

**Rowing Association of Western Australia (Inc.)** 

**2017** 

# ANNUAL REPORT



## **Our Vision**

Making rowing an enjoyable experience for all Western Australians

## **Our Mission**

To have more people rowing
To have more happy rowers
To develop world class rowers

## Our Objectives

Support participation pathways - rowers/coaches/officials/volunteers
Support high performance pathways
Develop places and spaces for rowing
Develop organisational capabilities of Rowing WA and Clubs
Develop the people involved with rowing

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#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT



The year to 31 October 2017, saw continued progress against objectives in the final year of the 2014-17 strategic plan.

Following the success of the first sprint regatta trialled at Elizabeth Quay (EQ) in 2016, three regattas were staged there this year. Feedback at the end of each regatta has allowed us to evolve the format, improving the experience for competitors and spectators, and improving the safety of crews, especially when rowing at night.

The EQ Regattas have taken rowing back into the heart of the CBD with the open entry format attracting an eclectic mix of non-traditional crews including corporates, school alumni, university alumni, and even a surf club. Clubs have been most generous in their hosting of these crews in their sheds, providing both boats and coaches.

Bringing rowing back in front of a wider audience is a statement of rowing's enduring relevance within the WA community. In addition, having non-traditional crews racing side by side with club crews and State representative crews, is reintroducing retired rowers back to the sport. The relationships fostered through hosting non-traditional crews, are also being leveraged to the

advantage of the sport by Rowing WA and by individual clubs.

The enduring relevance of rowing in the State was also on display at the inaugural Champions Lunch held at Champion Lakes during the 2017 State Championships. Crews, coaches and officials returned to watch current rowers battle for glory, while reliving their own past achievements, and renewing lifelong friendships fostered within National, State and Club crews. The reminiscences of the all-WA 1960 Rome Olympic eight, and the magnificent tale of the 1997 Kings Cup eight, were highlights of the lunch. The Champions Lunch will now be a permanent fixture during State Championships and all past and present rowers, coxswains, coaches and officials are welcome.

The core club pennant racing program remains the centrepiece of the Rowing WA calendar, culminating in the State Championships. Thanks in part to the successful trial of drone-cameras and live-streaming, the State Championships had a much-improved atmosphere and vibe in 2017 compared to recent years. It is pleasing to see the high quality of domestic racing being given its due public exposure through this new medium, which we hope to continue in 2018 and beyond.

On a disappointing note, however, overall regatta entries were down during 2017, prompting a review and revamp of the regatta program for 2018. It is hoped that better programming and modest changes to the rules of racing, will see an upturn in pennant regatta entries in 2018, and an even better State Championship!

The highlight of the elite program for WA was the National and Interstate Championships at the Sydney International Regatta Centre. We continue to punch above our weight on the national stage, with the men's lightweight four bringing the Penrith Cup back to WA and the ladies youth eight taking out bronze in the Bicentennial Cup. Thanks

go to WAIS Head coach, Rhett Ayliffe and Rowing WA high performance director, Verity Keogh, for their dedicated work in preparing and supporting the State team.

On the world stage, Josh Hicks (Swan River Rowing Club) rowed in the men's coxless four which won gold at THE World Rowing Championships in Sarasota, Florida. Along with Josh, we congratulate all our senior national representatives, David Watts (Swan River Rowing Club) in the Men's Double Scull, James Kerr (UWA Boat Club) and Cameron Fowler (Swan River Rowing Club) in the Lightweight Men's Quadruple Scull.

As a sign of things to come, Bronwyn Cox (UWA Boat Club) and Annabelle McIntyre (Fremantle Rowing Club), picked up silver in the women's pair at the U23 world championships, and then jointly took out the WAIS Junior Sports Star of the year award later in the year. In addition, veteran State and Swan River Rowing Club coach, Antonio Maurogiovanni, coached the men's four to gold medal at the same event. Along with Bronwyn and Annabelle, we also congratulate Sam Marsh on their achievements in under 23 national crews. At the U21 level, WA had 5 athletes and coach selected to represent Australia in the Trans-Tasman challenge against New Zealand.

Competing on the international stage is a great personal honour for these athletes, and also reflects positively on the contribution of schools, clubs, coaches, officials and fellow competitors in the state, which creates the high standard of competition in which our elite rowers are nurtured. WA now has four athletes training in the National Training Centres in Canberra (men) and Penrith (women). While they are away from home, we remain proud that these athletes developed in WA and continue to represent their state with distinction.

The future of elite performance will be underpinned by the high-performance partnership between Rowing WA, WAIS and

Rowing Australia, which was renewed in 2017 following the development of *Pathways 2020*, WA's High Performance Strategy for Rowing for this current Olympic cycle.

Growth of the athlete base will be achieved through a number of long run initiatives, hinging on expanding the number of schools with embedded rowing programs within the State, and a range of programs to give talented athletes reason to choose rowing over their other sporting options, post-school. The success of Great Southern Grammar in placing 5<sup>th</sup> out of 29 schools in the All Schools Regatta this year is testament to the talent lying dormant around the state, in this instance unlocked through a passionate school coach and two inspirational regional visits that involved Olympians Mr Tony Lovrich and Miss Hannah Vermeersch. Along with Olympian Rhys Grant, Hannah and Tony made five trips to regional rowing clubs to support coach and rower development and school recruitment initiatives as part of a program made possible by a Country Sport Enrichment Scheme grant from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries. In addition, Pathway Eights, talent identification, school alumni programs and intervarsity challenge racing are amongst the initiatives being actively pursued to improve retention of rowers post-school. Our shared aspiration is to see podium finishes for WA crews increase in future years. Like everything else worth achieving in rowing, there are no shortcuts!

Full details of annual awards are listed later in this report, however I would like to congratulate UWA Boat Club as Overall Champion Club, Swan River Rowing Club for taking out the Premiership Pennant, Josh Hicks (Swan River Rowing Club) as Oarsman of the Year, Bronwyn Cox (UWA Boat Club) & Annabelle McIntyre (Fremantle Rowing Club) as Oarswomen of the Year, and Club Coach of the Year, Vanessa Grant (Perth Rowing Club). On behalf of everyone involved in the sport of rowing in WA, I wish all our elite athletes all the best in their selection aspirations and race results for 2018, and in pursuing the Olympic dream in

Tokyo 2020. You are the flag-bearers for our sport, and we draw inspiration from your dedication and skill.

A large contingent of masters rowers continues to be a key part of rowing in the state. A large group of masters rowers travelled to Nagambie for the Australian Masters Rowing Championships, to Melbourne for the Head of then Yarra, and to Bled for the Masters World Championships. Crew camaraderie and fitness are the bywords for these remarkable athletes. With Western Australia hosting the Australian Masters championships in 2019, 2018 will be a year for planning and for clubs to marshal strong crews for the event.

2017 was the final year of the 2014-17 strategic plan and final input is being sought on the 2018 5-year strategic plan as I write. The vision remains: "Making rowing a rewarding experience available to all Western Australians", with a three part mission: to involve more people in rowing; to deliver a positive rowing experience; and to provide and facilitate elite pathways

The Rowing WA Board and CEO have set the following priorities for 2018:

- 1. Embed and grow Elizabeth Quay Regattas
- 2. Secure funding to continue Regional Support program in 2019
- 3. Run a pilot for the Armadale Schools Program
- 4. Plan and promote the 2019 Australian Masters Rowing Championships in Perth
- 5. Increase liaison with clubs
- 6. Renovate Rowing WA Canning Bridge facility and river wall
- 7. Develop a home for Western Australian Rowing memorabilia at Champion Lakes

The success of these priority initiatives will as always, be driven by our core team, supported by specialist expertise of key Directors and volunteers of Rowing WA, and enabled by the energy and drive of club committees and their members.

I wish to thank all the Directors for Rowing WA for their work this year. Their commitment to Board meetings, General meetings, sub-committees and supporting the Rowing WA office has been considerable.

I would like to extend my personal thanks to Daniel Tackenberg for his work in 2017. Supported by the generous spirit of an army of volunteers, we have achieved much this year, and with another ambitious strategic plan being launched, there is much more to do. I would also like to thank Daniel's team, Tiffany Bellamy, Jennifer Matthies, Lachlan Chapman, Bella Lie, Laurie Anderson, Brett Woolfitt, and Pierre Pougnault. Jen Matthies resigned late in the year after 2 valuable years in the Development role, during which much was achieved, particularly in the thankless work of reaching out to non-traditional rowing schools and in running a most successful regional program.

I also extend my thanks to our partners and sponsors Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries, ServTech Global, LGFG Fashion House, RowGear, Healthway, Lavan, Front Row Screens and the City of Armadale for their generous support in cash and kind. Without our partners and sponsors, we could not deliver our core and growth programs.

I continue to emphasise that we are custodians in WA of a fantastic sport with great contemporary relevance and a long history. Our challenge remains to competitively position rowing in the public psyche by growing our base, increasing the diversity and appeal of our offering, positioning the sport in the public eye, and improving our high performance results. We do this as an integrated sport with a highly competitive and diverse club base, variously serving the needs of junior, pennant, elite and masters rowers. May 2018 be an even better year for us.

David Rose President

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## **BOARD, STAFF AND COMMITTEES**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Position** Name **Special Interest Area** President **David Rose** Governance Director Kerryn Briody **Facilities** Director **Neil Smith** Regattas Director Karen Clay Masters Director

Simon Cubitt

Director Verity Keogh **High Performance** Cameron Thorn Club Development Director

Appointed Lisa Smith Marketing

**Rowing Australia Councillor** Appointed **Craig James** 

Directors that retired at the 2017 AGM:

Director Michael Hinsley Regattas Richard Lipscombe **Facilities** Director

Directors that retired during the 2016-2017 Rowing WA Financial Year (Nov – Oct): NIL

#### **Board Meeting Attendance**

The 2017 AGM was held in February 2017. This explains the changeover of a number of directors around this time.

**Finance** 

	Nov	Feb	Mar	May	July	Aug	Sep	Total	Total
	<b>'16</b>						<b>'17</b>	as No.	as %
David Rose	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	7/7	100%
Craig James	Υ	Υ		N	N	Υ	Υ	4/6	67%
Richard Lipscombe	N	N						0/2	0%
Michael Hinsley	Υ	Υ						2/2	100%
Karen Clay	N	N	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	3/7	43%
Verity Keogh	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	6/7	86%
Kerryn Briody	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	N	4/7	57%
Simon Cubitt	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	7/7	100%
Neil Smith			Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	5/5	100%
Lisa Smith				Υ	Υ	N	N	2/4	50%
Cameron Thorn			Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	4/5	80%

#### **STAFF & OFFICERS**

#### **Staff**

CEO **Daniel Tackenberg** Admin & Functions Manager Tiffany Bellamy **Development Manager** Jennifer Matthies

**Event & Operations Coordinator** Lachlan Chapman (commenced May 2017)

#### **Honorary Officers**

Project Support / State Team Manager Callista Bella Lie Property Officer/ Umpires Convenor **Brett Woolfitt OAM** Regatta Secretary/ Registrar Laurie Anderson

#### **COMMITTEES**

#### **Facilities Committee**

Kerryn Briody (Chair) Verity Keogh (Chair) Richard Lipscombe Rhett Ayliffe

Simon Cubitt Libby Gatti Glyn Heath **Ross Brown** Catriona Walker Sian Brown

Gavin Giles **Daniel Tackenberg** 

Peter Beekink **Daniel Tackenberg** 

#### **Finance Committee**

Simon Cubitt (Chair) Neil Smith (Chair)

Konrad Floan All affiliated club captains

**Brad Scally** Laurie Anderson (Rowing WA Regatta Secretary) **Daniel Tackenberg** Lynne Bayliss (Rowing WA Umpires Convenor)

**Daniel Tackenberg** 

**High Performance Committee** 

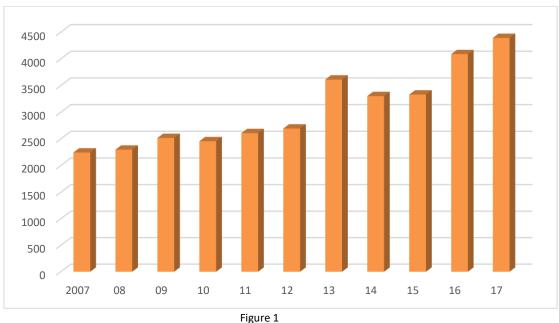
#### **AFFILIATED CLUBS IN 2016-2017**

Albany Rowing Club	ARC
ANA Rowing Club	ANARC
Bunbury Rowing Club	BRC
Champion Lakes Boating Club	CLBC
Curtin University Boat Club	CUBC
Fremantle Rowing Club	FRC
Greenough River Rowing Club	GRRC
Margaret River Rowing Club	MRRC
Murdoch University Rowing Club	MURC
Perth Rowing Club	PRC
Swan River Rowing Club	SRRC
University of Western Australia Boat Club	UWABC
West Australian Rowing Club	WARC

#### **COMPETITIVE CLUB/SPORT MEMBERSHIP**

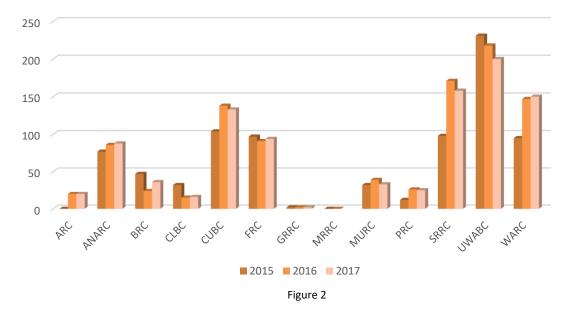
#### **Total Sport Membership**

Figure 1 includes competitive club members, non-competitive club members (including temporary members) and school rowing programs representing the total participation of rowing in Western Australia. Some estimates have been made in calculating total sport membership. The significant growth in 2013 was due to the commencement of the All-Schools Program. The spike in 2016 is due to the inclusion of non-competitive rowers in the statistics made possible through the new Revolutionise Sport database. 2017 has seen continued improvement in the collection of accurate reporting data. Most of these improvements are across non-competitive membership classes which were not captured at all prior to 2016.



