

N.S.W. Union of Rowers Inc. 75th Annual Report

Ladies & Gentlemen,

On behalf of the President and Executive Committee of the Union we are pleased to report on rowing activities at National, Interstate level and report on the activities of your Union for the 2005-06 year.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



The Union of Rower's Inc. has continued to pursue the stated Objects of our new constitution.

The Executive Committee has been diligent in its duties and applied skill and enthusiasm to all levels of our sport.

The inclusive nature of our new constitution has been demonstrated by the appointment of Dorothy De George as the first lady member of the Executive Committee. The rapid growth of women's rowing in recent years is expected to provide a welcome source of rowing supporters and administrators.

A review of the rowing careers of past recipients of our Youth Rowing Scholarships has confirmed the value of the program. The majority of selected athletes have successfully continued in the sport. This year, the Northern Rivers area has again produced a disproportionate number of Scholarship winners. I wish to thank last year's President Mr. Peter Stroud for his work in the implementation of changes required by our new constitution and thus making my tenure enjoyable.

Our Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Robert McColm has fulfilled his duties in a open, competent and efficient manner. The committee has adopted a more conservative approach in investing our reserve funds following advice from our Treasurer and Mr. Geoff McIntyre AM.

Mr Terry Maher has provided the administrative and secretarial services that are essential to run the Union. The survival and success of voluntary organisations are dependant on the efforts of exceptional people. We are fortunate to have members with those capabilities.

I wish the incoming Executive Committee, Scholarship winners and all members good health and success in the forthcoming year.

David Sollom President 2005-06

2006 AUSTRALIAN ROWING TEAM

The Aust. Rowing Teams have successfully commenced their campaign at the preliminary regattas in Europe. We provide the following dates for you to follow their progress in the newspapers or online (www.worldrowing.com) or www.rowingaustralia.com.au). We wish all crews every success in their racing:-

SENIOR A TEAM – EATON U.K. 20th to 27th August

Men's Eight and Coxless Four Coaches: Brian Richardson AIS & Chris O'Brien VIC; James Chapman NSW, Sam Conrad QLD, Hardy Cubasch QLD, Karsyen Forsterling VIC, Francis Hegerty NSW, Tom Laurich NSW, James Marberg VIC, David McGowan WA, Cameron McKenzie-McHarg VIC, Christian Ryan VIC, Matthew Ryan NSW, Jeremy Stevenson WA, Stefan Szczurowski WA, Coxswains Marc Douez VIC, Marty Rabjohns NSW.

Men's Quad and Double Scull Coach: Nick Garrett NSW; David Crawshay VIC, James Gatti WA, Peter Hardcastle NSW, Craig Jones ACT, Chris Morgan SA, Dan Noonan NSW.

Lightweight Men's Coxless Four, Double Scull and Pair Coach: Antonio Maurogiovanni; Sam Beltz TAS, Ben Cureton WA, Tom Gibson TAS, Michael McBryde, Tim O'Callaghan VIC, Todd Skipworth WA, Tim Smith VIC, Cameron Wurf TAS.

Mens Pair to World Cup Poznan Coach: Chris O'Brien VIC, Duncan Free QLD, Drew Ginn VIC.

Adaptive Single Scull Coach Rick Bryan TAS; Dominic Moneypenny TAS.

Women's Eight, Four and Pair Coaches Lyall McCarthy (AIS) Darren Balmforth TAS; Sarah Heard VIC, Emily Martin VIC, Sarah Cook ACT, Amber Bradley WA, Kate Hornsey TAS, Kim Crow VIC, Jo Lutz WA, Robyn Selby Smith VIC, Clare Shield TAS, Coxswain Lizzie Patrick VIC

Women's Quad and Double Scull Coaches Lyall McCarthy (AIS) Darren Balmforth TAS Adrian David SA; 4x Dana Faletic TAS, Sally Kehoe QLD, Sonia Mills ACT, Catriona Sens VIC. 2x Liz Kell NSW, Brooke Pratley NSW.

