

THE LEICHHARDT ROWING CLUB INC.



124TH ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET

2009-2010

124TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF LEICHHARDT ROWING CLUB INC.

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES.**
- 2. OBITUARIES.**
- 3. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE 123rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.**
- 4. RECEIVE THE ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2010.**
- 5. LIST OF TROPHIES PRESENTED FOR 2009-10.**
- 6. CONSIDER ANY MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN, INCLUDING ELECTION OF LIFE MEMBERS (IF ANY).**
- 7. ELECTION OF CLUB OFFICE BEARERS AND ORDINARY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2010-2011**
- 8. CLUB MEMBERSHIP PHOTOGRAPH – TO CELEBRATE WINNING THE 2009-10 NSWRA PREMIERSHIP –**

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***Minutes of 123rd Annual General Meeting,
Held on Sunday 23rd August 2009,
In The Clubhouse, Lower Glover Street, Leichhardt.***

Meeting Opened: 11.15 am

Meting Closed: 12.25 pm

Attendance: 46+ recorded

WELCOME

Club President, Tim Clare, occupied the chair and welcomed members and friends to the 123rd Annual General Meeting of Leichhardt Rowing Club.

APOLOGIES

Barry Moynahan (VP), Rod Moynahan (VP), Geoff Williamson (VP), Dave Ward, Bob Stone (VP), Gill and Mark Campbell, Ross Ullo, Tony Potter (VP), Len McPherson (VP), Steve Roll (VP), Frank Thorn, Charles Bartlett, Wade Hewett, Di Williams, Sara Downton, Margot Simmington, John Goodwin.

OBITUARIES

A minutes silence was observed for the 2 members who passed during the last year:
Kevin Bond (VP) and Kevin Berry.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE 122nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the 122nd AGM held on Sunday 24th August 2008, were presented at this meeting for confirmation.

Moved, P. Trives:-

“That the minutes of the 122nd annual general meeting, as circulated, be received and adopted”.

Seconded, , R. Stanistreet.

CARRIED

RECEIVE THE ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009.

Club President, Tim Clare, spoke briefly to the report thanking and acknowledging all the Executive and Committee members and Squad coaches who contributed this year's Annual Report. He mentioned that the most notable achievement for 2009 was

to win the Premiership again. But significantly, not just win but to dominate the Premiership Pointscore (1850pts) and be more than double the points for the 2nd placed club (900pts). This achievement highlighted the massive effort required to keep the club competitive. The dedicated team of coaches led strongly by Frank Thorn provided strong results at all levels – juniors, seniors and masters. Tim thanked the coaches and Frank who was retiring as Head Coach after 7 highly successful seasons with the club gaining 2 premierships and a close 2nd from the last 3 seasons. He thanked Captain Jane Hutchison and Vice Captain Deanna Fekete for the excellent team work with the on water management of the club – this is a tough and often unappreciated job, particularly with boat allocations for training and racing for such a big club.

Off the water continued thanks to Richard Stanistreet and Charles Bartlett for their tireless effort on the Pontoon project which is almost complete after 3 years toiling with the expected delivery of the new pontoon later in the year. Anne Parbury provided excellent support and drive as editor of 'Easy Oar' achieving a new high level in communications for club members. Further thanks to Tim Tindale and Bill Monaghan for their continued efforts to keep the fleet maintained.

Pontoon Project:

Richard Stanistreet gave an oral update report on the pontoon project – advising there were many long hours dealing with NSW Maritime to achieve the most appropriate purpose built pontoon for rowing in NSW. A new standard. Deanna Fekete advised that the official opening of the pontoon would be shared with Pymble who will provide the full school band and local dignitaries and an official plaque will be placed in the shed.

The President then invited the Treasurer, Peter Trives to speak to the Financial Report.

Financial Report –

The Treasurer, Peter Trives commented that while we enjoyed a very successful year on the water, we also had a very solid year financially thanks to the support of all members but particularly wished to thank our new assistant Treasurer, Suzanne Delavere, keeping track of our accounts and administering our receipts and payments. Also thanks to Lee Hutchison assisting with collecting members subs and Learn to Row program. Further thanks to Deanna Fekete who has done a great job as our club hire coordinator bringing in an important source of funds.

Sincere thanks to Pymble Ladies College for their continuing strong financial support by way of student membership subscriptions and cost sharing of Clubhouse utilities and maintenance expenses.

Key elements of this years finances resulted in income ahead of last year with Corporates and subs/racing fees up on previous year but club hire revenue was down.

Fund-raising was low with no major event this year and means we need to return to having one annually in coming years.

Key expenditures for the year saw cost of repairs to fleet and outboard motors continuing at high levels. We ask members to take special care with club fleet and equipment. Other major expenditure was on acquisition of several very good boats – a Filipi quad scull 'Wade Hewett', a lightweight double scull 'Miss Leichhardt', a double scull/pair 'LRC Masters', 3 single sculls - 'Lionel

Robberds' , Corporate Challenge' and 'LRC Juniors' considerably upgraded the club fleet. Additionally, the damaged 'Ted Curtain IV' double/pair was replaced under insurance.

The pontoon works will be completed soon and the costs will utilise the provisions we've accumulated for the project over the past three years. There appears to be a drop in this years coming Corporate program due to the Global financial situation and your committee will closely monitor the club's income as we move into the next financial year.

The President invited comments on the Annual Report:

Comments:

No comments were received from the meeting attendees.

MOTIONS:

Moved, P. Trives:-

“That the meeting accept the Annual Report and Balance Sheet for the year ended 30 June 2009.”

Seconded, D. Fekete.

CARRIED

Independent Audit Report –

Peter Trives congratulated the Club Auditor Bern Story for a clear and concise Audit Report.

Moved, P. Trives:-

“That the Independent Auditor’s Report for 2008-09 be received and adopted”

Seconded, S. Jaques.

CARRIED

Moved, P. Trives:

“That the Club appoint Mr Bern Story as the Honorary Auditor for the new financial year 2009-10.”

Seconded, D. Bodell

CARRIED

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES

The President, Tim Clare, reviewed the list of award winners congratulated the list of trophy winners included in the Annual Report. These awards were presented earlier in the year at the club's Annual Awards Presentation Dinner held in May 2009 in the clubhouse.

More details were provided in the various squad rowing reports however all the point scores were very close and very high. We went to all regattas and scored lots of points due to the many crews constantly performing well. Outstanding efforts from Elliot Hunt winning the Mens point score and Angela Conry again winning the Women's point score and winning the Master's point score. Big improvements were seen in the Juniors: Kiri English-Hawke, Thea Wheatley, Emma Hart, Lucy Zell and Novices, Charmaine Wells, Jacquie Boker and Juliet Bourke. Our most improved Seniors were Rosa Brown & and Aidan Abeni-Davis. The "Coxswain's Trophy" recipient was Sara Delavere.

Our coaching staff continue to perform well and are to be congratulated guiding our athletes to many great performances and wins. Frank Thorn our Head Coach has been at the club for 7 years and continues to bring a professional approach to rowing at Leichhardt.

