



TAURANGA ROWING CLUB INC.



98th Annual Report 2022 / 2023 Season



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1. 2022/23 FINANCIAL REPORT





NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the TAURANGA ROWING CLUB will be held on **Thursday 28th September 2023** at Waters Edge Lounge, Tauranga Rowing Club, Memorial Park, Tauranga at 7.00 pm.

AGENDA

1. **Welcome**
2. **Apologies**
3. **Confirmation of the Minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting**
4. **Matters Arising**
5. **Presidents Report & Adoption of Annual Reports – Adele Marsden**
6. **Treasurer's Report and Adoption of Financial Statement – Helen Rothery**
7. **Election of Officers and Committee**
 - a. Patron
 - b. President
 - c. Treasurer
 - d. Secretary
 - e. Club Captain
 - f. Coaching Co-ordinator
 - g. Athletes representative
 - h. Masters representative
 - i. Social Co-ordinator
 - j. Health & Safety Officer
8. **Subscriptions – Annual fees 2023/24:**
 - School Rowers - \$2,250/annually
 - School Rower (Affiliation only) - \$750/annually
 - Club Rowers - \$2,250/annually
 - Masters Rowers - \$750/annually
 - Coxswains - \$600/annually
9. **Any other General Business notified with 7 days notice of the meeting** - No items notified

Meeting close. The next Committee meeting is confirmed for **Tuesday 10 October 2023 7:00 pm**, Waters Edge Lounge, Tauranga Rowing Club





TAURANGA ROWING CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022

Held **Sunday 30th October 2022 at 4.30 pm**

Watersedge Lounge, Tauranga Rowing Club, Memorial Park, Tauranga

MINUTES

Present:

Helen Rothery, Nick Cole, Julie Cole, Adele Marsden, Kendra Rose, Vanessa Bakker, Simon Aubrey, Richard Rennie, Belinda Rixon-Church, Steven Finlayson, Mia Finlayson, Alex Herbert

Apologies:

Fiona Lohead, Maria Rogerson, Ted Phelps, Ian Ridgway, Elyse Rothery

Proxies: 1 for Elyse Rothery

There was a delay in the start of the meeting until 5:02 pm in order for a quorum to be present before proceeding.

Confirmation of previous AGM Minutes held 23 September 2021

- Proposed a true and correct - Helen Rothery, seconded by Simon Aubrey

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising advised

President's report and adoption of Annual Reports- Adele Marsden

In addition to the written report Adele reiterated the clubs thanks for the great work done by Simon, Nick, Helen in their own time

Thank you also to the parents for supporting us

Proposed acceptance of the Presidents report and the Adoption of the Annual Reports Steve Finlayson, seconded Vanessa Bakker

Treasurers Report and Adoption of Financial Statement

Nick advised he was still awaiting the audit certificate but the accounts had been externally audited

Accounts for 2022 have been realigned to remove sundry expenses and income for comparison and accuracy



Questions were answered regarding the Bill Eaddy Trust and its status

Election of Officers for the 2022/23 Season:

Patron - Bill Holland proposed Helen Rothery, seconded Adele Marsden

President - Adele Marsden proposed Nick Cole, seconded Simon Aubrey

Treasurer - Nick Cole proposed Adele Marsden seconded Steven Finlayson

Secretary - Helen Rothery proposed Adele Marsden seconded Vanessa Bakker

Club Captain - Simon Aubrey proposed Adele Marsden seconded Simon Aubrey

Coaching Coordinator - Michael Arms (subject to his agreement) proposed Simon Aubrey seconded Nick Cole

Athlete Representative - Mia Finlayson proposed Steve Finlayson seconded Adele Marsden

Masters Representative - Richard Rennie proposed Helen Rothery seconded Adele Marsden

Health & Safety Officer - Nick Hume (subject to his agreement) proposed Simon Aubrey seconded Steven Finlayson

Social Coordinator - Julie Cole/Kendra Rose proposed Adele Marsden seconded Steven Finlayson

School representatives as notified by the schools:

Aquinas College - Maria Rogerson

Mount College - Dan Meade

Otumoetai College - Ian Ridgway/Russell Gordon

Tauranga Boys' College - Tanya Williams

Tauranga Girls' College - Fiona Lohead/Zoe Blisset

Subscriptions - Annual Fees 2022-23

Nick advised his budget calculations and the reasoning behind his proposed membership fees based on 80 club/school rowers

School Rowers - \$2,150 annually

Club Rowers - \$2,150 annually

Masters Rowers - \$680 annually

Coxswains - \$500 annually

Proposed acceptance of the Treasurers recommended fees Simon Aubrey, seconded Adele Marsden

General Business:

Richard Rennie asked whether it would be reasonable to offer Life Membership to Elite level athletes. A full proposal would need to be brought to the next AGM or to a special extraordinary meeting for this to be adopted.

