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Dr Stephen Hinchy OAM
President, Rowing Australia

International Competition

This has been an exceptional year for Olympic sports in Australia with all the work, excitement and pressure of hosting the Games of the 27th Olympiad. The Olympic rowing regatta, held in excellent conditions at the Penrith Lakes course, was viewed as a great success by all the international teams involved. Spectators crammed the stands and banks for 1500m of the course with over 30,000 cheering loudly on the each of the finals days. Australia had 10 of its 12 crews make finals and five of those boats won medals, two silver and three bronze. While we failed to win a gold medal the athletes certainly did us proud and demonstrated our depth and strength across the sport.

We also had excellent results at World Championships, both Senior (non-Olympic) and Junior, and at the Nations Cup. I heartily congratulate all the representative athletes, their coaches, and the many team support staff on a successful year of international rowing.

High Performance Program

In recognising the efforts of the rowing crews we must also thank the Australian Institute of Sport, the state Institutes/Academies of Sport and State Sporting Organisations which so significantly support the work of Rowing Australia. Indeed a major strategic development this year has seen the establishment of an integrated high performance-rowing program. This structure, which has been negotiated with all the interested parties, establishes nominated non-residential and residential scholarship centres at state Institutes/Academies of Sport. These will then support and feed into an AIS based national crew training centre. RA strongly believes that this new high performance program structure will ensure that Australia remains at the forefront of world rowing.

Funding and Sponsorship

The success of elite Australian rowing is dependent upon the funding allocated by the Australian Government, via the Australian Sports Commission and also the Australian Olympic Committee. I would like on behalf of all those involved in our sport to thank the Minister for Sport, The Hon Jackie Kelly and Mr. Jim Ferguson, retiring Executive Director of the ASC, for the funding received in the lead up to the 2000 Olympic Games. It allowed us to provide the best possible support for the national team as it has performed on the greatest sporting stage. The President of the AOC, Mr. John Coates also has maintained a high level of support for our sport and is to be thanked for his ongoing commitment to the elite athletes of Australia.

Our rowing success could not be achieved without the support of our much-valued sponsors. We continue to develop an excellent partnership with Zurich, our principal sponsor. Zurich offers assistance across a wide range of areas and ensures that our sport is presented in a professional and modern manner. I especially wish to thank the Managing Director, Malcolm Jones for the support of his company and staff. Qantas also continues to support rowing in a significant way and Sport Market Manager Steven Loader is to be thanked for his ongoing commitment to rowing in Australia. Likewise Coca-Cola, with Peter Thrives as its Australian Marketing Head, is to be thanked for providing product support for the national teams. Lastly I must thank Ted Bromley who continues to provide financial support to young elite rowers through his 'pair-oared' trust, thus helping to establish the foundations for the future of our sport.

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RA Staff and Board Members

It has been a busy and eventful year for the staff of Rowing Australia. Aply led by Darren Peters they are to be congratulated on their success and efficiency in the increasingly complex task of administering a national sporting body. Unfortunately the relocation of our headquarters to Penrith Lakes meant that we lost the services of Sally Bacon and Michelle Norman and I wish them well in their future careers.

The office space at Penrith has proven an ideal arrangement and we are grateful to Penrith City Council and its Mayor, Councillor John Bateman for making it available.

I would also like to thank my hard-working colleagues on the RA Board, its sub-committees and commissions who give tirelessly throughout the year. The work and commitment of these people, while not the most glamorous aspect of the sport, is the base upon which our success is built. Thanks to them rowing is going from strength to strength at all levels of involvement. The sport is strong and developing in all the states while membership numbers continue to grow. An increasing number of coaches are being accredited, while in our hosting of the Olympic Games Regatta, we have also proven that our competition management and officials are on a par with the best in the world. Hopefully we can build on the impetus of the Games and attract even more active people of all ages to become involved in our excellent sport.

President 1996-2000

I wish to thank the members of Rowing Australia for the opportunity to serve for some four and a half years as President. As those who were active in 1996 will recall, Rowing Australia was at low ebb. The incoming Board was totally new apart from the CEO, David Schier, so we had a lot of learning to do.

We had a debt of \$650,000 due to the then High Performance Program. Some of the money was paid back out of the next year's HPP but \$500,000 had to be repaid by the everyday rower. The Australian International Rowing Foundation was pillaged while the states got together to raise the balance and pay off the debt. The states have subsequently been repaid but the AIRF has just been rebuilt to \$20,000.

A new CEO came on board, a very active young man with experience in the sponsor-seeking and governance

procedures so necessary in sport these days. It was a bold step appointing a person with no knowledge of rowing which is more a 'traditional' sport. The rowing knowledge of the Board, however and the savvy of the CEO has resulted in what I believe is a good result. For instance it is mainly due to Darren's work that we obtained the Zurich sponsorship, which has gone international, with Zurich now sponsoring FISA. Thank you Darren Peters for the many 'robust' discussions over the years.

The Board has gone through changes with me being the only remaining member of the 96 Board that faced such a difficult situation. We now have people with rowing backgrounds, but with corporate skills and this has brought different areas of expertise to the Board. However our original idea of appointing 'corporates' to increase our corporate exposure and attract more sponsorship dollars has not been very successful. Although, with many prospective sponsors tied up with the Olympic Games, the task was always going to be somewhat optimistic.

The High Performance Program has worked well and should, I feel, continue to run as a parallel program to the rest of rowing administration. The Board has also functioned effectively although I am aware that some states or state representatives would like to disband it in favour of the old Council. I strongly urge you to continue with the current system. At this stage the Australian Sports Commission considers Rowing as a model sport because of the success of its administration. The Board should remain the peak decision-making body. Members should be appointed to it because they can contribute positively to the progress of the sport, not on a political basis in order that a couple of states may control the Board.

In conclusion I feel that I have achieved my goal in bringing back stability to Rowing Australia and it is time for someone with fresh ideas to take the reins and move the sport forward in the 21st century. I wish the incoming President all the best for the future and thank all those who have assisted me and extended the hand of friendship (too many to name individually). I shall still offer my services to rowing in a volunteer capacity in my many fields - medico, boat-race official and trailer driver.

Dr. Stephen Hinchy OAM
President
Rowing Australia

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Darren Peters
Chief Executive Officer

The 1999 -2000 year has been a year full of excitement and challenge. The excitement of the Olympic campaign mixed with the challenge of securing Federal and State government funding support plus developing a strategy for the growth and positioning of the sport. In addition a heightened awareness of sport in Australia has led to a stronger presence of our elite rowers and indeed rowing.

This report has two core purposes. Firstly it will provide a summary of the management and administration activities performed by the Board for the year and secondly a summary of the management achievements during the past four years. The end of this Olympic campaign provides an ideal opportunity to assess the results achieved by the sport during this period. The areas to be briefly reported on include:

1. Performance to plan;
2. Financial growth;
3. International Success.

Meetings

During the year a number of meetings were conducted to manage the sport. These included:

- Council (3)
- Board (6)
- Regatta (2)
- Masters (1)
- Umpires (3)
- Disrow (1)
- High Performance (6)

The performance of the sport's volunteer administrators during this past year and also the previous four years can be summarised by an assessment of performance to National Plan. The National Plan was created in July 1997. At the end of June 2000 85% of the outcomes listed in The National Plan had been achieved. Many of the remaining outcomes listed in the Plan are underway, with only a few proving unattainable at this stage.



National Plan Highlights (1997-2000)

Outcome

- *Re-design and gain acceptance for the Level 1 and 2 Coaching courses.*
- *Conduct National Coaching Conferences each two years.*
- *Develop and manage a National Coaches database.*
- *Produce a National Championships Organising Manual.*
- *Identify, recruit and train a National pool of regatta workers and officials.*
- *Create one new event or regatta course annually.*
- *Produce a National officials accreditation program.*
- *Produce and implement a 2000 Games Plan.*
- *Establish a National squad concept.*
- *Produce and test a 'model' selection policy.*
- *Secure a European and local boat fleet.*
- *Participate in FISA regattas annually.*
- *Produce and implement a National Business Plan.*
- *Conduct meetings of Council, Board, Commissions, Committee's annually.*

Result

- Achieved. All states offering these courses.
- Achieved. The 1999 conference was combined with the FISA coaches conference.
- Achieved. There are 1585 accredited national coaches and 1000 other coaches on file.
- Achieved. This document issued to each state in 1999.
- Achieved. Rowing volunteers and staff assisted in the conduct of the Games.
- Achieved. Nagambie created by VRA in 1998, Skins event conducted in 1998 and 1999.
- Achieved. Program designed and issued to officials to create resources.
- Achieved. 10 crews in finals, 5 Games medals.
- Achieved. National squad selected annually.
- Achieved. Policy produced & implemented.
- Achieved. Boats located in Switzerland and also Sydney.
- Achieved. Junior, World Cup and World Championships regattas participated in annually.
- Achieved. National Plan created and implemented in 1997.
- Achieved

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Outcome

- *Introduce National Awards.*

- *Create and sustain an effective National office.*

- *Create and sustain a National database of clubs, schools and facilities*

- *Establish a National Insurance scheme for members.*

- *Produce Codes of Conduct for key groups.*

- *Produce a communications strategy.*

- *Establish widespread media contacts.*

- *Establish and maintain a fluent RA homepage.*

- *Promote National events, rowers and activities annually.*

- *Produce 3-4 editions of the Australian Rowing Magazine annually.*

- *Produce a Calendar/Handbook annually.*

- *Secure a principal sponsor for RA.*

- *Secure support sponsors for RA.*

- *Improve the equity of the sport.*

Result

- Partly achieved. Rower of the Year awards introduced, Club of the year awards introduced.

- Achieved.

- Achieved. This needs constant updating due to changing club and school personnel.

- Commenced. Deal secured and implementation in 2000/2001.

- Achieved. Codes introduced in 1998.

- Achieved. Implementation has been slow.

- Achieved. Games have assisted this to occur.

- Partly achieved. Static homepage created. Needs to be updated.

- Partly achieved.

- Achieved. Magazine quality and advertising revenue improved.

- Achieved.

- Achieved. Zurich signed in 1998 for 4 years.

- Partly achieved. Coca-Cola signed in 1999.

- Achieved. 1996/97 RA \$11,130- 1999/2000 RA \$120,000.

Financial Performance

The 1999/2000 financial result was a surplus of \$24,877 against a budget target of \$15,005. The sport has a \$3.5 million turnover and the budget target set was very tight, representing a variance of less than 1% in terms of expense control. The details of this performance will be presented in financial reports listed later.

Of particular note is that the result adds to the accumulated funds of the sport, indicating that the Board is slowly re-building the levels of deposit which had been depleted in the past quadrennium. The accumulated funds for Rowing Australia are listed below.

	RA	AIRF	Total
1996/97 total funds	\$11,130	\$1,939	\$13,069
1997/98 total funds	\$63,166	\$7,285	\$70,451
1998/99 total funds	\$77,763	\$10,783	\$88,546
1999/00 total funds	\$102,640	\$21,698	\$124,338 *

*Non cash items in 1996/97 totalled \$40,158 and in 1999/00 total \$17,704.

In a Pre-Olympic year, the year end surplus is a good result. In particular additional resources were provided to the High Performance Program from the Board. These included. 'Zurich' insurance benefit of \$35,000, Zurich National Team allocation of \$25,000, plus a Zurich AIS allocation of \$20,000 (taken as travel assistance and cash). Sports administration expenditure was contained in accordance with budget guidelines and other operating areas largely performed to plan and budget.

Of particular note was the successful FISA and National Coaches Conference conducted by Barbara Fenner during the year. This conference resulted in some unexpected revenue for the period. Our coaching structure is operating very well and the 'one stop coaching shop' seems to be well known and effective.

Sponsorship

Our Principal sponsor 'Zurich' once again supported the sport in many ways. The Board is thankful for the personal support provided by Malcolm Jones, the Managing Director of Zurich, plus other Senior Managers (listed below) who have taken a keen interest in the rowing sponsorship. Zurich provides benefits to the High Performance Program, the Australian Rowing Championships, DISROW, the Australian Rowing Skins and the sports promotion and administration. Without Zurich support Rowing Australia would not be able to commit additional resources to key programs of the sport.

In addition we would like to acknowledge the market advice offered by 'Team Zurich' marketing (Lester Doecke, Mark Roeder and Gary Fallon) which has ensured:

- A formal sponsor link with world rowing;
- A formal link with other national rowing federations;
- The creation of stylish and effective rowing videos and publications;
- The conduct of fun social events - such as the Zurich Cocktail Party at the Championships;
- The creation of a 'Rowers Benefits Scheme' including the 'boat and equipment insurance package' for schools and clubs (to be launched later in the year).

We wish to congratulate Zurich on these initiatives and acknowledge the keen sense of partnership that Zurich has created with Rowing Australia. From a deal that formally started in January 1998, we have developed a spirit that aims for a 'long term' domestic and worldwide partnership.

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During the past year Qantas remained a sponsor although this may conclude after the Games. The generous support received from Qantas started in 1996 and has been aimed at assisting rowing administration and teams up to the Games. Over this period Qantas has provided Rowing Australia a total of \$218,000 in value. The Board appreciates the support from Qantas, particularly the efforts of Stephen Loader, who has ensured our teams and freight are transported throughout Australia and overseas with minimal difficulty.

Coca-Cola, through the Powerade brand, remained a sponsor of Rowing Australia during the past year and provided support (via cash and product) for the team, Australian Rowing Championships and some sponsorship for the sport. Mr. Peter Trives (Executive of Coca-Cola) has been prepared to offer advice and additional volumes of product for the sport in periods of need. The Board greatly appreciates the support of Coca-Cola and the people involved.

To summarise sponsorship activity of the past four years it should be noted that Rowing Australia had one sponsor in 1996/97. The sponsor income totalled \$46,668. During the period we have secured a range of sponsors for key activities. These included:

- Qantas
- Sykes Racing
- Ausrowtec
- Zurich
- Holiday Inn
- Coca Cola
- Ernst and Young.

At the conclusion of this year the sponsorship income for the sport (on an annual basis) totalled \$315,000. This represents a significant increase in sponsorship activity for the period.

Benefactors

The Bromley Trust is a trust established by Mr. Ted Bromley, a former Olympic pair rower. It aims to provide a grant for young achievers in the sport in particular Pair Oared rowers who are selected in National Teams. During the year this totalled \$14,250. We thank Ted and the custodians of the Bromley Trust Mr. John Coates, Mr. Berry Durston and Mr. Robert Aitken plus the Manager (voluntary) of the Trust, Mr. James Lowe, for the effort and consideration they put into the roles.

Team Rowing Limited (TRL) was established in 1998 to generate financial support for 'development'. TRL's Chairman, Richard Paterson, has hosted the 1999 and 2000 Australian Rowing Skins raising profits of approximately \$80,000. In addition to these monies, TRL has awarded prizes (cash and equipment) worth another \$51,000 to athletes and clubs. During the year TRL pledged \$10,000 towards the production of 'Learn to Row' resources for this development area. In addition Team Rowing has received pledges from high profile business executives worth \$100,000 and plans to use these funds to introduce a National Colts program next year. The Board of Rowing Australia is appreciative of this support and the 'ideals' of Team Rowing.

Funding Support

Australian Sports Commission

During the year Rowing Australia received a funding cut from the Federal Government sports agency, the Australian Sports Commission.

Rather than speak loudly about this action the Board chose to prove through submissions and success, that investing in rowing delivers results. A report compiled and produced by Board member Colin Smith indicated that during pre-government funding periods rowing was not a world leader in competition. During the years of government support international success has followed and peaked, placing Rowing Australia as one of the top three performers at each international regatta in which we participated.

The Board would like to acknowledge the annual support of the Federal Government, Minister Jackie Kelly and the Australian Sports Commission through Chairman Peter Bartels. The funding support provided by the Olympic Athlete Program has clearly led to a results based growth in the sport previously not thought possible. In addition we would like to thank the outgoing Executive Director Mr. Jim Ferguson, for his advice and management support over a long period of time. Jim has been instrumental in the growth of the sporting industry and the move from a typical non-profit administration to a professionally managed sports industry.

Australian Olympic Committee

During the past year the Australian Olympic Committee (AOC) has provided funding support and management advice to rowing. The funding support came in two forms:

- Direct support to medal achieving athletes and coaches;
- Competition, training and equipment support to Rowing Australia.

We greatly appreciate this support and the advice offered by the Australian Olympic Committee. The Board is delighted to formally acknowledge the leadership of President John Coates, Executive Director Craig McLatchey (and staff). Also to be commended is the significant role that our High Performance member and Executive member of the AOC, Mr. Doug Donoghue played in ensuring systems and policies are in place to effectively control Olympic preparations and assist sports like rowing. The successful Olympic Games can be attributed to the efforts of these people and the day to day control in key sports related elements that ensured smooth delivery.