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil:

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

The following members were elected:

PATRON	Lionel Robberds	
PRESIDENT	T. Clare	
VICE PRESIDENTS	L. MacPherson, D. Bodell, A. Potter, S. Roll V. Williamson , B. Stone, K. Bond, B. Moynahan, W. Monaghan , R. Moynahan,	M. Bath,
	G. Williamson.	
CAPTAIN	J. Hutchison	
VICE CAPTAINS (2)	C. Fitzsimon (men) Deanna Fekete (women)	
SECRETARY	S. Jaques	
ASST SECRETARY	S. Philpot	
TREASURER	P. Trives	
ASST TREASURER	(Vacant)	
PROPERTY MASTER	(Vacant)	
COMMITTEE (8)	Andrew Morrell, Richard Stanistreet, Anne Parbury, Juliet Bourke, Doreen Borg, Virginia van Ewyk, Ross Tout, Zoe Thomas (Junior Vice Captain)	
AUDITOR	B. Story	

Members Comments Recorded:

Deanna Fekete – Spoke and congratulated Frank and Kerry Thorn for their generous donation for two beautiful wood and glass trophy cabinets which had been installed this day at the shed. A photo was taken of Frank & Kerry with the Trophy Cabinets.

The club members responded with thanks - **All members gave applause.**

Michael Bath – congratulated the committee for all its hard work and personal time given during the season. He also congratulated all club rowers who represented the club and winning yet another premiership.

The meeting ended at 12.25 pm.

Steve Jaques
Secretary
27/8/2009.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2009-10

The 2010 season was one of achievement. Following on from our Premiership success of 2009, we set higher targets for 2010.

The primary goal continues to be winning the RNSW Premiership. With a season made even longer than normal with the World Masters Games in Sydney, all squads in the club combined to again dominate and win the Premiership. While the margin was not quite as dominant as the previous season, it still remained impressive.

The additional goal for this season was case of moving forward to the past. With a firm view of the club's previous achievements in representation in State and National crews, we recruited Stani Slavova as our Head Coach with a task to build a Development Squad with KPI's to win medals at State and National Championships and to achieve representative selections. In the first year of this program the results in both areas were very pleasing.

The club achievements of the year were not just on water. Notable was the installation of the new club pontoon. While it was a long time coming, construction approval being held up by Maritime for a significant period, the persistence of Charlie Bartlett ably supported by Richard Stanistreet saw the project to its conclusion. The installation being completed prior to the new year with the official opening at the end of April. The ongoing support and partnership with Pymble Ladies College was an important factor in seeing the pontoon construction to its culmination.

The management of Leichhardt becomes a larger and more time consuming task each year. A significant factor in the club is the great depth and capability of our volunteers – in all sectors of the club.

But in recognising our volunteers, it is with great sense of loss that we mourn the passing of one of our greatest assets – our Treasurer Peter Trives. Peter's sudden and untimely passing last week was a great shock to the entire club membership. Peter was the person I regularly turned to for help and advice and made running the club and our man successes achievable. He leaves many legacies to the club, the financial guidance and strength he delivered, the great squad he coached and mentored and the general ethos of the club to be a community that all members enjoy being a part of. Peter will be sadly missed.

In the notable contributors section, Steve Jaques has been our able club Secretary for 8 years now. He has performed a great service and we thank him for his great efforts as he stands down this year.

The Captains' all provided great leadership under the direction of Jane Hutchinson. Deanna Fekete continues to be an asset in organisation and the Corporate Regattas. Christiaan Fitzsimon provided strength and support in many areas of the club and the Junior Vice Captain Zoe Thomas was outstanding in her organisation of LTR, Junior coaching and coordination and general club management.

My thanks go to Jane for the excellent leadership she has provided over the past 3 years as Club Captain as she steps down this year.

On the Admin side the general committee's efforts are appreciated. Thanks go particularly to Onno and Virginia van Ewyk who stepped into the breach in Assistant Treasurer and Regatta Secretary roles. Anne Parbury's continued involvement as the communications officer maintained the previous high standards, and Bill Monaghan is always tireless in property maintenance.

Thanks also go to the many coaches who continue to provide their time and services to the club membership. We are always stretched and there is never enough coaching resources for everyone, so on behalf of all the membership I would like to give a vote of thanks to each of the coaches.

And finally to the 2011 season. We look forward to another year of pain and pleasure on the water. It would be good to achieve a 3rd consecutive win in the Premiership. We also look forward to even greater success in the development squad. The aim is to increase the size of the squad and provide pathways both through external Talent Identification Programs and also continuation strength through our junior Learn To Row program to provide pathways to Championship success and Selection and Representation in State and National crews.

Keep focus that we participate in the sport for the competition, fitness and health. But most importantly, remember that we all participate in the club for enjoyment.

Tim Clare - President

CAPTAIN'S REPORT 2009-10

The 2009-10 rowing season was another highly successful season for the Club, filled with many wonderful highs and some unfortunate lows with the sudden sad news of the passing of Peter Trives. The season has been 'long and strong', as any good rowing stroke should be.

Leichhardt Rowing Club participated in almost 50 regattas, at a local, state, national and international standard, and as far away as Melbourne and Perth. We had 149 competing members, with who knows how many accumulated kilometres of on-water training.

All this resulted in a range of on water achievements: 1,951 premiership points (and with it, the LE Stepto OAM Memorial Premiership Shield for the 3rd time in 4 years); the Spencer Grace OAM Combined Masters Shield; the Edward Trickett championship regatta; multiple state and national champion titles; multiple state and national masters championship titles; NSW state representation in the Victoria Cup (women's lightweight 4x: Olivia Heath and Elizabeth Scott), Bicentennial Cup (Women's Youth 8+: Isobel James), womens masters 8+ (Chris Bursill, Di Williams, Anne Parbury, Deanna Fekete, Leslie Howatt, Virginia Van Ewyk, and Sandy Rourke) and womens masters 4x (Angela Conry & Anne Parbury); and national representation (Australian Women's U23 lightweight - reserve: Olivia Heath).

That overview shouldn't take away from the strong and significant performance of all the rowers in the Club. The Club's breadth and depth is highlighted by the fact that over 95% of our competing rowers earned premiership points – an outstanding achievement, and the backbone to our premiership success.

This season we welcomed Stani Slavova as Head Coach of the Club. Stani's influence has been a great success within the Club through developing a high performance squad which is achieving great results, and being recognised herself by being selected as coach of the Bicentennial Cup and by FISA for the Youth Olympics in Singapore. In addition to Stani's work, the important and hard work of all our coaches is very much appreciated - their combined assistance is instrumental in bringing together the hard work of the athletes. Thanks to each of you.

The successful on-water results are indicative of a very important aspect to the Club – strong competitive participation in the wonderful sport of rowing. Whilst the Club will continue to seek to achieve state and national championship success, that is not a goal for many of our members. And a fantastic element of our Club is that we are a community based club which encourages participation at all levels. The social group within the Club has also continued to develop and provides the strong social fabric which underpins the Club, through LUOR functions and in-house regattas, the Christmas morning row, the ANZAC dawn row, and other such opportunities.