Women's Lightweight Double Scull Coach David Adrian SA' Amber Halliday SA, Marguerite Houston SA.

Women's Adaptive LTA Coxed Four Coach Roxanne Vines NSW; Gene Barrett NSW, Kristin Mercer NSW, Julia Vaness-Collins NSW, Ben Vines NSW.

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2006 JUNIOR TEAM - AMSTERDAM Netherlands 2nd to 5th August

Junior Men's Pair Coach Russell Hookway TAS; Jono Hookway TAS, Adam Wertheimer TAS

Junior Men's Quad Scull Coach : John Bowes NSW, Bede Clarke* NSW, Alex Scharp VIC, Kurt Spencer^ NSW, Hugo Struss QLD (*= 2006 ^= 2005 Youth Development Scholarship winner)

Junior Women's Coxless Four Coach Gonzalo Briones WA; Georgia Baker WA, Brittany Mann WA, Morag McCallum WA, Emily Rose WA

UNDER 23 TEAM – HAZEWINKEL Belgium 20th to 23rd July.

U23 Men's Coxless Four Coach Jason Lane WA, Jayden Edwards WA, David Kelly WA, Peder Olsen WA, Josh Williams WA.

U23 Men's Coxed Four Coach Andrew Randell NSW; Nick Andrew SA, Chris Clyne NSW, Ned Kinnear SA, Fergus Pragnell NSW, Coxswain Davis McGrath VIC.

U23 Men's Double Scull Coach Zoltan Shepherd SA; James McRae SA, Anthony Males TAS,

U23 Lightweight Squad Coach Rhett Ayliffe TAS; 4x Matt Bolster QLD, Hugh Macleod NSW, Darryn Purcell QLD, Blair Tunevitsch TAS; 2- Eddie Inostroza VIC, Perry Ward WA.

U23 Women's Eight, Four Pair, Double and Single Scull Coach Phil Bourguignon NSW; Katelyn Gray NSW, Renee Kirby NSW, Anna McRae SA, Stephanie Monson SA, Annika Naughton WA, Phoebe Stanley VIC, Verena Stocker NSW, Lisa Szatsznajder VIC, Charlotte Walters TAS, coxswain Conor McCambe WA.

U23 Lightweight Women's Double Scull Coach Tim Dolphin VIC; Jess Huston WA, Alice McNamara VIC
Stop Press Results from U23 Championships A Finals: 1st W4-; 2nd M4+; 3rd W2- & ML4x; 4th WL2x; 5th M2x & W8+; 6th M2- & M4-.

2006 INTERSTATE REGATTA RESULTS

The 2006 Australian Rowing Championships were held at Lake Barrington, Tasmania from 6th to 12th March.

We have recorded the results of the Interstate Regatta for your information.

The Kings Cup ICM8+: 1st Victoria 5.26.33; 2nd WA 5.31.42; 3rd NSW 5.33.03; 4th Qld 5.36.53; 5th S.A. 5.37.36; 6th Tas 5.44.43.

The Queen Elizabeth II Trophy (ULVA Trophy) ICW8+:

1st Victoria 6.03.48; 2nd WA 6.06.00; 3rd Tas 6.07.80; 4th NSW 6.08.65; 5th ACT. 6.25.35; 6th Qld 6.26.99.

The Noel F. Wilkinson Trophy ICMY8+: 1st NSW 5.37.18; 2nd SA 5.39.25; 3rd Vic 5.42.59; 4th Qld 5.44.00; 5th WA 5.48.42; 6th Tas 5.52.32; 7th ACT 6.12.71.

The Bicentennial Cup ICWY8+: 1st Vic 6.24.01; 2nd SA 6.25.91; 3rd WA 6.26.81; 4th NSW 6.26.96; 5th Qld 6.34.97; 6th Tas 6.38.81; 7th ACT 6.59.09.

The Penrith Cup ICML4- : 1st Tas 5.52.21; 2nd WA 5.52.79; 3rd NSW 6.04.38; 4th Vic 6.04.99; 5th Qld 6.09.76; 6th ACT 6.20.84; 7th SA 6.21.70.

