ROWING TASMANIA INC.



103rd ANNUAL REPORT





Presented at the Annual General Meeting held at North Esk Rowing Club Launceston Friday 28th August 2015



Rowing Tasmania Inc.

Office Bearers 2015

President	James Gibson
Administration Manager	Bernadette Stewart (Resigned 25/11/2014)
Finance Manager	Robert Tenbensel
Regatta Manager	Brian Brennan
Rowing Development Manager	Rob Prescott
TIS Head Rowing Coach	Brett Crow
Committee Members	Rod Dolbel
	Bob Avery
	John Driessen
	Peter George
	Grant Pryor
	Peter Volker
TRSA 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
RA Councillor	James Gibson
Property Officer	Rod Dolbel
Para-Rowing Co-ordinator	Robert Blake
Masters Rowing Co-ordinator	Merv Tippett
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	Brett Crow
	John Driessen
	Anthony Edwards

Rowing Tasmania Inc.

President's Report 2015

I have pleasure in presenting the Presidents Report for the 2014 - 2015 season. Once again we have experienced a busy but enjoyable rowing season.

As the saying goes - *It takes a village to bring up a child*, well to develop the successful sport of rowing at all levels it takes dedication by so many people from all walks of life. They coach; they transport competitors and boats, administer clubs and schools, fundraise and clean. To all those volunteers who donate their time so freely to clubs and schools, thank you.

The Committee is only able to conduct the business of Rowing Tasmania by the endless hours that are provided by our many volunteers. I would like to start my report by thanking some of these people and I apologise that I cannot cover all those involved as this would extend to too many pages.

Bob Blake O.A.M. who has dedicated decades to our Para Rowing Program and athletes has advised us of his intention to stand down from this position. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Bob for his work in this area, not only in Tasmania but also with the Australian Program. His achievements will be acknowledged formally at this AGM.

Kay Suter O.A.M. has assisted Bob and has overseen our southern Para Rowing program and athletes for a number of years. We would like to thank Kay for her contribution, she is also retiring from this position and we thank her also most sincerely.

Our regattas have once again seen an increase in numbers and therefore the number of hours for our volunteers both on and off the water. I would like to thank Phil Fraser and his team of Boat Race Officials who have once again conducted our regattas at a most professional standard.

A new initiative was taken this year with the introduction of the Boat Drivers Team. Thank you to Peter George and his group of volunteers who filled the rosters for umpire drivers. This has been very successful in that it has spread the responsibility and has streamlined this aspect of the regatta operation.

This forthcoming season we will be looking at using the same model to cover some of the other on-water duties. We are endeavouring to increase our numbers so that we can run a more extensive roster model. A request will be circulated to members of the Rowing community who are willing to be trained in this area. This will involve attending an evening session in your area prior to the commencement of the regattas. These sessions will take the format of an introduction and theory presentations of the duties of the BRO's at regattas.

It is important that commentators are available for each regatta. This role has been competently fulfilled by Judy Muir and Mark Thomas. Thank you to both of these volunteers who have covered all our regattas between them. Mark is now moving on after 4 years. When I recently wrote to him and thanked him for his contribution he replied and thanked Rowing Tasmania for the privilege of allowing him to be a Race Commentator. He also shared his thoughts in relation to his involvement with rowing which came about when his children took up the sport.

"Rowing is a marvellous sport Truly a "family community" The vast majority of whom are in many ways defined and moulded by the sport. For young people like my son and daughter they learn self discipline and what could be gained by hard work... they won and they lost ... and learnt that life goes on after that. I truly enjoyed watching so many young men and women develop on what I have always called the "rowing fields" Lake Barrington.

The endless hours of work by Mick Goodger meant that the new start pontoon was completed and installed for the first regatta of the season. With their small band of helpers Mick and George Homer has the course ready for the season and maintained it on a regular basis. Both these hard working volunteers were also seen constantly around the Barrington complex attending never-ending maintenance and development both on and off the water. Also, thanks to John Oakley who looks after our electrical maintenance, and who has been upgrading the lodge during the off-season.

It is always pleasing to see new volunteers join our team at 'The Lake'. During the season Fred Slamen offered his expert telecommunications skills to improving the mobile and internet reception. He is also taken on the task of providing filming of races directly to the Reeconian Centre. He achieved this by mounting a camera on an umpires boat and he has even bigger aspirations for the coming season. During the off-season he has been seen up at Lake Barrington on a number of occasions installing and testing new equipment.

I would like to thank Fred for the many hours that he put in at the regattas on this project and at the same time coached and supervised a large group of successful young rowers for his school.

Thank you to Brian Brennan our Regatta Manager who has once again conducted a most successful regatta program with the help of his able assistants in the office during regattas.

The start of the season saw the renaming of the kiosk to The Easy Oar Cafe under the management of Kim Wilson. This new catering position was created by the Committee so that the onerous responsibility of management a food outlet was removed from weighing on the shoulders of volunteers and the Committee. I would like to thank Kim for the manner in which she has taken on full responsibility of all catering a Lake Barrington.

Thanks also must go to Merv Tippett for once again taking on the responsibilities of the position of Masters Rowing Co-ordinator.

I would also like to thank Helene Woods who has once again acted as the Presiding Officer, and maintained our member data base.

The Committee has been very busy this season dealing with all aspects of running a State Sporting Organisation. The new Committee had only one new additional person being Bob Avery who was elected at the last AGM.

Unfortunately Bernadette Stewart found that work and club commitments did not allow her to continue her duties as Administration Manager. She resigned during the season. I would like to thank Bernadette for her years of service to Rowing Tasmania.

This year the Committee has overseen the completion of the fixed start pontoon and additional work on the Facilities Building at the finishing line. This additional work has further developed it as separate accommodation block. This has proven a success with groups of Tasmanian and visiting interstate rowers and it provides additional revenue for our sport.

I would like to thank Robert Tenbensel for his expertise, and the tremendous amount of effort and time he put into reviewing the Constitution and re-writing the sections that needed to be amended to comply with the new governance rules that were required to be adopted by all State Sporting Organisations. This new constitution was passed at a Special Meeting was held on a Friday 12th December 2014 at Lake Barrington preceding a regatta weekend.

Some of the constitutional changes include

- 1. the President is now elected from the Committee by its elected members at their first meeting,
- 2. all positions are for a three year term.

The Removal of the Trees Project was completed to Stage 1 for the beginning of the season. With the assistance of Tasmania Parks and Wildlife Service further work will be undertaken this season. I thank Tasmania Parks and Wildlife Service for their financial assistance, advice and services offered by their staff.

The Committee have considered a number of projects going forward, these include major maintenance programs for existing buildings, replacement of launching pontoons and the ongoing replacement of equipment. During the season we have replaced 3 outboard motors and replaced the heaters, lighting and window screens in the ten accommodation rooms at The Lodge. The purchase of additional laundry equipment has been made during the off season and this will enable us to provide two laundries for use by those attending regattas as well as by groups hiring the facilities.

With the generous donation from the TSRA and the Launceston & Henley Regatta Association a new rescue boat will be operating in the coming season. Safety is always at the forefront of all of our operations so this is an important addition to our fleet of boats. Thank you to the two associations for their continuing support.

Most of you would be aware that the launching pontoons have come to the end of their life providing a safe access to the course. Once again Mick Goodger has stepped up and has designed a new pontoon based on the existing design but with additions of hinged sections to allow for the changing water levels. Thank you to Mick and Chris Potter who contributed his engineering expertise to the design.

Approval was given to build the first launching pontoon which will be ready for State Pennant 3. Preparation has commenced and I would like to thank Mick Knowles who is once again providing his vast skills as he did with the Fixed Start Pontoon.

There are four launching pontoons to be replaced at a cost of over \$160,000. We are able to take on this project because of our volunteer base, if we were to purchase equivalent pontoons from a supplier these would cost in excess of \$600,000.

It is not only the Committees' responsibility to provide the equipment and venue for our sport but also to provide the infrastructure to conduct the business of Rowing Tasmania 365 days a year.

We have reviewed the sustainability of Rowing Tasmania into the future. It was important to look at how we deal with the day to day administration of our sport at all levels. This is generally covered by a small group of volunteers and currently the Rowing Development Manager. A lot of this work is done during business hours as we are generally dealing with Rowing Australia, Government Departments and other businesses that employ staff and operate in normal business hours. Some of this group also donate their staff time and office resources.

With the growth of our sport and the ever increasing pressure put on the Committee from compliance with governance, legislation, WHS and safety issues etc., the expectations upon our volunteers and current staffing levels has reached saturation point.

To address this issue the Financial Manager has prepared a substantial document on the funding required for employing an additional staff member and meeting our capital expenditure for the future.

After much consideration by the Rowing Tasmania Committee a document was circulated to our members that recommended the introduction of a competing Athletes Levy. This prompted some lively discussions within the rowing community. The result of this was that an alternate proposal was put forward by the Executive Committee and was drafted around the increase in seat fees over two seasons and charged upon all classes of competitors. As this proposal was generally accepted it was then put to the full Committee and the original athlete levy was rescinded and the new motion was passed.

