

Toowong Rowing Club



Annual Report and Balance Sheet 2023
incorporating the Toowong Rowing Club Magazine

AGENDA

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023 TOOWONG ROWING CLUB INC

SATURDAY 12TH AUGUST 2023 AT 4PM
TRC FUNCTION ROOM AND VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

1. Welcome and introductions **Chairman**
2. Apologies **Chairman**
3. Acceptance of minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting **Chairman**
4. Receiving of the Management Committee's Report **Chairman**
5. Receiving of the 2023 Financial Statements **Treasurer**
6. Receiving of the 2023 Auditor's Report **Treasurer**
7. Proposed resolutions to General Business from Members
(Consideration of Notices of Motion received prior to meeting) **Chairman**
8. Retirement of Management Committee members and other Office Bearers for 2023 **Chairman**
Election and Introduction of Management Committee members and other Office Bearers for 2024
9. Consider and approve Auditor for the 2023/2024 financial year. **Treasurer 2024**
10. Meeting close **Chairman 2024**



Minutes of Annual General Meeting Saturday 6 August 2022

Toowong Rowing Club

Meeting commenced at 3pm

Apologies:

Bliss John	Carter Trish	Huggett Peter	MacGregor Peter
Briker-Bell Heather-Ann	Elliott Marion	Karadimitris Leo	Watters Carol
Buchbach Douglas	Gasteen Chris	Lambros Katherine	Wilson Liz

Attendees:

Apel Elliot	Evans Tracey	Howden Katherine	Parry Sam
Bell Chris	Feros Nicholas	Hutchinson Jack	Price Jack
Bourne Julie	Filkin Janelle	Keily Gavin	Reynolds Katrina
Brookes Jeremy	Forbes Luella	Kerrison Russell	Schryver Peter
Brown Lynette	Gamble Susan	Magnus Nathan	Tynan Andrew
Bugg Tim	Gamble Welwyn	Malouf Calile	Varendorff John
Capper Brenden	Game Mark	McLean Williams Andrew	Watter Darcy
Clatworthy Andrew	Gregg Peter	Mulligan Terry	Zerner Margaret
Coit Aynslie	Gunningham Robert	Nugent Katrina	Zuk Noela
Conn Jeff	Hammer Stephen	O'Keefe Frances	de Waal Annette
Ellis Angelina	Herries Robyn	Park Peter	Van Mourik Robert

Welcome

There being a quorum present Chairman Tim Bugg opened the 2022 Annual General Meeting at 3pm.

Minutes

Motion: That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2021 be accepted as true and correct.

Passed by a majority via electronic vote.

Receiving of the Management Committee's Report

On behalf of the Management Committee Chairman Tim Bugg summarised Committee's Report, as published in the club's Annual Report Magazine, as follows.

- The challenges of the previous year, the Club's resilience, and good fortune to have a highly engaged and supportive membership.
- New systems and processes implemented focusing on efficiency, transparency, and financial responsibility.
- The Constitution update in its final stages and the volume of work involved in the process over a number of years.
- An ambitious revised and updated asset management plan and purchase of a good quality second-hand 1x, a new Sykes 8+ and a new trailer on order. If delivered the asset management plan will enable a gradual upgrade of the entire fleet.
- For the fleet upgrade plan to succeed members will be asked to support fundraising activities both financially and with their time as volunteers.
- Thanked Head of the Brisbane organizers for raising significant funds at this very important club event.
- The success of our high performance and masters athletes at the National Championships and AMRC highlighting that Toowong Rowing Club topped the points and medal tally at AMRC.
- Thanked the management committee for their efforts over the previous year.

Receiving of the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report

Treasurer Peter Park reported on the Financial Statements for year ended 31st March 2022. A full Auditor's report has been distributed to the membership via the Annual Report Magazine.

Key income sources for the club:

- Membership – now approaching pre Covid level.
- Function Centre – usage has improved.
- 2021 Head of the Brisbane – best financial result to date

Total income for the year: \$250,985

Operating expenses: \$199,222

Total cash surplus: \$51,763

Peter Gregg asked for clarification on the Income & Expenditure Statement where an amount of \$23,530.82 was listed as Head of the Brisbane 'other income'. It was suggested that the figure should have been allocated as seat fees, but the Treasurer took the question on notice and will provide further details as requested.

On behalf of the membership Peter Schryver thanked outgoing Peter Park noting he done an exceptional job as club Treasurer.

Motion: That the Auditor's Report of the Toowong Rowing Club accounts 2021-2022 be accepted by the Membership.

Passed by a majority via electronic vote.

General Business

Life Membership Nomination

Peter Park spoke to his nomination of member Peter Gregg to be honoured with a Toowong Rowing Club Life Membership noting the value of Peter's outstanding contribution to the Club and of his fine influence, his knowledge of rowing and of the history of the Club.

Motion: That Honorary Life Membership be granted to Peter Gregg.

Passed by a majority via electronic vote.

Increase of Membership Fees

Motion Background as presented to the membership for the purpose of the electronic vote:

Under the TRC constitution, membership fees need to be determined by the membership at a general meeting.

The current membership fee was approved 4 years ago at the 2018 AGM, total inflation since this time is just over 10%. During the same timeframe most ongoing club costs have also increased:

Insurance – up over 15%

Utilities – up over 40%

Tinny maintenance and fuel – up over 20%

Toowong Rowing Club operates on the extraordinary goodwill of many volunteers who donate countless hours maintaining, cleaning, and looking after our club and equipment, but spare parts, fuel, external boat repairs, utilities and insurance make up a significant proportion of the club budget. Grants, donations, sponsorships, and proceeds from venue hire all help, but the greatest contribution to the club's finances comes from membership fees. To ensure the ongoing financial stability of the club and to enable the continued investment in maintaining our equipment, facility and rowing programs, the management committee is recommending a new membership fee for 2023.

Category	Current	Proposed
Adult	\$905	\$1010
Student – secondary	\$545	\$610
Student - tertiary	\$655	\$730

* Excluding RQ capitation fee, currently \$121 for competitive rowers

Motion: The Management Committee seeks approval of the Membership to increase membership fees in line with the attached document

Passed by a majority via electronic vote.

The Chairman thanked the membership for supporting the fee increase.

Consideration and approval of Auditor of Toowong Rowing Club Accounts 2022/2023 Financial Year

Motion: That Debra Calder of Day 2 Bookkeeping be appointed Auditor of Toowong Rowing Club's accounts.

Passed by a majority via electronic vote.

Retirement of all Management Committee members and other Office Bearers for 2022

Chairman Tim Bugg announced the retirement of the Management Committee and other Office Bearers and thank the 2022 committee noting that Janelle Filkin had not re-nominated. He announced the result of the electronic vote.

Management Committee 2023

Tim Bugg – Chairman

Angelina Ellis – Club Captain

Leo Karadimitris – Vice Club Captain

Nicholas Feros – Vice Club Captain

Katherine Howden – Secretary

Robyn Herries – Treasurer

Peter Park

Jackson Price

John Bliss

Mark Game

Office Bearers 2023

Jack Hutchinson – Patron

Carol Watters – President

Vice Presidents:

Lynette Brown

Doug Buchbach

Brendan Capper

Aynslie Coit

Marion Elliot

Peter Huggett

Russell Kerrison

Tim McDonnell

Paul Pettigrew

Jack Price

Andrew Tynan

John Varendorff

The Chairman made special mention of Noela Zuk thanking her for re-nominating and for her significant contribution to committee over several years, particularly in the pursuit of grants.

Meeting Close

The Chairman closed the meeting at 3.25pm

Toowong Rowing Club Membership 2023

Alfredson, Justin
 Anderson, Heather
 Anderson, Daniella
 Apel, Elliott
 Armitage, Kelly
 Axton, Andrew Alistair
 Babkov, Anton
 Baidon, Tony
 Bailey, Clayton
 Bailie, James
 Barbery, Gaery
 Barlow, Nicholas
 Bartley, Paul
 Bedggood, Bruce
 Bell, Chris
 Bentley, Grace
 Beresford, Grant
 Bettenay, Trevor
 Billington, Melissa
 Black, Joseph
 Bliss, John
 Bourne, Julie
 Bowes, John
 Bowser, Jack
 Bridge, Mitchell
 Brookes, Jeremy
 Brown, Lynette
 Brown, Emma
 Browne, Andrew
 Buchbach, Douglas
 Bugg, Tim
 Burley, Mackenzie
 Button, Tully
 Bystrycki, Greer
 Coa, Xiaoxu
 Capper, Brenden
 Carr, Mitch
 Carter, David
 Carter, Trish
 Case, Norman
 Cavell, Wendy
 Chancellor, Laura
 Clarke, Shelley
 Clatworthy, Andrew
 Clements, Todd
 Clough, Andrew
 Coates, Jenny
 Coit, Aynslie
 Colquhoun, Matthew
 Conn, Jeff
 Conn, Jenny
 Connolly, Mark
 Cook, Steve
 Cooney, Hamish
 Coulton, Alan
 Cryle, Gabe
 Cumming, Peter
 Daly, Samuel
 Daly, Thomas
 de Waal, Annette
 Debruyne, Yannick
 Dipple, Austin

Dombroski, Kate
 Doneley, Tyson
 Doring, James
 Douglas, Katelin
 Douglas, Alex
 Douglas, Owen
 Douglas, Karen
 Doyle, Martin
 Durbridge, Kenzie
 Elliott, Marion
 Ellis, Angelina
 Evans, Tracey
 Farr, Andrew
 Feros, Nicholas
 Field, Alex
 Filkin, Janelle
 Findlay, Adam
 Foley, Bill
 Forbes, Luella
 Forbes, Alexander
 Frost, David
 Gabrielli, Brian
 Gamble, Welwyn
 Gamble, Susan
 Game, Mark
 Gasteen, Chris
 Gates, Rick
 Geldard, Gabrielle
 Gerber, Sophie
 Gibb, Jim
 Gould, Roger
 Grady, Wendy
 Green, Stephen
 Gregg, Peter
 Gunningham, Robert
 Hall, Cameron
 Hammer, Stephen
 Hankinson, Chloe
 Harrington, Robert
 Harrison, Michael
 Hawke, Ian
 Hawke, Michael
 Herries, Robyn
 Hicks, Peter
 Hodgson, Judith
 Holzberger, Ian
 Hooper, Lachlan
 Horder, Dean
 Howard, Adrian
 Howden, Katherine
 Huggett, Peter
 Humphrey, Adrian
 Hutchinson, Jack
 Hutchinson, Ken
 Jell, Peter
 Jeremijenko, Maxim
 Jeremijenko, Alexander
 Johns, Elizabeth
 Karadimitris, Leonidas
 Karrasch, Haimish
 Keily, Gavin
 Kelly, Julie-Ann

Kennedy, Steve
 Kerrison, Russell
 King, Bernie
 Kirk-Lauritsen, Gavin
 Lambros, Katherine
 Law, Robert
 Lawrence, Geoffrey
 Lee, Anthony
 Logan, Peter
 Loveday, Michelle
 Lyndon, Christopher
 MacGregor, Peter
 Mackie, Ian
 Macsporrán, Alan
 Magnus, Richard
 Magnus, Nathan
 Maiden, Greg
 Malouf, Calile
 Manning, James
 Marryat, Daniel
 Martin, Connor
 Martin, Rodin
 Matthews, Robyn
 McCracken, Cameron
 McDonnell, Tim
 McIntosh, Andrew
 McKenzie, Ella
 McLean Williams, Andrew
 McPhee, Robert
 McPhie, Archibald
 McRae, Stephan
 Mehonoshen, Kathy
 Milanovic, Alexander
 Mills, James
 Mills, Jennifer
 Monks, Deborah
 Moynihan, Tony
 Mulligan, Terry
 Murphy, Michael
 Murphy, Una
 Murphy, Moss
 Murphy, Clarence
 Musgrave, Elizabeth
 Nugent, Katrina
 O'Dwyer, Philip
 O'Hare, Josh
 O'Keefe, Frances
 O'Loan, Mike
 O'Rourke, Kerry
 O'Rourke, Cooper
 Ohmsen, Kimberly
 Orchart, David
 Park, Peter
 Paterson, Alec
 Patterson, Hugh
 Perkins, Ian
 Petrie-Repar, Joseph
 Pettigrew, Paul
 Pickett, Samuel
 Place, Christian
 Plume, Katherine
 Poiner, Richard
 Poole, Evan