Off water activity has been more active this year than any year I've known. Leichhardt Rowing Club has proactively taken a more holistic approach through hosting speakers such as Lyall McCarthy (RA's women's coach), Matt Draper (RA High Performance Manager), and our newly appointed Honorary Medical Officer, Diana Robinson.

This activity was in addition to the usual twice yearly Learn to Row programs (enlightening about 50 adults & 40 juniors to the joys of rowing) and our 13th annual Corporate regatta program. These programs not only enable the Club to share the joys of rowing with the local community, but provide a vital source of fundraising for the Club. Together with fundraising such as the fabulous Trivia Night, means we can maintain the ability to invest in new equipment and Club improvements. This in turn helps the Club achieve the core aims agreed by the Committee, while providing equipment for all.

The much anticipated pontoon finally arrived this season. It is a marvellous achievement by those involved and is very much appreciated by our Club, the Pymble girls, and all those who enjoy regattas on Iron Cove.

Our relationship with Pymble Ladies College is a relationship we respect and value, and it continues to grow and strengthen. The girls certainly contribute to the vibrancy of the shed. It is a pleasure to deal with all at Pymble Ladies College, and we appreciate the great working relationship we have formed in dealing with boat storage and mutual requests to borrow boats, use of the club house, and in assisting and ensuring Pymble's Hope regatta ran smoothly.

And those highlights shouldn't overshadow the strong and significant work of our unsung heroes. We rely heavily on the generosity of volunteers to ensure the Club continues to run: the trailer drivers; the Club's BRO's, starters and regatta helpers; our fundraising organisers; the endless hours spent helping to maintain and boats; and all the volunteers that help out during the season behind the scenes. The Club would not otherwise be the successful and fantastic club that it is – honestly, it can't happen without you.

This is my final season as Captain, as I will not be standing for the 2010-11 season. I have had tremendous support in the role as Captain this season, as in previous seasons, from Tim Clare (President), the late Peter Trives (Treasurer), Deanna Fekete & Christiaan Fitzsimon (vice Captains), Zoe Thomas (junior vice Captain) and Stani Slavova (Head Coach).

I must reflect on the devastating loss of Peter Trives. He was an integral part of the Club and he gave so much – many wonderful elements of the Club we know now are due to Peter's great work. For me, he provided significant guidance and always had a strategy for improvement! He will be deeply missed and I'm sure will continue to watch over us - cheering us down the course and counselling us to think of the bigger picture.

A final thought I would like to share is about the very essence of the Club – when you see something not quite right at the Club, don't ask how someone could or should have made it better, but instead find out how you can make it better for yourself and the rest of the Club. On that thought, we look forward with to the season ahead with enthusiasm, and to continuing the honourable tradition of being proud Leichhardt Rowing Club members.

Jane Hutchison
Club Captain

HEAD COACH AND JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT SQUAD REPORT - 2009-2010 SEASON

Unfortunately at time of printing the Head Coach and Junior Development Squad reports were not available and will be available post the AGM and on the club website.

Steve Jaques
Secretary

LRC MASTERS SENIOR WOMEN SQUAD 2009 - 2010

LRC was the first men's rowing club to admit women, in the mid 1950s – appropriately the first four ladies @ LRC were coached by LRC patron Lionel Robberds – little did he know...!!!

They are high achievers and dynamic contributors to LRC life!

7 committee members

24% of club premiership points

World Masters Games: 5 gold

9 of the top 10 LRC State Masters Championship point scorers: 10 gold

Top 6 of the LRC overall point winners

2 of 4 NSW State Quad reps: gold at National Masters Championship

7 of 8 NSW State 8 reps: silver at National Masters Championship

National Masters Championship: 13 gold

1 Finalist in the Masters Athlete of the Year Sports Awards, nominated by RNSW

Masters women happily permeate every level @ LRC: Community, competition, social and management.

Captain; vice-captain; regatta secretary; editor Easy Oar & website; property master-clubhouse; merchandising; socials; catering; coaching; corporate challenge; functions @ lrc.

**Deanna Fekete
Vice-Captain**

WOMEN'S INTERMEDIATE SQUAD 2009-2010

This season the Women's Intermediate squad was largely a continuation of the group from the previous year. This year our squad included Zoe Thomas, Daniela Borgert, Belinda Brigham, Kara Coleman, Mel Houston, Charmaine Wells, Rebecca Storen and for the most part, Liz Elstone. Sarah Downton started the season well, but took leave to focus on becoming a new mum. Glenn Pearce also joined us as our coxing expert.

The season was very successful and rewarding for all involved. Starting with a commitment from 8 squad members to take on all the Head races, they built upon the experience and confidence gained in the previous season. After a strong pre-season preparation, they started the 2009-2010 season with good gains in fitness, strength and technique.

In the first regatta of the season, the squad competed in a mix of C and D grade sculling and sweep events, taking home three wins and two 2nd places. This became the trend throughout the season at both Grade and Masters Regattas, with the squad achieving wins 33% of the time and podium finish 75% of the time they competed.

Collecting a total of four eight Wins, thirty nine 2nd places and nineteen 3rd places across D, C & B Grade and Masters Events was a great reward for their commitment.

The biggest highlight for eight of the squad was the trip to Melbourne for the “Head of the Yarra” nine kilometre time trial. The event attracts over two hundred eights, usually of a high standard. The twisting Yarra course is very challenging, and the local knowledge of the river gives the Melbourne-based crews a distinct advantage. The crew started in the 2nd position behind the favourite’s Powerhouse, and was expertly steered by Glenn. Once again the crew was the highest placed non-Melbourne crew in the Women’s C Grade category, placing 2nd with a margin of only six seconds. This was a great result, improving on the previous year where we started in the middle of the pack and finishing in fourth place.

For the Masters age members of the squad this season was also the first time they competed at the NSW State Masters Championship. Exceed their expectations with four wins, one 2nd and two 3rd placing.

The crew can reflect on the season with pride knowing that they achieved the goals they set themselves, including winners of the much coveted inaugural Duff Cup; whilst also making a contribution to the Club’s Premiership win.

In addition to the outstanding crew achievements, some individual successes included - Charmaine Wells (Highest individual womens point score), Peter Trives (Coach’s award), Belinda Bringham (Captain’s award), and Glen Pearce (Coxwain award).

With the sudden and premature departure of our coach Peter Trives, the squad goals for 2010-11 is to come even closer to winning their division in the Head of the Yarra, and progressing to B Grade in hope of doing our late coach proud.

