

# ROWING TASMANIA INC.



## 104th ANNUAL REPORT

Presented at the Annual General Meeting  
held at Newtown Rowing Centre Hobart

Friday 26th August 2016



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## 1. Office Bearers

President	James Gibson
Administration Manager	position vacant
Finance Manager	Robert Tenbenschel
Regatta Manager	Brian Brennan
Rowing Development Manager	Rob Prescott (to 31/1/2016)
Executive Officer	Rob Prescott (from 1/02/2016)
TIS Head Rowing Coach	Brett Crow
Committee Members	Rod Dolbel
	Bob Avery
	John Driessen
	Peter George
	Grant Pryor
	Peter Volker
TSRA Representative	Julian Joscelyne
Life Members	Ian Patterson
	Michael Williams
	David Rattray
	David Poulson
	Pat McGuffie
	Michael Banks
	Ivan Dolby
	Jack Ellings
	Michael Goodger
	Robert Blake
	John Oakley
	George Homer
	James Gibson
	Rod Dolbel
	John Driessen
RA Councilor	James Gibson
Property Officer	Rod Dolbel
Para-Rowing Co-ordinator	Position Vacant
Masters Rowing Co-ordinator	Merv Tippet
Lodge Managers	Jan and Wally Crosswell
Rules Committee	Phil Fraser
	Tina Maher
	Rod Dolbel
Lake Barrington Sub Committee	James Gibson
	Rod Dolbel
	Michael Goodger
	Jan and Wally Crosswell
Public Officer	James Gibson
Honorary Solicitors	Bill Ayliffe/Tim Whyte
Presiding Officer	Helene Woods
Team Manager	Rob Prescott
Auditor	Synectic Audit & Assurance Pty Ltd
State Selectors	John Driessen
	Neil Stump
	Ken Davey

## 2. President's Report

I have pleasure in presenting the President's Report for the 2015-2016 season, being the 104th Annual Report of the State Rowing Organisation.

This has once again proven to be a very busy period for all those volunteers who have contributed to the sport of rowing over the last 12 months.

No matter if you are a member of the Rowing Tasmania Committee, or your own Club or School Committees you will have found that the demands on your volunteers are ever increasing due to greater compliance with legislation, governance and safety issues.

It is important that we all work together in this area to achieve satisfactory levels of compliance within our sport.

The biggest change to the administration of the sport during the season was the inaugural appointment of an Executive Officer, Robert Prescott, after a comprehensive selection process. This has taken a considerable amount of work from the volunteer members of Rowing Tasmania, and at the same time, has now given us the ability to attend to the numerous day to day administration duties that are now involved in running a state sporting organisation.

I would like to thank Robert Prescott for the manner in which he has approached this new position and the endless volunteer hours that he has given to rowing over and above his contracted hours.

It is important to remember that we do not operate our sport in a vacuum, and we are in 'partnership' with not only our Clubs and Schools, but with Rowing Australia and the Tasmanian Institute of Sport. It is necessary that we continue to develop our State administration so that we can manage the expectations of all our 'partners'.

It is disappointing that we have not replaced the Development Officer's position at this stage, but we are currently working with Rowing Australia and the Tasmanian Institute of Sport to develop a position that will best serve our State going forward. Rowing Australia has recognised that a National Development model will not suit all states, and we have had the opportunity to submit our own proposal in relation to this matter.

The Committee, in conjunction with Communities, Sport & Recreation Tasmania, commenced the process of developing our new five year Strategic Plan. A questionnaire was forwarded to members in June, and the data has been compiled into a report by staff of Communities, Sport & Recreation Tasmania. The next stage of the process will be an appointment of a sub-committee and conducting a forum in both the North and South of the State facilitated by Communities, Sport & Recreation Tasmania. Following these, the sub-committee will then formalise the outcome and submit it to the RT Committee for comment and ratification. In addition to this, part of our KPI's for our Grants will this year include a President's Forum to be conducted during the season.

The Committee has also taken steps to establish a Masters Commission, which will consist of representatives of our Masters rowing community and one from the RT Committee.

It is foreseen that this model can be extended to give different sections of the rowing community an opportunity to have input to the development of the sport, and direct line of communication to the RT Committee.

The biggest problem that we have experienced during the season once again, is the communication between the Committee, Clubs and Members. It is important that both RT and the Clubs work together to improve this to ensure that all our Members are kept informed.

Congratulations to all our rowers who have competed at State regattas, Nationals, World Cups, World Championships and of course, the Olympics. Regardless of where you fall within these categories you have participated in the best sport that we all live for.

Individual achievements and awards are detailed further in this report, but I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate our members who were selected to attend the Olympics. Kerry Hore, the first Australian oarswoman to represent her country at four Olympics. Meaghan Volker, who received the call at the last minute to represent her country (much to the delight of her Dad). John Driessen, coach extraordinaire, and stranger to his own family. Phil Fraser, the only Australian BRO chosen to officiate at the games. I would be remiss not to mention Kim, who has added to the Brennan tally. Congratulations to them all, we are all aware of the tremendous amount of work that they themselves have put in over the years, and to all those who have assisted in their success.

Congratulations to all those other members who represented their country at International Regattas during the season.

I would like to thank Brian Brennan, our Regatta Manager, and his growing number of volunteers, who have assisted him in running our regatta series. It is very positive to see an enthusiastic group of new volunteers assisting with both the Club and School regattas.

The past season has seen the introduction of Regatta Management and revolutioniseSPORT for the conducting of our regattas and members database. There are further functions of these programs that can be utilised for the administration of our Clubs and sport, and these will be introduced in due course.

Congratulations to the individual Championship winners, Clubs and Schools, who took out the pennants for the season, which are also listed in the report.

In my previous year's report, I outlined the Committees' decision to upgrade our aging facilities at Lake Barrington. This project has continued, which saw the replacement of the first launching pontoon during the season. Since the end of regatta racing, two more pontoons have been replaced, and the fourth one has been approved by the Committee. Once again, Mick Goodger has stepped up to the task and enabled us to replace a very vital, but expensive part of our infrastructure.

Sadly, one of Mick's greatest helpers in replacing on water facilities, Mick Knowles, passed away during the season. Not only was he an enthusiastic club man and rower spanning many years, he was also a long-time volunteer to Rowing Tasmania. He is sadly missed, both on and off the water.

To those who have not noticed, the Lodge has now changed to a colour that is suitable to its surroundings. During the off season, the dining/community room has also been repainted and is soon to be developed as a tribute to our Tasmanian Olympians. Further development was

conducted on the facilities building near the finishing line which, is now available for accommodation. The building has now been named the Davies Bay Lodge.

It is important to remember all those volunteers of Rowing Tasmania that have, in the past, contributed to our sport. Bearing this in mind, the Committee decided that David Schier should be recognised for his enormous contribution to the development of Lake Barrington Rowing International and the sport of rowing in general in Tasmania.

When David was approached in relation to this, he said that he would appreciate it if we would name the finishing tower in his honour. The occasion took place at the weekend of the Masters' Regatta. It took the format of a naming ceremony, followed by a dinner at the Reeconians Centre, which was attended by David, his family and a large number of his friends from all facets of rowing. The function was successful and all those in attendance were enthralled with David's speech, which covered so much of Rowing Tasmania's history not known to present members.

Life Member and volunteer of Rowing Tasmania, Patrick McGuffie, attended the David Schier function and enjoyed the company of old comrades and especially current members of his old club, Sandy Bay. Pat stayed on at the Lake, and unfortunately, in the early hours of Sunday morning he was taken ill. He was attended by ambulance officers and volunteers of Rowing Tasmania. And sadly passed away on his way to Latrobe Hospital. On Pat's wishes, his ashes will be spread on the lake on the Friday evening of State Pennant 3.

John Oakley has once again been working behind the scenes on the off-season, improving our electrical systems at the lake, refurbishing the start boat and installing a new lighting system at the 2000m start line.

The public toilets were refurbished during the season, thanks to the generous grant that we received from the Tasmanian Community Fund.

Thank you to all those who have contributed to our ongoing program of replacing and maintaining our equipment as well as the endless task of maintaining our facilities both onshore and on the water.

As you would all be aware, Tasmania has had a very wet winter, which has had affected many Tasmanian communities. The damage at Lake Barrington has been minimal compared with other members of our rowing community. We have experienced a large number of logs on the course, which have been removed on a number of occasions by a group of volunteers. We also lost access to our freshwater supply when the road access was washed away. The road has since been repaired and the water supply re-established.

Unfortunately, some of our clubs, especially in the North, were severely damaged by the floods, which have an ongoing affect to their operations. I would like to thank the rowing community which supported those who were affected, and the general public which came to their assistance.

Every season brings new challenges to our sport and organisation. The problems we experience in relation to communication, working with our 'partners' and increasing participation is not unique to our state; these are items that are common to our sport across Australia. It will take all parties working together to address these problems to develop our sport, and at the same time, give our young sports-persons the pathways to follow, to enable them to achieve the level in our sport that they are striving for.

In addition to the two members already mentioned, we have had a number of our rowing community pass away. Our condolences go to their families and their immediate rowing family.

We should also keep in our thoughts other members of our rowing community who are not currently in good health.

I would like to thank my Committee for their continuous, unselfish contribution to our sport during the season.

To all those who have contributed as a rower, club person, coach, administrator, catering volunteer, maintenance volunteer and all those other many functions that make up a successful season, thank you very much.

I would encourage people to step forward to be a volunteer for one the many positions it takes to run a successful rowing season at both Club and State level, especially in the area of coaching and boat race officials.

A special thank you goes to Jan, Wally and Kerry for their tireless work, smiling faces and happy personalities when looking after our members and all the visitors who hire our facilities throughout the season.

Thank you to our sponsors, Bentley's, Veolia, Hydro Tasmania, Communities, Sport & Recreation Tasmania and Decent Rowing.

I would also like to thank, for the assistance given to us during the year, MAST, Sport & Recreation Tasmania, Tasmanian Institute of Sport, Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Service, Kentish Council.