Australian Institute of Sport, State Institutes/Academies of Sport

Rowing is proud to be partners with seven Institutes/Academies of Sport plus the Australian Institute of Sport. Each plays a vital role in the delivery of the sport. For the record the primary personnel involved for the year were:

- AIS - Director John Boulton, Head Coach Reinhold Batschi.
- NSWIS - Director Michael Scott, Program Manager Charles Turner, Head Coach Harald Jahrling.
- VIS - Director Frank Pyke, Head Coach Noel Donaldson, Manager John Cumper.
- SASI - Director Wes Battams, Head Coach Adrian David.
- TIS - Director Bridget Joycelyne, Head Coach Sam Le Compte.
- WAIS - Director Wally Foreman, Program Manager Craig Davies, Uwe Bender.
- QAS - Director Wilma Shakespear, Manager/Coach Oleg Shishkin.
- ACTAS - Director Ken Norris, Head Coach Nick Hunter.

Throughout the year the Institutes and Academies provided coaching support, athlete services, competition support (international and domestic) and equipment. They also contributed to the management and delivery of the Rowing Australia High Performance Plan. The Board thanks the Institutes/Academies for their support.

International Success

This past year has seen the four selected Australian Rowing Teams perform to high levels. This will be reported upon in detail later in the High Performance section of the Annual Report but the statistics below clearly indicate that Australian rowers are as well coached, prepared and ranked on the overall world competition stage as any nation.

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International Competition Results Statistics 1999-2000

Numbers

Rowers representing Australia	135
Crews representing Australia	38
Total medals won	150
Rowers who won at least one medal	85
Crews that won at least one medal	19
Events contested	82
Australian crew podium finishes	30
Australian crew final six finishes	61

Percentages

62% of rowers won at least one medal in international competition.

50% of crews won at least one medal in international competition.

In 74% of events contested Australian crews made the final.

In 36.5% of events contested Australian crews finished 1st, 2nd or 3rd.

These achievements are far greater than at the culmination of any previous four-year period as can be seen below. The results reflect the significant efforts of the Australian Institute of Sport, State Institutes and Academies, Club Performance Centres, plus the whole governance and staffing (paid and volunteer) personnel that were involved in the management and delivery of the elite section of the sport. On behalf of the Board and Council we would like to thank the people involved for this outstanding achievement.

Competition Results 1997-2000

	Total	Junior	Under 23	Championships	Games
1996/97	17	5	7	5	
1997/98	16	4	4	4	
1998/99	18	3	8	7	
1999/00	14	2	5	2	5

Governance/Staffing

The Board manages the sport on a day to day basis led by President Dr. Stephen Hinchy. This year Dr. Hinchy stands down as President, a role he has performed since 1996. It is obvious to see that during this period the sport has been very successful and much of this can be attributed to Stephen's leadership, initiative and stabilising approach to managing the issues of the day. Many international medals were won, money secured, plus management results achieved during his four and a half-year presidential term. The Board and Council acknowledge the effort, personal expense and time that Dr. Hinchy has placed in performing this role and wishes him well in the future.

During the past year Board members either through Commissions, staff or individually have:

- Managed the budget to surplus position;
- Managed the business plan to execution;
- Managed the risk and exposure of the sport;
- Produced a strategy for funding support;
- Maintained existing levels of sponsorship;
- Managed the international program;
- Managed an International Conference.

These actions have meant external bodies such as key stakeholder groups have perceived that rowing is well managed, viable and positioning itself for the future. On behalf of all people in the sport I would like to thank the Board, Commission and Committee members plus Rowing Australia staff for the delivery of these results.

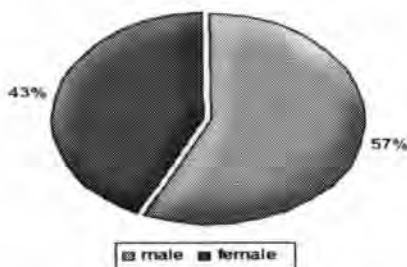
Darren Peters
Chief Executive Officer

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NCAS Coaching Courses

Between 1/7/99 and 30/6/2000 the following number of Level 1 Coach courses were conducted:

State	#courses	#participants
ACT	1	19
QLD	4	100
SA	2	37
WA	1	28
TAS	2	24
NSW	3	84
VIC	5	94
Total	18	386



These numbers are slightly down in total from 1998/99 but it is pleasing to see that the increased female participation rates are now reflected in the number of females doing Level 1 courses.

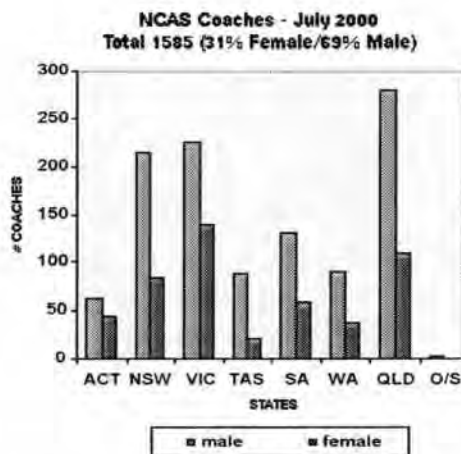
Level 2 Coach Courses were held in the following states - NSW, QLD, ACT, VIC and WA - with the new format of modular education being well received. RA once again assisted FISA with the Asian Development Program and hosted a Level 2 course in the Philippines in December 1999.

The total number of accredited coaches is steadily increasing. Those coaches who fail to update and re-accredit, however, offset the number of newly accredited coaches. As at 30/6/2000 the number of accredited coaches was 1585 with the number of currently accredited female coaches now rising to a total of 495 (31.2%).

There are also another 1,100 active coaches who:

have expired L1 or L2 in the last 2 years (657 coaches);

have done a L1 or L2 course in the last 2 years but not yet completed all accreditation requirements (446 coaches).



National Scholarship Coach

Rowing was selected for one of the 15 Australian Coaching Council scholarship coach positions in 2000. Michael Doyle was selected as the scholarship coach and, since October 1999, has been located at the Australian Institute of Sport with mentor coach Paul Thompson. He has undertaken the Graduate Diploma of Elite Sports Coaching and is completing a special project on Risk Management and Legal Issues for coaches..

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Coaches Corner Store

The listing of books, articles, coaching resources and merchandise has continued to be updated in the Rowing Magazine and provides a steady source of information to coaches and athletes.

The mobile Coaches Corner Store continues to be active in taking the resources "to the people" and was in situ at the National Championships, Selection Trials and many of the coaching courses.

RA Coach Database

This database was established in March 1997 and now has over 3,000 registrations. All these coaches receive a coach newsletter each January and reminder letters about their accreditation when it expires. Those coaches that do not receive the Rowing Magazine will be encouraged to subscribe, as it will be the main format for providing information regarding coaching courses and resources etc.

Coaches Conference

The 1999 FISA Coaches Conference was held in September last year at the AIS, in conjunction with the RA National Coaches Conference. A total of 258 participants actually attended the conference with 185 coaches from all over the world able to mingle and share ideas.

Recommendations for future conferences were made and adopted as follows:

- that the RA Coaches Conference continue to be held every 2nd year and focus on school, development and high performance themes;
- that conference comprise 3 full days in the common week of the Sept school holidays;
- that only coaches with current accreditation be eligible to attend any of the National Conferences;
- that State Conferences and/ or Updating Seminars be held in each State especially in the "even" years.

Barbara Fenner

National Director Coach Education

PARTICIPANTS	M	F	TOTAL
Aus Coaches (WA 5, ACT 7, SA 8, TAS 8, VIC 26, QLD 34, NSW 37)	102	19	121
NZ Coaches	9	1	10
FISA Coaches	44	3	47
Nat99 Coaches	19	2	21
Expo	12	2	14
Staff	11	3	14
FISA Commission	9	2	11
Guest Speakers	10	3	13
Invitee	4	3	7
TOTAL	220	38	258

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Bob Blake
National Co-ordinator
August 1999

Development

Development within the Adaptive Rowing Program has again progressed forward, opening doors into new areas and adding excitement towards our future.

At the 2000 Zurich Australian Rowing Championships in Penrith we witnessed another first, that being the Double Scull event where heats were conducted to select the finalists. This event indicates the interest shown in team events, but due to small membership, larger crew events will be some years down the track.

The adaptive program within the States/Territories of Tasmania, Western Australia, New South Wales, Australian Capital Territory and Queensland are all quite active with Queensland really moving ahead at the Dragons Rowing Club. Western Australia again has had support through the State Lotteries in purchasing additional equipment.

In New South Wales, the Federal Minister for Sport, Jackie Kelly launched an "Active & Able" rowing scheme at the Nepean Rowing Club for people with Acquired Brain Injury. With funding from the Motor Accident Authority and the support of the New South Wales Department of Sport and Recreation, the program is co-ordinated through the New South Wales Sports Council for the Disabled, and well supported by Rowing Australia and the New South Wales Rowing Association. Congratulations to all concerned.

The Disrow Newsletter has gained financial support through Zurich to whom we are most grateful and is currently produced under the editorship of Barbara Edwards in Western Australia. Our Newsletter remains one of the main sources of communication at regional, national and international levels. Meanwhile our established Disrow Website is proving to be beneficial to our program especially through the Electronic Mail section. Indeed Email has helped establish the communication at world-wide level.

International development

On the international scene the FISA Working Group met last November in Rotterdam. It established groups to consider aspects of "Boat Design" and "Classifications". Entry into the Paralympics movement is by no means an easy task with a set of criteria to be met, including National and International competition for a six year period.

The most recent information is that Adaptive Events shall be offered at the FISA World Rowing Championships in Lucerne 2001, but as yet the format is not all that clear so we can only hope it gains recognition towards our goal.

Future Progress

Our adaptive program has moved steadily over the past years, considering the amount of available funding (following the initial grant in 1988). However for the future, and to enable the development within our program, a source of funding will be necessary to establish a "Classification Criteria" and "CAD Sports Specific Course" just to name a few areas.

Our National segment of events requires minor changes mainly to the positioning of events within the regatta program, so that smoother organisation can take place. I also feel that a meeting between Umpiring Officials and Disrow Officials is necessary to clarify "special translation" of instructions prior to the day's events. These changes would only add to the professionalism of conducting future National Regattas.

Congratulations to all who participated either at State or National level and we look forward to your continued participation in the future. While we look forward, our view must be wide and we continue to work hard breaking down the few barriers that may still exist. I'm looking forward to Wivenhoe, Queensland 2001 and meeting up with the old and new faces.

Bob Blake
National Co-ordinator, Disrow

high performance



John Boulton
Chairman
High Performance Commission

During the Olympic Year the High Performance Commission focussed quite narrowly on the planning, selection, preparation and support of the Olympic Team. Nevertheless, a careful eye was kept on the developing areas of Junior, Under 23 and non-Olympic representation.

The HPC met monthly to monitor the teams' preparation and was greatly assisted by the High Performance Staff of Paul Sloan and Sally Bacon. Just as the Olympic year involves a step up in intensity for the rowers and coaches, so it is for the staff involved in the Olympic project.

Selection

Selection was thorough, extensive and intensive. The policy for Olympic Selection provided for the crews who won medals at the 1999 World Championships to have the opportunity to gain early selection by winning nominated events at the National Championships. The aim of this was to recognise that these crews were proven world class performers and that if they were shown to be maintaining their form they should be selected early to give them the best possible preparation for the Games.

Four crews managed to achieve this early selection, with the others moving forward to the first of two selection regattas. Selection in the men's sweep events was complicated by an injury to Drew Ginn from the men's pair, which was the World Champion crew from 1999. The selectors and the HPC made every effort to enable this crew to stand for selection and even deferred the selection until the Lucerne Regatta. This caused difficulties and some tension, but was very much the right way to go, both in terms of fairness to the rowers concerned and of giving Australia the greatest chance of obtaining the best result. Unfortunately the injury recurred in Lucerne, and Drew had to withdraw.

The diligence, thoroughness, integrity and dedication of the selectors Graham Jones and David Yates must be recognised as exceptional. The fact that our sport was not riddled with appeals to the Court of Arbitration of Sport is a result of them being totally correct in the way they went about their business and of their attention to properly recording and communicating their reasons for selection to coaches and rowers. Every single decision was thought out and the fairness to the individual was taken into account. I would like here to record our thanks to Graham and David for their amazingly dedicated and low-key service to rowing over a very extended period. Every time we win a medal or make a final they deserve their share of the credit.

The Under 23 and Junior Selections were carried out by John Rynne and Barb Fenner. Again, the job they did was painstaking and thorough. They were assisted by Reinhold Batschi, who had been requested to undertake the task by National Head Coach, Brian Richardson.

We should always be ready to improve on our selection system, but we should never compromise on the principles of thoroughness, fairness and independence and good communication, that have characterised it over recent years.



Team Management

The management of the teams was in good hands this year. Michael Eastaughffe completed his term as Senior A Team Manager with his appointment as Rowing Section Manager for the Olympic Team. He dedicated a lot of time to the task both leading up to and then during the European tour and the Australian camps. He was ably assisted by Paul Sloan as the Assistant Olympic Team Manager, and by Wayne Diplock who assisted during the European tour whilst Paul remained at home preparing the final build up to the Olympics.

Graham Tanner was again the enthusiastic and capable Manager of the large Under 23 Team and is to be thanked for his great work. He has earned the respect of the athletes and coaches he has managed. Peter Huggett again undertook the management of the Junior team with his usual efficiency. Additionally he looked after the two non-Olympic boats which joined the Junior Team in the World Championships in Zagreb. Peter is to be thanked for his many years of service to our Junior Teams which have been remarkably successful under his stewardship.

Coaching

The leadership of the national teams is of great importance in achieving the results the rowers, coaches and other support staff deserve. It is vital that clear and decisive direction is provided to the teams. In the Senior A team, Brian Richardson decided that the best use of his own talents was for him to concentrate on the men's eight and it was agreed Brian would coach this crew full time - and the results speak for themselves. Reinhold Batschi stepped into the position as the Olympic Team Head Coach, and thus led the Australian Olympic Rowing Team for the sixth time. His careful detailed planning, his knowledge of the international scene and of what is required for success, his support, advice and encouragement of the coaches and the rowers were all important factors in the team's success which is outlined below. We thank Reinhold and the AIS for all that he did, and for the contribution the AIS Rowing Program, under his leadership, made to the Olympic Team.

Head Coaches were appointed this year to the Under 23 and Junior/Non-Olympic teams. John Cumper from the VIS filled the first role and Adrian David from SASI the latter. Both showed great leadership to the teams and were of great benefit to the coaches and rowers. We should continue with this concept of team head coaches for these teams.

Thirty-two coaches represented Australia this year thus highlighting both the opportunities that exist for coaches in this country and the depth of good coaches that we have. Many coaches each year are coaching a national crew for the first time and they get excellent help from head coaches and other experienced coaches. Our quality of coaching is measured by the fact that our competitors are actively poaching our coaches to try to improve their rowing. The reputation internationally that Australia has is of crews that are technically excellent and very professionally trained. The lesson for us is to continue coach education and development, and improve it, and to work on the welfare of and rewards to our coaches. The State Institutes and the AIS can play a big role in assisting Rowing Australia and the State Associations in this regard.

Thank you to our superb coaches for their great work. Being passionate makes them sometimes difficult to deal with, but we should accept this as part of being a coach. To help them to work cooperatively in the national effort is the other challenge we have. Generally we have an enviable record of coaches working as a team but we can improve in this area.

Medical Support

Bill Webb led a dedicated team of medical support for the three teams. The network of support in this area has been built up over the years and renders fantastic service to the teams and to the rowers at home as they vie for selection. The fact that we hardly ever have a rower turning up on the start line of a major championship unhealthy or carrying a significant injury is the best testament to their efforts and ability. We thank them collectively.

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Athletes

Our rowers are amongst the best in the world in their sport, and amongst the best athletes in this country. They are talented, well trained, motivated and dedicated. They deserve the excellent results they achieve, and it would be good if we were able to reward them better financially. However, that is not part of our sport, nor is it a significant part of their motivation. It is galling to them though when they see other sports' athletes receive financial rewards through personal sponsorship simply because they are in a glamour sport. We recognise and are grateful for the fact that our sport has such magnificent athletes who are involved in the sport for all the right reasons. That makes it clear to those of us who are here to serve the athletes that we must always work in their interests and always strive to do better for them.