#### **Competitive Club Membership**

Figure 2 represents the overall growth in competitive club membership in each club over the past 3 years. This excludes non-competitive, temporary and PSA and IGSSA school rowers



#### **Competitive Club Membership by Gender**

Figure 3 shows a slight decrease in both male and female competitive club membership. The decrease was slightly higher in male athletes than female athletes. The overall decrease in competitive club membership was 63 athletes or 6.20%.

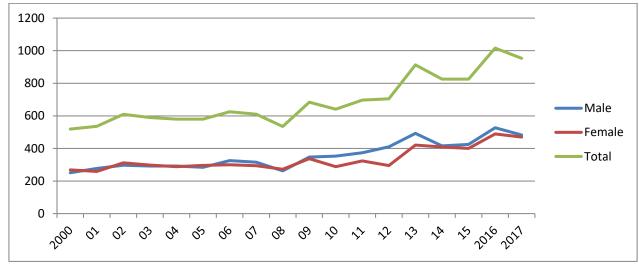


Figure 3

Table 1 provides a breakdown by of competitive club membership by gender per club for the previous three years.

		2015			2016			2017	
Club	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
ARC			0	12	8	20	12	8	20
ANARC	41	36	77	53	33	86	55	33	88
BRC	22	25	47	14	10	24	20	16	36
CLBC	12	20	32	4	11	15	4	12	16
CUBC	49	55	104	60	78	138	59	74	133
FRC	48	49	97	36	55	91	40	54	94
GRRC	0	2	2	0	2	2	0	0	0
MRRC							0	0	0
MURC	17	15	32	18	21	39	16	17	33
PRC	5	7	12	8	18	26	8	17	25
SRRC	62	36	98	113	58	171	101	57	158
UWABC	125	106	231	137	122	259	96	104	200
WARC	44	51	95	72	75	147	72	78	150
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#### **Competitive Club Membership by Age**

Figure 4 breaks down competitive club membership by Age segments. This figure shows that U19 membership has decreased but 19-26 and Masters membership have collectively increased substantially. This indicates that rowing is not currently recruiting well within the schools demographic. However a deeper analysis of the data demonstrates that there is a significant increase in the number of non-competitive junior rowers from 2016 to 2017. This suggest that the issue may be the competitive regatta program is not attractive to this demographic.

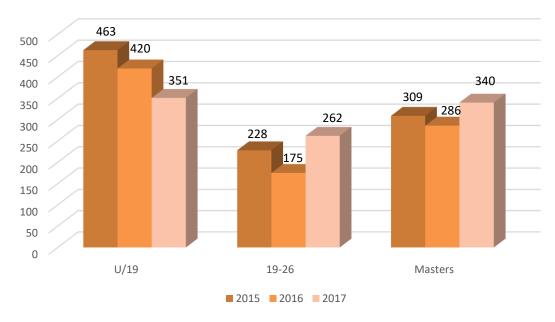


Figure 4

Table 2 expands on Figure 4 showing the age breakdown of competitive club rowers by club. The School Only rowers are typically rowers from PSA or IGSSA schools that become registered competitive members of Rowing WA to either compete in the All-Schools Program or interstate regattas including National Championships

		2015			2016			2017	
Club	U/19	19-26	Masters	U/19	19-26	Masters	U19	19-26	Masters
ARC				20	0	0	20	0	0
ANARC	38	9	30	41	6	39	40	5	43
BRC	14	10	23	2	3	19	1	3	32
CLBC	9	8	15	2	2	11	3	1	12
CUBC	54	31	19	53	49	36	43	52	38
FRC	41	19	37	50	21	20	46	23	25
MURC	0	0	32	0	3	36	0	0	33
PRC	0	0	12	7	0	19	5	1	19
SRRC	36	24	38	103	34	34	71	54	33
UWABC	87	105	39	94	113	52	54	99	47
WARC	15	22	58	74	20	53	68	24	58
ASS*	169			126			140		
Totals	463	228	309	572	251	319	491	262	340

st Combined Associate Members e.g. School (only) rowers



**Courtesy Fremantle Rowing Club** 

## **RESULTS**

#### **2017 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS**

#### **2017 World Championships**

Position	Event	Rower
Gold	M4-	Josh Hicks
5 <sup>th</sup> - C Final	M2x-	David Watts
6 <sup>th</sup> - B Final	LWM4x	Cameron Fowler
		James Kerr

#### World Cup 2

Position	Event	Rower
Gold	M4-	Josh Hicks
4 <sup>th</sup>	M2x-	David Watts

#### World Cup 3

Position	Event	Rower	
Silver	M8+	Josh Hicks	

#### **U23 World Championships**

Position	Event	Rower
Silver	W2-	Bronwyn Cox
		Annabelle McIntyre
5 <sup>th</sup>	M4-	Sam Marsh

#### **U21** TransTasman

Position	Event	Rower
Australian	Leg	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	W1x	Siena Zamin
1 <sup>st</sup>	LWM2x	Patrick Boere
		Chase Deitner
3 <sup>rd</sup>	W2-	Gabi Morris
		Giorgia Patten
1 <sup>st</sup>	W4-	Gabi Morris
		Giorgia Patten
1 <sup>st</sup>	W4x	Siena Zamin
1 <sup>st</sup>	M4x	Patrick Boere
		Chase Deitner
3 <sup>rd</sup>	W8+	Gabi Morris
		Giorgia Patten
1 <sup>st</sup>	M8+	Patrick Boere
		Chase Deitner
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1 <sup>st</sup>	W1x	Siena Zamin
1 <sup>st</sup>	LWM2x	Patrick Boere
		Chase Deitner
1 <sup>st</sup>	W2-	Gabi Morris
		Giorgia Patten
1 <sup>st</sup>	W4x	Siena Zamin
1 <sup>st</sup>	M4x	Patrick Boere
-		Chase Deitner
2 <sup>nd</sup>	W8+	Gabi Morris
-		Giorgia Patten
2 <sup>nd</sup>	M8+	Patrick Boere
		Chase Deitner

#### **2017 SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL ROWING REGATTA**

#### **2017 Open Schools Rowing Championships**

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Pos.	Event	Rower/Crew	School
4 <sup>th</sup>	SG1x	Lia Franklin	All
			Saints
3 <sup>rd</sup> –	SG1x	Hayley Clarke	PLC
B Final			
7 <sup>th</sup> -	SG4+	Lizzy McLarty	PLC
C Final		Georgina Middlemass	
		Lily McMeeken	
		Lauren Hutton	
		c: Patricia Frazis	
Silver	U17SG8+	Sophie Gubbay	PLC
		Jemima Keys	
		Samantha Deykin	
		Portia Knight	
		Gabby McDonald	
		Ellie Wilcox	
		Louisa Jackson	
		Jess Vinnicombe	
		c: Alice Warner	

2 <sup>nd</sup> – B Final	U17SG8+	Charlotte Bray, Isabel Veitch Karega Gibbs Elosie McMurtrie Rebecca Gunzburg Georgina Fisher Olivia Williams Daisy Webster c:Sienna Robson	PLC
1 <sup>st</sup> -	SB1x	Ethan Taylor	Trinity
B Final			Callaga
Dilliai			College
Bronze	U17SB8+	Cruz Cleary	Trinity
	U17SB8+	Cruz Cleary Louis James	
	U17SB8+	-	Trinity
	U17SB8+	Louis James	Trinity
	U17SB8+	Louis James Matthew Cirocco	Trinity
	U17SB8+	Louis James Matthew Cirocco Dejan Bouwhuis	Trinity
	U17SB8+	Louis James Matthew Cirocco Dejan Bouwhuis Luka Rossi	Trinity
	U17SB8+	Louis James Matthew Cirocco Dejan Bouwhuis Luka Rossi Alex Rossi	Trinity

#### **2017** Interstate Regatta

Position	Event	Rower/Crew
6 <sup>th</sup>	W1x	Alexandra Hagan
5 <sup>th</sup>	M1x	Chris Hayes
3 <sup>rd</sup>	MLTA1x	Kevin Wall
5 <sup>th</sup>	LW4X-	State Team*
1 <sup>st</sup>	LM4-	State Team*
3 <sup>rd</sup>	WY8+	State Team*
5 <sup>th</sup>	MY8+	State Team*
5 <sup>th</sup>	Queens Cup	State Team*
5 <sup>th</sup>	Kings Cup	State Team*

<sup>\*</sup>See High Performance (p34) for crew members



Kevin Wall receiving his Bronze Medal in the Interstate LTA1x



Women's Youth 8 State Team after taking out Bronze



WA Mens Lightweight Four receiving the Penrith Cup

#### **2017 National Championships**

Pos.	Event	Rower	Club/
			School
7 <sup>th</sup>	W1x	Aileen Crowley	SRRC
8 <sup>th</sup>	W1x	Hannah Vermeersch	WARC
1 <sup>st</sup> –	W1x	Adrianna Marulli	SRRC
B Final			
5 <sup>th</sup>	W2x	Amanda Rukuwai	SRRC
		Alexis Whelan	
SILVER	W4x	Hannah Vermeersch	WARC
BRONZE	W4x	Alexis Whelan	SRRC
		Amanda Rukuwai	
		Adrianna Marulli	
ath.	14/4	Aileen Crowley	\\\\ABC
4 <sup>th</sup>	W4x	Sarah Steger	WARC
		Jacqueline Nock Gloria Nock	WARC WARC
		Caitlin MacPhail	FRC
GOLD	W8+	Bronwyn Cox	UWABC
GOLD	VVO	Annabelle McIntyre	FRC
5th	W8+	Alexandra Hagan	SRRC
7th	M1x	Christopher Hayes	SRRC
1st -	M1x	Fionan Crowley	SRRC
B Final	IVIIX	rionan crowicy	Since
4th	M2x	Christopher Hayes	SRRC
GOLD	M4x	David Watts	SRRC
5th	M2-	David Watts	SRRC
4th	M4+	Tom Norman	WARC
		Jonathon Ashby	
		Sam Hughes	
		Matthew Cochran	
		c: Andrew Le	
1st -	LW1x	Suzannah Gravestock	WARC
B Final			
BRONZE	LW2x	Suzannah Gravestock	WARC
4th	LWM1x	James Kerr	UWABC
3rd -	LWM1x	Mario Lo Presti	FRC
B Final			
6th	LWM2x	Patrick Boere	SRRC
		Cameron Fowler	
6th	LWM4x	Ethan Aird	UWABC
		Jay Mummery	
		Mitchell Reinhard	
GOLD	LWM2-	Perry Ward	SRRC
		Timothy Widdicombe	UWABC
GOLD	LWM4-	Mario Lo Presti	FRC
		Timothy Widdicombe	UWABC
		Perry Ward	SRRC
		James Kerr	UWABC

5th	LWM8+	Patrick Boere William Williamson Mario Lo Presti Ethan Aird Benjamin Boultbee James Kerr Timothy Widdicombe Perry Ward c: Max Montanari	SRRC SRRC FRC UWABC SRRC UWABC UWABC SRRC UWABC
SILVER	W8+ Sprint	Molly Booker Natasa Zaric Caitlin MacPhail Aileen Crowley Adriana Marulli Alexis Whelan Amanda Rukuwai Alexandra Hagan c: Sarah Hayler	SRRC
6th	M4x Sprint	Sam Hughes Fionan Crowley William Williamson Hugh Wolgamot	WARC SRRC SRRC SRRC
BRONZE	M8+ Sprint	Sam Hughes Fionan Crowley William Williamson Hugh Wolgamot	WARC SRRC SRRC SRRC
GOLD	U23W4x	Annabelle McIntyre Bronwyn Cox	SRRC UWABC
GOLD	U23W2-	Annabelle McIntyre Bronwyn Cox	SRRC UWABC
GOLD	U23W4-	Annabelle McIntyre Bronwyn Cox	SRRC UWABC
4th	U23M1x	Sam Marsh	SRRC
5th - B Final	U23M1x	Samuel Jaschke	UWABC
SILVER	U23M2x	Sam Marsh	SRRC

BRONZE U23M2x Fraser Pensini UWABC Willis Armstrong FRC  7th U23M2x Zen Vakil UWABC Samuel Jaschke
Willis Armstrong FRC 7th U23M2x Zen Vakil UWABC
7th U23M2x Zen Vakil UWABC
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GOLD U23M4x Sam Marsh UWABC
7th U23M2- Fraser Pensini UWABC
Willis Armstrong FRC
8th U23LW1x Tiffany Brown UWABC
8th U23LW2x Tiffany Brown UWABC
, Alexandra Utley
5th U23LW4x Tiffany Brown UWABC
Alexandra Utley
1st - U23LM1x Patrick Boere SRRC
B Final
3rd - U23LM1x James McQuillan UWABC B Final
5th U23LM2x Chase Deitner WARC William Williamson SRRC
6th U23LM2x Ethan Aird UWABC
James McQuillan
4th U23LM4- Nicholas Ferguson SRRC
Jay Mummery UWABC
Matthew Stubberfield SRRC
GOLD U21W4x Siena Zamin WARC
Giorgia Patten
Gabi Morris Kira Vermeersch
SILVER U21W2- Gabi Morris WARC
Giorgia Patten
4th U21LW2- Kira Vermeersch WARC
Siena Zamin
1st - U21LW2- Anna Gunzburg FRC
B Final Eliza Kelly
SILVER U21W4+ Siena Zamin WARC
Giorgia Patten
Gabi Morris Kira Vermeersch
c: Andrew Le
SILVER U21M1x Oscar Winter WARC
1st - U21M1x David Latham SRRC
B Final
2nd - U21M1x John Pisano WARC
B Final
8th - U21M1x Solomon Holliday SRRC
B Final