James Gibson - President



**3. Financial Report for the Year Ended 30 June 2016**

**ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED**

**FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
30 JUNE 2016**

**ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED**  
**ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT**  
**FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2016**

	Note	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
<b><u>Income</u></b>			
Affiliation Fees Income		2,273	2,182
Bar Income		5,470	4,226
Regatta Entry Fees		122,115	94,005
Interest Received		5,559	6,263
Membership Fees		60,445	54,086
Non Pennant Regatta Proceeds		18,900	17,000
Government Grants	5	40,000	40,000
Government Reimbursements LBI	5	10,900	15,000
Nationals Staging Compensation		20,000	20,000
Camping Fees		926	19,553
Donations		5,750	10,060
Advertising & Sponsorship		5,500	7,000
Sundry Income		45	76
Coaching Courses		2,591	3,136
Hire Income		3,064	5,873
Showers		6,446	9,628
Lodge Accommodation		70,978	70,209
		<b>\$ 380,962</b>	<b>\$ 378,297</b>
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>			
Affiliation Fees Expense		6,241	3,936
Audit Fees		3,400	3,520
Bank Charges		563	132
Bar Expenses		2,735	2,350
Cleaning & Toilet Requisites		4,680	3,716
Coaching Courses		4,759	5,011
Depreciation		63,168	49,030
Electricity		16,130	17,912
Repairs & Maintenance		39,965	43,431
Fuel		1,899	4,871
Gas		1,283	1,350
Insurance		7,358	20,020
Internet & Website Expenses		3,779	1,040
Launch & Trailer Registrations		887	889
Lodge Supplies		1,009	953
Marketing & Sponsorship		5,712	-
Meeting Expenses		3,286	4,091
Printing, Stationary & Office Expenses		651	590
Regatta Expenses		31,842	33,827
Recruitment Expenses		1,274	-
Security Fees		364	504
Sundry Expenses		2,238	1,989

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Superannuation-RDM/EO	6,769	5,587
Superannuation-Other	3,631	2,388
Telephone & Fax	4,471	4,027
Travelling Expenses	2,469	571
Trophies & Engraving & Life Member Badges	3,727	1,307
Wage and Allowances s-SDO/RDM	70,886	68,942
Wages-Other	29,759	30,031
Waste Disposal	5,787	7,481
	<u>330,723</u>	<u>319,498</u>
<b>Operating Surplus for the Year</b>	<b>50,240</b>	<b>58,799</b>
Prior Period Adjustment	6,444	(1,127)
Insurance Recoveries	-	20,856
Profit on Sale of Equipment	1,509	-
Capital Grants	-	80,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>80,000</u>
<b><u>Surplus for the Year</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 58,193</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 158,528</u></b>

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**ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED**  
**STATE TEAM, TRIALS, DEVELOPMENT SQUAD & OVERSEAS REPRESENTATION**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT**  
**FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2016**

	<b><u>2016</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
Development Camps	2,950	4,926
Boat Transport Equalisation - RA	10,400	11,235
National Trials Contributions	4,916	4,716
Team Member Contributions	5,039	11,728
	<hr/> 23,305	<hr/> 32,605
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>		
Boat Repair	1,400	-
Boat Transport	11,549	13,457
Development Camp Expenses	-	1,706
Overseas Representatives	4,000	-
Sundry Expenses	748	127
Tent - Nationals	1,155	1,155
Team Accommodation, Meals & Air Fares	13,698	18,864
Team Uniforms	5,165	5,584
	<hr/> 37,714	<hr/> 40,892
<b><u>Surplus/(Deficiency)</u></b>	<hr/> (\$14,410)	<hr/> (\$8,288)

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**ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED**  
**EASY OAR CAFÉ**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT**  
**FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2016**

	<b><u>2016</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
BBQ & Roast	11,415	16,771
Coffee	28,420	27,804
Donation (NTRA)	-	891
Kiosk	54,109	53,667
	<hr/> 93,944	<hr/> 99,133
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>		
Catering Manager	10,000	8,000
Cleaning Requisites	51	42
Clubs and Schools (volunteers)	27,513	28,904
Depreciation	164	-
First Aid Supplies	193	180
Gas	-	165
Printing & Stationery	-	253
Purchases - Food	45,503	48,163
Repair & Maintenance	249	3,043
Sundry Expenses	270	383
	<hr/> 83,944	<hr/> 89,132
<b><u>Surplus for the Year</u></b>	<hr/> <b>10,000</b>	<hr/> <b>10,000</b>

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**ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 30TH JUNE, 2016**

<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>	<b><u>Notes</u></b>	<b><u>2016</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>
Cash	3	353,086	388,810
Prepayments		1,665	-
Accrued Income		1,038	298
Sundry Debtors		11,685	10,211
RT Inter-ledger account		-	-
Stock on Hand		3,427	2,010
<b><u>Total Current Assets</u></b>		<b>370,901</b>	<b>401,329</b>
<b><u>Non-Current Assets</u></b>			
Leasehold Improvements, Plant & Equipment	4	1,608,136	1,473,935
Less: Provision for Depreciation		(562,959)	(499,626)
<b><u>Total Non-Current Assets</u></b>		<b>1,045,177</b>	<b>974,309</b>
<b><u>Total Assets</u></b>		<b><u>1,416,078</u></b>	<b><u>1,375,638</u></b>
<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>			
Sundry Creditors & Accruals		69,999	83,354
Cash in Advance		-	982
GST Net		(4,403)	(5,399)
<b><u>Total Current Liabilities</u></b>		<b>65,595</b>	<b>78,937</b>
<b><u>Net Assets</u></b>		<b><u>\$ 1,350,483</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,296,700</u></b>
<b><u>Represented by:</u></b>			
<b><u>Accumulated Funds</u></b>			
Opening Balance		1,296,700	1,136,459
<b>Add: Surplus/(Deficiency) for the Year</b>			
Administration		58,193	158,528
Easy Oar Café		10,000	10,000
State Team		(14,410)	(8,288)
<b><u>Total Accumulated Funds</u></b>		<b><u>\$ 1,350,483</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,296,700</u></b>

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**ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED**  
**NOTES TO PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2016**

**1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

These financial statements are a special purpose financial report prepared for use by members of the Association in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Tas) 1964.

The committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity; therefore the financial statements are prepared on an accruals basis from the records of the Association only. They are based on historical cost and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets. No regard has been paid to Accounting Standards and other professional reporting requirements (Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views) in the preparation and presentation of these financial statements

**2. INCOME TAX**

The Association's income is exempt from income tax pursuant of Section 50-45 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. All figures recorded in the Financial Statements are net of Goods & Services Tax (GST).

**3. CASH**

	<b><u>2016</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>
	<b><u>\$</u></b>	<b><u>\$</u></b>
Tasmanian Perpetual Trustees Ltd-Common Fund	100,000	100,000
Tasmanian Perpetual Trustees Ltd-At Call Fund	5,000	5,000
Commonwealth Bank Account		
Commonwealth Bank - Load & Go A/C (Easy Oar)	340	219
Commonwealth Bank - Cheque A/C (Easy Oar)	37,531	-
Commonwealth Bank - Cheque A/C	18,178	41,998
Commonwealth Bank - Investment A/C	192,037	241,593
	<u>353,086</u>	<u>388,810</u>

**4. LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

	<b><u>Cost</u></b>	<b><u>Accumulated Depreciation</u></b>	<b><u>WDV 2016</u></b>
Plant & Equipment	858,293	492,171	366,122
LBI Leasehold Improvements	749,843	70,788	679,055
	<u>1,608,136</u>	<u>562,959</u>	<u>1,045,177</u>

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In November 2005, the Department of Tourism Parks Heritage and the Arts ("the Crown") gifted to Rowing Tasmania Inc by deed, various assets within the complex know as the outdoor pursuit Centre at Lake Barrington for nominal consideration of \$1. These assets included non-fixed assets kept in the pursuit center, rangers' cabin and facilities building together with the water infrastructure of the rowing course

The committee has not assessed the fair value of these assets due to the difficulty in obtaining a reliable method of valuation. In the committee's opinion the fair value of this equipment on a alternative use basis would be minimal due to the specific nature of the equipment and the cost of dismantling and relocation. Accordingly, the fair value of these assets is not reflected in the Balance Sheet of the Association and the value of the gift from the Crown has not been included in the retained earnings of the Association.

#### **5. GOVERNMENT GRANTS**

The government grants received during the year are recorded on cash received basis.

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**ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED**  
**STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2016**

In the opinion of the Committee:

- a) The income and expenditure statements for the administration account, state teams, Easy Oar Cafe attached hereto are drawn up so as to present fairly the results of the activities of the Association for the financial year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016.
- b) The balance sheet attached hereto is drawn up so as to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

Signed on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016

  
James Gibson

President

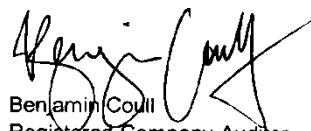
  
Robert Tenbenschel

Finance Manager

**ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED****COMMITTEE MEMBERS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2016**

<b>PRESIDENT:</b>	James Gibson	Apt 303, 12-14 St John Street, Launceston, Tas, 7250
<b>FINANCE MANAGER:</b>	Robert Tenbenschel	15 Wingara Road, Howden, Tas, 7054
<b>REGATTA MANAGER:</b>	Brian Brennan	157 Derwent Street, Lindisfarne, Tas, 7105
<b>COUNCILLORS:</b>	John Driessen	25 Knight Road, Huonville, Tas, 7109
	Rod Dolbel	45 West Gawler Road, Ulverstone, Tas, 7315
	Grant Pryor	58 Las Vegas Drive, Prospect, Tas, 7250
	Peter Volker	2/2 Tranquil Place, Shearwater, Tas, 7320.
	Robert Avery	224 Albion Heights Drive, Kingston, Tas. 7050
	Peter George	41 Stubbs Road, Ulverstone, Tas, 7315
	Rob Prescott	41 Charlton Street, Norwood, Tas 7250
<b>ROWING DEVELOPMENT MANAGER (RDM) (resigned 31/1/2016)</b>		
<b>REPRESENTATIVE TASMANIAN SCHOOLS ROWING ASSOCIATION INC. (TSRA):</b>	Julian Joscelyne	60 Park Drive, Leslie Vale, Tas, 7054
<b>TASMANIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT (TIS) REPRESENTATIVE:</b>	Brett Crow	33 Pindos Drive, Tranmere, Tas, 7018

I, Benjamin Coull, being the Auditor of the abovenamed Association, hereby confirm that the foregoing is the list of the names and residential addresses of all the members of the committee of the Association for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2016.

  
 Benjamin Coull  
 Registered Company Auditor  
 Date: 13 August 2016

## Independent Auditor's Report

### To the members of Rowing Tasmania Inc.

#### Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report of Rowing Tasmania Inc., which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2016, the income statements for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by members of the committee.

#### Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Committee of the entity are responsible for the preparation of the financial report and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the financial reporting requirements of the *Associations Incorporations Act (Tasmania) 1964* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members.

The Committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation 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 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 about 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 judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

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### Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants*.

### Auditor's Opinion

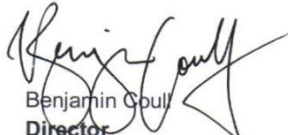
In our opinion

- the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial position of Rowing Tasmania Inc. at 30 June 2016, and of its performance for the year then ended;
- we obtained the information we required for the audit and Rowing Tasmania Inc. kept proper accounting records and other books during the year ended 30 June 2016; and
- the rules relating to the administration of the funds of Rowing Tasmania Inc. have been observed.

### Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report is a special purpose financial report that has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Committee's financial reporting responsibilities under the *Associations Incorporation Act (Tasmania) 1964*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

  
Synectic Audit & Assurance Pty Ltd

  
Benjamin Gould  
Director

Date: 23 August 2016

## 4. Membership Report

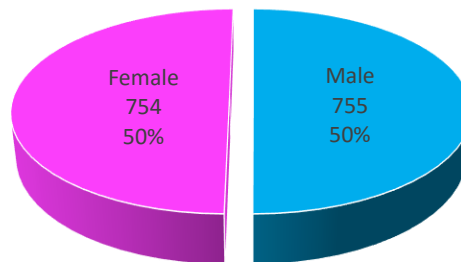
### 4.1 General

The successful introduction of the revolutioniseSPORT membership database and the comprehensive use of Rowing Manager has produced sufficient data to enable a comprehensive analysis of membership and participation. The interaction of the two systems has resulted in accurate competitor participation statistics and improved data on volunteer support. The collection and analysis of accurate data will assist the current strategic planning process.

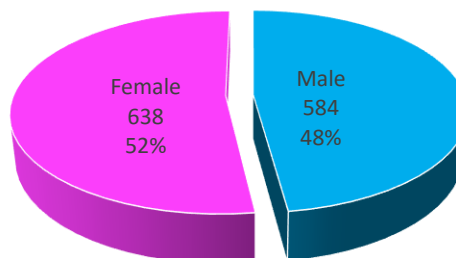
### 4.2 Observations

Rowing in Tasmania is gender balanced on membership and competition participation, however, lacks balance in coaching, officiating and governance. Most of the latter volunteer positions are occupied by males.

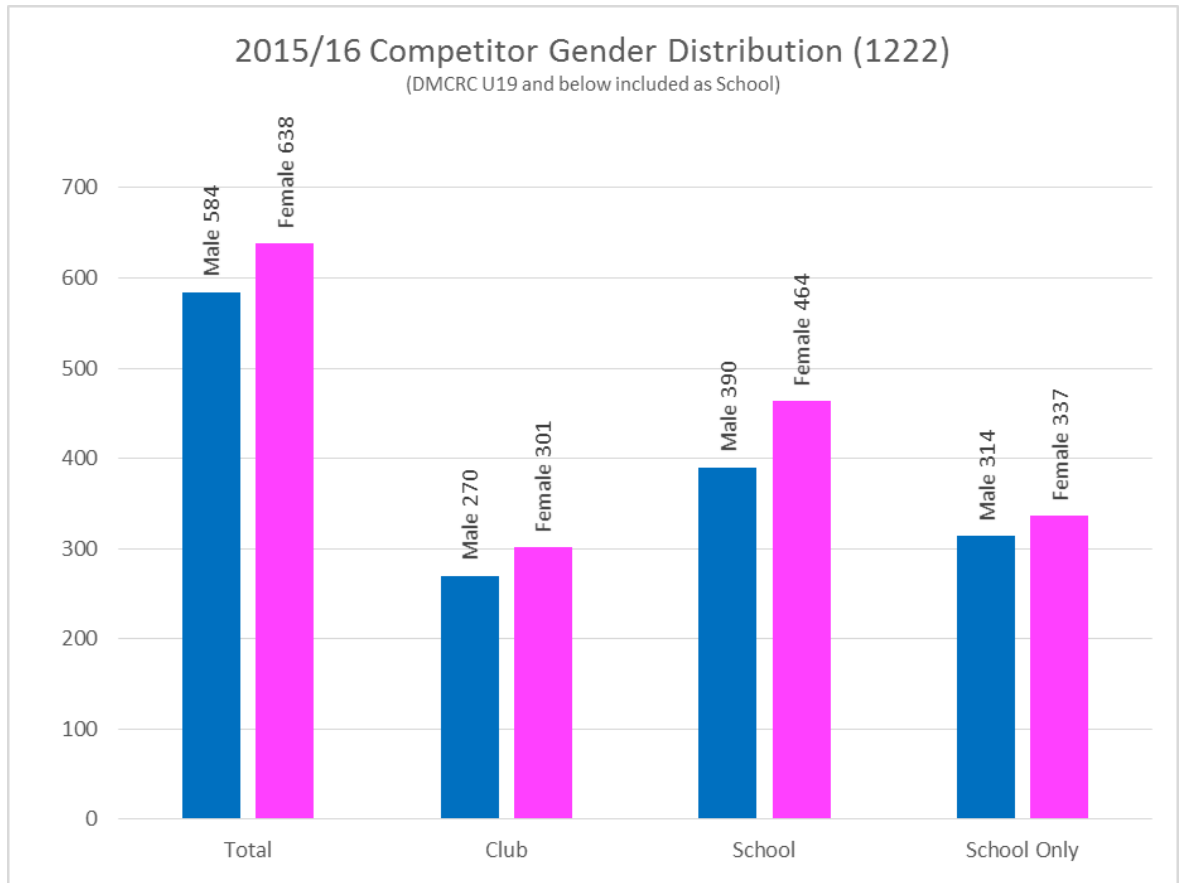
**2015/16 Membership Gender Distribution (1509)**



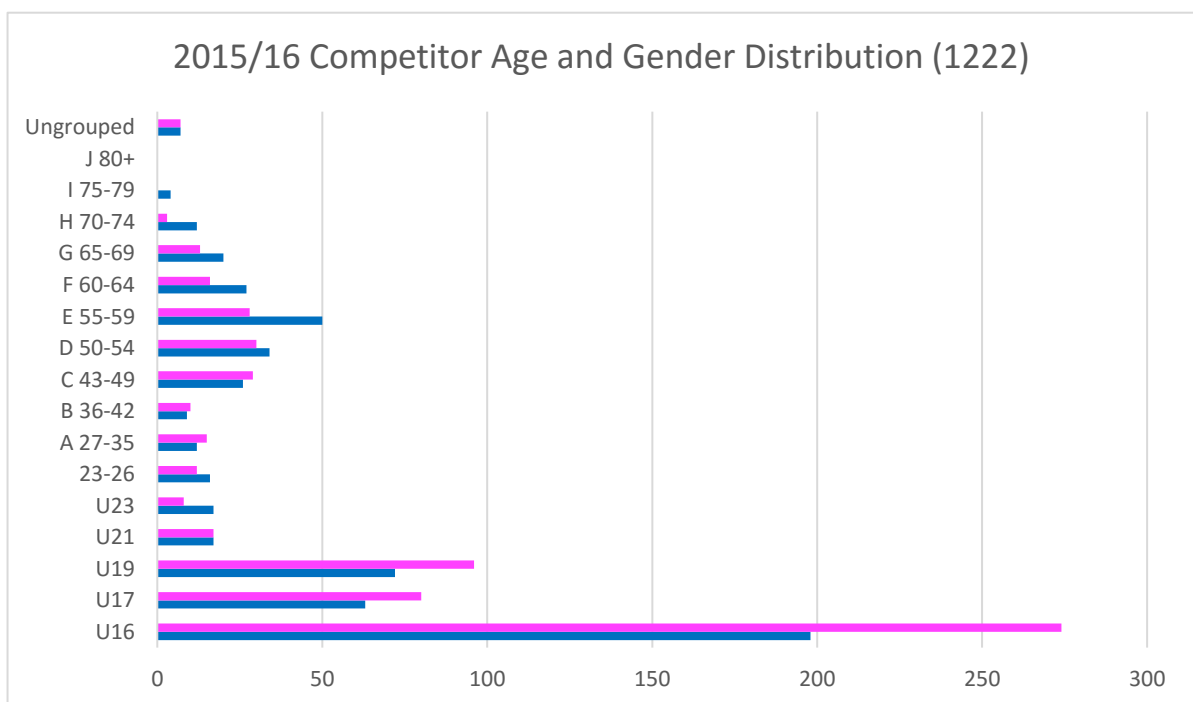
**2015/16 Competition Gender Distribution (1222)**



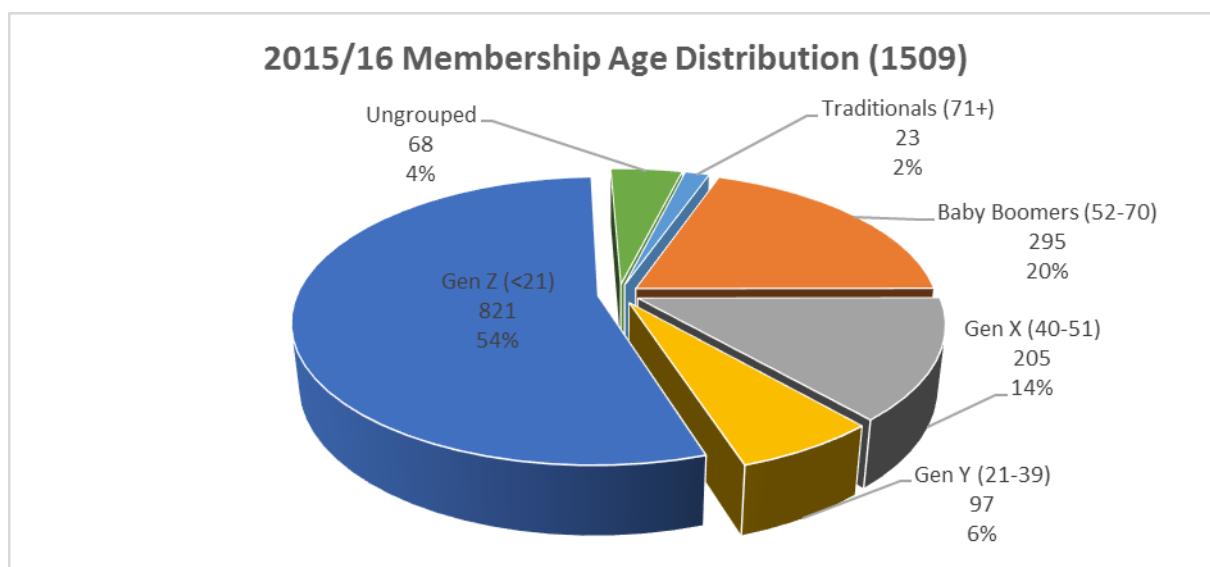
In competition, there is a significant female weighting towards school and junior rowing, with males predominant in the majority of age groups of U21 and greater.