Meeting closed at 5:37 pm

Date of next meeting to be held within 14 months of this date.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Report 2022 – 2023 Season

This season has been a breeze compared to last year with no issues re covid, great weather at regatta's (mostly) and some excellent results. The year started well with a soggy but fun John Howard regatta in Napier followed by great results at all the regatta's throughout the summer

The camp at Mangakino was once again amazing. A big thanks to our coaches, all of whom are volunteers and gave up their annual leave to spend the week at camp. It was great to see the interaction between the coaches, the rowers and parents and it made for an extremely successful camp. A huge thanks to Helen for all the hard work she put in to ensure the camp was a success.

We had an extremely successful North Island Club Champs followed by the New Zealand Rowing Champs held in Twizel. A shout out to Helen and Simon for getting this organised and to Troy for getting the boats to Twizel.

Of course it is impossible to go through a year with no hiccups and the issue of getting boats back from Twizel, with no ferries operating, was an interesting one. However thanks to Troy, Tom Wain and Swire shipping the boats arrived back just in time for NZSS regatta.

Maadi was next and what a pleasure to see all our schools participating, a special congratulations to Jameson for his amazing Gold Medal success in the Under 17 single sculls.

Interprovincial Competition - Congratulations to Jack McClutchie, James Scott, James Holland, Jameson McConnochie, Josh Montgomery-Bailey, Luca Harris, Amy Everitt, Caitlin Wain, and Ruby Church for their selection.

Our Masters rowers had a successful season and are looking at carrying that on (and as an aside are keen for new members to join).

I would like to acknowledge all our Committee members who give up a lot of their own time to ensure the club runs smoothly in particular Simon Aubrey (Club Captain), Helen Rothery (Secretary,) Steve Finlayson (Coaching Coordinator) and Nic Hume (Safety Officer). Our wonderful Treasurer Nick Cole resigned earlier this year and we were very sad to see him go, but have been lucky to have Helen take over the role in the interim.

Our coaching team are fantastic especially with the issues they have faced this year. They give many hours of their own time and work hard to bring the best out of our athletes.

The Waters Edge lounge venue is having a small make over and now also has a new Manager Nikki Bolton. We hope to increase our bookings as this money helps with the running of the club.

Without our volunteers we would not have a club so a big thank you to you all. A special thanks to those parents who helped with Mangakino camp, the various working bees and special events. Your help is much appreciated. We are already working on some changes for next season which we hope will help the club grow, help our young athletes and encourage more people to take up rowing.

Many thanks for all your support.

CLUB PRESIDENT - Adele Marsden



Club Captain Report for 2022-2023 Season

The 2021-2022 season was the start of bounce back after two years of Covid-19 restrictions which resulted in cancellation or changing of regatta formats throughout the season.

Tauranga RC like all Clubs across the country saw membership numbers drop and getting back on track started in earnest.

We attended the John Howard Memorial Regatta which doubled up as the Interprovincial Champs in Napier. The entire Club had a great weekend away, the novices attended their first regatta which they enjoyed and gave them the momentum for the season especially all the younger members, some who had never been away.

We continued training hard and attended the “benchmark” Karapiro Christmas Regatta, benchmark meaning results at this regatta often are a very good indicator of where our performances sit in context against 2000 other rowers.

Camp was attended at Mangakino in our traditional week and this year was slightly modified, so our novice rowers attended a shorter camp without feeling left out of what is a great experience and a challenge just to survive the week.

In the spirit of collaboration we also worked with athletes from other Clubs during the season, thanks to coaches from the other Bay of Plenty Clubs as well as Luke Berquist and Shaun Snow from Whakatane who came to Camp and joined us at Club National in Twizel.

Results were mixed over the season and the highlight for me personally would be Maddie Shanks making the NZ U21 Squad before taking up a full Rowing Scholarship in the US. Gaining an opportunity through rowing to row in the US under a rowing scholarship is very much a Tauranga RC aim and we have a good line up of athletes on this pathway.

Thanks to the TRC coaching group and Committee for keeping TRC on track and on point, and well done to Steve Finlayson selected to coach the North Island squad versus South Island and the Interprovincial Men’s Squad .

Club Captain - Simon Aubrey

Safety Officers Report for 2022-23 Season

On the safety front it has thankfully been an uneventful year with only one incident that has been recorded, which took place on the water.

This was a capsize and luckily resulted with no major injuries

Considering the amount of on water time with both trainings, and regattas that have been undertaken this year it is really good to see that generally everyone is watching out for each other's safety.

Nic Hume - Safety Officer



Masters Report - 2022/23 Season

Tauranga Masters' squad has managed to maintain its competitive and social momentum over the past 12 months, with the club represented by a core five men in the assorted Club and Legions regattas held.

