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The Office for Recreation, Sport & Racing (ORSR) is the State Government agency that helps develop, support and invest in sport at all levels. Rowing South Australia works closely with ORSR to develop rowing from community participation to high-level performance.

Rowing South Australia would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the South Australian Government, through the Office for Recreation, Sport & Racing, for the continued support provided to rowing in our state.



Government of South Australia
Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing

Rowing South Australia would also like to thank the following valued Partners, Supporters and Stakeholders for the continued support they provided during the year to rowing in South Australia.



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OUR VISION AND MISSION

OUR VISION

Supporting and growing an inclusive and thriving rowing community.

OUR MISSION

To promote, provide and administer rowing to create opportunity for all to enjoy the sport.

OUR OBJECTIVES

Infrastructure

Continually improve/upgrade West Lakes facility, progressing work from 2017 Facilities Review.

Preserve & develop the River Torrens precinct.

Investigate satellite facility/facilities.

Competitions

Improve spectator experience.

Enhance quality & variety of regattas.

Increase regatta participation.

Marketing and Communication

Enhance the profile of the sport.

Improve the communication between RSA & stakeholders.

Educate the key influencers about the positives of rowing.

Design Marketing Plan to attract & maintain sponsorship.

Financial Sustainability

Develop alternative income streams.

Capitalise on the ownership of West Lakes.

Conduct profitable Café/Function business.

Review existing fees & charges.

Build mutual relationships & understanding with Member Clubs.

Development

Inform, educate and support Rowing Clubs (& stakeholders).

Grow participation (rowers/volunteers).

Develop retention strategies (senior rowers), refining Pathway & State Team programs.

Governance

Build upon positive relationship with Office for Rec & Sport.

Demonstrate accountability to stakeholders.

Align with Sporting Organisation "best practice".

AFFILIATED CLUBS AND SCHOOLS

Rowing South Australia would like to thank our affiliated clubs and schools for their support during the 2018-19 season.

AFFILIATED CLUBS

ADELAIDE ROWING CLUB

ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY BOAT CLUB

BERRI ROWING CLUB

GOOLWA ROWING CLUB

LIMESTONE COAST ROWING CLUB

LORETO OLD COLLEGIANS & COMMUNITY ROWING CLUB

MANNUM ROWING CLUB

MAWSON BOAT CLUB

MURRAY BRIDGE ROWING CLUB

PEMBROKE MASTERS ROWING CLUB

PHOENIX ROWING CLUB

PORT ADELAIDE ROWING CLUB

PORT PIRIE ROWING CLUB

REMARK ROWING CLUB

RIVERSIDE ROWING CLUB

SCOTCH OLD COLLEGIANS & COMMUNITY ROWING CLUB

TAILEM BEND ROWING CLUB

THE INSTITUTE OF ROWING

TORRENS ROWING CLUB

AFFILIATED CLUBS AND SCHOOLS (CONT.)

AFFILIATED SCHOOLS

ADELAIDE HIGH SCHOOL

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS COLLEGE

LORETO COLLEGE

NORWOOD MORIALTA HIGH SCHOOL

PEMBROKE SCHOOL

PRINCE ALFRED COLLEGE

PULTENEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE

SCOTCH COLLEGE

SEYMOUR COLLEGE

ST PETER'S COLLEGE

ST PETER'S GIRLS' SCHOOL

UNLEY HIGH SCHOOL

WALFORD ANGLICAN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

WILDERNESS SCHOOL

THE ORGANISATION

Patron

His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia

Vice Patrons

The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor of Adelaide, Martin Haese

Mayor of the City of Charles Sturt, Angela Evans

President

Michael Harbison

Vice Presidents

Lou Crotti

Michael Eastaughffe

Rod Elleway

Robert Russell

Penny Halliday

Paul Logan

Phil Mangelsdorf

Steve Pennington

THE ORGANISATION (CONT.)

BOARD

Chair

Philip Paterson

Elected Directors

Jamie Grant

James Hammond (Resigned 25/03/19)

Andrew Hannon

Greg Melbourne

Steve Pennington

Helene Wipf-Grant

Elected Secretary

Richard O'Dea (Resigned 18/05/19)

Appointed Directors

Georgina McGuinness (Resigned 06/08/19)

Philip Paterson

Appointed Directors to fill Casual Vacancy

Shannen Graham (Joined 25/03/19)

Alison Perrott (Joined 25/03/19; Resigned
17/06/19)

ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Legal Advisor

Lou Crotti

Rowing Australia Councillor

Greg Melbourne

Rowing SA Auditor

Grant Thornton

STAFF

Chief Executive Officer

David Hutton

Regatta Operations Manager

Bec Lannan

State Development Manager

Sam Jordan

Finance Officer

Toni Ryan

Facilities and Maintenance Manager

Tim Ward

Course Manager

Brett Ralph

Social Media and Communications

Jo Malcolm & Toni Milne

Administrative Support

Verayna Zilm

Rowing SA Photographer

Cynthia Judd – Hebfotos
Ann Koch

State Team Selectors

Jason Lane
Christine MacLaren
Fearnley Szuster
Andrew Stunell

BOARD PROFILES

MICHAEL HARBISON: PRESIDENT

Michael competed in the last Head of the River on the Torrens in 1968, winning the Under 16's. He rowed in the St Peters College first eight, competing at the first Head of the River held at West Lakes.

Michael was very active as a rowing parent, supporting both Wilderness and St Peters College. He served as Rowing SA Chairman from 1998 to 2003 and Lord Mayor of Adelaide from 2003 to 2009.

Michael was appointed as President of Rowing SA in 2015.

PHILIP PATERSON: CHAIR (Appointed Director)

Attended 6 of 10 meetings. (Leave of absence for 4 meetings)

Philip was appointed to the Board in June 2015 to be the first “Appointed” Director under the new Constitution. The Board elected Philip as Chair in August 2015. A Chartered Accountant and partner with Grant Thornton for 30 years, Philip left the firm in 2012 to achieve a change of pace and to establish his own consultancy specializing in planning, problem solving and governance. Philip’s broad financial and commercial experience is valuable to the Rowing SA Board.

Philip has not rowed competitively but has connections to rowing that attracted him to Rowing SA, including many hours rowing dinghies around Goolwa and the Coorong as a child. Both Philip’s children rowed with Scotch College and Philip continues to be a supporter of the Scotch rowing program. In 2010 Philip was lucky enough to purchase an 18 foot Ken Basset “Liz” timber, sliding seat scull from its builder living on Scotland Island on the Hawkesbury River. Philip’s wife Sandra has recently taken to rowing. In support of that Philip purchased a Race 1 Wave-cutter single scull in 2015.

Three of the four family members are involved in recreational rowing. Philip looks forward to building the strength of Rowing SA in order to support everyone participating in rowing in South Australia.



Scotch College SG1st 8+, Winners, Head of the River, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

BOARD PROFILES (CONT.)

GEORGINA MCGUINNESS: BOARD MEMBER (Appointed Director)

Attended 7 of 9 meetings.

Georgina is an experienced media relations, government relations and stakeholder engagement executive, who has forged a career of more than 30 years in communications.

For 25 years, Georgina presented Adelaide's premier weekend news bulletin on Channel 9.

Away from the news desk, she was also a senior journalist, sub-editor, producer, chief of staff and documentary presenter.

Georgina has received awards for TV journalism and participated in a news presenter exchange with Adelaide's sister city, Austin, Texas.

More recently, Georgina has been a speech-writer to two State Opposition Leaders and Senior Communications Adviser to the then Opposition Leader and now Premier, Mr Steven Marshall MP.

This unique background across media and government has allowed her to establish a wealth of experience and expertise in communication, stakeholder engagement, key message development, publicity, branding and presentation.

In April 2014, she established McGuinness Media and in the four years since, she has experienced strong and growing demand for her services from local, national and international clients.

SHANNEN GRAHAM: BOARD MEMBER (Appointed to fill Casual Vacancy)

Attended 4 of 4 meetings.

Shannen has been working in an Accounting Practice for 6 years and has been CA qualified for 3 years. She has worked her way up to Management level quite early on in her career, having learnt skills such as management of workflow, clients and team members, teamwork, communication and the ability to manage a demanding workflow effectively. It is not just the numbers in accounting that she enjoys, Shannen's passion lies in analysing the reports and assisting clients in understanding what this means to their business, how to budget, and most importantly how to grow their business and meet their goals.

While she has not been involved in Rowing personally, Shannen competed at a national level in equestrian (horse riding) for 10 years. This sport taught her to understand the real meaning behind discipline and allows her to appreciate the dedication and hard work involved in a high level sport such as Rowing. Unfortunately, she retired from horse riding at the age of 16 to focus on her studies and building a career – Shannen comes from a family that owns and runs their own businesses, and this is where she got the drive to study Commerce.