Powell, Jemima
 Pradella, Alex
 Pradella, Silvio
 Price, Jackson
 Price, John
 Price, Jack
 Purcell, Darryn
 Quinn, David
 Raven, Clare
 Regan, Jonathan
 Reynolds, Katrina
 Richards, Joel
 Ridgway, Sadie
 Robson, Ian
 Roebuck, Philip
 Rogers, Josh
 Rogers, Steven
 Runge, Jonathon
 Ryals, Tom
 Schryver, Peter
 Sharp, Andrew
 Sharp, Susan
 Simpson, Thomas
 Smart, Simon
 Smith, Cameron
 Somerville, Robert
 Stevens, Nick
 Stevens, Stuart
 Stockwell, Ben
 Stokes, Ethan
 Tancred, Henry
 Taylor, Paul
 Thiele, Rhys
 Thomas, Daniel
 Thomsen, Shane
 Toon, Michael
 Tynan, Andrew
 Underhill, Asha
 van Duyn, Ian
 van Mourik, Robert
 Varendorff, John
 Vikulov, Svetlana
 Walker, Imogen
 Walker, John
 Wallrock, Nick
 Warren, Heather
 Watter, Darcy
 Watters, Carol
 Whalley, Shane
 Whitehead, Vanessa
 Whitehill, Craig
 Williams, Ryan
 Wilson, Elizabeth
 Witham, Roger
 Zerner, Margaret

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS
 Wendy Cavell (2014)
 Peter Gregg (2022)
 Alex Hartley (1999)
 Peter Huggett (2004)
 John (Jack) Hutchinson (1990)
 Haimish Karrasch (1997)
 Russell Kerrison (2009)
 Christopher Lyndon (1999)
 Calile Malouf (1976)
 Terry Mulligan (1979)
 Robert (Red) McNeil (2016)
 David Orchart (1989)
 Kerry O'Rourke (2008)
 Darryn Purcell (2016)
 Michael Toon (2005)
 John Varendorff (2007)
 Carol Watters (2020)

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS
 (Deceased)
 Joe Avery, Donald Boshier,
 Jim Cameron, Bill Doherty,
 Bill Dowd, Jim Dowrie,
 Cecil Grimley, Charlie Horn,
 Tom Jack, Les Keefer,
 Dave Magoffin, Ron Mahoney,
 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
 John Massey
 Terry Mulligan
 Kerry O'Rourke

Chairman's Report

I am pleased to present our annual report for 2023. This report will provide an overview of the club's activities, achievements, and financial performance over the past year. We are grateful for the continued support of our members, volunteers, sponsors, and the community, all of which enables us to fulfill our mission of promoting rowing, developing athletes and fostering a sense of community among our members.

Throughout the year, the Management Committee has worked hard to manage the club's operations and governance, ensuring that we manage risk, the safety of our members, maintaining and improving our equipment and facilities and maintaining the club's strong financial position. We are grateful for the support provided by our highly engaged membership, and as a club we should be proud of our continued on-water success at a wide range of local, state, and national regattas.

A key focus of our club remains development of our youth squad and supporting their pursuit of success on the National and International stage. With increased investment in new equipment, coaching and supporting coach professional development, the Club continues to see positive results from this program.

Our masters squad remains one of the strongest in the country. The dedication and commitment to training and competition demonstrated by our older athletes is an inspiration, and under the close supervision of our dedicated coaches, this squad continues to fill state representative crews and achieve exceptional results at a national level.

The Head of the Brisbane remains our key fundraising event for the year and an excellent opportunity for the club to engage with the wider community. We remain exceptionally grateful for the support provided by our many long-term sponsors and especially the team of volunteers and hard work that goes on in the background that supports this successful event.

We are pleased to report that the club's financial performance remained stable in 2023. Through effective financial management and the support of our sponsors and

donors, we were able to generate sufficient funds to cover operational expenses, maintain our facility and invest in new equipment.

By the time of this meeting, we hope that the membership has accepted the advice of the Management Committee and voted to adopt a new Constitution. This project has stretched over many years, management committees, sub-committees, and feedback sessions. I would like to again thank all involved in this process and congratulate you on producing a high-quality set of rules under which we can manage our Club into the future.

Administration systems, especially around financial management remain a focus with further improvements to our invoicing and financial reporting systems. We remain committed to implementing systems and process that are fair, transparent, and simple.

The club made many significant investments this year including new equipment purchases (two new 4-s, one new 2-), major refurbishment for the Jack Hutchinson 8+ and the purchase of a new boat trailer. This investment was all consistent with planning and is focused on ensuring that our athletes have access to the best possible equipment and being able to safely transport it to represent TRC at regattas.

Our club is fortunate to have dedicated volunteers who have tirelessly supported the club and enhanced our culture. We are especially grateful to the hard work performed by the 'Men's Shed' and team of lawn mowers. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to every one of them for their valuable contributions, passion, and commitment. Their selfless efforts are the backbone of our club.

Finally, I want to thank the hard-working management committee who all spend significant time and energy managing the affairs of the club and ensure that our members can pursue and achieve their goals. We extend our sincere thanks to our members, volunteers, sponsors, and the community for their enduring support. Together, we continue to make a positive impact on the lives of individuals and the community through the power of rowing.

Tim Bugg

TRC CHAIRMAN



Captain's Report

It's been a welcome relief from pandemic and flood to see Toowong RC stride uninterrupted on and off the water this year. The pages and pictures of our annual report again capture the many accomplishments of our big and diverse membership. Perhaps as we read and acknowledge all achieved, we reflect with pride and gratitude to belong to a 134 year-old collective that enables us to be more than our individual selves.

TRC squads once again proved formidable across all competitive arenas this year. Firstly, our HP athletes and coaches must be acknowledged for their efforts and outcomes this season. A steady 2022 pre-season prepared our HPs for strong performances at trial regattas and 2023 Qld States. In March a large contingency went the distance to Champion Lakes WA to take on the nation's best, often in challenging conditions. Our HP athletes took out some hard-fought wins most notably in the OLM8+, U21M4+ and podium placing in many other U21/U23 lightweight events. Big congratulations to Mitchell Bridge whose stellar rise this season saw his selection to the Australian U21 team and we wish Mitch well racing at international regattas over the coming month. We also congratulate the 10 TRC athletes and coach Mark Game who competed and medalled for Qld at the IS Regatta. This strong representation across 5 state crews is again testament to the depth and calibre of our HP program.

TRC Masters enjoyed another successful year across all racing formats. A record number boated up for the 2022 Winter Series and the head racing season with many crews enjoying bling at the Outback Regatta, HOTB, Convict Chase and Brown Snake regattas. Our combined club efforts resulted in a hat-trick aggregate win in the Omnium event. Success was also had at the inaugural Australian Coastal Rowing Championships with more coverage contained in this report.

TRC turned out in force for the 2023 State Masters Championships hauling around 60 podium medals with half gold as full club or composite crews. Three weeks later two trailers and 45+ squad headed to SIRC for the AMRC. It was evident on Day 1 that race pace was hotter than ever but our masters dug deep over the 4 days to achieve 39 podium results and retain our ranking as #1 Australian masters club. A special shout out to cox Asha Underhill who never fails to bring the best out in our crews. We were again well represented in 2023 Interstate Masters campaigns with six men selected for the ISMM8+, two women in ISWM8+ and Janelle Filkin stroking the ISWMD4x for a bronze medal. We are grateful again this season to Terry Mulligan for overseeing our master's program and guiding our ongoing success.

The past 12 months has seen significant expansion and improvements to our fleet. In accord with our boat acquisition plan, new and high-quality second hand boats have been acquired on budget totalling \$103,800. Last October we took delivery of the club's first LWT 8+ (Marion Elliott), a new 70kg Sykes that complements our best heavy and mid weight 8+ racing fleet. In April a new Sykes HWT 4-/x, ex-QAS LWT 4-/x

and HWT 2-/x were added to our shed. I am pleased to report these boats are now in active use and will be formally named at club awards later this year. Additionally, a set of C2 sculling oars were purchased with new sweep blades to follow this year.

Ongoing investment in refurbishments and repairs (\$15K+) has also kept our much-loved older boats in top shape. Over the past year we have begun installing high-quality Bont PR shoes to our red and yellow dot boats which will eventually become standard fit across the entire fleet.

Our expanding membership requires a comprehensive fleet that needs to be optimised in usage and well maintained. Under Bliss's leadership, a growing band of Tuesday helpers have worked routinely on our boats, equipment and shed facilities. We are indebted to the improvements they have made and offer huge thanks to one and all for their efforts. I do reiterate however we must all be active contributors to boat maintenance and the time we make to condition ourselves in rowing should be matched with conditioning boats themselves.

Many thanks to fellow TRC coaches who have continued to do the hours on and off the water to drive success for our squads. At the core, coaches strive to bring out the best in others, sometimes at the cost of their own well-being. With an increasing trend towards transactional arrangements in rowing, we must remember to value and support volunteer coaches, coxes and BROs who give service to benefit our club and sport.

The past 6 years has seen the working partnership between TRC and BBC Old Collegians grow ever stronger. The BBC men's squad have been a great fit at our clubhouse bringing mutual help and collaborations with TRC masters. Many thanks to their President Todd Clements and fellow OCBBC rowers for joint efforts again this year. We also thank St Peter's Lutheran Rowing group for their time spent with us during Term 1.

With Covid restrictions lifted the 2022 Head of The Brisbane Regatta was bigger and better than ever. Under Lana Vikulov's leadership, the HOTB team steered the event to success generating record seat fees and sponsorship revenue. I know Lana is committed to raising the bar even higher this year so please get onboard to give your time and/or sponsorship donations.

Our management committee has continued to work hard to oversee busy club operations. At times we are tasked with some heavy lifting in our roles but things are made lighter with the support of a strong working team. The running of Toowong RC now rivals that of a company complete with operations, finance and HR departments on the go. However the future of our club cannot rely on corporatisation but depends on us all as volunteer members. So I sincerely thank all members who follow our long-held tradition to 'hold it up' for Toowong and the privilege to serve as Captain of our great club.

Ange Ellis
CAPTAIN

President's Report

After the challenging events of the last few years 2023 has been more subdued. Possibly a time to reflect and consolidate and move to the future with renewed vigour. Our Old Collegian members have continued to be a very supportive and friendly asset to the club.

The HP rowers have worked hard with great results. Congratulations go to Mark Game and his crew winning the light-weight eight at Nationals. Also congratulations to Mitchell Bridge on his selection to represent Australia in the Australian Under 21 rowing team.

The Masters Nationals enjoyed perfect weather at Penrith Lakes this year and with a strong representative team of 50 rowers, though we didn't win the medal tally we did win the point score. We did win more medals than any other club, it's just that this year a lot of them were the wrong colour!

This year has seen an exciting influx of new masters members in the younger age group. The 'fresh blood' we so badly needed. A warm welcome goes to you all and may you have many happy and successful years at this wonderful club.

It's always great to see new events on the Australian rowing calendar. It's not that long ago that the Head of the Yarra was the only important event other than Nationals. Now in Queensland we have the Winter Series and some exciting head races such as The Brown Snake, The Convict Chase and

our Head of the Brisbane. Last October was the inaugural Head of the Outback! Wow! What a great weekend! The new dam at Barcaldine was a wonderful rowing venue and so too the Thomson River in Longreach. The event was so well organised and our masters women's crew enjoyed success and a great time meeting up with rowers from all down the coastline. Hopefully more Toowong members will venture out there this year.

Though not new, another event coming up this year is the 'Bridge to Bridge' regatta this year to be held on the Bucca Weir Bundaberg raising funds to help get Maryborough Rowing Club (where this regatta is normally held), back on its feet after being wiped out by floods earlier this year. I believe there are a few Toowong crews planning to support it.

This year sees our newly updated constitution being presented for approval. Modern technology, security and legal requirements have made it necessary. One of the changes is that the chairman of the management committee will now be the President of Toowong Rowing Club and the old President will now be called the Senior Vice President. My suggestion that I might now be called 'The Governor' didn't get much support! Never mind. I do though congratulate and thank new President Tim Bugg and his management committee on a successful year at keeping the high standing of this club.

Carol Watters
PRESIDENT



Treasurer's Report

Financial Year 1 March 2022 – 30 April 2023

This financial year has been a very busy year for the club with both increases in Income and Expenditure.

