hutchison, Jack	4- / 4x	Sykes	2009	G	Brown, Lyn	2-	Sykes	<2000
R	Parmenter, Gill	4- / 4x	Sykes	2004	G	Orchert, David	2-	Sykes	<2000
Y	Thomsen, Shane	4- / 4x	Sykes	2003	G	McNeill, Rob	2-	Sykes	<2000
Y	Moss, Frank	4- / 4x	Carmody	2011	G	Birt, Rod	2-	Sykes	<2000
R	Bliss, John	4- / 4x	Sykes	2016	R	Schryver, Peter	2- / 2x	Sykes	2017
G	Buchbach, Doug	4x	Sykes	1995	G	Kerrison, Russell	2- / 2x	Sykes	2002
Y	Lyndon, Chris	4x	Sykes	1995	G	16 Numbered Sculls	1x	Various	2000 - 2011
R	Price, Jack	2- / 2x	Sykes	2016					
R	James, Amy	2- / 2x	Sykes	2016					
R	McDonnell, Tim	2- / 2x	Sykes	2013					
R	Silcox, Nick	2- / 2x	Sykes	2013					

Toowong Rowing Club

Income & Expenditure

April 2019 To March 2020

CLUB INCOME

Income from Members		
Membership Fees	\$152,834.51	
Boat Storage Fees	\$12,461.33	
Miscellaneous Income	\$226.91	
Shed Key & Locker Income	\$499.96	
		\$166,022.71
Donations & fundraising		
Donations Received	\$13,954.00	
Fundraising Income	\$3,250.00	
		\$17,204.00
Grants		
Sports & Infrastructure Grant	\$2,365.00	
		\$2,365.00
Head of Brisbane Income		
HOB Registrations	\$14,278.74	
HOB Sponsorship	\$13,636.37	
HOB Other Income	\$3,564.17	
		\$31,479.28
Club Events / Income		
Annual Dinner		
Clothing Sales	\$243.64	
Rowing Programs	\$5,629.94	
		\$5,873.58
Hire		
Hire of Boats	\$4,000.00	
		\$4,000.00
OTHER INCOME		
Insurance Recoveries - Boats	\$509.36	
Damages recovered from members		
Interest Income	\$233.32	
Sale of Club Assets		\$742.68
TOTAL INCOME		\$227,687.25

CLUB EXPENSES

Administration Costs		
Audit Fees	\$1,800.00	
Bookkeeping Fees	\$8,026.88	
Computer expenses		
Postage & Stationery	\$396.82	
Printing & Photocopying	\$2,320.12	
Telephone	\$492.91	
		\$13,036.73
Bank, fin. & merchant charges		
Bank Charges	\$0.81	
Merchant Charges	(\$16.79)	
		(\$15.98)
Member & coach exp		
Trophies & Medals	\$2,114.82	
Conference & Seminar	\$133.64	
Coaching Expenses	\$18,124.94	
Affiliation Fee - Rowing Qld	\$2,367.27	
Hire of equipment		
Hire of Boats		

Fundraising Expenses		
Legal costs	\$535.00	
Seat Fees	(\$3,480.15)	
Other Member Expenses	\$2,764.24	
		\$22,559.76

Rates, Utilities, Insurance

Rates & Excess Water	\$8,098.58	
Electricity	\$1,235.81	
Insurance	\$46,115.90	
Permits/Licences & Fees	\$423.02	
Registrations	\$1,536.45	
Fuel & Oil	\$2,804.67	
Security	\$1,666.57	
		\$61,881.00

CLUB EVENTS / EXPENSES

Rates, Utilities, Insurance		
Rates & Excess Water	\$8,098.58	
Electricity	\$1,235.81	
Insurance	\$46,115.90	
Permits/Licences & Fees	\$423.02	
Registrations	\$1,536.45	
Fuel & Oil	\$2,804.67	
Security	\$1,666.57	
		\$61,881.00

Club Events / Expenses

Annual dinner expenses	\$1,006.36	
Clothing Purchases		
		\$1,006.36

Head of Brisbane Expenses

Head of Brisbane expenses	\$9,073.99	
		\$9,073.99

Repairs & Maintenance

Cleaning/Rubbish Removal	\$331.55	
Rep & Maintenance - Boats	\$34,899.17	
Rep & Maintenance - Refurb	\$3,363.72	
Rep & Maintenance - Boat Shed	\$4,918.05	
Rep & Maintenance - Trailers	\$4,434.49	
Rep & Maintenance - Tinnies	\$7,531.15	
Rep & Maintenance - Pontoon	\$5,460.79	
Rep & Maint - Gym & Land equip	\$973.74	
Rep & Maintenance - Grounds	\$302.72	
		\$62,215.38