BRONZE	U21M2x	Solomon Holliday David Latham	SRRC
4th	U21M2x	Oscar Winter Jonathan Ashby	WARC
SILVER	U21M4x	Chase Deitner John Pisano Oscar Winter Jonathan Ashby	WARC
BRONZE	U21M4x	William Williamson Solomon Holliday Patrick Boere David Latham	SRRC
7th - B Final	U21LW1x	Alexandra Utley	UWABC
SILVER	U21LM1x	Chase Deitner	WARC
1st - B Final	U21LM1x	Ethan Aird	UWABC
3rd - B Final	U21LM1x	William Williamson	SRRC
7th	U19W2x	Charlotte Hill Lia Franklin	FRC ALL SAINTS
5th - B Final	U19W2-	Gigi Parke Jessica Walsh	FRC
8th	U19M1x	Chad Derecourt	SRRC
2nd - B Final	U19M1x	Ethan Taylor	ANA
3rd - B Final	U19M1x	Joe Lovrich	ANA
BRONZE	U19M2x	Chad Derecourt Rohan James	SRRC
7rth	U19M2x	Joe Lovrich Ethan Taylor	ANA
7th	U19M4x	Ethan Taylor Joe Lovrich	ANA
7th	U19M4x	Chad Derecourt Samuel Cocks Rohan James	SRRC WARC SRRC
3rd	U17M4x+	Alex Rossi Luca Rossi Jordan Tyson Joe Pinto c: Joel Taylor	TRINITY
GOLD	CW2x	Aileen Crowley Adriana Marulli	SRRC

Pos.	Event	Rower	Club/ School
SILVER	CW4-	Molly Booker Natasa Zaric Amanda Rukuwai Alexis Whelan	SRRC
6th	CM2x	Hugh Wolgamot Fionan Crowley	SRRC
8th	CM4-	Phillip Colic William Williamson Nicholas Ferguson Tobi Amaranti	SRRC
7th	CM8x	Chad Derecourt Phillip Colic Benjamin Gerrard Hugh Wolgamot Fionan Crowley Nicholas Ferguson Tobi Amaranti William Williamson c: Sarah Hayler	SRRC



James Kerr and Tim Widdicombe from UWABC

#### **2017 AUSTRALIAN MASTERS ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

#### **2017 Interstate Regatta**

Pos.	Event	Rower/Crew
5 <sup>th</sup>	ISW8+	State Team*

<sup>\*</sup>See High Performance (p35) for crew members

#### **2017 National Championships**

Pos.	Event	Rower	Club
5 <sup>th</sup>	WF2-	Vanessa Grant Lorraine Ironside	PRC
GOLD	MH1x	George Xouris	SRRC
BRONZE	MixE4x	Nigel Lucas Mary Cameron Cassandra King Lawrence Bourke	ANA
BRONZE	MixD4x	Nigel Lucas Mary Cameron Catherine Kennedy Alec Monger	ANA
4 <sup>th</sup>	MixF-G2x	Lorraine Ironside Alan Nicoll	PRC SRRC
GOLD	MI2x	Mike Scott George Xouris	SRRC
SILVER	WMF1x	Vanessa Grant	PRC
BRONZE	WMF1x	Cassandra King	ANA
SILVER	WMG8+	Vanessa Grant Lorraine Ironside Marian Robbins Nicky Cato Debbie Arnold	PRC
6 <sup>th</sup>	MMG1x	Alan Nicoll	SRRC
BRONZE	WME2-	Jennifer Coote Nola Cigulev	BRC
4 <sup>th</sup>	WME2-	Susan March Elizabeth Amann	PRC
4 <sup>th</sup>	WME4x	Frances Schild Debbie Arnold Susan March Elizabeth Amann	PRC

5 <sup>th</sup>	WMF8+	Frances Schild Marian Robbins Lorraine Ironside Vanessa Grant Nicky Cato Debbie Arnold Susan March Elizabeth Amann	PRC	
4 <sup>th</sup>	WME4x	Mary Cameron Cassandra King Catherine Kennedy Kathy Ride	ANA ANA UWABC CUBC	
GOLD	MMH2x	Alan Nicoll Mike Scott	SRRC	
5 <sup>th</sup>	MixMD2x	Alec Monger Pina Barbera	ANA CUBC	
BRONZE	WMF2x	Barbara Della-Sale Jennifer Coote	BRC	
6 <sup>th</sup>	WMF2x	Janine Godly Nola Cigulev	BRC	
GOLD	MMI1x	George Xouris	SRRC	
SILVER	MMI1x	Mike Scott	SRRC	
5 <sup>th</sup>	MMD4-	Lawrence Bourke Nigel Lucas Alec Monger Phil Cockman	ANA	
SILVER	WMG2-	Vanessa Grant Nicky Cato	PRC	
GOLD	WME4-	Susan March Debbie Arnold Kathy Ride Elizabeth Amann	PRC PRC CUBC PRC	
4 <sup>th</sup>	WME4-	Cassandra King Mary Cameron Catherine Kennedy Lynne Mannolini	ANA ANA UWABC UWABC	
6 <sup>th</sup>	WMG1x	Marian Robbins	PRC	
SILVER	WMF4-	Vanessa Grant Susan March Nicky Cato Elizabeth Amann	PRC	
GOLD	MMH4x	Alan Nicoll Mike Scott George Xouris	SRRC	
4 <sup>th</sup>	MixME2x	Phil Cockman Pina Barbera	ANA BRC	

Pos.	Event	Rower	Club
BRONZE	WG4-	Marrian Robbins Lorraine Ironside Vanessa Grant Nicky Cato	PRC
6 <sup>th</sup>	MMD4x	Alec Monger Nigel Lucas Lawrence Bourke Phil Cockman	ANA
6 <sup>th</sup>	WMG2x	Marian Robbins Lorraine Ironside	PRC
5 <sup>th</sup>	WME2x	Susan March Elizabeth Amann	PRC
6 <sup>th</sup>	WME2x	Kathy Ride Debbie Arnold	CUBC PRC
BRONZE	MixD8+	Catherine Kennedy Mary Cameron Lynne Mannolini Cassandra King Phil Cockman Nigel Lucas Alec Monger Lawrence Bourke	UWABC ANA UWABC ANA ANA ANA ANA

#### **2017 PENNANT RESULTS**

#### **2017 Premiership Pennant**

Club	2017 Score	2017 Rank	2016 Rank
SRRC	2840.75	1	2
UWABC	2469	2	1
WARC	2162.5	3	4
CUBC	1643.5	4	3
ANA	1495	5	6
FRC	769.5	6	5
PRC	322.25	7	10
BRC	222	8	9
CLBC	196.5	9	7
MURC	144.75	10	8
MRRC	0	11	NA

#### **Minor Pennants**

A Gr	ade	B Gr	ade	C Gra	ade	D Gr	ade	E Gra	ade
Club	Score								
WARC	346	SRRC	416	UWABC	553	UWABC	506	WARC	339
SRRC	282	UWABC	407	SRRC	357	CUBC	418	CUBC	289
FRC	170	WARC	356	WARC	254	WARC	368	ANA	280
UWABC	120	FRC	142	CUBC	140	SRRC	226	SRRC	268
		CUBC	75	FRC	93	ANA	166	UWABC	247
		ANA	15	ANA	46	FRC	38	FRC	140
		BRC	9	BRC	15	PRC	21	BRC	33
						CLBC	20	PRC	9
						BRC	15		

#### **Novice Sculling Trophy**

Club	Rank	Score
SRRC	1	1199.25
CUBC	2	812.25
ANA	3	771.75
UWABC	4	667.75
WARC	5	608
FRC	6	468.5
CLBC	7	56.5
BRC	8	48
PRC	9	28
MURC	10	1
FRC CLBC BRC PRC	6 7 8 9	468.5 56.5 48 28

#### **Masters Pennant**

Club	Rank	Score
WARC	1	644.5
UWABC	2	570.25
ANA	3	500.25
SRRC	4	446
CUBC	5	330.25
PRC	6	275.25
BRC	7	150
CLBC	8	134
MURC	9	130.75
FRC	10	17

#### **SCHOOL ROWING**

#### **Public Schools Association (PSA)**

2017 Head of the River - 1st VIII

School	Time	Rank
Guildford Grammar School	5.54.6	1
Trinity College	5.55.0	2
Hale School	6.02.1	3
Scotch College	6.04.5	4
Christ Church Grammar School	6.05.2	5
Aquinas College	6.10.7	6
Wesley College	6.11.9	7

#### **2017 Hamer Cup Winner - Cumulative Points**

	TRINITY	HALE	CCGS	SCOTCH	GGS	AQUINAS	WESLEY
1st VIII	40	38	34	36	42	32	30
2nd VIII	38	34	32	36	30	28	26
3rd VIII	34	32	22	30	28	24	26
4th VIII	28	30	26	22	24	20	DSQ
Senior total	140	134	114	124	124	104	82
10A VIII	34	28	32	30	22	26	24
10B VIII	28	18	26	24	22	20	16
10 Quad	14	8	11	10	13	12	9
Year 10 total	76	54	69	64	57	58	49
9A Quad	16	14	15	10	12	11	13
9B Quad	14	11	12	10	9	13	8
9C Quad	12	7	8	11	6	9	10
9D Quad	6	8	5	4	7	9	10
9E Quad	7	4	6	3	8	5	2
Year 9 total	55	44	46	38	42	47	43
<b>Total Points</b>	271	232	229	226	223	209	174
Position	1	2	3	4	5	6	7



### Independent Girls' Schools' Sports Association (IGSSA)

#### **2017** Schoolgirls Premier Trophy

School	Reg 1	Reg 2	Reg 3	Reg 4	HOR	Total	Rank
Presbyterian Ladies College	343	346	351	328	340	1708	1
Perth College	279	289	274	279	274	1395	2
Methodist Ladies College	194	211	225	218	234	1082	3
Penrhos College	196	187	197	185	166	931	4
St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls	165	166	160	160	177	828	5
John XXIII College	39	17	19	40	39	154	6



2017 IGSSA Head of the River

#### **2017 All Schools Championship**

#### **All Schools Championship Points Table**

Every school that competed at the All Schools State Championship accrued points from each event entered.

Shenton College	253.75	Willetton Senior High School	14.5
John XXIII College	178.25	Scotch College	12.75
All Saints' College	101.5	Trinity College	12.5
Wesley College	91.75	Penhros College	12
Great Southern Grammar	82.5	Hale School	10.5
C.B.C. Fremantle	42.75	Melville Senior High School	6.5
St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls	42.25	Presbyterian Ladies College	6.5
Guildford Grammar School	39	Applecross Senior High School	6.25
John Wollaston Anglican School	39	Mercedes College	5
Perth College	32	St Marys Anglican Girls School	3.25
La Salle College	30.5	Aquinas College	2.5
Kennedy Baptist College	29.5	Churchlands Senior High School	0
Corpus Christi College	26.25	Como Senior high School	0
John Curtin College	23.5	<b>Duncraig Senior High School</b>	0
International School	20	Rossmoyne Senior High School	0
Perth Modern School	18.25	Santa Maria College	0
Iona Presentation College	15		

The Overall Champion of the event series was Shenton College





#### **2017 CHAMPION CLUB OF THE YEAR**

The highly successful Champion Club of the Year Award was instituted in 1996 by Rowing WA in an effort to increase participation and improve regatta presentation.

#### Criteria for the award include:

- The number of new people introduced into the sport;
- Club growth;
- Participation in regattas; and
- The organization and conduct of pennant regattas.

This award has been sponsored by Rowgear for many years, and as a local supplier it's great to see them continuing to support our clubs with a \$1000 voucher which can be used for the purchase of any goods or service from Rowgear.

In 2017, with another stellar year on & off the water, the winner for an unbeaten 5 years in a row, was the University of Western Australia Boat Club.

