

★ **STAR BOATING CLUB** ★

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WELLINGTON

NEW ZEALAND



96th ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

to be submitted to the

**ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING**

to be held in

THE CLUBHOUSE ON THURSDAY, 30th AUGUST, 1962.



OFFICERS:

President: Mr. W. S. Wheeler.

Vice-President: Mr. T. A. Hinkley.

Club Captain: Mr. F. L. Scott.

Deputy Club Captain: Mr. A. R. Scott

Secretary: Mr. W. R. Armstrong.

Treasurer: Mr. D. A. Cameron.

Match Committee: Messrs. D. A. Fahey, R. McFarlane, W. Hillock.

General Committee: Messrs. A. L. Brown, W. D. Dent, H. Hill, C. E. McMahon, J. Morgan,
C. W. Smith.

Delegates to W.A.R.A.: Messrs. F. L. Scott, D. A. Cameron, W. R. Armstrong.

Auditors: Messrs. G. C. Broad, A. R. Burge.

LIST OF MEMBERS

Life Active

1919* F. B. Anyon
1934* H. W. Bevan
1937* W. A. Bryan
1933* A. R. Burge
1935* S. Columb
1931* J. F. Eggers
1934* G. A. H. Field
1932* W. B. Fitchett
1907* Lord B. C. Freyberg, V.C.
1936* W. T. Fitzgerald
1903* F. H. C. Galvin

1925* G. D. D. Gray
1934* R. P. Hansen
1935* W. H. G. Hawker
1938* W. Hillock
1926* T. M. Hinkley
1934* L. L. Hosking
1904* J. A. E. Kerlake
1929* S. I. Kidd
1928* A. R. Lawson
1929* K. E. May
1912* M. G. C. McCaul

1926* F. H. Mullins
1926* C. J. MacGibbon
1908* C. J. Robinson
1933* A. Ross
1936* N. M. Rose
1900* F. H. R. Taylor
1906* M. A. Turner
1927* E. G. Webb
1901* W. S. Wheeler
1941* B. G. Wilford

Life Honorary:

1934* A. A. Andrews
1937* J. F. Ashby
1902* H. S. Barrow
1934* G. C. Broad
1936* M. H. Clay
1940* A. G. Cockroft
1925* R. A. Comerford
1906* J. M. Curtis
1905* J. E. Davis
1920* F. G. Dobson
1939* V. E. Donnelly
1898* C. N. Fraser
1928* A. G. Gibbons

1934* G. C. Gibbons
1911* R. B. Gibbons
1916* W. P. McGowan
1937* R. P. Hill
1918* H. P. Herd
1935* R. V. Hodson
1924* B. W. Johns
1917* F. G. Oborn
1941* A. G. Little
1898* C. E. Maudsley
1925* R. D. J. C. Molfatt
1908* S. D. Nathan
1919* I. A. Pearce

1917* J. W. H. Pringle
1902* P. R. Pye-Smith
1901* H. A. Shearman
1920* G. C. Sherwood
1917* W. Simm
1908* A. G. Smith
1910* H. V. Tomlinson
1934* J. McK. Toms
1891* R. W. Wallace
1895* C. H. Webb-Bowen
1888* L. C. Woolcott
1908* H. H. A. Young
1937* W. L. Young

Active:

1955* G. L. Ansell
1960* B. Armstrong
1958* W. R. Armstrong
1961 R. Baker
1961* J. Belgrave
1958* A. Bentley
1961 C. W. Bishop
1957* F. C. Borrett
1955* A. L. Brown
1955* D. A. Cameron
1949* R. R. Carroll
1949* C. H. Cederholm
1961 G. J. Cooper
1961 D. A. Coombe
1959* R. G. Christie
1958* J. Cordiner
1961* P. Crichton
1958* P. E. Davis
1959* W. D. Dent
1955* R. Elliott
1960* W. Falconer

