

NSW UNION OF ROWERS PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The most significant activity of the Union of Rowers is the ongoing support the Union gives to promising young athletes each year. Since 1992 the Union has presented 122 scholarships to 59 young men and 63 young women many of whom went on to become very successful rowers and Australian representatives.

This year the Union made eight scholarship awards of \$1,000 each. The recipients were: Max Brenner of Concord High School and Sydney Rowing Club, Hugh Courts of Sydney Rowing Club, Henry Kamp of Scots College and Sydney Rowing Club, Hamish MacDonald of St Joseph's College and Sydney Rowing Club, Charlotte Medway of Pymble Ladies College and Mosman Rowing Club, Joel Salter of Wycliffe Christian School and Nepean Rowing Club, Toby Starkey of Scots College and Sydney Rowing Club, and Zac Whitehead of Kinross Wolaroi School.

We were very pleased to be able to support these outstanding athletes and we wish them the best of success in the future.

The scholarships are funded mainly by the Union's Scholarship Club scheme and the Union's merchandise program.

Other activities this year included a visit to the Lancer Barracks at Parramatta.

During the year the Executive Committee conducted a review of the objectives of the Union and concluded that the objectives were to build our membership base by encouraging more active involvement by our members, to be recognised as a unique and separate, but essential part of the NSW Rowing community, and show leadership in our core roles.

These core roles are:

- Support junior development rowers, who would typically be in the 15 to 19 year age group and be affiliated with club rowing, and
- Be the custodian of a large part of the NSW Rowing archives.

At the Union's Annual General Meeting 50 Year awards for outstanding contributions to the sport will be presented to John Bailey, Michael McReynolds, and Peter Mayoh, and the Union's award for Masters Rower of 2015 will be presented to Mark Williams of Mosman RC.

I thank my colleagues on the Executive Committee for their efforts during the year, and in particular Phil Titterton our Honorary Secretary, Anne Craig our Honorary Treasurer, Terry Maher our Merchandise Sales Manager, and David Sollom, convenor of the Scholarship Evaluation Committee.

In line with the Union's Constitution I will be leaving the position of President, having served my two year term, and I wish my successor all the best.

Keith Jameson OAM
President

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS 2015

Max Brenner is in year 11 at Concord High School and competes for Sydney Rowing Club. He had a very busy season racing at every opportunity and at the NSW Championships finished second in the Champion Under 19 Double Sculls and third in the Champion Under 19 Quad. At the Trickett Grade Championships he rowed in the winning Men's C Pair and Men's A Eight. Rowing for Concord High he was a member of the winning Champion Men's Pair at the CHS Championships. He competed in the Men's Junior Quad which represented Sydney Rowing Club at the Henley Royal Regatta this year.

Hugh Courts is in his first year out of school having rowed in the St. Josephs College eight last year. He is now studying Animal and Veterinary Bioscience at Sydney University and competes for Sydney Rowing Club. At the Nationals this year he rowed into second place in the Men's Under 19 Coxed Four, and at the NSW Championships finished third in the Champion Under 19 Quad. At the Trickett Grade Championships he rowed in the winning Men's B Pair and Men's B Quad. He is a member of the Men's Junior Quad which represented Sydney Rowing Club at the Henley Royal Regatta this year.

Henry Kamp is a student at Scots College and rowed in the Scots eight, runners up in the GPS Regatta this year and winners of the School First Eights at the Riverview Gold Cup Regatta. He was named Sportsman of the Year for the top performing athlete in the Scots College program in 2014 and 2015. At the Nationals this year, competing for Sydney Rowing Club, he rowed into second place in the Men's Under 19 Coxed Four, and at the Trickett Grade Championships he rowed in the winning Men's B Pair and finished second in the Men's B Four. He was selected to represent Australia in the Men's Junior Coxed four at the World Junior Championships, Rio de Janeiro, in August this year.

Hamish MacDonald is a student at St Josephs's College and stroked the winning Joey's eight in the GPS Regatta this year. At the Nationals this year, his school eight were runners up in the Australian Schoolboy Eights championships. Competing for Sydney Rowing Club Hamish rowed into second place in the Men's Under 19 Coxed Four at the National Regatta, and at the Trickett Grade Championships he rowed in the winning Men's B Pair and finished second in the Men's B Four. He was selected to represent Australia in the Men's Junior Coxed four at the World Junior Championships, Rio, in August this year.

Charlotte Medway attends Pymble Ladies College and also rows for Mosman Rowing Club. She and her pair-oar partner Rafaela Stalsh had an outstanding season in the pair, gaining the bronze medal in the NSW Championships and winning the Champion Under 19 Pair at the National Regatta. Charlotte represented NSW in the Interstate Youth Eights and rowed in the second-placed crew in the First Eights at the NSW Schoolgirl Head of the River. At Pymble she received the Coach's Cup for Outstanding Individual Achievement this year. She was selected to represent Australia in the Women's Junior Four at the World Junior Championships in Rio de Janeiro.

Joel Salter attends Wycliffe Christian School and competes for Nepean Rowing Club. He had a consistent record of success gaining many wins and places at regattas through the season. He was a member of the Champion Men's Under 17 Double at the NSW Championships and won the Schoolboy Year Ten single sculls at the Rowing NSW Schoolboy Championships.

Toby Starkey is a student at Scots College and stroked the Scots eight, runners up in the GPS Regatta this year and winners of the School First Eights at the Riverview Gold Cup Regatta. At the Nationals this year, competing for Sydney Rowing Club, he rowed into second place in the Men's Under 19 Coxed Four, and at the Trickett Grade Championships he rowed in the winning Men's B Pair and finished second in the Men's B Four. He was recently selected to represent Australia in the Men's Junior Coxed four at the World Junior Championships, Rio, in August this year.