The Victoria Cup ICWL4x: 1st Vic 6.27.74; 2nd SA 6.31.67; 3rd Tas 6.32.87; 4th NSW 6.42.23; 5th Qld 6.48.63; 6th WA 6.65.63.

The Presidents Cup ICM1x: 1st Tas Brennan 6.50.65; 2nd NSW Hardcastle 6.51.95; 3rd SA Morgan 6.55.86; 4th ACT Jones 6.57.51; 5th Qld Renton 6.58.64; 6th Vic 7.03.83.

The Nell Slatter Cup ICW1x: 1st Tas Faletic 7.18.69; 2nd ACT Mills 7.21.14; 3rd WA Bradley 7.21.45; 4th Qld Kehoe 7.21.74; 5th NSW Kell 7.30.88; 6th Vic Selby-Smith 7.36.79; 7th SA Hughes 7.42.33.

The Barrington Cup CSB8+: 1st The Kings School NSW 5.40.81; 2nd Scotch College Vic 5.43.47; 3rd Geelong College Vic 5.46.01; 4th The Shore School NSW 5.47.66; 5th St Joseph's College NSW 5.49.92; 6th Geelong Grammar School Vic 5.53.72.

CSG8+: 1st Methodist Ladies College Vic 6.34.97; 2nd Pymble Ladies College NSW 6.39.44; 3rd Geelong College Vic 6.40.78; 4th St Catherine's School 6.45.59; 5th Melbourne Girls Grammar School 6.46.75; 6th Pymble Ladies College 2 6.55.34. Congratulations to all the winning crews.

HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA WIN

Congratulations to Kings School on their win at Henley Royal Regatta in the Fawley Challenge Cup for Men's U19. The all Australian final saw Kings School Parramatta defeat Sydney/Mosman R.C. composite by a length in 6.48.

One of this year's scholarship winners Cameron Girdlestone was a member of the Kings crew.



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2006 YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS

We are pleased to advise that this year twenty one applications (12 girls and 9 boys) of a very high standard were lodged for Youth Development Scholarships.

The new application came into use this year for the first time which aided the Evaluation Committee comprised of David Sollom, Barry Moynahan, Dr Phil Sharp, Michael Daffy, Peter Stroud and Terry Maher.

Their recommendation was considered at the Executive Meeting on 24th July and a record seven scholarships of \$500 each will be presented this year (3 boys & 3 girls). We only wish that we were in a position to award more.

The recipients in alphabetical order are:

Bede Clarke	Manning River Rowing Club
Brenton Ford	Grafton Rowing Club & Grafton High School
Cameron Girdlestone	Sydney University BC & Kings School
Lewis Hemphill	Grafton Rowing Club
Chloe Nicholls	Leichhardt Rowing Club & Pymble Ladies College
Chloe O'Regan	Sydney Rowing Club & Pymble Ladies College
Ashleigh Peppernell	South Grafton R.C. & South Grafton High School

The awards will be presented at the Union's Annual Dinner on 12th September.

CONGRATULATIONS to the successful athletes and thank you and best wishes for the future to all the applicants.

EXECUTIVE REPORT

The Executive Committee had a full year spanning from the conclusion of the Annual Meeting in August to the last meeting in July, the first full year under the new Constitution.

Executive Meetings were held in September, October, November, February, April, May and July. Executive members attendances were:

John Bailey 1 (resigned May), Kenneth Bell 0, John Campbell 4, Mark Campbell 0, Phil Cayzer OAM 2 (resigned May), Donald Croot AM 1, Michael Daffy 3, Dorothy De George 1 (appointed February), Brian Guthrie 7, Gregory James 3, David Longhurst 3, Kim Mackney 2, Terry Maher 7, Robert McColm 5, Geoffrey McIntyre AM 3, Barry Moynahan 6, George Neilson 0, Dr. Phillip Sharp 7, David Sollom 7, Peter Stroud 4, Timothy Wainman 5.

The Union's Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday 28th August at Leichhardt Rowing Club with 20 members in attendance.