Shannen believes she can contribute not just her financial knowledge, but also the other skills she has learnt along the way to the Board of Rowing SA and looks forward to contributing positively to the growth and development of the sport with her knowledge and skills.

BOARD PROFILES (CONT.)

JAMIE GRANT: BOARD MEMBER (Elected Director)

Attended 10 of 10 meetings.

Jamie has been elected as a Director on the Rowing SA Board for the past four years, and he has re-nominated for another term. He has had a growing interest and passion for rowing over the past five years through his son's involvement, as well as his daughter in recent times. Both Jamie and his wife Jacki have been actively serving in a variety of roles within the SA rowing community – Jamie as a Director and Chair of the Athletes Committee, and Jacki as State Team Manager in recent years.

Jamie believes that if your children are participating in a sport, then the parents should contribute as well, and in his case the sport of rowing has become a passion for their family.

Along with his siblings, Jamie operates three family businesses and has done so for over 30 years, which has taught him a wide range of business skills, such as: financial management, effective communication, advertising, time management, logistics, corporate due diligence and event management. These are all skills which Jamie feels will continue to be of value to the SA Rowing Community.

Jamie has also held the positions of Vice President and President of the Prince Alfred College Rowing Club, and he has served on the Rowing SA Board for over four years – providing excellent governance experience and standing him in good stead to continue being an effective Board Member.

JAMES HAMMOND: BOARD MEMBER (Elected Director)

Attended 6 of 6 meetings.

James was elected to the Board in 2017. James has been an active member of the rowing community within NSW, the ACT and now SA for almost 20 years. Coaching for 12 years, James is passionate about developing young rowers into rowers for life.

Currently Director of Rowing at Prince Alfred College, James is regularly and actively engaged with many aspects of rowing in South Australia. James is an active member of the School Rowing Coordinators' Committee often acting as a liaison between the committee and Rowing SA. James believes it is important for both Rowing SA and the rowing schools within SA to work collaboratively for the benefit the sport and South Australia's rowing community. While currently involved primarily with schools James remains sympathetic to the needs of clubs and believes firmly in a united, productive and successful rowing community.

Formerly Executive Officer of Rowing ACT James has an intricate understanding of the operational processes within state rowing associations along with the governance of rowing nationally. Under the direction of the Board of Rowing ACT James managed the daily operations of the organisation which has given him unique experience of the many processes involved in Rowing SA from governance and strategic planning to accounts and asset management and even regatta operations. James is grateful for the opportunity to bring his experience and expertise to the Rowing SA Board to make a positive contribution to Rowing SA in the best interests of all members of the rowing community.

BOARD PROFILES (CONT.)

ANDREW HANNON: BOARD MEMBER (Elected Director)

Attended 8 of 10 meetings.

Andrew is an agribusiness specialist with more than 20 years experience spanning the agricultural supply chain from production to consumption.

With general management experience in Australian and Global agribusinesses, Andrew has led large teams of employees, managed the requirements of multiple stakeholders and been responsible for their associated finance and business management functions. Andrew has held numerous senior roles including Trading Operations Manager and Group Commercial Manager for a major grain storage and handling network.

With involvement in successful mergers, acquisitions, divestments and subsequent business transformation, Andrew has demonstrated an inherent nature to rapidly adopt change across broad groups of employees.

Andrew has been actively involved in market access and development for agricultural commodities, holding national roles on industry and government advisory boards. Andrew is a Ministerial appointment to the South Australian, GM Crop Advisory Committee.

As the founder of the newly created agricultural advisory business, Aus. Agribusiness, Andrew is passionate about a thriving agricultural sector in Australia.

Andrew is an active member of Adelaide Rowing Club and a Board Director of the sports governing body, Rowing SA.

GREG MELBOURNE: BOARD MEMBER (Elected Director)

Attended 10 of 10 meetings.

Greg has been involved in rowing for over 40 years, starting as a coxswain back in 1974 and progressing to being a reserve for a SA Kings Cup Crew. Over the years, Greg has actively been involved with the Riverside Rowing Club, at times being their Association delegate, Club Captain, President and is now a Life Member.

For the past 24 years Greg has been a State umpire, including 20 years as an Australian umpire at national regattas, and a FISA umpire for over 13 years at international regattas.

Greg's dedication to the rowing community includes assisting SASI with transporting their athletes to training camps and National regattas interstate.

Outside of rowing, Greg is self-employed and has previously worked in various legal firms in Adelaide for 14 years, and in the cleaning industry for over 12 years.

Greg brings to the Board a vast knowledge of rowing, as well as an unbiased and fair approach to all athletes and all members of the rowing community. Greg is the current chair of the Umpire and Volunteer Subcommittee and a member of the Rowing Australia Rules Sub-Committee.

BOARD PROFILES (CONT.)

RICHARD O'DEA: BOARD MEMBER (Elected Secretary)

Attended 7 of 8 meetings.

Richard was appointed to the Board in August 2015 and is a member of the Riverside Rowing Club. He was a competing Masters rower for Riverside from 2007 to 2013 and is currently taking a break from competing due to family (primarily children's sport) commitments. He is the parent of a schoolboy rower for Pulteney Grammar School.

Richard is a Principal at the legal practice, Madsen O'Dea, and was previously the Managing Partner of a mid-tier corporate and commercial legal practice in Adelaide. He was a member of the Board of Pulteney Grammar School from 2002 to 2013 and was the Chair of that Board from 2009 to 2013. His experience as Managing Partner of a legal practice, and Chair of the Board of an Independent School, has given him a strict understanding of the delineation between governance and management to focus on each of the following:

- The continuous engagement of stakeholders affected by decisions of the Board
- The rigour of all processes (including nomination processes – and internal governance policies and procedures)
- Opportunity and crisis management
- Financial and governance integrity

Richard's work for the Rowing SA Board this year has included strategic planning, reviewing the suite of documents which regulate the governance of the Association (including the By-laws and the Constitution) and attending upon Judiciary Committee hearings.

BOARD PROFILES (CONT.)

STEVE PENNINGTON: BOARD MEMBER (Elected Director)

Attended 7 of 10 meetings.

Steve's involvement in rowing began at school, including in the First VIII, followed by a couple of seasons at Adelaide University Boat Club. He returned to rowing through the Masters at Riverside where he also served on their committee for several years and was boat captain. As well as local and National regattas, he has also completed at a number of FISA World Masters Championships. In addition to competing, he is a level 3 coach and an RA umpire. He has also participated in a number of other sports including rugby at state and junior national level, sailing, hockey and soccer coaching.

Steve has had two terms on the RSA Board, 1998 - 2011, during which the last building extension and the course upgrade to international standard occurred and more recently 2013 to the present, a period of major changes in the management of all sports driven by the Australian Sports Commission. He has also served on a number of school boards. This background in both rowing, the more recent history of the Association from SARA to RSA and management through boards has allowed him to serve both the interests of the rowing community as well as the growth and development of rowing in SA.

Having now served a total of 20 years on the RSA board, Steve has decided to not stand for re-election but has confidence that the association is in good hands for future growth and wishes the new board well for the future.



Masters Men's Fours, ARC West Lakes Regatta, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

BOARD PROFILES (CONT)

HELENE WIPF-GRANT: BOARD MEMBER (Elected Director)

Attended 9 of 10 meetings.

Helene is a current member of Torrens Rowing Club and has been an active member of the rowing community since 2011. She has been involved as a competitive member, umpire, and coach, since learning to row at West Australian Rowing Club as a master.

Helene's business background includes over 12 years of extensive and specialised consulting in the Resources and Infrastructure industries. She has worked internationally and nationally, and has post-graduate qualifications in Project Management, Business Leadership, and Change Management. She has extensive skills in stakeholder engagement and communication, and experience in risk management and governance frameworks for business. Helene also advises business on integrated management systems, policy development and strategic planning, as well as conflict resolution.

Helene enjoys developing the next generation of professionals and acts as a business and career mentor for participants of The University of WA Career Mentor Link and the Australian Women in Resources Alliance.

As an active volunteer, Helene contributes to causes where her skills and passions intersect and, with a profound love for rowing she is keen to contribute to the growth of the sport through:

- Improving participation of the sport of rowing in SA and representation of our State athletes at all levels
- Increased opportunity and inclusivity for rowers of all ages, abilities and background
- Better coaching frameworks and coaching resources for Clubs
- Enhanced development pathways for athletes and the deployment of national best practice selection for State and National competitions
- Greater transparency and collaboration between Rowing SA, Clubs and School rowing in policy development and governance.