Results

The proof of all this is in the results. Our crews won 5 medals at the Olympic Games (3 silver and 2 bronze). Only Germany won more medals. Our depth is even more impressive. Ten Australian crews made Olympic finals - more than any other country. All twelve of our Olympic crews finished seventh or better. This is a record any other country (or any other Australian sport) would be proud to have. We congratulate our crews on this effort, but join with them in a hint of dissatisfaction that we did not do even better. All of us will work hard to enable our crews to achieve even more in the coming years. We who administer the system made some mistakes, which may have prevented them from doing their best. We need to recognise these and rectify them. The Olympic Team's results in the World Cups in Vienna and Lucerne, and at the Henley Royal Regatta are also of great credit to the rowers and coaches.

The non-Olympic team at the World Championships at Zagreb consisted of two crews and came home with two medals - silver in the women's lightweight quad and bronze in the men's lightweight eight. These crews were selected to form a base for the future in these

categories and have certainly established a great foundation.

The Under 23 Team won four silver medals and one bronze in the Nations Cup, and again all crews finished within the top seven. The Nations Cup is an increasingly high standard of event, and we are very proud of these results and pleased about what they mean for the future.

At the Junior World Championships the men's pair won gold (and for them it was their second World Junior Championship gold) and the women's four won silver. These again are excellent results. We could be more selective in the junior crews we send away, even if they are self-funded, to maintain the culture of success which our teams must have.

Congratulations to all of our crews who competed with great honour and with the success mentioned above.

The major funding for our campaign comes from the Australian Sports Commission, the Australian Institute of Sport rowing program, the State Institutes of Sport, and the Australian Olympic Committee. Rowing is very well supported by these organisations and we are deeply grateful. Our results earn and justify this funding and therefore we must maintain our high standards, and make hard decisions when we need to.

The sport of rowing in Australia gives the national teams great support and this support is recognised and appreciated. I trust that our supporters take pride in our crews' successes.

Thank you to the members of the High Performance Commission (Doug Donoghue, Colin Smith, Michael Scott, Steve Hinchy and Darren Peters) for their hard work. We all agree that the Commission has grown too big this year to be as efficient as it might be and we should fix this. However it has worked well and long in the interests of the rowers.

John Boulton

Chairman High Performance Commission

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Competition Commission

Last year the Competition Commission was created as a means of drawing the various subcommittees of Rowing Australia together. This year saw the first meetings of the Commission, and the reinforcement of new standards for the conduct of National events. The Commission is now fully operational, with positive action taken by the Regatta, Umpires, Athletes and Masters Committees.

The Regatta Committee for instance has had a very active year. With the redraft of the Rules complete, the Committee addressed the standard of the conduct of events. There is no doubt that the State Associations and the competitors, the key stakeholders of the sport, expect that National events should be conducted to an acceptable standard.

Events

And in this the Olympic Year, there was certainly increased activity in the area of Competition. In association with the State Associations, the Commission was involved in the conduct of the Pacific Rim Championships, National Championships, Rowing Skins Event and the very important Selection Regattas, each a vital goal in the National Plan.

There is no doubt that the Pacific Rim Regatta, the first event on the 1999/2000 calendar was a great success. It proved to be an excellent preparation for the Olympic event, to trial personnel, venue, systems and operations. The national Event at Sydney International Regatta Centre, used as yet another preparation for the Olympics, brought together a standard of event conduct that will be difficult to match. While the weather may not have been kind, and the Selection events incorporated into the program may have been disruptive, it was an operational success.

New standards for the presentation of the sport to sponsors and the public, the control of the



venue through ticketing and reserved areas, and many other innovations were trialled, and Michael Rowan and his team are to be congratulated on the overall success of the National Championships. The event enjoyed record participation from athletes from around the country, and afforded a great opportunity for the organisers of the Olympic event to refine procedures.

It was also the first opportunity for the new Rowing Australia Manual for Rowing Championships to be put to the test. It proved to be a very useful guide and reference in the conduct of the event.

The selection regattas, with adequate human resource levels, went off without a hitch. Great reliance is placed on volunteers for the conduct of these events, and it has to be remembered that it is often the same people who are relied upon, again and again. For this reason, decisions have now been made to rotate some of the selection events to other States to lighten the load on volunteers.

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Olympic Games Regatta

The Olympic Regatta is as big as it gets.

The work of Richard Curtin and his team in preparing for and then running the event should be recognised. Undoubtedly it was the best conducted event that this country has ever seen. The weather certainly played its part in the success of the week, as did the volunteers, the venue and the athletes.

It was with tremendous pride that the Organising Committee for the Olympic Regatta undertook an inspection of the preparations with FISA Officials, with only very minor matters requiring attention. The week of racing that followed was fantastic to say the least, but remarkable in that very few topics were raised by International teams at daily Team meetings, other than to praise the event. This culminated with the presentation by FISA of a medal of Honour both to Richard Curtin and then to Zing Lee Teoh as a representative of the volunteers.

It is to be hoped that the majority of the volunteers involved in the Olympic event will continue to advance the cause of rowing and make themselves available for the conduct of events in the future.

In summary the 1999/2000 season saw the largest National Championship event ever, a great preparation event in the Pacific Rim Championships and an Olympic event which can only be described as sensational. As has been said before, the gauge of the success of any event is whether the competitors, officials and spectators enjoyed the event, and considered the conditions to be fair for all. I think we can be certain that this was achieved with the events this year. Once again the challenge is there to maintain the standard.

David Williams

Competition Director

Umpires

The Year began at a hectic pace for a large number of our Rowing Australia Boat Race Officials who participated in the Pacific Rim Regatta during the later part of September. This Regatta also served as a test event for the Olympic Games and those BRO's that took part were reviewed for an Olympic berth as Technical Officials come September 2000.

New Chair

During November the Committee was informed that our long-standing Chairman, Bob Pennington had resigned and would not be seeking re-election to the RA Board. I would like to place on record, both personally and on behalf of the BRO's, our sincere thanks for the time, commitment and dedication that Bob devoted to the Umpires Committee during his term in the position and wish him well for the future. Craig James from WA was subsequently elected to fill the Chair and we congratulate him on his appointment.

Nationals

During December expressions of interest were sought from all those who wished to participate at the 2000 Nationals. From previous discussion we already had in place our three referees for the 2000 Regatta, Andrew Guerin, Joy Wooldridge and Brett Woolfitt and they were well advanced with the arrangements for the successful championship.

In March the 2000 Zurich Australian Rowing Championships and Interstate Regatta were held at the Sydney International Regatta Centre, Penrith NSW. The event saw thirty-one RA BRO's participating and also attending the annual Seminar.

National Workshop

The Umpires Committee used the opportunity of the seminar to embark on an ambitious, and very vital, training scheme. With support from all the State Associations, a training scheme, incorporating modules for various areas and

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standards, is now well underway. All of those who officiated at the National Championships made a great contribution through the conduct of a workshop. The ideas generated by the workshop are now being processed through the Umpires Committee and its appointed Trainer to ensure that the whole program is set up to the highest standard and in conformance with the requirements of the Australian Sports Commission.

The examination also held during the Nationals resulted in two new BRO's, Nick Padol (NSW) and Norm Saunders (SA) receiving their Green and Gold shirts. Congratulations to both of them.

Licence holders

Two retirements from RA have been notified, Ralph Murphy and Ron Podbury, both from Victoria and we wish them well for the future. With 14 licence renewals requested and approved we now currently have 50 RA BRO's registered with licences. The 'break-down' per state is as follows:

WA - 10, SA - 10, Tasmania -12, Victoria - 7, NSW - 7, Queensland - 4.

Included amongst these National licence holders are also 16 with international (FISA) licences. The recognition, identification and acknowledgment of licence recipients and retirees are under review and should be finalised shortly

Five nominations were made by FISA from our officials to participate at the Olympics on the FISA Jury as International Technical Officials and another twenty-one to undertake National Technical Officials positions. As stated elsewhere in this report the Olympic Regatta was a great success and all our officials are to be thanked for their contribution. No doubt the hosting of such a major event provided invaluable experience for many of them.

The Committee wishes to thank all who have donated their time and expertise so willingly to assist the operations of Rowing Australia.

Paul Logan
Secretary, Umpires Committee

Masters Rowing

It is indeed pleasing to report that Australian Masters have again pioneered another area for Australian Rowing, the testing of the Bucca Weir Rowing Course for Australian Championship Rowing.

The regatta was a complete success thanks to the efforts of Rowing Queensland, and also the people of the Bundaberg area. People south of the N.S.W. border were apprehensive about the venue selection mainly on a distance basis but their doubts were not realised. The positives of an 8-lane course, which because of its high natural banks is seldom effected by wind, plus the warm pleasant tropical May weather far outweighed the extra couple of hours travelling time to get to the Bucca Weir.

Planning for the 2001 Australian Masters at Sydney International Regatta Centre, Penrith is well underway. This regatta on June 3rd & 4th is expected to draw well over 1000 competitors.

The Masters Committee has also been active this year on various issues. We have debated the often-raised medical aspect of Masters health being better served by 2000 metre and longer races and we have listened to professional advice. In summary - longer races may be better for the health of older people BUT any person who has not trained sufficiently or who has a physical weakness should not enter any rowing race no matter what distance.

We also have accepted logic that if we increase our race distance - fewer competitors would enter and less good venues would be available while losing margins would at least double. These three factors would make masters rowing less popular and result in fewer fit Masters rowers. Therefore, the Masters Committee currently opposes a change from our 1000 metre race distance.

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As a reminder future Masters dates are:

- June 3rd & 4th, 2001 - Australian Masters, Penrith.
- May (tentatively), 2002 - Australian Masters, Adelaide (was to be Victoria but Vic. Is holding The Kings Cup & National Regatta in 2002.)
- October, 2002 - World Masters Games Melbourne (Rowing at Ballarat)

The Australian Masters Committee is here to represent mature age rowers at National level, if you have something to say, please speak to your state representative now.

Jeff Sykes

Chair, Masters Commission

Australian University Rowing

Australian University Sport sent a team of 16 athletes to compete in the 2000 World University Rowing Championship in Poznan, Poland. The team included some Australia Senior B team members as well as athletes also competing in the Non-Olympic World Championships. The Australian team performed well with the most notable performances set out below.

- Silver medal to Lachlan McPherson (Monash University) and Karsten Forsterling (Monash University) in the Men's Pair (M2-).
- Silver medal to Amber Halliday (Adelaide University) and Eliza Blair (University of Melbourne) in the Women's lightweight double scull (LW2x).
- Bronze medal to Henry Gundry (ANU) in the Men's single scull (M1x).
- Fourth place to Catherine Jones (University of Melbourne), Kate Mercer (Griffith University), Sally Creswell (University of Canberra) and Megan Everitt (QUT) in the Women's Coxless four (W4-).
- Fourth place to Donna Martin (University of Canberra) and Georgia Koutts (Sydney University) in the Women's double scull (W2x).

Siobhan Walker

Coordinator Sport
Australian University Sport

national rowing awards

The Zurich Rowing Australia Club Achievement Award

Introduced last year, the purpose of this Club award is "to recognise outstanding achievements in offering rowing programs or providing infrastructure that makes a significant contribution to the development of the sport of rowing". The awards underscore the strong belief that successful, vibrant and healthy rowing clubs are essential to the prosperity of Rowing Australia. In 1999-2000 the winning clubs came from Queensland and New South Wales.

Dragons Rowing Club of Brisbane was recognised for improving access and participation in the sport. The club was formed in 1997 by a small group of mature women with the specific objective of giving women of all ages and abilities (including those with physical and intellectual disabilities) the opportunity to learn to row. Today Rowing Queensland considers that the club, although relatively new to the sport, has made an enormous impact on rowing in the state and the general public's perception of the sport.

Lower Clarence Rowing and Sculling Club was successfully nominated for construction of a new \$210,000 clubhouse, which will accommodate more members and allow the participation of people with disabilities. Situated at Maclean in northern NSW, the club, which was established 115 years ago, has ensured that the location will endure into the 21st century as a centre for rowing.

Bundaberg Rowing club won its award for its work in upgrading the Bucca Weir rowing course to international standard. Situated 35 kms outside Bundaberg, the course was used as the pre-Olympic training base for the Australian squad and successfully hosted the 2000 Masters Rowing championships.

The Zurich Australian Rower of the Year Award

This award acknowledges the achievements of the best Australian rower (s) each year assessed on international performances during the year. Not surprisingly Drew Ginn and James Tomkins took out the 1999/2000 season award. This duo blitzed the field in a near world best time of 6 minutes and 19 seconds when they won the Coxless Mens Pair event at the World Championships in St Catherines, Canada.

The Australian University Sports Federation Rowers of the year

The Inaugural University Rowers of the Year were Bo Hanson and James Stewart, both students at the University of Technology Sydney. They were members of the Mens Coxless Four, which won a silver medal at the 1999 World Championships.



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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.
STATEMENT TO MEMBERS 30 JUNE 2000

In the opinion of the Board of Rowing Australia Inc. (Rowing Australia).

- a) Rowing Australia is not a reporting entity;
- b) The accounts as set out on pages 4 to 11 are drawn up so as to present fairly the financial position of Rowing Australia at 30 June, 2000 and the results of its operations and cash flow for the year then ended, and are in accordance with the accounting policies in Note 1, and comply with the provisions of the Constitution and Rules; and
- c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that Rowing Australia will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Rowing Australia Inc.

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President

STEPHEN MILL

Director of Finance

14 October, 2000

ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.
STATEMENT BY PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE ACCOUNTS

I, Darren Peters, being the person responsible for the preparation of the attached accounts of Rowing Australia for the year ended 30 June, 2000, state that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, such accounts present fairly the financial position of Rowing Australia Inc at 30 June, 2000, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended, and are in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 and comply with the provisions of the Constitution and Rules of Rowing Australia.

DARREN PETERS

Chief Executive Officer

14 October, 2000

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the Members of Rowing Australia Inc

Scope

We have audited the special purpose financial report of Rowing Australia Inc for the year ended 30 June 2000, as set out on pages 4 to 11. The Members of the Board of Rowing Australia Inc are responsible for the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of Rowing Australia Inc and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion to the members of Rowing Australia Inc. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

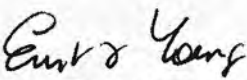
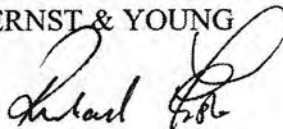
The financial report has been prepared for distribution to the members for the purpose of fulfilling the Board's financial reporting requirements. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates, to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other professional reporting requirements.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial report, the financial position of Rowing Australia Inc at 30 June 2000 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.


ERNST & YOUNG


R N FISHER
Partner

Sydney, 14 October 2000



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PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000

	Notes	2000 \$	1999 \$
OPERATING REVENUE	2	3,709,736	3,493,378
OPERATING PROFIT	2	314,332	14,597
DISTRIBUTION TO AIRF		(289,455)	
NET OPERATING PROFIT		24,877	14,597
INCOME TAX EXPENSE ATTRIBUTABLE TO NET OPERATING PROFIT	1(C)	-	-
NET OPERATING PROFIT AFTER INCOME TAX		24,877	14,597
ACCUMULATED PROFITS AT THE END OF THE PERIOD		102,640	77,763

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2000

	Notes	2000 \$	1999 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	3	139,502	37,097
Receivables	4	143,819	90,585
Inventories	5	9,652	18,652
Prepayments	6	753,106	131,617
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,046,079	277,951
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	7	17,704	15,132
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		17,704	15,132
TOTAL ASSETS		1,063,783	293,083
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors	8	927,914	197,388
Provisions	9	33,229	17,932
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		961,143	137,020
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		961,143	215,320
NET ASSETS		102,640	77,763
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS		102,640	77,763

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW AS AT 30 JUNE 2000

	Notes	2000 \$ Inflows/ (Outflows)	1999 \$ Inflows/ (Outflows)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from organisations and persons		3,030,273	1,374,335
Payments to organisations and persons		(3,452,768)	(3,777,233)
Grants received		486,160	2,359,454
Interest received		10,852	12,671
Bank Guarantee Repaid		40,000	-
NET CASH FLOWS OPERATING ACTIVITIES	12	114,517	(30,773)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for equipment		(12,112)	(4,613)
NET CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(12,112)	(4,613)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
NET CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		-	(14,432)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		102,405	(49,818)
CASH AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD			
		37,097	86,915
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	3	139,502	37,097

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TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS		<u>102,640</u>	<u>77,763</u>

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Preparation

The accounts of Rowing Australia Inc. have been prepared as a Special Purpose Financial Report for use by the Board and members of Rowing Australia and to fulfil the Board's responsibility under the constitution to prepare accounts. The accounts have been prepared on the basis that Rowing Australia is not a reporting entity because there are unlikely to be any other users of the accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards except for AASB 22 - Related Party Disclosures and AASB 1033 - Financial Instruments.