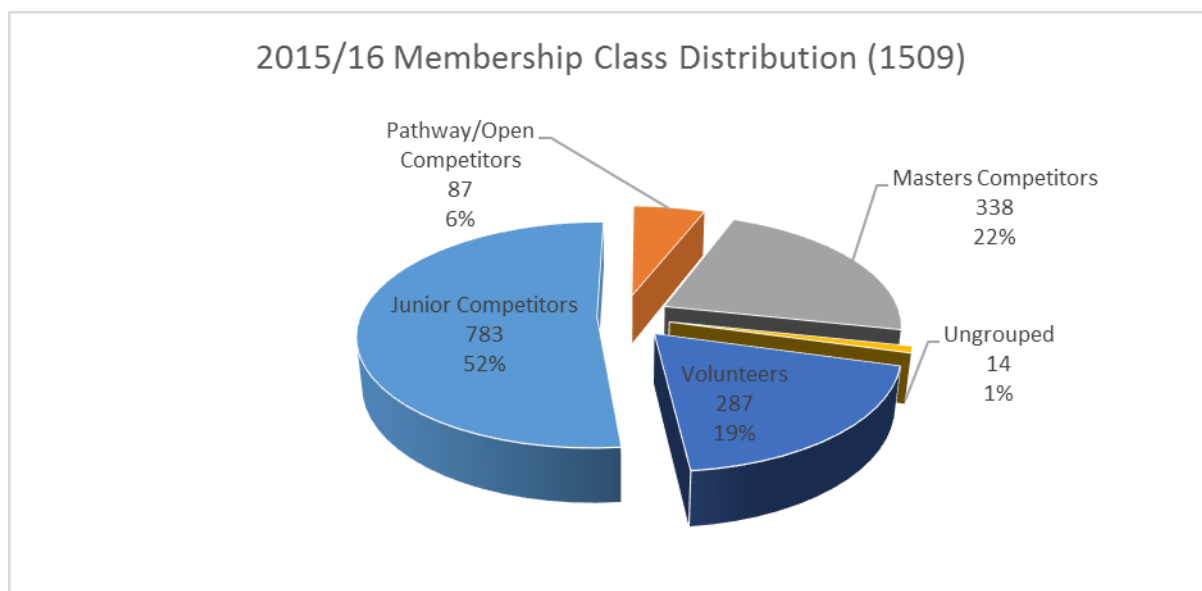
Females competitors exceed males in each of club rowing, school rowing and school only rowing.



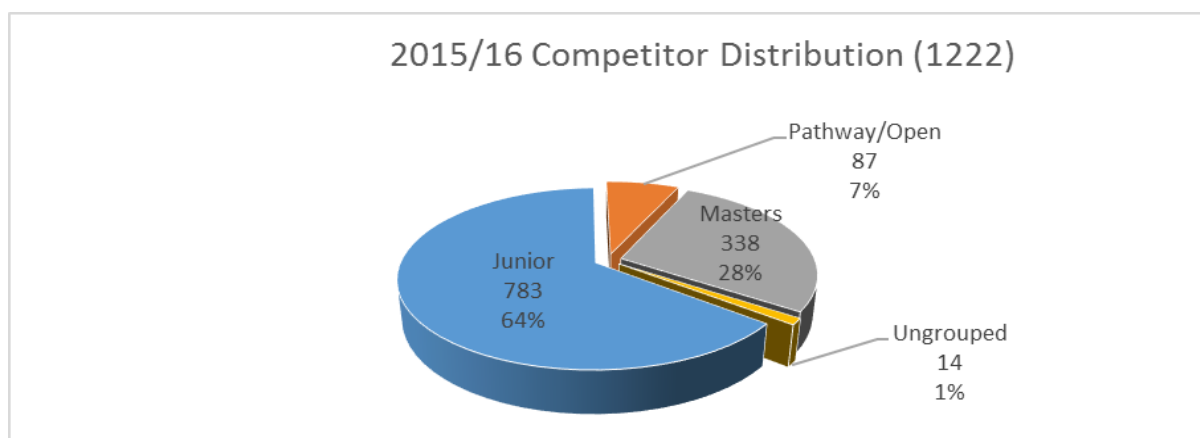
Generation Z is by far the largest membership group, followed by Baby Boomers, Generation X and Generation Y.



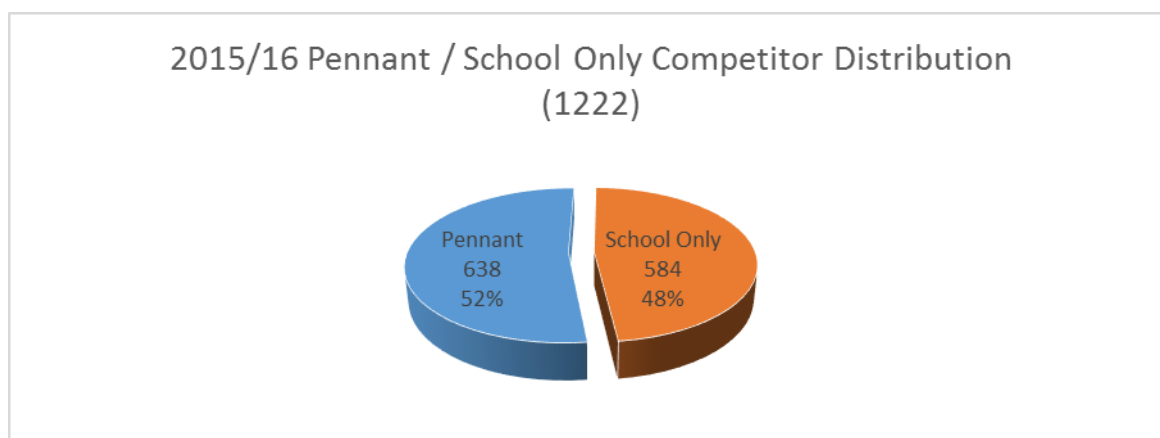
At least 19% of volunteer only members support competitors (81%). Additional volunteer services come from some Masters competitors and unregistered volunteers. Junior competitors (52%) significantly exceed Masters competitors (22%) as well as Pathway/Open competitors (6%).



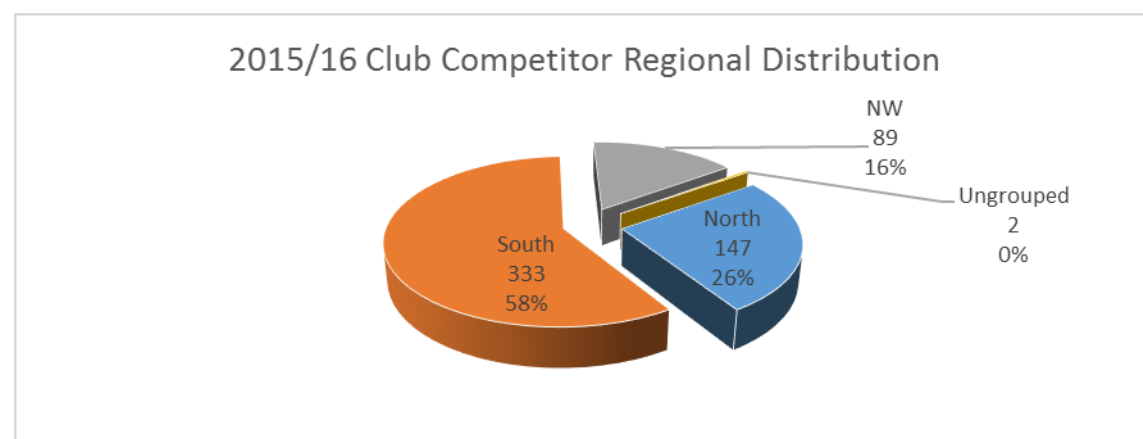
Junior competitors (64%) are close to double Master and Pathway/Open competitors combined (35%).



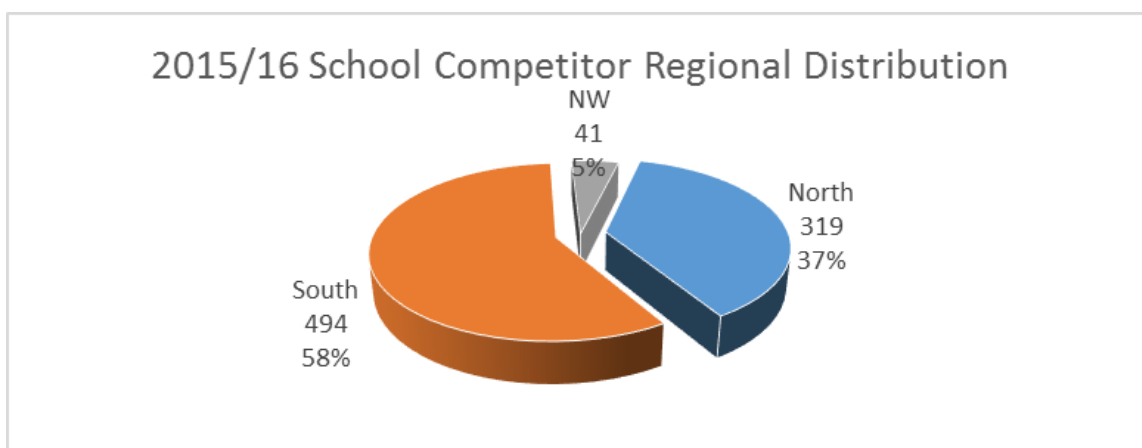
Pennant competitors (52%) marginally exceed School Only competitors (48%).



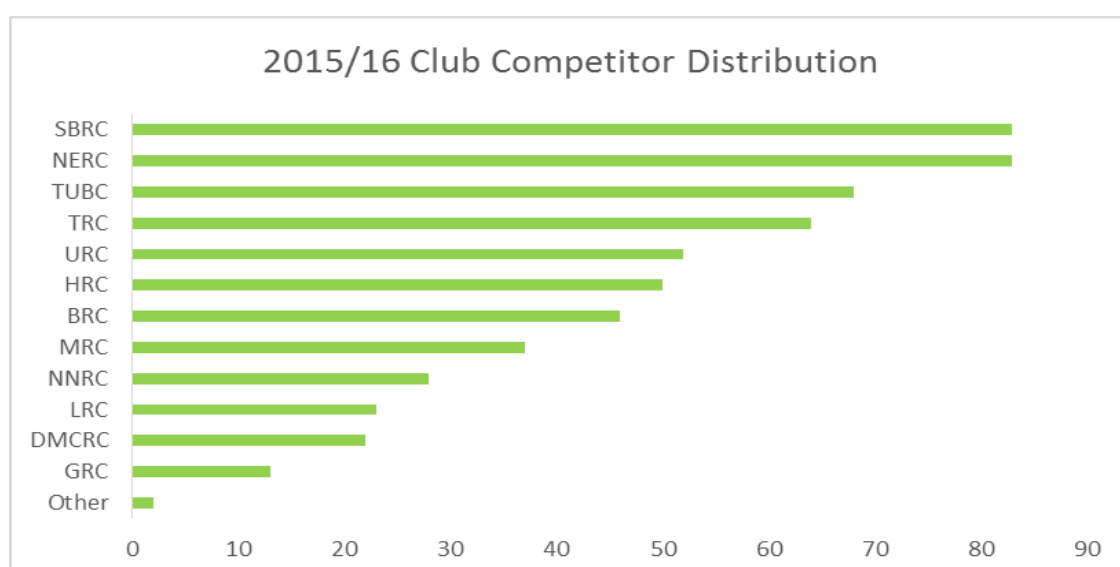
The regional distribution of club competitor members has a similar profile to school competitor members in the south. The lack of school competitors in the north-west is balanced by good school membership in the north.



