1959 Australian Ladies' Rowing Council meeting

Conference held Sydney 29/4/1959.

Letter From New Zealand

The Secretary reported that she had written to a girl in New Zealand and had now received a reply giving information on women's rowing activity. Mrs. Lynch moved that Mrs. Atkinson write to New Zealand asking that they endeavour to form an Association and that if possible arrangements be made for a crew to visit Australia at an early date.

New Rule - Migrants

Foreign migrants must be naturalised and persons of British nationality must be resident in Australia for two years before being allowed to represent Australia overseas.

Course

Mrs. Lynch moved that Rule 3 laws of Boat Racing be altered to provide that the Australian Championship be rowed over a course of 1000 metres.

History Book - to be retyped.

Rules to be Revised.

The Chairwoman asked the meeting for a ruling on a situation which had arisen due to the present influenza epidemic which was sweeping Sydney. Two girls in the Queensland crew were very ill and two girls in the Victorian crew were also suffering from influenza. The Queensland crew had no emergency and as it does not seem likely that their stroke would be able to row, it was necessary in order to enable the Queensland crew to compete, a substitute from another State will be required.

Mrs Pike proposed that any State be allowed to substitute a girl from another state owing to the unusual circumstances caused through the current epidemic.