Zac Whitehead rows at Kinross Wolaroi School and had a consistent record of high achievement throughout the season. At the NSW Championships he won gold medals in the Under 19 Coxed Four, the Schoolboy Quad and the Schoolboy Coxed Four, and silver in the Under 19 quad. At the National Regatta he won gold medals in the Under 19 four and the schoolboy quad and silver in the men's under 19 quad, and he was a member of the winning NSW Youth Eight at the Interstate Regatta. He rowed in the winning schoolboy eight and quad at the RNSW Schoolboy Championships and in the ISRA championships. Zac was rowing captain at Kinross Wolaroi School, senior boy rower of the year and academic rower of the year.

ARCHIVES REPORT

No new material was accessed during the Year, however a Project Brief was established with the objective to:-

Open the Union of Rowers Archives (including RNSW material) to the public via the internet.

To provide a template for all NSW Rowing Clubs to catalogue their Archived material, and if they wish, open access via the Internet

To provide links to Rowing Archives in Clubs, Schools, Libraries, Museums , Historical Societies, Australian Rowing History and other depositories of Rowing Memorabilia.

A Project Committee was established of Messrs Sharp, Jameson & Titterton

EXCURSIONS

NSW Union of Rowers on the 13th of June 2015 visits the Lancers Barracks at Parramatta.

Eleven people attended to view the Barracks with it many photo albums, Regiments banners,

Personal diaries, Battle maps, Saddlery, and Weapons.

The people who stay for lunch had a pleasant time at the Commercial Hotel.

The day raised \$125.00 in the form of a donation to the Museum.

Brian Guthrie

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for the Year Ended 30 June 2015 shows that while income earned from new memberships and membership renewals was low (\$470), the sale of merchandise provided valuable funds (Net \$2923).

The timing of the awarding of the NSW Union of Rowers scholarships was changed this year. Five scholarships were awarded for the 2013-4 year in August 2014 and 8 for the 2014-15 year in June 2015. Hence a total of \$13000 was paid to scholarship winners in the financial year ended 30 June 2015. This change in timing is reflected in the reduced bank and term deposit balances at 30 June 2015.

The accounts have been audited, with no issues being raised.

Anne Craig

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	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Five Dock Branch Cheque Account # 00801 400 (interest bearing)		
Balance as at 30 June 2015	<u>7,839</u>	<u>5844</u>
Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Rozelle Branch Term Deposit No. 50093190 Interest rate 2.15%p.a. matures on 13/9/15		
Interest paid to cheque account at maturity	<u>42,000</u>	<u>38000</u>
Stock on Hand	<u>1514</u>	<u>2042</u>

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

RECEIPTS

Cr Bank Balance B/fwd

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
Interest Term Deposit	9885	7839
Merchandise	1677	1281
Presentation Lunch/AGM	2371	6435
Scholarship club	1975	0
Membership	3980	3780
Social/Fundraising	1185	470
Transfer from Term Deposit	0	500
	0	4000
	<u>11188</u>	<u>16466</u>
	<u>21073</u>	<u>24305</u>

PAYMENTS

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
	\$	\$
Affiliation Fees	125	138
Champion Scullers' Plaque	1064	0
Merchandise	593	3512
Office of Fair Trading	52	53
P.O. Box	107	115
Printing & Stationery	196	83
Presentation Event/AGM	1902	560
Scholarship Club	1000	1000
Youth Development		
Award	7000	13000
Union Ties	1195	0
	<u>13234</u>	<u>18461</u>
Cr Balance c/FWD	<u>7839</u>	<u>5844</u>
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FINANCIAL REPORT
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AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

I have reviewed the books and records of N.S.W. Union of Rowers Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2015. In my opinion the attached Financial Report represents a true and correct statement of the activities and financial position of the association for the year ended 30 June 2015.



Simon Croot
Honorary Auditor
Date: 7th August 2015

MERCHANDISING REPORT

On 27th September, 2014 the Union added LED navigation lights to our range of products.

We offer arguably the best navigation lights for rowing craft and coaches boats featuring 8 extra bright LEDs visible for 2 nautical miles and offering level suction bases or multi position clamp base.

Our navigation lights have proven very popular with 98 being sold to 30th June.

Shoe sales continue with 45 Marina shoes and 13 Amphibian shoes sold.

Our stock of Union Neck Ties is exhausted with the balance of 15 being sold.

The Union's finances are augmented by our merchandising activities (see the financial statement).

Terry Maher

2014-15 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Committee comprised President Keith Jameson OAM(7), Deputy President Paul Coates (6), Elite Vice President Terry Maher (7), Vice President Eric Carter (1), Hon. Secretary Phillip Titterton (6), Hon. Treasurer Anne Craig (5), Hon. Auditor Simon Croot, Committee Members Brian Guthrie (6), Barry Moynahan OAM (6), Barbara Ramjan (2), Dr Phil Sharp (0), David Sollom (1), Tim Wainman (3), Jenny Cole (2 from 5) with Meeting attendance in brackets.

Three "Come Forward" newsletters were produced and circulated, as well as Group Emails to update members. The 2014 Scholarship Club was won by Mike Crowley of Mosman Rowing Club; the 2015 Club remains open, with the draw scheduled for the NSW Reindeer Regatta in December.

The Committee established a new focus for the Union:-

A NEW FOCUS FOR THE UNION OF ROWERS FROM 2015

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These Core Roles are:-

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This does not mean we abandon our past profile, which has served us so well, of being a link between past rowers and the Sport in NSW