U19 Men's Single Scull, SA State Championships, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

HONORARY & FINANCIAL LIFE MEMBERS (*INDICATES DECEASED)

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

South Australian Rowing Association

1929 Marcus J P *	1960 Bollen J H *	1974 Coldwell G D OAM
Wallman R H *	Botroff A A *	1978 Mangelsdorf P C
Sharp J J *	1961 Forwood K B	1979 Blank J H
Kitson J *	1963 Pennington H G *	1980 Morrison E *
Clouston J H *	1965 Lodge F N *	Eaton F *
Gepp C A *	1967 Laughton B C	Davis A C
Goss J H *	1969 Clarke R D	1981 Draper B S OAM
Grayson A J *	1970 Southcott A L *	1984 Carter R D *
1938 Grummet L T *	1971 Higgs E	Webb R S
1950 Amiel C *	1973 Baulderstone D *	2001 Russell R J
Baumann C *		Watts R F *
Menz H V *		2005 Southcott L
Butterworth C R *		
1952 Qurban T K		

Rowing South Australia

2012 Ward T J
2013 Eastaughffe M P
2014 Pennington R T (Bob) *
2017 Halliday P

FINANCIAL LIFE MEMBERS

Fitzgerald R Southcott E K

FOUNDATION LIFE MEMBERS (*INDICATES DECEASED)

Amiel C W *	Clayton D E	Earl W D *	Hebblewhite M	Lippis N
Anderson J	Clode G D	Eastaughffe M	Henderson D W	Lockwood J D *
Baciarelli V *	Coldwell R K *	Eaton F *	Higgins J M	Lodge F M *
Baumann C *	Coldwell K L	Edmonds F R *	Hislop D	Lohmeyer R A
Beauchamp H J *	Coldwell G D	Edmonds D B	Holland R F	Lohmeyer M J
Bertram K R	Collins N M	Edwards J R	Horlin-Smith B M	Lord P A *
Birks P J	Cooper C	Edwards M J	Howell R E	Lott C W
Black R C	Crompton D O	Elleway S F	Hughes J L	Lowe A
Blank J	Crotti L R	Elleway R F	Humble D S *	Lowen G T
Blank P W	Cudmore P D *	Emery C P	Hussey D J	MacDonald C G
Bodger R A	Cudmore PM *	Evans M J	Ingham J C *	MacKenzie B M
Bollen J H *	Culver R	Farrar G C	Jarvis R F	MacKenzie R W *
Bolt J W	Cummins L	Ferris F R	Jeffries P W *	Mackie H K
Bond B T *	Cundell B M	Footer G L	Jeffries P C	Madsen C
Booth R	Cyclone K M	Gardiner L H	Jones A G	Madsen C T *
Borman N W	Dalton B F	Gebhardt P	Keane P J	Madsen K *
Bradley R *	Dankbaar W *	Giacchino P	Keene G	Magarey M
Brice C	Dankbaar R	Gibson R J	Kernot G J	Maguire G
Brooks D E *	Davies D *	Gigney R P	Keynes R J *	Mangelsdorf P
Brown T	Davis A *	Gill R C	Keynes G R	Mangelsdorf J
Burchell G R	Davis L S	Glazbrook D	Keynes R B	Mannum RC
Burfield G D	Delbridge R M	Goldsworthy W R	Krichauf G F *	(President)
Burgess E F	Diben F A	Goodenough L S	Kutcher D B	Mathews R M P *
Burgoine G	Dickson P R	Gregory A J *	Lang R	Mathews C S
Buys K	Dorsch A W	Grummet L T *	Langlois L R *	McCabe D M
Calandro R	Douglas S J	Guterres E *	Langlois S	McCoy J W *
Campbell R M	Draper J W	Hamilton I	Lansen C T *	McCoy W K
Carroll L V	Draper B S	Hannaford B D *	Lawrence R G	McCullough P A
Carter D R *	Draper M A	Harrison S J	Lenihan W *	McIlwain J F
Carter R D *	Draper M G	Harrison J C *	Lickie W J	McLean A K
Cheesman R D	Dring M	Harvey D J *	Lippis L	McLoughlin M A
Cheesman D T	Duncan H J	Haynes F K	Lippis A U	McNiel G
Cheesman W D	Dunn J A	Haynes T	Lippis M P	McQuillan A F
Christensen D	Earl D *	Hebblewhite G K *	Lippis D J	Mead R

FOUNDATION LIFE MEMBERS (CONT.)

Meathrel R R	Osis M	Quigley G C	Smith R	Vahl Meyer E
Melbourne G	Osman R V	Ramsay A T	Smith G B	Wade D *
Menz W O *	PAC (Headmaster)	Ramsay J K	Southcott B P	Walker P T
Menz W J *	PARC (President)	Ramsay A J	Southcott L	Wallman R H
Menz H V *	Parham A J *	Raymond D	Southcott A L *	Ward J
Michell E	Parr A W	Resting Rowers	Steer P G	Ward T J
Milne F K *	Parsons B	Consortium	Sullivan T D	Warne R J
Mitchell P G *	Pearce J L *	Richards R C	Swan D *	Watts R F *
Mobbs B	Pembroke	Richardson R W *	Szuster F S	Watts W *
Moore R L	(Headmaster)	Roberts B	Talbot N	Way K *
Moore B J	Phillipson E	Robertson B W	Thewlis P	Webb R
Morelli P *	Place B	Roosken H A	Thomas E G	Welch J
Morphett H C *	Pike H R	Rose S A *	Thornquest C	West Lakes Ltd
Morrison E M *	Potter R B *	Rowe J A *	Tolley S W	White D J
Morton W L *	Potter R W	Runge C E *	Trickett A *	Whiteford J W
Motteram J P *	Potter M I	Russell I W	Trinne D J	Whiteford A D
Mould R G	Prescott R C	Russell R J	Trowbridge D E	Williams C *
Muecke T R	Prescott C B	Sarah D	Turnbill R K	Williams D
Muscat J J	Price E A	Scroop I M	Turnbull J M	Williams J K
Muscat A C	Prior G	Sellick J G *	Union of Old	Willia Wills W J
Neall D	Puddy A G	Simmons D	Oarsmen	Winter N W *
Nurk A *	Quigley J D	Simpson R	(President)	Woodhead Hall <i>et al</i>
Ninnis W K	Quigley F	Skuce F C	Unley High	Wride R H J
O'Brien F G	Quigley P A	Smith J A	(Headmaster)	Young W S



Alex Hill, Presidents Cup (ISM1x), Gold Medallist, Interstate Regatta, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

ROWING SA CLUB PREMIERSHIPS

MEN'S PREMIERSHIP (WEST END TROPHY)

Held by- Adelaide Rowing Club

- 1. Adelaide Rowing Club – 57 points**
2. Saint Peters College – 53 points
3. Port Adelaide Rowing Club – 50 points

MASTERS MEN'S PREMIERSHIP

Held by- Riverside Rowing Club

- 1. Adelaide University Boat Club – 57 points**
2. Port Adelaide Rowing Club – 40 points
3. Riverside Rowing Club – 31 points

COUNTRY MEN'S PREMIERSHIP

Held by- Murray Bridge Rowing Club

- 1. Murray Bridge Rowing Club – 7 points**

SCHOOLBOY'S PREMIERSHIP

Held by- Prince Alfred College

- 1. Prince Alfred College – 235 points**
2. Saint Peters College – 216.5 points
3. Scotch College – 193.5 points

WOMEN'S PREMIERSHIP (FLORENCE EATON TROPHY)

Held by- Adelaide Rowing Club

- 1. Adelaide Rowing Club – 73 points**
2. Torrens Rowing Club – 63 points
3. Seymour College – 37 points

MASTERS WOMEN'S PREMIERSHIP

Held by- Port Adelaide Rowing Club

- 1. Port Adelaide Rowing Club – 58 points**
2. Phoenix Rowing Club – 16 points
3. Torrens Rowing Club – 10 points

COUNTRY WOMEN'S PREMIERSHIP

Held by- Murray Bridge Rowing Club

- 1. Mannum Rowing Club – 14 points**
2. Murray Bridge Rowing Club – 13 points

SCHOOLGIRL'S PREMIERSHIP

Held by- Walford Anglican School

- 1. Seymour College – 277 points**
2. Walford Anglican School for Girls – 274 points
3. Scotch College – 216 points



Adelaide Rowing Club OW8+, SA State Championships, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

ROWING SA AWARDS

MEN'S CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

1. Jed Altschwager (TRC)

PARA MEN'S CHAMPION

1. Jed Altschwager (TRC)

SENIOR MEN'S CHAMPION

- 1. James Andrewartha (SPSC)**
2. Angus Dawson (ARC)/Harrison Francis (AUBC)/Jack Deans (ARC)/Simon Lane (ARC)
3. Callum Deckers (PARC)/Tim Santin (ARC)

JUNIOR MEN'S CHAMPION

- 1. James Andrewartha (SPSC)**
2. Numerous athletes tied for 2nd place

WOMEN'S CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

1. Verayna Zilm (ARC)

PARA WOMEN'S CHAMPION

1. Anu Francis (TRC)

SENIOR WOMEN'S CHAMPION

- 1. Verayna Zilm (ARC)**
2. Clare Romanuik (TRC)
3. Grace Gwiazdzinski (TRC)

JUNIOR WOMEN'S CHAMPION

- 1. Tonya Lokteff (ARC)**
2. Numerous athletes tied for 2nd place.