Peter Trives’ Crew Members

NOVICE / INTERMEDIATE MEN’S SQUAD - 2010

The, small but successful, group of oarsmen that concluded the 2009 season, (most of whom were new to rowing that season), formed the basis of the enlarged Novice/Intermediate Squad for 2010. They were joined by yet more graduates from the *Learn-to-Row* programme, plus some guys who did have experience, either here at Leichhardt or from rowing at other clubs. Those who formed that group are:

Aidan Abeni-Davis	Nick Andronikasvili	Kristian Bodell	Matt Campbell
Alex Carey	*Will Clegg	Rob Downton	Callum Haig
Remi Luxford	Tim Morcombe	Andrew Morrell	Manju Muthucumarama
Mark Roberts.	* Will had to leave to go to the UK early in the regatta season		

It should also be noted that various Club members helped out with coxing but, specifically, Nivi Massarek, Dave Hogan and Danielle Borgert, all very willingly hopped into the cox's seat on numerous occasions to assist the squad, which was really most appreciated. I'm pleased to report that they were, however, rewarded quite regularly with medals for their efforts.

While we don't row purely for race successes, the mention of medals is always never far from our thoughts as athletes. And the Novice/Intermediate squad in 2010 certainly was successful in this regard. Wins in **every** class of boat were achieved by the squad: i.e. single, double and quad sculls plus pair, four and eight sweep-oar boats. That achievement, in itself, is probably a very rare occurrence for Leichhardt squads. Of particular note are the winning performances at the *Edward Trickett Grade Championships* at SIRC, where the squad secured 4 wins, including a thrilling photo-finish in the C-Grade 8 where six crews were within one length of each other and the squad beat home another Leichhardt crew by just 0.02 of a second! It would also be remiss not to mention Nick Andronikasvili and Kristian Bodell's most impressive gold-medal row in the C-Grade pair. In all, members of the squad won in excess of 20 races over the season. At the Presentation Dinner Callum Haig was a winner of the Encouragement Award, Alex Carey was recognised as the Most Improved Junior Male and Nick Andronikasvili and Kristian Bodell were rewarded when they shared, (as they had all season shared their successes in their pair), the Most Improved Oarsman Award.

Last year I used the words that follow to describe my squad and I see no reason to alter the sentiment this year. So, I repeat that... "I could not have asked for a more pleasant and agreeable group of young men to work with. They have made my season a delight."

Congratulations guys!

Ross Tout – Coach

NOVICE WOMEN'S SQUAD – 2009–10

The novice women's squad developed well during the season, and although some of its composition changed, its members did not waver in their commitment to learning and working at rowing, and contributing to the life of the club.

The squad began the season as a collection of new and more experienced novice rowers, but quickly settled down to a group of about eight: Natelle Ball, Jacqui Bokor, Kylie Dodd, Annette Dasey and Mary Finegan who had all completed their first year of rowing, and Anna Hickey-Moody and Jen Zongor were the two members who stuck with rigours of the early morning starts after completing the learn to row course. Bec Montoya then came back into the LRC fold after returning from San Francisco moved into the squad, quickly followed by Nivi Massarek who was recovering from the rigours of a six-month excursion to Italy.

The season then began in earnest, and some successes came early: Jacqui, Jen, Kylie and Natelle finished fourth in the D Grade quad at the Spring Regatta on 24 October and then won Sydney Women's MLC regatta on 14 November, giving Jen Zongor a medal in her second regatta. The squad continued to work hard and well, and picked up a number of wins and placings during the season as some of the combinations settled down. Jen Zongor and Mary Finegan also braved the single, Jen gaining some minor placings. Jen and Jess Black (a late starter with the squad) developed their double style to become a serious threat to the other competitors and finished the season by moving from D into C Grade. Jess also became one of the regulars in the quad which continued to have some success. A majority squad combination won a D Grade eight at the Leichhardt (February) regatta – a fitting regatta for some in the squad to win a first medal, and ensuring that everyone finished the season with at least one medal.

The squad worked towards the Trickett Regatta. At the last minute Brigitte Hadley arrived to move into a spare seat to make up a quad with Anna, Mary and Nivi, bringing some valuable experience and technique into the boat. Jacqui Bokor, Jess Black and Jen Zongor were in the D Grade winning eight and, along with Leslie Howatt who substituted for Natelle, third in the D Grade four bringing a shine to the end to the season.

The squad and all its members have been a delight to coach, and their enthusiasm and commitment have been a welcome contribution to the club.

Anne Parbury & Richard Stanistreet
Coaches

JUNIOR GIRL'S J3 & J4 SQUADS – 2009-2010

This season like most previous ones saw the large “junior/novice” squad of rowers divided into smaller manageable groups according to their skill levels. This group consisted mainly of 8 girls in two crews (Emma Hart, Lucy Zell, Cassandra Kottaras, Ashley Aubeelaus) and (Poppy Cook & Maddie Gibson, Harriet Scandol and Imogen Smith) with occasional substitutes from other squads when required. At the early part of season the J3 & J4 girls trained well, showed great eagerness and promise with early success in the JB Sharp regattas. As the more formal season began the J3-J4 girls showed more confidence at MLC School regatta with our best result being Poppy Cook & Maddie Gibson 2nd in Yr 9 2x. At Taree regatta several good rows resulted in placings in U/16 1x Maddie Gibson & Harriet Scandol 3rds & Poppy Cook 4th – U16 4x Cook, Gibson, Scandol, & Smith 2nd, U16 2x Gibson & Cook and Smith & Scandol both 3rd. In Div. At NSWRA C/ships Cook, Gibson, Scandol, & Smith 7th U 16 4x – At Balmain Emma Hart, Lucy Zell, Cassandra Kottaras, Ashley Aubeelaus made 5th in WC Grde 4x, - Gibson & Cook and Smith & Scandol both 2nd in WD grde 2x, and Cook, Gibson, Scandol, & Smith 2nd WD grde 4x – At Pymble school regatta Cook, Gibson, Scandol, & Smith gained 2nd Yr 9 4x+, Smith & Scandol and Gibson & Cook both 1st in Yr 9 2x, while Emma Hart, Lucy Zell, Cassandra Kottaras, Ashley Aubeelaus made 5th in Yr 10 4x+. - At LRC regatta Cassandra Kottaras, Ashley Aubeelaus made 3rd in WC Grde 4x, Gibson & Cook 1st WD grde 2x, and Cook, Gibson, Scandol, & Smith 2nd WD grde 4x – at Sydney GHS regatta Cook, Gibson, Scandol, & Smith and Mia Carey cox 3rd Yr 9 4x+, Hart & Zell 4th in Yr 10 2x. At Riverview Gold Cup Emma Hart, Lucy Zell, Gen Pfeiffer, Ashley Aubeelaus and Mia Carey cox made 3rd in Yr 10 4x+. At Drummoyne regatta Gibson & Cook 1st in WD grde 2x and Smith & Scandol 3rd in WD grde 2x, and Cook, Gibson, Scandol, & Smith 4th WD grde 4x, At Sydney Womens MLC centenary regatta Cook, Gibson, Scandol, & Smith 1st SGU 164x. With Emma Hart, Lucy Zell 5th and Cassandra Kottaras, Ashley Aubeelaus 6th in WU17 2x. - At Trickett C/ship regatta Gibson & Cook 6th WC 2x.- That was racing !!

Unfortunately a common factor after training really gets into full swing is that many young rowers tend to drop out or have irregular attendance due to other school, travel or sporting interests taking over. It is hard to keep young minds focussed with so many interests for today's young athletes.