#### Previous recipients of the award include:

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1996	Fremantle Rowing Club
1997	Swan River Rowing Club
1998	University of Western Australia Boat Club
1999	Fremantle Rowing Club
2000	Fremantle Rowing Club
2001	ANA Rowing Club
2002	University of Western Australia Boat Club
2003	University of Western Australia Boat Club
2004	ANA Rowing Club
2005	ANA Rowing Club
2006	Bunbury Rowing Club
2007	West Australian Rowing Club
2008	ANA Rowing Club
2009	Fremantle Rowing Club
2010	Swan River Rowing Club
2011	Fremantle Rowing Club
2012	Fremantle Rowing Club
2013	University of Western Australia Boat Club
2014	University of Western Australia Boat Club
2015	University of Western Australia Boat Club
2016	University of Western Australia Boat Club

#### Scores for 2017 Club of the Year

Club	New Novice	Novice Score	Retention Rate %	Retention Score	Participation Rate	Participation Score	Regatta Score	Total
UWABC	61	10	58%	11.45	21.82%	10	8.25	39.70
CUBC	51	8.36	54%	10.50	14.43%	6.62	8	33.48
SRRC	28	4.59	67%	13.14	17.65%	8.09	9	34.82
WARC	48	7.87	42%	8.19	16.52%	7.57	6.5	30.13
ANA	43	7.05	38%	7.38	10.42%	4.78	10	29.20
FRC	31	5.08	54%	10.50	8.68%	3.98	9.5	29.06
MURC	13	2.13	69%	13.52	3.79%	1.74	10	27.39
PRC	8	1.31	82%	10	1.90%	0.87	10	22.18
BRC	10	1.64	51%	10.00	2.97%	1.36	6.5	19.50
CLBC	3	0.49	33%	6.53	1.81%	0.83	8	15.85

#### **2017 PERPETUAL EVENT TROPHIES**

As was announced at the Inaugural WA Champions Luncheon held during the 2017 State Championships, Rowing WA plans to establish a Rowing Hall of Fame out at Champion Lakes. Part of this project will be finding and restoring many of the state rowing trophies that have been presented over the years.

To acknowledge this new initiative Rowing WA re-introduced a number of these long-standing trophies that have laid dormant for decades. In 2017 a few of these historical trophies were awarded to clubs.



The Corbett Poynton Trophy Women's Champion Open Single Scull

**K.D. Grant Perpetual Shield** Men's B Grade Coxless Fours

**Champion Junior Eights** Men's B Grade Coxed Eight





The President's Challenge Shield Men's Champion Open Single Scull

**Dick Gard Perpetual Shield** Men's A Grade Coxless Four

George Mettams Trophy
3 Mile Fastest Women's Crew



#### **2017 OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR**

The Official of the Year is designed to recognise those people that specifically contribute their time and energy into being a Rowing WA Boat Race Official. The Official of the Year is an individual who has attained a level of excellence in the field of technical officiating and whose performance has been outstanding.

The nominee's achievements over the past year must have been of a standard of excellence to warrant their receipt of this award.

Criteria for the award include:

- Level of officiating and/or participating at club, regional, state, national and international events;
- Demonstrate encouragement and support of fellow technical officials;
- Contribution to the sport of Rowing;
- Shall be a registered member of Rowing WA.

In 2017 the Official of the Year was Jess Bosio from ANA Rowing Club.



#### **2017 COACH OF THE YEAR**

Criteria for the award include:

 An eligible coach who in the opinion of the Selection Committee has the most outstanding performance demonstrated by the success of his/her crews and his/her contribution to rowing coaching in Western Australia generally.

In 2017 the Coach of the Year was Antonio Maurogiovanni from Swan River Rowing Club



#### **2017 CLUB COACH OF THE YEAR**

Criteria for the award include:

 An eligible club coach who in the opinion of the Selection Committee has the most outstanding performance demonstrated by the success of his/her crews and his/her contribution to club rowing coaching in Western Australia.

In 2017 the Club Coach of the Year was Vanessa Grant from Perth Rowing Club



#### **2017 CLUB VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**

The Club Volunteer of the Year Award recognises the outstanding efforts of an individual who, in the period from the day following State Championships the year prior to the end of this year's State Championships, has contributed significantly to the benefit of a Rowing Club in Western Australia.

Criteria for the award include:

- Generosity of time, resources and energy
- Making a difference to the rowing community
- Making the needs of others a priority
- Going 'above and beyond'
- Fun and enjoyment

In 2017 the Club Volunteer of the Year was Cameron Thorn from Curtin University Boat Club.



#### **2017 ROWING WA VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**

The WA rowing community would not be able to function without the widespread enthusiasm and efforts of its volunteers. The Rowing WA Volunteer of the Year Award recognises the outstanding efforts of an individual who contributes to the sport of Rowing in Western Australia.

#### Criteria for the award include:

- Generosity of time, resources and energy
- Making a difference to the rowing community
- Making the needs of others a priority
- Going 'above and beyond'
- Fun and enjoyment

In 2017 the Rowing WA Volunteer of the Year was Bella Lie.



#### 2017 AGE OARSWOMAN OF THE YEAR

A new award for 2016, this award was designed to recognise the success of our elite U23 and younger rowers. Historically these athletes have only been able to be recognised through the open Oarsman/Oarswoman of the Year awards.

The nominee's achievements for the period from the day following State Championships the year prior to the end of this year's State Championships must have been of a standard of excellence to warrant their receipt of this award.

#### Criteria for the award include:

- Outstanding achievement(s) in performances at an international, national state or club level, Nominees must compete have competed at U23 level or below;
- Shall be a registered member of Rowing WA.

In 2017 the Age Oarswoman of the Year was Siena Zamin from the West Australian Rowing Club



#### **2017 AGE OARSMAN OF THE YEAR**

With the same selection criteria as the women, this was another new award for 2016 designed to recognise the success of our elite U23 and younger rowers.

Criteria for the award include:

- Outstanding achievement(s) in performances at an international, national state or club level, Nominees must compete have competed at U23 level or below;
- Shall be a registered member of Rowing WA.

In 2017 the Age Oarsman of the Year was Sam Marsh from Swan River Rowing Club



#### **2017 OARSWOMAN OF THE YEAR**

Criteria for the award include:

- An eligible athlete who in the opinion of the Selection Committee has the most outstanding racing performance demonstrated at International or National or State level.
- In separating two athletes of equal standing under Criteria 1, the Selection Committee shall then have regard first, to the eligible athletes' contributions as a club administrator or coach and secondly his/her contribution to the sport generally.

In 2017 there was an unprecedented result with a tie between two crew mates who both contributed so well beyond their results to the sport of rowing that there was no way to split them.



- Bronwyn Cox from the University of Western Australia Boat Club, and
- Annabelle McIntyre from Fremantle Rowing Club



#### **2017 OARSMAN OF THE YEAR**

Criteria for the award include:

- An eligible athlete who in the opinion of the Selection Committee has the most outstanding racing performance demonstrated at International or National or State level.
- In separating two athletes of equal standing under Criteria 1, the Selection Committee shall then have regard first, to the eligible athletes' contributions as a club administrator or coach and secondly his/her contribution to the sport generally.

In 2017 the Oarsman of the Year was Josh Hicks from Swan River Rowing Club



#### **HIGH PERFORMANCE**

#### **SUMMARY OF 2017**

2017 has seen a consolidation, formalisation and roll out of the work done by the High Performance 2020 Working Group across 2016. The resulting bespoke program for rowing in Western Australia, *Pathways 2020*, has been highly commended by Rowing Australia, other state rowing bodies and a number of other West Australian state sporting bodies in relation for it's stakeholder engagement and delivery of consistent support and tracked reporting to provide high performance outcomes and development opportunities for athletes, coaches and clubs.

The roll out of the HP 2020 Pathway Partner Club program occurred in the second half of the year with six clubs submitting applications to participate in the program. Following a consultative process with all six clubs, Memorandums of Understanding were negotiated and signed off late in 2017. The program will see approx. \$100,000 distributed amongst clubs through HP Club Support and Performance incentives. The bespoke nature of the program has allowed for the levels of support to specifically target partner clubs high performance needs and individualised KPI's to support clubs to build and invest in sustainable structures and policy.

As can often occur in a post Olympic year, there have been some considerable changes in the landscape of coaches and athletes within the system. While we have celebrated the careers of a number of retiring athletes and wished well a number of coaches pursuing other opportunities both locally and internationally, a level of consistency and certainty has been maintained in part due to the improved structures and levels of support but in equal measure due to improved communication, collaboration and cooperation that has resulted from the work done in 2016.

At a national level the opening of the two centralised training centres, with the Men's program operating from the Reinhold Batschi Training Centre, Canberra and Penrith for the Women's program, has clarified the pathways and opportunities for senior national representation. capital investment of infrastructure completed in late 2017 on the Nepean River with the opening of the Hancock Prospecting Women's National Training Centre increases substantially facilities dedicated to high performance in the domestic environment. Proud West Australians Hannah Vermeersch and Annabelle McIntyre were accepted into the second intake to the centre and will call the training centre home in the lead up to the 2018 World Championships and ultimately the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Josh Hicks and David Watts, selected in the original intake to the Men's program maintained their places within this program and continue to train in Canberra.



David Watts. Courtesy of Rowing Australia

The King's Cup regatta continues to be integrated as a key stepping stone of the state talent pathway. Western Australia was represented in all events with the exception of the women's para scull. Increased coordination of state team

training and racing has continued to build the cohesiveness of the state team and standards of racing, particularly in the Youth VIII crews. The undoubted highlight of the State regatta was the emphatic win by the Penrith Four crew of Tim Widdicombe, Perry Ward, Mario Lo Presti and James Kerr, coached by Jamie Hewlett.

The World Championships, held in Saratosa, Florida, USA, saw Australia break into the Olympiad with a number of stellar performances. The men's heavyweight four sealed a dominant season with a convincing win to become World Champions. Josh Hicks as the bowman of this crew was the only West Australian rower to secure a medal at this event. Despite the removal of the Men's Lightweight Four from the Olympic program, Western Australia continues to breed enthusiastic talented lightweight men with James Kerr and Cameron Fowler gaining selection in the highly competitive Men's Lightweight Quadruple scull. Initially selected as the reserve for the crew, Fowler raced his way into the final crew make up.



Kerr and Fowler. Courtesy of Rowing Australia

Western Australia continued its reputation as an ideal preparation environment for underage crews. Following on from hosting the gold medallist Under 23 Heavyweight Mens Quadruple scull in 2016, WA hosted the Under 23 Heavyweight Men's coxless four coached by Antonio Maurogiovanni and the Under 23 Women's Pair and Under 23 Men's Single Scull coached by Rhett Ayliffe. These crews achieved Gold, Silver and A final representation respectively in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. The Under 23 Women's Pair of Bronwyn Cox and Annabelle McIntyre added the WAIS junior Athletes of the Year award to their

silver medal to cap off an outstanding debut season. Sam Marsh's consistency and dedication paid dividends in his selection in the Under 23 Men's Coxed Four. This crew was selected in June and raced in July, making the A final and finishing a very respectable 5<sup>th</sup>.



Cox and McIntyre. Courtesy of Rowing Australia

The Western Australian presence on the under 21 national team was difficult to miss with the selection of a five athletes and a coach. Giorgia Patten (WARC), Gabi Morris (WARC), Sienna Zamin (WARC), Chaise Deitner (WARC) and Patrick Boere (SRRC) compiled a number of outstanding results in both legs of the Trans Tasman Regatta to retain the Rusty Robertson Trophy for a second year. WARC head coach Joseph Tamigi became the first West Australian coach selected for this event.

While there were no Western Australian athletes selected for the Australian Junior Rowing Team which competed in Trakai, Lithuania, Sarah Hammond was selected as the team physiotherapist. Along with Leon Vogel's travelling with the Senior A team this reflects the dedication and quality of the support services available to West Australian athletes.

#### **PATHWAY ACTIVITIES**

2017 saw the continuing growth and development of pathway activities, with a clear increase in the transfer of talented athletes from school programs to club high performance programs. The formal appointment of Jamie Hewlett as the WAIS development coach in January 2017 has had an immediate positive effect on the breadth and coordination of targeted pathway projects.

Following three successful iterations of the Schoolboys pathway VIII's, the first WA schoolgirls' pathway VIII became a reality in 2017. Over 20 female school aged athletes from across IGSSA schools nominated in December 2016, with the eventual selection of 12 rowers and a coxswain in January 2017 to travel to the pathway event held in April at Sydney International Regatta Centre. The schoolboys pathway VIII was selected

following the PSA Head of the River and 12 rowers and a coxswain joined the female contingent to present a full compliment of pathway athletes for the first time ever from Western Australia. Following this event a number of these athletes received support through WAIS and pathway partner clubs to continue their engagement with the sport. Greater than 75% of eligible athletes involved in the Pathway VIII nominated for 2018 state teams or have joined clubs with the intention of rowing in 2018.

A reinvigoration of TID testing saw a pilot program of novice TID athletes commence training in late 2017 hosted by Swan River Rowing Club. It is envisaged that this program will continue to grow in 2018 and include other clubs to support a wider geographic area.



Pathway VIII Crews

# 2016-17 STATE AND NATIONAL REPRESENTATION

The period that athletes are accepted into a high performance environment may not align with the RWA reporting period of 1 November 2016 to 31 October 2017. The athletes listed below were part of this environment for at least some period outlined above.

