

ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION ACT (VIC) 1981

MILDURA ROWING CLUB INCORPORATED

CLUB RULES AND BY-LAWS



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1 **NAME**

The name of the Club is the Mildura Rowing Club Inc. (*In these rules called "the Club"*)

2 **INTERPRETATION**

- (a) In these rules, unless contrary intention appears:-
"Committee" means the **Committee of Management** of the Club.
"Financial year" means the year ending on 30th June.
"General Meeting" means a general meeting of members convened in accordance with Rules 24 and 25.
"Member" means a member of the Club.
"Ordinary Member of the Committee of Management" means a member of the Committee of Management who is not an Officer of the Club under Rule 16.
"The Act" means the Associations Incorporation Act 1981.
"The Regulations" means regulations under the Act.
- (b) In these rules, a reference to the Secretary of the Club, is a reference:-
where a person holds office under these rules as Secretary of the Club – that person and in any other case, to the public officer of the Club.

Words and expressions contained in these rules shall be interpreted in accordance with the provision of the Acts Interpretation Act 1958 and the Act as in force from time to time.

3 **OBJECTS**

The objects of the Club shall be to promote amateur rowing and any other amateur athletic exercise or social function which may be determined by the Committee of Management from time to time.

To do all such things that are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the purposes and the exercise of the powers of the incorporation Club.

4 **AFFILIATIONS**

The Club shall be affiliated with the Victorian Rowing Association Inc., under the rules of the Australian Rowing Council Inc.

5 **QUALIFICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Every Candidate for membership shall be proposed by one member and seconded by another, and shall sign a Nomination Paper in the form prescribed. (Schedule 1) Such paper shall be handed to the Secretary who shall cause same to be posted on the Club Notice Board in the Club House for not less than fourteen days prior to submission to the Committee of Management. In the event of a written protest being lodged by any member with the Secretary, the Committee of Management shall take such protest into consideration when dealing with the Nomination concerned.

No Nomination of any proposing member need be considered by the Committee of Management unless accompanied by full Subscription, such amount to be refunded in the case of non-election.

6 SENIOR MEMBERS

Senior members shall comprise any person over the age of 18 years. Senior members shall be entitled to all privileges of membership, including voting at any Special Meeting or Annual General Meeting.

7 JUNIOR MEMBERS

Junior members shall comprise of any person under the age of 18 years. Junior members shall: -

- (a) have all privileges of membership including voting at any Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting, except on issues that relate directly to the conditions and terms of any liquor licence held by the Club.
- (b) not be eligible to nominate or form part of the Committee of Management.
- (c) receive a rebate of 50% of their membership fee if they participate exclusively as a coxswain in the Club

Nothing in this rule shall limit the ability of the Committee of Management, to permit the use of Club equipment and facilities by students as part of a school sports program and such student of such programs shall not be deemed members of the Club.

8 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

Refer Annual General Meeting 1997

A Family Membership option shall be available to members of the Club who are of the same family. The membership fee shall be a single fee, as applied at the yearly Annual General Meeting, and shall cover all members of a family, including students to tertiary level. Family membership shall entitle a holder to two votes at any Special Meeting or Annual General Meeting.

9 SOCIAL MEMBERS

Social members shall be entitled to all privileges of membership except that they shall not participate in Rowing or be permitted to vote at any Special Meeting or Annual General Meeting.

10 LIFE MEMBERS

The Committee of Management may appoint any member as a "Life Member" of the Club in recognition of sustained and valuable assistance to the Club over a period of years; such appointment to be confirmed at the following Annual General Meeting. Life members shall be entitled to all privileges of membership, including voting at any Special Meeting or Annual General Meeting. Life members shall be exempt from paying subscription fees.

11 HONORARY MEMBERS

The Committee of Management may nominate Honorary Members in consideration of Special Services rendered. The Committee of Management shall have power to grant Honorary Membership for a period not exceeding two months. Honorary members shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Club or be nominated for or be part of the Committee of Management.

12 FINANCIAL LIFE MEMBERS

Refer Annual General Meeting July, 1976

The Committee of Management may accept as a Financial Life Member, any member registered with the Club, upon receipt of a subscription seven (7) times the current Senior Membership fee. A Financial Life Member shall always be entitled to all privileges of membership, including voting at any Special meeting or Annual General Meeting.

13 PATRONS

At a General Meeting, any person may be elected a 'Patron' of the Club on the recommendation of the Committee of Management. In the event of a non-member being elected as Patron such person shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of membership during the term of office, including the right to vote at any Special Meeting or Annual General Meeting.