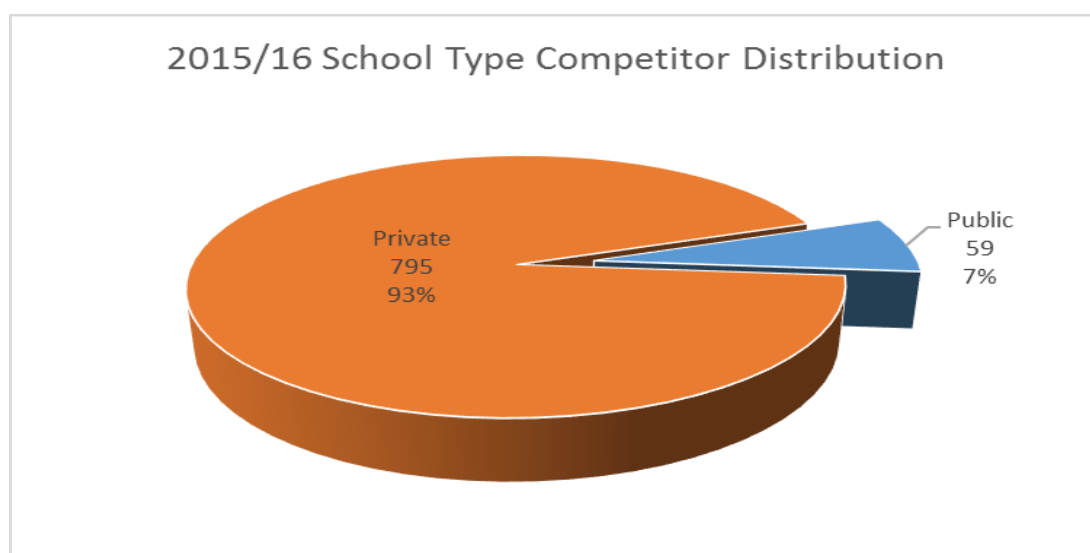




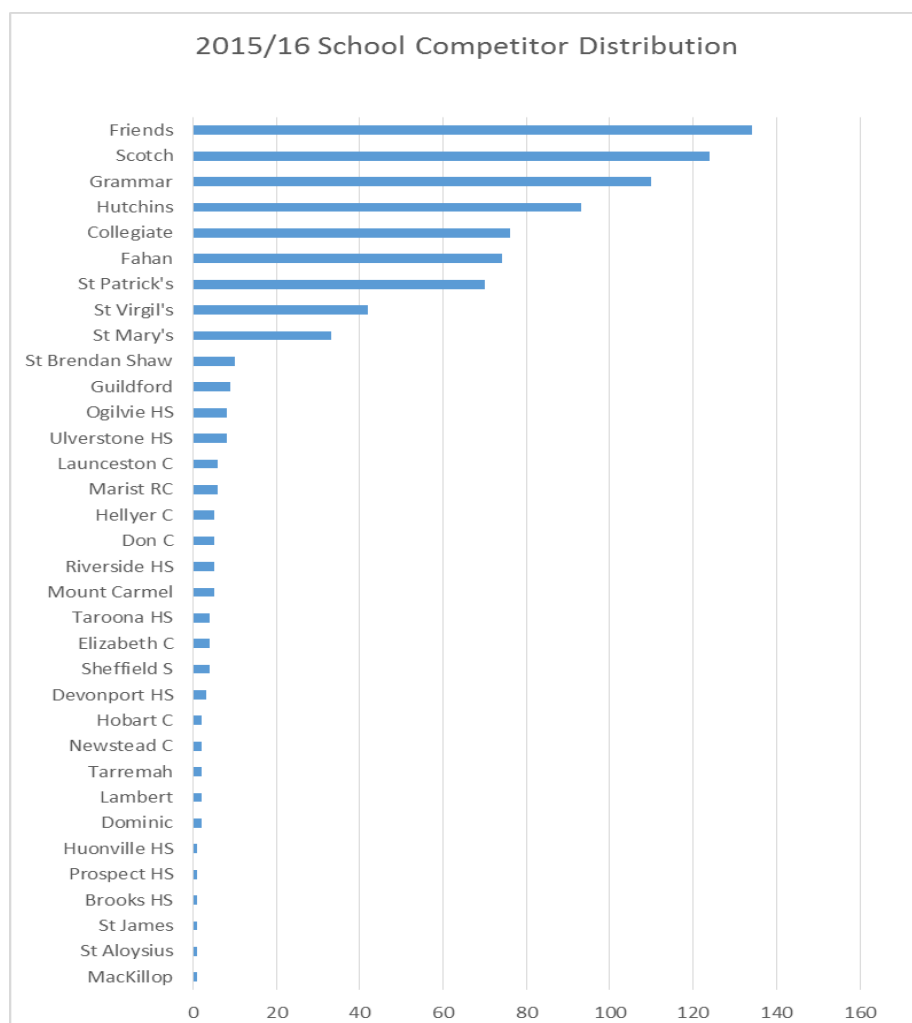
Of 12 clubs, 4 contain 50% of club competitors and 7 contain close to 80%.



School competitor members mainly attend private schools.



34 schools are represented by school competitors. 50% of school competitors attend 4 schools and 80% attend 7 schools.



## 5. Regatta Manager's Report

It was a good season with entries slightly down over previous years. There was a strong start and finish to the season, but quiet before and after the New Year. The year as a whole saw a decrease in seats over the previous season. There was a slight drop off in school involvement due to a change in rower programs at two major schools and the increase in seat fees made athletes more conscious of their entries. I believe this resulted in a reduction in the number of scratching's each regatta.

The interest from mainland schools continued, but Victorian clubs did not make the journey down at the end of the season as they had done in the past.

### Seats per Regatta Summary

	SP1	SP2	SP3	SP4	SP5	SP6	Champs	Year Total
<b>2015/2016</b>	945	1174	1292	1824	1642	1879	1445	10201
<b>2014/2015</b>	997	1101	1828	1848	2155	2243	1762	11932
<b>2013/2014</b>	852	1142	1836	1994	1965	2291	1752	11832
<b>2012/2013</b>	1214	1067	1468	1823	1717	1960	1594	10843
<b>2011/2012</b>	823	1006	1335	1690	1960	1998	1825	10637
<b>2010/2011</b>	678	1297	1457	1704	1759	2159	1715	10769
<b>2009/2010</b>	883	1281	1590	1959	1385	1806	1578	10482
<b>2008/2009</b>	854	988	1446	1606	1426	1740	1491	9551
<b>2007/2008</b>	804	1539	1488	755	1411	1581	1605	9183

The appearance of the new starting complex and boating ways was a positive development for the season. We must thank Mick Goodger and his helpers for their outstanding work in producing and installing these structures. The old starting gantry was damaged in a severe storm the previous season and the new structure will stand us in good stead for the coming seasons.

The Reeconian veranda and evening bar-b-que continued to be a popular social event at the end of Saturday's racing. The supply of results to the main office was expedited with direct computer contact with the finish tower, facilitated by an improved on-site wireless connection. Considerable work was put in by Fred Slamen over the season to allow this to happen. An intranet connection for the site is now in place, which will allow direct access to the results via smart phone.

The club and school competitions were hotly contested, as shown by the figures below. The two main prizes, the Season Pennant and Hydro Cup were won by two different clubs which should lead to continued healthy competition during the coming season. What is encouraging is the healthy battle for these points with a number of clubs closely involved in the tussle. The Friends School was a convincing winner in the Schools Pennant this season.

### **Point Score 2015/2016**

#### **Pennant**

1	TUBC	660
2	North Esk	579
3	Buckingham	533
4	Huon	479
5	Tamar	371
6	New Norfolk	342
7	Mersey	282
8	Sandy Bay	269
9	DMCRC	185
10	Ulverstone	126
11	Lindisfarne	65
12	Glenorchy	9

#### **Hydro Cup**

1	North Esk	454
2	TUBC	448
3	Buckingham	335
4	Huon	318
5	Tamar	282
6	Mersey	256
7	New Norfolk	220
8	Sandy Bay	212
9	Ulverstone	126
10	DMCRC	81
11	Lindisfarne	57

**Schools' Cup**

1	Friends	446
2	Hutchins	298
3	Scotch Oakburn	143
4	Grammar	129
5	St Patricks	75
6	St Virgils	8
7	Guilford Young College	1

The continued support of the Ulverstone Scouting group in performing boat holding at the start, when the start was operational, was greatly appreciated. Rain or shine, they were there doing their bit – a great effort. The club support of the rostering of other jobs – boat driving and numbers – was also very efficient with volunteers turning up most of the time. This is a critical task and the regatta cannot proceed without this support. The assistance of Peter George in organising the boat driving roster is greatly appreciated.

Registration of rowers was more efficient this year, but only because of “close watching” and “gentle encouragement”. The States, in general, abandoned the ROMS database during the season and replaced it with the NSW Rowing Manager database. This database was built and managed by the same person who built the rp7 rowing manager program, which has been running our regattas for a large number of years. The linking of these two systems certainly made the regatta process even simpler.

Finally, thanks again to the many hours provided by the on-water Boat Officials and Referees and to the able help from Bernadette in the Office. The time provided by all the volunteers helps the Regattas run as smoothly as they do. A regatta would simply not happen without the support and generous offer of time from these people. In addition, as all our regattas are now managed by Rowing Manager and rp7, a number of other volunteers have up-skilled in the office so that they are available for other non-pennant regattas such as Schools regattas and Masters regattas, as well as the odd occasion where Bernadette and myself are unable to be present.

Brian Brennan - Rowing Manager

## **6. Executive Officer's Report**

It gives me great pleasure to present my first report as the Executive Officer of Rowing Tasmania Inc.

To say it has been a full year is an understatement, with many projects, regattas, meetings and nearly as many emails as phone calls. The last 12 months have not left many spare hours.

### **6.1 Coach Education**

After much time and effort, the Rowing Australia Level 1 Coach Accreditation Course is now online and the initial take up has been very strong. This online direction will also apply to the Level 2 Course, which has been delayed and should roll out in the first half of 2017.

I would like to thank Jim Guy for his ongoing efforts in assisting our coaches plus Ken Davey at Descent Rowing for his ongoing support of the Tasmanian Rowing Community by giving full access to the website at no cost.

### **6.2 Development Camps**

For the Calendar year 2015, Rowing Tasmania conducted 5 Development camps with a total of 52 Coaches and 326 athletes attending. The camps ranged from U-13 through to senior athletes and all in-between. I would like to thank not only the coaches and parents who assisted but the schools and clubs who kindly loaned equipment. I would also like to mention Kim Wilson and her crew who volunteered to cater.