#### **National Training Centre Athletes**

**David Watts** 

Joshua Hicks

#### **WAIS Scholarship Holders**

Anna	belle	e Mc	Intyre
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Bronwyn Cox

Hannah Vermeersch

**Christopher Hayes** 

James Kerr

Bree Kennedy - Smith

Mitchell Boros

Siena Zamin

Sam Marsh

Giorgia Patten

**Brock Ingram** 

Davina Lefroy

Alex Hagan

Sam Marsh

**Rhys Grant** 

Georgia Wheeler

David Watts (WACG)

Annabelle McIntyre (WACG)

Hannah Vermeersch (WACG)

Jack Cleary (WACG)

#### **Training Agreement Athletes**

Ben Gerrard

**Chase Deitner** 

**David Latham** 

**David MacKinnon** 

Elizabeth Daubney

Ella Matthews

Emma Wilson

**Ethan Taylor** 

Fraser Pensini

Gabi Morris

Hamish Henriques

James Marthins

Jonathan Ashby

Kira Vermeersch

Lauren Hutton

Michael Spadaccini

Oscar Winter

Patrick Boere

Riley King

**Rohan James** 

**Thomas Norman** 

Tim Sander

**Toby Amaranti** 

Wills Armstrong

**David Latham** 

Cameron Fowler

Patrick Boere

Janelle Austin

**Phil Colic** 

Mark Bozich

**Bailey Gilliam** 

Jess Walsh

Gigi Parker

Georgia Murrel

Dan Scott

Charlotte Hill

#### 2017 State Team

The following athletes and coaches were selected to represent Western Australia in the prestigious Interstate Regatta held as part of 2017 Sydney International Rowing Regatta:

Event	Rower/Coach
Presidents	Chris Hayes
Cup (M1x)	David Watts retired due to
	injury
	Coach: Rhett Ayliffe
Neil Slater	Alexandra Hayes
Trophy (W1x)	Coach: Rhett Ayliffe
Men' LTA1X	Kevin Wall
Penrith Cup	Timothy Widdicombe
(LM4)	Perry Ward
,	James Kerr
	Mario Le Presti
	Coach: Jamie Hewlett
Victoria Cup	Ruby Lango
(LW4x)	Suzannah Gravestock
	Tiffany Brown
	Alexandra Utley
	Coach: Aidan Smith
	Co-Coach: Jason Tutty
Noel	Patrick Boere
Wilkinson Cup	David Latham
(YM8+)	Oscar Winter
,	Jono Ashby
	Rowan James
	Tom Norman
	Solomon McLeod-Holliday
	Ethan Aird
	Cox: Max Montanari
	Reserve: John Pisano
	Coach: Joseph Tamigi
	Co-Coach: David Rich

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#### Head Coacnes

Rhett Ayliffe

Antonio Maurogiovanni

Bicentennial	Bronwyn Cox
Cup (YW8+)	Giorgia Patten
,	Jessica Walsh
	Kira Vermeersch
	Gigi Parker
	Eliza Kelly
	Sienna Zamin
	Gabi Morris
	Cox: Maddy McLauchlan
	Reserves: Charlotte Hill,
	Georgia Murrell
	Coach: Chris Holliday
	Co-Coach: Sallie Watson
Kings Cup	David Watts (out for medical
(M8+)	reasons)
	Joshua Hicks
	Christopher Hayes
	Matthew Cochran
	Sam Marsh
	Fraser Pensini
	Willis Armstrong
	Hugh Wolgamot
	Sam Hughes
	Cox : Andrew Le
	Coach: Paul Bolton
	Co-Coach: Lachlan Chapman
Queens Cup	Alexandra Hagan
(W8+)	Annabelle McIntyre
	Hannah Vermeersch
	Alexis Whelan
	Caitlin MacPhail
	Sarah Steger
	Jacqueline Nock
	Amanda Rukuwai Donnelly
	Cox: Lauren Warschauer
	Reserves: Molly Booker,
	Gloria Nock
# mid	Coach: Jack Fischer

2017 State Teams

#### **2017 Masters State Team**

The following rowers were selected to represent Western Australia in the Interstate Regatta held as part of the 2017 Australian Masters Rowing Championships:

Event	Rower/Coach	Club
ISWD8+	Mary Cameron	ANA
	Kathy Ride	CUBC
	Lynne Mannolini	<b>UWABC</b>
	Katie Andrew	WARC
	Cassandra King	ANA
	Debbie Arnold	PRC
	Catherine	<b>UWABC</b>
	Kennedy	PRC
	Susan March	ANA
	Cox: Sophie Pilot	PRC
	Reserve:	
	Elizabeth Amann	ANA
	Coach:	
	Greg Willson	

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

High Performance in 2017 benefitted from the significant work of the wider rowing community throughout 2016, to come together to build a model to support the unique needs of the Western Australian environment. Continued cooperation and engagement of key stakeholders, coordinated by the Rowing WA CEO and Board ensure that High Performance remains front and centre of our sport as we continue to strive to give talented athletes opportunities to perform at the highest level.

2018 will provide a good opportunity to measure the early success of Pathways 2020 and track the progression of athletes along the national pathway, ultimately leading to more rowers representing Australia at Olympics in 2002 and 2024.



2017 Masters State Teams - Women's 8+

#### **DEVELOPMENT**

#### **REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

With the support of a Country Sport Enrichment Scheme Grant from DSR, Rowing WA implemented a regional engagement program that saw over 700, rowers, coaches and school students engaged in Bunbury, Margaret River and Albany to support regional rowing club development

The program saw an Olympic coach and Olympic athlete visit the Bunbury, Margaret River and Albany twice each throughout 2017.

At each location, the coach and athlete spent time with the local club's rowers and coaches and visiting non-traditional rowing schools. There were 7 schools and over 700 students participating in the program, which saw then learn about rowing through using rowing machines, rowing on-land in plastic sculls and listening to the Olympic athletes share their journey.



#### **Albany**

For the Albany visits, 2012 Olympian and Under 23 World Champion Hannah Vermeersch joined Olympian and Head Coach of Guildford Grammar Tony Lovrich. The first visit to Albany was in June

where support and guidance was provided to both the club and the school on how to develop their rowing programs.

The second visit to Albany was in August just before the All Schools Championships. It was great to go back and see how much advancement all of the rowers had been able to make since the previous visit. This was evident the following weekend at All Schools Regatta held at Champion Lakes with Great Southern Grammar (from Albany) winning a large number of medals.

#### **Bunbury and Margaret River**

For the Bunbury and Margaret River visits, 2016 Rio Olympian Rhys Grant joined Tony Lovrich.

The first visit to Bunbury Rowing Club was a great success for the club with new members learning skills and old members reengaging with the club.

Whilst in Margaret River, the program supported further club growth by assisting the establishment of a stronger relationship with the local school. The second visit also saw the program make an appearance at the local show.



Following the second visit, Margaret River Rowing Club established their first Junior School Rowing Program with 6 participants.

The second visit to both Bunbury and Margaret River enabled the relationships established from the first visit to become even stronger.

Rowing WA are pleased to see the IGSSA and PSA rowing programs growing in numbers again. Rowing WA have a strong relationship with PSA and IGSSA associations and affiliated schools which is continually evolving to offer rowing to more school students. A special thank you goes to Ralph Wood (PSA) and Louise Carson (IGSSA) for their time and devotion to the school rowing programs.

### SUNSMART ALL SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP

The fifth year of the All Schools regatta program saw an equal number of participants and spectators as previous years. Clubs and schools alike are continuing to support this event well. For the first time ever Rowing WA had the support of School Sport WA. This gives rowing more exposure through the School Sport WA network. Rowing WA hopes to strengthen this relationship over the coming years.



This year the All Schools Championship was sponsored by SunSmart to encourage all participants to develop more SunSmart behaviour whilst participating in rowing and other outdoor activities. At the event we had the SunSmart

lounge to provide participants a place to hang out in the shade between events.

After the SunSmart All Schools Championship, Rowing WA held a very positive review meeting to ensure the All Schools program continues to grow in line with participant's expectations. This review discussed the idea of separating the masters and All Schools regattas out to support the growth of each of these events whilst trying to reduce the length of regatta days. This idea will continue to be discussed with all stakeholders.



School rowing is a significant growth opportunity for the sport and early entry has substantial impact on the entire athlete development pathway, both from a participatory and high performance perspective.

#### **MASTERS ROWING**

In 2017 Rowing WA held the second Masters Forum to provide an open floor for Masters rowers to provide feedback on all things masters rowing. It was a very well received session providing rowers a great opportunity to have their voices heard. The importance of the Rowing WA Masters State Team and preparations for Rowing WA hosting the 2019 Australian Masters Rowing Championships were key agenda items. Rowing WA also confirmed their commitment to Masters rowing through the establishment of a Masters Committee that will provide recommendations to the CEO on Masters programs, initiatives and ongoing development.

The 2017 Masters regattas were well attended as part of the Masters/All Schools Regatta Series.

This format was reviewed as part of the Regatta Season Review to consider the best option for all participants to ensure both Masters and All Schools regattas can continue to grow.

Rowing WA maintained the Masters focussed director on the board following a successful first year. WA also had two representatives on the Rowing Australia Masters Commission, ensuring Masters rowing in WA is well represented nationally.

Masters rowers from WA continued to fly the flag interstate and nationally at the 2017 Australian Masters Rowing Championships held in Nagambie, Victoria and World Rowing Masters Regatta held in Bled, Slovenia respectively. Perth Rowing Club finished 8th on the medal tally out of 863 clubs that competed in Bled.

Masters rowers continued to be active participants in the Hour of Power Coach and Athlete Development Workshops. The content of these sessions has been closely scrutinised to ensure that presenters are well aware of the diversity of attendees.

2018 will be a big year for Masers rowing as we all prepare for the 2019 Australian Masters Rowing Championships being held in Perth in May 2019.

### SUNSMART ELIZABETH QUAY NIGHT SPRINTS REGATTA

On 18 November 2017, Rowing WA hosted their second EQ Night Sprints Regatta with great success. This regatta included the Rowing WA Open Day, where we had ergos and information about rowing available for participants to come



down and find out more about the sport whilst the racing was going on.

Each of the crews racing in the Night Sprint Regatta went to a lot of effort to illuminate themselves and their boats for all to see. There were 24 crews participating and everyone had a wonderful time. Rowing WA looks for forwing WArd to hosting the next Night Sprints Regatta in EQ.

#### **PARA ROWING**

For the first time Rowing WA attended Inclusion Solutions Sports Open Day, with great success. Thank you to John XXIII College for their support with their four ergos for the day. Thank you to Catriona Walker and Mike Quinn from RowGear in coming out to support Rowing WA's attendance on the day.

The aim of the Inclusion Solution Sports Day is to encourage all students of the catholic schooling community to integrate into existing sporting opportunities offered by the individual sports.

Rowing WA will continue to provide opportunities for rowing to be involved in these events and develop other para rowing recruitment and retention initiatives.

Rowing WA would like to acknowledge the ongoing efforts of Catriona Walker to drive the growth and development of para rowing in WA. Catriona is a strong advocate and resource for the development of a para rowing pathway in WA.

#### **COACH AND ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT**

Rowing WA continued to run the Level 2 coaching courses during 2017 with a course held on 22nd & 23rd July 2017. Attendance was good with 12 participants enjoying the intense 2-day course.

The Level 1 Course is available to be completed online, which is making it easier for coaches to receive their qualifications. Rowing Australia are

looking to have a portion of the Level 2 Course become available online in 2018.

Rowing WA continues to work hard to increase the completion rate of the post-course work to ensure more coaches gain their qualifications to offer safe and enjoyable rowing opportunities to club and school members. The Rowing WA Development Manager put significant time and energy into supporting the completion of Level 2 coaching qualifications. Level 3 qualified coach Verity Keogh, also provided support to completing these workbooks by conducting an open study session for anyone trying to complete their post-course workbook.

The Hour of Power coach and athlete development sessions were run regularly throughout 2017 covering a wide range of topics. Number of attendees continued to average 30 per session. Topics and presenters are continually being sort to provide an on-going valuable resource to coaches and athletes.



Rowing WA also ran a Coaches Conference for the first time since 2014, which was very well received. 56 attendees enjoyed the speakers throughout the day. A particular highlight for the day was Kim Brennan's Coach, Lyall McCarthy, sharing his insights on rowing coaching. Rowing WA will look to hold another Coaches Conference in 2019. Rowing WA would like to thank Rowgear and Sykes for their financial support of this conference.

#### **OFFICIALS DEVELOPMENT**



In 2017, Rowing WA continued to support the development and recognition of our devoted Boat Race Officials. After an extensive promotional campaign, a number of new officials were trained, several of which became accredited officials throughout the year with one Level 1 and Level 2 Boat Race Official's course held during the year.

Rowing WA launched a Volunteer Management Plan in 2017 to provide a strategy for continued BRO management and engagement to prevent burnout in future years. As in previous years, we acknowledged our BRO's at the State Championships medal ceremony by personally thanking and presenting them with a Rowing WA umbrella. 0217 also saw a BRO Cocktail Function hosted by KPMG to acknowledge their hard work in safely managing the EQ Regatta held in February 2017. BROs were also invited to attend the 2017 Rower of the Year Awards as guests of Rowing WA to further acknowledge their selfless contribution to the sport.

Rowing WA wishes to thank all of the Boat Race Officials for their dedication and tireless efforts. Without them, regattas would not be possible, let alone delivered to such a high standard.

#### **MARKETING**

#### **KEY OBJECTIVES**

The key objective this year has been the continued promotion of rowing to the wider West Australian community. Whilst rowing has long been seen by the general public as 'elitist' and reserved for the private schools, 2016-17 saw continued implementation of a range of programs that commenced in 2015-16. Our keyword throughout the year was "engagement". Engagement of all within the West Australian community to garner more interest in rowing.

Amongst the programs implemented was the Community Schools Rowing Program for Champion Lakes Regatta Centre — a project to establish a rowing program in the South-East Metropolitan region that will use rowing as a vehicle to deliver positive community



outcomes for youth at risk, indigenous, culturally and linguistically diverse (CaLD) communities. At full steam, this could see over 3,000 students engaged in the program annually. The intention is to offer this program at no cost to the community participants.

Building upon this was Rowing WA's regional development visits to Margaret River, Bunbury & Albany, plus the building of – and continued success - of the EQ regatta's.

#### **PROFILE**

In recognising that rowing needs to remain relevant to its consumers in an evolving sporting landscape - to compete with other sporting and non-sporting pursuits that may entice our traditional and non-traditional potential rowers — Rowing WA set about developing a strategy to utilise EQ to establish a higher public profile.