(b) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical costs.

(c) Income Tax

Rowing Australia is an exempt body under the Income Tax Assessment Act, as amended.

(d) Depreciation

Depreciation in respect of all fixed assets is calculated so as to write off the cost of each asset over its effective useful life.

Major depreciation periods are:	2000	1999
• Office Equipment	5 years	5 years
• Rowing Regatta Equipment	1 year	1 year
• High Performance Centre Equipment	1 year	1 year

(e) Cash Flows

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand and at bank, and deposits at call.

(f) Accounting Period

These accounts are for the period 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000.

(g) Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

(h) Recognition of Income

All income is brought to account as received with the exception of the receivables from Qantas. The sponsorship income from Qantas is in the form of air tickets provided at no charge whose normal value is credited as income when the tickets are booked.

	2000 \$	1999 \$
2. OPERATING PROFIT		
Included in the operating profit are the following revenues arising from operating activities:		
Australian Sports Commission Grants	2,473,509	2,209,854
Australian Olympic Committee Grants	170,334	149,600
Sponsorship Income	312,000	328,218
Other Grant Income	174,160	-
International Competition Recovery – Senior B Team	-	326,247
Other Income	222,448	311,491
Sales Revenue	57,549	73,687
HP Recoveries	78,000	-
Interest Received	25,487	12,671
Accreditation Income	85,450	11,706
Licence Fees	10,000	-
Affiliation Fees	-	69,904
Conference Income	100,799	-
	3,709,736	3,493,378

The operating profit before income tax is arrived at after charging the following items:

Depreciation of non current assets	9,540	19,193
Rentals	30,156	23,381

3. CASH AND OTHER LIQUID FUNDS

Cash at Bank and on Deposit	139,002	36,897
Cash on hand	500	200
	139,502	37,097

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

	2000	1999
	\$	\$
4. RECEIVABLES		
Accounts Receivable	134,989	51,085
Less Provision for Doubtful debts	(500)	(500)
Term Deposit held for Bank Guarantee	-	40,000
Other Receivables	9,330	-
Total Receivables	<u>143,819</u>	<u>90,585</u>
Movement in provision for doubtful debts		
Balance at beginning of year	500	500
Bad debts previously provided for written-off during the year	-	-
Bad and doubtful debts provided for during the year	-	-
Balance at end of year	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
5. INVENTORIES		
Coaching Materials	3,890	8,390
Merchandise Stocks	5,762	10,262
Total Inventories	<u>9,652</u>	<u>18,652</u>
6. PREPAYMENTS		
Prepaid 2000/01 HP Team Tour expenses	610,413	-
Prepaid World Championship Tickets	-	6,404
Prepaid Sydney 2000 Tickets	141,693	124,316
Other	1,000	897
Total Prepayments	<u>753,106</u>	<u>131,617</u>

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

	2000 \$	1999 \$
7. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		
Office Equipment	83,650	71,539
Less Accumulated Depreciation	66,056	58,508
	<u>17,594</u>	<u>13,031</u>
Rowing & Regatta Equipment	1,295	1,295
Less Accumulated Depreciation	1,295	1,295
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
High Performance Centre Equipment	316,148	316,147
Less Accumulated Depreciation	316,038	314,046
	<u>101</u>	<u>2,101</u>
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	<u>17,704</u>	<u>15,132</u>
8. CREDITORS		
Income Received in Advance – 2000/01 Teams	441,895	-
Grant Expenditure Committed	-	66,069
Trade Creditors	23,680	32,822
Trophy Fund	1,268	1,268
Magazine Subscriptions in advance	9,072	12,843
Accrued Expenses	24,221	4,500
Sydney 2000 Games Tickets	131,506	78,300
Other Amount Payable	6,817	1,586
Distribution to AIRF	289,455	-
Total Creditors	<u>927,914</u>	<u>197,388</u>
9. PROVISIONS		
Provision for Annual leave	23,095	12,887
Provision for FBT	10,134	5,045
	<u>33,229</u>	<u>17,932</u>

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

	2000	1999
	\$	\$
12. CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Reconciliation of net cash from operating activities to operating profit after income tax:		
Net Operating profit/(loss) after income tax	24,877	14,597
Depreciation	9,540	19,193
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables	(53,234)	179,395
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventories	9,000	(11,183)
(Increase)/Decrease in Prepayments	(621,489)	59,213
(Decrease)/Increase in Creditors and Accruals	730,526	(300,921)
(Decrease)/Increase in Provisions	15,297	8,933
Net cash inflows /(outflows) from operating activities	<u>114,517</u>	<u>(30,773)</u>

ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DISCLAIMER

The additional financial information presented on pages 13 to 19 being the detailed profit and loss account, has been compiled by the management of Rowing Australia Inc.

No detailed audit or review has been performed by us and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

To the extent permitted by law, we do not accept liability for any loss or damage which any person, other than Rowing Australia Inc. may suffer arising from any negligence on our part. No person should rely on the additional financial information without having an audit or review conducted.

Dated at Sydney on *14 October*, 2000

Ernst & Young
ERNST & YOUNG
R N Fisher
R N FISHER
Partner



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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

	2000 \$	1999 \$
SALES REVENUE		
Total Coaching Merchandise	35,541	36,172
Other Merchandise		
Sales - Calendars	5,850	5,380
Sales - Merchandise	1,820	2,606
Sales - Magazine	14,338	29,174
Total Other Merchandise	22,008	37,160
Postage Recovered	-	355
Total Sales Revenue	57,549	73,687
Cost of Goods Sold		
Coaching Merchandise	23,440	23,375
Distribution & Production - Magazines	45,201	36,486
Calendars	6,865	8,545
Production - Magazines	30,148	18,128
Calendars	8,545	13,909
Team Handbook Costs	3,622	-
Decrement in value of inventories	9,000	3,070
Total Cost of Goods Sold	88,128	71,476
Gross Profit	(30,579)	2,211

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

	2000 \$	1999 \$
High Performance		
Boat Turnover	-	980
Boat Purchase/Storage - ASC Grant	20,698	120,000
Elite Coaching	81,180	81,538
HP Management	70,000	11,431
HP - Interest Received	14,635	9,488
International Competition	1,884,215	1,981,570
Intensive Training Centre	587,750	586,000
NSP Camps	86,653	29,081
Sports Science	1,350	-
Committed Funds Brought Forward	66,069	66,069
Total High Performance	2,812,550	2,820,088
Other Income		
Advertising Income	19,040	12,845
Affiliation Fees	72,224	69,904
ASC Grant	80,000	76,925
HP - Rent Recovery	10,000	10,000
HP - Salary Recovery	50,000	56,484
HP - Operating Expenses Recovery	18,000	-
NSWRA - Utility Recovery	1,554	-
Interest Received	10,852	3,183
International Levy	-	14,432
Profits on Sale of NC Assets	-	11,706
Sponsorship:		
- Holiday Inn	-	15,000
- Qantas	47,000	52,968
- Zurich	207,500	165,500
Sundry Income	5,225	1,618
Supporters Club	-	2,000
Trophy Levies	-	1,567
Total Administration	521,395	494,132

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

	2000	1999
	\$	\$
Competition		
ASC Grant	29,160	-
Entry Fees	14,555	10,440
Levy	3,437	3,000
Licence Fees	10,000	-
Competition Umpires	4,000	-
Sponsorship -Qantas	5,000	10,000
Sponsorship - Other	17,500	10,750
Sponsorship - Zurich	32,500	74,000
Supporter's Tour	10,645	-
Total Competition	126,797	108,190
Development		
Accreditation Fees	13,226	11,833
ASC Grant - Participation	20,000	10,000
ASC Grant - General; Coaching/Office	45,000	45,000
Conference Income	100,799	-
Other Income	9,920	4,135
Sponsorship - Zurich	2,500	-
Total Development	191,445	70,968
Total Other Income	3,709,736	3,493,378

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

OTHER EXPENSES	2000 \$	1999 \$
Accommodation	11,108	18,794
Accounting Services	19,545	23,987
Airfares	15,194	30,047
Annual Awards	3,949	1,363
Apparel	2,928	2,040
Audit Fees	5,500	4,988
Bad Debts	570	767
Bank & Govt Fees	6,135	3,150
Catering/Refreshments	7,735	7,274
Cleaning Services	2,389	2,155
Computer & Software Expenses	1,305	390
Depreciation - HP	1,992	9,595
Depreciation - Office	7,548	9,598
Electricity	1,270	674
FISA	15,868	2,169
Fraudulent Cabcharge Dockets	-	785
Freight & Courier	1,823	893
General Expenses	3,167	982
Handbook Publications	-	878
Insurance - General	2,508	6,095
Interest Paid	25	-
Legal & Corporate Affairs	5,634	7,490
Media Promotions	6,284	2,843
Office Relocation	5,869	1,861
Photocopier	2,375	1,470
Staff Costs	155,600	139,094
Postage	9,687	10,906
Printing & Stationery	7,025	9,783
Project Staff	6,116	3,715
Recruitment	8,807	-
Rent	30,156	23,381
Repairs & Maintenance	983	1,299
Resource & Research Material	1,259	-
Secretarial Services	2,580	2,250

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

	2000 \$	1999 \$
Seminars	50	-
Sponsorship Costs	9,722	11,724
Sponsorship Fee	60,625	73,750
Sponsorship of Team	45,000	36,550
Staff Amenities	698	601
Staff Training	2,138	1,040
Subscriptions/Memberships	1,590	775
Supporters Club	2,620	767
Telephone/Fax	21,310	20,450
Internet/Email	3,373	-
Travel	20,088	8,614
Workers Compensation	923	830
Total Administration	521,071	485,817
Competition		
Accommodation	8,317	8,097
Advertising/Promotions	198	925
Airfares	17,325	16,948
Apparel	508	4,122
Catering/Refreshments	5,245	8,204
Computer & Software Expenses	-	1,259
Development	1,520	-
Equipment	-	1,331
Freight, Courier & Postage	652	607
Seminars	1,460	1,000
Sponsorship	40	3,600
Staging Fee	29,446	39,000
Supporter's Tour	9,365	-
Telephone	1,054	3,483
Travel	6,179	3,639
Trophy Expenses	2,009	1,093
Venue Hire	-	620
Total Competition	83,318	93,928

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ROWING AUSTRALIA INC.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT & LOSS YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

	2000 \$	1999 \$
Development		
Accommodation	31,548	1,610
Accreditation	5,619	7,165
Airfares	11,504	9,102
Catering/Refreshments	42,460	-
Computer & Software Costs	552	310
Contribution to AIRF	-	-
Disrow	1,821	145
Education	7,365	250
General Expenses	1,534	587
Staff Costs	51,901	48,211
Postage	3,588	3,584
Printing & Stationary	8,347	2,598
Repairs and Maintenance - Equipment	775	-
Seminars	-	380
Speakers & Equipment	464	-
Subscriptions/Memberships	-	60
Telephone/Fax	4,702	5,501
Travel	3,171	1,657
Venue Hire	4,440	-
Total Development	179,791	81,160
High Performance		
Boat Purchase/Storage	84,195	185,707
Elite Coaching	-	152,649
HP Management	235,646	49,880
HP Bank & Government Fees	4,246	2,309
International Competition	1,590,743	1,719,002
Intensive Training Centre	583,683	588,316
NSP Camps	24,583	48,608
SS/SM Co-Ordinator	-	7,547
Committed Funds	-	66,069
Total High Performance	2,523,096	2,820,087
Total Other Expenses	3,395,404	3,480,992
Operating Profit	314,332	14,597
Distribution to AIRF	(289,455)	-
Net Operating Profit	24,877	14,597

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AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL ROWING FOUNDATION SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL REPORT

30 JUNE 2000

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

In our opinion, the attached accounts of the Australian International Rowing Foundation are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Foundation at 30 June, 2000 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended.

S HINCHY
President

STEPHEN MILL
Director of Finance

14 October, 2000

Statement by Person Responsible for the Preparation of the Accounts

I, Darren Peters, being the person responsible for the preparation of the attached accounts of the Australian International Rowing Foundation for the year ended 30 June, 2000, state that to the best of my knowledge and belief such accounts present fairly the financial position of the Australian International Rowing Foundation at 30 June, 2000, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended, and are in accordance with the accounting policies described in note 1 and comply with the provisions of the Constitution and Rules of Rowing Australia.

DARREN PETERS
Chief Executive Officer

14 October 2000

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AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL ROWING FOUNDATION PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT AS AT 30 JUNE 2000

	Notes	2000 \$	1999 \$
OPERATING REVENUE	2	298,548	5,496
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)	2	298,544	5,324
INCOME TAX EXPENSE ATTRIBUTABLE TO OPERATING PROFIT	1(c)	-	-
OPERATING PROFIT AFTER INCOME TAX		298,544	5,324
ACCUMULATED PROFITS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PERIOD		12,609	7,285
ACCUMULATED PROFITS AT THE END OF THE PERIOD		311,153	12,609

AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL ROWING FOUNDATION BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2000

	Notes	2000 \$	1999 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	3	20,672	10,783
Receivables	4	290,481	1,826
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		311,153	12,609
TOTAL ASSETS		311,153	12,609
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors	5	-	-
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	-
NET ASSETS		311,153	12,609
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS		311,153	12,609

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AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL ROWING FOUNDATION STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS AS AT 30 JUNE 2000

	Notes	2000 \$ Inflows/ (Outflows)	1999 \$ Inflows/ (Outflows)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from organisations and persons		9,800	9,709
Payments to organisations and persons		(4)	(5,027)
Interest received		93	19
NET CASH FLOWS OPERATING ACTIVITIES	6	9,889	4,701
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		9,889	4,701
CASH AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD		10,783	6,082
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	3	20,672	10,783

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AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL ROWING FOUNDATION
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Preparation

The accounts of the Australian International Rowing Foundation have been prepared as a Special Purpose Financial report for use by the Board and members of Rowing Australia and to fulfil the Board's responsibility under the constitution to prepare accounts. The accounts have been prepared on the basis that the Australian International Rowing Foundation is not a reporting entity because there are unlikely to be any other users of the accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards except for AASB 22 - Related Party Disclosures and AASB 1033- Financial Instruments.

(b) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical costs.

(c) Income Tax

The Australian International Rowing Foundation is an exempt body under the Income Tax Assessment Act, as amended.

(d) Cash Flows

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand and at bank, and deposits at call.

(e) Accounting Period

These accounts are for the period 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000.

(f) Recognition of Revenue

All revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the entity and the revenue can be reliably measured.

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**AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL ROWING FOUNDATION
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)**

	2000 \$	1999 \$
2. OPERATING PROFIT		
INCOME		
Included in the operating profit are the following revenues arising from operating activities:		
Distribution from Rowing Australia	289,455	-
Interest	93	19
ASF Donations - Aust Jnr Team	-	22
Contributions from Associations	9,000	5,455
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	298,548	5,496

The operating profit before income tax is arrived at after charging the following items:

Bank Charges	4	172
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3. CASH AND OTHER LIQUID FUNDS

National Australia Bank	20,604	10,715
MLC Cash Management Account	68	68
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	20,672	10,783

4. RECEIVABLES

Rowing Australia	289,455	-
Melbourne Amateur RC	1,026	1,026
Other	-	800
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Total Receivables	290,481	1,826

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AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL ROWING FOUNDATION

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000 (Cont'd)

	2000 \$	1999 \$
5. CREDITORS		
Trade Creditors	-	-
Total Creditors	-	-
6. CASH FLOW INFORMATION		
Reconciliation of net cash from operating activities to operating profit after income tax:		
Operating profit	298,544	5,324
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables	288,655	4,232
(Decrease)/Increase in Creditors and Accruals	-	(4,855)
Net cash inflows from operating activities	9,889	4,701

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the Members of the Australian International Rowing Foundation

Scope

We have audited the special purpose financial report of the Australian International Rowing Foundation for the year ended 30 June 2000, as set out on pages 3 to 8. The Members of the Board of Australian International Rowing Foundation are responsible for the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Australian International Rowing Foundation and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion to the members of the Australian International Rowing Foundation. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to the members for the purpose of fulfilling the Board's financial reporting requirements. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates, to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other professional reporting requirements.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial report, the financial position of Australian International Rowing Foundation at 30 June 2000 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.

ERNST & YOUNG

R N FISHER
Partner

Sydney, 10 October, 2000

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the Members of the Australian International Rowing Foundation

Scope

We have audited the relevant financial records of the Rowing Australia Incorporated for the period 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000. The directors of Rowing Australian Incorporated are responsible for the financial records. We have conducted an independent audit of the relevant financial records in order to express an opinion on them to the Australian Sports Commission Sports Assistance Scheme Terms and Conditions.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of relevant financial records of Rowing Australia Incorporated in order to form an opinion as to whether of Rowing Australia Incorporated have applied grant funds provided for the use intended in accordance with the Australian Sports Commission Sports Assistance Scheme Terms and Conditions.