I am sure that all parties have learnt from this experience over recent weeks and that the final outcome will put Rowing Tasmania in a stronger position going forward.

The Committee has developed and released the new Composite Rule to be trialled for the coming season. At the end of the season we will seek comment from the rowing community before reviewing the final ruling. This should strengthen our club competition but at the same time allow the smaller clubs to compete at regattas.

The presentation of a number of new annual awards at this AGM is an imitative of the Committee to recognise the achievements of our members across all levels of events and participation. The selection of the winners for this year only was from nominations by the Committee. In future years nominations will be called from the whole rowing community.

We have also reviewed the current championship events that do not have trophies attached. Come February you will see that a number of our current and past members have been honoured for their achievements and contributions to rowing by adding them to our list of championship trophies. David Rattray has volunteered to refurnish our existing trophies during the coming season ready for February 2016. Thank you David for this and he has asked that all trophies be returned to the Committee by State Pennant 3.

In the coming weeks you will receive information about the new National Database that is to be introduced over the coming season. The Committee has also reviewed our current regatta management system and has decided to change to Rowing Manager which is a system currently used by NSW and ACT. Once in operation the Committee will be holding discussions with all regatta convenors in the state offering them the opportunity to use this new system.

Rob Prescott has once again done an excellent job in his position as Rowing Development Manager. He has also taken on many duties of the vacant position of Administration Officer and has stepped up to be the ex-officio CEO when dealing with Rowing Australia. I would like to thank him for all the support he has given me and the Committee during the season which far exceeds his duty statement.

The rowing side of the business is made easier for the Committee with the team work of Rob Prescott, Grant Pryor and the staff of the TIS.

I would like to thank Wally and Jan Crosswell for their dedicated work at our regattas and also operating the Lodge throughout the year. The success of the accommodation side of our operations is largely attributed to the friendly and welcoming atmosphere that Wally and Jan create.

Thanks to all our sponsors who have supported us during the past season, including our new three year sponsor, Bentleys.

Congratulations to all who have competed during the year in state, national and international competitions.

Congratulations to our Pennant winners, Championship winners and representatives, who are detailed in attached reports.

Thank you to the Committee for their support during what has proved to be a very productive year.

I wish to thank all members of the Committee for their support and commitment to Rowing Tasmania.

James Gibson, President Rowing Tasmania Inc. August 2015

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2015

	Note	2015	<u>2014</u>
Income			
Affiliation Fees		2,182	2,091
Regatta Entry Fees		94,005	81,284
Interest Received		6,263	7,477
Membership Fees		54,086	51,445
Non Pennant Regatta Proceeds		17,000	6,900
Government Grants	5	40,000	40,000
Government Reimbursements LBI	5	15,000	2,057
Nationals Staging Compensation		20,000	-
Camping Fees		19,553	15,061
Donations		10,060	10,000
Advertising & Sponsorship		7,000	8,000
Sundry Income		76	-
Coaching Courses		3,136	12,916
Coaches Conference		-	16,014
Hire Income		5,873	2,050
Showers		9,628	7,511
TIS-SDO Contract		-	12,800
Lodge Accommodation		70,209	 58,977
		\$ 374,071	\$ 334,582
Expenditure			
RA Affiliation & Overseas Levy		3,936	4,064
Audit Fees		3,520	3,300
Bank Charges		132	168
Cleaning & Toilet Requisites		3,716	5,686
Coaching Courses		5,011	10,375
Conference Expenses			10,295
Contractors		-	1,609
Depreciation		49,030	42,016
Electricity		, 17,912	13,956
Repairs & Maintenance		43,431	25,936
Fuel		4,871	3,740
Gas		1,350	1,344
Insurance		20,020	11,448
Internet Expenses		1,040	2,952
Launch & Trailer Registrations		889	849
Lodge Supplies		953	955
Meeting Expenses		4,091	5,358
Printing & Stationary		590	785
Regatta Expenses		33,827	29,540
Security Fees		504	1,245
Sundry Expenses		1,989	1,245
		1,505	1,047

The notes form part of these audited financial statements.

This report is to be read in conjunction with the attached audit report.

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2015

	Note	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Superannuation-RDM		5,587	6,245
Superannuation-Other		2,388	2,387
Telephone & Fax		4,027	3,701
Travelling Expenses		571	1,987
Trophies & Engraving & Life Member Badges		1,307	1,692
Wages-SDO/RDM		68,942	76,909
Wages-Other		30,031	30,117
Waste Disposal		7,481	8,094
		317,148	308,349
Operating Surpus for the Year		56,923	26,233
Prior Period Adjustment		(1,127)	-
Insurance Recoveries		20,856	-
Capital Grants	5	80,000	75,980
Surplus for the Year		\$ 156,652	\$ 102,213

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED CATERING & BAR INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2015

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Income		
Bar & Catering	4,226	4,694
Kiosk Rental	-	3,000
Coffee Van	-	20,720
	4,226	28,414
Expenditure		
Coffee Van Costs	-	9,423
Catering Costs	-	241
Bar Purchases & Costs	2,113	2,690
Sundry Expenses	237	-
	2,350	12,354
Surplus for the Year	\$ 1,876	\$ 16,060

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED EASY OAR CAFÉ INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2015

	2015	<u>2014</u>
Income		
Kiosk	53,667	-
Coffee	27,804	-
BBQ & Roast	16,771	-
Donation (NTRA)	891	-
	99,133	-
Expenditure		
Cleaning Requisites	42	-
Catering Manager	8,000	-
Repair & Maintenance	3,043	-
Clubs and Schools (volunteers)	28,904	-
First Aid Supplies	180	-
Gas	165	-
Printing & Stationery	253	-
Purchases - Food	48,163	-
Sundry Expenses	383	
	89,132	
Surplus for the Year	10,000	_
	10,000	

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED STATE TEAM, TRIALS, DEVLOPMENT SQUAD & OVERSEAS REPRESENTATION INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2015

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Income		
Development Camps	4,926	2,568
National Reimbursements	-	10,969
Boat Transport Equalisation - RA	11,235	-
National Trials Contribution - RA	4,716	-
Team Member Contributions - Nationals	11,728	818
	32,605	14,355
Expenditure		
Boat Repair	-	1,054
Boat Transport	13,457	-
Development Camp Expenses	1,706	1,482
Overseas Representatives	-	3,151
ETS Gym	-	909
Sundry Expenses	127	-
Tent - Nationals	1,155	-
Team Accommodation, Meals & Air Fares	18,864	14,709
Team Uniforms	5,584	3,877
	40.000	25 402
	40,892	25,182
Surplus/(Deficiency) for the Year	(\$8,288)	(\$10,826)

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE, 2015

Current Assets	Notes	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Cash	3	388,810	249,216
Prepayments Accrued Income		- 298	5,442 3,911
Sundry Debtors		10,211	14,038
RT Inter-ledger account		-	14,038
Stock on Hand		2,010	3,233
		2,010	3,235
Total Current Assets		401,329	275,840
Non-Current Assets			
Leasehold Improvements, Plant & Equipment	4	1,473,935	1,360,446
Less: Provision for Depreciation		(499,627)	(457,342)
Total Non-Current Assets		974,309	903,104
Total Assets		1,375,637	1,178,944
Current Liabilites			
Sundry Creditors & Accruals		83,354	44,887
Cash in Advance		982	2,045
GST Net		(5,399)	(4,447)
Total Current Liabilites		78,937	42,485
Net Assets		\$ 1,296,700	\$ 1,136,459
Represented by:			
Accumulated Funds			
Opening Balance		1,136,459	1,029,012
Add: Surplus/(Deficiency) for the Year		156 652	102 212
Administration		156,652	102,213
Catering & Bar Easy Oar Café		1,876 10,000	16,060
State Team		(8,288)	- (10,826)
State ream		(0,200)	(10,020)
Total Accumulated Funds		\$ 1,296,700	\$ 1,136,459

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED

NOTES TO AND FROMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

30TH JUNE, 2015

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. <u>CASH</u>

	2015	2014
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Tasmanian Perpetual Trustees Limited - Common Fund	100,000	100,000
Tasmanian Perpetual Trustees Limited - At Call Fund	5,000	5,000
Commonwealth Bank – Easy Oar Café	219	-
Commonwealth Bank - Launceston Account	41,998	20,183
Commonwealth Bank - Investment Account	241,593	124,033
-	388,810	249,216

4. LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

	<u>Cost</u>	Accumulated Depreciation	<u>WDV</u> 2014
Plant & Equipment Lake Barrington Leasehold Improvements	685,008 788,927	413,950 85,677	271,058 703,250
	1,473,935	499,627	974,309

In November 2005, the Department of Tourism Parts 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 an 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.