### **6.3 Development**

As we wait for the Rowing Australia Pathway program to be finalised, I would like to thank Grant Pryor for his assistance and support in this area. Grant's input into providing data for our State Selection Panel, Coaches and his involvement in all areas of our sport, especially with the U-19 to U-23 groups has been invaluable. In April of this year Hamish McLean (MRC), Joe Wilson (URC), Carl Doedens (TUBC/TFS), Jack Barrett (NERC), Connor Ryan (NERC) and Angus McGlashan (NERC) travelled to Penrith for the Junior Trials. Once again the experience for our Junior Athletes proves to be invaluable and they follow in the footsteps of recent National Team Members and Junior trialist's, Henry Youl, Sam Heron, Adam Wertheimer, Stephanie Williams, Oliver Cook and Eleni Kalimnios. I would also like to thank Lloyd Luck for acting as Team Manager for the trip.

### **6.4 2016 Interstate Regatta**

The selection process for this year's team started in September 2015 and through time trials, regattas and the January 2016 State Camp, our Interstate Regatta Team was chosen. I would like to thank Neil Stump and Ken Davey for taking the lead as John Driessen was involved with his Olympic crew. The aim for the selection process this year was to improve transparency and to ensure the athletes chosen had met the selection criteria. It was disappointing not to boat both the King and Queens Cup Eights. Looking at the numbers that nominated for the Youth Cup crews, I feel confident that we will have entries in the premier Australian eights race into the future.

I would like to mention the performance of two crews, firstly the LW Women's Quad. Crew members Georgia Nesbitt and Ella Flecker made the difficult and understandable decision to

withdraw from this boat on the eve of the Interstate Regatta as they were both trialling for National selection on the following Monday. I had the pleasure of contacting both Caity Bloomfield and Louisa Stewart to ask if they would like a seat, their enthusiasm for the task at hand was infectious and along with stalwarts Eve Mure, Annabelle Gibson and venerable coach Paul Newbon, the boat came in a credible third place. The second crew is the Women's Youth 8, coached by Mersey's David Tippet, with their fourth place equal best ever result for Tasmanian Crews competing in this event. David and the girls are to be commended for not only this result, but the way in which they trained and raced as a crew. We look forward to seeing the crew members continue on at representative level.

For the first time Para-rowing was a part of the Interstate Regatta, with both Emma Jago and Alistair Chong, along with their respective coaches, Jenna Driessen and Lance Morrisby medalling. They all are solid additions to the Tasmanian Rowing Team.

## 6.5 Tasmanian Interstate Regatta Team-2016

<b>Boat Class</b>	<b>Crew Member(s)</b>	<b>Coach</b>	<b>Result</b>
<b>Women's Single Scull</b>	Ciona Wilson	John Driessen	6th
<b>Men's Single Scull</b>	Max McQueeney	Brett Crow	5th
<b>LW Women's Quad</b>	Eve Mure Louisa Stewart Annabelle Gibson Caitlyn Bloomfield (S)	Paul Newbon	3rd
<b>LW Men's Four</b>	Oliver Marsden Alistair Foot Ashley Reardon Daniel Bloomfield (S)	Brett Crow	6th
<b>Women's Youth Eight</b>	Olivia Browning Chloe Cottier Lilli Reardon Isobel Robertson Lauren Conway Madeline Greenhill Madeline Tippet Anneke Reardon (S) Alexandra Gruber (Cox)	David Tippet	4th

<b>Men's Youth Eight</b>	Tom Barrett Angus McGlashan Jack Barrett Alec Paterson Henry Johnstone Alexander Hutchison Matthew Byrne Nathaniel Graham (S) Andre Nash (Cox)	Peter Holloway	6th
<b>Women's Para Scull</b>	Emma Jago	Jenna Driessen	2nd
<b>Men's Para Scull</b>	Alistair Chong	Lance Morrisby	3rd

## 6.6 Projects

- a. Refurbishment of the Public Toilets at Lake Barrington with a grant from the Tasmanian Community Fund
- b. Marine and Safety Tasmania video plus various safety policy reviews
- c. Rowing Tasmania boat fleet safety upgrades
- d. Working with Children rollout
- e. revolutioniseSPORT data base and management program
- f. Rowing Manager regatta entry program
- g. Australian Masters Games 2017
- h. Grant Applications
- i. Sponsorship
- j. Lake Barrington Promotional video
- k. Mersey Forth Recreational Management Committee
- l. Marine Safety Management Plan
- m. McVilly Pearce Pin recipients
- n. RA/TIS/RT Pathway Program

During the year, Rowing Australia implemented monthly teleconferences plus a number of face to face meetings. I had the pleasure of attending the Australian Masters Championship at Kawana Waters before a meeting of the State CEO's/Executive Officers. To say that the weather was character building was an understatement, as the infamous "East Coast Low" that caused all the flood damage started on the Saturday morning. Our Masters group is to be commended on both their racing and resilience.



The flooding that caused considerable damage to both the North Esk Rowing Club and the Tamar Rowing Club brought to the forefront the solid values of our Tasmanian rowing community, with support being given at all levels to both clubs. I am confident that both clubs will rise from the "mud" over time and be fierce competitors on the river and there is now a new found level of respect and cooperation.

In closing I would like to thank the Committee of Rowing Tasmania, TSRA, SATIS, BRO's, Volunteers, the Department of Community Sport and Recreation, T.I.S., Clubs and Schools for their ongoing support.

I would also like to wish Anthony Edwards all the best for his new position. Eddy has been a wonderful contributor to many in our sport and I am sure that in his new role many will benefit from his talents.

Rob Prescott – Executive Officer

## **7. Masters Report**

### **7.1 Overview**

The past season has seen the further growth within the lady rowers and a stagnation of men taking up the sport of rowing. This is particularly worrying in the age categories of 28 up to 40 years, especially among the male gender.

The change in the classification of Rec /Vet in the regatta programme appears to have been well received by the masters; however a downside of dividing the Rec/Vet is the removal of "recreation" section. While adding a "novice" race in its place has appeal to those schools with large numbers, and this year was well supported, even though some might not qualify as novice rowers. Many smaller rowing clubs such as Ulverstone, New Norfolk, Mersey and Huon, who have only small numbers of school rowers, used the recreation race to put together these inexperienced rowers with their veteran members. It created the opportunity of being able to "puppy walk" the newer and younger club rowers, with the masters, introducing racing and start procedures etc., which I believe is a big plus to encouraging juniors into the sport.

While the Regatta Manager has obligingly added a Masters pair for the men and ladies to the regatta race programme, it was disappointing to see minimal support from our male contingent, especially when compared to the way our females embraced the chance to compete in this boat. This is borne out by looking at the entries of each gender: the ladies from SP 3 Regatta up to and including the State Champs had 42 entries, while the men over the same number of regattas only had 10 entries.

### **7.2 Masters 2015-16 Competition**

Our Annual Masters' 2 Day regatta in April/May saw 174 competitors make 309 entries into the 50 event programme, compared to last year when 150 competitors made 343 entries into the same number of events.

While the cool and changeable conditions over the weekend caused some revamping of the programme, we were able to complete the races, thanks to the cooperation of our Masters competitors and the collaboration, resilience and patience of the Boat Race Officials on the day, who suffered the severest of conditions.

The short course Masters regatta at New Norfolk continues to provide added racing for our older rowers during the regatta season, this year attracting 70 attendees from 11 clubs in 89 entries over the 21 event programme. The Tamar Masters Challenge received a similar response with 67 rowers generating 79 entries in their 20 events, however inclement weather conditions caused the cancellation of the majority of races.

I believe the popularity of both these events has room to grow, given it adds extra racing, specifically for our Veteran body of athletes.

May I add that the fellowship at both clubs after the conclusion of rowing is what really makes the masters competition very enjoyable.

The Australian Rowing Masters Championships was held in June at the Kawana Waters course on the Sunshine Coast. Some fifty competitors and a handful of supporters from eight Tasmanian clubs made their way to the event, with Tamar (10) and North Esk (19) having the largest contingents.

After the Thursday competition, the weather slowly deteriorated, resulting in much reshuffling of each days racing and the cancelling of many sessions. This was the storm that eventually made its way to wreak havoc in Tasmania some days later. However, a lull in the weather allowed some racing on the Saturday afternoon, which included the Interstate events.

This year Tasmania was represented in the Interstate Ladies Eight. Six crews lined-up at the start in cross wind conditions and rowed into 5th place in a time of 3':38.75". The crew consisted of Sandra Wilson, Kim Badcock, Maree Coulson, Neroli Ellis, Narelle Hayes, Judy Fenner, Jillian Fraser, Jill Johnstone, Eve Beecroft(c) and coach Kerry Dawkins. I congratulate the Ladies and their coach in giving both training and this race their best shot.

### 7.3 **State Selection**

I record thanks to fellow selectors Peter Nicholls and Chris Potter for their interest and enthusiasm in carrying out the role of selecting our Masters representative crews for the Australian Rowing Championships. After assisting in this role for many years, Ian Sather retired from the position and I sincerely thank him on behalf of the Tassie Masters, for his wise judgement when making comparison decisions between the candidates. Chris Potter has shown his enthusiasm, after being approached to step into Ian's role half way through the regatta season.

An abundance of ladies put their nomination forward this year for selection either in the Interstate eight and/or the Interstate Quad. After viewing the potential available to form a Ladies Eight, the selectors' scrapped the original thoughts of boating a Ladies Quad. I am obliged, as a selector, to say that several ladies were inadvertently left out this final selection process and therefore did miss out on being part of the selection of the final crew.

Kerry Dawkins was selected as the crew coach and with those in the eight, put in many sessions to gain selection, after several time trials that came close to the required prognostic time and the coach's view that times would be achieved in the following training sessions.

Only nine (9) men added their names to the State Nomination form, leaving the selection panel with the task of putting together a Men's Quad consisting of Andrew Streeter, Paul Francis, Richard Norton and Patrick Bird. Paul Bird was appointed coach. Apparently, getting the crew together for training sessions presented several problems and after time trialling and feed-back from Paul, it was agreed that the boat didn't come up to expectations, thus missing out on selection. However, I commend the guys for giving this their best shot and putting their hand up for selection.

### 7.4 **Conclusion**

I am pleased to report that the State Masters are now, through consultation with the Rowing Tasmanian hierarchy, starting procedures to implement a Masters' representative body. An interim meeting with a delegate from each of the rowing clubs has now taken place to look at the Council suggestions re the structure of this new body.

I thank the state masters' fraternity for their support and help to me in the role of State Rowing Coordinator during the past season.

Finally, I record my thanks to Regatta Manager Brian Brennan, EO Rob Prescott and RT Representative, Julian Joscelyne, for their great support and patience in getting me some-

where up to speed using the new Regatta Management System to set up the Masters regatta. It certainly saved a lot of extra work.

Merv Tippet - Masters Coordinator

## 8. Para-Rowing Report

At the commencement of the season, due to no appointment of a Para Co-ordinator, there was no Barrington Camp conducted. Possibly a Franklin and Barrington Camp could be considered for the future.

The State Pennant No1 held at Franklin attracted Alex and Nicole McKillop, Alistair Chong, Sara Waitzer, Diana Harris, where there were mixed results over the 500M & 1000M events. Again, same number plus Jess Hall, from North Esk, participated at the State pennant No2.