1959* R. N. Farrar
1959* I. Fisher
1948* S. G. Gillen
1961 R. Glew
1961 K. Grant
1959* R. Green
1959* H. Hill
1959 M. Hinge
1925* P. Hinge
1958* A. T. Hinkley
1958* A. G. Johnson
1956* H. B. Leckie
1954* R. S. Leckie
1960 B. Leseour
1960 L. Lilburne
1959* G. Linford
1958* R. B. McCorkindale
1961* D. McEldowney
1956* P. W. McFarlane
1961 D. J. McGuire
1955* C. E. McMahon
1961* D. Miller

1950* J. Morgan
1960 D. Murgatroyd
1956* D. J. Newman
1961* G. Peterson
1961 B. Pobar
1961 D. Rangi
1957* E. Rogers
1961 C. Robson
1961 P. Russo
1946* G. H. S. Sadler
1961 R. Saxton
1955* L. F. Schwass
1959* R. Schwass
1952* A. R. Scott
1951* F. L. Scott
1960* G. Skipper
1958* C. W. Smith
1946* L. Smith
1961* L. Sunde
1958* R. J. Vine
1960* B. Welch
1961* D. G. Winter

Honorary:

1944* R. W. Allum
1942 J. Aspell
1948 C. Aitken
1926* F. M. Bell
1954* A. A. Burgess
1920* M. H. Carroll
1946 F. G. Dobbs
1949 H. Edgell

1961* D. A. Fahey
1959 P. Johnson
1961* N. Lynch
1958 R. McFarlane
1956* P. McMahon
1961 N. McNamara
1957 G. O'Moore
1949 J. J. O'Neill

1946* R. W. Paton
1946* W. Porter
1958 K. Manning
1948* A. J. Simes
1948* A. A. Turner
1946 W. Walburton
1953* R. O. Weenink
1959 D. Young

Country

1959* H. J. Cranfield
1941* G. T. Cornink
1959* R. R. Davies
1957 W. K. McConville

1945* D. McLeod
1947 G. Richards

1943 W. K. Stone
1959* J. W. Turnbull

* Denotes first class oarsman.

Schoolboy Members

Rongotai College—16

Wellington College—14

Coxswains: Gerard Guthrie, John Carr, Max Bridge, Jim Booth, Stewart Johnson, Kevin Carr, David Morgan, Geoff Turner.

Gentlemen,—

Your Committee has pleasure in presenting the Club's 96th Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th June, 1962.

INTRODUCTORY:

The 1961/62 season saw an improvement in the number of wins and placings in status regattas compared with the previous season and perhaps an all time record in local regattas when the Redding Shield, Norton Cup, Mothes Shield, Novice Shield, Youth Plate and White Horse Cup, i.e. all W.A.R.A. trophies for local regattas, were won. For the first time in many years two Colleges, Wellington and Rongotai have officially adopted rowing as a sport. Both schools use the Club's plant and facilities and under the able direction of their coaches, Messrs. A. Bentley and N. Lynch (Rongotai), and Mr D. Miller (Wellington), the sport is gaining strength. Old members and parents of present members have supported the Club and with a well balanced membership the Club can look forward to greater achievements next year.

FINANCIAL:

The purchase of new plant plus Clubhouse and plant repairs have greatly depleted the Club's funds which has been further aggravated by a loss in revenue from the hall plus the discontinuation of the weekly competition owing to lack of support. This competition will, no doubt, be revised next year but will require the co-operation of many more members.

For the above reasons and also because of the future purchase of urgently needed oars no payments were made into the Club's Centennial Fund before the close of accounts on 30th June. However, it is recommended that a double payment be made next year as the Centenary is now only four years away and it is important that sufficient funds are in hand to record this important milestone in the Club's history.

COMMITTEE:

The Secretary, Mr W. R. Armstrong, who has given sterling service over the past two years was obliged to resign in April in view of his departure for the United Kingdom. The Committee was pleased to appoint Mr R. Elliott as Secretary in Mr Armstrong's stead.

The Committee held 10 meetings during the season the attendance resulting as follows:

Messrs. F. L. Scott 10, A. R. Scott 10, W. R. Armstrong 5 (resigned April '62), D. A. Cameron 10, R. Elliott 3 (appointed June '62), W. D. Dent 7, H. Hill 5, C. E. McMahon 5, J. Morgan 9, C. W. Smith 9, A. L. Brown 6.

