

1928 Australian Ladies' Rowing Council meeting

1928 conference held Sydney Rowing Club Branch, Abbotsford, April 25, 1928.

Miss Pike of S.L.R.C. was deputed to act as proxy for A.N.A. Ladies Rowing Club, Perth.

The Secretary advised that an application for affiliation had been received from the Fitzroy Ladies Rowing Club (Qld.) and that all States had written their approval.

Weight of Coxswain - after discussion it was moved by Mrs. Williams, and seconded by Mrs. Pitman that Par. 2 of the "Rules Re Racing" embodied in Minutes of Meeting held on May 13, 1920 be and hereby is rescinded, and that the minimum weight of coxswains for all Interstate Races be seven stone, this rule to come into force on and after the 1929 race. Carried.

Type of Boats: The Secretary brought forward the question of boats and referred the conference to Rule 12, page 7 of the Constitution which provides that Interstate races be rowed in practise or racing clinkers. Miss Goodman pointed out that it was impossible to secure four clinkers in Sydney, as this type of boat was to a large extent being replaced by carvel boats and in view of the circumstances, it was resolved that either or both clinker or/and carvel boats be used for the 1928 race this option to apply for the 1928 race only.

Women's Amateur Rowing Association. In discussing the letter and tentative rules for Constitution received from the above Association, London, it was moved by Mrs Pitman and seconded by Miss Pike that Miss Goodman be authorised to reply to same, indicating the Council's deep interest in the proposal to form a Women's International Rowing Federation, also submitting a report on rowing activities in Australia and requesting further information. Miss Goodman to report to each State the result of such correspondence.

Vice-Presidents	N.S.W.	Mrs Peter Kemp
	VIC	Mrs Fitzgerald
		Mrs Lavington
	S.A.	Mrs Bonython
	QLD	Mrs Owen Cowlshaw

It was resolved that the 1929 race be rowed in West Australia provided that the A.N.A. Ladies Rowing Club, Perth (now in recess) were able to arrange for same. In the event of it being impossible to row the race in West Australia, it was decided to hold same in South Australia.

Miss Jessie Abercrombie died during this year at Orange, N.S.W. - pioneer member of A.L.R.C.