

CANBERRA ROWING CLUB

62st ANNUAL REPORT

2025/26



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From the President

Thank you to the club for the past year and continual achievements at all levels that we continue to make. The Club has waved the flag at regattas locally, interstate and internationally while also bringing in a new Learn to Row members that are enjoying the sport. The past year has also been significant for the club to progress a primary project of the new boathouse project – a 10-year journey, we have been managing lower fidelity cost models and understanding the compliance complexities of our build.

Volunteer organisations are always complex to operate, and I would like to thank all members of the committee and club members for the time given to the club. We had large turnover of committee members which provided new opportunities and welcomed new perspectives – from new processes and ideas, new zooties, proposed constitutional changes to BAU tasks. Thank you to Nick, Judy, Narelle, Eamonn, John, Bruce, Jesse and Darcy. I also acknowledge the coaching of Mark Kwiatkowski, Geoff Brown and Tom Hayes. For support of club operations, acknowledge Randal, Tom and Alison for their contributions to supporting with club equipment review and finances.

This year, we have seen the return of the social breakfasts on summer Saturdays and WTT barbeques on Sundays. This was implemented by social committee with many volunteers to make them successful. These small-scale events can and do make a positive difference to our club culture.

The boathouse project has made considerable progress with confirmation of regulation compliance and financial feasibility. The engagement of Projex undertook an Early Contractor Involvement process where they took the design from Works Approval to Building Approval. Indicatively this was from 20% design to 90% pending the final changes being considered. The sheer size of the club build resulted in a cost profile that was not feasible for the club to proceed as documented. The Committee worked with Projex reduce the price with internal finishes, alternate access options and staged approaches – this also did not result in an achievable cost profile. The primary lever that can be pulled is the overall size of the second floor of the boathouse – as this is written, Projex are doing an updated cost proposal for consideration. Over the next year, our commitment to the build of our new club facility needs to remain with a continued focus.

As we progress towards exciting years for the club, we need to work together on and off the water to ensure we have a welcoming, inclusive and kind environment for all members and our volunteers that keep our amazing club moving forward.

Personally, I would like to thank all the many committees and volunteers of the past years. It has been a pleasure to be able to volunteer for the club and work towards making the Canberra Rowing Club a fun and welcoming rowing community.

Tom Trobe

President

Captain's Report

Canberra Rowing Club again enjoyed a strong season of racing, training and volunteering, with members representing the club across local, interstate and national regattas. The Club continued to show its breadth, with juniors, high performance athletes, masters rowers and experienced club crews all contributing to a year of excellent results and strong participation.

Locally, CRC athletes made the most of excellent conditions at the ACT Championships, entering 63 crews and collecting more than 29 medals across boat classes. This was the culmination of a season of tough racing in which the club enjoyed good results across a range of events. Stand outs include the women's single scull, with Cara Grzeskowiak further extending her dominance in the Sculler's Trophy, and in the mixed masters quad, with Susan Linacre, Chris Raymond, Judi Walsh and Peter Laidlaw building on their early success in the Golden Oar. CRC finished third on the ACT premiership ladder, a result that reflects the work of athletes, coaches, volunteers and supporters across the season.

At the Australian Rowing Championships at Lake Barrington, CRC athletes raced in demanding conditions against the strongest field in the country. It was here where our ACTAS athletes, U21 squad, and junior Marist members could demonstrate their skills and reflect the hard work they've been putting in.

The Club was also well represented at the Oceania U22 Championships in Queensland, where ACT crews punched well above their weight and delivered the men's sculling trophy to the ACT.

CRC masters athletes again delivered at the Australian Masters Rowing Championships in Perth, with our women's combination of Kath Wellman, Judi Walsh, Deb Cook and Lesley Cioccarelli bringing home some silverware. Not to be outdone, Rod Caplick left his mark racing with ADF.

And on the international stage, Cormac Hayes and Darcy James have been selected for representative teams. It is terrific to see these CRC athletes striving towards their goals and backed by their coaches and supporters in the CRC community. I would also like to acknowledge Cara Grzeskowiak's efforts in the Women's Senior Single at the 141st Royal Canadian Henley Regatta, winning the prestigious Lady Henley Trophy. Well done, Cara.

These results reflect a Club that continues to support rowers across ages, abilities and ambitions. Thank you to the coaches, coordinators, trailer drivers, tinny drivers, Boat Race Officials and volunteers who make training and racing possible. Particular thanks go to Mark Kwiatkowski for his coaching and logistical work with the youth and high-performance squads, and to the many members who support crews behind the scenes throughout the season.