Healthy club finances have enabled us to make some substantial investment in new assets to complement our existing fleet and equipment:

Marion Elliott Lightweight 8+	\$46,440
Sykes New 4+	\$33,418
QAS 2nd Hand 4+	\$15,000
QAS 2nd Hand 2-	\$9,000
Large Boat Trailer	\$33,000

Plus, new sculling oars and minor gym equipment.

The continued success of the HOB (our major fund raiser for the year) has seen an increase in both Sponsorship and Registrations for 2022. This year the HOB had a record profit of \$34,342.62.

Other increased contributions in revenue have been from the schools program (St Peter's and Stuartholme), Venue Hire, donations to the Australian Sports Foundation (Fleet Upgrade Fund), TRC Foundation and other private donations of both cash and a single scull.

Our membership has also continued to grow this financial year.

Since the introduction of more transparent recording and collection online of seat fee monies we are now able to track o/s debts and have comprehensive historical records of regatta seat fee collection. We are now very efficient at tracking and collecting boat storage fees.

Other substantial income contributions have come from Brisbane City Council Grant (Flood Damage) for the pontoon and insurance recoveries.

On the other side of the ledger there has also been substantial increases in costs to the club. All utilities (electricity, water and fuel) have increased this financial year. Insurance and boat spare parts (Sykes etc) have also increased. Services to the club for the refurbishment of boats (JB etc), and accounting fees have also increased. However, due to the hard work of the Men's Shed the club saves considerably by not having to outsource a lot of the work that the men do on boats, ergos and general work around the shed. Coach's expenses have also increased due to further accreditation and development of coaches and increased costs for HP at both NSW Championships and Perth Nationals.

This year we have engaged new Auditors to ensure all accounting standards are complied with and due diligence maintained by the Committee in reporting our financial position. It is healthy for an organisation of our nature and size to engage new Auditors periodically.

Going forward the club is in a healthy financial position with our cash balance being \$196,451. This will enable us to continue with our assets acquisition plan. We do though need to be conscious that due to the current economic climate there will be further increases in insurance, utilities, rates and other services.

Tasks on the agenda in the new year are to undertake a more comprehensive review of our assets register. We could also now look at actively budgeting and forecasting our finances into future financial years.

Robyn Herries
TREASURER



Men's Shed Report

Many thanks to our Men's Shed Volunteers – Peter Park, Alan Coulton, Robert Gunningham, Andy Browne, Rick Gates, David Frost, Wel Gamble, Brendan Capper, Norm Case, Gary Merritt, Ian Hawke, Craig Whitehill, Tim Foote and Peter Gregg.

The Toowong Rowing Club Men's Shed has again been in full swing this year helping keep our clubhouse and equipment in top order. The main goals of the Men's Shed is to service the club fleet and make sure our boats and oars are in as good a condition as possible and fixing any minor issues in boats reported by members.

The extent of work has grown over the last twelve months to include supporting Kathy with jobs and upkeep in and around the Clubhouse, supporting Ange and Tim with requests for fleet and equipment maintenance, servicing tinny fleet,

servicing and prepare all racing boats heading to the HP and Masters Nationals.

Some of the bigger jobs around the shed tackled this last year include repairing the showers in the men's changeroom, painting the trolley parking bays, installing Tom Jack's new bench seat, cleaning the rust off and painting posts in the lower shed, trimming back trees or cleaning up after storms, servicing the club ergos, cleaning and repairing the roof above the workroom and generally working around the boat house keeping it good order.

The Men's Shed meets Tuesday mornings and continues to be a helpful place for the Men to talk about issues and support each other. New volunteers are always welcome lend a hand and enjoy a coffee and chat afterwards.

Cheers
Blissy



Mens Shed Cuppa



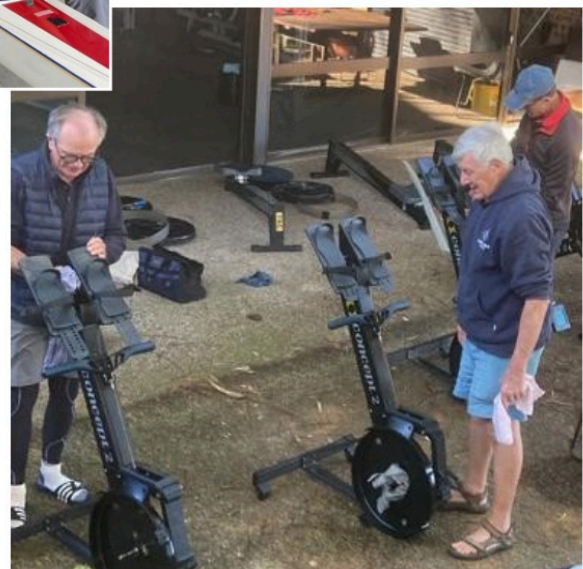
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Craig Whitehill and Tim Foote



Mens Shed



Mens Shed Ergo Maintenance

High Performance Squad

2022 Winter Season

The Toowong HP squad had a remarkably productive preseason, setting the stage for an exciting racing season. The squad demonstrated their dedication and determination through some competitive head racing on the Brown Snake, notably the Head of the Brisbane. Facing tough competition, they showcased their strength, technique, and teamwork, achieving commendable results and gaining some valuable racing experience. Additionally, the squad had the opportunity to refine their small boat skills during a focused training camp held at the picturesque Lake Kurwongbah. This camp offered a serene, flat water setting for the athletes to fine-tune their technique and strengthen their bonds as a squad. With a successful preseason under their belts, the Toowong HP squad set themselves up for an outstanding season ahead, driven by their hard work, passion, and shared aspirations.

Jemima Powell

2023 Qld State Championships

The sun-drenched shores of Queensland's picturesque Wyaralong dam became the epicentre of rowing excitement as the highly anticipated 2023 Queensland Rowing Championships unfolded in January. With a fervent atmosphere and a display of remarkable athleticism, the event showcased the immense talent and dedication of the Toowong HP athletes.

In the Men's U21 single scull event, young rower Darcy Watter left the competition in awe as he stormed to victory, claiming the coveted first-place finish.

The Men's Four race was nothing short of a nail-biter. The crew consisting of Jack Bowser, Jack Price, Christian Place and Austin Dipple pushed themselves to the limit, showcasing sharp catches and synchronised strokes. Their efforts paid off as they secured a well-deserved second-place finish.

Moving on to the Women's Lightweight Single Scull event, the competition was fierce, but the Toowong girls showed their prowess on the water and claimed 2 of the top 3 spots on the podium. Jemima Powell came away with the silver and Immy Walker earned the bronze.

The Men's Lightweight Single Scull event saw Austin Dipple snagging another silver medal.

The Men's U21 Quad event brought together a powerhouse of talent. Rodin Martin, Mitchel Bridge, Moss Murphy and Darcy Watter joined forces, showcasing remarkable synergy and precision. Their collective efforts propelled them to a commendable second-place finish.

Continuing the excitement, the Women's Quad event witnessed Jemima Powell, Gabby Geldard, Ella McKenzie and Laura Chancellor put forth a great race beating the UQ girls to secure another second-place finish.

Finally, the Men's Eight race was a thrilling spectacle that had the crowd on the edge of their imaginary seats. The crew of Jack Bowser, Elliot Apel, Darcy Watter, David Carter, Rodin Martin, Mitchel Bridge, Christian Place, Jack Price and Sadie Ridgeway combined their individual strengths and propelled them to a well-deserved third-place finish against KAND and BBC.

The 2023 Queensland States provided an electrifying platform for the Toowong athletes to showcase all the hard work and dedication that goes into the sport. As the sun set on the event, the Toowong HP squad left Wyaralong with a renewed sense of drive, determination, and the promise of an even more exciting rowing season ahead.

Gabrielle Geldard

Interstate Regatta

Toowong once again had decent representation in the interstate regatta for the Queensland team. Eight oarspeople were called to action across multiple events. The Penrith Cup Lightweight 4- was a sure favourite for its race, of which three out of four were Toowong oarsmen, not to mention Mark Game as the coach. Jack Price, Jack Bowser and I rowed in this boat. We came second, a disappointing and underwhelming result, but a medal, nonetheless.

The Lightweight Women's 4x contained two Toowong oarswomen: Immy Walker and Jemima Powell. This boat was subject to multiple crew changes and couldn't unify as much as they would like, finishing fifth on the day.

Darcy Watter, may his oars rest in peace at Kand now, rowed in the Youth Men's 8+. That boat should have had an additional sprinkling of Toowong rowers, but I try to stay out of boat politics, they finished third.

Sadie Ridgeway coxed the Women's Youth 8+, of which Gabby Geldard also rowed. They also finished third.

There were no Toowong oarsmen or women in the Kings and Queens Cups respectively, with the exception of alumnus Elliot Apel.

Christian Place

2023 National Championships

Toowong Rowing Club thrived at Nationals held at Champion Lakes in Western Australia, showcasing their high-performance athletes' incredible dedication throughout the season. With this being the second season for many of them with the club, they proved their determination.

The resounding success achieved by Toowong this season would not have been possible without the unwavering commitment of their exceptional coaches; Mark Game, James Doring, Leo Karadimitris, Keiran Dwyer, and the entire coaching team who prepared these athletes, resulting in extraordinary results for the club.



2023 TRC State Representatives



Sadie Ridgway, Darcy Watter, Rodin Martin, Mitchell Bridge, Moss Murphy
U23 M4+ TRC Gold



Club Mens 8+ QLD States

In a competitive field, Toowong and Mercantile composite, coxed by Asha Underhill and stroked by Darcy Watter, secured a remarkable 5th place in the OM8+ in a time of 6:16.

The Toowong composite OLM4x, stroked by Christian Place, with a spectacular victory in 6:22.35. Christian continued to dominate and claimed another well-deserved 1st place in the U23LM2x event.

The OLM2- race comprised the dynamic duo of Jack Bowser and Jack Price secured an admirable 4th-place finish with a time of 7:16.78.

Undoubtedly the highlight of the Nationals, the Toowong composite OLM8+ crew, skillfully stroked by Jack Bowser and coxed by Asha Underhill, conquered all competition and emerged triumphant, earning a well-deserved 1st place finish with an exceptional time of 6:14.89.

Our lightly legend Jemima Powell showcased her exceptional grit with a commendable 2nd-place finish in the B final of the U23W1x event. Jemima and Kenzie Durbridge secured an impressive 4th-place finish in the U23LW2x.

The Toowong composite U23LW4x, featuring the exceptional trio of Imogen Walker, Jemima Powell, and Kenzie Durbridge, displayed remarkable drive, earning bronze with a time of 7:19.24.

Gabriel Geldard achieved an admirable 4th place in the U21W1x B final. Undeterred by the near miss, Gabby stroked

the Toowong composite U21W2x and was a strong three-seat of the U21W4x, securing a remarkable 5th-place finish and an impressive 2nd-place finish, respectively.

The dedication and resilience of Toowong's male scullers were evident as both Mitchel Bridge and Darcy Watter advanced to the finals. Mitchel Bridge showcased his commitment throughout the season, securing a remarkable 5th-place finish in the A final.

The U21M2- composed of Moss Murphy and Rodin Martin, faced challenging conditions but fought valiantly to claim an admirable 5th-place finish in the B final.

The U21M4+ crew, expertly stroked by Darcy Watter followed by Mitchel Bridge, Rodin Martin, and Moss Murphy, along with coxswain Sadie Ridgway, delivered an outstanding performance in the face of challenging competition and adverse conditions; they emerged victorious, claiming a well-deserved 1st place finish.

Imogen Walker's incredible talent shone through as she achieved an astonishing 4th place finish in the A final of the U21LW1x event, despite only four months of training, displaying her immense potential and determination, embedded in all Toowong athletes.

In a thrilling finale, the Club M4- stroked by David Carter and Rodin Martin, Max, and Alex Jereimijenko, secured a commendable 5th-place finish in their final.

Sadie Ridgway

U21 Australian Team Representation

For the 2022-2023 season I set myself the goal of getting my name on the board. For me this means to make the U21 Australian Team. To make this team would involve consistent results throughout the season but ultimately it comes down to results in the 1x or 2- at nationals in Perth at Champion Lakes. To achieve this goal, I set out to get my name out there at NSW States in early February. Coming from an awful performance on my end at QLD states at the start of the year, I knew this was my last opportunity to cause a wake in the field. I learnt many things from my failures at QLD states, changing my head space to be more focused on the target at hand. This is where I achieved 3rd place in the single by only 0.45 seconds behind second place at NSW States, I knew that I was in with a chance. Next stop was Nationals at Champion Lakes in Perth at the end of March. With a very successful weekend of racing at NSW States, 3 podium finishes out of 4 events, it was time for the last push for nationals.

