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One Hundred and Fiftieth

Annual Report and Financial Statement

Year ended 31 March 2026

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One Hundred and Fiftieth Annual Report and Financial Statement of the Invercargill Rowing Club (Inc.) for the year ended 31 March 2026. To be presented to the Annual General Meeting of Members at the Invercargill Rowing Club rooms at 89 Sandy Point Road, Invercargill on Monday 17 August 2026, 7.30pm.

Club members,

Your management committee has much pleasure in presenting for your approval the following one hundred and fiftieth annual report and financial statement of your club.

Officers Bearers:

President	Ian Hamilton
Patron of Club	Ron Riley
Past President	Jack Allan
Vice President	Steve Dyer
Secretary	Emily Cullen
Treasurer	Christine North
Assistant Treasurer	Bill Potter
Signing Officers	Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, President & Club Captain
Records Manager	Gavin McKenzie
Reviewer	Audit Professionals Ltd
Trustees	Ron Riley, George Kempton
Club Captain	Julie Dyer
Club Coaches	Julie Dyer, Ian Hamilton, Frank Dean, Dave Galbraith, Nigel Jack, Kate Taare, Ciara Hourston, Assistant Coaches Jeremy Hamilton, Richard Hamilton
Committee	Ian Hamilton, Julie Dyer, Christine North, Rachel Greenwood (H&S rep) Emily Cullen, Nigel Jack, Gavin McKenzie, Bill Potter, Blake Green
SARA Delegates	Julie Dyer, Steve Dyer, George Kempton

Life Members

Russell Bagrie*, Jack Pasco*, Keith Helm*, George Hopwood*, Rex Boniface*, Cliff Buchanan, David Galbraith, Doug Frisby*, Ron Riley, George Kempton, Nathan Cohen, Ian Hamilton, Christine North, Philip Aicken*
(*Deceased)

Presidents Report

Welcome and thank you to all the Committee members, Rowers, Parents and Life Members past and present, this being our 150th Annual General Meeting.

The Club Prizegiving was held on Thursday 11 June 2026. There was a great turnout, with George Kempton as guest speaker on his 60 years of service to the Invercargill Rowing Club.

In December 2022 I was asked to be President to help the Club move through a period of hard times, and with a revived committee and seeing in our 150th Jubilee Celebrations in 2025, being such a success, was a highlight. Julie Dyer, Kevin Flutey and I have been coaching and supporting some of the younger rowers with technique training and resetting blade lengths. With an influx of Masters Rowers from all Clubs, along with Frank Dean I put my hand up to help coach, which has been well received by all the Master Rowers.

There is a need for all our coaches to come together and discuss rowing techniques and share our ideas to meet the needs of our new rowers, their parents, and NZ standards. We have some talented young school rowers coming along at present who need support, as do all coaches.

Julie Dyer and I have some new crews for the coming season, which I would like to concentrate on coaching, so I am standing down as President.

Finally, thanks to all our Community Funders, the ILT, Community Trust South, Aotearoa Gaming Trust, and to Decom Electrical for their ongoing support of our Club.

Ian Hamilton, President

2025/26 Invercargill Rowing Club Results

2025 NZ Masters Championship - Lake Ruataniwha – 11 & 12 October 2025**.**

Women's Composite Crew; F 4x 1st Cecelia Russell

South Island Championship - 31 & 1 February 2026

Men Master Adaptive 1x A Final 1st: G McKenzie

Girls U16 2x B Final 3rd: T Mazaeda-Churruarin T Duncan

Men Nov 2x B Final 2nd: A Hamilton J Hutton: 10th R McRitchie-King O Payne

Open Para/Adapt 1x A Final 1st: G McKenzie

Girls U15 2x B Final 1st: P Marshall E Randall:

Girls U15 2x B Final 2nd K Gray K Templeton

Wmn Intermediate 2x B Final 1st: T Mazaeda-Churruarin T Duncan

Mx Master 4x A Final 3rd : I Hamilton F Deans J Dyer S Townshend

South Island Secondary School Championships – Lake Ruataniwha

SBHS:
Boys U15 2x B final 3rd:O Payne J Pont

Boys U18 Nov 2x A final 2nd : A Hamilton J Hutton

Boys U18 Nov 8+ A Final 3rd : A Hamilton J Hutton C Legg A Heenan J Pont R McRitchie-King O Payne O Deans cox L Hamilton