Congratulations to the following Juniors who won club awards this season: Most Improved: - Kiri English-Hawke; Encouragement: Poppy Cook & Maddie Gibson;

Finally, as always, I must not forget the parents - for without their continued support and assistance getting these rowers to and from regattas and training and some catering we would not have a great Junior squad. I extend my whole hearted thanks.

Also I must give a big welcome to the very large group of junior girls and boys who have just completed the April/ May 2010 LTR program and look set to do big things next season.

**Steve Jaques
Junior Girls Coach**

J1 AND J2 GIRLS SQUAD – 2009-10

The role of this squad continues to focus on the initial development of young rowers who have completed the clubs learn to row program. It is quite a fluid group with members 'graduating' to the more advanced squads.

In the early part of the year we had a solid core of rowers including Mia Carey, Mimi Tha, Madi King Olivia Stuckey, Nina Dodd and Beatrice Sherwood. Other girls were also members of the group from time to time. The squad enthusiastically competed in regatta which included a win in the quad at the Roseville Regatta.

More recently we have worked with a core group including Gemma Viney, Bella Pytka, Alana Kisner and Clare Giugni. These girls have been applying themselves well and will shortly be ready to compete in club regattas as the next stage of their development.

It was great to see the club spirit displayed by these young ladies who have always been willing helpers around the shed.

Susie Philpot and David Elliot – Co Coaches

JUNIOR BOYS SQUAD 2009 – 2010

The 2009-10 season introduced a new group of juniors to rowing, the boys are to be commended upon their application and enthusiasm throughout the season. Two of the older boys Nick Andronikashvili and Kristian Bodell had great wins in the first half of the season culminating in a silver in the U19 2- at the NSWRA Sprint Regatta. They then joined the senior squad and enjoyed great success under Ross Tout's coaching and guidance winning the NSWRA Grade Championship in the 2- and the 8+.

The youngest member of the squad Austen Hunt (13 years) had a number of wins and places in the U161x and made the finals of the ACT U161x, a great effort and a promising future lies ahead. Levan Andronikashvili and Robert Bodell competed keenly in the second half of the season with

some pleasing results. They are to be commended on filling in for senior crews at the Taree Regatta despite having limited experiences in sweep rowing; a great club attitude.

All members have returned to compete in the coming season and I anticipate future successes.

David R. Bodell
(Junior Boys Coach)

NOVICE BOYS AND U/17 SQUAD - 2009-2010

The group started with Chun Wong, George Upjohn, Dean O'Donovan, Jesse Coyle, Maxwell Altman, Edward Treffey, Tom Harper, Yann Pearson.

Our First Regatta was the Henley On Hunter were Tom Harper and Jesse Coyle won Gold in the double and Tom a gold in the single.

During the season George Upjohn dropped out of the group, then followed Dean O'Donovan and Edward Treffey due to School commitments.

The remaining Under 17 boys did very well, in the quad scull, through the season and when the State Championships came around, the Boys were primed for a podium win or place, The Buzzer went the boys took off strongly and were leading past the 100m mark when, "CRACK", one oar broke at the end of the shaft and the crew had to finish the race with only three people rowing effectively. We found out later that the previous crew that was in the boat had hit a buoy and had cracked the blade but failed to tell anybody. The boys did not say anything, just got out of the boat and went home. SUCH IS ROWING!

Bow:- Maxwell Altman, 2 Tom Harper, 3 Jesse Coyle, Stroke Yann Pearson

Jesse Coyle is Presently at Newington College on a Rowing scholarship, good luck to Jesse.

Most of the crew should be back next year - except for Jesse and Max who has changed sports to play Aussie Rules.

Roderick Richardson - Coach

SCHOOL GIRL AND BOY ROWING REPRESENTATIVES – 2009-10

The following LRC members rowed for their schools at the following major school events ,

NSW Schoolgirl Head of the River, Saturday

Lucy Zell, Cassandra Kottaras, SGYr10 2x, Burwood Girls High

Lauren Flinn, Imogen Stahel, SGYr10 2x, Riverside Girls

Genevieve Pfeiffer, SGYr10 1x, Cheltenham High

Kiri English-Hawke, Bronze SGYr10 1x, Stella Maris College

Isobel James, Gold-medal SG 1x, Fort Street High

Imogen Smith, Harriet Scandol, Bronze SGYr9 2x, Fort Street High

Poppy Cook, SGYr9 1x, Abbotsleigh

NSW Schoolboys HOR, Sunday

Chun Wong, Sydney BHS, - Finalist SB 4, SB 1x
Austen Hunt, St Aloysius, 5th SBYr 8 1x

NSW Combined High School Championships, Monday and Tuesday

Genevieve Pfeiffer, 4th WU17 1x, Cheltenham High
Isobel James, Bronze- CW 1x, Fort Street High
Lauren Flinn, Imogen Stahel, 5th WU17 2x, Riverside Girls
Harriet Scandol, WU16 1x, Fort Street High
Mimi Tha, North Sydney GHS, WU16 1x & WU17 4x-
Emma Thomas, St George GHS, CW 1x, CW 4x

LRC Men & Women MASTERS**F troupe / G force / E express and the E ladies, 2009-2010**

On Monday 19th October, 2009, the F troupe began their preparation for the long distance races that would conclude at the Head of the Yarra, 28th November, 2009.

This group consisted of some of the retired rowers who had been coaching at LRC for many seasons. It was time they got back onto the water, to train and get fit and healthy. The group began a six week program that prepared them very well for their races, which they enjoyed very much. It was interesting to coach a group of coaches.

The group consisted of Frank Thorn, Dave Bodell, Onno Van Ewyk, Billy Monaghan, David Elliot, Rick Turner, Steve Jaques, Brian Davis and David Rosenfeld. They were soon joined by Denis Tracey and the group realised if they got a slightly older LRC member to row with them they could row the G eight as well and John Woollett was approached and he joined the happy crew. Master rowing: the older the crew is the more time the crew is given by way of handicap. The squad competed with some success at the club regattas and at Grafton in the Masters State championships. The F troupe could also be the G force crew and if they had a younger rower with them, in the way of David Hogan, they could also row the E express crew.

Following the head races, the group decided to compete at the Masters Nationals and began a preparation that prepared them for competition in Perth in Early June this year, where they won a bronze medal for their G 8, a silver for their E four and a gold for Brian Davis and Dave Hogan in their F double and a silver for Brian in his F single, and a gold for his mixed double.

Five of these men formed half of the syndicate with five women who formed the donor group for the purchase of *Genesis 8+* for LRC.

At the same time the E ladies began their training and preparations for all the same events, and had some excellent successes. The group consisted of Sandy Rourke, silver medallist at the Masters Nationals for the E single and a member of the successful NSW State 8 crew, Kerry Thorn, Sally Bartlett, Sue Field (Glebe Rowing Club), Lyne Riley, Sue-Ella Day, Tina Owen, Margot Simmington, gold medallist at the Masters nationals for the H single and numerous other medals, Nicky Duffy as cox and support from Sue Andrews and Janelle.