Nationals saw quite challenging racing conditions and the strongest competitors. After a further 2 months of rigorous training, I felt the fittest I have ever been and was ready to show it off on the course, my goal, top 4 in the single. With a comfortable win in the heat, skipping the repechage, and second in the semi-final, it all came down to the A-final. This race saw hurricane scale crosshead winds (yes, I'm exaggerating but it certainly felt like it), I was determined to not let this affect me mentally and homed in on the goal at hand. My coach Mark Game pulled me aside before the race and said "Life is about opportunities, and when they come your way, you must take maximum advantage of them. Right now, you have the best opportunity of your life to make a statement for selection in the Australian U21 Team, grab that advantage with both hands and make a real statement"

amongst other motivating words this quote replayed through my head over and over until I was lined up on the start. The job at hand was clear and was executed to plan. Whilst I only placed fifth in the A-final I was proud with the result. With one of the top 4 athletes not nominating for the Australian Under 21 team, I was placed into the team as the next best performance. This is where the work really began. Over the next four months, this campaign took me from what I thought was my peak performance to a complete other level.

With Mark Game coaching me every day by my side, the next 4 months was long, gruelling, and bloody cold. Amongst the other 3 Queenslanders from University of Queensland boat club we had our first camp in May. This saw the first hit outs in the 4x, 4- and 8+, working out the kinks and finding optimal combinations. Another camp was held in Penrith on the Nepean River to further compete at SIRC at the World Simulation Regatta in June against the U23 and Senior A national teams. This opportunity allowed us to gauge and compete against the best of the best athletes that Australia has to offer. Now with some racing experience under the belt, another camp for the scullers had me flying out to Adelaide for 6 days to take another step up in the 4x at SASI (South Australian Sports Institution). It's here where I found my sculling came together to put forward one exceptionally quick 4x. Yet another camp was housed here in Brisbane where we finalised the best rigging and seating for the 8+, coming together for our final camp in Canberra at the AIS on the 16th of July to further fly on to New Zealand to compete against New Zealand and hopefully Canada on 22nd to 30th of July.

Whilst this campaign is not over just yet, I back myself and trust all the work I have put in over the last 18 months to bring home the Gold for Australia!

Mitchell Bridge



U21 4+ Nationals Gold



Mitchell Bridge and Mum



U21 4+ Nationals



Womens 4- (1)



NSW States U21 2x

Coaches Report

The 2022/23 season saw our relatively young group flourish through experience of the day in and out of training and competing at a high level. Many had used hard lessons from the 2021/22 campaign as a springboard for this season and it was a pleasure to see the level of maturity and professionalism from the group that ultimately led to great success in their racing.

After weeks of mixed big boat rows in the early season to ease back into it with new starters, the group had a relaxed small boats camp at Lake Kurwongbah in July. 3 days of skills, drills and some fun sprint races at the end.

A touring group of top university level rowers from New Zealand, and domestic powerhouses Melbourne Uni BC, Sydney Uni and UTS descended on Brisbane in July, with TRC lucky enough to host the visitors from our boat shed. Men's and women's crews jostled in river training and racing of mixed length and format. There was protests of insider knowledge because of our home ground advantage but that was brushed off over kick-ons late into the night. With Head of the Yarra cancelled once again, this event filled up the big boat rowing of the early season along with Head of the Brisbane and Brown Snake Omnium.

Leading into Christmas, the squad enjoyed a mixed men's and women's 8+ row with a few of the Masters men, battling up to and back from the Indooroopilly Bridge before refuelling for the coveted Kibble Cup. The mixed paddle was

a low pressure but high reward session that brought club members together, and something we have pencilled in for the next season.

As the group prepared for selection events at Queensland State Champs, we saw single sculler and pair combinations finding more speed and confidence, resulting in 10 athletes selected to represent their state and coach of the Penrith Cup, Mark Game.

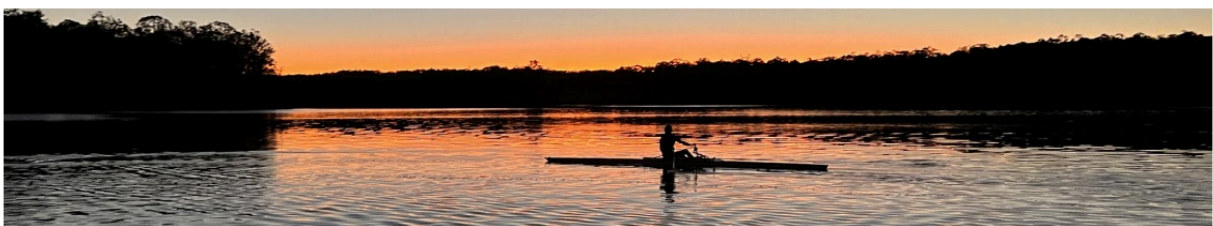
The squad travelled interstate for NSW State Champs in Penrith and Nationals in Perth. Both regattas forged key race experiences that will no doubt be drawn upon in the seasons to come.

I'd like to thank our team of dedicated coaches and coxes, who volunteer their time without hesitation - Mark Game and James Doring with heavy coaching loads at the club and on interstate touring trips, Keiran Dwyer with his ever-supportive efforts of 'coaching the coaches' and preparing the weekly training programs, and Amy James for adding her depth of experience in our women's big boats. Asha Underhill and Sadie Ridgway were a formidable duo of cox/coach who every week took out groups of all abilities and supported the squad beyond their immediate crews – well done and thanks for your selflessness.

For the whole squad, well done on a commendable season that built a broader foundation and carried on a long-standing legacy of the high-performance squad at TRC.

Onwards and upwards.

Leo Karadimitris



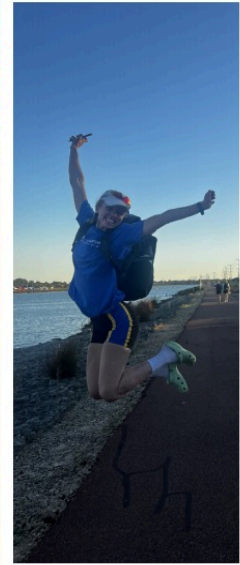
Lake Kurwongbah



Champion Lakes



Darcy Watter



Immy Walker



Gabby Geldard



Gabby Geldard, Jemima Powell



Rodin Martin, Moss Murphy, Sadie Ridgway, Darcy Watter, Mitchell Bridge, Mark Game



HotB Pre-Race



Head of the Brisbane



Still foggy



Club Mens 8+



Jemima Powell



Club Womens 8+



Mens 4x



Brown Snake TRC Open

Master's Rowing Report 2022/23

This report covers those competition masters who competed in regattas over the past year. For those members the primary competitions were to have been the Head of the Yarra in November 2022, the RQI Regatta on 18 February 2023, the Scenic Rim Regatta on 18 March 2023, the GPS Regatta on 15 April 2023, the Qld. State Titles on 29/30 April 2023 and the Australian Masters Rowing Championships from 1st to 4th of June 2023.

2022 Head of the Yarra

Once again this event had to be cancelled due to delays in construction of a major new pontoon at the finishing line.

Queensland State Titles Wyaralong Dam

The regatta was held over two days with good racing conditions throughout. The club won 33 gold medals as full or composite crews. A schedule of the gold medal winning crews is as follows:

Gold Medals

MAM 4+ Lee, Price, McIntosh, Manning c: Lunney
WF8+ Forbes, De Waal, Coates, Herries, Evans, Filkin, Bourne, Mills, c: Bentley
MAB4x Murphy, Karadimitris, Doring, Price
MD8+ Keily, Powell*, McIntosh, Hammer, Hobart*, Manning, Bugg, Colquhoun, c: Underhill
MixMG8+ Carter, Brown, Warren, Elliott, Bettenay, Gould, Jell, Wallrock c: Underhill
MixE4+/- Evans, Filkin, McPhee, Clements
WGM2- Warren, Elliott
MAB8+ Keily, Powell*, McIntosh, Hammer, Hobart*, Manning, Bugg, Colquhoun c: Lunney*
MGM 4- Jell, Gould, Bettenay, Wallrock
MC8+ Law, Moynihan, McPhee, Feros, Lee, Price, Price, Conn c: Bentley
MixAB2x Dombroski, Manning
WF2- Kelly, Conn
MAB1x Murphy
MD2- Hammer, Bugg
MC1x Manning
ME4- Law, Conn, Keily, Moynihan
MixD2x Reynolds, Gunningham
MixG4+Warren, Elliott, Jell, Wallrock c:Underhill
MixC4x De La Paix*, Dombroski, Lee, Manning
MixE8+ Kelly, Conn, Bourne, Filkin, Price, Gould, Keily, Conn c: Underhill
MGM2- Jell, Wallrock
MC4- Lee, Price, McIntosh, Manning
MixF8+ Bourne, Filkin, Mills, Evans, Keily, Clements, Law, Gould c: Bentley
MF8+ Law, Conn, Gasteen, Wallrock, Bettenay, Gould, Keily, Jell c: Bentley
MAB2x Murphy, Price
WE2- Kelly, Conn

ME8+ Law, Moynihan, McPhee, Feros, Bettenay, Conn, Keily, Reece* c: Ellis
WD2x Dombrowski, De Jong*
WGM4- Carter, Brown, Warren, Elliott
WC4- Kelly, Filkin, Dombrowski, Conn
WE2x Paynter*, Evans
MC2- McIntosh, Manning
WAM4+ Carter, Brown, Warren, Elliott c Kelly

Australian Masters Championships Penrith

The regatta was held over four days at the Sydney International Rowing Centre, the site for the 2000 Olympic Games. The weather remained almost perfect throughout the regatta. The regatta was rowed over 197 events with 1801 entries by 1020 athletes.

Once again, the club was ranked top club of the regatta with 2320 points ahead of Melbourne Rowing Club on 1707 points with North Shore third on 1687 points.

The club achieved a total of 39.875 medals comprising of 12.125 gold, 14.75 silver and 13 bronze with several of those made up of composite crews as shown below. This made an interesting contrast to the 2022 Nationals when as the top club we won a total of 28.625 medals comprising 18.125 gold, 6.5 silver and 4 bronze.

The points and medals are allocated on a pro rata basis for composite crews, hence the schedule below will be different from the figures above.