2026 South Island Masters Championship – Lake Rotoiti – 25 & 26 April 2026

Long Distance 5km Octuple 8+ Overall winners composite crew F Dean, G Gorton, S Geary, S Dyer, I Coxhead, J Dyer, R Greenwood S Townshend. Cox Nelson. Also 1st 8x+

Long Distance Wm 4-+ 1st J van Dam K Allan V Sweney, C Russell

Mx 4x G final 3rd: Composite crew F Dean S Geary J Dyer S Townshend

Mn 4x F final 2nd: Composite crew F Dean S Geary G Gorton S Dyer

Wmn4+ D Final 1st J van Dam. K Allan C Russell V Sweney

Wm 4+E Final 1st J van Dam C Russell K Allan V Sweney

Wm 2- D final 3rd J Van dam C Russell

Wm2- E final 2nd J Van Dam C Russell

Wm 4- D Final 3rd J V Dam K Allan C Russell V Sweney

Wm 4x G Final 3rd Composite crew I Coxhead J Dyer R Greenwood S Townshend

Mx 4x F Final 2nd Composite crew K Allan V Sweney/ Dunstan Men

Mx8+ F Final 1st Composite crew Dunstan men/ J van Dam C Russell K Allan V Sweney

Wm 8+ Final 1st Cromwell composite crew J van Dam C Russell K Allan V Sweney

2026 South Island Adaptive Indoor Rowing Competition – 6 June 2026

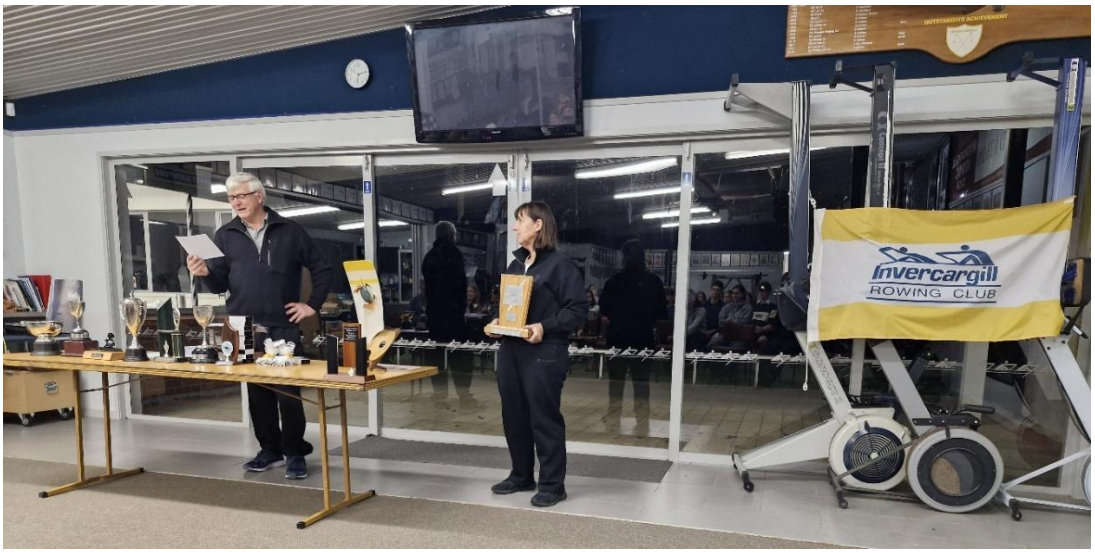
Grant McKenzie fastest male over 4 races

Lynett Williams fastest female over 3 races

Invercargill Rowing Club - End of 2025/26 Regatta Season Awards

President Trophy, Best Performing Single	Millie Hackett
NZAS Best Performing Double	Arlie Hamilton & Jackson Hutton
NZAS Best Performing Pair	Maddie Diack & Meila Sheehan
C Brown Builders; Best Performing Male Novice	Cormac Legg
Student Cup	Emma Davis
Kempton Family; Novice Trophy	Secondary School Novice 8 crew Oliver Deans, Cormac Legg, Arlie Hamilton, Jackson Hutton, Archie Heenan, Jake Pont, Oliver Payne, Ryan Mcrichie-King, plus Coxwains Fergal Legg & Luke Hamilton