The audit opinion express in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion Rowing Australia Incorporated has spent \$3,224,575 of the received amounts for the purposes intended in accordance with the Australian Sports Commission Sports Assistance Scheme Terms and Conditions.

ERNST & YOUNG

R N FISHER

Partner

Sydney, 10 October 2000

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ER BROMLEY TRUST FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 30 JUNE 2000

STATEMENT BY TRUSTEES

In our opinion the attached accounts of the ER Bromley Trust are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund at 30 June 2000 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended.

RR Aitken
Trustee

JD Coates
Trustee

BH Durston
Trustee

Melbourne 16 October 2000

STATEMENT BY PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE PREPARATION OF THE ACCOUNTS

I, James Lowe, being the person in charge of the preparation of the attached accounts of the ER Bromley Trust Fund for the year ended 30 June 2000, state to the best of my knowledge and belief such accounts present a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund at 30 June 2000 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended.

HJM Lowe

Melbourne 16 October 2000

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ER BROMLEY TRUST FUND PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000

ER BROMLEY TRUST FUND

		2000 \$	1999 \$
OPERATING REVENUE	2	15,381	14,283
OPERATING PROFIT	3	1,118	5,249
INCOME TAX EXPENSE APPLICABLE THERE TO	1(c)	-	-
OPERATING PROFIT AFTER INCOME TAX		1,118	5,249
ACCUMULATED PROFITS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		78,236	72,987
TRANSFER TO CPI MOVEMENT RESERVE		(1,118)	
ACCUMULATED PROFITS AT THE END OF THE YEAR		78,236	78,236

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these accounts.

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ER BROMLEY TRUST FUND BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2000

ER BROMLEY TRUST FUND

		2000 \$	1999 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
CASH	4	45,492	44,374
INVESTMENTS	5	60,000	45,000
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	-	105,492	89,374
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
INVESTMENTS	5	185,122	164,122
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	-	185,122	164,122
TOTAL ASSETS		290,614	253,496
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
CREDITORS	6	6,000	-
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		6,000	-
NET ASSETS		284,614	253,496
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
E BROMLEY DONATION		150,000	150,000
CPI MOVEMENT RESERVE	7	26,378	25,260
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT YEARS END		78,236	78,236
TOTAL		254,614	253,496

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ER BROMLEY TRUST FUND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2000

ER BROMLEY TRUST FUND

	2000 \$	1999 \$
	Inflows/ (Outflows)	Inflows/ (Outflows)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED	8,282	7,571
PAYMENTS TO ORGANISATIONS AND PERSONS	(14,263)	(9,034)
INTEREST RECEIVED	7,099	6,712
Net cash flows provided from / (used in) operating activities	<u>1,118</u>	<u>5,249</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
PAYMENTS FROM INVESTMENTS	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,999)</u>
NET CASH FLOWS (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	-	<u>(5,999)</u>
NET INCREASE IN CASH HELD	<u>1,118</u>	<u>(750)</u>
CASH HELD AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	<u>44,374</u>	<u>45,124</u>
CASH HELD AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	4 <u>45,492</u>	<u>44,374</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this statement

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I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of historical costs.

The resolution of the Australian Rowing Council Inc (now Rowing Australia Inc) under which the trust was formed provides that the trustee shall in each year apply the income of the trust by adding to the capital of the trust such sum as may be necessary to ensure that the total market value of the assets of the trust at the end of each financial year bears to the total market value thereof at the commencement of that same year the same proportion as the Consumer Price Index (All Groups - Australian Capital Cities) at the end of each financial year bears to the Consumer Price Index at the commencement of the year.

(b) Income and Expenditure

Income has been brought to account on a due and receivable basis.
Expenses have been brought to account as incurred.

(c) Income Tax

The Trust is exempt from tax under Australian income tax legislation.

(d) Investments

Debenture securities are included in the accounts at cost.

Listed equity securities are included in the accounts at cost. Changes in market values of listed equity securities are not taken into account unless there is considered to be a permanent diminution in value.

(e) Cash Flows

For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand and at bank and deposits held at call.

(f) Comparatives

Where necessary comparative figures have been amended to accord with the presentation in 2000.

2. OPERATING REVENUE

	2000	1999
	\$	\$
Dividends	7,610	6,906
Interest	7,099	6,712
Unit trust distributions	672	665
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	15,381	14,283
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Operating (loss)/profit has been determined after:

(a) Crediting

	2000	1999
	\$	\$
Dividends	7,610	6,906
Interest	7,099	6,712
Unit trust distributions	672	665
	<u>15,381</u>	<u>14,283</u>

(b) Charging

Bank fees	13	34
Contributions to Australian teams	14,250	9,000
	<u>14,263</u>	<u>9,034</u>
Operating profit for the year	<u>1,118</u>	<u>5,249</u>

4. CASH

Cash at Bank	97	97
Cash on Deposit	45,395	44,277
Total Cash	<u>45,492</u>	<u>44,374</u>

4. INVESTMENTS

Current	Maturity Date	Coupon	2000	1999
			\$	\$
Debenture securities				
Australian Guarantee Corporation Ltd	29/12/99	8.10%	0	15,000
Australian Guarantee Corporation Ltd	31/8/00	5.70%	15,000	0
Australian Guarantee Corporation Ltd	5-11-00	4.95%	15,000	0
CBFC Limited	At call		0	15,000
CBFC Limited	31/8/00	5.70%	15,000	0
Esanda Finance Corporation Ltd	14/9/99	7.10%	0	5,000
Esanda Finance Corporation Ltd	14/9/00	5.80%	15,000	0
			<u>60,000</u>	<u>45,000</u>

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Listed Securities	2000 No Shares/ Units	1999 No Shares/ Units	2000 \$	1999 \$
Australian Foundation Investment Co Ltd	47852	45480	75,728	69,729
Purchases	1958	2362	6,000	5,999
			49810	47842
			81,728	75,728
Argo Investments Ltd	13259	13259	33,619	33,619
General Property Trust	3500	3500	9,775	9,775
Total Listed Securities at cost			125,122	119,122
Total Current			185,122	164,122
Non-Current				
	Maturity Date	Coupon		
Debenture securities				
Australian Guarantee Corporation Ltd	5-11-00	4.95%	0	15,000
CBFC Limited	31/8/00	5.70%	0	15,000
CBFC Limited	7-10-01	5.80%	15,000	0
Esanda Finance Corporation Ltd	14/9/99	7.10%	0	0
Esanda Finance Corporation Ltd	14/9/00	5.80%	0	15,000
Esanda Finance Corporation Ltd	14/9/01	5.35%	15,000	0
Total Non-Current			30,000	45,000
Total Investments			215,122	209,122
Listed Securities - Market values				
	Maturity Date \$/share	Coupon \$/share		
Australian Foundation Investment Co Ltd	51	2.82	125,023	134,914
Argo Investments Ltd	3.32	3.44	44,020	45,611
General Property Trust	2.69	2.45	9415	8575
			178,458	189,100
6. CREDITORS				
Current				
Share purchases			6,000	0
7. RESERVES				
CPI Movement Reserve				
Opening balance			25,260	25,260
Transfer during the year			1,118	0
Closing balance			26,378	25,260

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Australian Capital Territory

Operations

The growth of the sport in the ACT has continued to increase from that experienced in the previous years while this year has seen some exciting developments on the local scene. The Capital Lakes Rowing Club is well and truly up and rowing. Within only a short time it has become a force in the local regattas and produced some good results in the last Nationals.

The success of the ACT rowing is largely the result of the rowing community's pursuit of its 1998/2003 five-year Development Plan to the point where most of the objectives have been met.

The ACTAS rowing head coach, Nick Hunter, has resigned to take up an appointment with the Academy as the Programs Manager. ACTRA wishes him well in his new endeavors. ACTRA and ACTAS are in the process of advertising the position for the ITC Head Coach and look forward to working together to advance the sport in the ACT.

Representation

In the Interstate Championships the ACT nearly caused a boil over in the King's Cup, but were relegated into second place by the fast finishing Victorians. This year the ACT had 8 rowers and 3 coaches selected as members of the National Rowing Teams to contest the World Cup Regattas and the Senior B and Junior Championships.

Five rowers and one coach from the ACT represented Australia at the Sydney Olympics and all performed extremely well with the three members of the Mens Eight winning SILVER.

Ron Dempsey
Councillor

New South Wales

Competition

The 1999-2000 year was one of unprecedented challenge for the New South Wales Rowing Association, its affiliates and its members with involvement in:

- The Pacific Rim Olympic Test Regatta;
- The organisation and conduct of The Zurich 2000 Australian Rowing Championships;
- Conduct of the national teams selection trials;
- Sydney 2000 Olympic Volunteer Program;
- The Games of the XXVII Olympiad Rowing Program Sydney 2000.

We can reflect on what has been a period of significant achievement.

State Championships Regatta

The rules relating to composite rowing were relaxed enabling Institute based crews to compete in the open age small boat classes which formed part of the Olympic Selection process. Over two days of competition, 615 crews contested 112 races and the regatta was seen as a fitting warm up for the national regatta.

Zurich 2000 Australian Rowing Championships

The Organising Committee's report on the national regatta which was held from 6-12 March at the Sydney International Regatta Centre, focussed on the following major influences on the organisation and conduct of the event:

- The Organising Committee aimed to deliver a regatta of excellence;
- The regatta was to be a second test event for the Sydney 2000 Olympic Regatta;
- Competition attracted record entries with 1070 crews or 3170 racing seats participating in 398 races over 7 days;

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- The regatta was the subject of unprecedented interest due in part to a number of national championships being recognised as Olympic selection trials;
- Inclement weather made a significant impact on spectator attendance and revenue. During the regatta 120.6mm of rainfall was recorded and the month's aggregate was 254.0mm.

Olympic Games

After the national regatta there was much conjecture in the media about the Sydney International Regatta and the 'weed problem' as well as the likelihood of unfavourable weather conditions. Action by the Olympic Co-ordination Authority ensured that the course would meet all of FISA's specifications and the weather experienced during the Olympic Regatta was at least in keeping with the organisers' long-term forecast for fair racing conditions.

That the Olympic Regatta was recognised by FISA as being 'the best regatta ever staged' must lay to rest any fears of inadequacy of the course. The challenge now will be to ensure the integrity of the Sydney International Regatta Centre through the opportunity to develop the concept of the Sydney Youth Olympic Festival and by attracting major national and international competitions to the course.

Schools Rowing

School rowing continued to flourish throughout the state in both the independent and public sectors. This was reflected in the high level of school entries in club - hosted regattas as well as the level of public interest afforded by the schoolboy and schoolgirl Heads of the River regattas and the Combined High Schools State Championships regatta.

Masters Rowing

A feature of the past season was the inclusion of masters events at each club regatta. Race results

were included in the compilation of the point score for the Association premiership as well as the newly introduced 'Spencer Grace OAM'

The Masters State Championship Regatta which was conducted at the Sydney International Regatta Centre in May attracted record entries with considerable interest shown by clubs from the ACT, Queensland and Western Australia. Clearly masters rowing has found its place in our competition program and will continue to make a positive contribution to the wellbeing of those clubs which boat such crews.

Volunteerism

The successful conduct of regattas in New South Wales either by the Association or else in partnership with other parties was largely dependent upon an effective volunteer work force. The Australian rowing family and in particular many members of this Association gave freely of their time to make the Pacific Rim Olympic Test Regatta, the Zurich 2000 Australian Rowing Championships and the Sydney 2000 Olympic Regatta the successes that they proved to be.

National Representation

The proportion of NSW athletes, coaches and support staff in the composition of national teams in 2000 was significant to say the least. Of a total of 161 team members, 54 were locally based (see Appendices for more detail). The value of the contribution by the New South Wales Institute of Sport's Rowing Program to the State's High Performance ranking was recognised by the selection of a total of 41 athletes and 8 coaches who receive its support. The Association is grateful to the Institute for its commitment to the rowing program and the high degree of professionalism that is an essential element of its program management policy.

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Rowing Development

The Association has appointed Andrew Pierce to the newly created position of Rowing Development Manager. Andrew's key area of responsibility will be to plan and manage an integrated talent identification and development program for young athletes at novice and talented athlete entry levels. In its plans to implement the program across the State the Association has received the co-operation of satellite associations, clubs and schools as well as the support of the regional Academies of Sport network.

In addition this new position has its focus on the planning and management of effective education courses and information seminars to enhance the opportunity for the formal accreditation of coaches and their professional development with the Australian Coaching Council.

Management

The responsibility for the direction and the conduct of the sport in New South Wales is vested in the Association's Board of Management, its committees and commissions. Away from the day to day administrative responsibilities, management resources were again deployed to improve communication with affiliates, members and the public at large through the continued development of the NSWRA Website. During the year the integrated website entry system which is able to generate respective regatta draws, programs and results information went on line and has significantly streamlined the administration of regattas.

Social Issues

In keeping with State Government guidelines and requirements, the Association has adopted and implemented a Sexual Harassment Policy. Similarly, we recognise legislation recently introduced to provide for the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children. Accordingly all members have been made aware of their obligations which

form part of our responsibility for others' rights through their involvement in the sport.

Commissions

The Disrow Commission continued to work actively to encourage athletes with disabilities to participate and compete at those levels of the sport available to them. In May, the Sports Council for the Disabled in conjunction with the Roads and Traffic Authority successfully established the Acquired Brain Injury 'Active and Able' Rowing Program. This is an ongoing pilot project especially structured and resourced to aid and assist in the rehabilitation of victims of motor accidents.

The Regatta Commission took a leadership role in drafting the 2000/2001 Regatta Program, which includes the racing contact of each regatta. The Commission also undertook a review of the Laws of Boat Racing and complimentary Rules for consideration by the Board.

As foreshadowed last year, the Waterways Commission was established principally to protect and promote the Association's interest in the passive recreational use of the state's waterways. The commission will liaise with the Waterways Authority of New South Wales regarding traffic and safe boating best practice as well as the significant encroachment of registered courses by the development of marinas and the expansion of mooring facilities.

As stakeholders in the national body, we have an obligation to the wellbeing of our sport and to ensure the long term future of clubs and schools. This aim may best be achieved by the promotion of high participation competitions, which will attract media and community interest. In turn such competitions will demonstrate that rowing is a multifaceted sport with wide appeal.

Stewart Derwin
Councillor

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Queensland

Competition

During the past twelve months, Rowing Queensland has been planning, restructuring and hosting major regattas, including the Australian Masters Rowing Championships held in Bundaberg in June, the Asia Pacific Masters Games in October and planning for the 2001 National Championships to be held in April.

Bundaberg Rowing Club and Rowing Queensland hosted the very successful Zurich 2000 Australian Masters Rowing Championships at the new Bucca Weir course. Over 350 competitors raced in 138 races over the two-day regatta, with competitors coming from as far as Cairns and Perth.

The Zurich 2000 Australian Skins Regatta was held on Brisbane's Southbank foreshore in September. Team Rowing Ltd. and Rowing Queensland again joined forces to present the regatta, successful both competitively and in providing a rowing spectacle for the general public. As in 1999, the funds raised are set aside for the growth and development of youth rowing in Queensland.

Representation

Queensland athletes have again proven to be competitive at international level. Queensland athletes to gain Australian selection were Haimish Karrasch coached by Bob Bleakley, James Burton, Duncan Free, Reg Free (coach), Michael Toon and Rockhampton rowers, Ian Becker and David Galley, along with coach Alan Bromiley, were chosen for the Australian Junior Double Scull.

Operations

Local state and federal governments have been generous in the support of rowing throughout the state, providing improved facilities and courses, along with support for visiting international teams prior to the Olympics. Nine international Olympic teams chose Queensland for their pre-Olympic training, highlighting the excellent facilities and training courses available throughout the state.

1999 saw an ongoing improvement in relations between RQI and the QAS. State Coaching Coordinator Wayne Diplock has worked closely with QAS Rowing Head Coach, Oleg Shishkin and Women's Development Coach, Kate Dearden throughout the year. Disrow programs in the state this year have continued to grow, with another two Come and Try days held in conjunction with the Queensland Recreation and Sport Association for People with an Intellectual Disability. The first Championship Adaptive races were held at the Schools, Veterans and Intermediate Championships in September, with four crews competing in coxed fours.