The first two State Pennant Regattas have failed to attract northern competitors, which has been a concern for several years, an item that must be discussed among Para members and RT to find an encouragement award.

At Pennant No 3 at Barrington, Malcolm Hall, Jess Hall, Lachie Moore and Emma Jago added to the Para Rowers listing of Alistair Chong, Alex McKillop, Nicole McKillop, with Sara Waitzer absent. Good water conditions made competition exciting, with placings being shared among the members.

Sara Waitzer and Alistair Chong were both absent from Pennant No 4, due to a Para selection camp being held in Canberra. The reduced numbers on water meant that placings were again shared amongst those attending the regatta.

Pennant No 5 saw Sara and Alistair returning to the competition, with the three ladies, Sara, Emma and Nicole, having close competition in both their events. Handicapping in the Men's event, gave a variety of placing.

Sara was again called to Sydney for selection trials and Pennant No 6, with the weather fair and competition among the members, showed those keenest in preparation for the coming Championships.

TUBC's new Para addition Kris Apps, a Master competitor, attended her first pennant and combined with seven (7) other Para's to compete in a 500M sprint event.

The mixture of gender and classifications were considered in the handicapping, but overall, there was some excitement. This event may be considered in the following seasons.

State Championship Regatta, special guest Para National Co-ordinator Tara Huntley & Para Head Coach Gordon Marks were present to witness our events, with placings shared amongst the members in the Non Championship, our Championship events:

- a. Women's LTA 1000M event was the closest witnessed in Para events with TUBC Sara Waitzer winning by the slim margin of 0.30 from Mersey R.C. Emma Jago and Huon RC. Nicole McKillop in 3<sup>rd</sup> spot.
- b. The Men's LTA 1000M went to TUBC Alistair Chong from North Esk Jess Hall.
- c. Malcolm Hall from North Esk took out the Arms Shoulder 2<sup>nd</sup> Div over 500M and the Div 2 - 500M LTA went to Alexander McKillop, from Huon RC from Lachie Moore of Grammar.
- d. Due to a rule change, the Para Mixed 2X Championship was not held. It is hoped that this ruling shall be revised for 2017 season.

- e. At the Championships, the Roger Blake's Para Aggregate Trophy was awarded to Huon RC Nicole McKillop. Nicole's rowed 27 events over the season, with various placings, achieving a Point Score of 133 and showing that participation can be rewarding.
- f. The Nationals resulted in TUBC Sara Waitzer LTA W 1x, (Bronze), Alistair Chong (4th) LTA M 1x, Sara and Alistair LTA Mixed 2X (Silver). Sara also gained a (Silver) in a composite LTA Mixed Four. Emma Jago Mersey RC competed in the LTA W1x (Silver) and in the LTA Mixed 2X with Stephen Knott St George (Bronze).
- g. Following the Club National Events, Emma & Alistair represented their State of Tasmania in the Interstate LTA Singles Emma (Silver) and Alistair (Bronze), under the guidance of appointed Para Coach Jenna Driessen.

Congratulations to ALL who participated over the season and to the achievers on reaching your goals; well done! Again, the season would not have been a success without the volunteers that contribute in helping both on and off the water.

Early in May A-Come-Try-Day was conducted at Barrington, where a group of ten (10) "New Horizon" members from Launceston participated with guidance from Chris Symons and yours truly. A most successful day was achieved in the Twin Hull Single, the Ted Hale Leisure Single and the Quad Scull. I would like to think that several of the group shall take up the challenge and become frequent participants in our Barrington Pennant Regattas.

To the Rowing Tasmanian Regatta Management and Boat Race Officials, THANK-YOU for your cooperation and understanding throughout the season, it's greatly appreciated by ALL Para Members.

By the time this report has been released I would have thought that all interested Para Rowers were on water revising and improving their sculling technique, a major factor to boat speed.

I strongly recommend that the Rules Committee and Regatta Management consider allowances for Para Rowers to compete over various distances e.g. 500M, 750M, 1000M, plus allowances for entry in Men's/Women's Master / Novice and Recreational Events. This would provide the opportunity for more than one event and for Para Rowers to improve their performances in readiness for future selections.

Looking forward to attending some State Pennant Regatta's and viewing the overall competition.

Bob Blake

**2015-16 ROGER BLAKE AGGREGATE TROPHY - FINAL STANDINGS AFTER THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

ROWER	No. of PLACINGS	CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS						NON CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS						TOTAL POINTS
		1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH	
Nicole McKillop (Huon)	27			1				5	12	8	1			133
Emma Jago (MRC)	18		1					14	3					109
Alexander McKillop (Huon)	22	1						5	5	6	3	2		104
Jesse Hall (NERC)	16		1					6	4	2	2	1		82
Lachlan Moore (LCGS)	17		1					4	4	3	2	3		78
Alistair Chong (TUBC)	12	1						7	1	1	1	1		68
Malcolm Hall (NERC)	15	1						1	4	2	4	2	1	63
Sara Waitzer (TUBC)	9	1						2	5	1				53
David Emmett (LRC)	5								4	1				24
Diana Harris (Huon)	5							1	2	1	1			23
Ella Marshall (MRC)	3								1	2				13
Kris Apps (TUBC)	1												1	1

Championship Event Points      1st - 12; 2nd - 10; 3rd - 8; 4th - 6; 5th - 4; 6th - 2

Non Championship Event Points      1st - 6; 2nd - 5; 3rd - 4; 4th - 3; 5th - 2; 6th - 1

## 9. TSRA Delegate Report

### 9.1 Tasmanian School Rowing Association Regattas

#### a. The Junior Rowing Camp and Sculling Regatta

The first school regatta of the season was held on 21-22 November 2015. Participating schools were Friends, Grammar, Marist, Ogilvie, St Patricks, Scotch-Oakburn and Ulverstone, with almost 190 rowers attending. Unfortunately, strong winds prevented planned on-water activities on the Saturday, and the Sunday Regatta was abandoned prior to first race.

However, re-jigged activities on the Saturday were carried effectively and there was positive feedback from rowers, parents, coaches and school coordinators. Having State coaches and boatrace officials leading sessions and engaging with young rowers was very valuable. This was also an excellent opportunity to promote Decent Rowing to rowers and coaches.

The presence of high performance rowers for the National Time Trial and TIS Camp provided an opportunity for junior rowers to rub shoulders, and several senior rowers took time to mix with the juniors.

Sincere thanks to all volunteers, including Jim Gibson, Rob Prescott, Grant Pryor and Sharon, Ken Davey, Mick Casey, Jim Guy, Neil Stump, Tina Maher and Rod Dolbel.

- b. **The Southern Junior Sculling Regatta** on Saturday 5 December 2015, was conducted with a good sized program, with rowers from Collegiate, Dominic, Fahan, Friends, Hutchins, Ogilvie, St Mary's, St Virgil's, Taroona and Tarremah competing.

- c. **The Southern Schools Regatta** was held on 13-14 February 2016, with some Northern participation including a good sized squad from Grammar. 587 entries from 17 schools participated in 112 races. Weather conditions were generally good, but there was some wind, making conditions difficult for junior rowers. While the regatta was not postponed, the SB U13 2X were not rowed by agreement with the participating schools.

- d. **The North-West Schools Regatta** held on 27-28 February 2016, was completed in generally good conditions, with the 1X events used to select those rowers eligible to enter the 1X events at the Schools Championships. Participation numbers were very healthy, with 954 entries from 29 schools participating in 142 races.

The Friends School achieved a clean-sweep, taking out the junior and overall aggregate trophies for both schoolgirls and schoolboys.

- e. **The Schools Championship Regatta** held on 5 - 6 March 2016, saw 851 crews from the 29 schools participating in 161 races, with 1000M heats on the Saturday and finals on the Sunday. Positioning buoys between the 750M and 1000M marks to assist marshalling on the Saturday worked very effectively.

In the aggregate trophies, The Friends School won the schoolgirls' junior trophy, the schoolgirls' overall trophy and the schoolboys' junior trophy, with The Hutchins School taking the schoolboys' overall.



A particular thank-you to David Ratray who cleaned and conditioned all the trophies for both NW Schools and the Schools Championship Regatta.

## 9.2 **Regatta Management**

The Rowing Tasmania resolution that TSRA (and all other) regattas be managed on Rowing Manager / Regatta Pro 7 resulted in the resignation of Regatta Secretary Annette Dolbel following the Southern Junior Sculling Regatta. Annette was presented, at the Southern Junior Sculling Regatta, with a mantel clock bearing an inscription recognising her many years of service to TSRA. I again wish to acknowledge the contribution Annette has made, including for many years as the supporter of Rod and Nathan in managing our regattas.

Following Annette's resignation I assumed the role of Regatta Manager to transition the remaining regattas to RM/RP7. While there were some significant issues with entries, because some schools had not registered their rowers, the three major TSRA regattas were all effectively managed on the new system. The progressions for the Schools Championship Regatta worked without hitch, and allowed progressive posting of the Sunday Draw as soon as Saturday heat results were entered.

We had a good pool of volunteers prepared to staff the office at regattas, and with the three major regattas now set up on Rowing Manager it only remains to create the program for the junior sculling regattas.

I would particularly acknowledge Karen Bain who was a great support in running the regatta office, Sean Muir and Ruth Hall, together with Jenny Streeter and Rachel Kitson.

## 9.3 **Delegate to Rowing Tasmania Committee**

### a. **Meetings**

I have attended all meetings when I have been present in the state, and provided comment prior to meetings when not present.

### b. **Human Resources**

I have continued to provide industrial relations and HR advice to RT, including for the creation of the Executive Officer position.

### c. **Strategic Plan**

I am assisting, with Peter Volker, in progressing this priority. RT, as a member of RA, is required to, and should have such a plan. An initial survey has been taken, managed by Sport & Recreation which is facilitating the process.

## 9.4 **Committee**

a. The 2015-16 committee, included Katie Duncan (Vice-President), Greg Hill (Secretary), Rod Dolbel (Treasurer, Public Officer), Hannah Kilpatrick (North/NW Rep) and Karen Bain (South Rep). The Committee worked constructively throughout the year - it has been a great assistance to have their contribution and counsel through some difficult issues.

b. I particularly record the TSRA's recognition of Rod Dolbel's many years of service on the committee, managing the financial affairs of the association.

c. At the AGM held on 20th August 2016 the following were elected for 2016-17:

i.	President and Delegate to Council	Julian Joscelyne
ii.	Vice-President	Katie Duncan
iii.	Secretary	Karen Bain
iv.	Treasurer and Public Officer	Peter Gibson
v.	Northern General Representative	Andrew Smith
vi.	Southern General Representative	James Dalton
vii.	Regatta Secretary	Karen Bain

## 9.5 **Policy initiatives for 2016-17**

At the TSRA AGM, members resolved that the "TSRA By-Laws" would be replaced by "TSRA Regatta Rules". These include a new provision for out-of-age rowers to row with their year group, a re-wording of the composite rule, reduction of all U13 events to 500 metres, and revisions for consistency to post-entries and substitutions.