14 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

1. All candidates for election to any office or position on the Committee of Management must: -
 - (a) be a financial senior member of the Club
 - (b) have his/her nomination proposed and seconded for the office or Committee of Management position by a member of the Club who is a financial member.
 - (c) sign any such nomination, agreeing to his/her election
2. That such nomination for election must be: -
 - (a) delivered to the Secretary not less than 7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
 - (b) be posted on the Club notice-board 7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
3. That in the event of there being insufficient nominations for office bearers or committee positions, at the time of the Annual General Meeting, then those members of the Committee elected at the Annual General Meeting may during the following year appoint a financial member to fill the vacant office or Committee position.
4. That a financial member shall be deemed to be a member of the Club who has paid all membership fees applicable to the member that have been struck by the Club as at the date of his/her nomination.

15 OFFICE BEARERS

The Honorary Office Bearers of the Club shall consist of:-

The President;

The Vice Presidents;

The Captain;

The Vice Captain;

The Treasurer;

The Secretary;

The Assistant Secretary,

All of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting, for a term of twelve months, and shall be ex-Officio be members of the Committee of Management.

16 **DUTIES OF THE OFFICE BEARERS*****PRESIDENT:***

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Club, or in the absence of the President, one of the Vice-Presidents. If such officers be absent at the appointed time of the meeting, a Chairperson may be appointed 'pro-tem' from the members present. The President represents the Club on public occasions, and has the overall responsibility to supervise Club administration and direct other officials in the carrying out of their duties.

SECRETARY:

The Secretary is responsible for notifying Club members of the details of committee meetings; for preparing the agenda in consultation with the President; for keeping the minutes of meetings; sending and receiving mail on behalf of the Club; and for keeping a register of members, in which shall be entered the full Name, Address, and Date of entry of each Member and register shall be available for inspection by members at the Address of the Secretary.

The custody and use of the Common Seal of the Incorporated Club will be under the control of the Secretary. The Common Seal shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authorisation of the Committee of Management, or of one member of the Committee of Management and the Public Officer of the Club.

All books, Documents, etc., of the Incorporated Club will be available for inspection by members of the Incorporated Club at any given time *after 7 days notice to the Secretary.*

The custody of Books, Documents, Records and Securities will be vested with the Secretary.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY:

The Assistant Secretary shall assist the Secretary in performing duties appertaining to the office of Secretary.

TREASURER:

The Treasurer is required to control all of the Club's finances. The Treasurer shall issue receipts for all monies paid to the Club and pay such monies into the banking account of the Club, promptly. The Treasurer shall draw all monies authorised to be paid by the Committee of Management and retain receipts for same. The Treasurer should present a detailed financial report at each Club meeting, and an audited statement of receipts and expenditure and Balance Sheet for the year ended 30th June, to the Annual General Meeting of the Club. All cheques or withdrawal notices of the Club shall be signed by the President and Secretary; or the President and Treasurer; or the Secretary and Treasurer.

CAPTAIN:

The Captain shall be in charge of all rowing regattas. The Captain shall always endeavour to improve the rowing strength, discipline, and numbers of the Club. The Captain shall attend each meeting of the Committee of Management, and shall report to each monthly meeting on the rowing activities of the Club. The Captain shall be responsible for the condition and maintenance of the fleet and all equipment within the boat shed. He shall at his discretion or in conjunction with coaches have complete control of boat usage and allocation. The Captain shall do such things as may be incidental or conducive to the best interests of the Club generally, or of members of the Club. The Captain shall be responsible and answerable only to the Committee of Management.

VICE CAPTAIN:

The Vice Captain shall in the presence of the Captain assist with the Club matters, or in the absence of the Captain, perform the duties of the Captain.

17 COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

The affairs of the Club shall be managed by a Committee, known as the Committee of Management of the Club, consisting of the OFFICE BEARERS and up to seven members of the Club elected at the Annual General Meeting for a term of twelve months or appointed by the Committee of Management pursuant to Rule 14, clause (3).

The Immediate Past President of the Club be automatically elected an 'ex Officio' member of the General Committee of Management for the ensuing year.

18 POWERS OF COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

The Committee of Management shall have power:-

To make or to rescind By-Laws and such By-Laws shall be posted in the Club House and shall have the same force as Rules, but must not in any way be opposed to them.

To appoint sub-committees.

To call Special and General Meetings of members when they may deem it necessary.

To appoint Life Members, as per Rule 10.