Equipment

There has been a renewed emphasis on maintenance this season, with two working bees helping to replace aged components, polish boats to a shine, standardise oar measurements, and begin retrofitting quick release systems to boats for greater flexibility.

The club acquired a good condition racing single from a private seller that quickly saw use in regattas through the second half of the season. Thanks to the generous donation of a member, we have also acquired two training singles from CGS to support more members to scull. The club greatly appreciates Mark Kwiatkowski's refurbishment and donation of his previous single, which is now being used as a club boat.

We have also sought to use space more effectively, including donating underused equipment to emerging programs at Jindabyne Rowing Club and Ballina Rowing Club. These boats and oars will help to support more people in country NSW to enter the sport, as well as continuing to build relationships across the clubs. As boats reach retirement, I am eager to continue to recognise the contributions of the members for which they are named, even after the boats have left the shed.

I have enjoyed the opportunity to get to know a broader cross-section of the club in the role of Captain, and greatly appreciate the advice, reflections and experience of other members in helping me to do the job. In getting set up in the role, I particularly want to thank Tom Trobe and Nick Barnier for their perspectives and guidance over multiple years together on the Committee, and want to recognise the contributions they've made as President and Vice President.

It has been terrific to see people taking up the volunteering opportunities available and getting a lot out of them in return. As we progress through the coming season, there will be more chances to support club activities, and I encourage members to grab these with both hands.

Lastly, I commend ANU and Black Mountain for their results through the season. But I am determined to see CRC back on top of the ladder before too long. I look forward to seeing some hot racing from CRC crews, especially in the lead up to Australian Masters in June 2027.

It has been another enjoyable season to watch CRC members represent the Club with commitment and pride. Congratulations to all athletes, coaches and supporters on a successful year.

Eamonn Burke

Club Captain

National Regatta Medal Recipients

Australian Rowing Championships

- Cormac Hayes – 1st PR3 Men's Single Scull; 2nd Interstate Men's PR3 Single Scull
- Darcy James – 3rd Open Men's Quad Scull; 3rd U23 Men's Double Scull
- Garvan Hayes – 3rd U21 Lightweight Men's Single Scull
- Harrison Braithwaite – 2nd U19 Men's Quad Scull
- Dylan Outram, Jesse Rosin and Darcy James and James Robson – 2nd University Men's Quad Sprint
- Luca Storgato – 1st U17 Men's Single Scull; 1st Schoolboy Quad
- Dash Spiller, Luca Storgato, Jonah McLaughlin and Cooper Clark – 1st U17 Men's Quad

Oceania U22 Championships

- Darcy James – 1st Men's Single Scull
- Harrison Braithwaite and Cameron Schmidt – 1st Men's Double Scull
- Angus Scott and James Robson – 3rd Men's Double Scull
- Harrison Braithwaite, Cameron Schmidt, James Robson and Darcy James – 1st Men's Quad Scull
- Harrison Braithwaite, with ANU's Jade Wilson – 2nd Mixed Double Scull
- CRC men's eight – 4th Men's Eight

Australian Masters Rowing Championships

- Kath Wellman, Judi Walsh, Deb Cook and Lesley Cioccarelli – 3rd Women's H-M Coxed Four
- Judi Walsh, Kath Wellman, Deb Cook and Lesley Cioccarelli – 3rd Women's H-M Eight
- Judi Walsh and Kath Wellman – 1st Women's Masters G Eight
- Judi Walsh and Peter McCartney – 1st Mixed H-M Double Scull
- Rod Caplick – 3rd Men's Masters B Eight; 2nd Men's Masters C Eight

International Representation

- Cormac Hayes – selected for the Australian Para team in the PR3 Mixed Coxed Four
- Darcy James – invited to trial for the Australian U23 sculling team; selected to race the single at the August 2026 FISU World University Games in Canada

Interim Treasurer's Report

Financial Year 2025-2026

Financial Statements

As some of issues that caused the 2024/25 Financial Statements to not accepted at the 2025 AGM are yet to be resolved and revised and audited statements are not yet available, this has created a flow-on for the 2026 financial year. The Committee would like to thank the members who have provided assistance in resolving these issues. The Committee is close to resolving the particular issues relating to the accounting treatment of the ACT Government Grant, ASF donations and the associated interest. The interim report below is based on the financials that have not been reviewed/audited and the above-mentioned financial treatments not implemented and is presented for information only. Revised and audited financial statements for the 2024/25 and 2025/26 financial years will be presented at adjourned AGMs as soon as possible.

Overall Result

For the year ended 30 April 2026 there was a gross surplus of \$277,973. Included in this surplus is bank interest of \$100,955 and donations of \$30,324 via the Australian Sports Foundation. After interest and donation revenue there is a net deficit of \$5,158 for the 25-26 year.