Gold Medals

MB2x Murphy, Price
MB8+ Keily, Powell*, McIntosh, Hammer, Hobart*, Manning, Bugg, Colquhoun c: Lunney*
MC2- McIntosh, Manning
MC8+ Price, Price, Holman*, Hammer, McIntosh, Manning, Bugg, Colquhoun c: Underhill
MD4+ McPhee, Feros, Adam*, Dunbar*c: Underhill
WE4- De Jong*, Kelly, Dombroski, Conn
WF4- Rodmell* De Jong*, Kelly, Conn
MF8+ Law, Moynihan, Bettenay, Conn, Keily, Gould, Reece*, Horder, c: Underhill
WG4- Martin*, Walsh*, Kelly, Conn
WG4+ Carter, Herries, Coates, Ross* c: Filkin
MH4+ Wallrock, Gould, Jell, Lowe* c: Webster*
MI4+ Park, Gasteen, Jell, Wallrock, c: Webster*
MixAB2x Reynolds, Napper*
MixFG8+ Broadley*, Kelly, Conn, Dombroski, Jolly*, Evans, Tate*,Dombroski, c: Cook*
MixHM 8+Carter, Brown, Warren, Elliott, Bettenay, Gasteen, Jell, Wallrock c: Webster*

Silver Medals

MA1x Price
MA4x Murphy, Napper*, Goldstein*, Price
MA8+ McPhee, Feros, Thomas, Clements, Horder, Price, Price, Smart c: Underhill

LMB1x Murphy
 MC1x Manning
 MC4+ Horder, Price, McIntosh, Manning c: Underhill
 WE4+ O'Keefe, Evans, Mills, Bourne c: Underhill
 WF4+ Kininmonth*, Fay*, Bourne, Mills c: Stokes
 ME2- Conn, Keily
 MF4+ Reece*, Conn, Keily, Gould, c: Webster
 WG2- Warren, Elliott
 MG8+ Law, Conn, Jell, Wallrock, Bettenay, Gould, Reece*,
 Lowe*, c: Webster*
 LMH1x Gunningham
 MH8+ Park, Pilmore*, Gasteen, Wallrock Jell, Gould, Keily,
 Lowe* c: Webster*
 MixC8+ Gardener*, Paynter*, Holland*, Taylor*, ?, Hammer,
 Bugg, Manning c: Luck*
 MixD4+ Anderson, Capes*, Thomas, Clements, c: Stokes
 MixE4+ Anderson, Grady, Thomas, Clements c: Stokes
 MixG8+ Warren, Elliott, Mills, Bourne, Jell, Wallrock, Pilmore*,
 Lowe* c: Webster*
 MixHM4+ Carter, Elliott, Pilmore*, Lowe* c: Webster*

Bronze Medals

MB8+ Thomas, Murphy, Horder, Clements, Venzke*, Price,
 Price, Smart c: Stokes
 MC4- McPhee, Feros, Thomas, Smart
 WD4+ Sanders*, Filkin, Evans, O'Keefe, c: Underhill
 MD4+ Coker*, Law, Holman*, Tulloch* c: Cuddy*
 MD8+ Law, Moynihan, McPhee, Feros, Bugg, Hammer,
 McIntosh, Manning, c: Underhill
 ME8+Law, Moynihan, Bettenay, Conn, Keily, Hammer, Bugg,
 Colquhoun c: Underhill
 WG8+ Carter, Brown, Coates, Herries, Warren, Mills, Bourne,
 Elliott c: Underhill
 LMG1x Gunningham
 WHM2- Coates, Brown
 MI2- Gasteen, Park
 MixAB4x Reynolds, Murphy, Ebenwaldner*, Venzke*
 MixC8+ Evans, O'Keefe, Rukuwai*, Witt*, Price, Price,
 McIntosh, Colquhoun c: Lawrence*
 MixFG4x Mursell*, Gunningham, Hunter*, Kelly
 MClub8+ Law, Jell, Gasteen, Wallrock, Bettenay, Gould, Keily,
 Conn c: Underhill

*Denotes a member of another club rowing composite.



CLUB POINT SCORE

Club	Points
Toowong	2320.25
Melbourne RC	1707.25
North Shore	1687.5
Mosman	1529.75
Glebe	935.25
Uni of QLD	811
Leichhardt	721.25
Carrum	720
Murwillumbah	717.5
Manning River	638.25
Melbourne University	636.5
Commercial	608.25
Adelaide Uni	589.75
St George	582.25
Torrens	540
Banks	527.25
University of NSW	518.5
Lake Macquarie	515.25
Yarra Yarra	514.75
Black Mountain	425.75
ANA Rowing Club	358.5
Riverside	350.5
Phoenix	313.25
Drummoyne	307.5
Corio Bay	287.5
ANU	276
Brisbane & GPS	268.75
North Shore NZ	268.5
Richmond	264.75



On the Job Ange Ellis



Qld Masters MMD4-



AMRC MMA8+ Silver

For the interstate racing, following a much more transparent selection process, a record total of six Toowong members were selected in the ISMMD8+: Matt Colquhoun, Tim Bugg, James Manning, Steve Hammer, Andrew McIntosh and Gavin Keily. A separate detailed report is to be found elsewhere in the magazine IS crews.

For the ISWMD8+ two members were selected, these being Francis O'Keefe and Tracey Evans. Unfortunately for the crew, work commitments prevented Angie Ellis from nominating for an IS coach's role in which she has successfully achieved a record number of seven wins in a row. The coach appointment proved problematic resulting in his departure two weeks out from the race. Asked by Rowing Qld to assist, Ange had just two sessions to work with a crew with podium potential however the damage had been done and the crew finished fourth.

For the first time I think a Toowong member was selected and raced in the Interstate Women's D4x. Janelle Filkin stroked the Queensland boat which finished a highly creditable third behind strong crews from Victoria and the ACT.

For the past few seasons, I have reported on the difficulties in managing the program through elements outside of normal. This season has been no different. These primarily centered around athlete injury, serious family issues and late illness precluding attendance at the Nationals. We were extremely fortunate to have high quality fallback athletes such as Trevor Bettenay and Dean Horder's late availability to cover many of the 'holes' in crews. Coming so late in the preparation as some did there is a strong likelihood that several of the close seconds were as a result little preparation being possible. It is a credit the members who assisted greatly two desperate crew selectors Law/Mulligan in finding replacement from around the country to fill in when we simply ran out of club replacements. The women's program faced similar challenges with illness withdrawals this season but crews were ably filled with local and interstate subs. The lead up to regattas is often an emotional time, and it is important to remember we are all on the same side in seeking what is best for the club beyond individual gain.

As mentioned above the AMRC club premiership was won ahead of the Melbourne Rowing Club by over 600 points.

Like ourselves Melbourne RC travelled with a big squad and two boat trailer contingencies. The depth of our squad undoubtedly contributed to our success just as it would have done for Melbourne. Notwithstanding this factor it is a significant achievement to retain our #1 club ranking as Australian champion club for masters rowing over such a long time.

As with past years the results do not just rely on the work done by athletes and coaches but also most importantly on those who work behind the scenes. We are all indebted to the men's shed group led by John Bliss and Peter Park who have done outstanding work in maintaining boats and the boat house. In the men's squad I am grateful for the great assistance rendered by Bob Law, Tim Bugg and Peter Jell arranging entries for the various regattas and in particular ringing around Australia to find late replacements for our crews at Nationals. Without Bob's support over the final few weeks, I would have thrown up my arms in despair to finalise our entries. Sincere thanks to Club Captain Ange Ellis and Tim Bugg, Chairman for their tireless efforts coordinating boats and regatta logistics. With a record number of competitors this season it was no small job preparing spreadsheets and trailer allocations. Thanks also to Robyn Herries for a stellar job consolidating seat fees and regatta invoices throughout the season.

Lastly, once again a special thank you to the trailer drivers who took on the onerous task of driving the boat trailers to Penrith. Gavin Keily in one trailer with the other trailer driven by Todd Clements are those we need to thank for giving of their extra time to deliver the boats safely and without incident.

It has become traditional that I conclude my report using the same last paragraph I have used in the past as follows: -

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 makes the club so strong.

Terry Mulligan & Ange Ellis



Qld Masters Loading



Outback Champions 2022



Qld Masters Gavin Keily and Kate Dombroski



Qld Masters H4-



Qld Masters Lana Vikulova and Peter Park



Qld Masters MixC2x James Manning and Kate Dombroski



Qld Masters Peter Jell and Nick Walrock



State Masters Katrina Reynolds and Frances O'Keefe



Qld Masters WMD4- Kate D, Julie B, Jenn C, Julie-Ann K



Qld Masters Jeff Conn



Qld Masters Michelle and Janelle



Jen Mills and Julie Bourne WMF2-



AMRC WMG8+ Bronze



AMRC WME4+ Silver



Mixed E- Todd Clements, Danny Thomas, Wendy Grady and Daniella Anderson coxed Ewan Stokes



Mens Masters Club 8+ Bronze



Mens E8+ Bliss & The Boy



Jen Conn and Julie-Ann Kelly WF2-



WME4- Gold



Brown Snake - WMD8+ Going Hard for Home



Brown Snake 2022 - WG8+ Winners



Brown Snake Mens E8+



Brown Snake Job Done!



Annette de Waal and Luella Forbers Winter Series #1



International Womens Day Row



Interstate Masters Women's 4x



trying-to-relax-pre-race-by-laughing

We broke the nine-year drought WM4x state quad

I decided to trial for the Interstate Women's Masters quad this year.

The last time QLD medalled in the interstate quad was in Adelaide in 2014. The last time Janine medalled in the interstate quad was in Canberra in 2013.

My preparation went well. I had been regularly cycling and strength training, my sculling had improved immensely, thanks to lots of technique and psychological training (rowing in the Kitty Cat wash), and I scored a personal best for my erg score.

Tragedy struck a couple of weeks before the time trial when I dropped my boat, Scully. It was a write-off. Like Goldilocks, I tried a few sculls (thanks to Angie, Lyn, Marion, and Katherine Lambros) before finding one that was just right—Katherine Lambros's boat.

We raced our singles in a time-trial format. Christine first, Janine second, Me third, Emma fourth. We didn't make age with that combination, but Christine was going to Italy for six weeks, so they grabbed Annette Quayle.

Ray Smith (OAM) scored the coaching gig. We were most excited. We trained every Saturday at Pine Rivers. Ray said he wanted us rowing with a 1:45 split, aiming for a 3:30-minute result.

We wore our QLD zooties every session to get in that state crew mindset. We made decisions as a crew and supported each other. We changed oar lengths during each session, settling on a 186 cm length with an 88 cm inboard.

We had three preparation races at State Championships: a practice race with the other state crews, the WMC4x, and the WMD4x. Janine stroked the practice race and WMC4x, and I stroked the WMD4x. Ray asked me to stroke the crew going forward. Janine was okay with that, as she hated steering and sitting in the two-seat allowed her to focus on her power—she is a machine—and making targeted calls.

Our training sessions were going well, and then we hit a plateau. We couldn't seem to break the 1:50 split. After watching the training videos in slo-mo, we realised that

looking at the stroke coach during our race pieces was messing with our performance. We didn't look at the stroke coach in the last training session. We hit the splits and felt fabulous doing it.

Off we went to Sydney! My friend Leanne, who was staying with me, said she felt horrible Thursday morning. It turned out that she had the flu! I gargled with warm, salty water and steamed with eucalyptus and tea tree oil morning, noon, and night.

Friday morning: WD4x heat. We came 2nd in the heat and felt semi-confident going into the final. However, we placed 4th in the final with a slower time than the heat. The pressure was on.

Saturday: I was ridiculously nervous because of our performance in the WD4x the previous day. Christine Taylor gave us a pep talk about how courageous, strong, and supportive we were of each other.

Ray's pre-race pep talk was, "Don't look at the other bloody crews!"

Sitting at the start, I was so nervous that you could see me fidgeting. Once the race officials started calling the crew names, we sat ready—Christine's and Ray's words going through my head. I stared straight ahead, telling myself to maintain focus on the course. Off we went! The race was pretty much a blur. I could see lots of colours in my peripheral vision. Janine made targeted and timely calls, which saw us maintain the third position (I found out only after watching the replay) the whole way. ACT was in first place at the 500m mark, VIC in second place, and QLD in third. There was less than a second between all three crews.

I knew we were getting close because I could hear the crowds screaming, but I had no idea where we were placed. Janine called for us to step it up, and we did. Only once we crossed the line Emma told me that we came third. We got close to 3:30, with 3:33.67. We broke the drought and finally gave Janine and QLD a podium finish! We were so overwhelmed and crying with joy and relief that we had to stop rowing on our way back to the pontoon. We knew Ray (a man of little emotion) was happy because he had a twinkle in his eyes.

Would I do it again? Absolutely.



Medal-ceremony

Qld Interstate Mens Masters 8+



ISMMD8+ Penrith 2023

2023 opened a new campaign for the Qld Master's Mens VIII without the flooding and debris that disrupted the 2022 season. A tightly contested pair trial selected the crew and training commenced with another strong contribution from TRC. The crew for 2023 included:

Coach: Marty Rabjohns
Cox: Lilee Lunney
Stroke: Matt Colquhoun
Seven: Tim Bugg
Six: James Manning
Five: David Hobart
Four: Steve Hammer
Three: Andrew Macintosh
Two: Richard Powell
Bow: Gav Keily

With a big engine and cunning veteran bow combination, the eight progressively built a solid platform and posted some quick early season sub 3 mins times in racing at Wyaralong. This was followed up with several longer

sessions and an opportunity to train against the BBC Boys' VIII headed to Henley.

Heading to SIRC we were fully prepared and ready to showcase our campaign.

Launching out of the start in quick conditions at SIRC we were slower to the 500m mark than NSW and SA by one length and were unable to reel them in, posting another 3rd place for 2023. A disappointing finish for a promising boat but our time continues to improve and we have more speed and hunger to come to regain our winning legacy in 2024. Well done to NSW who narrowly missed first place and were a dark horse in the race behind a dominant SA who won by a canvas in the last 100m.