To nominate any Member as an Honorary Member, as per Rule 11.

To fill vacancies on the Executive or Committee of Management, as per Rule 23.

To suspend, dismiss or otherwise discipline any member of the Club for breaches of regulation, or misconduct as per Rule 34.

To generally carry out the management of the Club in conformity with the adopted Rules.

19 SELECTION COMMITTEE

At the Annual General Meeting there may be elected two experienced members of the Club to act with the Captain as the Selection Committee.

This Selection Committee will select all competitors for Regattas or Races. No crew or sculler shall compete at any regatta or race in the name of the Club except with the sanction of this Selection Committee.

In the event of there being no persons appointed for the Selection Committee at the Annual General Meeting, the Club Captain shall have discretion either alone or in conjunction with the coaches to select competitors for regattas or races in the name of the Club.

20 SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Annual General Meeting may elect an agreed number of members as the Social Committee. Such Social Committee shall elect its own Chairman and Secretary at the first meeting of this Social Committee following the Annual General Meeting. All monies raised by this Social Committee shall be considered to be general funds of the Club, but the Club Committee of Management may consent to the use by the Social Committee of all or any part of such monies for Club purposes as specified by the Social Committee.

In the event of no Social Committee being elected at the Annual General Meeting, the Committee of Management shall govern matters relating to social events either generally or by

appointing a sub-committee from within the Committee of Management or interested members of the Club.

21 VACANCIES (EXECUTIVE OR COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT)

The Committee of Management shall have power to fill all vacancies that may occur from any cause whatsoever and the member so elected shall hold Office until the next Annual General Meeting. Any member of the Executive or Committee of Management who is absent from three consecutive meetings without just cause or justifiable apology, may, following written notification, be held to have vacated Office.

22 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held once in each calendar year, and fourteen days notice of such meeting shall be forwarded to each member together with a Meeting Agenda.

The business of the Annual General Meeting shall consist of:-

- (a) Reading and confirming of minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
- (b) Business arising out of the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
- (c) To receive and adopt the written report of the President on behalf of the Committee of Management.
- (d) To receive and adopt the written report of the Captain.
- (e) To receive and adopt the written report of the Treasurer together with the financial statement and Balance Sheet.
- (f) Election of the Office Bearers, and Committees, for the ensuing year:
 - President
 - Two Vice Presidents
 - Captain
 - Vice Captain
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary
 - Assistant Secretary
 - General Committee of Management (*up to 7*)
 - Selection Committee
 - Social Committee
 - Auditor
- (g) To fix the amount of subscriptions payable by members.
- (h) To receive any other business of which notice has been given in writing to the Secretary at least seven days before the meeting.

23 SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

Special General Meetings may be called by the Committee of Management, or on written request to the President signed by twelve members stating the reason for such meeting. Each Special General Meeting shall be notified to each member together with the reason for such meeting fourteen days prior to such meeting. No business shall be transacted at any Special General Meeting other than that for which the meeting has been called.

24 COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEETINGS

The Committee of Management shall meet at least once in each calendar month. Each member of the Committee of Management shall be notified within seven days of such meeting. The business of the monthly Committee of Management meeting shall consist of:-

- (a) Reading and confirming of Minutes of previous monthly meeting, and of any Special meetings held since.
- (b) Business arising out of the Minutes of the previous meeting.
- (c) Correspondence
- (d) Treasurers Report and accounts for payment.
- (e) Captain's Report.
- (f) Social Committee Report.
- (g) General Business.

25 SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEETINGS

Special Committee of Management Meetings may be called by the President and Secretary, or by written request of three members of the Committee of Management to the President, stating the reason for such meeting.

Each Special Committee of Management Meeting shall be notified to each Committee of Management member together with the reason for such meeting, seven days prior to any Special Committee of Management Meeting. No business shall be transacted at any Special Committee of Management Meeting other than that for which the meeting has been called..