Boat Shed Redevelopment Funds

All Boathouse Redevelopment Funds are banked in the Macquarie Cash Management Account or Term Deposits. These funds are separated from operational funds which are banked in Westpac accounts. This financial year there have been 8 members who donated to the Boat Shed Redevelopment Funds. Thank you for your generosity.

CRC's cash funds have been invested in a series of term deposits and high-yielding cash accounts, through the Australian Money Market platform, with the assistance of Lee Scott, of Shaw and Partners Financial Services. Interest rates earned on those term deposits over that period have ranged between 5% p.a. and 5.45% p.a. All of CRC's term deposits have been placed with Authorised Deposit-taking Institutions (ADI's. ADI's are financial institutions, such as banks, building societies or credit unions, which are licenced and supervised by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA). Deposits held with ADI's are protected under the Federal Government's Financial Claims Scheme (FCS), which provides a government guarantee for ADI deposits of up to \$250,000 per account holder, per ADI. Lee Scott is a parent of a CRC member and does not charge CRC for this service.

Institution	Account Type	Value
MOVE Bank	Term Deposit	\$480,000
Judo Bank	Term Deposit	\$480,000
AMP	Term Deposit	\$480,000
The Mutual Bank	Term Deposit	\$480,000
Community First Credit Union	Term Deposit	\$480,000
Macquarie Bank	Cash Management Account	\$100,824

The estimated value for the current term deposits is \$124,000 of interest earnings. This will mature of between October 26 to March 27.

Term Deposits totalling \$2,500,824 are comprised entirely of Boat Shed Redevelopment Fund monies.

Bank interest received of \$100,955 is only earned on the Macquarie account and the term deposits. The Westpac operational accounts do not earn interest. All interest received is reinvested in term deposits and goes towards the Boat Shed Redevelopment funds.

Boat Shed Redevelopment Expenses

The Fixed Asset (see Balance Sheet), Boatshed New WIP, has increased from \$32,213 to \$207,826. This is due to the significant work that has been completed to work towards a Building Approval. Below is a breakdown the total expenditure for the services that have primarily managed through Projex.

	Consultant	Cost	Notes
Design Management	Projex	\$10,000.0	
Site Investigation	Projext	\$7,903.75	Survey, Hazmat, CCTV, hydrovac
Architectural	TT Architecture	\$35,000.00	
Structure	HPCE	\$17,250.00	
Civil	Rossarden	\$15,400.00	
Hydraulic	Pinnacle Design	\$17,000.00	
Electrical & Dry Fire	St3p	\$11,100.00	
Mechanical	CMS	\$15,000.00	
Fire Engineering	Lit Consulting	\$24,071.00	Reduced fees by 40%
Access Consultant	Purely Access	\$8,000.00	
BCA Consultant	Absolute Approvals	\$0	Services provided at zero cost
Section J Consultant	BSE	\$7,210.00	
Façade Weatherproofing F3D1	Code Point	\$0	Services provided at zero cost
Authorities	ACT Fire and Rescue	\$2,168.00	
Authorities	Evo Engery	\$5,509.50	
Total		\$175,612	

Reimbursed Seat Fees and Private Equipment Insurance

Fees are recoverable from individual members. The membership has been responsive to invoices, but there has been the requirement for direct follow ups regarding payments

Vale Robin Poke

It is with deep sadness we acknowledge the death just before Christmas of a cherished member of our club and the Australian rowing community, Dr Robin Poke AM.

Robin was one of our sport's legends. In 2013, he was awarded a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for 'significant service to the sport of rowing and the Olympic movement as an administrator, journalist and author' and in 2020 was made a Life Member of Rowing Australia - our sport's highest honour.

He was without doubt the sport's preeminent historian. His extensive writing including his landmark two volume work *Looking Back, Rating High: A History of Australian Rowing* documenting Australian rowing history from 1770 to 2020, has made an extraordinary contribution to preserving our sport's history.

While Robin's career and achievements were remarkable, Robin the man, was a wonderful human who was a great friend to many. We asked people for their memories of Robin. 'True gentleman', 'quintessential gentleman' and 'lovely man' were very common answers, as were 'supportive of others' endeavours', 'encouraged others', 'celebrated others successes', 'always positive even in adversity'. 'Modest' was another description; few of his more recent mates knew of his PhD and other achievements or his quiet commitment to organisations supporting vision impaired. His mates also told of him sharing his love of his family and of his favourite moments being visits from his beloved grandchildren.