The Annual Report and Financial Statement was received and all nominees were appointed to the Executive without the need for any elections.

At the September Executive meeting Mark Campbell was appointed a Vice President and Ken Bell, John Campbell, Greg James, Geoff McIntyre AM and Kim Mackney were appointed to the Executive Committee. Executive members were allocated the responsibility of liaising with specific clubs.

The October meeting resolved to increase membership subscriptions to \$10 for one year, \$40 for five years & \$200 for permanent membership. Upon reaching 80 years of age membership is gratis.

The November meeting adopted the following criteria for recognition for participation and service to the sport:-

1. That the Union of Rowers introduce a "50 year Participation Award" in recognition for involvement during that period in the sport to Union members of not less than 5 years standing.
2. That a "50 year Meritorious Service Award" in the sport of rowing be presented to Union members by motion of the Executive Committee in recognition of commendable service to the sport.

Since the Union of Rowers is the new entity the qualifying period to include membership in the former Union of Old Oarsmen and Union of Oarswomen.

In February, Dorothy De George became the first female member of the Executive – congratulations Dorothy.

A investment review Sub-Committee comprising Geoff McIntyre, Greg James and Robert McColm was formed in April which reported to the Committee in July.

John Bailey and Phil Cayzer resigned from the Executive in May because of the illness of Barbara and Melva respectively. We all wish them a speedy return to good health.

Archives Committee

The Archives Committee comprising Dr. Phil Sharp (Chair), Ernie Chapman OAM (NSWRA Archivist & Historian), Barry Moynahan, David Sollom and Terry Maher completed the inventory of the material in the hands of the Union. The next step is to digitally photograph the material.

The Union has also offered to take an inventory of what the NSW Rowing Association has in its store room at Sports House.

Membership Drive

After a 19% increase in the previous year, membership recruitment has stagnated although we had a 50% increase in female members. The incoming committee will need to devote some energy to recruitment.

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Come Forward Newsletter

Four 'Come Forward' newsletters were published this year in December, February, July and August. Mailing costs have been slashed by emailing a pdf file of the newsletter to members that are on the net.

Website

A special thanks to Stephen Croot for his hard work and expert assistance in maintaining our site.

FUNCTIONS & EXCURSIONS

2005 UNION ANNUAL DINNER

One hundred and ten members, invitees, guests and friends attended a very successful 2005 Annual Dinner on 28th September, at Sydney Rowing Club.



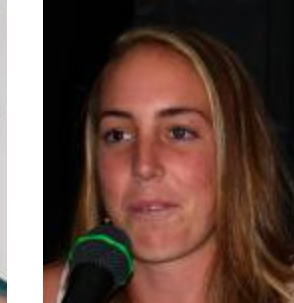
Our guest speaker, Brian Richardson (AIS Senior Men's Coach) captivated the dinner with his observations and thoughts on world, Canadian and Australian rowing and entertained with some amusing anecdotes from his participation in the successful Americas Cup Challenge crew.

Youth Development Award winners (left to right):- Kurt Spencer of Sydney Rowing Club & Newington College; Luke Freeman of Mosman Rowing Club & Davidson High School; Tess Gerrand of Leichhardt Rowing Club & Pymble Ladies College; Ashleigh Peppernell of South Grafton R.C. & South Grafton High School & Jacky Peile of St George Rowing Club & Woolooware High School were present to receive their scholarships from rowing legends whilst Ron Beattie (coach) received the award on behalf of Brenton Ford of Grafton Rowing Club.

Dinner guests included members of the 1968 Mexico Silver Medal Eight; 1984 NSW State Team to Lake Barrington, Tasmania and the 1952 Helsinki Bronze Medal Eight.

The raffle returned over \$ 600 which was an excellent result.

The dinner certainly covered all age groups in the sport and a very enjoyable night was had by all.



2006 ANNUAL DINNER

The Unions Annual Dinner will take place on Tuesday, 12th September in the Drummoyne Club Auditorium, 1st Floor 162 Victoria Road, Drummoyne 7.00pm for 7.30pm.