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2015

In the opinion of the Committee:

- a) The income and expenditure statements for the Administration Account, Catering & Bar, Easy Oar Cafe and State Teams, Development Squad & Overseas Representation attached hereto are drawn up so as to present fairly the results of the activities of the Association for the financial year ended 30th June 2015.
- b) The balance sheet attached hereto is drawn up so as to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association as at 30th June 2015.

Signed on this 26 day of August, 2015 President Treasurer

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2015

PRESIDENT:	James Gibson	Apt 303, 12-14 St John Street, Launceston, Tas, 7250
ADMINISRATION MANAGER	Bernadette Stewart	10 Lucinda Parade, Lutana, Tas, 7009
(resigned 25/11/2014) (vacant to 30/6/2015)		
FINANCE MANAGER:	Robert Tenbensel	15 Wingara Road, Howden, Tas, 7054
REGATTA MANAGER:	, Brian Brennan	157 Derwent Street, Lindisfarne, Tas, 7105
COUNCILLORS:	John Driessen	25 Knight Road, Huonville, Tas, 7109
	Rod Dolbel	45 West Gawler Road, Ulverstone, Tas, 7315
	Grant Pryor	Unit 1, 420 Westbury Road, 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
ROWING DEVELOPMENT MANAGER (RDM)	Robert Prescott	41 Charlton Street, Norwood, Tas 7250
REPRESENTATIVE TASMANIAN SCHOOLS ROWING ASSOCIATION	Julian Joscelyne	60 Park Drive, Leslie Vale, Tas, 7054

33 Pindos Drive, Tranmere, Tas, 7018

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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 30th June, 2015.

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INC. (TSRA):

TASMANIAN INSTITUTE

OF SPORT (TIS) REPRESENTATIVE:

Registered Company Auditor Date: 26 August 2015



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 2015, 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.



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 2015, 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 2015; 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.

ctic Audit & Assurance Pty Ltd

Date: 26 August 2015

Rowing Tasmania Inc.

Regatta Manager's Report 2015

This year has seen another successful year for our sport. The total seats for the year topped last year's previous high by a small amount, and SP5 and SP6 were the 2nd and 3rd largest regattas ever. Again this is due to strong school involvement in pennant regattas and strengthening club numbers. This puts a significant strain on the volunteers that enable regattas to happen, especially Boat Race Officials. There will be a push next season to build the numbers so that time on the water for these officials can be reduced. It would be great if clubs and schools promulgated this need amongst their band of parents and supporters so that extra Officials can be trained.

The interest from mainland schools and Victorian clubs continued. Schools from as far away as Western Australia have come to Lake Barrington to train and compete and some have indicated their desire to return next season. The Victorian club presence increased and would have been higher but for equipment supply issues. They have implied that will not re-occur next season.

	SP1	SP2	SP3	SP4	SP5	SP6	Champs	Year Total
2014/15	997	1101	1828	1846	2155	2243	1762	11932
2013/14	852	1142	1836	1994	1965	2291	1752	11832
2012/13	1214	1067	1468	1823	1717	1960	1594	10843
2011/12	823	1006	1335	1690	1960	1998	1825	10637
2010/11	678	1297	1457	1704	1759	2159	1715	10769
2009/10	883	1281	1590	1959	1385	1806	1578	10482
2008/9	854	988	1446	1606	1426	1740	1491	9551
2007/8	804	1539	1488	755	1411	1581	1605	9183

Seats per Regatta Summary

The construction of the new start pontoon during the season allowed racing to return to its best over the last couple of regattas. The work done by Mick Goodger and George Homer, and their helpers, is invaluable to this sport and the facilities at Lake Barrington.

The social involvement on the "verandah" after regattas, including the bar-b-que, continued to develop, especially on balmier evenings. Many had to be "chased" back to their tents at bar-close time.

The club and school competitions were hotly contested, as shown by the figures below. The Pennant and Hydro Cup were both won by Tas Uni Boat Club with Huon second in both cases. TUBC came from the clouds over the last couple of regattas and were very pleased with their win after nearly 40 years in the cold. The other points were spread over many clubs which reenforces the cross-the-board improvement in standard. Hutchins reign at the top of the Schools pennant table was brought to an end by a strong performance by Friends, who had only just failed to accomplish this feat last year.

Points Score -- Pennant

1	TUBC	532
2	Huon	475
3	Tamar	425
4	Buckingham	378
5	Lindisfarne	326
6	DMCRC	289
7	North Esk	279
8	Mersey	253
9	Sandy Bay	215
10	New Norfolk	209
11	Ulverstone	106
12	Hutchins RC	96
13	Glenorchy	31

Points Score -- Hydro Cup

1	TUBC	384
2	Huon	344
3	Tamar	263
4	North Esk	234
5	Buckingham	227
6	Lindisfarne	225
7	Mersey	219
8	DMCRC	163
9	New Norfolk	147
10	Sandy Bay	145
11	Ulverstone	93
12	Hutchins RC	58
13	Glenorchy	17

Points Score -- School Pennant

1	Friends	396
2	Hutchins	288
3	Scotch	143
4	Grammar	76
5	St Patricks	56

The continued support of the Ulverstone Scouting Group in manning and womaning the boat holding at the start 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. As a matter of fact – the Boat Drivers roster achieved ultimate efficiency with Peter George in control. Peter's handling of this task, which was a great reduction of workload for me during the week leading up to a regatta, produced an efficient and well-manned pool of boat drivers.

Registrations were more efficient this season, but will need to be spot on next season with the advent of the National database and the transfer from ROMS to Rowing Manager. More about that at a later date.

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.

Brian Brennan Regatta Manager Rowing Tasmanian Inc. August 2015

Rowing Tasmania Inc.

Rowing Development Manager's Report 2015

Coach Education:

During this 12 month period there have been 4 Level 1 and 1 Level 2 Coach Accreditation Courses conducted State-wide, with a total attendance of 69.

Our Coach Education Co-Ordinator, Jim Guy has continued to refine the Level 1 Course with the addition of modules that are relevant to the current legislative requirements, safety and the basics of teaching the sport of rowing. The Level 2 Courses have also been revamped with additional information being offered along with the Rowing Australia Modules.

I would like to acknowledge the ongoing issues of accreditation, primarily in the Level 2 Course, with many of the attendees not completing the Rowing Australia requirements due to time constraints. Rowing Tasmania will and has had dialogue with Rowing Australia on this and we await for the proposed upgrading of both of these Courses.

Once again both Jim and I have worked closely with Decent Rowing's Ken Davey, and I would like to thank him for his ongoing support, we are fortunate for our Tasmanian Coaches to have full complimentary access to the online resources of Decent Rowing.

Jim Guy again has committed many over and above hours to Coach Education in Tasmania and I would like to thank him for his ongoing involvement.

Winter Development and State Camps:

Rowing Tasmania conducted 4 Development camps and 1 State Camp which were very well supported by not only athletes who nominated for the Interstate Regatta Team but a number of "Junior" athletes who wanted to not only improve their skills but to see what the transition from School to Club rowing is about. The **TOTAL** number in attendance for the camps was 200 Athletes and 52 Coaches. Our camps can only continue with the ongoing support from the Clubs and Schools with equipment, our dedicated coaches and Kim Wilson and her band of assistant chefs, no one will ever starve!

Junior Pathway 8's program:

In April as part of the Rowing Australia Junior Pathway 8's the Friends School Senior Girls 8 and two athletes from both Fahan and North Esk Rowing Club travelled to SIRC to be a part of the trials for selection into the Australian Junior Team which competed on the Rio Olympic Course in August 2015. It was pleasing to see the continuing improvement of our juniors at this even with a number of boats competing in A finals. Although there were no Tasmanian based athletes selected all those who competed were exposed to a higher level of competition plus they had met with senior Australian coaches, athletes and Rowing Australia support staff. This type of experience is invaluable and there are a number of the athletes that have indicated that they will transition from their school programs into clubs with a view to represent both State and country.

North Esk Rowing Club

- Mathew Dikkenberg
- Jack Barrett
- Barry Townsend-Coach

The Fahan School

- Chloe Cottier
- Olivia Browning
- Paul Webberley-Coach
- Alistair Foot-Coach

The Friends School

- Annie Yoshida
- Bella Seddon
- Emma Reeve
- Sarah Castles-Lynch
- Romy Keppel
- Elke Peterson
- Emily Jackson
- Eliza Kloser
- Olivia DownieGlen Hay-Coach
- Greg Hill-Coach

2015 Interstate Regatta:

Following on from the previous season 85 athletes nominated for the representative State Team and after participating in 4 Pennant Regatta's, 4 National Time Trials, Speed Audit Time Trials and the State Camp the final team was announced in January.

The State Selection Panel again made the decision not to recommend the selection of a Women's Youth 8. Although this was a disappointing result for all involved, Rowing Tasmania decided that the crew would be selected at the National Championship from the

best performed athletes. I would like to congratulate the crew on the way that they bonded together with limited time on the water and their competitive attitude. The Women's Youth 8 Coach Ron Woods, is also to be congratulated on the way that he worked with the crew and achieving a solid row in the race.