Robin was a member of CRC for over thirty years. To his mates he was fondly known as Pokey and around the sheds he'll be remembered for his enduring love of the water. His rowing mates describe him as a rowing tragic – he told them he'd row seven days a week if he could. He was a handy oarsman who started rowing aged 9 and while in later life his eyesight failed him, his feel did not and he was known to regularly 'coach' those who rowed with him.

Even as his vision deteriorated, his determination to row remained undimmed. Testament to the friendships Robin engendered was the support of his crew mates, for more than 10 years they ensured he was driven to the shed and assisted into the boat, allowing him to continue enjoying the sport he loved alongside his friends. His mates tell warm and funny stories of these years including banging on the window to wake him, and 'chauffeuring' him as he hadn't realised he'd got into the backseat of the car.

Our thoughts are with Robin's family, friends and his supportive crew mates during this time.

You'll be missed but not forgotten Robin.

Members

Life

Dermot Balaam
Edwin Bien
Leon Bower
David Butt
Alison Chinn
David Coles

Patrick Davoren
Sue Donoghoe
Ron Hibberson
Bruce Hick
Mark Kwiatkowski
Randal Lawrence

John McKenna
Rob Newell
Brendon Prout
John Simson
Peter Stolz

Paid Life

Alison Creagh
Paul Philippa

Senior

Steve Ahern
Felicity Antill
Jenny Barbour
Nicholas Barnier
Belinda Beauman
John Blackwell
David Boughton
Jesse Boyd
Jenny Bramley
Rina Brettell
Irene Brewer
Amanda Brian
Christine Brown
Geoffrey Brown
Eamonn Burke
Debbie Burkevics
Julianne Campbell
Rod Caplick
Ash Carr
Anne Charlton
Peter Chivers
Lesley Cioccarelli
Bev Clarke
Gillian Colledge
Michael Colledge
Kerry Collins
Narelle Connor
Deb Cook
Bruce Cooper
Janny Corry
Deb Cousins
John Cousins
Judith Dahl
John Daley
Gail Davis
Lesley Dowling
Dennis Dyer

William Elischer
Cathy Ellerton
Janet Farnam
Mark Ferguson
Kathy Finlay
Kym Fisher
Dale Gazzard
Sam Goldspring
Rohan Greenland
Cara Grzeskowiak
Jenny Harber
Tom Hayes
Ben Haywood
Narelle Haywood
Brian Hewitt
Warner Hieatt
Katherine Hodges
Annie Hull
Graham Humphries
Valarie Hush
Glen Irvine
Janice Jago
Ross Jenkins
Karin Jones
Michael Jones
Peter Jones
Karren Laffan
Peter Laidlaw
Sebastian Lang
Philip Lansdown
Anne Latham
Nicholas Latimer
Susan Linacre
Bernie Lodwick
Rob Lones
Kate Lundy
Sharyn MacKay

Jane Marburg
Ruth Martin
Will Matthiesson
Stephanie McAdam
Richard Milne
Cameron Mitchell
Kerry Mummery
Prachi Nagrath
Darrell Ninham
Cameron O'Neill
Ged O'Hara
Sue-Ann O'Rourke
Michael Peedom
Thomas Perry
Christopher Polyichanin
Katherine Potts
Anne Raimondo
Chris Raymond
Julie Reis
Johannes Rosin
Laurence Sandral
Judy Schneider
Joanna Shapley
Kerrie Smyth
Emma Southcott
John Southwell
Jane Sutherland
Hilton Taylor
Lynne Thompson
Tom Trobe
Jordyn Turner
Priscilla Wadham
James Waldersee
Judi Walsh
Susan Wearne
Kath Wellman
Tony Wilkes

Bob Wylie

Austin Zilm

Associate

Nerida Carter

Alex Hodges

High Performance (Associate Elite)

Harrison Braithwaite

Cormac Hayes

Darcy James

James Robson

Jesse Rosin

Cameron Schmidt

Student

Joshua McGuinness

Campbell Milne

Dylan Outram

Angus Scott

Juniors

Alex Colbert

Edward Hassall

Garvan Hayes

Armand Lisman

Jonah McLaughlin

Jay Miller

Dash Spiller

Oscar Spurrett

Luca Storgato



Committee and Official Roles

President	Tom Trobe
Vice-President	Nick Barnier
Captain	Eamonn Burke
Vice-Captain	John Cousins
Secretary	Judy Schneider
Treasurer	Narelle Haywood
Committee Members	Jesse Rosin
	Darcy James
	Bruce Cooper
Public Officer	Patrick Davoren
Legal Advisors	Morris Legal Group
Patron	The Hon. Kate Lundy

Committee Attendance

The Committee held 11 meetings during 2025-26 with attendance as set out below.