McIvor Trophy; Consistent Effort	Oliver Deans & Lola Dean
Galbraith Family; Trophy Most Improved	Rachel Greenwood
Coxswain Cup	Ave' Valoa-Jack
Rex Boniface; Rose Bowl	Ciara Hourston & Kate Taare



Southland Rowing Association Awards 2025/26 Season

Points Trophies

SRA Cup, Mens Overall Aggregate Points	IRC
Bob Council Oar. Novice Mens Points	IRC
Poppy Finnerty Shield, Womens Novice Points	IRC
Mackenzie Casket, Overall Aggregate Points	IRC

Other Trophies

Dave Galbraith Trophy
Southland Masters Rower of the Year — Grant McKenzie

Florence Hopwood Cup, Mens Novice Quad Sculls
Archie Heenan, Cormac Legg, Ryan Mcrichie-King, Oliver Payne

G B Robertson Trophy, Mens Open Quad Sculls
Jeremy Hamilton, Richard Hamilton, Nigel Jack, Mathew Spittle

Hopwood Trophy, Invitation Handicap Eights
Hamish Fox, Xavier Wright, Blake Green, Riley Chilton, Ian Hamilton, Geoff Gorton, Steve Dyer, Jeremy Hamilton

Sly Trophy, Mens Open Four Coxless
Xavier Wright, Riley Chilton, Hamish Fox, Blake Green

Club Captains Report

The year was a busy one with 12 new novices competing. Nigel Jack and Jeremy Hamilton had 10 boys from Southland Boys High (SBHS), Ciara Hourston had 5 novice girls from James Hargest College (JHC). Kate Taare had 7 school age rowers and 2 coxswains. Ian Hamilton had Millie Hackett and Shakayla Brown. At the end of April Ian and I coached 8 novice girls from Southland Girls High (SGHS) and JHC. The novice boys rowed the 8 at regattas with good results.

The club had a novice adaptive rower Chris who joined the Masters and Adaptive squads. The Oreti Masters composite squad also had an increase in numbers, so maintenance and repairs were a common occurrence along with shoes wearing out or too small. I also had to order a lot of pink handle inserts for smaller hands.

Ian Hamilton secured a towing vehicle from Decom Electrical. The boat trailer was always full going to away regattas. Fuel usage was up with extra crews training.

There was a problem with our new row suits staining and the stitching breaking. We have sorted replacements from the supplier Joy Ride Apparel but will not continue with this company.

The canteen was a big success at local regattas thanks to Ann Potter, Elsbeth McKenzie and parents.

The Legion Regatta had big entries thanks to a lot of our former rowers coming back to row this event. A special regatta day membership was set up to encourage this.

Going into the new 26/27 we have organised a loan of a Coxed Quad from Awarua Boating Club. With only 4 coxed quads we would have been short by 1 at regattas. I would recommend a budget is set up for maintenance and equipment purchases and made available as needed. Currently we are having to source sponsors, or funding applications for this work.

Julie Dyer

2025/26 Coaches Reports

The 2025/26 season coaches have been Julie Dyer, Ian Hamilton, Frank Dean, Dave Galbraith, Nigel Jack, Kate Taare, Ciara Hourston. Assistant Coaches Jeremy Hamilton, Richard Hamilton

Secondary School Novice Boys Squad

The 2025 – 2026 season started with much anticipation about what lay ahead and if we could manage to gather enough boys to fill an eight. With just 3 lads continuing from the previous recreational season the challenge was on to find others from Southland Boys High School to complete the crew. After a few ups and downs, we finally landed on our ten young men who would represent Invercargill and SBHS during this competitive season. The crew consisted of Oliver Deans, Oliver Payne, Jake Pont, Archie Heenan, Cormac Legg, Ryan McRithie-King, Jackson Hutton, Arlie Hamilton and coxes Luke Hamilton and Fergal Legg.

A good consistent commitment to training saw the crew grow in their rowing ability and as a team. It was a highlight for me to see an eight on the water again in the Invercargill colours and later in the season the SBHS colours make a return to Twizel after a long absence.

The boys represented SBHS at South Island Secondary School Champs and the New Zealand Secondary School Champs, the Maadi Cup. They all performed well with highlights being a bronze medal in the under 18 novice eight at the south islands, a silver medal for Arlie and Jackson in the under 18 Novice double also at the South Islands and the eight making the novice A final at the Maadi cup placing 7th.