Port Adelaide Rowing Club MW4+, CBC West Lakes Regatta, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

ROWING SA AWARDS (CONT.)

MASTERS MEN'S CHAMPION

1. **Rob Ellis (PARC)**
2. Bill Natt (AUBC)/Rick Armstrong (AUBC)
3. Anthony Lee (PARC)

MASTERS WOMEN'S CHAMPION

1. **Symonne Wickman (PARC)**
2. Alison Smith (PARC)
3. Collette Barry (PARC)

CHAMPION MALE COXSWAIN

1. **Tim Prince (SPSC)**
2. Sam Stunell (PAC)
3. David McGrail (PARC)

CHAMPION FEMALE COXSWAIN

1. **Bonnie White (AUBC)**
2. Maddison Newland (UHS/TRC)
3. Alannah Gilmore (ARC)/Lexi Tubb (PGS)

CHAMPION SCHOOLBOY CREW

1. **Prince Alfred College SB Yr 10 A 4x+**

CHAMPION SCHOOLGIRL CREW

1. **Seymour College SG Yr 9 A 4x+**

COACH OF THE YEAR

1. **Daren Potts (Pembroke/ARC)**

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

1. **Dianne De Bellis**

COMMUNITY CLUB PERSON OF THE YEAR

1. **Stef Wilden (Goolwa RC)**

BOB PENNINGTON MEMORIAL TROPHY – BOAT RACE OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

1. **Vicky Knight**



Prince Alfred College Yr 10 4x+, School Premiership Series #2, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL TEAM ATHLETES 2019

SENIOR TEAM

FISA International Para-Rowing Regatta & World Championships

Jed Altschwager (TRC/SASI) PR3M2-

Will Smith (AUBC/SASI) PR3M2-

World Cup 2 & 3 & World Championships

Olympia Aldersey (ARC/SASI/NTC) Women's Sweep

Molly Goodman (ARC/SASI/NTC) Women's Sweep

Alex Hill (ARC/SASI/NTC) Men's Sweep

U23 TEAM

U23 World Championships

Angus Dawson (ARC/SASI) M4+

Mitchell Reinhard (ARC/SASI) LM2x

Alannah Gilmore (ARC) M8+

U21 TEAM

Trans-Tasman Regatta

Celia Cowan (AUBC/SASI) LW1x

Oscar McGuinness (ARC/SASI) LM2x

Katelyn Nicholson (ARC/SASI) W1x

Christine MacLaren (SASI) Team Manager

U19 TEAM

Junior World Championships

Jason Lane (SASI) Head Coach

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INTERSTATE TEAMS 2019

Head Coach

Jason Lane (SASI)

Team Manager

Jacki Grant

KINGS CUP - MEN'S 8+

James Price (ARC)
Jack Deans (ARC)
Jack Kelly (ARC)
Tim Santin (ARC)
Kane Grant (ARC)
Nathan Bowden (SRC)
Angus Dawson (ARC)
Alexander Hill (ARC)
C: Indran Mukherjee

Reserve

Tom Doornbos (LOS&CRC)

Coaches

Daren Potts (PS)/James Hammond (PAC)

PENRITH CUP - LWT MEN'S 4-

Simon Lane (ARC)
Oscar McGuinness (ARC)
Mitchell Reinhard (ARC)
Jack Kelly (ARC)

Reserve

George Nery (SPSC)

Coach

Jason Lane (SASI)

PRESIDENT'S CUP - MEN'S 1x

Alex Hill (ARC)

Coach: Jason Lane (SASI)

QUEENS CUP - WOMEN'S 8+

Verayna Zilm (ARC)
Anna Collins (ARC)
Gill Crowe (ARC)
Mieka Webb (ARC)
Peta White (LOS&CRC)
Joanne Malcolm (PRC)
Olympia Aldersey (ARC)
Molly Goodman (ARC)
C: Alannah Gilsmore (ARC)

Reserves

Symonne Wickman (PARC)/Katie Luscombe (ARC)

Coaches

Renee Chatterton (WS)/Tori Toogood

VICTORIA CUP - LWT WOMEN'S 4x

Christie Shanahan (ARC)
Sophia Nery (ARC)
Lizzie Treloar (SUBC)
Celia Cowan (AUBC)

Reserve

Emily Webb (ARC)

Coach

Brynley Millward (SPGS)

NELL SLATTER TROPHY - WOMEN'S 1x

Olympia Aldersey (ARC)

Coach: Jason Lane (SASI)

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INTERSTATE TEAMS 2019 (CONT.)

PR3 MEN'S 1x

Jed Altschwager (TRC)

Coach

Jason Lane (SASI)

PR3 WOMEN'S 1x

Anu Francis (TRC)

Coach

Christine MacLaren (SASI)

NOEL WILKINSON CUP - MEN'S YOUTH 8+

Harrison Francis (AUBC)

William Smart (PAC)

James Mellor (PGS)

Xavier Barnett (ARC)

Edward Jackson (AUBC)

Max Linton (SPSC)

Ben Ashman (SPSC)

Nick Blackman (PS)

C: Amy Carrodus (SPGS)

BICENTENNIAL CUP - WOMEN'S YOUTH 8+

Hannah Sexton (LOS&CRC)

Carys Jones (AUBC)

Tonya Lokteff (ARC)

Noni Maccallum (LC)

Ella Bramwell (ARC)

Rachel Kaminear (SPGS)

Lucy Smith (LOS&CRC)

Katelyn Nicholson (ARC)

C: Maddie Peisley (LOS&CRC)

Reserves

Ben Ashman (SPSC)/Samuel Button (PGS)

Reserve

Cleo Wilson (SIG)

Coaches

Daniel Ralph (CBC)/Patrick Ey (Walford)

Coach

Jon Trovas (Sey)

2019 INTERSTATE REGATTA RESULTS

	M8+	W8+	MY8+	WY8+	LM4-	LW4x	M1x	W1x	PR3M1x	PR3W1x
ACT	-	-	-	-	3	-	2	3	-	1
NSW	1	1	1	1	2	2	5	1	2	2
QLD	5	4	4	2	5	5	4	6	1	5
SA	3	5	6	5	7	6	1	4	-	3
TAS	6	6	5	6	4	1	7	7	4	4
VIC	2	2	2	3	1	4	3	2	3	
WA	4	3	3	4	6	3	6	5	-	-

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS 2019

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN PATHWAY SQUADS

Program Manager

Christine MacLaren (SASI)

Team Manager

Susan Waters

MEN'S PATHWAY SQUAD

Ben Ashman (SPSC)
James Andrewartha (SPSC)
James Mellor (PGS)
Joseph Balestrin (PAC)
Maxwell Linton (SPSC)
Nick Blackman (PS)
Samuel Button (PGS)
Bryson Salter (NMHS)
Cooper Williams (UHS)
Cox: Amy Carrodus (SPGS)

WOMEN'S PATHWAY SQUAD

Antonia Lokteff (ARC)
Cleo Wilson (SIG)
Lucie Spurling (SC)
Lucy Kittel (SC)
Nicola Gordon (SEY)
Sarah Carrodus (SPGS)
Sophie Waters (WALF)
Sophie Tickner (WALF)
Mackenzie Francis-Brown (WALF)
Luca Claassen (NMHS)
Harriet McPharlin (WS)
Lucy Hammond (SC)

Coach

Patrick Ey (Walford)

Coaches

Eleanor Wilson (SEY) / Verayna Zilm (ARC)



SA King's Cup Crew (ISM8+), Bronze Medallists, Interstate Regatta, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS 2019 (CONT.)