This year's guest speaker will be John McCarthy QC member of the Sydney University Senate who will be addressing the issues of voluntary student unionism.

The Executive has decided to invite all the local rowing volunteers from the Sydney 2000 Olympics and our dinner is intended in part to be a reunion for them particularly since so many Union members were involved as volunteers. Our special young guests will be the 2006 Youth Development Award Recipients who have been selected from the 21 excellent scholarship applicants.

The President will also be making presentations of the new "50 Year Participation Certificates" to members who have recently clocked up 50 years in the sport. The Executive has chosen some very distinguished members to receive the new "50 Year Meritorious Service Award".

A three course dinner and wines will be provided. Cost is \$50 a head. **BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL**

Please ring Terry Maher 0417 290449 or Barry Moynahan 9686 4290 by Tuesday, 5th September.

NORTH FORT EXCURSION

The Union's excursion to the North Fort (Head) Artillery Museum Easter Saturday 15th April, was a huge success with over 40 members and guests in attendance.

Two groups were conducted over the site and through the tunnels and fortifications. All thoroughly enjoyed the commentary, exhibits and stunning views of the harbour.

Thank you to our chefs Brian & Steve Guthrie for the barbecue luncheon and many thanks to the army's site management for their hospitality.

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RAN HERITAGE CENTRE, GARDEN ISLAND EXCURSION



The Excursion to Garden Island on Saturday, 14th January, was attended by 27 members and friends. The wonderful collection which includes many gems formally stored at Spectacle Island is beautifully presented in fully refurbished buildings. The views from the roof of the signals building were stunning. A number of those present travelled on to Watsons Bay on the ferry for the three Bs. A Beer, a bet and a bite to eat.

OBITUARY

Dr Lindsay Walker, a great supporter of the Union, Sydney R.C. Old Boys and well known rowing identity. May he rest in peace.

Should our network have inadvertently missed the passing of a member please accept our apologies and condolences.

VOLUNTEERS

Members of the Union once again supported the NSWRA in a very tangible way by volunteering to assist in the conduct of NSWRA regattas.

We have been asked to assist once again for the coming season. Included with this report is "Come Forward 3/06" which contains a diary listing all regattas up to the NSWRA State Championships.

Please phone the NSWRA office on 9552 1263 if you are able to assist in the staging of regattas.

APPRECIATION

The Executive and Committee appreciate the work undertaken by all members in the organization of social functions, the running of the traditional raffles and excursion luncheons.

Thanks also to the NSW Rowing Association and the Chief Executive Officer, David Evans for his cooperation.

We are indeed very grateful to those senior members and our elder statesmen who continue to honour us with their support and presence at all our functions.

David Sollom
President 2005-06

Terry Maher
Honorary Secretary 2/8/2006

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N.S.W. UNION OF ROWERS INC. FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1st July 2005 to 30th June 2006

1.	Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Five Dock Branch. Cheque Account # 00801 400 (bearing interest) Balance as at 30/6/2006	\$ 5,972.57
2.	Grenfell Securities Ltd; Grenfell First Mortgage Fund Ref # 969 133 906.23116 Interest rate 7.00% p.a. for a term of 2 years issued 11/8/2004 maturing 10/9/2006. Interest payable annually, first payment 10 th September 2005 and thereafter on the 10 th day September each year and on maturity,	\$ 27,355.64
		<u>\$ 33,328.21</u>

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE 2006

RECEIPTS	\$	PAYMENTS	\$
Cr. Bank Balance B/Fwd	6,912.73	Affiliation Fees	60.00
Subscriptions (inc Permanent)	1,100.00	Youth Development Awards	3,000.00
Presentation Night	3,390.00	P.O. Box 208	60.00
Interest - Bank	30.36	North Fort Excursion Fees	336.00
Interest – Grenfell Securities	2,072.28	Presentation Night & Functions	3,520.00
General Meeting	180.00	Annual Meeting	140.00
Fund Raising	1,341.00	Printing Postage & Stationery	1,447.80
		Donation – Guide Dogs NSW/ACT	200.00
		Drummoyne Club Dinner Deposit	290.00
		Cr. Balance C/Fwd	5,972.57
	<u>\$ 15,026.37</u>		<u>\$ 15,026.37</u>

Robert McColm
Honorary Treasurer.