26 RULES GOVERNING MEETINGS

Business at all Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings shall be governed by the following rules:

- (a) All Notices of Motion must be forwarded in writing to the Secretary at least seven days prior to the date of the meeting at which such are to be discussed.
- (b) At all meetings the Chairperson shall have a casting vote in addition to one ordinary vote. The Chairperson shall decide as to whether a ballot or show of hands will decide any vote or motion placed before the meeting.
- (c) Proxy Vote:-a member may instruct a proxy vote by appointing, in writing, a person to vote on the members behalf. The member who will be absent from the meeting is required to obtain a special proxy voting form from the Secretary. (Schedule 2). The member must complete the form, and return it to the Secretary, or give it to a fellow member to submit at the meeting on behalf of the absent member. The form appointing a proxy must reach the Secretary prior to the commencement of the business of the meeting.
- (d) Any member wishing to address the meeting must rise and address the Chairperson in a respectful manner.
- (e) Motion:-All motions put forward for consideration by the Meeting must be seconded or supported by a Second member. Any member seconding any motion may either speak at once, or reserve the right to speak later. Once a motion has been moved and seconded it can be discussed and argued, but not more than two speakers shall follow successively on the same side of the question. If two speakers having spoken, there be no speakers to take the opposite view, the motion shall be put forthwith. Any member, with the consent of the Chairperson, may offer an explanation of any particular expression used in the debate, but must confine such explanation strictly to such.

- (f) Amendment:-A member may not propose more than one amendment upon a motion. An amendment must not amount to a direct contradiction of a motion. An amendment is an alteration or proposed improvement to the motion, without contradicting it. Only one AMENDMENT can be before the Chair at any one time. An amendment to an amendment is not permissible. A member may not speak more than once upon the same question, which shall include the motion and amendment thereon, except the mover of the motion, who shall be entitled to right of reply, and there-upon all discussion on the amendment shall cease, and the Chairperson must put the amendment to the vote. The mover of an amendment has no right to reply. Any member seconding an amendment may either speak at once or reserve the right to speak later. In the case of an amendment being lost, the Chairperson shall put the original motion to the vote. In the case of an amendment being carried, the Chairperson shall declare that the amendment become the motion, and the new motion shall be put to the vote.
- (g) On the motion that the Chairperson's ruling be disagreed with being duly moved, the Chairperson shall vacate the Chair, and the Secretary shall replace the chairperson whilst such motion is being dealt with.

27 QUORUM

No business shall be transacted at any meeting unless the necessary quorum is present within thirty minutes of the announced time for the commencement of the meeting.

- (a) At all Annual General Meetings and Special General Meetings, twenty members or two-thirds of the financial membership which ever is the lesser shall form a quorum.
- (b) At Committee of Management Meetings **four shall form a quorum.** ^(2006 AGM)

28 ALTERATION TO RULES AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

No rule shall be repealed or amended, and no new rule shall be made without the concurrence of three-quarters of the members present, in person or by proxy, at and voting at a properly convened Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting.

Notice of all such amendments or additions must be by Notice of Motion given in writing to the Secretary at least twenty-one days prior to the meeting at which such amendments or additions are to be discussed, and at least seven days notice of such intention is given to each member.

Any alteration to the 'Statement of Purposes' of the Incorporated Club, shall be in accordance with the Act.

29 SUBSCRIPTIONS

- (a) The annual fee for each type of membership shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting each year.
- (b) The annual subscription shall be due and payable on the expiration of 30 days from the Annual General Meeting.
- (c) The subscription for a new member joining during a second half of a financial year shall be apportioned from the first day of such half. Such member shall also be responsible for the additional full payment of any applicable V.R.A. levy which would normally be apportioned for a full years membership.
- (d) During a trial period and/or 'learn-to-row', no subscription shall be payable. A three week period is the recommended trial period.
- (e) The secretary will be responsible for periodically displaying upon the Club notice-board a list of current financial members.

30 ARREARS

Any member not paying the requisite subscription and all other monies due to the Club within two calendar months after they shall have become due, shall be deemed to be unfinancial unless satisfactory justification for such delay can be notified to the Committee of Management.

A member in arrears shall be deemed an unfinancial member, and shall not be entitled to the privileges of membership, including rowing and the right to vote at Special Meetings or Annual General Meetings.

A person in arrears in excess of 2 months, who has not received an extension of time from the Committee of Management for the payment of subscriptions, shall cease to be a member of the Club.

31 RESIGNATION

Every member shall be held liable for the required subscription and all other monies due to the Club up to the date of the resignation being received by the Secretary, in writing.