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MASTERS STATE TEAM CREWS

MASTERS MEN'S 4x

Ian McBryde (RRC)
Ben Kidd (PARC)
Andrew Tidemann (ARC)
Wayne Chadwick (RRC)

Coach

Rob Cheesman (RRC)/ John Bentley (AUBC)

MASTERS WOMEN'S 4x

Angie Francou (TRC)
Jeanette Cordwell (PARC)
Symonne Wickman (PARC)
Alison Smith (PARC)

Coach

Steve Pennington (PRC)/Ben Flanagan (SPGS)

MASTERS MEN'S 8+

Rob Ellis (PARC)
Anthony Lee (PARC)
Nicolas McDonald (PRC)
Matt Hooper (ARC)
Greg Walters (RRC)
David McLeod (PARC)
Damien Derlique (PARC)
Bill Natt (AUBC)
C: Bonnie White (AUBC)

Coach

Rob Cheesman (RRC)/ John Bentley (AUBC)

MASTERS WOMEN'S 8+

Denise Abood (TRC)
Gina Bell (TRC)
Colette Barry (PARC)
Amanda Sparks (PEMM)
Anna Crowley (PEMM)
Lisanne Edgar (PRC)
Henrietta Shephard (TRC)
Chris Firth (PRC)
C: Kate Crowley (PS)

Coach

George Ujvary (ARC)

2019 MASTERS STATE TEAM RESULTS

	M8+	W8+	M4x	W4x
ACT	-	6	-	2
NSW	3	3	4	4
QLD	1	1	3	5
SA	2	5	5	3
TAS	-	7	2	-
VIC	4	4	1	1
WA	5	2	-	6

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF ROWING SA

It has been another successful 12 months and I thank the Board and the Rowing SA staff for their ongoing support. David Hutton as CEO has continued to listen and deliver to the expectations of the rowing community. Together with a small number of dedicated staff and the support of the Board we have continued to roll out the current Strategic Plan, due to expire next year. The Board has created multiple opportunities for feedback and while there is always more to do, we continue to receive positive comments on the direction we are taking in the development of the sport of rowing in SA.

The 2018/19 Season has been highly successful:

- Participation has been strong with around 1700 registered rowers.
- State representatives continue to be competitive, aided by a continuation of upgraded support to the program (Please see the full list of State Team Athletes and Results on pages 23 and 24).
- Participation and success in the Masters State Team Program has strengthened. (Please see the full list of Masters State Team Athletes and Results on page 26.)
- SA representation internationally has been outstanding (Please see the full list of SA Athletes of National Teams on page 22).
- The ongoing demand for increased boat storage signals that the sport is healthy and growing.
- Increased club engagement and coach development.
- Enhanced regatta racing live streaming offering, adding the feature of a large video screen on the main lawns at both our State Championships and Head of the River in 2019 – very well received by the membership.

INFRASTRUCTURE

We remain eager to ensure that the infrastructure at West Lakes is well positioned to meet the needs of rowing into the future. We successfully applied for a grant through the Office of Recreation and Sport in 2017 which has been used to conduct a major infrastructure review.

On the back of that facilities review, the Board is working to prove a business case and seek funding options for a development over the coming years:

- The State and Federal elections have stalled any meaningful discussions regarding funding.
- The Office of Recreation, Sport and Racing (ORS&R) SA has in recent months launched a statewide review of sporting infrastructure. RSA has been engaged in the recent consultation process, and our progress will be dependent on the outcomes of that ORS&R initiative.
- David Hutton has maintained discussions with “allied” course users (West Lakes Aquatic Centre, Paddle SA, DragonBoat SA, Triathlon SA and other aquatic sports) as the government favors multi-use sporting hubs over single sport investment.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF ROWING SA (CONT.)

As a Board we are also mindful and supportive of facilities development at other sites. We look forward to working with all schools and clubs to improve what the sport can offer.

The ongoing success of the **OAR Café** has been a sound financial decision for the Association and provides a valued service to the rowing and broader community. We are lucky to have partnered with Rik and Alex in enhancing the benefits we enjoy from that part of our infrastructure – they are truly part of our community.

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEES

In 2016 the Board introduced subcommittees to replace the Commissioner positions and we now have sub-committees for:

- Finance, Audit and Risk
- Buildings and Facilities
- Clubs & Schools
- Masters
- Athletes
- Umpires and Volunteers

These committees are up and running and provide an avenue for new people participating in the governance of the sport. Please get involved if you have a desire, and contact the Rowing SA office for more information. This year the Board re-established the role of “Athlete Commissioner” and we thank Matt Hooper for accepting that role. The purpose was to enhance member support to provide a one on one advisor that may assist people feeling their concerns do not warrant a more formal approach to RSA in terms of state team selection, but are still looking for some support or advice.

We have also re-thought the role of the Clubs and Schools Committee and resolved that its purpose moving forward will be to plan and present two or three Member Forums each year. These forums will be in addition to the introduction of two forums aimed at bringing together Club Presidents and School Rowing Directors to be held mid and end of season – the agenda will be set around “what’s working and what’s not”.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers – *what can I say?* Without them we don’t have a sport. Their collective effort has increased, delivering great regattas throughout the season, Winter Series and Time Trial events for all athletes. We need to thank and applaud those who have put their hands up for this task and those who have come up with creative ways of adding to the numbers. We are in need of more volunteers in the future and our Umpires and Volunteer’s sub-committee is looking into this. We may have to become more demanding about the provision of volunteers from clubs and schools to ensure we deliver high quality regattas.

We are holding a Boat Race Official (BRO) Introductory Course in August 2019 and have more than 25 interested registrants. Fantastic – looking forward to the growing support.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF ROWING SA (CONT.)

Personally, I commenced training to be a BRO this year, but was interrupted, however I look forward to re-engaging in the upcoming season– I hope others help me support the volunteers.

ROWING SA CONSTITUTION

We held a Special General Meeting following the 2018 AGM, to discuss and approve some “housekeeping” issues to tidy up the functionality of our Constitution. Your Board thanks the membership for supporting the recommended changes.

The other previously flagged changes around membership and voting rights will be presented at a later SGM following further consultation with those that do not understand the benefits of moving to a contemporary Constitution. This project stalled this year due to my prolonged absence as Chair.

2019 FINANCIALS

The audited financial statements are available for all members to review. I have summarized the obvious key figures below.

Key metric	2019 actual	2018 actual
Profit	104,654	82,315
Add back: Café loss	0	16,595
Profit – Rowing Activities	104,654	98,910
Including: Capital Grants	(80,000)	(67,000)
Depreciation	86,072	81,965
Cash Generated from Operating Activities (pre-balance sheet movements)	110,726	113,875

The operating result for 2019 is broadly in line with the budgeted result.

During the year the Board has addressed an inherited anomaly being the lack of depreciation of buildings. Buildings have a finite life and the Australian Accounting Standards call for buildings to be depreciated. Given the original building is now 45 years old we have applied a useful life for buildings of 100 years. This has resulted in (see note 24 to the financial statements):

- A prior year depreciation adjustment of \$341,854
- Restatement of the 2018 results by adding a depreciation charge of \$21,614
- An additional depreciation charge in the current year of \$21,614

Your Board remains concerned that the cash generated is keeping the organization healthy but is short of what is needed to further enhance the facilities and program offering to members. We continue to conserve costs and seek new revenue opportunities. In my opinion, a healthy result for the Association would be a doubling of the cash generated from Rowing Activities which would translate to a cash surplus

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF ROWING SA (CONT.)

of approximately \$200,000 or a profit after depreciation of \$120,000 (2018 - \$24,654). An increase in that order equates to an average of less than \$50 per registered member per annum and would help your organization move to another level for the benefit of members. The board will be exploring this direction during the 2020 forums mentioned earlier.

As noted in the opening paragraph, the Board's current Strategic Plan expires in 2020 so we will be developing a new 3 year plan – if you would like to have some input please contact me or David Hutton.

Your Association remains financially sound and continues to improve each year in service delivery under the leadership of David Hutton and the Board.

THANK YOU

2019 has seen the resignation of four valued Board Members:

- Steve Pennington – after some 20 years of service to the administration of rowing in SA.
- Richard O'Dea (work commitments) – Richard's legal background has been invaluable to your Association and its Board.
- James Hammond (work relocation interstate) – James specifically provided a valued connection to and perspective from, our School based membership.
- Georgina McGuiness (work commitments) – Georgina specifically provided valued input into our marketing, PR, social media and communications.

Each of these Board members made an outstanding contribution to the governance of Rowing SA and I thank them on behalf of the Board and the Association Membership. We have not received nominations to replace all of these vacancies at the upcoming AGM – the Board may identify some suitable skills-based appointments to fill two vacancies through to the 2020 AGM.

At this year's AGM, Jamie Grant will be reappointed to the Board, Jarrad Schar (Scotch College Rowing Director) will join us and Shannen Graham (Chartered Accountant - Perks) will be confirmed in her role – a temporary appointment during this year.