The regular competitions have helped the squad develop a greater familiarity with the art of Masters racing (out fast, early, and hold it!) to ensure TRC is consistently in the mix of the top 3-4 crews.

Once again, we would like to extend our thanks and gratitude to Matt, our perennial coach whose hands on advice and comprehensive training programmes have played a big role in helping lift the squad's fitness and technique- and we'd love to see him back racing again!

A big shout out to Dave Derecourt too for his efforts with the novice ladies who he has recruited and continues to commit his time to on top of his own comprehensive training programme.

Dave's patience and commitment means we could well be looking at a viable women's squad for future racing, if they were keen.

This year's master's season's highlight will be our trip to Twizel for the National Champs, Sept 15-16, something the men's quad have been training towards for almost 3 months. This is the longest period a single crew has trained together before, so we are feeling fit and excited by the opportunity.

The squad is also enjoying good relationships with the other BoP/Waikato clubs, often forming composite crews to race at regattas, and we look forward to continuing this relationship.

We are also looking forward to participating in the TRC's Rat Island races in October.

Richard Rennie - Masters Rep

Athletes Report 2022/23 Season

Due to the recent change of Athletes Representative we are unable to provide a direct report on 2022/23 for the athletes. Some aspects of the report will be covered in the Club Captain Report.

Social Report 2022/23 Season

Due to the recent change of Social Representative we are unable to provide a direct report on the social aspects for 2022/23 for the athletes. Some aspects of this area are covered under other reports.



AQUINAS COLLEGE ROWING 2022/23

The 2022-3 season has been one of resetting and rebuilding for Aquinas College. Our successful senior crew all graduated from school and moved on to university leaving a mainly novice junior crew to lead the way. The Aquinas boat trailer was sold directly to TRC and the Aquinas coach boat, The Jolly Roger, was sold to a private individual. Aquinas novice rowers continue to enjoy competing as composite TRC crews in a selection of big boats, racing at both Lake Karāpiro and Blue Lakes in Rotorua. With access to only small Aquinas crews, these composite club crews are a highlight for many of our rowers. They value the shared camp experiences and the camaraderie in the boat park and around the clubhouse.

Maadi 2023 was conveniently held at Lake Karāpiro this year. Only our two intermediate ranked rowers competed but, unfortunately, they found the pace too tough for them this year and were unable to progress out of the heats.

Rowing, as a summer sport option, has generated some initial interest and enthusiasm at school but recruitment and retention continues to be our greatest challenge. We currently have seven athletes training and moving forward into the new season.

Maria Rogerson - TiC Aquinas College

MOUNT MAUNGANUI COLLEGE 2022/23

Congratulations to Mount Maunganui student Maya Hambling, who was part of the Tauranga Rowing Club crew that won a silver medal in the Women's Intermediate Quadruple Sculls at the New Zealand Rowing Championships and Reece Steyn who won a silver medal in the Men's Intermediate Octuple Sculls at the North Island Club Championships.

Maya and McKenzie Steyn raced at North Island Secondary School Championships and Maya at the Maadi Regatta. Although results didn't fall their way, they both raced extremely well, putting their best efforts onto the water and representing Mount Maunganui College with pride.

Off the water lots of hard work was put in by both students and some great friendships were made in the 2022/23 season. Everybody is looking forward to another great season this year.

Angela Young/Steven Finlayson – Mount College

Waters Edge Lounge Report 2022/23

Due to two changes of Lounge Manager over the last 6 months we are unable to provide a direct report on 2022/23 for the venue. Some aspects of the lounge are covered in other reports



TREASURER REPORT 2022/23

Tauranga Rowing Club

AGM - Treasurer Report 2022/2023

I am writing this as Treasurer appointed after the end of the financial year to which the financial statements relate. Our previous Treasurer Nick Cole resigned in April, at the end of the 2022/23 rowing season. I thank Nick for the significant work he did during his time in tenure.

Annual Accounts

The following is based on the accounts as audited by BDO Tauranga.

Trading Profit

Membership numbers were less than anticipated when the budget was set in October 2022. The Treasurer advised during the year that as a result of this decrease an expected loss of \$30,000, including depreciation, was now expected for the year. Loss from trading as the rowing club and running the event facility was \$31,328 for the year to 31 March 2023, including depreciation of \$43,191, compared to a profit of \$14,416 the previous year.

A donation of \$25,000 was received in the year and the Committee determined that this, together with a \$10,600 top up, should be transferred to the club's Acorn Foundation Endowment fund as long term investment for future returns to the club. This donation enabled the club fund to reach \$50,000 and therefore an entitlement to draw down a distribution moving forward. The first distribution was received in September 2023. The club also made a donation to the Ennis family towards funeral expenses in the tragic death of a former school rower from the club. I will be attending a training seminar on 21 September designed to give advice on how to grow the Acorn Endowment Fund and thereby increase non member related revenue to the club in the future.