I enjoyed coaching the novice boys crew last season. They are a great bunch of lads who were committed to their work and made little fuss about it, gelling well as a team. The support I received from the parent group was fantastic and made the logistics of a competitive rowing season achievable. The boys were also lucky to have the services of William Payne for off-site gym work targeted at improving their rowing strength and conditioning, I'm sure we will see the results of this in the coming season. A big thanks also to Jeremy Hamilton who stepped in to coach the team when I could not and assisting at regatta's which was a huge help.

Many of the crew are coming back for this season and I look forward to seeing them continue to improve with their rowing and see where the season takes us.

Nigel Jack (Invercargill Novice Boys Coach)

<u>Secondary School Novice / Intermediate Girls Squad</u>

Coaching this incredible group of girls throughout the rowing season has been one of the most meaningful experiences of my own rowing journey. I've had plenty of highs and lows over the years — tough training, crew dynamics, injury, and moments where I had to dig deep as an athlete. Those experiences shaped the way I approached this season. I wanted these girls to enjoy the sport, to feel supported, and to discover the same sense of pride and strength that rowing had once given me.

Taking on the role of coaching after competing was definitely a struggle however having such a great bunch of girls throughout the rowing season has been a pleasure. Their determination on the water, willingness to push through early mornings, tough sessions, and unpredictable weather showed real grit. Watching them begin to understand technique, build trust in one another, and celebrate both the big wins and the quiet improvements has been one of the most rewarding parts of coaching.

The season was strengthened by outstanding support from parents, who consistently helped with transport, regatta logistics, early−morning drop−offs, and unwavering sideline encouragement. Various club members also played a huge role — offering advice, helping with boat maintenance, stepping in during training, and creating a supportive environment that allowed the girls to thrive.

Despite some tensions towards the end of this rowing season, it has been a reminder of how powerful teamwork, communication and support can be. Coaching these girls has been fulfilling, energising, and genuinely enjoyable, thanks to their hard work and the strong support network around them. I look forward to seeing their progression over the years. Special thanks to Kate for the support and patience she showed me in my coaching journey. Ciara Hourston (Novice Coach)

A big part of this season was allowing the girls to explore new boats and crews and building a sense of self as high school athletes. With young rowers I believe it is important to guide but not restrict the athletes from what they want to do and be. I really enjoyed getting to watch the girls discover parts of themselves they didn't know before.

As of winter, last year we had a crew made up of: Tiziana Mazaeda Churruarin, Trinity Duncan, Meila Sheehan, Maddie Diack, Pyper Marshall, Emma Davis, Evie Randall, and Alexis Foster. As the season began Ciara and I naturally merged the two crews to form one junior girls squad for two main reasons. The first was due to the similar ages of the girls and the fact that they all attend James Hargest College, and two we knew Ciara would not be able to see her novice crew through to the end of the season with starting polytech in February. In total our crew grew to 14 girls with: Lola Dean, Katy Gray, Keeley Templeton, Georgia Webster, Avé Valoa-Jack and Valerie Muñoz coming on board.

Throughout the season the girls raced in the under 15, under 16 and intermediate grades sometimes taking on the challenge of racing up to under 19 and club at some regattas. For the second-year rowers their first regatta was R2K, it was a fun and challenging experience for all but the nerves quickly went away when the five under 15 girls realised they only had to race each other, a bonus came when they got to collect their medals. As for the under 16 athlete, she placed 9th in her A final respectively.

Approaching the end of the season we knew the competition levels would increase however the girls took on the challenge and raced with zero fear. A highlight for me as coach was having two of the girls join forces with their Waihopai rowing club school mates forming a strong girls under 16 quad, and one of the coxswains joining the James Hargest boys under 15 crew. Another one of my favourite coaching moments was watching the novice girls' quad race against the Under 16 girls and seeing the excitement on their faces as they realised just how much faster they had become.

I am looking forward to another year with this girls squad and continuing to develop them as athletes and young people. Thank you to everyone that supported me throughout the season, a big thanks goes out to the incredible parent group working behind the scenes, to my fellow club coaches, and to Ciara for continuing to support me and the girls from Dunedin. Many thanks.
Kate Taare (Intermediate coach)

Secondary School Girls Novice Squad

Ian Hamilton and I picked up Millie Hackett from Kate's crew because of her age. She had no one to row with. Millie joined our sole rower from last season, Shakayla Brown, as her crew mates had headed to uni. Millie struggled with learning good technique as she had developed some bad habits in her previous year. Shakayla never really settled back to rowing and didn't complete the season. However, after 4 months and not giving up on Millie changing her rowing technique, she started to get good results, the best was U18 1x A final at South Island Champs. Milie then went to Otago Uni where she won a seat in the 8 and lightweight 2x. At the Uni Games she medalled in both these events.