Simon Croot
Honorary Auditor.

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NSW Union of Rowers Patrons, Presidents & Officers

PATRON:

1999-	George Neilson
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PAST PATRONS:

1931-39	His Honour Judge Backhouse
1939-42	His Honour Judge Thomas
1942-51	His Honour Judge Coyle
1951-78	Sir Harold Alderson KtMBEKtStJ
1978-84	His Honour Judge Hidden
1984-96	R.S. Jones OAM
1996-99	F. Spencer Grace OAM

PRESIDENT:

2005-06	D. Sollom
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PAST PRESIDENTS:

1931-32	His Honour Judge Thomas
1932-33	F.B. Cooper
1933-34	D.G. Bathgate
1934-35	His Hon. Judge Coyle
1935-36	Dr. G. Hill
1936-37	A.W. Sneddon
1937-38	N.J. McDonald
1938-39	H. Thompson
1939-40	The Hon. Justice Maxwell
1940-41	H.G. Alderson MBE
1941-42	J.W. McGregor
1942-43	J.W. Scott
1943-44	Dr A. Mobbs
1944-45	N. Townsend
1945-46	N.S. Perdriau
1946-47	W.G. Kolos
1947-48	N.M. Barrell
1948-49	M.C. Kent
1949-50	J.C. Henderson
1950-51	R. Neilson
1951-52	J. Rook
1952-53	J.W. Ferguson
1953-54	L.P. Raper
1954-55	C. McNamara
1955-56	His Honour Judge Hidden
1956-57	T.C. Nickson
1957-58	D. Bowden
1958-59	T. McGill
1959-60	V. Mossong
1960-61	S. Raper
1961-62	G. Carlson
1962-63	J.S. Sharp
1963-64	W. Murray
1964-65	C.R. Smith
1965-66	G.M. Neilson
1966-67	J.A. Goulding
1967-68	N.T. McCallum
1968-69	O.N. Rosevear ED
1969-70	J. McFarlane
1970-71	R.S. Jones OAM
1971-72	E.W. Chapman OAM
1972-73	H. Williamson
1973-74	Dr. H.D. Raffan
1974-75	R. Saville
1975-76	W. Winkworth
1976-77	V. Middleton
1977-78	A.R. Callaway

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1978-79	R.P. Stride
1979-80	R. Moody
1980-81	K. Goswell
1981-82	J. Darby
1982-83	L.E. Steptgate OAM
1983-84	H. Clare
1984-85	J. Hayes
1985-86	G. Parlby OAM
1986-87	F.S. Grace OAM
1987-88	D.G. Croot AM
1988-89	T.R. Maher
1989-90	S. Derwin
1990-91	J. Goulding
1991-92	K. Bell
1992-93	A.W. Brown
1993-94	S. Roll
1994-95	G. Lorking
1995-96	D. Longhurst
1996-97	G.E. McIntyre AM
1997-98	A. McFarlane
1998-99	P. Reynolds
1999-00	J. Campbell
2000-01	D. Ward
2001-02	M. Daffy
2002-03	R. Main
2003-04	B. Moynahan
2004-05	P. Stroud

Office Bearers 2005-06

George Neilson	Patron
David Sollom	President
Phil Cayzer OAM	Deputy President
Donald Croot AM	Elite Vice President
Mark Campbell	Vice President
Dr. Phillip Sharp	Vice President
Timothy Wainman	Vice President
Terence Maher	Hon. Secretary
Robert McColm	Treasurer
John Bailey	Executive Member
Kenneth Bell	Executive Member
John Campbell	Executive Member
Michael Daffy	Executive Member
Dorothy De George	Executive Member
Brian Guthrie	Executive Member
Gregory James	Executive Member
David Longhurst	Executive Member
Kim Mackney	Executive Member
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