Following on from the launch of this strategy in 2015-2016, this year saw Rowing WA's EQ regattas grow in strength and popularity. The enthusiasm from clubs was well demonstrated through the number of crew entries received as well as spectator attendance at EQ for the regattas.

EQ regatta promotion and logistics were continuously improved by continuous review of strategy plans

throughout the year. This will lend itself to further development in 2017-2018.

#### SIGNATURE EVENTS

#### **Elizabeth Quay Regattas**

The Elizabeth Quay Regattas were the success story of 2016-2017 and continue to improve. They offer an exciting head-to-head sprint style of rowing that takes place in the heart of the Perth CBD and showcases the sport to a wider non-rowing audience. All regattas at Elizabeth Quay have received some media attention, including an Inside Cover story and cartoon in the West Australian. A strong social media presence is linked with these regattas through the hashtag #Rowing WAlitEQ (now #litupRowingWA) and the production of drone-filmed promotional videos. These regattas will continue to be a key strategy in the promotion of rowing to the wider community.



**Courtesy of Sharon Armstrong** 

### SunSmart School Sport WA Rowing All Schools Championship & Rowing WA Masters State Championship

At the 2017 SunSmart School Sport WA Rowing All Schools Championship & Rowing WA Masters State Championship, a VIP SunSmart Lounge was set up for spectators and guests to enjoy an excellent view of the finish line while remaining sun smart. The lounge was filled with SunSmart merchandise and furniture to promote the ongoing campaign to be sun smart whilst on and off the water. A new relationship with School Sport WA also saw the regatta promoted through their network. In future years, this relationship will see this regatta developed in to the School Sport WA State Championships, alongside our existing event.



Courtesy of Krysta Guille Photography

#### **WA Champions Luncheon**

The inaugural WA Champions Luncheon was held at Rowing WA's Champion Lakes Regatta Centre function hall to reunite rowing alumni and share stories while watching the WA State Championship Regatta. The event was enjoyed by over 70 guests present on the day. Guest speaker, Christina Matthews — CEO of the WA Cricket Association and a former Australian cricketer — spoke at the luncheon along with several legends of rowing who kept our guests entertained and motivated with stories of their time in the sport. This event will remain on the calendar in year's ahead.



#### **PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS**

The creation of Rowing WA's new branding elements last year were specifically designed to align with the changing culture within the sport of rowing. The design was chosen due to its 'modern water' theme.

This year saw further implementation of Rowing WA's branding from documents produced in-house through to our social media sites and new website which was launched in January this year.

Rowing WA's continuing aim with promotional material is to present a consistent, modern, and professional image in all media and marketing outputs. The new media backdrop and pull-up banners that showcase our new branding, were very well received at all events they were used at during the year.



#### **WEBSITE STATISTICS**

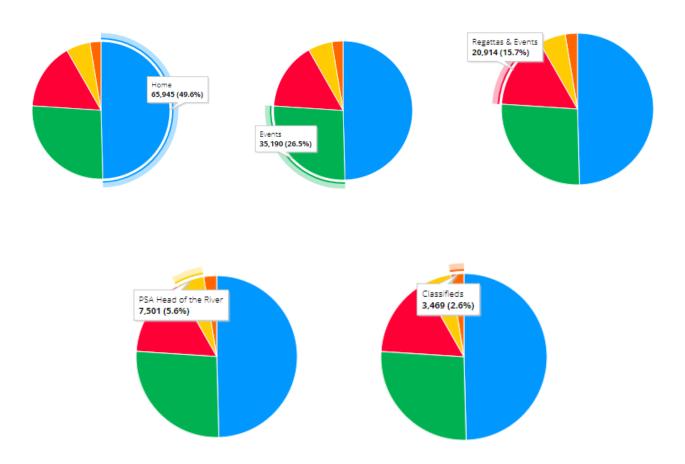
#### **Period: 1 November 2016 – 31 October 2017**

The Rowing WA website statistics outlined below are from RevolutioniseSPORT through which the new website was launched on  $1^{\rm st}$  January 2017. Hence total figures for the period above would be slightly higher than those depicted below

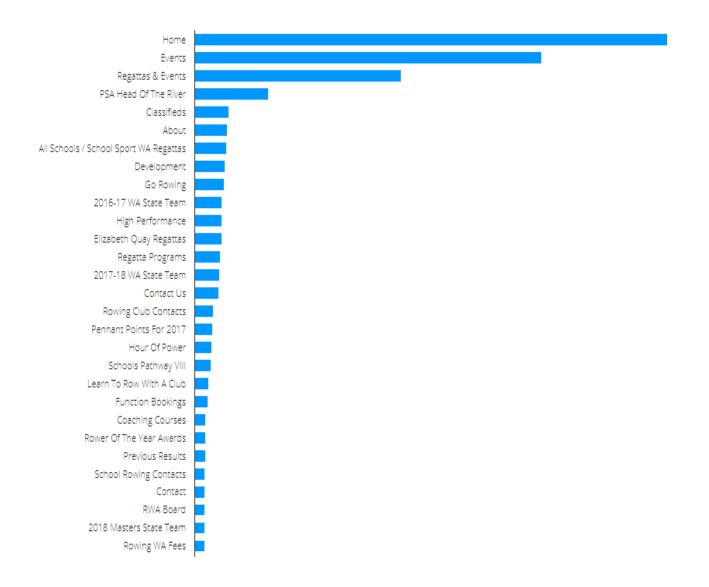
#### **Site Views**

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**Top 5 Site Pages** 



#### **Site Page Views**



#### **FACEBOOK STATISTICS**

#### **Rowing WA Page Views**

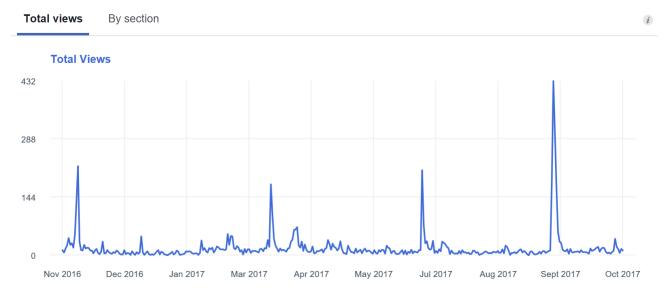


Figure 1 Facebook views from November 2016 – October 2017

#### **Audience**

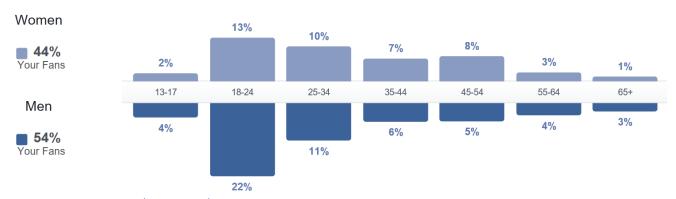
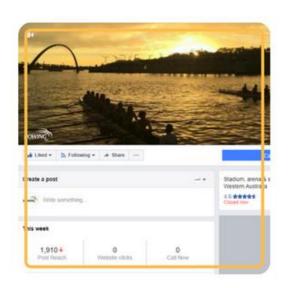


Figure 2 Rowing WA audience - gender

Page likes: 2486 likers
Best post (medium): Shared videos

**Post engagement:** 27% increase from previous year



#### **INSTAGRAM**

#### **Followers**

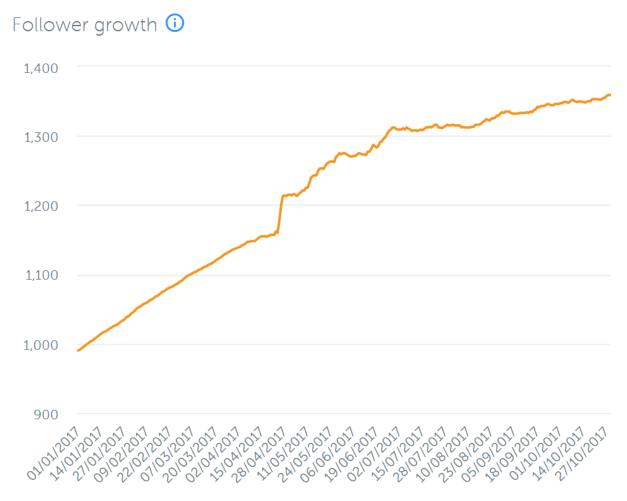


Figure 3 Instagram followers' growth from Jan – Oct 2017



Figure 4 Instagram overall statistics for 2017

**Note**: Rowing WA profile activity declines due to the lack of activity and content.

#### **SPONSORS AND PARTNERS**

Rowing WA is indebted to its sponsors and partners whose support assists the Association deliver high quality programs and services to its members and stakeholders.

#### **Major Partner**



Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries



#### **Program and Supplier Sponsors**









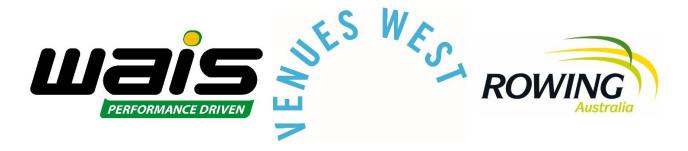








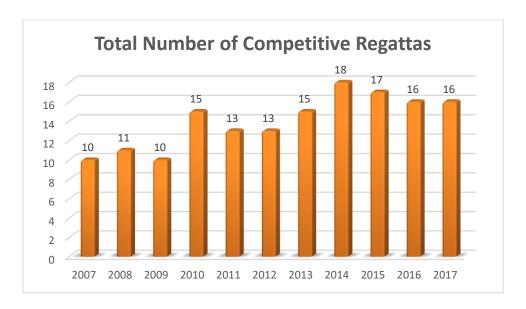
#### **Key Partners**



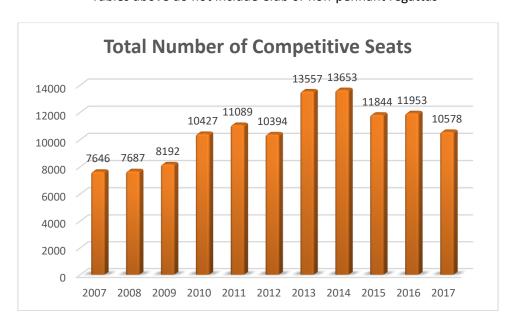
#### **OVERALL REGATTA PARTICIPATION**

Rowing WA has experienced a small decline in rowing participation in 2017. Several factors have contributed to this decline in total seats from previous years. These include:

- Regatta calendar clashes with other public interest events like Groove in the Move
- Subsequent late regatta calendar changes due to the above
- Poor attendance of Head races at the start of the season
- Small reduction in overall competitive membership



\* Tables above do not include Club or non-pennant regattas

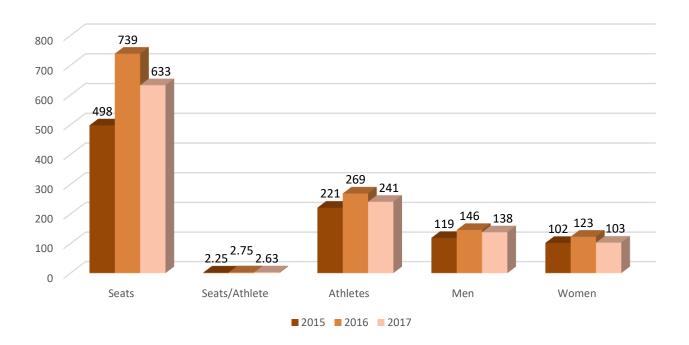


These reductions were offset somewhat by the addition of three Elizabeth Quay Regattas held during this period which an additional 501 athletes and 592 seats for 2017.

#### **2017 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP PARTICIPATION**

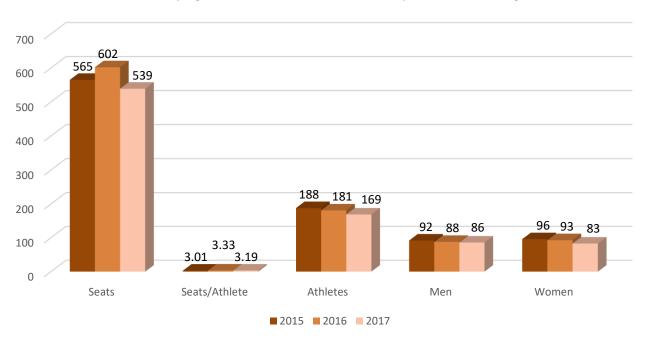
#### **All Schools State Championships**

The significant growth experienced in the All-Schools Championships in 2016 was not maintained in 2017 with a slight correction experienced. This was still significantly higher than 2015. The overall participation in the All School season has been nearly exactly the same as 2016, with higher participation in the earlier regattas in 2017. Rowing WA will continue to actively work with clubs and new schools to improve All Schools participation.



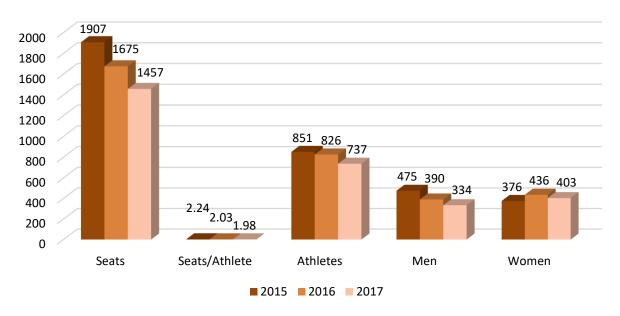
#### **Masters State Championships**

2017 saw the same Masters State Championship Program as in 2016, however a reduction in athletes and seats was experienced in 2017. There was also a slight reduction in the number of seats/athletes. Although the numbers are not statistically significant, this will be considered as part of the 2017 regatta season review.