32 EXPULSION OR SUSPENSION

If any member shall wilfully infringe any rule of the Club, or in the opinion of the Committee of Management be deemed guilty of misconduct, whether in the Club or elsewhere, the member may as hereinafter provided be suspended or expelled. The matter of such suspension or expulsion shall be considered at a meeting of the Committee of Management, whereof the member to be dealt with shall have had seven days notice in writing and whereat the member shall be entitled to be present and to be heard during the consideration of the suspension or expulsion. If two-thirds of the Committee of Management present at such meeting vote in favour of such, the member shall be suspended for the stated period, or expelled. Any member so suspended or expelled may within four weeks after the decision of the Committee of Management appeal to a Special General Meeting on giving notice of the intention to do so to the Secretary in writing. Such Special General Meeting shall be called in like manner as any other Special General Meetings and the decision of the Committee of Management shall not be reversed unless at a ballot of such Special General Meeting two-thirds of the members present, in person or by proxy, vote in favour of reversal of the decision of the Committee of Management. If such majority of members so vote, the member suspended or expelled shall be restored to full privileges of membership and the members name shall, if necessary be re-entered in the register of member. The Committee of Management shall not be subject to any liability or penalty, nor shall any compensation be due to any such member in consequence of such suspension or expulsion or restoration.

33 NON PROFIT

The Club is not to be carried on for the purpose of profit or gain to its individual members and is at all times prohibited from making any distribution whether in money, property or otherwise to its members or to relatives of its members.

34 FUNDS

All funds of the Club shall be derived from entrance fees, annual subscriptions, and from any other source as the Committee of Management determines.

35 DISSOLUTION

The Club may not be dissolved without the consent of three-fourths of the members present in person, by proxy, or voting by post at a Special General Meeting called for the Purpose of

Dissolution, notice of which must be posted in the Club House and forwarded to each member at the last known address at least twenty eight days prior to the advertised date and time of such meeting, and such meeting must be advertised in the leading daily newspaper published in Mildura at least once in each consecutive three weeks immediately preceding such meeting.

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In the event of the winding up or cancellation of the Incorporated Club, the assets of the Club, after payment of all just debts and liabilities, shall be distributed in accordance with a resolution of the Club in general meeting PROVIDED THAT the net assets shall not be distributed to members but shall be distributed to a fund or funds or other entity with similar objects and/or to a fund or funds exclusively for charitable purposes.

36 AUDIT

The accounts of the Club shall be subject to regular audit and must be audited completely for the presentation of the Annual Balance Sheet and Financial Statement.

The Auditor shall be appointed each year at the Annual General Meeting.

37 LICENSED PREMISES

No monies, remuneration's or payments of any kind or amount are to be paid to any officer of the Club, member or the Club or servant of the Club by way of commission or allowance from the receipts of the Club for the sale and disposal of liquor.

The nominee of the Mildura Rowing Club (Liquor Licence) shall be indemnified for any financial loss being occasioned by him/her as a result of any breach of licence conditions pertaining to the Club's licence.

38 VISITORS TO THE CLUB

Any visitor to the Club must not be supplied with liquor in the Club premises unless the visitor is a guest in the company of a member of the Club.

A person shall not: -

- (i) be admitted as an honorary or temporary member of the Club; or
- (ii) be exempted from the obligation to pay the ordinary subscription for membership of the Club –

Unless the person is of a class specified in the rules and the admission or exemption is in accordance with the rules.

39 KEEPING OF RECORDS

A book shall be kept on the Club premises for the recording of details pertaining to guests of the Club.

40 DISPUTES AND MEDIATION

- (1) The grievance procedure set out in this rule applies to disputes under these Rules between –
 - (a) a member and another member: or
 - (b) a member and the Club.
- (2) The parties to the dispute must meet and discuss the matter in dispute, and, if possible, resolve the dispute within 14 days after the dispute comes to the attention of all parties.
- (3) If the parties are unable to resolve the dispute at the meeting, or if a party fails to attend that meeting, then the parties must, within 10 days, hold a meeting in the presence of a mediator.
- (4) The mediator must be:-
 - (a) a person chosen by agreement between the parties;
Or
 - (b) in the absence of agreement-
 - (i) in the case of a dispute between a member and another member, a person appointed by the committee of the Club: or
 - (ii) in the case of a dispute between a member and the club, a person who is a mediator appointed or employed by the Dispute Settlement Centre of Victoria (Department of Justice).
- (5) A member of the club can be a mediator.
- (6) The mediator cannot be a member who is a party to the dispute.
- (7) The parties to the dispute must, in good faith, attempt to settle the dispute by mediation.
- (8) The mediator, in conducting the mediation, must –
 - (a) give the parties to the mediation process every opportunity to be heard: and
 - (b) allow due consideration by all parties of any written statement submitted by any party; and
 - (c) ensure that natural justice is accorded to the parties to the dispute throughout the mediation process.
- (9) The mediator must not determine the dispute.
- (10) If the mediation process does not result in the dispute being resolved, the parties may seek to resolve the dispute in accordance with the Act otherwise at law.