Other Expenses

Interest Expense		
Depreciation Expense	\$61,297.70	
		\$61,297.70

Total Expenses **\$231,054.94**

Surplus/ (Deficit) Income over Expenditure **(\$3,367.69)**

Toowong Rowing Club

Venue Profit & Loss Statement

April 2019 To March 2020

VENUE INCOME

Breakfast Saturday Income	\$10,353.45
Hire of Venue	\$12,227.29
Hire of kitchen	
Hire Function Room Accessories	
Garden Wedding Set-up	
Bar Takings	\$1,462.27
Catering Income	
Corkage	
Sale of Assets - Venue	
Wait staff income	

TOTAL VENUE INCOME

\$24,043.01

VENUE EXPENSES

Admin & bookkeeping Venue	\$891.88
Advertising Venue	\$321.38
Bank Charges Venue Acc	\$1,203.26
Breakfast Saturday Expenses	\$473.03
Caterer's Costs	
Clean & Rubbish costs Venue	\$919.53
Tableware & Minor equip	
Depreciation Equip & Furn	\$3,982.85
Drinks stock Adjustment	\$2,449.48
Electricity Venue	\$4,943.29
Fees/licenses Venue	
Function Purchases	\$2,641.95
Gas Venue	\$535.72
Hire Costs Functions	
Telephone Venue	\$994.92
Printing & stationery - venue	\$50.37
Rep & Maint Venue	\$8,094.62
Security Venue	\$1,486.57
Venue Staff Expenses	
Casual Staff Wages	
Venue Manager - CW	\$510.00
Venue Assistant - TS	
Superannuation Expense	
	\$510.00
Workcover Venue	(\$333.12)

TOTAL VENUE EXPENSES

\$29,165.73

NET OPERATING PROFIT

(\$5,122.72)

Less Extra-ordinary Expenses

Prior year adjustments to Accounts Receivable

VENUE NET PROFIT/(LOSS)

(\$5,122.72)

2019-20 Major Acquisition Report

Date	Details	Debit
August 2019	Sykes 2- / 2x (Peter Schriver)	\$10,650.00
November 2019	Empacher R86 Eight (To be named)	\$42,000.00
	Total BOATS :	\$52,650.00
October 2019	C2 Skinny Sweep (HP Women)	\$4,925.80
	Total OARS :	\$4,925.80
July 2019	Tinnie #9 USED 3.7M Dart / 20hp Mercury	\$6,000.00
July 2019	Tinnie Trailer	\$1,000.00
December 2019	Tinnie #10 Angie Ellis 3.5 Punt / 9.9 hp Yamaha	\$9,955.56
November 2019	Tinnie dollies - 3 No.	\$840.00
	Total TINNIES :	\$17,795.56
August 2019	Aakma Rowing Boat 14 Storage Trestles	\$1,370.00
	Total BOAT TRESTLES :	\$1,370.00
September 2019	2 no.C Dynamic Erg with PM5	\$3,565.00
December 2019	Bike Stand Exercise machine	\$1,544.55
December 2019	2x Black Model D Indoor Rower, 2x Dynamic Indoor Rower Grant Funded	\$6,300.00
	Total GYM EQUIPMENT	\$11,409.55
	Grand Total :	\$88,150.91

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
INCOME			
Boat storage fees		12,461.33	13,783.64
Catering and functions		11,815.72	102,323.70
Donations received		13,954.00	788.50
Interest received		233.32	374.73
Learn to row program		9,629.94	1,718.19
Membership subscriptions		152,834.51	147,675.15
Registrations		14,278.74	16,288.11
Sundry income		24,295.41	28,901.84
Venue hire		12,227.29	58,444.57
Total Income		251,730.26	370,298.43
EXPENDITURE			
Audit fees		1,800.00	1,800.00
Catering and function costs		6,570.82	28,674.28
Coaching expenses		18,124.94	14,470.08
Depreciation and impairments		65,280.55	63,673.88
Fees and permits		1,959.47	2,068.10
Insurance		42,229.32	43,806.22
Printing, postage and stationery		2,767.31	2,267.45
Rates, water, gas and electricity		14,813.40	13,568.86
Repairs and maintenance		71,229.53	80,385.16
Security		1,666.57	1,321.17
Subcontractors and employees		18,502.75	83,268.26
Sundry expenses		7,430.05	3,257.05
Supplies - fuel and oils		2,804.67	4,427.67
Telephone		1,487.83	1,840.71
Total Expenditure		256,667.21	344,828.89
Surplus / (Deficit) before income tax expense		(4,936.95)	25,469.54
Less income tax expense		-	-
Surplus / (Deficit) after income tax expense for the year attributable to the members		(4,936.95)	25,469.54
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the members		(4,936.95)	25,469.54