I would also like to thank WinTech Racing Australia's Rob Walker for allowing the use one of his 8's on short notice.

The State Selection Panel of John Driessen (Chairman), Brett Crow and Anthony Edwards are to be thanked for their involvement in the selection of the State Team plus I would like to thank Rowing Australia's Grant Pryor for his valuable input and support to both the Selectors and Team Management with both relevant data and his candid input.

Congratulations to all the Coaches and Crews, there was a great Team Spirit and pride present in representing Tasmania.

Tasmanian Interstate Regatta Team 2015

SIRC

Team Members-Coaches and Results

Boat Class	Athlete(s)	Coach	Place	
Women's Single Scull	Kerry Hore	Brett Crow	2 nd	
Men's Single Scull	Max McQueeney	John Driessen	3 rd	
LW Women's Quad	Ella Flecker(s), Georgia Nesbitt, Annabelle Gibson, Alexandra Hayes	Paul Newbon	1 st	
LW Men's Four	Brett Crow	5 th		
Women's Youth 8	Sophie Hughes(s), Fiona Anderson, Shanyce Kitson, Louisa Seddon, Louisa Stewart, Jacqueline Hancock, Sarah Leon, Caitlyn Bloomfield, Josie Robertson (c)	Ron Woods	6 th	
Men's Youth 8	Henry Youl(s), John McKenzie, Alex Hutchison, Rob Kennedy, Alec Paterson, Matt Byrne, Nat Graham, Will White, Dominique Hancock(c)	Anthony Edwards	6 th	
Kings Cup 8	Wilson Mure(s), Richard Giblin, Samuel Volker, George Ellis, Tom Cox, Mitchell Digney, James Cocker, Oliver	John Driessen	7 th	

	Marsden, Alexandra Gruber (c)	Peter Volker	
Queen's Cup 8	Kate Hornsey(s), Ciona Wilson, Sarah Hawe, Meaghan Volker, Anna Sansom, Mel Homan, Eve Mure, Abbie Crow, Alison Herbert(c)	Neil Stump	5 th

I would like to thank all the Clubs, Schools, coaches and Athletes for their support and commitment to our sport. We are fortunate to have many people who are passionate on progressing rowing forward in Tasmania.

We have perfect waterways to both train and race on, and I would also like to thank all those who volunteer to assist both on and off the water, including our Boat Race Officials that provide all of us with arguably the best regatta program in Australia.

Finally my thanks to James Gibson, Rowing Tasmania Executive and Board for their support.

Rob Prescott Development Manager Rowing Tasmanian Inc. August 2015

Rowing Tasmanian Inc.

Masters Rowers Report 2015

President, Councillors and Masters rowing fraternity.

It is with pleasure that I have the opportunity to present the Annual Report on behalf of the Tasmanian Masters over the past 2014/15 rowing season.

I am pleased to record that the Masters have again been active at all the State Pennant and local regattas and while the Rec/Vet events are the most popular many also compete in the open events, especially in the quad sculls.

The number of Masters registered to compete, based on those competing at the Masters Regatta, showed a small drop in our number from the past 2013/14 season, however I feel this is not a true figure as many of our Masters are not always available to compete at this event.

I commend the New Norfolk Rowing Club for the running of their annual Masters Regatta and I recommend this event to all club masters as part of their race calendar. I also record thanks on behalf of the Masters to the NNCR. junior rowers who help facilitate the racing. Following this Southern success the Tamar Rowing Club have taken up a similar event on the Tamar and after a shaky start conducted the first of what I hope will grow into another well supported event for our veteran competitors. Along with our State Masters this give us three dedicated masters events which appeals to many who enjoy racing against rowers in corresponding age groups unlike racing in some of the Rec/Vet events.

As I mentioned earlier in my report the Rec /Vet events continue to draw a large amount of our Masters to the S.P Regatta programme. I register thanks to Regatta Manager Brian Brennan who has continued, where possible, to have the veterans race against each other.

The Tasmanian Masters were well represented at the Australian Championships in NSW SIRC at Penrith. Tas Uni, Lindisfarne, DMCRC, Sandy Bay, Mersey, North Esk, Tamar & Ulverstone all had good representation at this major event bringing home some 8 gold, 13 silver and 4 bronze medals. The win by the men in C8+ was a ripper in a time of 2:58.54.

Again the State fielded crews in the Interstate Quad Sculls. The racing in both these Championship events was contested in ideal dead-still conditions which were reflected in the winning times.

In the Ladies Interstate quad Tasmania finished 5^{th} , in a time of 3':44.42 with 10.99 sec separating 1^{st} to 5^{th} .

The wonderful run of the men's quad to bring home Silver in 2013 & 2014 came to an end. The Victorian crew covered the course in the extraordinary winning time of 3':05.57. Our Tassie boys finished 5^{th}

The 2015 representative crews were:

Ladies Quad: Sue Sluce, Cath Hughes, Andrea Rippon, Str. Sandra Wilson.

Men Quad: Richard Norton, Michael Wilson, Peter Holloway, Str. Patrick Bird.

It would be remiss of me not to also record a thank you to their coaches Michelle Duffy & Sam Mollard (Ladies Quad) and Paul Bird (Men's Quad).

I also give a hearty thank you to fellow state selectors Ian Sather and Peter Nichols who gave up their time to carry out that duty and make sure the selection criteria was followed.

Our Annual State Masters regatta was held on 3rd and 4th June. With the Saturday weather closing in to a very cold and rainy day racing was postponed as several of our BOAT officials succumbed to the inclement weather and were taken from the course in a near frozen state. However with cooperation from Regatta referee Phil Fraser we rejigged the Sunday programme and with the weather turning into a perfect sunny day, completed the full list of events without missing any races.

A total of 159 competitors generated 343 entries in the 65 races on offer. I congratulate our Masters on their patience and understanding over the weekend which had wonderful comradery, exciting racing, enjoyment, and still had a competitive edge. It was also heartening to see new personnel taking up our sport of rowing and I feel sure this first taste of the sport will encourage them to continue to enjoy what we all know our sport has to offer in the way of friendship, health benefits and enjoyment.

In conclusion:

- I thank Fenton Jones for his continued work as our representative on the Rowing Aust Masters Commission on behalf of the State Masters. He has kept us abreast of what transpires at that level and has input on our behalf.
- The untiring work of our BOAT officials does not go unnoticed. We have grown up with some of them and like us they are now in the older age bracket which makes their contribution more admirable, especially in inclement conditions. Thank you on behalf of the Masters fraternity.
- To all Masters Rowers, you are an important organ in the health of your Rowing Club. Make sure you do all that you are able to support and help your club grow, keep the faith and may our numbers grow.
- I must add a note of thanks to my wife Louise who has now endured my involvement for quite a number of years without too many complaints.

Thank you for your cooperation and support over this past season.

Yours through Rowing.

Merv Tippett Masters Coordinator Rowing Tasmania Inc. August 2015

Rowing Tasmania Inc.

Para Rowing Report 2015

Final report from your State Coordinator of what's been a pleasure to be associated with, such a wonderful lot of people both on & off water, thank you for your support over the past history of "Freedom On The River", "Disrow", "Adaptive Rowing" now known as "Para Rowing".

1989 on the States return from Western Australia's National Regatta, we had a flight stopover in Adelaide where then State president David Schier asked me if I would consider coordinating the Rowing Programmed for Disabled Athletes then known as Freedom On The River, this had come about due to David having spotted me on the Lake Rowing in a Twin Hull Single Scull that had been designed to cater for people with Disabilities & was used at the Nationals.

Several weeks later David again asked the question & I had thought it over hence with lots of support I've had an exceptional journey over the past 26 years. So now I've decided to retire from the coordinators position, & let some new blood take over, it's not my aim to disappear from the Para Rowing Programme, I shall continue to support who-ever takes on the position.

The 2014/15 season commenced with a camp at Lake Barrington in Sept; where Rowing Tas; Camp Caterer Kim Wilson & her young helpers provided for All, new faces also were first time attendee's, Kris Apt's from the southern region Kris supported by John McKillop, Johns son Alexander in his first Season Lachlan Moore & parents L'ton, Perrin Scarborough from Westbury, who attended a Daily Session, plus a Group of (5) Five from the St Michaels Inc; L'ton accompany by several carers.

Also in attendance were Rowing Tas; President Jim Gibson, Rob Prescott, Rowing Development Manager Grant Pryor, State Talent Pathway Coordinator – TAS, Robert Tenbensel, Director of Finance, Sport & Rec;(DPaC) Alison Mosely, Tara Huntly, Para-Rowing Talent Development Coordinator **R.A.** Gordon Marcks Senior Head Coach Para-Rowing **R.A.**

The Sat; commenced with introductory sessions & those who showed promise we elevated into the next stage of learning, on the Sun the majority were in the advanced category, under the guidance of Rik Bryn, Kay Suter O.A.M., Kerry Gretton, John McKillop & a First Timer to the programme Lance Morrisby.

