

Club News



North Shore Rowing Club

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Special AGM Edition - Reports from Your Committee

As well as the usual official requirements for the AGM, several reports are presented that cover activity from the previous financial year. Much of this documents the Club's and Members' activities and achievements and is of interest to all Members. This edition of Club News is primarily devoted to reporting some of the highlights from the reports at the AGM.

Captain's Report

"The club has been well represented at regattas from all age groups of rowers from our juniors through to masters. My congratulations go to those who have participated and to those who have won against tough competition from other clubs.

"The coaches need a special thank you for their dedication in providing top class training programs for all of us. They have been out early in a cold tinny, providing much needed advice and, always with a smile on their faces.

"The changing dynamics of the club in changing from an on-site caretaker to having to be responsible for our day-to-day operation, building cleanliness and security has meant that each of us has had to be involved in contributing our time and efforts to facilitate this change. The observations I have made and the conversations that I have had with members leave me with the overall impression that to date we have achieved success in this change."

As we move forward into another busy regatta season, we require Members-in-Charge (MICs) to be on duty from 5.30 to 7.30 am each morning. This was discussed at the AGM and I am putting a roster together of Members who can devote at least one day per month to be MIC. Contact Tony Wehby or me if you are able to help out, johnchilds@white-lite.com.au



Ok, hands on!

John Childs, Captain

President's Report

Highlights from David Cay's report:

- Membership is just over 200
- Our goal is to redevelop this site with a new and larger clubhouse (see separate report from Tony Wehby)
- Thanks to Peter Messenger who negotiated the present lease with three government authorities
- Competitively, another encouraging year with good results and much enjoyment
- As a result of pressure from Boat Race Officials, the Club's Regatta will now be held at SIRC. We have applied to NSWRA for a combined regatta with Roseville College in December this year.
- We note the excellent cooperation and volunteer service Members have contributed to the Club.

Club Awards

The Stuart MacPherson Shield - Tamsin Peters

The Doug Bowden Shield - James Cassidy

The Master's Shield - Margaret Taylor

The President's Award - Helen Ritchie

David Cay, President

Club Officers & Committee - 2003/2004

President - David Cay

Vice President - Paul Tout

Secretary - Caroline Lane

Treasurer - Norma Perry

Asst. Treasurer - Helen

Ritchie

Committee Members - Bob Smith, Andrew Boyce

Associate Member - Laurie Ormerod

NSWRA Delegate - John James

Development Officer - Jono Massy-Greene

Roseville College Representative - Glen Bates

Captain - John Childs

Vice Captain - Tony Wehby

Boat Master - John James

Treasurer's Report

Highlights from Norma Perry's report:

- \$15,462 surplus compared with \$15,884 last year
- 66% increase in cash position with a balance of \$98,014
- Revenue increased 3.7% to \$110,225
- Expenses increased 4.8% to \$94,763
- Goals and achievements:
 - Streamlined invoicing and collection of subscriptions and fees
 - Established credit card facilities and internet banking to reduce cash handling and facilitate payments
 - Built cash balances in anticipation of future expenditures on Clubhouse and Fleet
 - Developed detailed asset listing and insurance risk profile
 - Prepared Membership Booklet
 - Secured uniforms and other merchandise purchased for sale



Norma Perry (right), Treasurer & Helen Ritchie, Asst Treasurer

Training for Boat Driver's License

Given sufficient numbers of people, Luke Tucker, our local Waterways Officer has offered to conduct 6 hours of group training on a Saturday and Sunday morning in August for those Members who wish to get a Boat Driver's License. To register your interest please call Caroline Lane, Hon. Secretary, on H.9954-3378 or M. 0439 455 194 asap.

Social and Fund Raising

A Corporate Golf Day is in the pipeline so gather your friends, workmates, neighbours and family and watch for notices in the Clubhouse. This will be a fun and fundraising event.

On the social side, it is time for the "Row to the Weir" picnic, although this year, we can't row to the weir. An alternate route is being planned for 24 August, so put it in your diary. It will start at 7.30 am and finish with a

CRAB (Club Review of Accommodation and Buildings) Sub-Committee Report

Sue Walter, Social & Fund Raising

Sub-Committee Members are Tony Wehby (Vice Captain and Sub-Committee Chairman) Peter Arnold, Peter Messenger, Justin Peters and Martin Priestley. The role of the Sub-Committee is to undertake the necessary investigation and consultation in order to present recommended options to the Club Committee.

Because of the complexity of the task the interim conclusion is that a new clubhouse is a more viable and long term solution than extensive repairs and refurbishment. The Sub-Committee has reviewed previous studies to identify planned member numbers, member classes and boat requirements.

We hope to have sketch plans and specifications for 3 options ready to display to Members and discuss with Council in the next 3 months. Costings will flow from the next tranche of work, however a working number of \$1 million is the funding challenge we will face if and when a decision is made to proceed.

Tony Wehby, Vice Captain

Other News

Corporate Regatta

What a huge success it was! Six crews braved the rain, wind, dark and cold mornings for 6 weeks to train for the Regatta which was held on 15 June. Roseville College provided three crews and the Club provided the other three, thanks to Tower Technology, ACP and a few "orphans". As the competition hotted up, the crews got more serious and by the time the Regatta Dinner rolled around on the Friday before the Regatta, the stakes were running hot. Over 100 participants and partners came to the dinner. The entertainment was fantastic and got the weekend off to a great start.

The weather on the day co-operated and the final winner was the Rose Petal crew - (all big burly men with oh! so light a touch). The net surplus was \$19,500 which will be split between Roseville and the Club. Congratulations to Helen Ritchie and Sue Walter who were the major organisers. Thanks also to all the coaches, coxes, boat organisers and helpers on the day. Truly a team effort!!

Membership Fees

Fees are due and payable as at 1st May. Anyone not having paid by 1st August may be removed from the register of members and not allowed to use club equipment. A reminder that fees may be paid by credit card, cheque or direct transfer, but **not** cash.