Tom Trobe	9
Nick Barnier	10
Judy Schneider	10
Eamonn Burke	10
John Cousins	8
Bruce Cooper	11
Jesse Rosin	9
Darcy James	9

Fleet

Boats – 1x

Ada Libbis
Alex Leitch
Alwin Druce
Australian Hobby
Brown Goshawk
CGS Tracer (un-named)
CGS Tracer (un-named)
Clarrie Archer
Collared Sparrowhawk
Cowley
CRC Barnier
Fred Butler
Hindley
Ian Esplin

Ken Cowley
Little Eagle
Majura
Peregrine Falcon
Richard Luker
Russ Barnett
Schneller
Six Four
Un-named - (K. Wellman)
Un-named - (M. Kwiatkowski)
Wedge-Tailed Eagle
Zel Hindley

Boats – 2x/2-

Acacia
Bluegum
Boboyan
Bruce Hick
Corin
Gingera
Googong
Majura

Molonglo
Orana
Piccadilly Circus
Stromlo
Tidbinbilla
Uriarra
Wahoo

Boats – 4x/4-

Alison Chinn
Brendan Prout
David Coles (4+)
Fleuro
Ian O'Connor (4+)
Irene Brewer

John Simson
Kerry Knowler
Mark Kwiatkowski
Megan Still
Sue Donoghoe
Tachycardia

Boats – 8+

Anne Nicolay
Bill O'Brien
Craig Jones
James Galloway

Lake Burley Griffin
Pat Davoren
Paul Thompson



Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 April 2026



Balance Sheet

Canberra Rowing Club

As at 30 April 2026

	30 APR 2026	30 APR 2025
Assets		
Bank		
Macquarie Cash Management Account	100,377.11	986.44
Westpac Debit Card (no. ***8519)	1,608.79	379.94
Westpac Operating Account (no. ***6622)	112,255.27	21,148.81
Westpac Reserve Account (no. ***6630)	508.33	506.70
Total Bank	214,749.50	23,021.89
Current Assets		
Accrued Interest	7,172.00	58,397.74
Accrued Rack Fees and Private Insurance	(2,782.17)	9,175.00
Accrued Seat Fees Regatta	3,341.73	9,291.35
Inventory	7,148.85	10,476.85
Prepayments	6,481.40	12,403.99
Term Deposits	2,400,000.00	2,538,000.00
Trade Debtors	8,594.08	846.50
Total Current Assets	2,429,955.89	2,638,591.43
Fixed Assets		
Boats, Oars and Equipment	827,823.24	814,833.24
Boats, Oars and Equipment - Less Accumulated Depreciation	(481,405.86)	(456,901.36)
Boatshed Current	280,000.00	280,000.00
Boatshed Current - Less Accumulated Depreciation	(35,507.80)	(27,077.03)
Boatshed New WIP	207,826.20	32,213.95
Total Fixed Assets	798,735.78	643,068.80
Total Assets	3,443,441.17	3,304,682.12
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	18,642.45	12,915.90
GST	(14,364.29)	(5,648.97)
Rounding	0.25	(0.05)
Trade Creditors	8,267.54	7,313.00
Total Current Liabilities	12,545.95	14,579.88
Total Liabilities	12,545.95	14,579.88
Net Assets	3,430,895.22	3,290,102.24
Equity		
Asset Revaluation Reserve	242,348.00	242,348.00
Capital Fund - Foundation & New Shed	1,156,390.05	1,156,390.05
Current Year Earnings	140,792.98	462,128.96
Donations Champions ASF	1,903.00	1,903.00

	30 APR 2026	30 APR 2025
Grant - New Shed Development	1,300,000.00	1,300,000.00
Retained Earnings	928,613.09	466,484.13
Transfer to Reserves	(339,151.90)	(339,151.90)
Total Equity	3,430,895.22	3,290,102.24