Senior Coach Para-Rowing **R.A.** Gordon Marcks, along with Tara Huntly Para-Rowing Talent Development Coordinator & Alison Mosely from Sport & Rec (DPaC) travelled on water viewing the progress of some of the current members, & looking at the first time attendee's working with the appointed coaches.

The Camp achieved sponsorship for **first time attendee's** through Rowing Australian (**KPI's**) funding from Coca-Cola, & Australian Paralympic Committee, while the out-come failed to identify any personnel who would progress to the Elite National programme, I'm sure that those who attended achieved something from the camp & we were grateful for the Sponsorship.

State Pennants 1 & 2 were conducted on the Huon River where a low number of Para Rowers participated, in SP1 Mitch, Isaac & Nicole shared honors over the two days in several events, & SP2 there were David Emmett, Alistair Chong, Mitchell Huxley, Isaac Denholm, Sara Waitzer, Nicole McKillop competed in there Singles & Mixed Doubles over the two days, Alistair commenced the season winning his Singles both days.

SP3 was conducted at Lake Barrington where we witnessed Alexander McKillop take out the first para Event Div 2 LTA 500M from Rutland Killingworth & Malcolm Hall, while in the LTA Women's Single Emma won from Sara & Nicole, while Men's we seen Jesse Hall from David E. Alistair C. Isaac D. & Mitch H.; the Mixed Para Doubles, winners were Isaac / Emma from Sara / Alistair, & Nicole /Mitch.

Sun; with some handicapping of events, we had Isaac winning from Alistair, Jesse, Mitch & David, while in Div2 Alexander over-came fast finishing Malcom Hall, Alex going home Sun; with 2 wins from 2 starts.

SP 4, & 5 were well attended once again with similar results Emma was working hard to hold off Sara, while Alistair found that he had most of the men covered over the 1000M, while in the Mixed doubles Emma & Isaac dominated this event, then in SP6 Sara & Alistair were absent attending a Para Camp held in Canberra this eased the pressure with-in events placing Isaac ahead of Mitch while Emma held off Nicole.

State Championships on the Sat; **Men's LTA 1X** 1st.Alistair, 2nd. Isaac, 3rd. David, 4th. Mitch, 5th. Jesse Mixed **Double LTA** 1st. Isaac / Emma, 2nd. Sara /Alistair, 3rd. Nicole /Mitch,

Sunday Championship's Women's LTA1x 1st. Emma, 2nd. Sara, 3rd. Rutland, 4th. Nicole

Men's LTA 1x Div 2 1st. Alexander McKillop, Men's AS 1x 1St. Malcolm Hall

Congratulations to Emma Jago taking out the Roger Blake Aggregate Trophy, it's now the second year that the Women have outscored the Men, so the pressure is now over to the Men to perform next season.

Championship Events	1ST – 12	2ND - 10	3RD – 8	4TH - 6	5TH – 4	6TH - 2	
Non Championship Events	1ST – 6	2ND - 5	3RD - 4	4TH – 3	5TH - 2	6TH – 1	

Rower	No. of	Championship Events					Non Championship Events					Total		
	Placings	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Points
Emma	17	2						12	2	1				110
Jago														
Nichole	23			1	1			2	6	11	2			106
McKillop														
Isaac	19	1	1					7	5	2	2	1		105
Deholm														
Alistair	16	1	1					4	6	3	1			91
Chong														
Mitchell	21			1	1			2	5	5	3	2	2	86
Huxley														
Malcolm	14	1						5	3	3		1	1	72
Hall														
Rutland	14			1				4	3	4	2			69
Klintworth														
Sara	12		2					1	7	1	1			68
Waitzer														
David	15			1				2	2	4	2	3	1	59
Emmett														
Alexander	9	1						4	3	1				55
McKillop														
Jesse Hall	8					1			1	2	1	1	2	24
Diana	4								1	1	1	1		14
Harris														

2014-15 Roger Blake Aggregate Trophy – Final Standings after state Championships Regatta

Off to the Australian Nationals was next on the list where Emma Jago achieved a Silver in the WLTA1x, & Silver in the Mixed 2X LTA with partner Isaac Denholm, Isaac also gained Bronze in the Mixed LTA Sweep 4+, Alistair achieved a Bronze in the Mixed 2X LTA, & both Sara & Alistair won Gold in the Mixed LTA Sweep 4+, another out-standing performance from the participants, when the use of borrowed equipment is not always suited & little time to train with unknown crew members, well done one & all.

While the standard was commendable from all competitors throughout the Season, given that the weather during the early part of the season was not at its best & there were difficulties to achieve satisfactory training due to the water conditions being un-favorable for some more than others, however coaches are aware that more intense effort towards training is the only method to improve the on water performance.

Our School Para Programme was not at its normal best due to the withdrawal of Rutland Klintworth from School events, this reduced numbers making it difficult to conduct our normal School Para Event's, however it's not all doom & gloom as for the coming season we shall see Lachlan Moore from LCG whose back at training & on the water under the guidance of Rik Bryan therefore Alexander Mckillop shall have some competition as they are of similar age & this shall be a chance to have a hit out over the 2nd.Div LTA single.

Before closing we must acknowledge our Southern members & Coach of the Tasmanian University Boat Club, Sara Waitzer, Alistair Chong & Lance Morrisby, Sara had some difficulty in proving her position for the National Mixed Sweep Four +, her perseverance paid dividends in the end gaining a seat, then shortly after Alistair obtained a seat also.

Due to an International Classification failed for a Canberra Athlete, so well done Sir Lance Morrisby in your first season as a Para Coach having 2 Para Rowers heading to France for the World Championships.

Sara & Alistair shall move to Canberra for a camp soon before heading to the AIS European Training Centre in Italy for their last block of training before competing at the World Championships in France from 30th to the 3rd of Aug 2015. What an experience both shall gain from participating in this event, on behalf of the State Para members our best wishes go with you both, enjoy the competition & have FUN.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to Rowing Tasmania Inc., Regatta Management, Boat Race Officials & all the many helping hands that give support to our Para Athletes, to Kay Suter & Rik Bryan for your exceptional help over the many years, our programme would not have reached the level that it's at with-out your support plus, with established Coaches Karen Newbon, Jenna Driessen, John McKillop, Lance Morrisby, Kerry Gretton the future of the Programme could not be in better hands.

I have indicated to Tara that I'll remain Tasmanian Technical Classifier working with Medical Classifier Kellie Wilkie, until R.A. conduct another work shop for other personnel to gain the accreditation.

Looking forward to a more relaxed season 2015/16.

Robert Blake O.A.M State Coordinator Para Rowing Rowing Tasmanian Inc. August 2015

Some Para Trivia

Aug 25th. 2015 shall be 20yrs anniversary when Roger Blake won Gold at the World Championships – Tampere 1995 under the Guidance of the late Coach Kerry (George) Bligh

School Rowing Report 2015

The TSRA Rowing Season

The 2014-15 season recorded another increase in the number of schools represented at TSRA regattas – 34, up from 27 in 2013-14. 677 rowers competed, down from 850 in the previous season. There are 16 schools affiliated with TSRA in 2014-15.

Participating schools included Devonport High School; Dominic College; Don College; Elizabeth College; Fahan School; Guilford Young College; Hellyer College; Lambert School; Launceston Christian School; Launceston Church Grammar School; Leighland Christian School; Mackillop College; Marist Regional College; Mt. Carmel College; Newstead College; Ogilvie High School; Penguin District School; Prospect High School; Queechy High School; Sacred Heart College; Scotch Oakburn College; Sheffield District High School; St. Aloysius Catholic College; St. Brendan Shaw College; St. James' Catholic College; St. Mary's College; St. Michael's Collegiate School; St. Patrick's College; St. Virgil's College; Taroona High School; Tarremah Steiner School; The Friends School; The Hutchins School; and Ulverstone High School.

The continuing participation of students from this number of schools, with the support of local clubs is great to see, as is the continuing competitiveness and achievement they are recording.

The Junior Sculling Regattas are now well established, with the Southern regatta showing good participation rates coming through learn to row programs, with five divisions of boys'U13 single sculls, and four divisions of girls' sculls. It is a pity the Northern regatta was blown out.

Participation by Kingborough/Huon schools, and a contingent from the North-West certainly added to the atmosphere at the Southern Schools Regatta, while the North-West Schools and Schools Championship regattas delivered great competition and participation.

Inclusion of Pairs events for senior boys and girls received a positive response and provided for good competition.

In the Schools Championships aggregate trophies, Friends were clear winners in both the Boys' and Girls' Under-Age Trophies and were clear winners in the Girls' Overall, with Fahan in second place by one point from Grammar. The Mercury Cup, for Overall Boys' was retained by Hutchins by the narrowest of margins, 0.5 of a point from Friends. Next season should prove exciting.

The increased numbers of entries particularly for singles in the Championship Regatta was addressed by introducing seeding based on results at the NW Schools Regatta. This was consolidated into the By-Laws at the TSRA 2015 AGM. The number of rowers seeded into the Championship Regatta will be increased from 24 to 32 based on this year's experience.