At end of summer season, we picked up Georgia Webster from the intermediate crew due to behaviour problems in the crew, and she joined our 8 novice girls. The novices are a mix, 4 from JHC and 4 from SGHS, 3 of the SGHS are Hostel girls. Two live on Stewart Island and one from Queenstown. The are showing great potential by beating the intermediate girls' quads in the last 2 long distance races. Georgia is really also having to rid herself of bad habits and learn technique but is showing that she has potential for good results.

Added to the coaching are four master women who have decided to give it a go. They have children rowing intermediate this year. These mums are very sporty and will be a great crew.
Julie Dyer, Coach

Masters Squad

- Regular river rows most Sunday mornings with crews made up of composite crews, going by the name "Ōreti Swans, from across Awarua BC, Invercargill RC, and Waihopai RC have been well patronised with as many as 12 masters rowers on occasion. Coaching team consists of Frank Dean, Dave Galbraith, Ian Hamilton with other senior masters also contributing through within boat coaching.

    - There has been an increase in novice masters across all the three Ōreti River based clubs (Invercargill RC, Awarua BC, and Waihopai RC).
- Two Invercargill RC rowers, Jacqui van Damm and Cecelia Russell, attended the **New Zealand Masters Rowing Championship**. Dual membership rowers Frank Dean and Rex Ryan attended rowing under their home club, Awarua BC.
    - Regatta was blown out with only a few bigger boat races completed. As a result, a push to change the NZ Masters Rowing Championship regatta to earlier in the year was made by some northern clubs with the result being in future they will be held annually in May.
- The contingent of 12 local master rowers competed at the **South Island Masters Champs** at Lake Rotoiti in April, which was largely made up of composite crews from Awarua BC, Invercargill RC, Waihopai RC, and Riverton RC.
    - The strong Invercargill RC women's crew of Jacqui van Damm, Cecilia Russell, Katrina Allan, and Virgina Sweney were very successful, as per results under the **2025/26 Invercargill Rowing Club Results** section above.
- The Legion of Rowers Southland Inc (LoRS) has started preparing for the SI Masters Championship 2027, which are to be held at ANZAC weekend (24 & 25th April 2027) on the Ōreti River. The LoRS is made up of rowers from across all the clubs with Invercargill RC masters being strong contributors.

Kā mihi
Frank Dean, Masters Coach

<u>Coastal Rowing</u>

The Rowing for Life Charity Row up the East Coast of NZ is currently on hold until conditions are suitable to continue.

The Coastal Rowing Boat was used for a long-distance row on the Riverton Estuary, starting near the Riverton Museum and travelling all the way up the Pourakino River to the Centre Road Bridge and back. Crews from the Riverton Rowing Club joined in with a safety support boat (IRB) following all the way.

Ian Hamilton

Adaptive Rowing Report 2025/26 Report

The adaptive squad increased its numbers this past session. A “Have a Go Row Day” was held late in the season to encourage more athletes to look at rowing as an alternative sport. Five athletes attended four men and one lady. We also had a para athlete training with the squad, two athletes continued to row, a third athlete came from a conductive education program that Judit Varadi Port Chalmers rower is involved with at Kew hospital
Seven athletes now make up the squad

Open day for Adaptive athletes
Grant McKenzie & Chris Kimura (para) were the only athletes to compete during the SRA 2025/26 season, Chris has since left the squad.

Grant competed at all major SI Regatta’s winning 2 gold medals, adaptive/para single and masters single at South Island Club Championships. Chris had one race at the Meridian /ILT Southland Championships, master quad in very rough conditions - regatta was called off after his race.

Grant was awarded the Southland Masters Rower of the Year at SRA Rowing Awards 2026. It was a disruptive season for Aaron Wild who rowed as a noncompetitive athlete due to surgery, Nathan Scorrige and Lynett Williams with their travel assistance being reduced or cancelled resulting in Nathan & Lynett only training once a week.