Grateful to our coach Marty, Terry who prepared us behind the scenes, and the club for their ongoing support to continue our strong TRC representation in this crew.

The fire burns ever stronger for 2024!

Matt Colquhoun



Blueys Report

It's just the "Blueys" reporting this year. The "Goldies" are the victim of an aging target audience, resulting in things like departures, retirements, illness/injury, and extended holidays over a number of years. While the remainder of the squad has remained fairly consistent over the past year and we have welcomed to the squad a couple of new, albeit long term members of the club, Craig and Doug, we have been only getting out on the water about once or twice a week. To make up for this shortfall, the ergos have been getting a workout. Yer, right! This has dampened our social activities a little but we still managed a couple of steak lunches.

The rowing continues to improve, and pieces have been getting longer and longer. Despite this, our results in the limited regattas entered have not matched this improvement. Concerning but OK as there is plenty of time to Paris 2024! I'm sure we will be ready in time.

Our boat, the "Kerry O'Rourke", suffered major damage after hitting a submerged log resulting in the fin being lost and the rudder shaft being pushed about 10cm towards the stern of the boat. We thought it a write-off, but the club maintenance crew sent it off for repairs and we were back in it in no time. A great effort by the many helpers in the workshop.

Kerry may not be pushing an oar these days but is a dab hand with a broom!



Head of the Brisbane 2022

*It's the Head of The Brisbane, an auspicious event
And every crew entered gives one hundred percent.*

-Nathan Magnus, Toowong Rowing Club ODE TO HEAD OF THE BRISBANE, 2022



Having to organise an event after a period of plagues and floods is rather easy: things can only get better. However, as a new club member struggling to put names to faces, I would undoubtedly and miserably fail if it were not for the collective effort so very easy to solicit.

Much needs to be done each year in preparation for the regatta, prior, during and after the big day. I am immensely grateful to everyone who gave advice and/or a hand:

- everyone who helped preparing our pontoon, grounds, lawns, fleet, premises, car parks and facilities ahead of the day
- everyone who updated documents, maps, boat registrations, sourced goods and services and made purchases
- the frontliners who laid out the course, set up the function centre, managed competitors and spectators on land, water and pontoon, responded to questions and requests and liaised with the official agencies.
- everyone who provided commentaries, played music and depicted the event in photographs and Channel 10 feature.
- everyone who stayed to clean up and restored the club premises to its functional state.
- our nearest neighbours- BBC and UQ for always giving a helping hand and letting us borrow cox boxes, tinnies, pontoons, and coffee van services.
- Everyone who rowed, coxed and coached the crews.

I would like to especially thank Janelle for guidance throughout the year, Deb Monks for sponsorship mentoring, Kathy Howden, Tim, Ange, Peter Park, Blissly and Lani Lundberg for help and advice regarding any and all-important items on and off

the event's agenda. The scale of Gav's work for the club is, as always, larger than life: prominent visual advertising material, high-resolution images for printing t-shirts, posters, and prizes, setting up and looking after the VIP area, embellishment of the new epic prize - Hutchinson Cup - with the TRC and HOTB logos when no engravers knew how to do it, and so much more. And last, but not least, Kate Dombrowski for the dedicated tireless work behind the scenes in creation of the cutting-edge social media presence, the spark, the humour and the skill in engaging the viewers.

How did we do?

The registrations boasted **558** participants, the largest number ever. The seat fees break down was as follows: student fees: **\$1785**; adult fees: **\$22 900** (minus a free early bird entry raffle won by our lucky BBC Collegians' 8+).

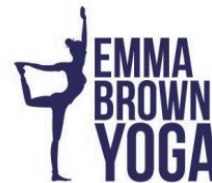
The gross revenue from seat registrations and sponsorship was **\$52 145**, which after expenses still left us with the record amount of **\$37 863.31**. The costliest item of expenditure was the post-covid price of t-shirts with all Regatta Shop merchandise becoming more expensive.

The regatta day progressed smoothly with great weather and no City Cats. TRC crews were out in force taking out 6 golds, 4 silvers and 5 bronze medals. The newly established Hutchinson's Cup for the fastest overall winning crew on prognostics went to UQ Open Mens 2x. So the job's cut out for us to claim naming honours in 2023!

*Of course there are winners, seconds and thirds
But events like The Head are about fun you concur
So thank all the sponsors, the helpers and crews
Come back again next year this is one Heavenly Do.*

**-Nathan Magnus, Toowong Rowing Club
ODE TO HEAD OF THE BRISBANE, 2022**

OUR SPONSORS







2022 Awards and Boat Naming Ceremony

On Saturday 19th November members and their families gathered under our beautiful poinciana tree for the annual awards ceremony celebrating another successful year for Toowong Rowing Club.

Club Chairman Tim Bugg welcomed guests before acknowledging members who had achieved outstanding performance milestones and those members who continue to tirelessly serve our club.

2022 Award Recipients:

MOST OUTSTANDING ATHLETE

(John Hutchinson Junior Perpetual Memorial Award for Excellence) Jack Bowser

CLUB SERVICE AWARD Nicholas Feros

MOST RACES WON

Masters Female: Tracey Evans

Masters Male: Alan Macsporrán

High Performance: Jack Bowser

MOST IMPROVED NEWCOMER

Mitchell Bridge and Gabrielle Geldard

MOST OUTSTANDING JUNIORS (Tom Jack Perpetual Award)

Female: Not awarded Male: Chad Willett

BOAT NAMING

LWT 8+: Marion Elliott

It was a pleasure to see so many of Marion Elliott's family with her to witness a new LWT 8+ being named in her honour.

Club Captain Angelina Ellis spoke about Marion acknowledging her national and international rowing record and her service to Toowong Rowing Club over 25 years.

Thank you to the group of members who assisted in the preparation for this annual event and who worked tirelessly throughout the evening serving drinks and canapes.

Kathy Howden



Boat Naming



Jack Bowser Most Outstanding Athlete 2022



Club Service Award 2022 Nicholas Feros



Gabby Geldard and Mitchell Bridge Best Newcomers 2022



Elliott Family

2022 Australian Coastal Rowing and Beach Sprints Championships



2022 Coastal Rowing Mixed Masters Champions Ian Luxford (Sunshine) Gavin Keily, Tracey Evans, Kate Dumbrowski

The inaugural 'Australian Coastal Rowing and Beach Sprints Championships' was held at Noosa Main Beach West from Thursday 18th to Sunday 21st of August 2022. The event was hosted by Rowing Australia and Rowing Queensland, and was accessible to Under 21, Open, Masters and Para entries. Crews from clubs across QLD, NSW, VIC, ACT and TAS attended the regatta and were provided with specially designed boats and oars by Sykes Racing for the events. Training days were organised for Tuesday the 16th and Wednesday the 17th of August at the venue, and a compulsory briefing for all crews was held prior to racing.

With all this planning put in place by RA and RQ, 4 intrepid rowers and 1 cox decided to give this new sport a crack. With little thought and no preparation, Ian Luxford (SCRC), Gavin Keily (TRC), Tracey Evans (TRC) Kate Dombrowski (TRC) and Sandra Keily (Cox) entered the Masters Mixed Coastal Rowing Coxed Quad Scull event, a 4km race around several buoys somewhere out in the Pacific Ocean.

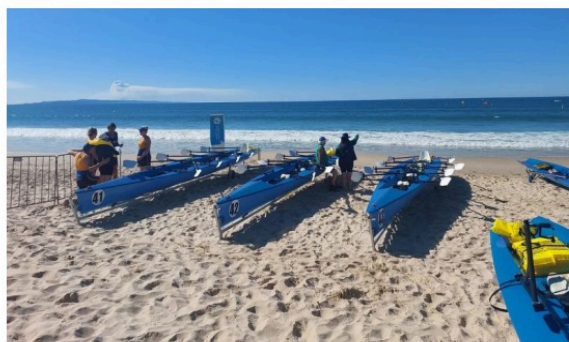
Unfortunately for our coastal rowing novice crew, we were unable to attend the planned training sessions, but luckily had a heat scheduled at 11.00am on the first day of the regatta before the final at 3.30pm, to work out what the boat looked like and how to row it. That luck almost ran out though, getting stuck in a huge traffic delay on the M1 driving to Noosa. Finally arriving just before 11am, we bolted from the car and onto the beach.

After a quick consultation with an RQ Official, we were in a coastal rowing quad and on our way to the starting buoy. Lining up against a UQ Composite crew and a Noosa/ Coastal Rowing Noosa crew, the realisation that we didn't really know what we were doing, quickly hit us. Too late, the gun sounded, and we were off. In summary, the heat was a long and arduous 10km row (slightly exaggerated distance, but who knew the buoys would be freakishly hard to find somewhere out in the Pacific Ocean) but fortunately we returned to dry land in first place.

All too soon, it was 3.30pm and we were sitting in our craft soaking wet (for the uninitiated, it is a water sport with waves) ready for the final. As we were now 'experienced' coastal rowers, we managed to take a shorter course this time, which saw us with a handy lead at the halfway mark. Everything seemed to be coming together nicely until, in keeping with the unexpectedness of the day, we watched our lead slowly dwindle when a seat came off its slides during our homeward journey. Finally, with the seat back in position, we rowed to the beach, surprisingly still in first place! After extracting ourselves from our newfound fun craft we, in true beach style, climbed the sand podium to accept our medal, then headed into Noosa to celebrate the day.

Our thanks go to RA and RQ for organising the event, Sykes for providing the equipment, our non-existent boat handler that we were supposed to provide, and to our (surprisingly) small number (3) of loyal supporters and fans. Who knew they/we/anyone was going to have such an exciting, fun and successful day out!

Tracey Evans



2022 Coastal Rowing Championships Noosa Mixed Masters



Coastal Rowing Gavin and Kate Masters Champions!

Outback Regatta 2022

In October 2022, after years in the making and a few hurdles, the 'inaugural outback rowing regatta' became a reality.

The brainchild of Toby Forde (Vikings) and other rowing enthusiasts and passionate Barcaldine locals, they wanted rowers to go bush and experience the wonders of the Barcaldine Shire and the mighty Thompson River in Longreach.

Before you could say 'beyond the black stump' or 'bloody long way' or 'what water' a crew of every ready TRC ladies had their sunscreen, tool kits, RM's and Akubra's packed ready for the adventure.

It was 11 crews from the tablelands to the Gold Coast that in true Aussie spirit decided to give it a go.

Two trailers and a convoy of cars set off from Brisbane ready for the 1200km road trip. The first meet and greet was for breakfast in Toowoomba. Then it was pick your own adventure. Some cars followed the trailers going via Biloela for a row on the Fairburn Dam. Meanwhile, 2 carloads of TRC girls took the tourist route via Roma, (fabulous bottletrees and the craziest haberdashery), Augathella, Tambo where we watched a rodeo and hung out with the locals and the teddy bears, then lunch in Blackall and finally Barcaldine. The rest of the crew choose the quick route on a dash 8 straight into Longreach.

With all the crews arrived in Barky, boats unloaded and rigged, crowds gathering, excitement building, the racing began.

Day One was set on the magnificent Barcaldine Water Park a man-made circular watercourse with a kilometre straight perfect for the outback sprint, a short course Henley style elimination series. We launched easily from a wide sandy beach then rowed around to the warmup lane where a brogla stood sentinel watching our form! We knocked out a few crews over the course of the afternoon to find ourselves winners of our division. Great racing was had by all in the spirit of fun and mateship. The day ended with a glorious western sunset, BBQ, beers and cheers on the clubhouse veranda and the traditional burning of the boat (it's a viking thing!).

Day Two we made our way to Longreach for the Head of the Thompson. It was an eight km race along the Thompson River with a sharp turn around the spectator ferry then back again. TRC girls did the club proud by taking out the prestigious and inaugural Gidgee Trophy!

It was a wonderful weekend and a very special Aussie experience that all rowers must add to their rowing bucket list.

Jen Coates



Kibble Cup 2022

Club and Xmas spirits were high on Saturday Christmas Eve 2022 at the club's annual Xmas BBQ Breakfast and Kibble Cup. A full and classy field of TRC HP and Masters racers combined forces in mixed scratch 4s all eager for coveted honours on our oldest trophy. Two 3-boat heats were hotly contested over 500m with 1st and 2nd place getters progressing to the final. As is Kibble Cup tradition, plenty of lively banter could be heard in the marshalling area but soon gave way as the 4 qualifying crews lined up to attention. From the first stroke it was 'game on' with a furious rate set and held in quick-sprint tempo. It was an even contest to the 250m but inevitably coxless steering issues took a toll mid race leaving the two outside boats in battle to the pontoon. In the dying stages both leading crews made a desperate effort to lift the rate but it was the crew of **Austin Dipple (STR), Jeff Conn 3, David Carter 2 and Katherine Plume B** who proved too strong and victors of the 2022 Kibble Cup.