The Inaugural Club of the Year Award was implemented at this year's Annual Dinner, won by Toowong Rowing Club, with Pine Rivers Rowing Club and Bundaberg Rowing Club joint runners-up. The new Award is based on the average number of seats competitively raced by registered members of the club, along with the number of accredited coaches at the club, the overall contribution the club made towards competition, general public awareness, and positive public perception of the sport.

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Farewell

On May 16, hundreds of rowers farewelled Toowong rower Graham Edmonds, who passed away suddenly. Former Treasurer of Rowing Queensland, Graham was a catalyst for many of the positive changes in rowing over the past ten years and was instrumental in raising funds for the 2000 Kings Cup Squad. Graham is sadly missed by all.

Rowing Queensland is looking forward to the forthcoming twelve months, and hosting the National Championships at the Wivenhoe course.

Chris Grummitt
Councillor

South Australia

The year has been a busy one and I thank everyone in SARA for their contribution.

Development

SARA's new Development Officer, Ella Rezes, began work in March 2000. Ella managed the SARA State Conference in May 2000 and has conducted two important surveys - a Participation and Retention Survey and a SARA Satisfaction Survey. In addition, she has continued the building of the e-mail mailing list and organized coaching courses.

A Talent Identification Coach, Stuart Masson, was appointed in January 2000, in conjunction with the SA Sports Institute (SASI) to the task of finding young people of high potential to be part of SASI and club high performance programs. This job is supported by a grant to SARA from the Office of Recreation and Sport, and by funds from SASI.

The creation of "row boards" and the re-introduction of rowing to the curriculum of the West Lakes Aquatic School will result in rowing being exposed to over 10,000 school children each year. This places rowing on the same footing as canoeing, sail boarding and sailing, the other course offerings of the school.

Operations

Regatta operations were completely overhauled over the winter, including the introduction of an improved regatta entry system, and many other changes to the presentation and function of SARA regattas. The changes dramatically reduced the administrative work required from both the Clubs and the Association, as well as improving the ambience and excitement of regattas throughout the season. This work was vindicated by a 15% increase in regatta entries for the 1999/2000 summer season, also reflecting the growing popularity of competitive rowing in our community. Registrations also increased by over 13% during the same period. A big thankyou to all clubs and their members for such strong support.

Representation

A State Team Assistance grant was obtained from the Office for Recreation and Sport. The application of these funds, and performance/selection standards agreed with the Office for Recreation and Sport, resulted in the best State Team performance for some years. The team is to be commended. Notably absent from the team were a heavyweight men's eight and a lightweight men's four, who failed to meet selection criteria.

A Junior State Team represented South Australia in New Zealand in April 2000 at a two-day regatta at Lake Karapiro. Results exceeded expectations with boys and girls rowing to medal placings in most races. Consideration is being given to extending the State Team umbrella to

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include Under-18s to New Zealand, the Youth Olympic Festival Regatta at Penrith conducted by the AOC, the Under-22 Pacific Rim Regatta, and the traditional Interstate Regatta run in conjunction with the Australian National Championships each year.

Eleven rowers and three coaches were selected from SA for Australian international rowing teams this year. Fundraising to support these young athletes has been energetically and successfully pursued and supported. Thank you to Adrian David and the SA Sports Institute, and all supporters.

Many SARA volunteers were appointed to volunteer places in the management and administration of the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games Regatta. These very capable people honed their officiating skills at the Olympic Test Regatta at Penrith in September 1999 and again at the National Championships at Penrith in March 2000. They have subsequently had key roles in the Olympic Games in September 2000.

The appointment of a Volunteers Commissioner has meant that volunteers' issues have been properly addressed. In particular, an annual Volunteers Christmas Party has been initiated to say thank you to those who willingly give up their time to serve our sport.

Competition

The Australian Masters Games 1999 rowing component was conducted at West Lakes in September. The weather was kind and all participants enjoyed the rowing and good fellowship. The SARA Masters Commission, chaired by David Eichler, conducted a happy and financially successful regatta.

The City of Adelaide Carnival Sprint Regatta on Torrens Lake in October 1999 experimented with a two-day format incorporating the Rowing

Australia 'Skins' - match racing between crews in a knock out competition. Raced over the Kate Slatter Sprint Course the event provided excitement and variation from the usual for the opening regatta of the summer season.

Facilities

Rowing has been re-established as a primary user of Torrens Lake in the minds of the Adelaide City Council, the State Government, and their recreation planning consultants. This is a necessary first step in the long-term redevelopment of Torrens Lake to a 1000m straight course and a substantial increase in the lake surface area. The redevelopment is important considering that sixteen clubs and subsidiary groups are located at Torrens Lake.

Mawson Lakes near the Levels campus of the University of SA and Technology Park was opened in early 2000. It is hoped that the lake will be able to be used for rowing in the near future.

The West Lakes Rowing Centre is on the brink of another round of major expansion and improvement. A concept plan has been prepared for improvements to existing facilities, starting and buoying systems, and to SARA land and adjacent Council reserves. More detailed plans have been prepared for expansion of the boatshed area.

A four year plan to upgrade umpires boats was approved. The plan calls for the complete replacement of the current boats, with the first boat planned for replacement in 2000/01 financial year.

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Administration and Finance

Improved budgeting and financial procedures have been adopted. The chart of accounts was amended to reflect the budget structure and reporting against the budget initiated. The Finance Commissioner and the Treasurer are to be commended for this initiative to assist day-to-day management of SARA.

The commencement of regular e-mail communication with over two hundred e-mail contacts within SARA is an exciting initiative. Development News (now a weekly bulletin from the Development Officer), regatta programs and results were distributed using the system. E-mail and website communication will be further developed during the 2000/01 year.

A wider role for clubs hosting regattas was initiated during the year. In return for putting in extra work and taking some load off SARA volunteer staff, clubs were able to earn a percentage of regatta income. This resulted in a distribution of almost \$19,000 to host clubs and the creative 'branding' of some regattas. Sponsorships were received from the Office of Recreation and Sport, the Adelaide City Council, OcE (photocopier and servicing), Zurich Ltd. and the Torrens Catchment Management Board. SARA is most grateful for this support.

Rod Elleway
Councillor

Tasmania

Another year has passed and it could be regarded as possibly the most important in the recent history of Tasmanian Rowing. After many years of negotiations we are very close to signing a licence for the control of the Lake Barrington International Rowing Course. At the last moment in discussions we were then offered the control of the Outdoor Leadership Centre.

The signing of this licence will mean that the Tasmanian Rowing Council Inc will control all the facilities, apart from the Rangers Station at LBI. It is a big task that we are undertaking but it means that as from the 1st August 2000 Rowing will control the Rowing Course.

Competition

Regattas during the season particularly at LBI were hampered by unkind winds and athletes were quite often unable to compete in their races. The Officials are to be commended on their firm decisions to cancel racing. As is the rule Officials are at all times mindful of the safety of the Athlete. When racing did take place some keen and exciting races were witnessed.

There was close competition for the Hydro Cup with the New Norfolk club being successful. The State Pennant once again was fiercely contested with the North Esk Club gaining the honors. A very memorable win for them as they also celebrated their Club's Centenary Year. The best racing was kept in store until the State Championships when we saw a world class race in the Mens Senior A Pair. This race saw the appearance of the contenders for the Olympic Lightweight Coxless Four and indeed the first four crews went on to represent Australia overseas.

Our State Championships were held under the banner of Chas. Kelly Transport a loyal supporter of Tasmanian Rowing who have provided transport for our equipment over many years. Medals were struck with their logo and presented to all winners.

Our focus was then on Penrith and the Nationals where Tasmanian crews achieved 8 Championships, 11 second and 5 third placings. The Mens Lightweight pairs race saw perhaps some of the best racing of world standard during

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the nationals. All spectators were on their feet as the crews raced towards the finish line and saw the adopted Tasmanians Anthony Edwards and Bob Richards edge out Darren Balmforth and Simon Burgess for first place by .22 of a second. The mighty effort of the little pocket rocket Sarah Bird in the Womens Junior Scull where she was two lengths down at 250m to go to cross the line in first place will be remembered for some time.

Representation

Tasmania contributed 13 rowers and coaches to the 2000 National Team. The Mens Junior Quad and coach were an all Tasmanian team, while there were 3 Tasmanian rowers plus coach in the Mens Lightweight Eight. Simon Burgess, Darren Balmforth and Coach Sam Le Compte in the Lightweight Coxless Four also went on to represent Australia at the Olympics. Also at the Olympics we had a strong representation as National Technical Officials with David Williams as Field of Play Supervisor, Jack Ellings as Officials Services Coordinator and five others as Boat Drivers. A further ten Tasmanians were rowing volunteers. To cap off a great year David Williams, David Rattray and Jack Ellings were awarded Australian Sports Medals and a further five others have been nominated.

Training camp, Forum and fund raising

The Tasmanian Rowing Council hosted a training camp for some Australian crews at LBI which saw 26 athletes make use of our offer and they experienced magnificent mirror like conditions on the lake for most of the time. Those at the camp were the Senior A Coxless Four, Mens Double Scull, Lightweight Four, Junior Quad and Lightweight Eight. Visitors to the camp included Reinhold Batschi, Adrian David and Peter Huggett.

We then went on to hold a gala fund raising evening at Wrest Point Casino. The TRC donation to each Tasmanian member of the Australian team was boosted by the proceeds of a sporting auction and donations by local Companies and Rowing Clubs. At the annual Forum for Clubs and Schools held during May the coming seasons Regatta Program and annual fees were finalized

New Equipment

We are hopeful that by the start of our season we shall be able to launch our new mobile start boat that is currently under construction. This equipment will be able to be used at any Regatta venue and will be equipped with a light start system similar to the system currently installed at Lake Barrington and seen by many at several National Championships.

The short break has been most welcomed and we are now ready to contribute towards another successful year for Tasmania.

Jack Ellings

Councillor

Victoria

The 1999/2000 year has been one of continuing change and further progress for the Association, highlighted by the preparations for the Olympic Games. In particular I would like to acknowledge the largely voluntary work of so many of our members who committed to ensure the successful conduct of the Games.

Competition

In November last year, Rowing Australia awarded Victoria the 2002 National Championships. The Organising Committee, headed by Brian Vear, is in place and has already commenced work to

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ensure that the event, to be conducted at Nagambie Lakes, is a success. In a similar vein, Brian Vear and his team are working with the City of Ballarat to successfully conduct the Rowing section of the World Masters Games to be held in September 2002. The first National Selection Trial to be conducted in Victoria since 1995 will be conducted at Nagambie Lakes in March, 2001.

The Competition Sub Committee, headed by Chris O'Brien, put a great deal of work into the competitive program and the positive effect of their initiatives, such as changes in regatta formats, management, officiating and standards of conduct has been obvious over the past season. We acknowledge the support of "Life, Be In It / Active for life" in sponsoring the Regatta of the Year competition, won by Carrum Rowing Club.

The continued growth in the number of competitors, particularly in the School and Masters categories was evident this year in the well attended Masters series and the All Schools Championships conducted at Carrum in March. The efforts of the Competition Sub Committee, combined with the Masters Sub Committee, headed by Brian Vear, and the Officials Panel headed by Rod Florence is establishing a sound base from which our competitive program can confidently face the future.

Representation

Victoria won its second successive Zurich Cup at the 2000 Interstate regatta at Penrith Lakes in March. President, Peter Fraser accepted the trophy following a thrilling win by our Kings Cup Eight in the penultimate race. Our team at the regatta was very successful with wins in the Kings Cup, Governor General's Plate, Womens Scull and Womens Youth Eight. Our Penrith Cup and Wilkinson Cup crews finished second. We congratulate all members of the State Team,

headed so ably by Head Coach Noel Donaldson, on their fine performances.

Strong performances at under age levels continue to augur well for the future of Victorian Rowing with strong representation in the Australian Under 23 Team by our athletes and perhaps more importantly by six Victorian based coaches. Our Womens Youth Eight was successful and our Mens Youth Eight narrowly beaten at the Interstate Regatta and the Ausrowtec sponsored Junior Development tour of New Zealand was again very successful.

Operations

The development of the Association's information management software package is nearly complete. This package developed by Customised Computer Systems for membership records, regatta results and competitor's status will directly benefit members and clubs over the coming season by creating improvements in both timeliness and accuracy of information for Clubs, regatta committees and the Association office. These improvements are in line with our policy of providing improved service to our membership. Rob Blair commissioned the Association website in November and I commend all members to the site. This means of dissemination of information will create significant savings into the future.

The Association's finances, overseen by James Lowe, remain tight but in healthy shape. Affiliation fees and regatta levies will be increased in 2000/2001 for the first time since 1995 and we believe that we have been able to continue to maintain costs of participating in rowing at a reasonable level. This has been possible with the assistance of our sponsors and partners who include Department of Sport and Recreation, Stewart Derwin of Ausrowtec and VicHealth.

Staff

After three successful years with us, De Fraser moved on to a new role with the Bendigo Institute of Sport in March this year. We wish De all the best in her new endeavours. As one door closes, another opens, and in June we welcomed Ian Lee Conway as the new General Manager of the Association. Ian has an extensive background in sports administration and we look forward to Ian's contribution over the coming year.

Planning

The next twelve months will be extremely important to Victorian Rowing. Our elite athlete program will begin to operate in the expected reduced funding environment post-Sydney. The regatta committees will continue to work towards the 2002 Nationals and World Masters Games. And our administration must manage the further developments of the Docklands Precinct and the consequent Regulatory reviews of usage of the Lower Yarra and other challenges to the access to, and the use of, the waterways so crucial to our ongoing sustainability.

David Pincus

Councillor

Western Australia

Representation

One of the measures of the health and prosperity of a sport is performance in national and international competition. In this capacity, Western Australia had another outstanding year at the 2000 Zurich Australian Rowing Championships in Sydney winning 9 gold medals, 7 silver and 5 bronze. In the National Regatta gold medals were won in the WJ8, WSB4-, WJ4-, WSB2-, WJ2-, MSA2x (part), MSA4+ and MJ2-. In the six adaptive rowing events Western Australia won 2 gold and 4 silver medals.

The highlight of the Interstate Regatta was the coveted win in the Wilkinson Cup for the Men's Youth Eights. In this event Western Australia narrowly defeated Victoria to win the cup for the first time since its inception in 1973. Western Australia was second in the MLW4- and third in the WY8.

As a consequence twenty-three Western Australians, by far the biggest contingent ever to be selected from Western Australia, were named in Zurich Australian Rowing Teams (see Appendices for more detail). While overseas, competing in various regattas, every Western Australian representing Australia won a medal of one kind or another.

Of particular note was the outstanding performance of Stefan Szczeniowski and Neil Dennis who won the gold medal in the MJ2- to add to their gold medal last year in the MJ4-, defeating crews from 16 countries in the process. Also World Junior Champions on two successive occasions, they are an example to us all. The WJ4- and the MB4- won the silver medal in their classes.

These performances are a credit to the Western Australian Institute of Sport, the rowing clubs, coaches and officials and Rowing WA.

All five of Western Australia's FISA international umpire licence holders were chosen to officiate at the Sydney Olympics. John Murdoch joins four other Australians on the FISA Jury and Brett Woolfitt, Craig James, Berry Durston and Brian Nash have been included in the National Technical Committee which will assist in conducting the rowing events.

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Coaching

A Level I Coaching course was conducted on 4-5 June 2000 (attended by 28 registrants) and a Level II course in May through July (16 registrants). Rowing WA continues to place considerable importance on these courses which have a heavy input from Barbara Fenner, National Director of Coach Education. Rowing WA looks forward to the availability of a Level 0 course for those who want a less demanding introduction to coaching.

Sponsorship

Rowing WA has a three year sponsorship with Zurich Financial Services which funds twenty one-year scholarships each year (ten for boys, ten for girls) and encourages outstanding schoolboy and schoolgirl rowers to continue with the sport when they leave school. Each scholarship is worth \$500. The funds are paid to the club they join to defray joining and membership fees and to provide coaching and equipment.

As part of the sponsorship, a Zurich Skins Regatta was conducted on a 300 metre two lane course at Claisebrook Cove, a new riverside housing development in East Perth, as part of the Claisebrook Festival. The program, which also featured dragon boat races, included open and junior events for men and women in 1x and 2x, and 1x and 4x+ for boys and girls. The success of the venture means that it is likely to become an annual fixture in the rowing calendar.

During the year Woodside Energy became a major sponsor of rowing in Western Australia. The company made a commitment to provide funding over three years to help purchase two rowing eights for use by the State team. Both boats were winners at the 2000 Zurich Australia Rowing Championships, one in the MY8 and the other in the WJ8. The boats will be jointly owned with two local rowing clubs, thus enabling the clubs concerned to acquire excellent equipment on an affordable basis while ensuring that Western Australian crews compete on equal terms equipment-wise with crews from other States.