The SATIS and SSATIS Rowing Season

SSATIS Southern Head of the River

SSATIS awards Southern Head of the River trophies for Under 16 and Open eights, based on results of these events at the Southern Schools Regatta. Fahan School won the Under 16 Girls' trophy, St Michael's Collegiate School the Open Girls', while The Hutchins School won both the Under 16 and Open Boys' trophies.

SATIS Head of the River

This regatta was held on the Saturday of the March long weekend. In the aggregate trophies, The Friends School won the Junior and Open Girls' and the Junior and Open Co-Ed trophies, with The Hutchins School winning both the Junior and Open Boys'.

With lanes available, the Under 16 Schoolboys' Eights Divisions 1 and 2, were rowed concurrently, with The Hutchins School winning both Divisions ahead of The Friends' School, Scotch Oakburn College and St Virgil's College. In the Girls, event, The Friends School won from Fahan School with St Mary's College third.

The Schoolgirl Eights showed strong competition, with The Friends' school taking out the trophy from Fahan School and St Michael's Collegiate School, with just 6.45 seconds between these three crews.

In the Schoolboy Eights, The Hutchins School won the start, and held off a strongly challenging Scotch Oakburn College to win the event, with St Patrick's College third.

Rowing Australia Schools Commission

I attended a meeting of the Commission at the Nationals, and am the Rowing Tasmania nominee to the Commission. Rob Prescott recently participated in a teleconference of states, and with Jim Gibson has been dealing with these issues directly with RA. Current issues under consideration by the Schools Commission include

RA Athlete Selection Process

The SC is preparing a submission to the RA review of the selection process, with issues raised including:

- The need for the process to be clearly spelt out and followed through, and to be comprehensible to school students;
- Timely and constructive feedback to athletes on their performance and relative strengths;
- Improved timeliness so that appeals are dealt with more promptly in the interests of the athlete, and to provide certainty to the squad;
- Recognition that students find the process daunting and should have an advocate or support person in the process, and
- Uncertainty about the value of having an Ombudsman in the process, and of how such a role would be performed.

Regional Regattas

The thinking behind this proposal is that regional schools regattas will improve the amount and level of competition for school rowers, and can provide a qualifying mechanism thus reducing the numbers of entries of uncompetitive rowers at the National Schools Championships. This would be through a process of putting a quota on entries, with a percentage of places determined through the regional regattas.

Rob and I have explained that school rowing in Tasmania is in a unique environment with most high performance senior rowers participating in the State Pennant Regattas, statewide school regattas and State club and school championships including independent and government schools – effectively "regional" regattas.

Current proposed regional groupings are Grafton, Tasmania, Victoria.

Coach Education

RA is renewing the national accreditation scheme course content, with the work being undertaken by University of Queensland. Rob and I have explained to them the curriculum development being done in Tasmania in conjunction with Ken Davey and Decent Rowing.

The RA/UQ position is that the Decent Rowing resources are useful/innovative/good, but that they will separately develop high-quality production content for the national accreditation resources. We will continue with development of resources for Tasmania, which can be done in a much more timely way.

RA Junior Rowing Initiative

Development work is being undertaken on a rowing program for primary school aged children. This requires significant development, from age-appropriate activities to age-appropriate equipment, to local community/school based support and the cost/support provided to pilot such a program.

However, other sports do engage primary school age children with programs such as Minkey Hockey and Milo Cricket, so we should monitor progress with interest as the pilot program evolves.

TSRA arrangements for the 2015-16 Season

TSRA AGM, Saturday 22 August 2015

Office bearers elected at the AGM are:

- President and Delegate to RT Council Julian Joscelyne;
- Vice-President Katie Duncan;
- Secretary Greg Hill;

- Treasurer and Public Officer Rod Dolbel;
- Northern Representative Hannah Kilpatrick;
- Southern Representative Karen Bain;
- Regatta Secretary Annette Dolbel.

We welcome Katie Duncan to the Committee, replacing Michele Duffy.

Michele has contributed to the TSRA over several years, as Collegiate Delegate, and as TSRA President and Vice-President. She has also been happy to be on-call doctor at school regattas. We sincerely thank Michele for her contributions and look forward to her continuing involvement in school rowing.

Junior Rowing Camp and Northern Junior Sculling Regatta

This will be a 2-day event at LBI, with LBI costs fully covered by Rowing Tasmania. It will incorporate the Northern Junior Sculling Regatta, and in addition:

- Introductory practical sessions for learn-to-row and their coaches on the basic onwater competition and course rules, the start and finish sequences, responding to the aligner's instructions, manoeuvring the skiff etc;
- Coach mentoring including on-water with crews, possibly incorporating longer training rows for U14 and U15 crews;
- Information sessions for parents on Tasmanian rowing, LBI arrangements and rules, regattas, volunteer opportunities and if possible some on-water try-out in quads;
- Information sessions by the Chair of both BOAT and the Rules Committee for school coordinators and coaches of junior rowers on the rules of racing, roles of BROs etc;
- Decent Rowing sessions on practical training activities for junior rowers;
- An opportunity to build the sense of community amongst rowers, parents, school coordinators and coaches, and
- Familiarisation with LBI facilities, camping availability and accommodation options around Sheffield.

TSRA Seat Fees

Seat fees for all TSRA regattas have been set at \$6.00 for 2015-16. This is double the seat fees for major regattas in 2014-15, and brings the Junior Sculling regatta seat fees to parity.

In conclusion I would like to thank the other members of the 2014-15 TSRA Committee, Michele Duffy, Rod Dolbel, Greg Hill, Karen Bain and Hannah Kilpatrick and Regatta Secretary Annette Dolbel. Karen and Hannah in their roles as general reps were able to sound out views of clubs and schools including by discussions in the boat park and provided feedback to the committee. It is a great assistance to have colleagues with extensive knowledge in the sport, and capacity to effectively manage the regatta program.

Julian Joscelyne President Tasmanian Schools Rowing Association

TSRA Delegate to Rowing Tasmania Inc. August 2015

Championship Winners 2015

Senior Women

Senior Women's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 7:27.40 **Huon Rowing Club** Kerry Hore (coach) Brett Crow

Senior Women's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 7:09.95 **Huon Rowing Club** Sarah Hawe, Kerry Hore (coach) Brett Crow

Senior Women's Coxless Quad Scull --- (2000 m) 6:48.12 **Huon Rowing Club** Eve Mure, Alexandra Hayes, Sarah Hawe, Eleni Kalimnios (coach) Paul Newbon

Senior Women's Pair --- (2000 m) 8:06.29 Buckingham Rowing Club Anna Sansom, Laura Morris (coach) Neil Stump

Senior Women's Coxless Four --- (2000 m) 7:03.19 Buckingham Rowing Club Anna Sansom, Laura Morris, Meaghan Volker, Shanyce Kitson (coach) Neil Stump

Senior Women's Eight --- (2000 m) 6:38.65 **Buckingham Rowing Club** Abbie Crow, Christie Crow, Louisa Seddon, Anna Sansom, Fiona Anderson, Laura Morris, Meaghan Volker, Shanyce Kitson (cox) Alison Herbert (coach) Neil Stump

Senior Men

Senior Men's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 7:10.50 Mersey Rowing Club Taylor Wilczynski

Senior Men's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 6:35.67 Mersey/Buckingham Rowing Clubs Samuel Volker (BRC) Taylor Wilczynski (MRC)

Senior Men's Coxless Quad Scull --- (2000 m) 6:03.19 **Tamar Rowing Club** Brendan Longman, Oliver Cook, Mitchell Digney, Henry Youl (coach) Ron Woods

Senior Men's Pair --- (2000 m) 6:57.92 **Tasmanian University Rowing Club** Tom Cox, James Cocker (coach) Peter Holloway

Senior Men's Coxless Four --- (2000 m) 6:15.66 Tamar Rowing Club Brendan Longman, Alister Foot, Mitchell Digney, Henry Youl (coach) Ron Woods

Senior Men's Coxed Four --- (2000 m) 6:34.25 North Esk Rowing Club Edward Kilpatrick, Rohan Fenner, Lachlan McCarron, Patrick Bird (cox) Malcolm Hall

Senior Men's Eight --- (2000 m) 5:49.69 **Tamar Rowing Club** Brendan Longman, Alister Foot, Matthew Wyton, Oliver Marsden, Mitchell Digney, Oliver Cook, John McKenzie, Henry Youl, (cox) Josie Roberston, (coach) Ron Woods

Senior Lightweights

Senior Women's Lightweight Single Scull --- (2000 m) 8:33.97 Huon Rowing Club Alexandra Hayes

Senior Men's Lightweight Single Scull --- (2000 m) 7:19.28 Huon Rowing Club Toby Pitt

Under 23 Women

Under 23 Women's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 8:14.05 Huon Rowing Club Eleni Kalimnios

Under 23 Women's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 7:34.89 Buckingham Rowing Club Louisa Seddon, Abbie Crow (coach) Neil Stump