On a personal note, I would like to thank my board, the RSA staff and the rowing community for their support and best wishes during my "sick leave" from February to May this year. I am back on deck and looking forward to achieving my Umpire qualification this season and generally advancing the best interests of Rowing SA and the rowing community as a Board member.

Thank you.

Philip Paterson

Chair – Rowing South Australia Inc.

August 2019

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

We have just completed another busy and rewarding rowing season in 2018/19, with many achievements to reflect upon and celebrate, as we turn our eyes towards the challenges of the season ahead. Over the past year we have seen our diverse range of athletes, coaches, volunteers and officials performing well locally, as well at state, national and international level. We have welcomed new corporate partners and communication strategies, further developed our West Lakes facility, and continued working on local regatta, club, coach and athlete development initiatives – all summarised below and throughout this year's Annual Report.

COMPETITIONS & SPORT DEVELOPMENT

In local competitions, we saw another increase this season with approximately 1700 competitors taking part in a season that culminated with the successful 2-day State Championships despite the heat (jointly hosted by Seymour and Loreto Colleges), and the Masters State Championships at the end of the season. The Head of the River Regatta drew large crowds of spectators to watch the 1162 school aged athletes entered across all events. Pembroke School hosted this regatta, creating a great inclusive atmosphere including the giant video screen, live-streaming of races and post-race interviews again conducted by former ABC Radio personality Peter Walsh. St Peter's Schoolboys First Eight won their 4th consecutive title, and the Scotch College Schoolgirls First Eight won their event in a hotly contested race. Including the Winter Series regattas, Rowing SA hosted 25 regattas, 18 locally at West Lakes, 2 at the River Torrens, 2 at Port Adelaide, and 1 each at Murray Bridge, Berri and Mannum. Following positive feedback last year, we again conducted the 2nd Grade State Championships as part of the Riverland Regatta, held at Berri in December with a record number of competitors and spectators.

Our top-level athletes performed well in both interstate and overseas competitions, and we are extremely proud of our SA rowers to have represented Australia at the 2018 World Championships in Bulgaria – Alex Hill, Molly Goodman, Olympia Aldersey and Jed Altschwager. Alex again won a Gold medal in the Men's Four at the World Championships, Molly won Silver in the Women's Four, and Jed took out Silver at his inaugural World Championships in the PR3 Men's Pair event. Jed also won a gold medal with Will Smith in the PR3M2- at the 2019 FISA International Para-Rowing Regatta. Alex capped off a wonderful year by being a key member of the Men's Four that was named **Men's Crew of the Year** at FISA's 2018 World Rowing Awards. We also congratulate Angus Dawson, Mitch Reinhard and Alannah Gilsmore for representing Australia at the 2019 Under 23 World Championships, as well as Celia Cowan, Oscar McGuinness, and Katelyn Nicholson who represented Australia in the Under 21 Trans-Tasman Cup against New Zealand this year. We are extremely proud of these wonderful athletes who are great ambassadors for our sport and the SA rowing community. A complete list of SA's national team athletes can be found on page 22.

We were also proud to see Brett Ralph win Rowing Australia's national **Volunteer of the Year Award** for his service as an Umpire and Boat Race Official here in SA, as well as at National and International Regattas over the past year. Brett volunteers as an Umpire and is being trained as a Rowing Australia Technical Delegate for National Regattas. He is also employed part-time by Rowing SA to manage the West Lakes Regatta Course & Infrastructure (pontoons, underwater cabling/buoy system, umpire boats & equipment).

In the 2019 Interstate Regatta at Penrith, SA was well represented in all boat classes as we continue to build on the strong foundations laid in recent years with our state program. We sincerely appreciate the

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT (CONT.)

support of Jason Lane and Christine MacLaren at SASI and their selection panel, State Team Manager Jacki Grant, as well as the Clubs and Schools who supported the program with boats and equipment. We say “a huge thank you and well done” again to our State Team Athletes and Coaches for their efforts this year – See the full list of names and results on pages 23 & 24.

Please see Sam Jordan's Development Report and the SASI Report for more details about the wide range of development and pathway programs conducted over the season. Thanks to Sam and Christine MacLaren from SASI for their work and passion in this area.

Rowing SA acknowledges and thanks the South Australian Sports Institute (SASI) and Rowing Australia who support our athletes and the State Talent Pathway programs. We have a long-standing partnership with SASI and look forward to continuing our work with Jason Lane and Christine MacLaren in further developing the rowing pathways, in conjunction with our Clubs, Schools and Athletes.



Anu Francis, Interstate PR31x, Bronze Medallist, Interstate Regatta, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

FACILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE

Rowing SA continues to manage and make extensive use of our property at West Lakes, and the Alex Ramsay Regatta Course for year-round rowing and other activities. The non-rowing activities include Canoeing, Dragon Boating, Triathlon and Open Water Swimming, as well as over 15,000 school students who use the waterway and some course infrastructure each year as participants in the West Lakes Aquatic Centre program (under the State Government's Department of Education & Child Development) – a tenant at Rowing SA's West Lakes facility.

Several facility and infrastructure upgrade projects were undertaken over the past year:

- In its second year of operation the OAR Café/Kitchen/Bar facilities and offerings were further upgraded. We value our positive working relationship with Rik Fisher, Alex Smith and their team – a great addition to the Rowing community and wider community as well.
- The new Boatshed areas created last year are now being fully utilised.
- The old Rowing SA storage shed was transformed into an Athlete and Coach High Performance area for use by the SASI Rowing and Canoe programs. The project also involved a refurbishment of the Indoor Rowing room, which is now benefiting the entire rowing community and getting more use on a weekly basis.
- A range of other landscaping and small facility maintenance and upgrade tasks have been undertaken and continue in the off-season period.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT (CONT.)

PARTNERSHIPS & COMMUNICATIONS

Rowing SA thank our partners and supporters for their ongoing support over the 2018/19 season. The State Government through the Office of Recreation, Sport & Racing (ORS&R), along with the Department of Planning, Transport & Infrastructure (DPTI) continue to provide funding and support to maintain our operational services, development programs and management of the Regatta Course at West Lakes. Our strong relationships continue with the City of Charles Sturt and City of Adelaide Councils, especially with our events held at West Lakes and on the River Torrens.

We welcomed new corporate support this season from Grant Thornton, who provided our audit services as part of a national deal with Rowing Australia. Bendigo Bank also came on board through the West Beach & Districts Community Bank Branch as the major sponsor of our 2019 State Championships, as well as providing a new Defibrillator which has been installed under our main stairs at West Lakes. Thanks for the ongoing support we received from the Lakes Hotel, AON Insurance, our State Team partner Maughan Thiem Automotive Group, and Adelaide AV Sport continuing the live-streaming of our larger Regattas. We also acknowledge the ongoing support from SASI, Cynthia Judd from Hebfotos (supported by Ann Koch), and The Regatta Shop – we look forward to building on and growing these partnerships, along with some new partners in the coming season.

The information provided to our community continues through our upgraded website this year, regular social media communication and some positive media coverage throughout the season, as well as our 'Full Slide' e-newsletter. Thanks to Jo Malcolm, Toni Milne, Bec Lannan and Georgina McGuinness for all their work in promoting our wonderful sport.



Seymour College SG8+, School Premiership Series #3, 2019

Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

GOVERNANCE, BOARD & STAFFING

I would like to again thank the Board for their dedicated service and support throughout the 2018/19 rowing season, and especially for the additional workload taken on when our hard-working Chair Philip Paterson had to take a few months off in early 2019 due to illness. Richard O'Dea took the reigns as Acting Chair and everyone stepped up to cover for Philip's absence, and it is great to now have him back on deck in good health. As mentioned in Philip's Chair report, I add my thanks and appreciation to those Board members having to step down this year due to work and relocation reasons – Richard O'Dea, Steve

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT (CONT.)

Pennington, Georgina McGuinness and James Hammond provided me with wonderful support and were great assets for our rowing community with their diverse skill sets. Thank you to the sub-committees that have supported in the following areas: Masters; Athletes; Clubs & Schools; Umpires & Volunteers; Building & Facilities; Finance/Audit/Risk. I also extend a huge thank you to our dedicated band of Regatta Officials and Volunteers who put in so many hours and enable us to conduct quality events throughout a demanding season! Congratulations to our new Boat Race Officials to have been accredited during the season – Please see Greg Melbourne's Volunteers and Officials Report for more information.

Our staff continue to provide dedicated service to the rowing community, and I thank them for their commitment and support – Bec Lannan as Regatta Operations Manager, Sam Jordan as State Development Officer, Toni Ryan as Finance Officer, Brett Ralph as Regatta Course Manager, and Tim Ward as Facility/Maintenance Manager. Sam Jordan is leaving us through this off-season period to resume his Teaching career, and we thank him for his work over the past 15 months. We will be announcing a new structure and personnel to work across the key development areas in the near future.