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash on hand		1,000.00	1,465.50
Cash at bank		72,031.87	12,400.63
Cash on deposit		95,350.55	140,117.23
Prepayments		44,990.65	41,437.19
Stock on hand		-	3,357.01
Total Current Assets		213,373.07	198,777.56
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	3	485,281.15	461,984.70
Total Non-Current Assets		485,281.15	461,984.70
TOTAL ASSETS		698,654.22	660,762.26
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts payables		51,428.51	12,084.09
Deposits held		900.00	500.00
GST payable		6,071.87	2,851.23
Other payables		-	136.15
Total Current Liabilities		58,400.38	15,571.47
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Total Non-Current Liabilities		-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		58,400.38	15,571.47
NET ASSETS		640,253.84	645,190.79
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus		640,253.84	645,190.79
Total Equity		640,253.84	645,190.79

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

	Accumulated Surplus \$	TOTAL \$
Opening balance 1 April 2018	619,721.25	619,721.25
Plus, surplus attributable to members	25,469.54	25,469.54
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-
Closing Balance 31 March 2019	645,190.79	645,190.79
Opening balance 1 April 2019	645,190.79	645,190.79
Plus, surplus attributable to members	(4,936.95)	(4,936.95)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-
Closing Balance 31 March 2020	640,253.84	640,253.84

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from customers		247,943.48	377,615.34
Payments to suppliers and employees		(145,200.74)	(285,977.62)
Interest received		233.32	374.73
Net Cash Provided (used) by Operating Activities	4.a	102,976.06	92,012.45
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payment for assets		(88,577.00)	(26,518.18)
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities		(88,577.00)	(26,518.18)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Financing Activities		-	-
Net Increase in Cash Held		14,399.06	65,494.27
Cash at the beginning of the year		153,983.36	88,489.09
Cash at the end of the year	4.b	168,382.42	153,983.36

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

NOTE 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland 1981.

In the opinion of those charged with governance, the Association is not a reporting entity since there are unlikely to exist users of the financial statements who are not able to command the preparation of reports tailored to satisfy all their information needs. The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not consider changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets. The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

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.

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.

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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.

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.

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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 several key estimates and assumptions.

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
NOTE 3: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Plant and Equipment:		
Plant and equipment at cost	797,663.67	724,132.31
less accumulated depreciation	(394,201.77)	(344,472.61)
	403,461.90	379,659.70
Furnishing and fittings at cost	159,389.93	144,770.38
less accumulated depreciation	(77,570.68)	(62,445.38)
	81,819.25	82,325.00
Total Plant and Equipment	485,281.15	461,984.70

NOTE 4: CASH FLOW INFORMATION

a. reconciliation of cash flows from surplus

Surplus / (deficit) attributable to members	(4,936.95)	25,469.54
Non-Cash flows		
Depreciation	65,280.55	63,673.88
Changes in assets and liabilities		
(Increase) / decrease in accounts receivables	-	5,728.75
(Increase) / decrease in prepayments	(3,553.46)	1,962.89
(Increase) / decrease in stock on hand	3,357.01	596.47
Increase / (decrease) in trade and other payables	39,344.42	4,034.71
Increase / (decrease) in deposits held	400.00	(9,700.00)
Increase / (decrease) in GST payable	3,220.64	1,399.97
Increase / (decrease) in other payables	(136.15)	(1,153.76)
	102,976.06	92,012.45

b. reconciliation of cash

Cash on hand	1,000.00	1,465.50
Cash at bank	72,031.87	12,400.63
Cash on deposit	95,350.55	140,117.23
	168,382.42	153,983.36
Less overdraft facilities	-	-
	168,382.42	153,983.36

NOTE 5: ACCUMULATED SURPLUS

Opening balance	645,190.79	619,721.25
Plus, Surplus / (Deficit) attributable to the members	(4,936.95)	25,469.54
Closing Balance	640,253.84	645,190.79

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NOTE 6: EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There are no other matters or circumstances that have arisen since 31 March 2020 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 of 31 March 2020 and 31 March 2019.

NOTE 9: COMMITMENTS

The incorporated association had no commitments for expenditure as of 31 March 2020 and 31 March 2019.

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.

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

The committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report

1. the attached financial statements and notes thereto give a true and fair view of the incorporated association's financial position as of 31 March 2020 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
2. 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 9th day of June 2020.

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the members of Toowong Rowing Club Incorporated

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of the **Toowong Rowing Club Incorporated** which comprises the statement of comprehensive income, statement of financial position as at the **31st March 2020**, statement of changes in equity, statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statement, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the Statement by the Members of the Committee.

In our opinion the financial report of the **Toowong Rowing Club Incorporated** has been prepared in accordance with Associations Incorporation Act 1981, including,

1. giving a true and fair view of the association's financial position as of **31st March 2020** and of its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. comply with accounting policies to the extent described in Note 1, and the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) 1981 and regulations.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial report section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report is prepared to assist for the purpose of fulfilling the Association's financial reporting responsibilities under the Associations Incorporation Act (Qld) 1981. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Committee Members' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Committee Members' of the Association are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements, the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 and Australian Charities and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Committee Members' are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Management are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report. A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.



Jason O'Connor CA
Registered Company Auditor (No. 353931)

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Dated this *11th* day of *June*, 2020.

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