And to conclude the season, the F troupe and the E ladies had wonderful success with a gold medal in the mixed f eight at the Masters State Championships in Grafton.

2009-2010 season was very successful. Frank coached Kerry in her crew and Kerry coached Frank. Was that easy? Thank you to all the crew members for such an enjoyable season and especially thank you to Doreen Borg, Rosa Brown and Nicky Duffy for their coxing.

Kerry Thorn - Coach

MIXED MASTERS SQUAD REPORT 2009 – 2010 SEASON

Once again, it was a great learning experience for both the squad and me travelling through the 2009-2010 season. The squad encountered several ups and downs along the way, working very hard to build from their previous season's achievements.

The squad comprised:

Margaret Bailey;
Lyne Riley*;
Anna Foley;
Juliet Bourke;
Ric Turner;
Adam Wheatley; and
Heather Hunt*.

(*Heather Hunt took over from Lyne Riley part way through the season.)

In 2010, the squad competed at both Grade regattas (D grade) and in masters (D category) in 2x, 4x, 4-, 4+, and 8+, with mixed success. Added to the standard regattas through the season, the squad competed at the World Masters Games in October 2009. By no means a simple affair, but certainly adding an element of accelerated preparations.

Having consolidated on their previous season's achievements, the squad pushed ahead once again. In particular, I would like to acknowledge some stand-out performances through the season by Juliet Bourke, Anna Foley and Rick Turner. Juliet and Anna made the tough decision and commitment of competing in the 1x, which they both did with some aplomb. While working on some technical matters in the boat, Juliet managed a number of 2nd places against strong fields. And, at the Australian National Masters Championship, Rick combined with several other members of LRC to progress to the finals in the Mens F8+ (5th/5), Mixed C8+ (4th/6), Mens G8+ (Bronze with 3rd/4) and Mens F4- (Silver with 2nd/5) (One more race in the double....perhaps Gold?).

With their heads squarely on the job of building on their past success and focussing on refining technical issues, I have no doubt this squad has and will continue to integrate well with the rest of the club at all levels of competition.

**Guy Elron
Coach**

SOCIAL ROWERS REPORT – 2009-2010

The past year has been quite an enjoyable and eventful time for LRC Social Rowing members. Sunday mornings have continued to be a hub of activity on the pontoon with two 8+'s and on the occasion quads or fours going out. Social rowing has developed into more than the traditional Sunday row with some crews rowing mid week for extra time on the water.

Four events during the year have stood out as highlights for the Social Rowers, when all LRC members came together to participate in joint activities:

- The Christmas morning row which saw crews rowing to the Sydney Harbour Bridge singing carols and eating fruit cake and rum balls.
- The spine tingling Anzac Day Dawn service row to the Anzac Bridge, with the rowing mourning the loss of our fallen servicemen.
- Two LUOR Social Regattas with crews competing in earnest. The events were followed by the LUOR Lunch which was an amazing opportunity to meet and speak with those people who built the foundations for what our Club is today.

Many thanks to Bill Monaghan and David Rosenfeld (and their helpers) for their enduring contribution to Social rowing - without them it wouldn't be what it is today.

Doreen Borg

J B SHARP (WINTER) SERIES OF REGATTAS - 2010

This year's 86th J B Sharp series of regattas have just ended. Again, as last year, the club was strongly represented by many of the Junior squads members gaining places in the Novice sculls and the Under 16 single & quads sculls events. The same junior girls competed in some women's novice quads and double sculls events. Another unusual feature of the series was the boating of "The David 8+" - which was a combination of our men's masters squads all with the first name of "David" - however due to illness and training issues we had a few "Hon David's" substituted where required. The crew performed well and got the new season's training off to a great start. A big thank you to Zoe Thomas and Christiaan Fitzsimon who took over the organising of crews, entries and administration for this seasons series of races.

The overall results & pointscore are:

- I. The J.B Sharp Memorial Cup - overall point score – Balmain 198, Mosman 189, Glebe 146.
- II. The Sid Sharp Tray - men's Novice & U16 point score – Sydney 36, Balmain 30, Glebe 23.
- III. The Kayser Shield - women's Open & Intermediate point score – Mosman 62, Balmain 21, Drummoyne 18.
- IV. Glebe Centenary Shield - men's Open & Intermediate point score – Glebe 53, Balmain 48, Drummoyne 40.
- V. The Walker & Hall Challis - Handicap Scull point score – Sam Carroll (Balmain 13), James Waldersee (Balmain 13), Elizabeth Blower (UTS 12). Sam defeated James in a row off.
Sam Carroll
- VI. The Kevyn Webb OAM Cup - men's Novice Scull point score – Glebe 30, Balmain 28.
- VII. The John Sharp Trophy – women's Novice and U16 point score – Mosman 65, Tara 45, Balmain 39.
Thomas Harry
- VIII. The Lea Insurance Brokers Trophy – women's Novice Scull point score – Balmain 32, Mosman 26,

Leichhardt 6.

Steve Jaques

COXES REPORT 2010

We are always indebted to our club coxswains who are now being called on more and more because of the club's dedication to support the many 8+s and 4+ crews. A big effort came from all of our rower/coxes both men and women. In particular this year Glenn Pearce, won the club's award the Coxswain's Trophy. Glenn was in big demand for most of the club's 8 oared events leading up to and during the State Masters Championships, winning and placing in many events. He was also nominated for Coxswain of the Year award at RNSW Annual Presentation Dinner in May this year. Congratulations Glenn.

Steve Jaques

PYMBLE LADIES COLLEGE - ROWING REPORT 2009 – 2010

This year was another busy one for the Pymble Rowing squad with several trips away as well as the usual busy schedule of racing in Term 1. There were 95 girls in total in the squad this year, and they were supported by a wonderful team of coaches. We had a few new coaches join us this season, and we thank them for their dedication and enthusiasm and look forward to working with them again.

The season began with an information evening in early August to introduce the new parents to the sport. Following this the girls took part in the learn-to-row program at the school and the mini camps in the Term 3 break. These were well attended and allowed the girls some extra time to become acquainted with the boatshed and the initial requirements of the sport.

This year the Senior squad had a mini-camp on Cockatoo Island again. Although the scenery and water was essentially the same as our normal training, the girls always enjoy the chance to have a training weekend away and some time together without the pressures of school. From here we decided to row a "Third eight" throughout the season. Our 3 eights travelled to Melbourne in November to compete in the Head of the Yarra, where the First Eight defended the title won by the 2007 and 2008 crews. The Second and Third eights also performed well and enjoyed their weekend away.

Boat camps were held in January and were well attended. The seniors completed a fantastic week of training in Thredbo and the year 9's and 10's had their summer holiday this year at the Nepean River. Blisters were at no extra cost!

Racing season again included the Pymble regatta. It has been great to have this regatta as an annual event as it gives the parents a chance to get to know one another. Thank you to all our helpers, boat drivers, officials etc and especially to Pip and Andy Ellis and the support group for hosting the Pymble Rowing Cocktail Party on the same weekend.