FINAL THANKS

Our Staff and Board value the positive relationships we are building with our affiliated Clubs and Schools, and look forward to continuing and growing the regular Club Forums and Development workshops, enhancing the two-way communication between us all. Thank you to all of our Club and School personnel, and to the Athletes, Coaches, Administrators and Volunteers who devote their time and energy towards the sport of Rowing.

Rowing Australia (RA) continues its increased focusing on a collaborative approach with the State Associations and Clubs throughout the country. We hosted Ian Robson and Carmen Wearne from RA and for the second annual Forum for the SA Rowing community in May, and RA have now locked this in as an annual event to share and gather information with key stakeholders.

Finally, I'd like to again acknowledge our dedicated group of Volunteers and Boat Race Officials who enable us to conduct safe and enjoyable regattas and maintain the West Lakes facility and course for the benefit of our rowing community. Many of them have also assisted in the ongoing facility maintenance and upgrade work at West Lakes. We have enjoyed conducting some social events to thank this group, and we are currently working on new recruiting initiatives to attract new people to spread the load and ensure we have the required resources to delivering quality events and meet anticipated growth requirements.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed in some way throughout 2018/19, and I look forward to working with our Board, Staff and the entire rowing community as we head into the 2019/20 season.

David Hutton

Chief Executive Officer
August 2019

COMPETITIONS AND MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Rowing SA held 21 Regattas across with 2018/19 season in addition to the annual Winter Series Regattas and Time Trials with participation in most regattas increasing on 2017/18 numbers.

The Winter Series and Time Trials held through the July – September period continue to attract growing interest. We continue to experiment with the Winter Series, a relatively new introduction to the Rowing SA Calendar, in order to find a good balance in competition offerings for athletes new to the sport, athletes engaged in club winter school programs, and athletes looking to break up their winter training. This is complemented by the General Entry Time Trials, jointly hosted by Rowing SA and SASI, that provide athletes an opportunity to track their progress alongside some of the best athletes in the state. This season we introduced a stand-alone Winter Membership fee for these events to assist in ensuring these events are properly resourced as their popularity grows.

As has become customary, our main season began with a series of long distance events comprised of the Head of the Port, 3 Mile Eight Race at the Murray Bridge Regatta, and Round the Island Regatta, which continue to attract crews training for the ever popular Head of the Yarra event in Melbourne at the end of November. Following this, the 2018-19 season moved through to standard 6-8 lane regattas, with the first half of the season culminating in the Riverland Regatta & 2nd Grade State Championships held in Berri this year with increasing depth across the 2nd Grade events, and continued support and participation from all parts of the rowing community.

Once again the February and March Regattas were the most popular of the season with the School Premiership Series Regattas and West Lakes Regattas attracting between 830-1050 competitors. While it is great to have this number of athletes engaged in our sport at this time, it is also the period where our somewhat limited number of Boat Race Officials and Volunteers are under the most pressure. As a result, to curtail the length of some regatta days we implemented the rotation of some events - this meant that some groups did not have an event available to them at these regattas. While we acknowledge this is not an ideal solution, we believe we need to recognise the needs and limitations of our Officials and Volunteers in the structuring and planning of regattas, and ensure that we are constantly looking to grow our numbers in line with increased demand for access to competition opportunities.

Our newly updated Weather and Condition Management Policy was unfortunately required to be enacted for Day 1 of the SA State Championships in early March. This meant that a handful of events had to be modified or cancelled. In spite of this, entries in the SA State Championships continue to grow with entries on a per boat basis the highest they have ever been. This has led to larger and more competitive fields in most events, however many of our Open events have not experienced this same growth. Rectifying this will be a significant focus moving forward for the association into the 2019/20 season and beyond, and one that will require input from all clubs and schools across our sport.

Bec Lannan

Regatta Operations Manager
August 2019

DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Development within SA's rowing community has seen some great improvements over the year. There have been two successful underage development trips – the Pathway Eight group travelling to Sydney in April and the Club Development trip once again travelling to Perth in July. These have both seen an uplift in interest at the senior school level, as well as transfer to club training and racing which is vital to the growth and development of our sport.

Rowing SA thanks the Torrens Rowing Club and Christine MacLaren from the SA Sports Institute for helping to drive the 'Row4Gold', Talent Search, Talent Id and Para Rowing programs throughout the season. These programs have delivered positive results in terms of developing and retaining young rowers, as well as introducing new athletes into our sport – we appreciate all the hard work of the coaches involved (see pages 41 & 42 for more details on these programs).

There has been some growth outside of our usual school programs with two 'Riggers' programs being run throughout the year – this is a national introductory program being piloted in Primary Schools with Indoor Rowing machines. Now that the association has some experience in this space, further growth is expected through effective marketing and promotion. Further transfer of students from non-rowing schools is expected from this program in the near future. We have also piloted a similar model with some Corporate organisations and look to develop this concept as a way of getting more people to experience the joy of rowing.

The Masters State Team has seen greater interest and numbers in recent years, and for the first time South Australia was represented in all 4 boat classes at the 2019 Australian Masters Championships in Champion Lakes, Western Australia –Eights and Quads in both the men's and women's division, with some strong performances (see full crew lists and results on page 26 and a more detailed report on page 39), along with SA being well represented in many Club events at the Championships.

Coach development has continued in an upward direction with the coach seminar series at the beginning of the season leading to an uplift in overall accredited coach numbers of 20%. Six sessions were presented on a range of topics from coach professional issues to technique fault identification and correction. This will continue next season, commencing with a Coaches Conference in September and an aim to lift the overall level of coaching and official accreditation numbers throughout the state.

The number of Boat Race Officials (BRO's) has stagnated over the past few years, however we will also see an uplift in this area during the coming season with over 25 people registering to do the Level 1 Introductory BRO course through the off-season. This presents a great opportunity to provide more support to our dedicated band of regatta officials, and opens up options to conduct regattas in more than one location on a given day to handle future growth. On the administration side the association is furthering its compliance with new Working with Children checks and other necessary government regulations and compliance. Overall our volunteers are in good shape with the ability to cover all programmed regattas in the upcoming season.

Sam Jordan

State Development Officer
August 2019

COURSE MANAGER'S REPORT

This year's main purchase has been a new 60hp Mercury 'Big Foot' outboard motor for the course barge. These motors are designed to be used on houseboats and generally used on commercial boats. Over the last 12 months we have clocked up 200 engine hours with no operational problems.

500 new soft pliable buoys have been purchased and are slowly being introduced into service as old buoys fail or are lost. It is hoped that another 500 buoys will be purchased in the next 12 months.

Please note that Lane 4 (indicated by yellow buoys), has a dual purpose. On Regatta days it easily identifies Lane 4 for both competitors and spectators. While in training, it will act as the neutral or safety lane that will separate rowing traffic. Please DO NOT row in this lane during training. Always refer to the 'Rowing Training Map' displayed on the finish pontoon. It clearly explains traffic flow and general rowing rules on the course. These are here for everybody's safety, so please follow diligently.

Rowing SA will continually reinforce DPTI Marine Rules for lighting that must be displayed on your boat during early morning /evening, and poor light conditions. There has been a fantastic response from the rowing public, so keep up the great work. There is a light sensitive Red light on the top level of the Finish Tower that will indicate when you should have lights on your boat (i.e. If the Red light is ON, you MUST have lights on your boat). Don't forget to replace your batteries when they start to dim, remembering that these lights need to be seen from 1km away.

Major Events held on the A.M Ramsay Rowing Course in the 2018/2019 season were:

- 2019 State Dragon Boat Championships
- 2019 State Rowing Championships
- 2019 State Canoe Championships
- 2019 Schools Head of the River
- 2019 SA Swimming Long Distance State Championships
- 2018 Paddle Australia Grand Prix 2

Volunteer Helpers

A huge thankyou to all the volunteers for their contributions last season, your help was invaluable. We look forward to your continued efforts and also any new 'recruits' for next season. Special mentions to Jeff Erikson (Scouts), Peter Young (Chief Barge Driver), Denis Cooper, Tim Ward (BRO), John Asenstorfer (BRO) and Barny Cundell (BRO) who have all contributed more than 10 sessions this season. The above named have probably contributed 60% of the total volunteer hours. More than 50 separate volunteers have contributed approx. 500 hours last season! Thank you to all, I'm sure all rowers appreciate your efforts.