Operations

The Clubs form the backbone of the sport of rowing in Western Australia and considerable effort is made to assist them in their growth and development. This includes incentives such as the Jeff Sykes and Associates Best Club Award (based on the number of new members, regatta participation and the conduct of the pennant regatta they host). Also the Croker Oars Award for the club scoring the most pennant points in novice and sub-junior sculls, and access to equipment loans.

Pierre Pougault has been appointed Executive Officer for Rowing WA and he works directly with the clubs to improve communication and organise events such as the combined clubs Rowathon and raffle. He also assists clubs with their fund raising, administers the Zurich Scholarships and ensures that the sport runs smoothly from an administrative perspective. He is located at Rowing WA's headquarters in the clubhouse at Canning Bridge.

From the point of view of infrastructure for rowing in Western Australia, the new Bunbury Rowing Club boathouse is an outstanding achievement. The club, established in 1921, now boasts a much enlarged boat storage facility, a new gymnasium/weights room and ablutions on the ground floor, and a delightful function centre with views over the Leschenault Estuary, a commercial kitchen and clubrooms upstairs. The cost was about \$750,000. The Bunbury Rowing Club now has one of the best boathouses in Australia, a great credit to the vision and enthusiasm of the members. The new facilities will provide a strong stream of income to support the sport in Bunbury (about 160 kilometres south of Perth) for many years to come. It is hoped that Bunbury will develop into a regional rowing centre.

Berry H Durston AM
Councillor

in appreciation

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results**Results****2000 Zurich Australian National Rowing Championship Results
6-12 March 2000****JM 1x**

Mitchell Punch	
CANBERRA/ACTAS 1	7:16.35
Scott Brennan	
LINDISFARNE 2	1.86
Hugh Edwards	
LINDISFARNE 1	3.84

JW 1x

Sarah Bird	
NORTH ESK	8:05.61
Megan Crawford	
NEPEAN/NSWIS 2	1.48
Kate Hutchison	
ESSENDON 2	0.47

BJM 1x

Anthony Males	
SANDY BAY	7:50.08
Matthew Hellyer	
MACLEAN HIGH	0.81
Benjamin Marton	
GIPPSLAND GRAMMAR	9.75

BJW 1x

Elizabeth Brown	
ST MARGARETS 3	8:13.62
Hally Hames	
ST GEORGE	3.03
Lucinda James	
ROCKHAMPTON GRAMMAR	0.53

BM 2-

MELBOURNE UNI 3	6:42.93
MELBOURNE UNI 2	2.04
SWAN/ECU PERTH/WAIS	0.75

AM 2-

MOSMAN/AIS	6:26.80
UTS/NSWIS 1	2.94
UTS/NSWIS 2	0.33

AM 2-

SYDNEY/AIS	6:22.67
MUBC/SYD/VIS/NSWIS	6.46
SYDNEY/UTS/AIS	1.90

AM 2-

AVON (NEW ZEALAND)	6:54.09
AUCKLAND/UNION (NZ)	3.64
UTS/NSWIS 3	0.30

AM 2-

SWAN RIVER	7:00.67
GUANGDONG (CHINA)	1.42
SYDNEY	17.75

BW 2-

SWAN/ECUPERTH/WAIS 2	7:35.89
ST GEORGE/NSWIS	0.52
BARWON	2.14

AW 2-

POWERH/ADEL UNI/AIS	7:01.41
ADEL UNI/MELB UN/SASI	3.48
ADEL UNI/SYDNEY/AIS	1.44

AW 2-

ADEL UNI/CANB/SASI	7:14.40
BLK/NEP/ACTAS/NSWIS	3.96
TORRENS/MOSMAN/SASI	3.44

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BML 1x

Josh Frichot	
WENDOUREE/BALLARAT	7:16.97
Mitchell Campbell	
THE SOUTHPORT SCHOOL	0.46
Ben Southwell	
ANU/ACTAS	0.49

AML 1x

Hamish Karrasch	
TOOWONG/QAS	6:52.74
Bruce Hick	
CANBERRA/AIS	2.63
Tim Wise	
BALLARAT CITY	0.09

AML 1x

Paul Jones	
BANKS 1	7:11.32
Andrew Black	
SYDNEY/NSWIS 2	1.96
James Bond	
ANU	0.25

AML 1x

Sam Brown	
BANKS 2	7:34.69
Damian Barlow	
MELBOURNE UNI 3	5.34
Matthew Rice	
NEPEAN	0.13

AML 1x

Tim Hughes	
SYDNEY 3	7:42.00
Craig Graham	
ADELAIDE	8.76
David De Silva	
PORT MACQUARIE	18.79

BWL 1x

Amber Halliday	
ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY	8:05.02
Irene Haase	
BARWON	5.29
Megan Everitt	
COMMERCIAL/QAS	1.99

AWL 1x

Virginia Lee	
MOSMAN/NSWIS	7:37.89
Sally Newmarch	
TORRENS/SASI	3.22
Catriona Roach	
UTS/NSWIS	1.90

AWL 1x

Eliza Blair	
MELBOURNE UNI/VIS 2	7:54.31
Kirsty Edwards	
MOSMAN	6.48
Marina Cade	
MELBOURNE UNI 7	0.32

AWL 1x

Jackie Pigdon	
BARWON 2	8:15.23
Catherine Jones	
MELBOURNE UNI 6	2.87
Anna Petroeschovsky	
GPS	6.16

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AWL 1x

Rebekah Hourigan	
UNIVERSITY OF NSW	8:35.50
Samantha Harrison	
ADELAIDE 2	8.38

BM 4+

ADELAIDE	6:34.96
UNI OF QUEENSLAND	1.29
MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY	0.04

AM 4+

CURTIN UNI/SWAN RVR	6:33.34
SYDNEY/DRUMMM/NSWIS	12.87

JM 2-

SWAN RIVER	7:00.34
ADELAIDE	9.43
ANGLICAN CHURCH 1	5.78

JW 2-

SWAN RIVER	7:54.78
ECU PERTH/MURDOCH	10.54
LEICHHARDT	15.51

BML 2-

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY	7:09.73
NEW NORFOLK	3.13
SYDNEY UNI/NSWIS	4.91

AML 2-

WENDOUREE BALL/VIS	6:29.16
GEEVESTON/TIS	0.12
SWAN R/CURTIN UNI 2	1.96

AML 2-

SWAN R/CURTIN UNI 1	7:04.14
SYDNEY UNIVERSITY	3.01
ADELAIDE	3.04

BWL 2-

NORTH ESK	7:56.57
HAWTHORN	11.18
COMMERCIAL	6.79

BM 1x

David Crawshay	
MERCANTILE	7:15.88
Ian Mongan	
DARAMALAN	3.11
Luke Hennessy	
CANBERRA 1	3.66

AM 1x

Duncan Free	
SURFERS/QAS 1	6:48.65
Jason Day	
UTS/NSWIS 1	3.61
James Burton	
COMMERCIAL/QAS	3.45

AM 1x

Jono Fievez	
ECU PERTH/WAIS 2	6:47.42
Peter Hardcastle	
MOSMAN/NSWIS 1	5.59
Tom Laurich	
MOSMAN/NSWIS 2	0.38

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AM 1x

Marcus Free	
SURFERS/QAS 2	6:50.12
Tom Edwards	
LINDISFARNE 2	3.54
Martin Lascelles	
BLACK MOUNTAIN/ACTAS	1.00

AM 1x

Tristan Pascall	
ECU PERTH/WAIS 4	7:18.57
Brendon Long	
TAMAR	0.72
Shaun Coultou	
UNI QUEENSLAND/QAS	5.47

AM 1x

A Marshall McCormack	
SYDNEY UNIVERSITY	7:23.72
Tom Chapman	
ST GEORGE	3.48
Anthony Lee	
COMMERCIAL 2	1.08

AM 1x

John Colley	
BARWON	7:44.13
Todd Hull	
UTS 3	13.42
David Emmett	
LINDISFARNE 1	easily

BW 1x

Kay Anstey	
TORRENS 2	7:53.93
Donna Martin	
BLACK MOUNTAIN	3.04

AW 1x

Bronwyn Roye	
UTS/NSWIS 2	7:24.82
Georgina Douglas	
MERCANTILE/VIS	3.54
Marina Hatzakis	
UTS/NSWIS 1	5.71

AW 1x

Monique Heinke	
UTS/NSWIS 3	7:38.18
Sally Robbins	
SWAN RIVER/WAIS 1	0.15
Christine Gosling	
UTS 1	2.32

AW 1x

Fleur Spriggs	
MELBOURNE UNI 2	8:01.06
Dionne Smits	
GPS/QAS	7.04
Natalie Robson	
ST GEORGE 1	6.49

AW 1x

Fenella Ng	
HONG KONG SPORTS	8:21.94
Natalie Cook	
PINE RIVERS	20.04
Gilly Johnson	
MOSMAN	1.77

JM 4x

LINDISFARNE	6:14.19
CANB/RADFORD/ACTAS	0.32
TOOWONG/TSS/GRAMM	1.46

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NEPEAN/DRUMM/NSWIS	6:55.55
TORRENS/ADEL/MURRAY	5.39
TOOWONG/SURFERS	8.93

JM 4+

ANGLICAN CHURCH	6:36.97
MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY	2.28
UTS	1.46

AW 8+

AIS COMPOSITE	6:17.08
MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY	17.81
ST GEORGE/SYDNEY	5.29

AM 8+

MELBOURNE UNI/MERC	7:12.23
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AML 4x

NEPEAN/ST GRGE/DRUMM	6:13.82
MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY	2.61
MELB UNI/LIND/WEND B	2.20

AWL 4x

BARWON	6:56.71
TOOWONG/COMM/GPS/QAS	4.57
MELBOURNE UNI/BANKS	1.25

JM 4-

ADELAIDE/MURRAY	6:26.88
ANGLICAN CHURCH	7.95
UTS	3.61

JW 4-

SWAN/ECU/MURDOCH	7:06.27
COMMERCIAL/GPS/QAS	22.56
MURDOCH/SWAN/ECU	4.10

BJM 2x

ROCKHAMPTON GRAMMAR	7:10.05
NOOSA	4.87
CANBERRA GRAMMAR 2	1.92

BJW 2x

ST MARGARETS	7:43.63
ROCKHAMPTON GRAMMAR	4.43
NEPEAN	3.58

JM 2x

LINDISFARNE 2	6:42.48
CANBERRA/ACTAS	2.65
GRAMMARIANS	9.23

JW 2x

NEPEAN/NSWIS	7:31.33
NEPEAN/SYDNEY/NSWIS	3.31
ADELAIDE/TORRENS	0.03

BM 4-

MELBOURNE UNI I	6:08.85
SWAN RVR/UNI WA/WAIS	1.87
DRUMM/SYD/NSWIS	0.36

AM 4-

UTS/NSWIS I	5:55.62
AVON/WAIKATO (NZ)	0.24
MELB U/SYD/VIS/NSWIS	5.77

AM 4-

MERC/SYDNEY/VIS	6:05.96
GUANGDONG (CHINA)	easily

BW 4-

SWAN/ECU PERTH/WAIS	6:55.63
BARWON/HAWTHORN	3.94
ST GEORGE	3.73

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AW 4-

AUBC/POWER/MOS/AIS	6:39.58
AUBC/WEND-B/SYD/AIS	1.51
AUBC/MUBC/CANB/SAS	1.10

BM 2x

DRUMMOYNE/DARAMALAN	6:34.49
CANBERRA/ANU/ACTAS	2.58
MERCANTILE/MELB UNI	3.55

AM 2x

ECU PERTH/SURFERS	6:23.98
CANB/MUBC/ACTAS/VIS	0.37
COMM/SYDNEY/AIS	3.03

AM 2x

UTS/MOSMAN/NSWIS I	6:28.73
BLACK MTN/UTS/ACTAS	0.44
ECU/WAIS	3.31

BW 2x

TORRENS	7:22.20
CANBERRA/BLACK MTN	1.37
MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY	1.21

AW 2x

UTS/NSWIS	7:03.32
MERC/UTS/VIS/NSWIS	2.84
UTS	7.91

AW 2x

ADELAIDE/AUBC	7:19.35
MELBOURNE UNI	10.22
GPS/SURFERS PARADISE	6.16

BML 4-

SYDNEY UNI/NSWIS	6:28.25
NEW NFLK/LIND/N ES	5.59
SWAN RIVER	6.81

AML 4-

GEEVESTON/WEND/TIS	6:05.37
HUON/SYD UNI/UTS/TIS	2.73
SWAN/CURTIN U/UNI WA	13.30

BWL 4-

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY	7:24.64
SYDNEY UNI/MOSMAN	2.62
COMMERCIAL/HUON	15.71

JM 8+

SHORE	5:59.76
THE KINGS SCHOOL	5.91
THE HUTCHINS SCHOOL	5.54

JW 8+

SWAN/ECU PERTH/MURD	6:47.84
DERWENT MERCANTILE	0.29
LEICHHARDT	7.34

BML 2x

ST GEORGE/DRUMMOYNE	6:38.87
LIND/WENDOUREE-BALL	2.01
TORRENS	1.09

AML 2x

CANBERRA/TOOWONG/AIS	6:29.49
HUON/NEPEAN/NSWIS	5.33
TORRENS	12.50

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AML 2x

ESSENDON	6:57.90
ST GEORGE	16.55
PORT MACQUARIE	13.75

BWL 2x

TORRENS/ADELAIDE UNI	7:21.11
NORTH ESK	6.69
MERCANTILE/BARWON	2.23

AWL 2x

MOSMAN/TORRENS/NSWIS	7:06.76
UTS/SYDNEY UNI/NSWIS	4.00
BANKS/MELB UNI/VIS	6.14

AWL 2x

MELBOURNE UNI/BANKS	7:38.22
SYDNEY UNIVERSITY	6.36
BARWON 2	1.93

BM 8+

SYD/DRUMM/UTS/NSWIS	5:47.24
SWAN/UNI WA/ECU/WAIS	0.10
MELBOURNE UNI/MERC	4.68

AML 8+

MUBC/WEND/MERCS/VIS	5:50.14
SWAN/CURTIN U/UNI WA	2.85
LIND/NEW NRFOLK/HUON	3.42

AM 4x

SURFERS/COMM/QAS	5:52.56
ECU/CURTIN UNI/WAIS	0.54
UTS/MUBC/MOSMAN	6.07

AW 4x

UTS/CANB/MELB UNI	6:33.41
UTS/NEP/SWN/NSW/WAIS	3.29
CANB/BLACK/TUGG/ACT	15.54

ADF 1x

Peter Taylor	
NEPEAN	NTT
Ian Hill	
SWAN RIVER	1.32

ADS 1x

Tim Stephen	
NORTH SHORE	2:53.54
Martin Phillips	
ECU PERTH	7.47
Geoffrey Suter	
RECONIAN I	24.33

ADS 1x

Kurt Moles	
ULVERSTONE	NTT
Wayne Carnemolla	
ECU PERTH	4.36
Marcus Turfrey	
HUON	7.89

ADC M1x

Michael Briggs	
SWAN RIVER	4:11.20
Ben Felton	
NEPEAN	4.54
Glen Walter	
ECU PERTH	8.94

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ADCW1x

Ruth Jacka	
PORT MACQUARIE	4.44.98
Megan Edwards	
CURTIN UNIVERSITY	7.24

ADC 2x

PORT MACQ/NEPEAN	4:17.62
CURTIN UNIVERSITY	15.74

ADC 2x

SWAN RIVER	3:31.28
NEPEAN	0.90
CRANBROOK/SYDNEY UNI	16.78

BJW 4x+

ST MARGARETS	7:25.66
ROCKHAMPTON GRAMMAR	9.73
DRUMMOYNE/NEPEAN	1.39

BJM 4x+

ST IGNATIUS' I	6:47.69
NOOSA/ROCKHAMPTON	2.89
CANBERRA GRAMMAR	8.62

SG 1x

Rebecca Chisholm	
GEELONG HIGH	8:15.07
Helen Shelden	
ST PETERS LUTHERAN	8.09
Keely McNamara	
FORT STREET HIGH	0.46

SB 1x

Scott Brennan	
GUILDFORD YOUNG 2	7:20.55
Tim Williams	
THE SCOTS COLLEGE	6.32
Ben Seale	
CANBERRA COLLEGE	0.42

SG 4+

BALLARAT GRAMMAR	7:27.55
LAURISTON	4.66
METHODIST LADIES,MEL	6.41

2SG 4+

GENAZZANO FCJ	7:35.29
ST CATHERINE'S	15.94
LAURISTON	4.45

SB 4+

BALLARAT GRAMMAR	6:29.01
ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE	8.38
BALLARAT & CLARENDON	5.69