Ange Ellis



Kibble Cup Winners Austin Dipple, Katie Plume, Jeff Conn, David Carter



TRC TOURERS – Rowing In France 2023

With an invitation to row on the Saone River in France I decided to do a river cruise on the Danube from Budapest to Passau which was great as I have rowed from Passau to Linz on a previous tour. Eventually the 16 rowers met up in Beaune – Norway (1), Netherlands (5), Germany (1) Switzerland (1), USA (1), Ireland (1), Portugal (1), Japan (3), France (1), Australia (1). It was so good to catch up with old friends after such a long time because of Covid.

Our Day 1 was getting the boat launched, picnicking and visiting L'Abbaye Notre-Dame de Citreaux – a silent order founded in 1078. On Day 2 we rowed from Seurre to Chatelet (about 11 klm) where we had lunch then later rowed 20klm to our first lock and then kept rowing to the harbour at Verdun where we left the boat. Day 3 started with a visit to a UNESCO museum in Beaune that was set up as a hospital in the 1400s. After lunch we rowed up the Doubs River for about an hour and a half and then back to the harbour at Verdun. Day 4 saw us driving along the beautiful country and through quaint villages on the Burgundy Wine trail on our way to visit the Clos de Vougeot – a UNESCO abbey/ winery that was established around 1078 with its beautiful buildings and 4 of the original massive wine presses. After a lunch of Escargot, Frogs legs, little fishes and Crème Brulee we rowed from Verdun to Chalon rowing club. As we approached the club we were greeted by a number of school crews out for their afternoon rowing session. We had an appointment with one of the coaches because the boat had to be buoyed in the river where they kept their plastic skulls.

Day 5. After loading up our luggage we were back to Chalon and then rowed about 14 klms from there to a lunch spot and then back to Chalon before a surprise drive through the wine country near Macon, Chardonnay and other such villages before reaching our very modern accommodation at Le Clos de Grande Bois (a young family vineyard) with a tour of the winery and a dinner of their own produce – amazing cheeses, beef, salad veggies, bread, wine, yoghurt, jams and honey. Day 6. After a leisurely start and a lovely breakfast of homegrown/homemade produce we drove back to Chalon and rowed the boat to Gergy for lunch then back to Verdun harbour and then drove to Lyon. Day 7 was spent sightseeing in Lyon and on Day 8 we were hosted by the Aviron Union Nautique RC where we had a few hours rowing on the Saone again in an octuplet and fours. Day 9 We drove to Dijon after getting lost in the French countryside looking for a particular lunch spot. Day 10 started with a walking tour of Dijon discovering it's medieval past and of course the history of mustard. Day 11 was a sad day saying goodbye to old friends with a thought of maybe not seeing many of them again, and also to the Rheingauer boat with its many memories of rowing in many places over the years and realizing that this is probably the last row in this boat. The fond memories of places, people, laughing and chatting will live on in our hearts. Although there were a few challenges with cars and the boat trailer needing repairs, and plans needed to be adjusted we still managed a reasonable amount of rowing. Our rowing conditions for the whole time were perfect –

blue sky, hot by European standards. Beautiful calm water. However, the French certainly know how to eat, and I think it could have been classified more as a degustation tour with some rowing.

Aynsle Coit



Toowong Mowing Club Report

The mowing and general maintenance of the club grounds have been for so long looked after by Kerry O'Rourke. The members whilst appreciative of the general appearance are probably unaware of the hours of work, weekly in summer and monthly in winter, Kerry has contributed to ensuring this over the decades.

Thank you also to members of the Blueys, others who have assisted on an ad hoc basis, Peter Jell and Terry Mulligan for attending to the Clubhouse grounds, the track beside the University and the eastern edge of the park area between our Shed and the Kindergarten, keeping all in great shape.

Users of the Function Room and Terrace area benefit also from the presentation of our grounds, except I imagine when the mowing activity clashes.

The club has seen fit to provide a new mower to add to the somewhat ramshackle fleet after the untimely demise of the last self-propelled mower. Unofficially the new unit has been denoted as the MM Col Brimblecombe after the many years of effort Col contributed.

We have also been fighting the incursion of weeds from the University, with one particularly nasty one haven already taken over much of the grassed area beside the concrete path and has spread into our grounds. You may notice brown spots occasionally in our lawn treating this incursion.

We would be pleased to welcome more members to the *Toowong Mowing Club*. Please feel free to discuss with me involvement even if it would be for (say) a month each year.

Andrew Farr



Toowong Rowing Foundation Report

Since its inception in November 2020, the Toowong Rowing Foundation has given \$8,000 to the club for the Head of the Brisbane regattas and the Fleet Upgrade Fund while steadily growing its capital base.

The foundation's objective is to support the management committee while building a secure financial base to underpin the long-term future of the club and protect it from unforeseen events. Consequently, the foundation's board is focused on developing long term relationships with potential benefactors and commercial sponsors, in addition to those that have existing relationships with the club.

However, there are always competing demands for funding support, so it is important that prospective supporters see that the foundation is well integrated within the fabric of the club and not in competition with it. This will take time and we are learning from the experience of other foundations that have found it takes time – or an unforeseen emergency – to gain acceptance.

The foundation seeks to support and assist the management committee with its endeavours where it can but, more importantly, help secure the future of the institution that was founded in 1989 and is Toowong Rowing Club. Members and past members who wish to acknowledge the role of the club in their lives can contribute to the foundation or leave a bequest thereby ensuring an enduring legacy for the club.

The foundation's board of directors comprises Robert van Mourik (Chair), Andrew McLean Williams, Russell Kerrison, Peter Macgregor, and Robert Gunningham. If you would like to know more, please reach out to one of these.

Robert van Mourik

The logo for the Toowong Rowing Foundation, featuring the words "TOOWONG", "ROWING", and "FOUNDATION" stacked vertically in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. The text is centered within a white rectangular area that has a subtle drop shadow.

TOOWONG ROWING CLUB FLEET LIST 2023

USE TYPE	BOAT NAME	CLASS	MAKE	BUILT	USE TYPE	BOAT NAME	CLASS	MAKE	BUILT
R	Jack Hutchinson	8+	Empacher	2017	R	Jim Dowrie	2-/2x	Sykes	2004
R	Marion Elliott	8+	Sykes	2022	Y	Jack Pritchard	2-/2x	Sykes	2003
R	Silvio Pradella	8+	Sykes	2017	Y	Ron Mahoney	2-/ 2x	Sykes	2003
R	Cal Malouf	8+	Sykes	2009	Y	John Varendorff	2-/2x	Kirs	2006
Y	Terry Mulligan	8+	Sykes	2009	Y	Carol Watters	2-/2x	Kirs	2006
Y	Tom Jack	8+	Sykes	<2000	Y	Darren Purcell	2-	Sykes	2006
G	Angelina Ellis	8+	Sykes	2000	Y	Trish Carter	2-	Sykes	2007
G	Kerry O'Rourke	8+	Sykes	2006	Y	Dave Magoffin	2-	Sykes	1998
G	Wendy & Michael Cavell	8+	Sykes	2004	Y	Gavin Keily	2-	Sykes	2005
R	HWT 4- (new)	4-/4x	Sykes	2023	Y	Peter Huggett	2-	Sykes	<2000
R	LWT 4- (ex QAS)	4-/4x	Sykes	2018	G	Ivan Hooper	2-/2x	Sykes	2003
R	Greg Dagge	4+	Sykes	2001	G	Alex Hartley	2x	Sykes	<2000
R	Paula Lyndon	4+	Sykes	<2000	G	Peter Gregg	2x	Carmody	2008
R	Jack Hutchinson	4-/4x	Sykes	2009	G	Lyn Brown	2-	Sykes	<2000
R	Peter Park	4-/4x	Sykes	2013	G	David Orchert	2-	Sykes	<2000
R	Keiran Dwyer	4-/4x	Sykes	2009	G	Rob McNeill	2-	Sykes	<2000
R	John Bliss	4-/4x	Sykes	2016	G	Russell Kerrison	2-/2x	Sykes	2002
Y	Michael Toon	4-	Sykes	1999	R	Parry	1x	Sykes	2009
Y	Chris Lyndon	4x	Sykes	1995	R	Dombroski	1x	Hudson	
Y	Gill Parmenter	4-/4x	Sykes	2004	R	Kiwi	1x	Sykes	2009
Y	Andrew Tynan	4-	Carmody	2009	Y	FHS	1x	Sykes	2009
Y	Shane Thomson	4-/4x	Sykes	2003	Y	Swift	1x	Swift	2009
G	Heather Warren	4+	Sykes	1995	Y	Vespoli	1x	Vespoli	2009
G	Doug Buchbach	4x	Sykes	1995	Y	Dutney	1x	Sykes	2008
G	Peter Jell	4+	Carmody	2012	G	Frances	1x	Swift	2002
R	Jack Price	2-/2x	Sykes	2016	G	Hale	1x	Ted Hale	2002
R	HWT 2- (ex QAS)	2-/2x	Sykes	2017	G	Swift	1x	Swift	2004
R	Hamish Parry	2-/2x	Sykes	2015	G	Red	1x	Sykes	2004
R	Amy James	2-/2x	Sykes	2016	G	TRC 1	1x	Carmody	2008
R	Tim McDonnell	2-/2x	Sykes	2013	G	TRC 2	1x	Carmody	2008
R	Peter Schryver	2-/2x	Sykes	2017	G	TRC 3	1x	Carmody	2008
R	Nick Silcox	2-/2x	Sykes	2013	G	TRC 4	1x	Carmody	2010
R	Terry Connelly	2-/2x	Hudson	2012	G	TRC 5	1x	Carmody	2011
R	Don Boshier	2-/2x	Ausrowtec	2006	G	TRC 6	1x	Carmody	2015
R	Clayton Bailey	2-/2x	Sykes	2010	Y	TRC 17	1x	Wintech	2012
R	Bob Hoyes	2-/2x	Sykes	2005				Adaptive	

Toowong Rowing Club Club Income & Expenditure Statement

April 2022 to March 2023

Account Descriptions	Yr End	Sub Total
Club Income		
Income from Members		
Membership Fees	\$167,676.30	
Boat Storage Fees	\$24,072.19	
Shed Key Revenue	\$200.00	
Seat Fees Collected	<u>\$24,486.78</u>	
Income from Members Total		<u>\$216,435.27</u>
Donations & Fundraising		
Donations Received	\$7,755.00	
TRC Fleet Upgrade Fund 2022	<u>\$19,190.51</u>	
Donations & Fundraising Total		<u>\$26,945.51</u>
Grants		
Grant #4 Flood Grant	<u>\$5,000.00</u>	
Grants Total		<u>\$5,000.00</u>
Head of Brisbane Income		
HOB Other Revenue	\$3,059.10	
HOB Registrations	\$26,567.12	
HOB Sponsorship & Donations	<u>\$21,354.57</u>	
Head of Brisbane Income Total		<u>\$50,980.79</u>
Club Events/Income		
Rowing Programs (Learn to Row)	\$2,250.95	
Annual Dinner	<u>\$408.18</u>	
Club Events/Income Total		<u>\$2,659.13</u>
Hire		
Venue Hire	<u>\$17,451.20</u>	
Hire Total		<u>\$17,451.20</u>
Other Income		
Stripe Fees Reimbursed	\$617.75	
Insurance Recoveries	\$77,306.01	
Interest Revenue	\$170.90	
Miscellaneous Revenue (Schools Programs)	<u>\$24,860.00</u>	
Other Income Total		<u>\$102,954.66</u>
Total Income		<u>\$422,426.56</u>

Toowong Rowing Club Club Income & Expenditure Statement

April 2022 to March 2023

CLUB EXPENSES

Administration Expenses

Accounting Fees	\$13,965.00
Administration Expenses	\$139.09
Audit Fees	\$1,600.00
Printing & Photocopying	\$680.00
Telephone & Internet	\$1,376.03
IT Subscriptions & Licences	\$1,420.05
Grant #4 Flood Expenses	<u>\$4,492.62</u>