MEMBERSHIP:

The Club's membership has remained at a satisfactory level with a number of promising and successful crews. With a number of ex-College oarsmen now joining the Club there is no reason, provided a steady intake of Novices continues, why the membership should not increase even more. Acquisitions were made in all grades and the standard of training was generally high among most crews. The Club has the material to annex New Zealand Championship honours and with further determination in training and coaching such honours can be achieved. By maintaining a high membership coupled with increasing enthusiasm the future of the Club should be well assured.

The following table gives a comparative breakdown of the membership of the Club:—

	L. Act.	L. Hon.	Act.	Hon.	Country	Total
As at 30.6.61	32	40	68	22	8	170
New Members	—	—	22	3	—	25
Resigned	32	40	90	25	8	195
Deaths	—	—	20	—	—	20
	32	40	70	25	8	175
	1	2	—	—	—	3
Transfers	31	38	70	25	8	172
	†1	†2	-5	†1	†1	—
As at 30.6.62	32	40	65	26	9	172

WELLINGTON AMATEUR ROWING ASSOCIATION:

Messrs. F. L. Scott, D. A. Cameron and W. R. Armstrong were the Club's delegates on the W.A.R.A. Other Club members on the Associations' executives were Messrs. R. O. Weenink and W. D. Dent as Secretary and Treasurer respectively and as regatta officials Mr G. H. Sadler (starter), Mr N. Lynch (weights steward) and W. Hillock (judge).

The Association again had another busy season and were unfortunate when another wind change necessitated the shifting of the course during the Wellington Regatta from Koro Koro into Oriental Bay. That this was accomplished smoothly is a testimonial to the Association officials.

PLANT:

With the arrival in April 1962 of a convertible coxless B. and B. Pair from Sims the Club's plant is almost complete. There is now sufficient racing and training boats to have nearly 70 oarsmen on the water at the one time. Further enquiries have been made to obtain a coxed B and B pair in New Zealand but so far no reply has been received. Despite purchases over the past two years the stock of oars remains barely adequate. Recently, however, an order was placed for £200 of oars which should arrive before the rowing season is under way and should be sufficient for the next few years.

Maintenance and preparation of plant has been left to fewer members than ever during the season. The fact that many boats are in good rowable condition is due to the big effort on the part of just a very few members. The Club now possesses a great deal of plant, the maintenance of which should be the concern of all who use those boats.

A summary of the Club's plant appears as an appendix to this report.

COACHING AND TRAINING:

There is no doubt that over the past few seasons many more crews have approached their training with determination and a will which has been reflected in an improved performance at local and status regattas. The accent on eight oared rowing has also assisted with improving the style but this type of rowing brings another problem mainly during week nights when valuable training time is lost whilst most members of an eight crew are waiting until the last member arrives from work. This will need to be taken into account when crews are selected next season.

The senior members of the Club have shown a good example regarding training and this plus the enthusiasm and keenness of a few coaches has been responsible for the improved standard of rowing.

The Club is indeed indebted to those coaches who gave their time and experience to help present day crews but with a large number of crews more coaches are required particularly as the average age of new members is lower than in previous seasons.

Early in the season the Club experimented by taking a truck load of boats to Plimmerton for a complete uninterrupted day's rowing and coaching. This move proved successful and it is recommended that this be extended next season.

CLUBHOUSE:

Towards the end of the rowing season members laid a new hot mix malthoid cover over the roof above the hall which previously had been leaking badly. The remainder of the roof, although in better condition, also will require repairing. A large amount of finance has been spent over the past few years in painting the Clubhouse, renovating the inside and repairing the roof, the labour being provided by a large number of members.

The skids still require repairs and this work should be put in hand early in the season if they are to be permanently usable.

Generally the Clubhouse is still structurally sound despite its 78 years but continual maintenance, e.g. replacing broken windows, and flooring, etc., must be done.