Brett Ralph

Course Manager
August 2019

ROWING SA BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

UMPIRES AND VOLUNTEERS

Another season over, the regattas went very well and while some were run in conditions that could be described as difficult, as always they were run very safely. We did lose a significant part of one regatta in December due to wind and had to cancel some events for the younger rowers during the State Championships due to heat, all in accordance with the Rowing SA Weather and Condition Management Policy, other than that it was a good season.

With the addition of year 7 crews in recent seasons our athlete numbers have continued to increase, having gone up some 15% in the last few years and this is expected to continue. To help manage the additional pressure and demand this growth places on staffing regattas with umpires, Rowing SA Development Officer, Sam Jordan, has contacted most schools looking for new umpires. We now have a seminar in August with about 20 parents considering joining us - this will be a great help in the running of regattas moving forward and I must thank all the schools who have helped spread the word and encourage attendance.

We now have 5 umpire's catamarans, this has reduced the wash problems of the past and made racing more enjoyable for everyone. I can also report that all our umpires now have a working with children clearance and most, if not all, have completed first aid/CPR training, just another small but important thing we all do to make Rowing safer for all participants.

I would like to advise all Clubs that Vicky Knight has been presenting a 'Rowing & Regatta Preparation' presentation for both rowers and coxswains. I am told that it is very helpful for all involved, especially younger or new rowers, letting them know what to do and expect on regatta day. If you would like to find out more or would like to have a presentation at your school or club, please ask Vicky.

I will finish this report by first congratulating our new Level 2 umpires David Mahony and Peter Young. We welcome them warmly to our ranks. I am also very happy to announce Vicky Knight has now become a Level 3 Australian umpire. Well done all.

Finally, I must thank all the hard working umpires and volunteers for all the work they do, as without them we would not have the sport that we all enjoy so much.

Greg Melbourne

Umpires and Volunteers Subcommittee Chair
August 2019

ROWING SA BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS (CONT.)

MASTERS

Season 2018-2019 was one which saw a renewed enthusiasm for Masters Rowing. The highlight of the season was to see an enthusiasm towards representing SA at the Australian Masters National Regatta in Perth in May. For the first time, we had a full team of men's eight and quad as well as women's eight and quad. What made this even more exciting was each squad was energetically supported by nominees that then required a selection process.

At the Nationals, we earned a silver from the men's 8 and a bronze in the women's quad in the Interstate events. The men's quad and the women's 8, although not in the medals performed well above expectations. In addition, medals were won by a large number of the masters crews who competed.

A special thanks must go to the clubs and community that supported the crews at the Nationals. In particular Torrens, Riverside, Port Adelaide and Adelaide University Rowing clubs supported by providing boats and equipment, Philip Mangelsdorf for driving the trailer, supported by his partner Ann and Rowing SA. Also, the coaches, Rob Cheesman, John Bentley, George Ujvary, Ben Flannagan and Steve Pennington for the many hours they put in to preparing the crews.

It is hoped that the success of the 2018 Nationals will be the stimulus for an equal or bigger effort for next year's event.

I would also like to acknowledge the efforts of the masters committee, Vicky Knight, Mark Mussared, Stuart Harrison, Philip Gebhardt, Greg Melbourne and the RSA office staff. Their work has been instrumental in the growing successes of masters rowing in South Australia.

Steve Pennington

Masters Subcommittee Chair
August 2019



Renmark Rowing Club, MMix2x, 2018 Riverland Regatta & 2nd Grade State Championships

Photo courtesy Rowing SA

SASI REPORT

Another successful season for South Australian athletes, has seen our three SASI graduates- Olympia Aldersey, Molly Goodman and Alexander Hill feature in medal performances at the recent World Cups. Jed Altschwager and Will Smith were selected in the PR3 M2-, winning a gold medal at the 2019 FISA International Para Rowing Regatta. They head off to the World Championships alongside Hill, Aldersey and Goodman in August.

Good results also from SASI athletes on U23 and U21 Australian Teams. Angus Dawson won the gold medal in the U23 M4+, in an incredibly tight race, and both Celia Cowan and Oscar McGuinness won their small boat events at the U21 regatta.

Please see the below table to a full list of SASI Athletes on National Teams.

SASI REPRESENTATIVES ON AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL TEAMS 2019

	SASI Scholarship	Club	Junior Team	U21 Team	U23 World Championships	World Championships
ATHLETES						
Alexander Hill	Graduate	ARC				TBC
Olympia Aldersey	Graduate	ARC				TBC
Molly Goodman	Graduate	ARC				TBC
Jed Altschwager	HP Para Scholarship	TRC				PR3 M2-
Will Smith	Associate Scholarship	AUBC				PR3 M2-
Angus Dawson	Associate Scholarship	ARC			M4+	
Mitchell Reinhard	Associate Scholarship	ARC			LM2x	
Celia Cowan	Associate Scholarship	AUBC		LW1x - Reserve		
Oscar McGuinness	Associate Scholarship	ARC		LM2x (TransTasman #1)		
Katelyn Nicholson	Associate Scholarship	ARC		W1x (TransTasman #1)		
COACHES & SUPPORT STAFF						
Jason Lane		SASI	Head Coach			
Eileen Robertson		SASI	Sports Science			
Christine MacLaren		SASI		Team Manager		

SASI REPORT (CONT.)

2018-19 again proved to be a successful year for SASI Rowing, led by Head Coach Jason Lane, the program increased the numbers of representative athletes, both scholarship and graduates, on National Teams. Coxswain Alannah Gilmore (Adelaide Rowing Club) was also selected to cox the U23 M8+, making eleven South Australian athletes, plus three coaches/support staff, with representation from SASI on all Australia Teams - Junior, U21, U23 and Senior (including para).



Angus Dawson, AUS U23M4+, Gold Medallist, U23 World Championships, 2019

Photo courtesy Rowing Australia

The continuing collaboration between states ensures that athletes are given the best opportunity for combinations for selection trials. South Australia worked with New South Wales athletes to give our emerging junior boys a good experience through Junior trials, with Nick Blackman (Pembroke) and James Andrewartha (St Peters College) in combinations until the last day. Unfortunately, no combination met the benchmark speed, but the experience has set the group up well for 2020 trials.

The State Pathway Program provides the underpinning programs to the SASI High Performance Program and works in collaboration with Rowing SA, and SA clubs and schools to ensure clear, functioning pathways for talented athletes. These programs encompass the identification and development of new and existing talent and aim to educate them in understanding what is required in high performance sport. Education sessions on time management, stretching, the importance of recovery, nutrition, and understanding training were delivered by SASI coaches and support staff to young athletes throughout the year.



SA Development Tour Athletes, Western Australia, 2019

Photo courtesy Christine MacLaren

SASI REPORT

Torrens Rowing Club continues to host the newly identified talent search athletes - those at non rowing schools - and also the para talent search athletes, a new initiative at the end of 2018.

Funding through the second year of Rowing SA's State Government "Girls4Gold" Grant has supported initiatives to facilitate the development and education of female coaches and athletes, by giving them the chance to attend state and national level development opportunities - such as the National Championships, Interstate Regatta, Pathway Regatta, WA Development Tour, and various camps.

The SASI program is grateful for the support of a dedicated team of coaches and staff, who have assisted the SASI athletes through the season and contributed to another successful year.

We would like to thank Brynley Millward, who has assisted with the SASI program over the past few seasons and we wish him well with his new employment as a school rowing coordinator.

Thank you also to all club and school coaches, volunteers, and Rowing SA who have worked with the program over the year.

Jason Lane

SASI Rowing Head Coach
August 2019

Christine MacLaren

SASI Rowing Talent Pathway Coordinator
August 2019



Alex Hill, AUS M2-, Gold Medallist, World Cup #3, 2019

Photo courtesy Rowing Australia

ROWING SOUTH AUSTRALIA WOULD LIKE TO THANK ITS DEDICATED UMPIRES, OFFICIALS, AND VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR VALUED SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE 2018-19 REGATTA SEASON.



RSA Umpires, Officials & Volunteers, 2018 Riverland Regatta & 2nd Grade State Championships Photo courtesy Cynthia Judd & Ann Koch

Pictured – Courtney Bastian, Sophie Blyth, Paul Knight, John Asenstorfer, Steve Pennington, Greg Melbourne, Brett Ralph, Terry Blyth, Josh Bastian, Barny Cundell, Norm Saunders, Peter Young, Vicki Knight, Doug Raymond.

Not pictured – Dianne DiBellis, Christine Cundell, Emily Melbourne, Jeff Erikson, Tim Ward, Phil Mangelsdorf, Cynthia Judd, Ann Koch, Doug Raymond, Mark Mussared, Geoff Playford, Toni Milne, Paul Logan, David Mahony, Greg Starkey, David Lascelles, Dennis Cooper, Joe Jackson, Ross Moffat, Bryan O'Donnell



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