Administration Costs Total **\$23,672.79**

Bank Finance & Merchant Charges

Bank & Finance Charges	\$10.48
Merchant Charges	\$65.86
Stripe Fees Charged	<u>\$763.63</u>

Bank, Finance & Merchant Charges Total **\$839.97**

Member & Coach Expenses

Trophies & Medals	\$361.64
Coaching Expenses	\$18,503.94
Coaches Remuneration	\$10,000.00
Affiliation Fee - Rowing Qld	\$1,716.36
Other Member Expenses	\$101.82
Seat Fees	\$25,086.29
Regatta Expenses	<u>\$719.23</u>

Member & Coach Expenses Total **\$56,489.28**

Rates, Utilities, Insurance

Rates	\$2,590.38
Water	\$5,135.12
Electricity	\$5,480.77
Gas	\$382.60
Insurance	\$54,508.80
Permits, Licences & Fees	\$1,181.06
Lease (BCC Adjustment)	\$468.41
Cleaning & Consumables	\$502.08
Security	<u>\$3,257.47</u>

Rates, Utilities, Insurance Total **\$73,506.69**

Club Events/Expenses

Saturday Breakfast Expenses	\$84.75
Annual dinner expenses	<u>\$1,190.41</u>

Club Events/Expenses Total **\$1,275.16**

Head of Brisbane Expenses

Head of Brisbane expenses	<u>\$17,134.82</u>
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Head of Brisbane Expenses Total **\$17,134.82**

Asset Maintenance

Maintenance - Boats	\$26,113.92
Maintenance - Shed	\$7,403.23
Maintenance - Venue	\$1,910.94
Maintenance - Trailers	\$1,631.83
Maintenance - Tinnies	\$3,433.67
Maintenance - Pontoon	\$5,500.36
Maintenance - Gym	\$1,169.41
Maintenance - General (Electrical & Tree Pruning)	\$6,012.13
Damage Repair - Oars & Boats	\$15,695.44
Refurbishment - Boats	\$20,314.01
Registrations	\$1,401.04
Fuel & Oil	\$4,814.56
Minor Equipment	<u>\$135.45</u>

Asset Maintenance Total **\$95,535.99**

Other Expenses

Interest Expense	\$106.60
Venue expenses (Cleaning)	<u>\$1,001.02</u>

Other Expenses Total **\$1,107.62**

Acquisitions

Marion Elliott Lightweight 8+	\$46,440.88
Sykes New 4+	\$33,418.16
QAS 2nd Hand 4+	\$15,000.00
QAS 2nd Hand 2-	\$9,000.00
Large Boat Trailer	\$32,794.45
Donated Scull	\$4,000.00
Karcher Vacuums	\$482.23
Sculling Oars	<u>\$4,495.65</u>

\$145,631.37

Total Expenditure **\$415,193.69**

Surplus - Income less Expenditure **\$7,232.87**

FINANCIAL REPORT & AUDIT REPORT

TOOWONG ROWING CLUB INC For the year ended 31 March 2023

Prepared by Day 2 Day Bookkeeping

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Income and Expenditure Statement

Toowong Rowing Club

For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
INCOME			
Boat Storage Fees		24,072.19	24,055.28
Donations Received		7,755.00	909.09
Donations Womens 8 Boat		-	2,053.00
Grant #3 Social Services - Volunteer grant		-	3,000.00
Grant #4 Flood Grant		5,000.00	-
HOB Other Revenue		3,059.10	23,530.82
HOB Registrations		26,567.12	2,863.70
HOB Sponsorship & Donations		21,354.57	15,954.57
Insurance Recoveries		77,306.01	17,522.73
Membership Fees		167,676.30	132,815.11
Miscellaneous Revenue		24,860.00	-
Rowing Programs		2,250.95	831.82
Sale of Club Assets		-	227.27
Saturday Breakfast		-	2,875.46
Seat Fees Collected		24,486.78	6,578.12
Sundry Income	3	1,396.83	2,659.76
TRC Fleet Upgrade Fund 2022		19,190.51	-
Venue Hire		17,451.20	15,108.51
Total INCOME		422,426.56	250,985.24
EXPENDITURE			
Accounting Fees		13,965.00	8,770.00
Asset Write Offs		5,389.00	-
Audit Fees		1,600.00	1,600.00
Coaches Remuneration		10,000.00	10,000.00
Coaching Expenses		18,503.94	4,527.13
Damage Repair - Oars & Boats		15,695.44	22,838.00
Depreciation		53,687.59	47,853.71
Electricity		5,480.77	4,242.08
Grant #4 Flood Expenses		4,492.62	3,912.99
Head of Brisbane expenses		17,134.82	13,131.27
Insurance		54,508.80	49,451.25
Maintenance		53,175.49	37,205.61
Refurbishment - Boats		20,314.01	3,068.17
Seat Fees		25,086.29	6,238.75
Security		3,257.47	3,110.40
Sundry Expenses	4	26,347.67	21,283.26
Total EXPENDITURE		328,638.91	237,232.62
Net Surplus / (Deficit)		93,787.65	13,752.62

Assets and Liabilities Statement

Toowong Rowing Club

As at 31 March 2023

	NOTES	31 MAR 2023	31 MAR 2022
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Cash on Hand	5	1,000.00	1,000.00
ANZ Business Acc ...8442	5	103,603.99	104,247.68
ANZ Online Saver ...8246	5	31,558.03	31,393.16
ANZ Venue Acc ...3477	5	60,289.65	60,283.62
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents		196,451.67	196,924.46
Trade and Other Receivables		7,494.53	2,062.50
Deposits Given		-	4,789.09
Prepayments		59,990.19	52,795.68
GST Receivable		3,210.55	-
Total Current Assets		267,146.94	256,571.73
Non-Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment at cost	2	476,129.31	383,845.53
Total Non-Current Assets		476,129.31	383,845.53
Total Assets		743,276.25	640,417.26
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable		9,451.52	2,659.92
ANZ Visa Business One	5	119.52	681.03
Deposits Received		900.00	900.00
GST Payable		-	2,887.75
Rounding		0.01	0.01
Total Current Liabilities		10,471.05	7,128.71
Total Liabilities		10,471.05	7,128.71
Net Assets		732,805.20	633,288.55
Equity			
Accumulated Funds		639,017.55	619,535.93
Current Year Earnings		93,787.65	13,752.62
Total Equity		732,805.20	633,288.55

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Cash Flows

Toowong Rowing Club For the year ended 31 March 2023

	NOTES	2023	2022
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Receipts from customers		460,138.54	272,969.12
Payments to suppliers & employees		(314,482.75)	(269,945.95)
Interest received		170.90	27.74
Interest Expense		(106.60)	(91.01)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities		145,720.09	2,959.90
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Proceeds from sale of investments		-	250.00
Payment for property, plant and equipment		(145,631.37)	(20,525.28)
Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities		(145,631.37)	(20,275.28)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Other cash items from financing activities		-	175.01
Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities		-	175.01
Net Cash Flows		88.72	(17,140.37)
Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		196,243.43	213,383.80
Net change in cash for period		88.72	(17,140.37)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	5	196,332.15	196,243.43

Notes to the Financial Statements

Toowong Rowing Club

For the year ended 31 March 2023

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland 1981. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the committee reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised in the income and expenditure statement.

Employee Provisions

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

If conditions are attached to the grant that must be satisfied before the association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

Leases

Leases of PPE, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset (but not the legal ownership) are transferred to the association, are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised by recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for that period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the lease term. Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). 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 ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

Financial Assets

Investments in financial assets are initially recognised at cost, which includes transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value, which is equivalent to their market bid price at the end of the reporting period. Movements in fair value are recognised through an equity reserve.

Accounts Payable and Other Payables

Accounts payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period that remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

	2023	2022
2. Plant and Equipment		
Plant and Equipment		
Furniture & Fittings at Cost		
Furnishing & Fittings at Cost	142,607.30	142,607.30
Less Acc Dep Furn & Fit	(136,059.66)	(135,279.84)
Total Furniture & Fittings at Cost	6,547.64	7,327.46
Oars at Cost		
Oars	72,391.69	67,896.05
Less Acc Dep Oars	(44,358.43)	(41,244.52)
Total Oars at Cost	28,033.26	26,651.53
Rowing Shells at Cost		
Rowing Shells	672,158.42	558,570.38
Less Acc Dep Rowing Shells	(343,442.02)	(300,933.68)
Total Rowing Shells at Cost	328,716.40	257,636.70
Property and Equipment at Cost		
Property & Equipment at Cost	189,193.58	155,916.89
less Acc Dep Prop & Equip	(106,469.14)	(97,138.12)
Total Property and Equipment at Cost	82,724.44	58,778.77
Tinnies at Cost		
Tinnies	61,362.54	61,362.54
Less Acc Dep Tinnies	(31,254.97)	(27,911.47)
Total Tinnies at Cost	30,107.57	33,451.07
Total Plant and Equipment	476,129.31	383,845.53
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	2023	2022
3. Sundry Income		
Annual Dinner	408.18	1,290.91
Clothing Sales	-	178.54
Interest Revenue	170.90	27.74
Damages rec'd from members	-	454.55
Stripe Fees Reimbursed	617.75	266.24
Shed Key Revenue	200.00	441.78
Total Sundry Income	1,396.83	2,659.76

	2023	2022
4. Sundry Expenses		
Administration Expenses	(139.09)	(272.73)
Affiliation Fee - Rowing Qld	(1,716.36)	(1,325.45)
Annual dinner expenses	(1,190.41)	(1,432.87)
Bank & Finance Charges	(10.48)	(65.00)
Cleaning & Consumables	(502.08)	(523.65)
Clothing Purchases	-	(97.12)
Donation expense	-	(150.00)
Fuel & Oil	(4,814.56)	(3,600.01)
Gas	(382.60)	(583.23)
Interest Expense	(106.60)	(91.01)
IT Subscriptions & Licences	(1,420.05)	(543.07)
Lease	(468.41)	-
Merchant Charges	(65.86)	(131.57)
Minor Equipment	(135.45)	-
Other Member Expenses	(101.82)	-
Permits, Licences & Fees	(1,181.06)	(1,764.10)
Printing & Photocopying	(680.00)	(714.00)
Rates	(2,590.38)	(3,184.80)
Regatta Expenses	(719.23)	1,100.81
Registrations	(1,401.04)	(1,170.94)
Saturday Breakfast Expenses	(84.75)	(150.93)
Stripe Fees Charged	(763.63)	(319.60)
Telephone & Internet	(1,376.03)	(1,436.76)
Trophies & Medals	(361.64)	(125.45)
Venue expenses	(1,001.02)	(568.86)
Water	(5,135.12)	(4,132.92)
Total Sundry Expenses	(26,347.67)	(21,283.26)
	2023	2022

5. Reconciliation of Cash

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Cash on Hand	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Reconciliation of Cash	196,332.15	196,243.43

Certificate By Members of the Committee

Toowong Rowing Club

For the year ended 31 March 2023

The financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 will be submitted to the members of the association at its annual general meeting.

Signed:



CHAIRMAN

Dated: 19/7/2023

True and Fair Position

Toowong Rowing Club For the year ended 31 March 2023

Annual Statements Give True and Fair View of Financial Position and Performance of the Association

We, Tim Bugg (Chairman), and Robyn Herries (Treasurer), being members of the committee of Toowong Rowing Club, certify that

The statements attached to this certificate give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of Toowong Rowing Club during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending on 31 March 2023.

Signed:



CHAIRMAN

Dated: 19/7/2023

Signed:



TREASURER

Dated: 19/7/2023

Auditor's Report

Toowong Rowing Club For the year ended 31 March 2023

Independent Auditors Report to the members of the Association

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Toowong Rowing Club (the association), which comprises the committee's report, the assets and liabilities statement as at 31 March 2023, the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, cash flow statement, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the certification by members of the committee on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of Toowong Rowing Club is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981, and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects (or gives a true and fair view –refer to the applicable state/territory Act), the financial position of Toowong Rowing Club as at 31 March 2023 and (of) its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Toowong Rowing Club to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Debra Calder

Auditor's signature: Debra Calder

Auditor's address: PO Box 689 ALBANY CREEK QLD 4035

Dated: 08 / 07 / 2023



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