Profit and Loss

Canberra Rowing Club

For the year ended 30 April 2026

	2026	2025
Trading Income		
Bank Interest	100,955.24	121,237.45
Boat Insurance Private Income	4,324.09	63.65
Clothing Other Sales	225.48	590.91
Clothing Zootie Sales	313.65	6,560.79
Credit card surcharge rec't	325.07	148.13
Dinner Tickets Received	5,209.19	16,886.32
Donation - New Shed (non ASF)	-	3,540.00
Donations ASF - Equipment	8,136.87	-
Donations ASF - New Shed & Foundation	22,187.50	-
Donations Other (Non ASF)	672.00	7,000.00
FOB Fees	290.88	-
Grant Income - New Shed Development ACT Sport	-	300,000.00
Guest Fees	1,889.86	971.89
Membership Fees Junior and Student	5,854.52	6,136.35
Membership Fees Other	1,695.46	990.91
Membership Fees Senior	92,477.58	89,755.69
Miscellaneous Inc	1,957.46	311.80
Program Junior Summer	122.73	145.46
Program Junior Winter	5,281.80	3,822.73
Program Learn to Row	1,622.74	-
Rack Fees	12,470.41	9,400.45
Regatta Trailer and Other Recoveries	-	639.98
Seat Fees Regattas received	11,131.75	13,587.00
Social Functions	828.95	-
Total Trading Income	277,973.23	581,789.51
Gross Profit	277,973.23	581,789.51
Other Income		
Regatta Winnings	14,000.00	-
Total Other Income	14,000.00	-
Operating Expenses		
Annual Dinner	4,587.89	14,622.91
Assets below \$1000	1,851.19	605.51
Audit Fees	10,115.00	5,960.00
Boat, Oars & Equipment Depreciation	32,935.27	32,819.93
Cleaning	7,358.79	4,324.59
Insurance Boats and Oars	19,405.71	11,916.75
Insurance Business	4,823.85	3,085.45
Insurance Trailers	97.39	516.05
Interst Paid	24.00	-

	2026	2025
IT Mail Chimp fees	742.43	761.72
IT XERO and TidyHQ subscriptions	1,618.17	1,563.67
Land Rates	3,147.12	2,973.83
Land Rent	4,000.00	1,600.00
Maintenance Boats and Oars	7,271.58	1,726.10
Maintenance Other	499.63	595.45
Maintenance Powerboat	2,311.93	166.55
Maintenance Shed	871.02	4,773.42
Maintenance Trailer	201.07	584.56
Miscellaneous Expenses	834.78	75.45
Other	-	12.00
Powerboat Fuel	649.29	620.00
RACF Affiliation fees	4,455.18	2,349.52
RACF Registration fees	7,376.64	6,017.28
Regatta Other	393.04	-
Regatta Trailer Costs	450.00	661.15
Regatta winnings payout	12,727.28	-
Seat Fees Regattas Expenses	13,175.46	14,361.90
Stripe & THQ Processing Fees	3,291.59	2,987.54
Stripe Fees (no GST)	401.26	185.03
Utilities Electricity Expenses	2,317.05	1,771.71
Utilities Other	1,540.90	309.94
Utilities Water Rates	1,705.74	1,712.54
Total Operating Expenses	151,180.25	119,660.55
Net Profit	140,792.98	462,128.96



Canberra Rowing Club Inc.
AGM Minutes
Held on 11 September at 6:30pm to 8:09pm
followed by a presentation on the Boat Shed Redevelopment

Item	
1	Welcome and Apologies Chairperson: Nick Barnier Minute Taker: Judy Schneider Members Present: 56 voting members attended, please see APPENDIX 1 Apologies Received: 21 apologies were received, please see APPENDIX 2 A quorum was achieved given that 56 voting members attended vs 20 being required by the CRC Constitution
2	Confirmation of previous AGM minutes Motion to accept previous minutes • Moved by: Darrell Ninham • Seconded by: Judi Walsh • Outcome: ☒ Carried ☐ Not Carried
3	President's Report Nick Barnier presented on behalf of Sandra Sweeney, who was the 2024-25 President. • Nick read from Sandra's foreword to the 2024-25 CRC Annual Report (at https://canberrarowingclub.org.au/about-us/). • Nick thanked Sandra, noting that she was the first ever female President and for her enormous contribution to the Committee and Club including 10 years as President.
4	Treasurer's Report James Waldersee, the CRC acting Treasurer, talked to the Financial Statement in the 2025 CRC Annual Report. • He summarised the main items (with input from club members) for 2024-25 as: ○ \$14,812 was received in donations with thanks ○ \$117,114 was paid in interest on CRC savings investments. Thanks to Lee Scott for advice on how to improve our returns. ○ A pair and two new singles have been purchased, with thanks to Pat and Darrell for organising. ○ Membership fees are down from the previous financial year.