Term 1 continued with regattas each weekend. The National Championships returned to the Lake Nagambie this year. Our crews experienced the usual variety of weather that Nagambie provides leaving many crews and supporters to ponder – why Rowing Australia keeps using the venue. However, Rusty Springs – the parent accommodation - more than made up for the poor conditions at the course. Unfortunately we returned without a medal this year – leaving a challenge for the next season. Congratulations to both Loreto Kirribilli and Loreto Normanhurst on their Gold and Bronze medals in the Schoolgirl Eight championship event. Great to see the NSW crews at the right end of the race!

The main regatta for the squad is of course the Schoolgirls Head of the River. The First Eight had experienced some close racing throughout the season and their final race as a crew was also a difficult one. They had a tough race and finished fifth in the final. The race was won by Queenwood School and our congratulations to the crew and their coaches on a successful campaign. The Pymble second eight were victorious in their event and the third eight had a great row to finish third in the second eight! Crews from all divisions of juniors and Intermediates raced well (the inters won 5 from 6 divisions!) and as a team the college was awarded the Senior and Intermediate point score trophy – a new presentation this year. It is wonderful to see the overall standard across all the divisions continuing to improve – the overall point score is certainly going to be hotly contested in the next few years.

Our Boat Captain, Eliza Flint, was also a great support for the students. Eliza always led by example and her results are a credit to her. Following the school season, Eliza attended a National Identification camp at the AIS. Eliza was selected in a quad which travelled to New Zealand to compete in a high performance regatta against New Zealand Junior rowers. Congratulations!

The Rowing Support Group has been steered this year by David Sykes. Each president brings a different flavor to the position, and Dave brought with him experience from similar groups with other sporting associations. Again the willingness to become involved and the high attendance at the many functions were in no small part due to his enthusiastic approach. The coaches and students are all very grateful for the input of the Support Group – we simply could not function without them. In particular their assistance with the Anzac Day row was much appreciated – I hope that this event is now firmly etched in the NSWRA calendar. It is a wonderful experience and the girls always thoroughly enjoy participating. A special thanks also to John Evans and his committee for the wonderful end of season dinner.

The College Council and Mrs Waters have continued to support our endeavours and for this we are extremely grateful. During the season the new pontoon was finally completed and opened – again an example of the cooperative spirit enjoyed by Pymble and Leichardt.

To Leichhardt, for another season of shared activities, thank you. Congratulations on winning another NSWRA Premiership (the third in four years) – and multiple other awards and shields! Well deserved, as it was a true team effort. Congratulations to all those members who were part of NSW crews – a fantastic effort. Leichhardt masters have also continued to blaze a trail – Australia wide!

I would also like to thank Barry Moynahan for his never-ending support, both on and off the microphone. We are all indebted to him for many hours of enthusiastic commentary, as well as his continued enthusiastic support of the Pymble program.

The beginning of the new season is almost here - hopefully everyone has had a good break and is ready to begin again. New crews and new friendships are all a part of the boatshed experience and we look forward seeing you again and welcoming many new families.

Gillian Campbell (Head Coach – Pymble Ladies College)

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT FOR 2009–10

LRC communications aim to be clear and to keep club members informed of club news and events, matters of importance and our successes.

The principal means of club-wide communication are the website, emails from admin and the newsletter, *Easy Oar*. SMS also entered the fray this year in the form of notifications of the changes to the open channels through the Iron Cove bridge as work on the duplication progressed.

Easy Oar in its current format will celebrate its third birthday this month, and since its re-incarnation it has developed so that it now enjoys regular contributions from many club members. The intention continues to be to provide members with a newsletter with information they need to know, might like to know and connects all the many parts of the club. *Easy Oar* is released on the website and continues to be distributed in print. About 100 copies are printed each month and are available at the club for members, and copies are also sent to the Leichhardt Council, Leichhardt Library and the principal of Pymble Ladies’ College, and for a particular story, to former members. The LRC website continues to attract browsers and readers – there is always a lot of interest in the learn to row courses, the rowing program, the Corporate Challenge and hiring the hall for functions. The content on the site is regularly revised and updated so that it is a useful resource for members as well as other users.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed articles and ideas and photos this year, and to Richard Stanistreet for his printing prowess. I look forward to everyone’s contributions in the coming year.

**Anne Parbury
Communications**

PROPERTY MASTER - HOUSE, REPORT 2009-2010

Earlier this season the Leichhardt Pontoon became a reality after many years of hard work by a few very dedicated members. This wonderful pontoon is the envy of all clubs and is an excellent addition to our already excellent club house.

2009-2010 was also the year to do all the little jobs that needed to be done to maintain our clubhouse that was opened in 2002.

Regular maintenance/cleaning/working/tidying bees were scheduled quarterly, and advertised in advance to occur each season. Most members contributed to taking care and repairing the club house which is greatly appreciated.

Recycling began during the season and red bins for all recyclables were placed around the shed. Members have been educated to use these for all those water bottles etc. This has greatly reduced our general garbage and has resulted in a huge saving on garbage removal costs. The club has gone from small wheelie bins to larger containers which are more efficient and the garbage area appears to be much more hygienic these days. Veolia has become our new waste collection contractor and garbage and recyclables are collected on Monday mornings.

A new cork board for notices has been established in the boat shed. This is the area that all rowing information needs to be placed. These are to include training programs, rowing messages, facts and club policies as well as the LRC calendar, squad information and important notices especially those for Billy. Over the blue cupboard is the regatta noticeboard.

All members are encouraged to help keep tidy the upstairs area and all equipment now has a place of storage. Ask if you need help with any tidying.

LRC has developed a lot of policies during the past season and of particular note is the code of conduct. All members are encouraged to respect all our assets, and that includes not only the boats but all our building and associated equipment. We are proud of our club.

Leichhardt council has installed bike racks adjacent to the club entrance for LRC members and the general public to use. All members who ride their bikes are encouraged to use this facility, which eases congestion inside the building.

Richard Stanistreet and Charlie Bartlett have installed an additional 10 rigger racks. Charlie has also installed the magnificent Kings Cup Oar on the southern wall of the hall. Barry Monaghan has organised lots of photos to be installed on the walls.

Thank you to all members for all their help and co-operation with maintenance during the past season. It is noticed and very much appreciated.

Kerry Thorn – Property Master (House)

LEICHHARDT UNION OF OLD ROWERS (L.U.O.R.)
ANNUAL REPORT 2009-2010

The Leichhardt Union of Old Rowers (LUOR), always welcomes the membership of all club members whether young or senior, male or female, competitive or social. Our inclusion in the Club's Annual Report is sincerely appreciated.

Membership costs \$5.00 per annum, \$20.00 per meal twice a year for union luncheons at the Clubhouse and an optional \$20.00 per ticket in the 400 Club "DRAW" at the Christmas function in December. These occasions provide an opportunity for get-togethers involving newcomers and former Australian, State and Club representatives in sharing meals, drinks and great company.

The story of our last reunion was recorded in the July "EASY OAR" when 95 attended and we remembered the passing of one of our greats, Geoff Williamson. Lionel Robberds QC, Olympian co-hosted the occasion. Our next Christmas function (5th December 2010) will honour our former Olympians and Commonwealth Games representatives as well as our current Junior and Masters Championship winners.