Under 23 Women's Coxless Quad Scull --- (2000 m) 7:15.54 **Buckingham Rowing Club** Christie Crow, Louisa Seddon, Abbie Crow, Shanyce Kitson (coach) Neil Stump

Under 23 Women's Pair --- (2000 m) 8:20.39 Buckingham Rowing Club Abbie Crow, Shanyce Kitson (coach) Neil Stump

Under 23 Women's Coxless Four --- (2000 m) 7:20.25 Buckingham Rowing Club Fiona Anderson, Louisa Seddon, Abbie Crow, Christie Crow (coach) Neil Stump

Under 23 Women's Eight --- (2000 m) 6:47.45 **Launceston Church Grammar** Kate Lake, Lillie Murdoch, Amelia Chilcott, Isabelle Armstrong, Monica Murcott, Sarah Bassett, Meg Thyne, Ameila Dowling, (cox) Ebony Colson

Under 23 Men

Under 23 Men's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 7:17.29

Huon Rowing Club

Wilson Mure

Under 23 Men's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 6:31.23 **Huon Rowing Club** Wilson Mure, Richard Giblin

Under 23 Men's Coxless Quad Scull --- (2000 m) 6:01.32 **Tamar Rowing Club** Oliver Marsden, Oliver Cook, Mitchell Digney, Henry Youl (coach Ron Woods)

Under 23 Men's Pair --- (2000 m) 7:11.65 **Huon Rowing Club** Wilson Mure, Richard Giblin

Under 23 Men's Coxless Four --- (2000 m) 6:22.31 **Tamar Rowing Club** Oliver Marsden, Oliver Cook, Mitchell Digney, Henry Youl (coach) Ron Woods

Under 23 Men's Eight --- (2000 m) 5:55.15 **Tasmanian University Rowing Club** Will White, Luke Roe, Jacob Gatehouse, Alec Paterson. Tom Johnston, Nico Reeve, Jacob Cooper, James Cocker (cox) Gaz Hall

Under 21 Women

Under 21 Women's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 8:26.73 **Tamar Rowing Club** Caitlyn Bloomfield (coach) Ron Woods

Under 21 Women's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 7:45.45 **Buckingham Rowing Club** Fiona Anderson, Shanyce Kitson (coach) Neil Stump

Under 21 Men

Under 21 Men's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 7:14.35 **Tamar Rowing Club** Henry Youl (coach) Ron Woods

Under 21 Men's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 6:46.16 **Tamar Rowing Club** Oliver Cook, Henry Youl (coach) Ron Woods

Under 19 Women

Under 19 Women's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 8:13.48 Lindisfarne Rowing Club Anneka Reardon

Under 19 Women's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 7:30.66

Lindisfarne Rowing Club

Anneke Rose, Anneka Reardon

Under 19 Women's Coxless Quad Scull --- (2000 m) 7:07.49 **Lindisfarne Rowing Club** Celeste Frasson, Anneke Rose, Lilli Reardon, Anneka Reardon

Under 19 Women's Coxed Quad Scull --- (2000 m) 7:21.84 Launceston Church Grammar Kate Lake, Lillie Murdoch, Meg Thyne, Sarah Bassett, (cox) Ebony Colson

Under 19 Women's Pair --- (2000 m) 7:58.10 Sandy Bay Rowing Club Olivia Browning, Chloe Cottier

Under 19 Women's Coxless Four --- (2000 m) 7:39.41 Sandy Bay Rowing Club Meg Jones, Chloe Cottier, Olivia Browning, Molly Gardner

Under 19 Women's Coxed Four --- (2000 m) 7:46.65 **The Friends School** Romy Keppell, Emma Reeves, Eliza Kloser, Elke Peterson, (cox) Holly Pointon

Under 19 Women's Eight --- (2000 m) 6:58.37 **Launceston Church Grammar** Kate Lake, Lillie Murdoch, Amelia Chilcott, Isabelle Armstrong, Monica Murcott, Sarah Bassett, Meg Thyne, Amelia Dowling (cox) Ebony Colson

Under 19 Men

Under 19 Men's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 7:21.10 Lindisfarne Rowing Club Rob Kennedy

Under 19 Men's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 6:47.95 Lindisfarne Rowing Club Rob Kennedy, Jed Thompson

Under 19 Men's Coxless Quad Scull --- (2000 m) 6:28.57 North Esk Matthew Dikkenberg, Levi Koster, Jack Barrett, Lachlan Prior

Under 19 Men's Coxed Quad Scull --- (2000 m) 6:50.70 **The Hutchins School** Gus Bramich, Henry Johnstone, Fenn Gardner, Sam Fergusson (cox) Tom Downie

Under 19 Men's Pair --- (2000 m) 7:27.54 Lindisfarne Rowing Club Rob Kennedy, Jed Thompson

Under 19 Men's Coxed Four --- (2000 m) 6:46.00 Scotch Oakburn College Jacob Berends, Douglas Jones, Nicholas Miller, Hugh McShane Cox Angus Brown (coach) James Russell

Under 19 Men's Coxless Four --- (2000 m) 6:53.48 **The Hutchins School** Fenn Gardner, Solomon Henderson, Julian Hudson, Will Burbury, (coach) Wilson Mure

Under 19 Men's Eight --- (2000 m) 6:23.56 **Scotch Oakburn College** Quin Welsford-Brink, Edward Jones, Braidyn Dawe, Douglas Jones, Nicholas Miller Angus Brient, Jacob Berends, Hugh McShane (cox) Angus Brown) (coach) James Russell

Under 17 Women

Under 17 Women's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 8:27.10 Sandy Bay Rowing Club Olivia White

Under 17 Women's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 7:44.57 Mersey Rowing Club Lilly Maddick, Hannah Tippett, (coaches) Casey Scattergood, Merv Tippet, David Tippet

Under 17 Women's Coxed Quad Scull --- (2000 m) 7:46.72 **Mersey Rowing Club** Lilly Maddick, Hannah Tippett, Madeline Greenhill, Gabby Gretton, (cox) Josie Robertson (coaches) Merv Tippet, Casey Scattergood, David Tippet

Under 17 Women's Coxed Four --- (2000 m) 8:05.77 Launceston Church Grammar Sophie Dornauf, Gemma Tompson, Amelia Chilcott, Georgina Ayers (cox) Ebony Colson

Under 17 Men

Under 17 Men's Single Scull --- (2000 m) 7:26.85 North Esk Rowing Club Jack Barrett

Under 17 Men's Double Scull --- (2000 m) 7:05.50 North Esk Rowing Club Matthew Dikkenberg, Jack Barrett

Under 17 Men's Coxed Quad Scull --- (2000 m)6:50.09 North Esk Rowing Club Matthew Dikkenberg, Lars Gillingham, Jack Barrett, Connor Ryan, (cox) Sam Williams

Under 17 Men's Coxed Four --- (2000 m) 6:49.39 **The Hutchins School** Tyler Mason, Will Clerk, Sam Hall, George Fergusson, (cox) Tom Downie (coaches) William Clennett, Andrew Hall

PARA ROWING Championship Events

Para Men's AS Single Scull Div; 2 North Esk Rowing Club Malcolm Hall (coach) Rik Bryan	(500 m)	3.19.77	
Para Men's LTA Single Scull Div; 2 Huon Rowing Club Alexander McKillop (coach John Mckill	, ,	3:14.68	
Para Women's LTA Single Scull (1000 m) 4:42.24 Mersey Rowing Club Emma Jago (coach) Kerry Gretton			
Para Men's LTA Single Scull (1000 m) 4:01.22 Tasmanian University Rowing Club Alistair Chong (coach) Lance Morrisby			
Para Mixed LTA Double Scull (1000 m) 3:45.92 Mersey/Hutchins Isaac Denholm (HRC), Emma Jago (MRC) (coaches) Kerry Gretton / Julian Joscelyne			

National Team Representatives 2015

Rowing Tasmania would like to congratulate the following members for selection to National Teams in 2014-2015:

Senior A Team:

- Kerry Hore (Huon) Women's Quad
- Ella Flecker (Huon) Women's LW Double
- Kate Hornsey (NNRC) Women's Eight
- Alistair Foot (Tamar) Men's LW Pair
- Darryn Purcell (Tamar) Men's LW Pair
- Sam Beltz (Lindisfarne) Men's LW Four
- Tom Gibson (Huon) Men's LW Four
- Blair Tunevitsch (Tamar) Men's LW Four
- Nick Silcox (Tamar) Men's LW Four
- George Ellis (Tamar) Men's Coxed Pair
- John Driessen (Huon) Coach Men's Eight
- Brett Crow (TIS) Coach Men's LW Four

Under-23 Team:

- Georgia Nesbitt (Huon) Women's LW Double
- Max McQueeney (Buck's) Men's Double Scull

Under 21 Trans-Tasman Series:

• Wilson Mure (Huon) Men's HW Quad

University Games and World University Championships:

• Samuel Volker Men's Single Scull

Phillip Frazer Boat Race Official:

• World Rowing Championships – Amsterdam - Jury member

- World Masters Championships Ballarat Jury member
- World Cup 3 Lucerne Spare
- Australian Nationals Champs and Kings Cup Sydney– President of the Jury
- Australian Masters Sydney Jury member
- Trans-Tasman President of the Jury

Annual Awards 2015

The Committee of Rowing Tasmania tasked a sub-committee to review our current awards and sub-sequentially; a proposal was presented, and accepted to introduce 9 new trophies. The inaugural winners were chosen by the Committee on their performances over the 6 Pennant regattas plus the State Championships. It was also pleasing to receive 15 nominations for our existing awards which was a substantial increase on previous years.