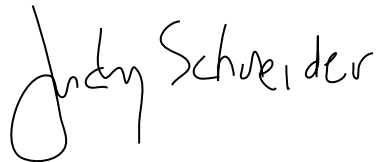
	■ Members at the AGM discussed this as a matter of concern and asked the Committee to analyse the reduction in membership in more detail and to develop strategies to address it. ● This was followed by discussion of the experience of the previous Treasurer (prior to James) who had resigned from her role because she was not given full access to all the accounting systems for some months. The membership sought an explanation. ○ Please note: Appendix 3 provides further information which may help members unfamiliar with the CRC accounting system architecture to understand the following issue. ○ The problem was owing to the then Treasurer not having access to Stripe (who process credit card payments) in relation to the payment of membership fees. Stripe transmits payment data to the CRC bank account (which the Treasurer could access) in aggregate amounts. The Treasurer needed access to the Stripe account so she could reconcile the aggregate amounts against individual payments recorded in Stripe which showed who and how much had been paid in membership fees during September and October 2024. ○ The access issue with Stripe has now been resolved but as a result of the delays in providing access to the previous Treasurer, there are many outstanding invoices that have not been sent/paid which has had a flow-on effect on the accounts. ○ The 2024-25 Financial Statement was incomplete owing to the following tasks yet to be performed: ■ \$10k of rack fees not accrued ■ \$5k of private boat and oar insurance not recovered and not accrued ■ \$9k of seat fees had been accrued at 30 April and it is unclear whether these are now paid ■ BAS statements not being submitted to the ATO since June ■ Membership fees recorded in the Financial Statement only included fees paid by Seniors and not those paid by other membership categories ■ The Financial Statement was not signed off by the then President and Treasurer ○ Members asked that in future, issues such as this be communicated to members as soon as possible (eg that Stripe was not working, that invoices might be incorrect and the problem was challenging to address) and that there would be efforts by Committee members to respond more quickly to support other Committee members to perform their roles to an adequate standard. ○ Committee members were also encouraged to seek help from members outside of the Committee when needed.
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	■ If issues with Stripe arise again, Tom Hayes offered to put Committee members in contact with one of his staff members.
5	2025 CRC Annual Report • The members at the AGM moved a motion to accept the Annual Report ○ Moved by: Randal Lawrence ○ Seconded by: Gaby Pidcock ○ Outcome: ☒ Carried ☐ Not Carried • The members moved a motion to accept the audited Financial Statement ○ Moved by: Michael Peedom ○ Seconded by: no taker ○ Outcome: ☐ Carried ☒ Not Carried • It was agreed that a General Meeting should be held to reconsider the 2024-25 CRC Financial Statement once the problems were resolved.
7	Election of Office Bearers Returning Officer: Judy Schneider Positions Filled • President: Tom Trobe • Vice-President: Nick Barnier • Treasurer: Narelle Haywood • Secretary: Judy Schneider • Captain: Eamonn Burke • Vice Captain: John Cousins • Committee Position: Bruce Cooper • Committee Position: Jesse Rosin • Committee Position: Darcy James
8	• Time closed: 8:09pm • Next meeting date : A General Meeting is planned after the financial statement has been revised.
9	Boat Shed Presentation • While it was not an official presentation, Tom Trobe and Nick Barnier provided an update on the Boat Shed progress. This is summarised by the slide pack available at: https://canberrarowingclub.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/2509_Boatshed_Update_AGM.pdf

	• Club members expressed their appreciation to Tom and Nick for all their hard work and were impressed with how much progress they had made. They requested more frequent updates into the future.
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Tom Trobe, President



Judy Schneider, Secretary

APPENDIX 1: VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT (55)

Life

Edwin Bien
Alison Chinn
Mark Kwiatkowski
Randal Lawrence
John Simson
Paul Phillipa

Senior

Nicholas Barnier
John Blackwell
David Boughton
Irene Brewer
Amanda Brian
Eamonn Burke
Rod Caplick
Ash Carr
Anne Charlton
Peter Chivers
Kerry Collins
Narelle Connor
Deb Cook
Janny Corry
John Daley
Gail Davis
Dennis Dyer
William Elischer
Mark Ferguson
Kathy Finlay
Dale Gazzard
Sam Goldspring
Cara Grzeskowiak
Tom Hayes
Narelle Haywood
Katherine Hodges
Graham Humphries
Ross Jenkins
Peter Laidlaw
Nicholas Lattimer
Richard Milne
Darrell Ninham
Michael Peedom
Anne Raimondo

Julie Reiss
Laurence Sandral
Judy Schneider
Angus Scott
Lynne Thompson
Tom Trobe
Jordyn Turner
James Waldersee
Judi Walsh