4SB 4+

ST IGNATIUS' COLLEGE	7:02.02
SHORE	7.60
NEWINGTON COLLEGE	10.02

3SB 4+

SHORE	6:57.14
THE KINGS SCHOOL	9.49
ST IGNATIUS' COLLEGE	4.35

2SB 4+

ST IGANTIUS' COLLEGE	6:43.96
SHORE	1.01
THE KINGS SCHOOL	21.47

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SB 4x+

SHORE	6:38.56
THE FRIENDS SCHOOL 1	4.32
THE FRIENDS SCHOOL 2	10.02

SG 4x+

SACRED HEART COLLEGE	7:19.08
MLC MELBOURNE 1	1.21
GENAZZANO FCJ	7.03

2SG 4x+

MLC MELBOURNE	7:53.96
ASCHAM	18.14
NEWCASTLE GRAMMAR	4.42

SG 8+

PYMBLE LADIES	6:51.17
DERWENT MERCANTILE	1.36
CAREY BAPTIST	0.81

SB 8+

ST JOSEPHS, SYDNEY	5:55.64
ST PETER'S COLLEGE	1.35
SHORE	0.25

2SB 8+

THE KINGS SCHOOL	6:08.63
ST JOSEPHS, SYDNEY	2.40
ST IGNATIUS' COLLEGE	2.68

IW 1x

Georgina Douglas	
VICTORIA	7:52.99
Marina Hatzakis	
QUEENSLAND	5.41
Bronwyn Roye	
NEW SOUTH WALES	10.38

IM 1x

Haimish Karrasch	
QUEENSLAND	7:09.72
Martin Inglis	
NEW SOUTH WALES	0.94
Tom Edwards	
TASMANIA	7.53

IWL 4x

SOUTH AUSTRALIA	6:50.03
VICTORIA	2.33
NEW SOUTH WALES	.26

IML 4-

TASMANIA	6:13.35
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	4.03
VICTORIA	3.59

IWY 8+

VICTORIA	6:34.29
NEW SOUTH WALES	3.18
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	2.32

IMY 8+

WESTERN AUSTRALIA	5:49.58
VICTORIA	0.21
NEW SOUTH WALES	7.16

IW 8+

VICTORIA	6:20.25
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	1.03
NEW SOUTH WALES	8.35

IM 8+

VICTORIA	5:38.74
ACT	1.63
NEW SOUTH WALES	4.11

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BOAT	CREW	STATE	WORLD CUP VIENNA	HENLEY	OLYMPIC QUALIFIER	WORLD CUP LUCERNE	OLYMPIC GAMES
M4X	JASON DAY DUNCAN FREE PETER HARDCASTLE STUART RESIDE COACH: NICK GARRATT	NSW QLD NSW WA WA	4TH 4TH 4TH 4TH	2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND		4TH 4TH 4TH 4TH	4TH 4TH 4TH 4TH
ML2X	BRUCE HICK HAIMISH KARRASCH GLEN LOFTUS COACH: BOB BLEAKLEY	ACT QLD WA QLD	6TH 6TH DNR		DNR	8TH 8TH DNR	7TH 7TH RESERVE
M2- [1]	DREW GINN JAMES TOMKINS MATTHEW LONG COACH: NOEL DONALDSON	VIC VIC NSW VIC	1ST 1ST			INJURED 1ST 1ST	NOT IN TEAM 3RD 3RD
M2- [2]	ROBERT SCOTT DAVID WEIGHTMAN COACH: HARALD JAHRLING	NSW NSW NSW	6TH 6TH			6TH 6TH	NOT IN TEAM NOT IN TEAM
M4-	BEN DODWELL BO HANSON GEOFF STEWART JAMES STEWART COACH: TIM MCLAREN	NSW NSW NSW NSW NSW	5TH 5TH 5TH 5TH	2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND		3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD	3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD
M8+	DANIEL BURKE JAIME FERNANDEZ ALASTAIR GORDON ROBERT JAHRLING MATTHEW LONG MIKE MCKAY NICK PORZIG CHRISTIAN RYAN STUART WELCH BRETT HAYMAN [COX] COACH: BRIAN RICHARDSON	NSW ACT NSW NSW NSW VIC ACT VIC NSW ACT	3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD RESERVE 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD	1ST 1ST 1ST 1ST 1ST 1ST 1ST RESERVE 1ST		2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND RESERVE 2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND	2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND
ML4-	DARREN BALMFORTH SIMON BURGESS ANTHONY EDWARDS ROBERT RICHARDS COACH: SAM LE COMPTE	TAS TAS VIC VIC TAS	5TH 5TH 5TH 5TH			4TH 4TH 4TH 4TH	2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND
M2X	JAMES BURTON PETER ANTONIE COACH: BRIAN DALTON	QLD VIC VIC	9TH 9TH		5TH 5TH	DNR DNR	RESERVE RESERVE
MIX	TOM LAURICH COACH: HARALD JAHRLING	NSW NSW	REPECHAGE		REPECHAGE	DNR	NOT IN TEAM

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BOAT	CREW	STATE	WORLD CUP	HENLEY VIENNA	OLYMPIC QUALIFIER	WORLD CUP LUCERNE	OLYMPIC GAMES
W1X	GINA DOUGLAS COACH: NOEL DONALDSON	VIC VIC	5TH			6TH	5TH
W2X	MARINA HATZAKIS BRONWYN ROYE COACH: ELLEN RANDELL	NSW NSW NSW	4TH 4TH			5TH	6TH 6TH
W4X	MONIQUE HEINKE KERRY KNOWLER SALLY ROBBINS JULIA WILSON CARMEN KLOMP COACH: UWE BENDER	NSW ACT WA NSW SA WA	5TH 5TH 5TH 5TH RESERVE		2ND 2ND 2ND 2ND RESERVE	DNR DNR DNR DNR DNR	7TH 7TH 7TH 7TH RESERVE
WL2X	VIRGINIA LEE SALLY NEWMARCH CATRIONA ROACH COACH: HARALD JAHRLING	NSW SA NSW NSW	4TH 4TH DNR			4TH 4TH DNR	4TH 4TH RESERVE
W2-	KATE SLATTER RACHAEL TAYLOR COACH: PAUL THOMPSON	SA VIC AIS	1ST 1ST			2ND	2ND 2ND
W8+	ALISON DAVIES RACHAEL KININMONTH KRISTINA LARSEN EMILY MARTIN VICTORIA ROBERTS JANE ROBINSON BRONWYN THOMPSON JODI WINTER KATIE FOULKES [COX] COURTNEY JOHNSTONE COACH: LYALL MCCARTHY	SA VIC NSW VIC NSW VIC VIC NSW VIC VIC NSW AIS	3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD RESERVE			3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD 3RD RESERVE	5TH 5TH 5TH 5TH 5TH 5TH 5TH 5TH 5TH RESERVE

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BOAT	U/23 CREW	STATE	WORLD CUP	NATIONS CUP
BLW2x	MIRANDA BENNETT	SA	repechage	5th
	MEGAN CAMPBELL	SA	repechage	5th
	COACH: ANDREW STUNELL	SA		
BLM2x	DAN STEWART	NSW	repechage	7th
	ANDREW SYPKENS	VIC	repechage	7th
	COACH: GREG HOWELL	NSW		
BLM4-	STEPHEN HUMPHRY	NSW	repechage	6th
	TIM O'CALLAGHAN	NSW	repechage	6th
	STEWART OLD	NSW	repechage	6th
	DAVID TAYLOR	NSW	repechage	6th
	COACH: JOE RODRIGUES	NSW		
BLM4x	SAM BELTZ	TAS	6th	7th
	JOSH FRICHOT	VIC	6th	7th
	SCOTT PENNING	VIC	6th	7th
	BEN SOUTHWELL	ACT	6th	7th
	COACH: JOHN CUMPER	VIC		
BM4x	DAVID CRAWSHAY	VIC	12th	2nd
	IAN MONGAN	ACT	12th	2nd
	DAN NOONAN	NSW	12th	2nd
	JONATHON STONE	VIC	12th	2nd
	COACH: PETER SOMERVILLE	VIC		
BM8+	NICK BAXTER	NSW	10th	2nd
	JAMES CHAPMAN	NSW	10th	2nd
	HARDY CUBASCH	VIC	10th	2nd
	KARSTEN FORSTERLING	VIC	10th	2nd
	TRAVIS JOHNSTON	VIC	10th	2nd
	WARREN KEEBLE	VIC	10th	2nd
	LACHLAN McPHERSON	VIC	10th	2nd
	JULIAN VOLLER	VIC	10th	2nd
	MICHAEL TOON [COX]	QLD	10th	2nd
	COACH: CHRIS O'BRIEN	VIC		
BW1x	KELLY MATTHEWS	NSW	repechage	3rd
	COACH: LINDSAY CALLAGHAN	NSW		
BW4x	KAYE ANSTEY	SA	8th	2nd
	CATRIONA OLIVER	VIC	8th	2nd
	ANDREA PRICE	SA	8th	2nd
	BELINDA TALBOT	SA	8th	2nd
	COACH: CRAIG ADRIAN	VIC		
BW4-	ANGELA HEITMAN	WA	3rd	6th
	SOPHIE KILPATRICK	WA	3rd	6th
	JOANNA LUTZ	WA	3rd	6th
	REBECCA SATTIN	WA	3rd	6th
	COACH: CONNIE VANDERWERP	VIC		
BW2-	ELIZABETH WINDLE	SA	12th	4th
	NATALIE LEGGE	NSW	12th	4th
	COACH: GREG HOWELL	NSW		
BM2-	JOSH KEOGH [M2+ in Luc.]	WA	2nd	4th
	LUKE POUGNAULT [M2+ in Luc.]	WA	2nd	4th
	COACHES: GEORGE XOURIS			
	ANDREW RANDELL	WA / NSW		
BM4-	DAVID DENNIS	WA	12th	2nd
	DAVID MATTHEWS	NSW	12th	2nd
	DAVID McGOWAN	WA	12th	2nd
	STEPHEN STEWART	NSW	12th	2nd
	COACH: ANDREW RANDELL	NSW		
BM1x	TOM LAURICH	NSW	DNR	4th
	COACH: LINDSAY CALLAGHAN	NSW		

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2000 Zurich Australian Non-Olympic Rowing Team

BOAT	NON-OLYMPIC CREW	STATE	WORLD CUP LUCERNE	WORLD CHAMPS NON-OLYMPICS
LM8+	ANDREW BLACK	NSW	1st	3rd
	SHANE BROAD	TAS	1st	3rd
	ANDREW BUTLER	TAS	1st	3rd
	BEN CURETON	WA	1st	3rd
	GLEN LOFTUS	WA	1st	3rd
	KARL PARKER	NSW	1st	3rd
	MATTHEW RUSSELL	TAS	1st	3rd
	MICHAEL WISEMAN	NSW	1st	3rd
	KENNY CHAN [COX]	WA	1st	3rd
	COACH: JOHN DRIESSEN	TAS		
LW4x	ELIZA BLAIR	VIC	2nd	2nd
	SALLY CAUSBY	SA	2nd	2nd
	AMBER HALLIDAY	SA	2nd	2nd
	CATRIONA ROACH	NSW	2nd	2nd
	COACH: NEIL MYERS	SA		

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2000 Zurich Australian Junior Rowing Team

BOAT	JUNIOR CREW	STATE	WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS
JW1x	REBECCA CHISHOLM COACH: JEFF WATT	VIC VIC	7th
JM2-	NEIL DENNIS STEFAN SZSCUROWSKI COACH: GEORGE XOURIS	WA WA WA	1st 1st
JM2x	IAN BECKER DAVID GALLEY COACH: ALAN BROMILEY	QLD QLD QLD	13th 13th
JM4x	SCOTT BRENNAN HUGH EDWARDS ROBERT OAKLEY SAM WALEY COACH: BARRY EDWARDS	TAS TAS TAS TAS TAS	16th 16th 16th 16th
JM4-	SAM CAMPBELL JAMES SCHELL JAMES WILMOTT TIM WIRTH COACH: SIMON HUXLEY	NSW NSW NSW NSW NSW	4th 4th 4th 4th
JM1x	MITCHELL PUNCH COACH: NICK HUNTER	ACT ACT	6th
JW4-	ELIZABETH DEVITT JESSICA HARKER SARAH OUTHWAITE HEIDI SOUNESS COACH: GAVIN RUSSELL	WA WA WA WA WA	2nd 2nd 2nd 2nd
JW4x	LEONIE BURNES ALISON PICKETT LIZ KELL KRISTY LEE WATSON-JONES COACH: DEBBIE FOX	NSW NSW NSW NSW NSW	7th 7th 7th 7th

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W1X

GOLD	BELARUSSIA	7.28:14
SILVER	BULGARIA	7.28:15
BRONZE	GERMANY	7.28:99

5TH	AUSTRALIA	7.37:88	[DOUGLAS]
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M1X

GOLD	NEW ZEALAND	6.48:90
SILVER	SWITZERLAND	6.50:55
BRONZE	GERMANY	6.50:83

	AUSTRALIA	DID NOT QUALIFY
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W2X

GOLD	GERMANY	6.55:44
SILVER	NETHERLANDS	7.00:36
BRONZE	LITHUANIA	7.01:71

6TH	AUSTRALIA	7.05:35	[HATZAKIS, ROYE]
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M2X

GOLD	SLOVENIA	6.16:63
SILVER	NORWAY	6.17:98
BRONZE	ITALY	6.20:49

	AUSTRALIA	DID NOT QUALIFY
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WL2X

GOLD	ROMANIA	7.02:64
SILVER	GERMANY	7.02:95
BRONZE	USA	7.06:37

4TH	AUSTRALIA	7.12:04	[NEWMARCH, LEE]
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ML2X

GOLD	POLAND	6.21:75
SILVER	ITALY	6.23:47
BRONZE	FRANCE	6.24:85

B FINAL

1ST (7TH)	AUSTRALIA	6.26:21	[KARRASCH, HICK]
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W4X

GOLD	GERMANY	6.19:58
SILVER	GREAT BRITAIN	6.21:64
BRONZE	RUSSIA	6.21:65

B FINAL

1ST (7TH)	AUSTRALIA	6.37:22	[KNOWLER, WILSON, HEINKE, ROBBINS]
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Olympic Games, Sydney 2000 17-24 September

M4X

GOLD	ITALY	5:45:56
SILVER	NETHERLANDS	5:47:91
BRONZE	GERMANY	5:48:64

4TH AUSTRALIA 5:50:32 [HARDCASTLE, DAY, RESIDE, FREE]

W2-

GOLD	ROMANIA	7:11:00
SILVER	AUSTRALIA	7:12:56
BRONZE	USA	7:13:00

[TAYLOR, SLATTER]

M2-

GOLD	FRANCE	6:32:97
SILVER	USA	6:33:80
BRONZE	AUSTRALIA	6:34:26

[LONG, TOMKINS]

M4

GOLD	GREAT BRITAIN	5:56:24
SILVER	ITALY	5:56:62
BRONZE	AUSTRALIA	5:57:61

[STEWART, DODWELL, STEWART, HANSON]

M14

GOLD	FRANCE	6:01:68
SILVER	AUSTRALIA	6:02:09
BRONZE	DENMARK	6:03:51

[BURGESS, EDWARDS, BALMFORTH, RICHARDS]

W8+

GOLD	ROMANIA	6:06:44
SILVER	NETHERLANDS	6:09:39
BRONZE	CANADA	6:11:58
5TH	AUSTRALIA	6:15:16

[ROBERTS, DAVIES, WINTER, THOMPSON, KININMONTH, LARSEN, MARTIN, ROBINSON COX -FOULKES]

M8+

GOLD	GREAT BRITAIN	5:33:08
SILVER	AUSTRALIA	5:33:88
BRONZE	CROATIA	5:34:85

[RYAN, GORDON, PORZIG, JAHRLING, MCKAY WELCH, BURKE, FERNANDEZ, COX-HAYMAN]

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Olympic Games Regatta Medal Tally

COUNTRY	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL
GER	2	1	3	6
AUS		3	2	5
ITA	1	2	1	4
USA		1	2	3
FRA	2		1	3
NED		3		3
ROM	3			3
GBR	2	1		3
POL	1			1
RUS			1	1
DEN			1	1
BUL		1		1
BLR	1			1
LTU			1	1
CAN			1	1
CRO			1	1
SUI		1		1
NZL	1			1
NOR		1		1
SLO	1			1
	14	14	14	42

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CREWS ROWED THE EQUIVALENT OF THE DISTANCE FROM SYDNEY TO HOBART IN COMPETITION.