The initial impetus for reunions followed World War 1 and our Club history records the attendance of Tom McGill (our Kings Cup representative from the original AIF winning crew) along with 41 rowers in a photograph taken at Fort Macquarie in 1921 when the Opera House site was used as a Tram Depot. Tom's oar used in the 1919 historic event now hangs on the western wall of the Clubhouse in the casing recently donated by the LUOR.

The Executive of the LUOR comprises:

Secretary:	Tony Potter	9546 6169
Treasurer:	Bern Storey	0417 671 745
Committee:	Peter Trives	0418 441 768
	Steve Jaques	9568 3163
	Dave Bodell	9558 0041
Vice President:	Ross Ullo	0407 669 090
President:	Barry Moynahan	9686 4290

Those above follow in the footsteps of originals such as Stan Jones OAM, Neil McCallum and Kevin Bond, all now deceased, whose pictures hang proudly in the Club foyer.

Monies raised in the past by the LUOR contributed towards the purchase of racing shells, speedboat hulls, rowing machines and other items for the clubhouse. Major cash contributions in recent years, were made towards the sewer connection costs, clubhouse fit-out and public address system.

The LUOR current account stands at:	Term Deposit: \$ 10,001.69
	Cheque A/C \$ 4113.12
	TOTAL \$ 14,114.81

Note: Our next reunion, the Christmas function is planned for Sunday 5th December 2010. An appropriate reminder will be issued early November.

Barry Moynahan
(LUOR President)

<p style="text-align: center;">LEICHHARDT ROWING CLUB TROPHY WINNERS 2009-2010 Presented at the Club's Presentation Dinner May 2010</p>
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<u>STEVE ROLL TROPHY</u> "Mens Point Score"	Andrew McCallum
<u>LEN McPHERSON TROPHY</u> "Womens Point Score"	Charmaine Wells
<u>BOB STONE TROPHY</u> "Masters Point Score"	Anne Parbury
<u>GEORGE ELMSLIE TROPHY</u> "Most Improved Oarsman"	Kristian Bodell & Nick Andronikashvili
<u>THE LEICHHARDT CLUB TROPHY</u> "Most Improved Oarswoman"	Elizabeth Scott
<u>MOST IMPROVED JUNIOR FEMALE</u>	Kiri English-Hawke
<u>MOST IMPROVED JUNIOR MALE</u>	Alexander Carey
<u>MICK LOWREY TROPHY</u> "Most assistance with Development of Novices"	Anne Parbury & Richard Stanistreet
<u>MOYNAHAN FAMILY TROPHY (Est 2003)</u> "Coaching Excellence "	Peter Trives
<u>BATH FAMILY "Junior" TROPHY (Est 2004)</u> "Awarded to the most outstanding all-round <i>Junior</i> Rower"	Kiri English-Hawke & Isobel James
<u>COXSWAIN'S TROPHY (Est 2007)</u> "Best efforts in coxing"	Glenn Pearce
<u>ENCOURAGEMENT AWARDS</u>	
<u>(Juniors & Novices)</u>	(Juniors) Maddie Gibson, Poppy Cook, Austen Hunt, (Novices) Callum Haig, Jennifer Zongor and Anna Hickey-Moodie
<u>CAPTAIN'S TROPHY</u> "Most assistance to Captain over the year"	Belinda Brigham
<u>PRESIDENT'S AWARD</u>	
(Est 2004) – (Special Recognition)	Zoe Thomas

Congratulations to all the winners – They were well deserved.

TREASURER'S REPORT 2009-2010

Firstly I'd like to add to the tributes already paid to Peter Trives for the great contribution that he made to the development of the Club over many years. In particular, his extraordinary work in the financial administration of the Club has been one of key factors underpinning its growth and success in recent years.

One of Peter's crowning achievements as Treasurer was marshalling the funds required for the new pontoon, which was of course completed this year. This will be one of the most tangible of his legacies to members. A less tangible but no less important legacy is that the Club is debt-free and in a solid financial position.

For the financial year just passed, it is important that we acknowledge the continuing strong financial support of Pymble Lades College by way of Club Membership subscriptions, and the cost-sharing of Clubhouse utilities and maintenance expenses, for which we thank them sincerely. PLC also shared the cost of the new pontoon, which further underlines the importance of our continuing relationship. Thank you to all at PLC.

Thanks also go to those who have contributed their time generously to supporting the Club's financial activities during the year. Deanna Fekete did a great job again as our Hire Coordinator. Club hire fees are a significant part of our revenue and are up 30% this year on the previous year. This role involves a great deal of time spent dealing with hirers and organising the clubhouse so Deanna's efforts are much appreciated. Sue Andrews did an excellent job looking after sales of zooties and other merchandise. Sincere thanks also go to Steve Duff who organised the Trivia Night which contributed a significant amount to club revenue.

Looking at our financial results in detail for the year to June 2010, there are a number of things to point out. Income from our Corporate Challenge program was significantly down on the previous year (-40%). This was most likely due to the impact of the Global Financial Crisis on corporate budgets. Membership and racing fees charged to members were kept at the same rates as the previous year with the result that total income from this source remained fairly static (+4%). Membership fees for the last financial year included an allowance for racing fees whereas in the previous year they were charged separately.

Income from Learn to Row courses held during the year also also down significantly compared with the previous year, as were donations. These reductions were offset to some extent by a significant increase in fund raising, which was due principally to the success of the Trivia Night, and increased Club hiring fees.

On the expenses side, there was some reduction in fleet repairs and maintenance costs compared with the previous year but at around \$30,000 it continues to be a significant source of outgoings. Insurance costs were higher for the year due to a general rise in premiums. Regatta entries (race fees) jumped significantly mainly due to a higher level of participation by members (+34%). While this is reflected in our successful race results, it has also contributed to the need to increase membership fees this year to recover these direct cash outgoings. We have also written down the value of stock this year. This relates to T-shirts and caps that have accumulated over the last few years.

Going forward, the Club has adequate cash in hand to fund its operations but after the major outlays on the new pontoon the challenge now exists to build up reserves again to more comfortable levels.

Thanks to all members for their support in maintaining the continued financial well-being of the club.

Onno van Ewyk
Assistant Treasurer

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO MEMBERS

Scope

I have audited the financial statements of the Leichhardt Rowing Club Incorporated for the financial year ended 30 June 2010. The Management Committee is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements and the information they contain. I have conducted an independent audit to express an opinion on them to members of the Leichhardt Rowing Club.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. My procedures include examination of evidence supporting the amount and other disclosures in the financial estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards and statutory requirements so as to present a view of the Incorporation which is consistent with my understanding of the financial position and the results of its operations.

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

Audit Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements of the Leichhardt Rowing Club Incorporated are in accordance to :

- (i) give a true and fair view of the Incorporation financial position as at 30 June 2010 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date;
- (ii) Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional requirements.

Bern Story (M.N.I.A.)
Dated 15 August 2010