Julian Joscelyne - TSRA Delegate, Rowing Tasmania Committee

## 10. Awards - Season 2015/2016

### 10.1 Elite

<b>The Simon Dean Award</b>	<b>Nellie Rosevear Trophy</b>	<b>The Peter Keyes Trophy</b>	<b>OGMA Trophy</b>
<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>
Henry Youl (TRC)  Matt Byrne (NNRC)  Wilson Mure (HRC)	Kerry Hore (HRC)  Georgia Nesbitt (HRC)  Ella Flecker (HRC)	Lauren Conway (NNRC)  Nat Graham (NNRC)  Matt Byrne (NNRC)  Hannah Tippet (MRC)	Kelly Graham (NNRC)  Ron Woods (TRC)  John Driessen (HRC)  Paul Newbon (HRC)
<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>
<b>Wilson Mure HRC</b>	<b>Kerry Hore HRC</b>	<b>Hannah Tippet MRC</b>	<b>John Driessen HRC</b>

## 10.2 Domestic

<b>Junior Oarsman of the Year</b>	<b>Junior Oarswoman of the Year</b>	<b>Open Oarsman of the Year</b>	<b>Open Oarswoman of the Year</b>	<b>Master's Oarsman of the Year</b>	<b>Master's Oarswoman of the Year</b>	<b>Coxswain of the Year</b>	<b>Coach of the Year</b>	<b>Volunteer of the Year</b>
<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>	<u>Nominees:</u>
Jack Barrett	Hannah Tippet  Celeste Frasson	Henry Youl	Ciona Wilson  Meaghan Volker	Alan Kitto	Neroli Ellis  Kim Badcock  Jacqui Hope	Rosie Smail	Kelly Graham  Ron Woods  Barry Townsend and Trevor Barrett	Tim Brown  Chris Symonds  Jenna Driessen
<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>	<u>Recipients:</u>	<u>Recipient:</u>
<b>Jack Barrett NERC</b>	<b>Celeste Frasson TFS/HRC</b>	<b>Henry Youl TRC</b>	<b>Meaghan Volker BRC</b>	<b>Alan Kitto TRC</b>	<b>Kim Badcock URC</b>	<b>Rosie Smail TFS</b>	<b>Barry Townsend and Trevor Barrett NERC</b>	<b>Jenna Driessen HRC  Chris Symons TRC</b>

## 11. National Team Representatives

Rowing Tasmania would like to congratulate the following members for their selection to National Teams.

### 11.1 2015

#### Senior A

- |                               |                            |
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| • Kerry Hore (Huon)           | Women's Quad               |
| • Meaghan Volker (Buckingham) | Women's Eight              |
| • Georgia Nesbitt (Huon)      | Women's LW Single          |
| • Ella Flecker (Huon)         | Women's LW Double          |
| • Alistair Chong (TUBC)       | LTA Mixed Coxed Four       |
| • Sara Waitzer (TUBC)         | LTA Mixed Coxed Four       |
| • Max McQueeney (Buckingham)  | Men's HW Quad-Reserve      |
| • John Driessen (Huon)        | Men's HW Quad-Coach        |
| • Brett Crow (TIS)            | Men's LW Single/Pair-Coach |

#### Under-23

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| • Wilson Mure (Huon) | Men's Quad |
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#### Under-21

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| • Henry Youl (Tamar)         | Men's Single      |
| • Oliver Cook (Tamar)        | Men's LW Single   |
| • Caitlyn Bloomfield (Tamar) | Women's LW Single |

#### World University Games

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| • Taylor Wilczynski (Huon) | Men's Single |
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### 11.2 2016

#### Senior A

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| • Kerry Hore (Huon)           | Women's Quad            |
| • Meaghan Volker (Buckingham) | Women's Eight           |
| • Georgia Nesbitt (Huon)      | Women's LW Single       |
| • John Driessen (Huon)        | Men's HW Quad-Coach     |
| • Paul Newbon (Huon)          | Women's LW Single-Coach |

#### Under-23

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|------------------------------|------------------|
| • Henry Youl (Tamar)         | Men's Coxed Four |
| • Stephanie Williams (Tamar) | Women's Eight    |

#### Under-21

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| • Mathew Byrne (New Norfolk) | Men's LW Single |
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#### World University Games

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| • Wilson Mure (Huon)         | Men's Double |
| • Max McQueeney (Buckingham) | Men's Double |

**Phillip Fraser - Boat Race Official**

- National Championships SIRC Deputy Referee
- U-23 Selection Trials SIRC Referee
- Trans-Tasman Series SIRC Referee
- Olympic Games Rio Member of the Jury

## **12. Annual General Meeting Minutes 2015**

Minutes of the Rowing Tasmania Inc.  
Annual General Meeting  
Held on Friday August 28th 2015  
at "The Boathouse", Launceston

### **Attendees**

James Gibson, Rob Tenbenschel, Brian Brennan, Peter George, Bob Avery, Rod Dolbel, Grant Pryor, Julian Joscelyne, Peter Volker, Mick Knowles, Paul Newbon, Karen Newbon, Paul Bird, Patrick Bird, David Rattray, Mick Goodger, George Homer, Jason Dolbel, Lloyd Luck, Ruth Hall, Alexander Hall, Merv Tippet, Michael Banks, Robert Blake OAM, Ron Woods, Helene Woods, Hannah Kilpatrick, Ed Kilpatrick, Rob Kennedy, Suzi Kennedy, Mark Wilson, Peter Holloway, Sandra Wilson, Sam Wilson, Katie Duncan, Andrew Smith, Ciona Wilson, Vincent Bell, Anthony Edwards, Tina Maher, Chris Potter, Marcus Allen, Eve Beecroft, Trevor Barrett, Lisa Barrett, Jack Barrett, Mick Wilson. Neil Stump.

### **Meeting Commenced 7:35 PM**

### **Apologies**

John Driessen, Brett Crow, Patrick McGuffie, Glenorchy Rowing Club, Michael Williams, Henry Youl, Eve Mure, John Oakley.

### **In Memoriam**

Joe Marshall, Reg Free, Chris Gourlay, John Koppleman, Geoff Williams.

### **Welcome**

Jim Gibson welcomed those in attendance.

### **Notice of Meeting**

It was noted that the Notice of Meeting was published in the 3 regional newspapers, Rowing Tasmania website, Facebook page and all Clubs and Schools were emailed.

### **Confirmation of previous AGM**

That the minutes of the 102nd Annual General Meeting, as circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**Moved:** Michael Banks

**Seconded:** Chris Potter

**Carried**

### **President's Report**

Jim Gibson presented the Presidents Report to the Meeting.

Moved that the Presidents Report be accepted as presented.

**Moved:** Jim Gibson

**Seconded:** Bob Blake OAM

**Carried**

### **Financial Managers Report**

Robert Tenbenschel presented the Financial Managers Report to the meeting.

Moved that the Financial Managers Report be accepted as presented.

**Moved:** Robert Tenbenschel

**Seconded:** Julian Joscelyne

**Carried**

### **Regatta Managers Report**

Brian Brennan presented the Regatta Managers Report to the meeting.

Moved that the Regatta Managers Report be accepted as presented.

**Moved:** Brian Brennan

**Seconded:** Tina Maher

**Carried**

### **Rowing Development Managers Report**

Rob Prescott presented the Rowing Development Managers Report to the meeting.

Moved that the Rowing Development Managers Report be accepted as presented.

**Moved:** Rob Prescott

**Seconded:** Merv Tippet

**Carried**



### **Para Rowing Report**

Bob Blake OAM presented the Para Rowing Report to the meeting.

Moved that the Para Rowing Report be accepted as presented.

**Moved:** Bob Blake OAM

**Seconded:** Grant Pryor

**Carried**

### **Masters Rowing Report**

Merv Tippet presented the Masters Rowing Report to the meeting.

Moved that the Masters Rowing Report be accepted as presented.

**Moved:** Merv Tippet

**Seconded:** Chris Potter

**Carried**

### **TSRA Report**

Julian Joscelyne presented the TSRA Report to the meeting.

Moved that the TSRA Report be accepted as presented.

**Moved:** Julian Joscelyne

**Seconded:** Merv Tippet

**Carried**

### **Declaration of the Poll**

The meeting was presented with a letter from the Presiding Officer, with details as follows:

17th July, 2015

Mr Rob Prescott  
Acting Administration Manager  
Rowing Tasmania

Dear Rob

### **2015/16 Election**

Upon closing of nominations on Monday 13th July, 2015 the following nominations were received for positions on Council for the upcoming year:

Mr Peter Volker  
Mr John Driessen  
Mr James Gibson

Mr Peter George

With four nominations being received we will not be required to undertake the ballot election process this year.

Good luck with the upcoming year.

Kind regards  
Helene Woods  
Presiding Officer

As the number of nominations received equalled the number of Councillor positions vacant, a Ballot Poll was not required and the nominees were duly elected to the Committee pursuant to the Constitution.

### **Appointment of Auditor**

That Synectic Audit and Assurance Pty. Ltd. be appointed as the Auditor for Rowing Tasmania Inc.

**Moved:** Robert Tenbenschel  
**Seconded:** Peter Volker  
**Carried**

### **Awards and Trophies**

The winners of the Rowing Tasmania Trophies were announced and presented to those in attendance.

Both David Rattray and Bob Blake OAM were presented with a "Kings Cup Plate" by Rowing Tasmania for their decades of service.

### **Life Membership**

Grant Pryor nominated Mr John Driessen for Life Membership of Rowing Tasmania.

**Moved:** Grant Pryor  
**Seconded:** Bob Blake O.A.M.  
**Carried**

### **General Business**

Neil Stump spoke of the CAL levy and rescinded his original notice.

**Meeting Closed 9:10 PM**

### **13. Club List 2016**

Buckingham Rowing Club 1910

Derwent Mercantile Collegiate Rowing Club 1871

Fahan School Rowing 1989

Glenorchy Rowing Club 1971

Guilford Young College Rowing 1995

Huon Rowing Club 1906

Launceston Church Grammar School Boat Club 1887

Lindisfarne Rowing Club 1905

Mersey Rowing Club 1888

New Norfolk Rowing Club 1928

Northern Varsity Rowing Club 2015

North Esk Rowing Club 1899

Sandy Bay Rowing Club 1906

Scotch Oakburn Rowing 1901

St Patrick's College Rowing Club 1919

St Mary's College Rowing 1985

St Virgil's College Rowing 1912

Tamar Rowing Club 1876

Tasmania University Boat Club 1890

The Friends' School Boat Club 1905

The Hutchins School Boat Club 1889

Ulverstone Rowing Club 1854

#### 14. Major Sponsors 2016

Rowing Tasmania would like to acknowledge the generous support of the following major sponsors.