#### **State Championships**

The state championship saw a marked reduction in athletes and seats in 2017. Possibly due to rowers being tired from a long season. This will be investigated as part of the 2017 regatta season review as well as a broader club engagement initiative to review the specific membership and participation trends over the past few years.



#### **2017 PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS**

During 2017 a number of event management initiatives were implemented to improve the overall delivery of Rowing WA regattas:

- Rowing WA implemented its Host Club Event Management Plan which provides clubs with a useful tool to assist with the planning and management of their hosted regattas. Feedback has been very good and the document will continue to be refined as event management improves.
- Strong support for Rowing WA Boat Race
  Officials (BROs) continued throughout 2017,
  with the first ever Cocktail Function held in their
  honour, hosted by KPMG. A newly designed
  long-sleeve umpires polo shirt was distributed to
  all BROs as well. Roll out of the new Rowing WA
  Volunteer Management Plan also provided new
  ideas on how to improve recruitment strategies
  to attract more volunteers to become BROs.
- PSA and IGSSA commenced use of the Rowing Manager regatta management software. This now sees all three rowing competitions utilising the same system for the first time ever,

- providing for ease of transition of rowers from school to club rowing and the ability to track their rowing results prior to competing in Pennant regattas.
- Rowing WA continued with their school rowing recruitment initiative by holding functions at both the PSA and IGSSA Head of the River regattas. This initiative is designed to show PSA and IGSSA rowers that there is a pathway to continue rowing at any level post-school rowing.
- The new regatta medals implemented in 2016 continued to be used for all Rowing WA regattas, providing fully engraved event specific information to all medal recipients.
- State Championships received greater focus to try and promote the pinnacle event of the season, with the addition of live streaming for the full two-day regatta. The WA Champions Luncheon and McVilly-Pearce Pin Presentation were also conducted during the State Championships creating more of a festival atmosphere at the regatta.

#### **2017 SEASON REVIEW**

The Regatta Committee conducted the most indepth regatta season review in many years, commencing with the regatta season objectives that we are trying to achieve, linked with the Rowing WA Strategic Plan. Again these discussions were underpinned by the 2017 regatta season survey which was circulated to clubs, rowers, boat race officials and other rowing stakeholders and received nearly 300 responses. The review saw healthy debate about how the sport achieves the identified outcomes and the following key program initiatives and changes were identified:

- Implementation of a Sculling Ladder system implemented at all Pennant regattas excluding the penultimate and State Championship regattas.
- Trial of a standalone All Schools and Masters Regatta
- Trial of a pre-Australian Masters Rowing Championships Maters regatta to prepare WA rowers for this event.

- Ensuring no school regatta will be held in school holidays
- Ensuring no regatta will clash with other significant community events
- Agreeing to return two regattas to Bunbury in 2018
- Confirming the conduct of two Elizabeth Regattas in 2018

#### **REGATTA COMMITTEE**

Rowing WA would like to thank all the members of the Regatta Committee, composed of the Club Captains, for their contributions over the last year. Rowing WA would like to acknowledge and thank Laurie Anderson, Regatta Secretary, who put countless hours into the planning and management of regattas during the season to ensure they ran smoothly. Laurie continues to drive the development and innovation of regatta management.

#### **FACILITIES**

Rowing WA's facilities currently encompass three precincts: Champion Lakes Regatta Centre (CLRC), Canning Bridge Rowing Centre (CBRC) and Bayswater Rowing Centre.

#### **CHAMPION LAKES REGATTA CENTRE**

For the first time since construction, all rowing bays at Champion Lakes are now fully leased out, except one bay which remains for Rowing WA use and storage of the umpires and safety boats. This is testament to the growth of existing rowing programs with continued interest in facilities at Champion Lakes.



Significant investments from VenuesWest continue to see the facility improved to offer better services to customers of the precinct. As we move toward hosting the 2019 Australian Masters Rowing Championships, discussions have commenced with VenuesWest about what is required to update the facility to be able to host a national regatta. This increased investment into the facility signifies the strong relationship between Rowing WA and VenuesWest.

Rowing WA and VenuesWest are still negotiating the Head Lease for which the Rowing WA buildings stand following land ownership transferring from Armadale Redevelopment Authority to VenuesWest. However these negotiations are nearing conclusion, cementing rowing's footprint at the site for many years to come.

#### **CANNING BRIDGE ROWING CENTRE**

The development planning of the Canning Bridge site continued throughout 2017 on a number of fronts:

#### **River Wall Works**

In conjunction with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) and the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH), Rowing WA formed a working group to address the decaying river wall being faced at Canning Bridge. By 31 October 2017, two significant sections of the wall had collapsed into the river and other sections are showing signs of significant decay.

This working group has successfully negotiated a financial commitment from DBCA and DPLH to see the wall and potentially beach sections of the site refurbished and renourished respectively.

However, discussions continue with City of Melville regarding their long-term involvement in site maintenance. Without this commitment from City of Melville, the DBCA and DLPH commitments may not be accessible.

Based on the current concept design, large-scale works would cost approx. \$700k and would be conducted In summer 18/19. Prior to this there may be an opportunity to conduct emergency works to ensure the site is safe for current users and to ensure the building does not become vulnerable due to ongoing bank erosion.



#### **Function Room Upgrade**

Following a review of potential new revenue streams across the organisation, planning commenced for the redevelopment of the Rowing WA Function Room during 2017. The outcome of which would see increased revenue generating capacity from this facility to support growth in rowing-related initiatives. Rowing WA is considering two options: self-managed or outsourced venue management. Each with their merits, the self-managed option was perceived to offer great reward, but with increased input. Rowing WA is still seeking professional advice around which option is best for the Association.

The facility upgrade has been supported through a DSR grant, specifically to see the disability access improved by having a lift installed and replacing the balustrades around the balcony. Other improvements will see the bathrooms redesigned and refurbished, the bar and kitchen areas upgraded (and possibly moved), new ceiling, new floor coverings and air-conditioning installed.

#### **BAYSWATER ROWING CENTRE**

There were no major issues or improvements during 2016/17. On behalf of the tenant club, ANA Rowing Club, Rowing WA has been in negotiation with City of Bayswater to have the lease amended to allow the club to operate a small café from the clubrooms to generate additional income.

#### **FACILITIES SUB-COMMITTEE**

The Facilities sub-committee composed Kerryn Briody (chair), Richard Lipscombe, Peter Beekink, Catriona Walker, Gavin Giles, Glyn Heath, Simon Cubitt and Daniel Tackenberg (Rowing WA CEO). Rowing WA thanks all committee members for their time and energy in ensuring all facilities remain a valuable and useful asset to the Association and its members.

The Committee is responsible for overseeing the major and minor capital works as well as coordinating the maintenance program for all Rowing WA facilities. The Committee wish to thank Brett Woolfitt OAM and Pierre Pougnault for their continued support in managing the maintenance of Canning Bridge and Champion Lakes facilities, including the oversight of servicing of Rowing WA regatta vessels and motors.

### **OFFICE HOLDERS**

#### **Presidents**

1910-12	Cox C B	1967-71	Jeffreys J E
1913-30	Lapsley J M	1971-72	Hemery R C
1931-45	Shaw F E	1972-83	Durston B H
1946-51	Jeffreys R S	1983-90	Cooper W S
1952-56	Child J A	1990-94	Fischer J
1956-60	Howson J F	1994-97	Scott M W
1960-61	Rosser A G	1997-	James C H
		2015	
1961-65	Howson J F	2015 -	Rose D

#### **Honorary Treasurers**

1965-67 Hemery R C

1910-12	Macartney A O	1956	Houston N
1913-21	Jeffreys R S	1957	Millard R A
1922-24	O'Halloran F L	1957-60	McMeakin J A
1925	Jowett J H	1960	Brealey R J
1925-29	Jackson E F	1961-62	Philp E R
1930-38	Humphreys F W	1962-63	Aitken J R
1938-46	Jeffreys R S	1963	Polglaze R
1947	Marshall A	1963-75	Brealey R J
1948-49	Gardiner W D	1976-86	Lilleyman D K
1950	Howson J F	1987-88	Whitehouse N N
1951	Andrews G M	1988-	Durston B H
		2006	
1952	Riley R H	2007-16	Heath G
1953-56	Jeffreys R S	2016 -	Cubitt S



#### **Honorary Secretaries**

1910	Treadgold S	1967	Semple R G
1911	Moss J	1967-80	Giles G W
1912	Hastings W G	1981-86	James C H
1913	Thompson P	1986-87	Brooks A
1913-14	Hastings W G	1987-88	Durston B H
1915-20	Hughes J S S	1988-89	James C H
1920	Allpress R J	1990-92	Brealey R J
1920-22	Nelson C	1992-93	Harrison C
1922-26	Nelson G H	1993-94	Pidgeon C
1927-47	Child J A	1995-97	James C
1948-50	Jeffreys R S	1997-98	Hall M
1951-53	Howson J F	1998-09	Beekink P
1954-56	Andrews G M	2003-04	Symonds D
1956-61	Polglaze R	2004-05	Shahinger J
1961-63	Hemery R C	2005	Clairs I
1963-64	Maslen E N	2006-08	Outhwaite B
1964-67	Kriz G	2008-10	Walker C

#### **Life Members**

1922	Lapsley J M	1971	Gard R T
1925	Shaw F E	1975	Jeffreys J E
1926	Jeffreys R S	1978	Durston B H
1933	Miller M	1980	Pannell W J
1936	Ryan P J	1980	Palfreyman S
1947	Child J A	1983	Cooper W S
1949	Mettam G W	1983	Burbidge W R
1956	Jackson E F	1986	Lilleyman D K
1956	Jeffreys R S	1987	Hemery R C
1957	Lang J W	1996	Stacey C I
1960	Howson J F	1997	Brealey R J
1963	Carrick K H	2001	James C H
1966	Grant K D	2001	Xouris G
1969	Edwards E K	2003	Woolfitt B
		2009	Bayliss L



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### FINANCIAL REPORT



#### **ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC**

**Trading as Rowing WA** 

(Association Not for Profit) ABN 56 497 807 382

**FINANCIAL REPORT** 

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED** 

**31 OCTOBER 2017** 

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## ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC.) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

Note INCOME BY ACTIVITY	2017 \$	<b>2016</b> \$
	105.664	446.000
Sport administration	105,664	116,829
Rowing regatta management	141,880	137,737
Development support of rowing athletes and participation in	27.007	20.207
rowing	37,087	28,387
High performance – state teams and pathway development	68,629	72,133
Asset management	135,518	136,344
Government funding support	229,990	188,955
Investment income	25,751	23,664
	744,519	704,049
EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITY  Sport administration Rowing regatta management Support of rowing athletes Participation in rowing High performance – state teams and pathway development Asset management	(346,299) (85,426) (20,300) (38,221) (124,927) (93,275) (708,448)	(321,563) (76,937) (20,827) (29,663) (117,532) (113,804) (680,326)
Surplus for the year attributable to the members of Rowing Association of Western Australia (Inc.)	36,071	23,723
Retained surplus at the beginning of the year	2,836,705	2,812,982
Retained surplus at the end of the year	2,872,776	2,836,705

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

## ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC.) ASSETS AND LIABILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

ASSETS	Note	2017 \$	<b>2016</b> \$
Current assets			
Cash on hand	2	88,016	220,674
Investments	3	1,246,364	1,195,735
Accounts receivable		82,436	67,813
Other current assets	4	70,108	104,372
Loans receivable from member and other clubs	5	18,723	23,244
Total current assets		1,505,647	1,611,838
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	6	1,507,193	1,527,712
Loans receivable from member and other clubs	5	16,271	18,303
Investments	7	4,950	4,950
Total non-current assets		1,528,414	1,550,965
Total assets		3,034,061	3,162,803
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and other payables	8	133,102	149,677
Employee provisions	9	10,003	13,676
Grants received in advance	10	18,180	162,745
Total liabilities		161,285	326,098
Net assets		2,872,776	2,836,705
Members' funds			
Retained surplus	11	2,872,776	2,836,705
Total members' funds		2,872,776	2,836,705

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

#### 1. Summary of significant accounting policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements that have been prepared for the purposes of complying with the association's constitution and the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA) and associated regulations. The directors have determined that the accounting policies adopted are appropriate to meet the needs of the members of Rowing Association of Western Australia (Inc.) and that the association is not a reporting entity.

These financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where otherwise stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

#### Revenue and other income

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefit will flow to the incorporated association and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

#### Membership, affiliation and regatta oar fees

Membership, affiliation and regatta oar fees are recognised when received or receivable in the period to which they relate.

#### Interest and dividend revenue

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established

#### Grants

Grants are recognised at their fair value where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attached conditions will be complied with. Grants providing financial support are recognised as income over the period necessary to match them with related cost for which they are intended to compensate on a systematic basis. Grants relating to the acquisition of assets are recognised as deferred income and recognised as income on a systematic basis over the useful life of the assets

#### Other revenue

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

#### 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### Income tax

As Rowing WA is a sporting institution in terms of subsection 50-5 of the Act Income Tax Assessment 1997, as amended, it is exempt from paying income tax.

#### Cash on hand and on deposit

Cash on hand and on deposit includes cash on hand and deposits held at call with financial institutions.

