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Dear Mr Thompson,

MAADI CUP

The Star Boating Club Treasurer, Mr Allan Boddington, has sent me a photocopy of a page from the July issue of "NZ ROWING" regarding Secondary School Rowing, as I was a member of the crew that won the Freyberg Cup.

I have managed to dig up a couple of photographs - one of a group of the NZEF Rowing Club (1943?) which would include members of the winning crew, and another one showing the boathouse of the Cairo River Club where we trained and spent many happy hours with the local members. We all became honorary members of the Club.

Unfortunately after all these years the names of the people in the photograph I cannot remember except for four or five. I sent a copy of the photograph to E.V. (Doggie) Dawson and he is in the same boat as I am concerning names. However he did send me a photo (copy att.), of the presentation of the Cup to him from the wife (he thinks) of the President of the Cairo River Club. On the right is the late Brig. Jim Burrows and the others gathered are no doubt members of the local club. A couple of Kiwis appear in the background. I was not there myself and so cannot remember the occasion.

I also enclose copies of a regatta programme of 26th May 1940 which must have been the first one we took part in. There are some notable names amongst the crews.

I hope the above and attachments will be of interest. I will see if I can find other records of those far off days!

Kind regards,

Dick Burge
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See Mr Boddington -

Copy for new information

ROWING

MATCH WITH C.R.C.:

This regatta resulted in a win for the N.Z.E.F. Team by 7 points to 6. Short details are as follows:

Pairs: Won by N.Z.E.F.
Fours: " C.R.C.
Singles: " C.R.C.
Fights: " N.Z.E.F.

Added interest was lent to the regatta by the presence of the G.O.C., who very kindly presented medals to the winning crews, and the cup to the N.Z.F.F. Team.

A letter of appreciation has been sent to the C.R.C. for doing what they did to make the regatta the success it was.

ALEXANDRIA REGATTA:

An eight was entered for this regatta, but unfortunately some members were unable to make the trip. As there was only one other starter, the crew had a very good chance of winning this race.

PORT SAID REGATTA:

It is more than likely that an eight will be starting in the regatta, but fuller details will be announced later.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Members are reminded that the June subscription of P.T.25 is now due and should be paid to the Secretary as soon as possible. In this respect it may be stated that application is being made to units for grants to subsidise our subscriptions. In the event of these application being successful refunds will be made.

MEMBERSHIP:

The C.R.C. has intimated that they are prepared to take a further limited number of members. Units are requested to nominate suitable men. Experienced oarsmen are desirable, but keen novices will be considered.

INTER-CLUB REGATTA:

An inter-club regatta will be held towards the end of the month between the five local clubs. No eights are on the programme, but a senior four will more than likely be entered from the Club to row for the C.R.C.

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.....Pte.,
Hon. Sec.,
N.Z.E.F. ROWING CLUB.

RACE WITH THE CAIRO RIVER CLUB

PROGRAMME:

The following is the programme of events for June 2nd.:

1. 1600 hours. Pairs, N.Z. v C.R.C. No 2 Position, 1500 metres
2. 1615 " Club race - fours.
3. 1630 " Singles, N.Z. v C.R.C., 2 " 1500 "
4. 1645 " Club race - pairs.
5. 1700 " Fours, N.Z. v C.R.C., No.1 " 2000 "
6. 1715 " Club race - singles.
7. 1730 " Eights, N.Z. v C.R.C., 2 " 2000 "

No 1 Position is nearest the Club.

The dress for N.Z.E.F. crews will be a white singlet and khaki shorts. Members are urged to keep to this dress even when out training.

CREWS:

The following crews have been finally selected:

<u>Eights</u>		<u>Singles:</u>
Str. L/Cpl. Cooke, G.C.,	19th. Bn.	Cpl. May, K.E., A.S.C.
7 Sgt. Andrews, A.A.,	Div. Sigs.	
6 Pte. Clay, P.,	Div. H.Q.	
5 2/Lt. A.R. Lawson,	19th. Bn.	<u>PAIRS:</u>
4 2/Lt. J.I. Thoday,	19th. Bn.	Str. L/Cpl. Cooke, G.C.
3 L/Cpl. McLernon, C.	19th. Bn.	Row Sgt. Andrews, A.A.
2 L/Cpl. Norton, J.P.,	Div. Cav.	
Row Cpl. Cornish, A.E.,	Div. Cav.	

FOURS:

Str. Cpl. West, C.J.,	20th. Bn.
3 L/Cpl. Toms, J.,	Div. Sigs.
2 Cpl. Anderson, R.E.O.,	20th. Bn.
Row Pte. Burge, A.R.,	19th. Bn.

Not much time is left, and the above men are urged to make every effort to get down to the Club on all days available this last week.

SOCIAL:

A souvenir programme is being produced, to sell at P.T. I

A dance will be held in the evening, and all are invited to attend.

Charges for both the regatta and dance are as follows:

General public:	II P.T.
Ladies and military:	7½ "
Members of the Club:	5½ "
Competitors:	Free.

Tickets may be obtained from the Secretary, or at the door.

OFFICIALS:

Officials for the day will be representatives from other local clubs, but L/Cpl. Cox, N.D. will remain as Official Timekeeper.

(Signed) A.R. BURGE, Pte.,

HON. SEC., N.Z.E.F. ROWING CLUB.