High Performance

Cormac Hayes
Harrison Braithwaite
Darcy James
Jesse Rosin

Student

Ben Haywood
Joshua McGuinness
Dylan Outram

APPENDIX 2: APOLOGIES

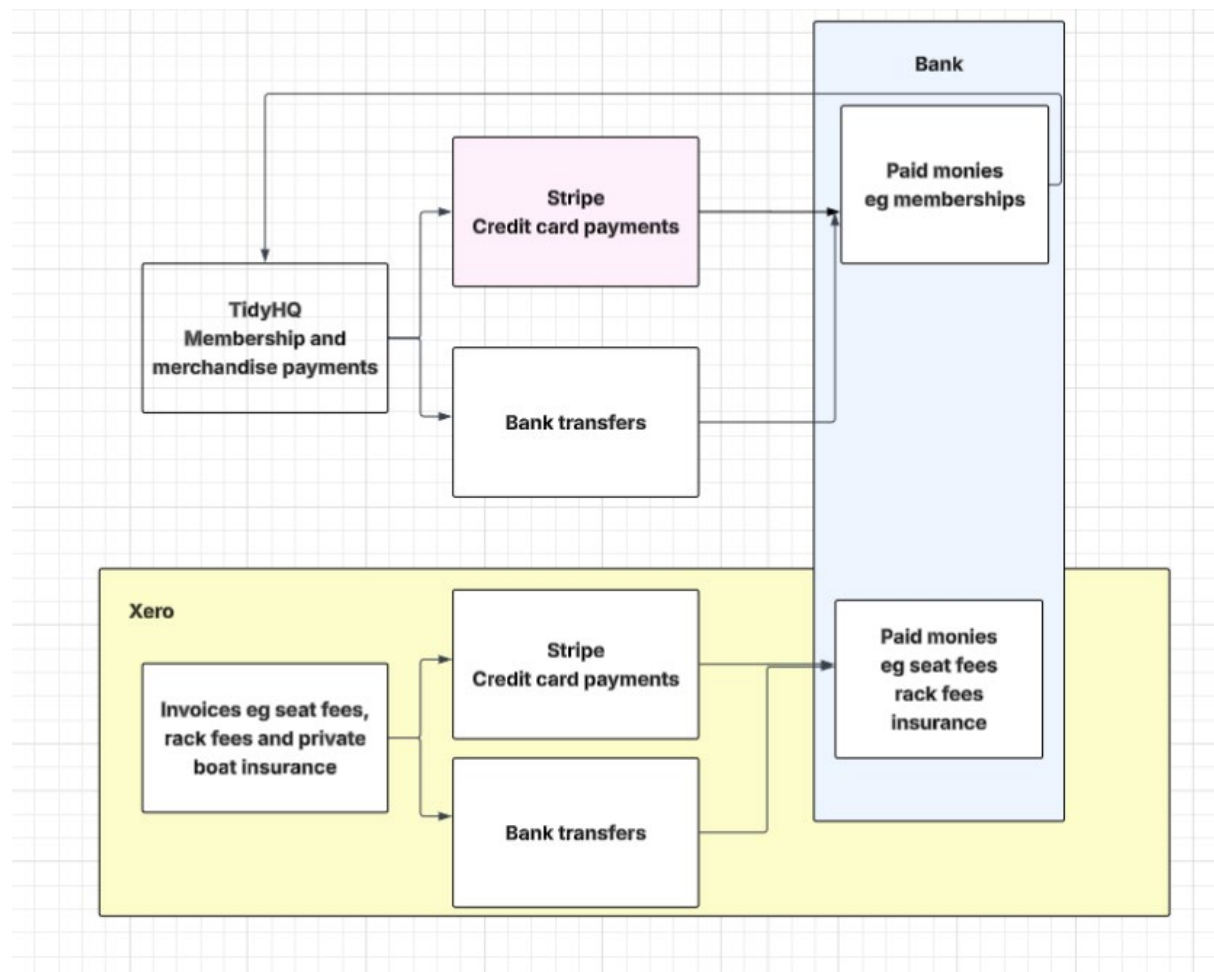
Sandra Sweeny
Nerida Carter
Valerie Hush
Geoff Brown
Phil Lansdown
Rob Lones
Bruce Cooper
Tony Wilkes
Susan Wearne
John Cousins
Deb Cousins
Janet Farnan
Karen McVicker
David Coles
Chris Raymond
Patrick Davoren
Michael Colledge
Gillian Colledge
Peter Jones
Steve Ahern
Felicity Antill

APPENDIX 3: FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE ISSUES RELATED TO THE CRC ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

This appendix provides additional context beyond what was covered at the AGM.

Figure 1 presents a stylised overview of the applications and data transfers involved in compiling the CRC accounts, highlighting where the issues originated.

Figure 1 Applications and data transfers involved in compiling the CRC Accounts



The Stripe account (shown in pink), which is used to process credit card payments for memberships and merchandise, exports payments to the CRC Westpac bank account in aggregated amounts. To identify the individual payments (ie who has paid how much for what), it is necessary for the Treasurer to have access to Stripe so they can read the individual payments recorded there (relating to who has paid for what) and reconcile them against the aggregate payments to the bank account.