#### Accounts receivable and other debtors

Accounts receivables are recognised at amortised cost, less any provision for impairment. Receivables are expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

#### Property, plant and equipment

Plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis to write off the net cost of each item of property, plant and equipment (excluding land) over their expected useful lives as follows:

Buildings 40 years
 Leasehold improvements 25 years
 Plant and equipment 3-7 years
 Office equipment 3-5 years

The residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when there is no future economic benefit to the incorporated association. Gains and losses between the carrying amount and the disposal proceeds are taken to profit or loss.

#### Impairment of assets

At the end of each reporting period, the board reviews the carrying amounts if its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, an impairment is carried out on the asset by comparing its recoverable amount, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised in the income and expenditure statement.

#### 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### Accounts payable and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the incorporated association prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. Due to their short-term nature they are measured at amortised cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

#### **Employee provisions**

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee provisions have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

#### **Fund accounting**

On occasions Rowing WA may receive resources restricted for particular purposes. To facilitate observance of these limitations, the financial statements list separately those funds which are restricted or designated and those funds which are unrestricted.

Restricted funds are those funds presently available for use, but expendable only for operating purposes specified by Rowing WA's constitution, a donor or by statute. When the Board specifies a purpose for the expenditure of funds, where none has been stated by the original donor, such funds are classified as designated funds.

Unrestricted funds are those funds presently available for use by the Foundation at the discretion of the Board.

Fund accounting has been adopted by Rowing WA for the first time in the year ended 31 October 2016 and where necessary,

comparative figures have been adjusted to facilitate comparison.

#### Goods and Services Tax ('GST')

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the tax authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of the acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

#### New Accounting Standards and Interpretations not yet mandatory or early adopted

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet mandatory, have not been early adopted by Rowing WA for the annual reporting period ended 31 October 2017. Rowing WA has not yet assessed the impact of these new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations.

#### Note 2. Cash on hand

	2017 \$	<b>2016</b> \$
Cash at bank	88,016	220,674
- -	2017 \$	2016 \$
Note 3. Current asset - investments		
Cash at bank and on deposit at financial institution - unrestricted	549,005	537,451
Cash at bank and on deposit at financial institution - restricted	389,601	381,499
Cash at bank and on deposit at financial institution - designated	307,758	276,785
<u> </u>	1,246,364	1,195,735

The restricted funds represent funds provided for in Rowing WA's constitution, that are governed by Trustees appointed under it, which are constitutionally restricted for expenditure on Western Australian representative athletes in national and state competitions.

The designated funds represent funds that have been designated by the Board, to provide loans the member clubs affiliated with Rowing WA, to facilitate rowing equipment purchases and facility upgrades.

Note 4. Current assets - other

Note 4. Current assets - other		
	2017	2016
	\$	\$
GST receivable	1,796	-
Accrued revenue	2,918	2,789
Prepayments	5,394	18,663
Other debtor	60,000	-
Deposits on acquisition of rowing shells		82,920
	70,108	104,372
Note 5. Current and non-current assets – loans receivable from men	nber clubs	
	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Loans receivable from member clubs		
Current		
- New automat	18,723	22.244
Non-current		25.244
Non-current	16,271	23,244 18,303
• Non-current		
• Non-current		

#### Note 6. Non-current assets - property, plant and equipment

	2017 \$	<b>2016</b> \$
Land and buildings at Canning Bridge - at cost	379,986	379,986
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(180,527)	(167,409)
	199,459	212,577
Leasehold improvements at Champion Lakes - at cost	1,370,695	1,370,965
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(177,894)	(148,024)
	1,192,801	1,222,941
	100 744	4.40.000
Rowing plant and equipment - at cost	192,741	148,832
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(110,042)	(79,792)
	82,699	69,040
Office equipment - at cost	48,166	30,159
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(15,932)	(7,005)
·	32,234	23,154
	1,507,193	1,527,712

#### Canning Bridge Land

In 1963, Rowing WA became the primary interest holder of the Canning Bridge land, pursuant to its transfer to Rowing WA by the Government of Western Australia as a reserve, for the purposes of recreation.

#### **Champion Lakes**

The Champion Lakes premises were leased in 2011, from the Government of Western Australia for a period of 25 years (with a 25 year option period), with an annual peppercorn lease fee payable.

#### Note 7. Non-current asset - investment

Note 7. Non-current asset - investment	2017 \$	<b>2016</b> \$
Shares in listed company - at fair value	4,950	4,950
Note 8. Current liabilities – accounts payable and other payables	2017 \$	2016 \$
Accounts payable GST payable Other payables and accruals	80,057 - 53,045 133,102	62,566 19,201 67,910 149,677

#### Note 9. Current liabilities - employee provisions

. , .	2017 \$	2016 \$
Employee provisions	10,003	13,676
Note 10. Current liabilities – grants received in advance	2017 \$	2016 \$
Deferred government grant income	18,180	162,745
Note 11. Members' funds	2017 \$	2016 \$
Restricted by constitution	Ą	Ţ
Interstate and international competition fund  Designated by board	389,601	381,499
Equipment fund for member clubs	307,758	276,785
Unrestricted funds available for use at the board's discretion	2,175,417	2,178,421
Retained surplus at the end of the financial year	2,872,776	2,836,705

#### Note 12. Related party transactions

#### a) Board of directors

The members of the board of directors, who serve in a voluntary capacity and are not remunerated, in office during the whole or part of the year, were as follows:

- David Rose Chairperson
- Craig James AO
- Simon Cubitt
- Karen Clay
- Kerryn Briody
- Verity Keogh
- Lisa Dockery Smith (appointed May 2017)
- Cameron Thorn (appointed May 2017)
- Neil Smith (elected February 2017)
- Michael Hinsley (resigned February 2017)
- Richard Lipscombe (resigned February 2017)

#### b) Transactions with Rowing WA

There are no transactions, commercial or otherwise, between members of the board of directors and Rowing WA, during the year, except that Ms V Keogh received high performance coaching fees of \$200

(2016: \$nil).

#### Note 13. Contingent liabilities

Rowing WA had no contingent liabilities as at 31 October 2017 and 31 October 2016.

#### Note 14. Events after the reporting period

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 October 2017 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect Rowing WA's operations, the results of those operations, or Rowing WA's state of affairs in future financial years.

#### Note 15. Economic dependency

Rowing WA has an economic dependency on organisational funding provided to it, as a state sporting organisation for rowing in Western Australia, by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries of the Government of Western Australia (the Department). Funding was formerly for the triennial period to 30 June 2017 and is currently on an annual basis and approved for the year end 30 June 2018, for \$180,000 and is not linked to specific programs. However, Rowing WA is required to comply with a number of key performance measures and has reporting obligations with respect to its administration and operating and development activities. At the date of this report, the board of directors believe Rowing WA is in compliance with the terms and conditions of its funding from the Department and has no reason to believe it will not continue.

### ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC.) DECLARATION BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

The board has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The Board declares that the financial report as set out on pages 2 to 9:

- gives a true and fair view of the association 's financial position as at 31 October 2017 and of its
  performance for the financial year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies
  described in note 1 to the financial statements; and;
- at the date of this declaration, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by:

**David Rose** 

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Chairman

Simon Cubitt

Director

15 February 2018

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## ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC.) INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017



For your peace of mind

ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC.

ABN 56 497 807 382

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC.

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#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Rowing Association of Western Australia Inc. (the association), which comprises the assets and liabilities statement as at 31 October 2017, the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the declaration by members of the board.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the accompanying financial report presents fairly the financial position of the association as at 31 October 2017 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA).

#### **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

 The audit report for the year ended 31 October 2016 was qualified. Accordingly, the comparative financial information and opening retained earnings amount carried forward should be read in conjunction with the 31 October 2016 audit report.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

#### Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the association to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA). As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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#### Matters Relating to the Electronic Presentation of the Audited Financial Report

This auditor's report relates to the financial report of Rowing Association of Western Australia Inc. for the year ended 31 October 2017, intended to be included on the association's website. The association's committee are responsible for the integrity of the association's website. We have not been engaged to report on the integrity of the association's website. The auditor's report refers only to the statements named above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from these statements. If users of this report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from electronic data communications they are advised to refer to the hard copy of the audited financial report to confirm the information included in the audited financial report presented on the website.

#### Responsibilities of the Committee for the Financial Report

The committee of the association are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 (WA) and for such internal control as the Committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Committee are responsible for assessing the association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the committee either intend to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design
  and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and
  appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from
  fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions,
  misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control.

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- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by Committee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Committees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the
  audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast
  significant doubt on the association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material
  uncertainty exits, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosure in the financial
  report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit
  evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the
  association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transaction and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

WPIAS Pty Ltd

Authorised Audit Company No. 440306

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Dated this 15th day of February 2018

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## ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC.) DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

	2016-17 \$			2015-16 \$			
Activity	Revenue	Expenses	Profit / Loss	Revenue	Expenses	Profit / Loss	
SPORT ADMINISTRATION							
Income							
Affiliation and Membership Fees	65,688			50,177			
Sponsorship	31,601			7,182			
Other Admin Income	8,375			59,470			
Expenses							
Affiliatation and membership fees		7,303			9,477		
Salaries		263,522			251,873		
Functions		11,834			8,241		
Office Operations & Stakeholder Meetings		43,588			37,518		
Insurances (including Rower Personal							
Accident)		9,871			10,800		
FF&E Depreciation		10,181			3,653		
SPORT ADMINISTRATION Sub-Total	105,664	346,299	-240,635	116,829	321,562	-204,733	
REGATTA MANAGEMENT							
Income							
Oarfees and Fines	111,784			96,127			
Contractor Fees	26,450			23,350			
Other Income	3,645			18,260			
Expenses							
Venue Hire		24,618			16,132		
Logistics		26,971			33,572		
Regatta Equipment & Facilities		24,671			20,340		
Other Regatta Expenses		9,166			6,893		
REGATTA MANAGEMENT Sub-Total	141,880	85,426	56,454	137,737	76,937	60,800	
ATHLETE SUPPORT							
Income							
RA Nationals Travel Subsidy	0			0			
Member Levies and Fundraising Support	0			5,170			
International Trust Fund	0			0			
Expenses							
Nationals Travel Subsidies		17,200			15,327		
Direct athlete donations		3,100			5,500		
ATHLETE SUPPORT Sub-Total	0	20,300	-20,300	5,170	20,827	-15,657	

#### **ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC.) DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

	2016-17 \$			2015-16 \$			
Activity	Revenue	Expenses	Profit / Loss	Revenue	Expenses	Profit / Loss	
PARTICIPATION							
Income							
Grants	27,500			10,000			
Coaching Courses	2,827			12,347			
Coach Development	6,760			870			
Other Development Income	0			0			
Expenses							
Growth Projects		3,999			8,433		
Club Development		25,218			9,891		
Coach Development		9,005			11,340		
PARTICIPATION Sub-Total	37,088	38,222	-1,134	23,217	29,664	-6,447	
HIGH PERFORMANCE							
State Teams							
Income							
Interstate Fund (investment dividend)				4,231			
Grants & RA Support	0			20,300			
Masters Teams Contribution	1,079			2,599			
Other	8,750						
Expenses							
State Team Boats - allocation of purchase		16,774			8,025		
State Team Expenses		25,047			20,877		
Masters State Team		1,871			4,2123		
Pathway Development							
Income							
Grants & RA Support	27,800			20,000			
Pathway 8/Junior Trials	31,000			25,003			
Other							
Expenses							
Pathway Club Support		53,585			61,000		
Pathway Athlete Support		27,649			23,417		
HIGH PERFORMANCE Sub-Total	68,629	124,926	-51,906	72,133	117,532	-45,399	

#### **ROWING ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INC.) DETAILED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017

	2016-17 \$			2015-16 \$		
		2010-17 5	Profit /		2013-10 3	Profit /
Activity	Revenue	Expenses	Loss	Revenue	Expenses	Loss
ASSET MANAGEMENT						
Canning Bridge						
Income						
Hall Hire	39,487			45,135		
Lease of Bays	32,173			31,751		
Recoup of costs	20,960			19,661		
Expenses						
Maintenance, Cleaning and Outgoings		34,600			50,767	
Hall Hire Deposits + Expenses		0			328	
Insurance		9,045			11,279	
Depreciation Building		13,118			13,296	
<b>Bayswater Rowing Centre</b>						
Income	4,613			4,339		
Expenses		4,398			4,215	
Champion Lakes						
Income						
Lease of Bays	34,512			23,625		
Equipment Hire	0			1,918		
Recoup of costs	3,773			0		
Expenses						
Maintenance & Outgoings		1,974				
Depreciation		30,140			33,919	
Boats/Dinghys/Equipment						
Disposal of Assets				9,915		
ASSET MANAGEMENT Sub-Total	135,518	93,275	42,243	136,344	113,804	22,540
INVESTMENT INCOME						
General Acct Interest	15,947			15,843		
Equipment Fund Interest	1,726			3,183		
International Fund	3,687			4,173		
Interstate Fund	4,391			465		
INVESTMENT INCOME Sub-Total	25,751	0	21,359	23,664	0	23,664
FUNDING SUPPORT	3,:-2		-,	-,		-,
DSR	205,990			184,955		
Healthway	24,000			4,000		
FUNDING SUPPORT Sub-Total	229,990	0	229,990	188,955	0	188,955
TOTAL	<b>744,519</b>	708,448	223,330	704,049		100,533
Surplus for the year attributable to members	744,519	700,448		704,049	680,327	
of Rowing Association of Western Australia						
(Inc.)			36,071			23,723
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