General expenses appear considerably more than in the previous year as a result of the donation to the Acorn Fund. A combination of high repair costs on boats and trailers during the season, due to the return to racing and minimum maintenance during covid, resulted in Base Operating costs being \$51,446 compared to \$36,288 in the previous year. Camp and regatta expenses also reflected attendance at more regattas compared to the previous covid season, \$74,296 compared to \$48,682.

Shared facility expenses were in line with 2022. Waters Edge revenue increased as confidence in the organisation of and attendance at events grew, despite covid. Direct Waters Edge expenses however were only slightly higher.

Grants Received

1. February 2023 - \$3,000 from NZ Community Trust to help with the costs of attending the NZ Club Champ in Twizel

Assets Purchased

The club purchased:

1. August 2022 - Boat trailer from Aquinas College \$4,750
2. April 2022 - 6 rowing machines for which funding had been received in the previous year \$10,800
3. Lazlo Eight/Octy with riggers for which funding had been received in the previous year \$46,500



Additionally a number of gifted second hand rowing boats with riggers were added to the asset register at no cost.

- Themis - 1x from Tauranga Girls College
- Fortuna - 4+/x from Tauranga Girls College
- Gaia - 1x from Tauranga Girls College
- Lazlo Kertesz Green single - Waikato Regional Performance Centre
- Ian Wright double - Waikato Regional Performance Centre
- Georgina Evers-Swindell Single - Waikato Regional Performance Centre
- Genevieve Armstrong 4+/x - Waikato Regional Performance Centre

Bank Balances

As at 31 March 2022 - \$128,652 (included \$65k of this spent just after balance date on assets purchased at 1 and 2 above)

As at 31 March 2023 - \$61,082

Waters Edge Venue

My thanks to Tracey Fellingham then Steven and Rachael Finlayson the lounge managers during 2022/23 for continuing to grow the use of the venue for both community and business use.

Profit 31/03/22 - \$16,532

Profit 31/03/23 - \$31,149

Trading is looking good for the current year. Profit is \$9,673 as at 31 August 2023 despite the costs of damage caused by two break-ins (less a partial insurance settlement).

Membership Fees for 2023/24

This year it has been necessary to provide two levels of school fees dependent on whether the school is providing its own rowing programme or is part of the overall club rowing programme. The former will need to contribute towards the costs of running the facility from which they row and external affiliation fees, but are not required to contribute to any other direct rowing related costs. The Committee has approved a 2023/24 budget resulting in recommended fees for the year as below which are the subject of a separate agenda item:

- School Rowers - \$2,250/annually
- School Rower (Affiliation only) - \$750/annually
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Helen Rothery - TRC Treasurer



TAURANGA ROWING CLUB - Trophy Winners 2022-23

<u>NAME OF CUP</u>	<u>CUP DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>WINNER</u>
Kiddie Cup	Coxswain of the Year	Grace Hutchinson
James Heke Memorial Cup	Most success/points in Regattas	Caitlin Wain
W Doige Cup	Most outstanding contribution by Masters Rower	Adele Marsden
Lipinski Cup	Most outstanding Senior Rower	Maddison Shanks
Piddock Cup	Most improved Oarsman - First Year	Mac Kilby
NZ Juniors Cup	Most improved Oarswoman - First Year	Maia Sanger
Club Captains Trophy	Best all-round Contribution	Helen Rothery
Roarers Mug	Top Roarer	Coprin Brown
J C Green Cup	Most promising School Rower - Female	Caitlin Wain
Butler Cup	Most promising School Rower – Male	Jameson McConnochie
Winstone Trophy	Shows Club Spirit and Example	Corin Brown
KD Page Memorial	Most improved Club Oarsperson	Zoe Hume
Oar 1	Outstanding Club Male Novice	Tyler Nelson
Oar2	Outstanding Club Female Novice	Portia Dawson/Ella Ensor (Joint)
NDL Trophy	Exemplary contribution to Club	Troy Page
Harris Cup	Most Outstanding Club Oarsperson of the Year	Maddison Shanks
Haua Cup	Coach of the Year	Troy Page



McEwen Cup	Crew of the Year	<u>Womans Intermediate 4x+</u> Caitlin Wain, Amy Everitt, Maya Hambling, Zoe Hume, Grace Hutchinson
Mathewson Trophy	Opening Day Trial Eights	Not Awarded
Breadlebane Cup	Closing Day Trial Fours	Not Awarded



TRC 2022/2023 NZ REPRESENTATIVES

- **Jordan Parry** - Rowing NZ Summer Squad / Mens Elite Team
- **James Scott** – Rowing NZ Development Squad
- **Maddison Shanks** - Rowing NZ U21 Squad
- **Caitlin Wain** - North versus South U18 Squad
- **Steven Finlayson** - North versus South U18 Squad (Coach - Boys)