BY LAWS**1 COMMAND OF CREW**

- (a) The member rowing stroke in any Club boat shall have command of such boat and crew for the time being unless the Captain or Vice Captain be in the crew in which case in any emergency or danger to the craft or crew the Captain or Vice Captain shall be in command.
- (b) Every member of a crew shall be bound to assist in landing and housing such boat, under the direction of the stroke of the crew.
- (c) It shall be the responsibility of the members of the crew for the conduct and welfare of their coxswain during rowing activities and whilst attending regattas.

2 PROVISION OF BOATS

- (a) The Captain shall have sole control of the allotment of boats to crew and may allot a boat and or set of oars to any selected crew for its sole use in preparation for a stated event.
- (b) Permission must be obtained from the Captain, or in the absence, the Vice Captain, or an Officer Bearer of the Club, before any scratch crew may take a boat from the boathouse.
- (c) Permission must be obtained from the Captain, or the Vice Captain, before taking a boat and/or oars away from the boathouse for the purpose of attending a regatta. Any such permission granted should be notified to the Club by the Captain and/or Vice Captain at the monthly Committee of Management meeting prior to the stated regatta.
- (d) Members who are learning to row must use the boat allocated to them. Racing boats are not to be used.

3 COURSE OF BOATS

All Club boats shall proceed upstream on the Victorian side of the river and return along the NSW side. All craft approaching the landing stage shall turn at a point downstream from the staging and draw into the stage against the current of the river. No boat shall under any circumstances leave the course of the main stream of the river.

All crews must 'Keep Clear' of the area marked 'DANGER' adjacent to the Mildura Weir. Rowing in the Lock canal area is not permitted.

4 PRIVATE BOATS

Any member may, with the consent of the Committee of Management keep an out-rigged boat and sculls, the members private and bona-fide property, on Club premises on the condition that he/she signs an agreement with the Club acknowledging the following conditions: -

- (a) The owner of the boat absolves the Club or the Committee of Management for any liability for damage or loss by fire, theft or otherwise.
- (b) The owner is solely responsible for his/her private insurance coverage.
- (c) The owner obligates to remove or relocate his/her boat and or scull from Club premises on being required to do so by the Committee of Management.
- (d) The owner of the boat and/or scull is responsible for the provision of racking for his/her craft and it is to be erected in a manner that is safe and akin to other racking presently in the Club.
- (e) Any such boat and or sculls must be identified clearly to enable members to recognise that it is not Club property.

5 ENTRY FEES

Entry fees for regattas:

For selected crews that attend a regatta more than 300 kilometres from Mildura the Committee of Management may elect that the Club pay the required entry fees. If the crew fails to start and in the opinion of the Committee of Management there is not a legitimate reason, then the crew members shall be responsible to reimburse the Club. For other regattas crews must pay their own entry fees.

6 ABILITY TO SWIM

No member of the Club shall enter a boat unless such member be able to swim at least 100 metres in rowing costume.

7 FINES

Fines imposed on crews by V.R.A. Regatta Officials must be paid by the crew members incurring the fine, unless otherwise exonerated by the Committee of Management.

8 LATE ROWING

No boat shall be out during hours of darkness unless fitted with N.S.W. Waterways approved lighting.

9 CLUB UNIFORM

The Club's racing colours shall be a Maroon costume with Gold 'V' back and front. The use of these colours in regattas is compulsory. All members must be in identical uniform to comply with Victoria Rowing Association regatta rules.

10 CARE OF CLUB PROPERTY

- (a) Any member who, in the opinion of the Committee of Management, through carelessness or neglect damages or loses any Club property, shall be held liable for such damage or loss, and such damage or loss shall be made good at the members expense. If any damage or loss was accidental or unavoidable the cost may be wholly or partially borne by the Club as decided by the Committee of Management. Any member or members damaging Club property and failing to report same to an Office Bearer of the Club within 48 hours shall be held responsible for the entire amount of such damage.
- (b) Any damage to boat or oars must be reported to the Captain, or the Vice Captain, or to an Office Bearer of the Club, as soon as practicable after using the equipment.
- (c) Each rower is responsible for taking out of, and bringing back into the boathouse, an oar. Coxswains must not be delegated this duty.-

11 DUAL MEMBERSHIP

Refer Annual General Meeting 1988

Members who have dual membership (with one or more other rowing Clubs) when rowing from Mildura Rowing Club in competition, must row in Mildura colours.