SIMON DEAN TROPHY	NELL ROSEVEAR TROPHY	PETER KEYES TROPHY	OGMA TROPHY
Nominees:	Nominees:	Nominees:	Nominees:
Wilson Mure (HRC)	Ella Flecker (HRC)	Rob Kennedy (LRC)	John Driessen (HRC)
Henry Youl (TRC)	Georgia Nesbitt (HRC)	Jack Barrett (NERC)	Paul Newbon (HRC)
Taylor Wilczynski (MRC)	Kerry Hore (HRC)		Ron Woods (TRC)
Max McQueeney (BRC)	Caitlyn Bloomfield (TRC)		Neil Stump (BRC)
	Meaghan Volker (BRC)		
Winner:	Joint Winners:	Winner:	Winner:
Max McQueeney	Georgia Nesbitt and Kerry Hore	Jack Barrett	Paul Newbon

Rowing Tasmania Inaugural Trophy Winners

Junior Oarsman of the Year	Junior Oarswomen of the Year	Open Oarsman of the Year	Open Oarswomen of the Year	Masters Oarsman of the Year	Masters Oarswomen of the Year	Coxswain of the Year	Coach of the Year	Volunteer of the Year
Winner:	Winner:	Winner:	Joint Winners:	Joint Winners:	Winner:	Joint Winners:	Win <u>ner:</u>	<u>Winner:</u>
Rob Kennedy	Anneka Reardon	Henry Youl	Ciona Wilson and Eve Mure	Patrick Bird and Michael Wilson	Jacqui Hope	Alex Hall and Ebony Colson	Ron Woods	Rik Bryan

Annual General Meeting Minutes 2014

Minutes of the Rowing Tasmania Inc Annual General Meeting Held on Friday 29 August 2014 New Town Bay Rowing Centre

Attendees

Peter Volker, Rod Dolbel, Peter George, Ann Driessen, Jenna Driessen, Annette Dolbel, Chris Potter, Michael Banks, Gordon Stewart, Bob Avery, Jim Gibson, Karen Newbon, Paul Newbon, Shaun Newbon, Robert Ten Bensel, Katrina Mundy, Neil Stump, David Rattray, Rob Prescott, Tina Maher, Mick Casey, Julian Joscelyne, Bernadette Stewart

Apologies

Tim McDermott, Bob Blake, John Driessen, Mick Goodger, George Homer, Grant Pryor, David Poulson

In Memoriam

Barry Henry, Vic Gibson, Lewis Hendy, Tom Vimpany, Geoff McMahon, Terry Triffett, Amy Frank

Welcome

Jim Gibson welcomed those members present.

Notice of Meeting

It was noted that the notice of meeting was published in the three state newspapers

Confirmation of minutes of previous AGM

That the minutes of the 101st Annual General Meeting as circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record

Moved: Gordon Stewart

Seconded: Julian Joscelyne

Presidents Report

Jim Gibson presented the Presidents Report to the meeting.

Moved that the President's Report for Rowing Tasmania as presented be accepted.

Moved: Tina Maher

Seconded: Peter George

Financial Report

Robert Tenbensel presented the financial report to the meeting

Moved that the Audited Financial Report as presented be accepted.

Moved: Paul Newbon

Seconded: Michael Banks

Regatta Manager

Brian Brennan presented the regatta manager report to the meeting.

Moved that the Regatta Manager Report of Rowing Tasmania as presented be accepted.

Moved: Neil Stump

Seconded: Gordon Stewart

Rowing Development Manager

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

Moved that the Rowing Development Manager Report of Rowing Tasmania as presented be accepted

Moved: Mick Casey

Seconded: Rod Dolbel

Para-Rowing Report

Moved that the Para Rowing Report as presented to the meeting be accepted.

Moved: Julian Joscelyne

Seconded: Paul Newbon

Awards and Trophies

Winners of the trophies were announced

Simon Dean awarded to Ali Foot

Nell Rosvear awarded to Kerry Hore

Peter Keyes awarded to	Eleni Kalimnios

OGMA awarded to Paul Newbon

Declaration of the Poll

There were four nominations for the vacant councillor positions; current Board Councillors Susan Stegmann, Grant Pryor and Rod Dolbel along with Mr Robert (Bob) Avery. However, Susan Stegmann advised that she would withdraw her nomination should there be a fourth person nominate. In accordance with Susan's wishes, her nomination was withdrawn. Mr Robert Avery has been appointed to the board of Rowing Tasmania.

Jim Gibson again thanked Susan Stegmann for her many years of service to the Rowing Tasmania Board in her many roles.

Appointment of Auditor

The meeting agreed to re-appoint Robert Atkinson of AG Synectic as the auditor of Rowing Tasmania.

Moved: Rod Dolbel

Seconded: Robert Ten Bensel

General Business

David Rattray expressed concern that Rowing New South Wales continue to have the Australian National Rowing Championships and Interstate Regatta.

Those at the meeting endorsed a Resolution that Rowing Tasmania Disagree with the current procedure or non-rotation and that the staging of Nationals should revert back to the agreed rotation policy as quickly as possible

Moved: Brian Brennan

Seconded: Paul Newbon

Close of Meeting

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED

Special General Meeting of Members

Minutes of a special general meeting of the Association held at the Reeconians Centre, Lake Barrington, Staverton Road, Roland, Tasmania on Friday 12 December 2014 at 8pm.

1. Welcome

The President, Mr James Gibson, welcomed members to the meeting and thanked them for giving up their time to deal with such an important matter on the eve of a busy rowing regatta.

2. Attendance

The President enquired whether all voting members present had signed the attendance register. The signed attendance register (attached) was tabled.

3. Apologies

Apologies were received from the following members:

Pat McGuffy, Michael Williams, John Driessen, Brett Crow, Peter George, Anthony Edwards

4. Chairman of the Meeting

In accordance with sub-rule 15.(1) of the Constitution, the President presided as Chairman of the meeting.

5. Administration Manager

The Chairman noted that members had been previously notified via their clubs and schools that Mrs Bernadette Stewart had resigned as Administration Manager due to work commitments. The President, Committee and meeting acknowledged the contribution of Bernadette and thanked her for time on the Committee.

6. Minute Secretary

In the absence of a serving Administration Manager, the Rowing Development Manager, Mr Rob Prescott, was appointed minute secretary.

7. Notice of Meeting

The Chairman advised the meeting that the meeting had been called in accordance with rule 12 of the Constitution and the Notice of Meeting had been given in accordance with rule 13, namely:

- a. Publication on Friday 21 November 2014 (21 days clear notice);
- b. Forwarded by email with relevant documents on 20 November 2014 to all affiliated clubs and schools;
- c. Reforwarded by email with supplementary documents on 28 November 2014 (14 days clear notice) to all affiliated clubs and schools.

The Chairman advised that the meeting had been called at a time and place convenient to the majority of voting members.

8. President's Comments

The President informed the meeting of the Governance review that had been conducted by the Australian Sports Commission and Rowing Australia, which has flowed down to all the State Associations. It was a requirement that our Constitution be amended by the 31st December 2014 and this has been made possible by the considerable work that was done by Robert Tenbensel. All present at the meeting acknowledge Robert's work and the quality of the work papers that were presented prior to the meeting.

9. Change to Constitution

The Chairman tabled the documents provided to members advising the comprehensive information explained in details the reasons for the changes proposed. He noted that prior to the second notice, 5 parties, including 2 solicitors, had provided feedback on the proposal and there had been now further matters raised since 28 November 2014.

The Chairman asked if there were any further comments or issues of concern regarding the new Constitution and/or the resolutions proposed.

Special Resolutions:

"that the members of Rowing Tasmania Inc. adopt the attached document as its Constitution (Rules of Association), replacing in its entirety the current constitution of Rowing Tasmania Inc.."

Moved – James Gibson

Seconded - Michael Banks

Passed unanimously on voices

"that clause numbers and document presentation may be amended as required."

Moved – James Gibson

Seconded – Peter Volker

Passed unanimously on voices.

10. Closure

The meeting closed at 8.09 pm

Signed as a true and correct record.

James Gibson

Chairman



ROWING TASMANIA INCORPORATED

ATTENDANCE SHEET

Special General Meeting of Members

Lake Barrington

12th December 2014

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Club List 2015

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 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

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