Grant - Canterbury Championships Southland Championships para & adaptive together

The 2026 South Island Adaptive Indoor Rowing Championships were held at Invercargill Rowing Club in June. Canterbury, Otago & Southland represented -17 athletes-13 races-250m- 500m -1lk & 2K - 4 people per race.

Southland team Grant McKenzie, Nathan Scorringe, Aaron Wild, Lynett Williams, Maddie Collard Daniel Moore, and James Golden. Supported by; Manager Anne McKenzie, Coach David Galbraith, assistant coaches Gavin McKenzie & Kate Taare. Technical support from Frank Dean proved to be a successful team effort.

Most athletes recorded personal best, some by big margins, others were right on their projected times. Southland was the top overall squad. All Competitors received T Shirts from Rowing NZ / NZ Universities with medals donated by Southland Legion of Rowers.

Rowing New Zealand has set up a pathway for both Adaptive (Intellectual - vision impaired - hearing impaired) and Para athletes to gain New Zealand representation.at Para World events and Virtus World Games for ID Athletes. Be assured RNZ know about our athletes.

Lynett, Maddie, Nathan, Aaron, Grant, Daniel --absent James

Special thanks to Invercargill Rowing club, Gavin Mckenzie, Alister Murray, Kate Taare & Anne McKenzie, Frank Dean for their continued support.

David Galbraith
Adaptive Coach - Invercargill Rowing Club

2025/26 Fundraising and Club Purchasing Programme

- The 2024/25 Capex project that involved security system upgrade, IT upgrade and boat rack replacements received funding grants from 4 separate community funders and was undertaken by main contractor Hamilton Brother Builders.
    - Total Capex Infrastructure project cost $39,639.69 funded from:
        - ILT Foundation Grant - $5,673.00
        - Community Trust South Grant - $3,000.00
        - Aotearoa Gaming Trist Grant - $15,000.00
        - Lion Foundation Grant - $8,000.00
        - Donated Goods & Services - $1,820.00

- The ILT Foundation also provided a grant to enable our 2025/26 Capex project of 6 speed coaches and one loud hailer to be purchased.
    - ILT Foundation - $5,590.00
        - This grant was allocated after 1 March 2026 so is included in our clubs 2026-27 year accounts. The ILT Foundation generously allowed the application to be received one month early. Only allowed to apply once within a 12-month period and we were within 11 months of our earlier grant allocated.
- Active Southland approved a grant of $1,600 to enable our club to subsidise the taxi fares for the adaptive rowers, so they can afford to train two days a week.
    - The taxi fares are proportioned at the rate of each individual paying $15/trip and the Active Southland grant paying $5/trip, which are invoiced to our club.
- The north road wool store depot was made available to our club once more for our annual garden fertiliser bagging and delivery fundraiser
- The 2025 garden fertiliser sales were similar to the 2024 sales.
- Several rowing squads undertook fundraising events to assist them with their away regatta costs. This included clearing vegetation from sections.
- The committee agreed that some of the jubilee proceeds would be used to contribute to a club gazebo with the club logos printed on it.
    - Funding for the Club Gazebo will be applied for in next year's 2026/27 Capex funding allocations.

Plant and Equipment Report

- It was agreed that the clubs Cliff Buchanan 4x skiff and the Mayfair 1x skiff would be gifted and returned to the Fiordland Rowing Club.
- Custom Canvas recovered our boat trestles, along with new slings for suspending the single skiffs
- One of the coach boats had a bent propeller shaft, that required replacement by Steve Gooding Marine.
- Three erg monitors failed during the season and required replacement
- The Special Olympic Southland, Pamela Mary quad is being used by novices regularly, so is showing more than normal wear and tear. Our club is funding any repairs needed during the season.
- A new weight training equipment frame was donated to the club in March 2026
- Ian Hamilton spent a lot of time repairing and replacing components of the coxbox speaker systems in the club skiffs
- Purchased 5 speed coaches as we have only 2 left after a crew lost one overboard. Nigel Jack is organising a lockable container to store these as they are $1000 each.
- Also purchased a NK mega phone to bring our total to 2 working megaphones.
- Received $2,000 sponsorship from South Tile to purchase 20 new pink handle inserts
- Received $1,000 from Morrifield to purchase shoes or speakers for Quads.

Julie Dyer

Building and Grounds Report

- The club door keys were replaced with electronic access door tags that also arms and disarms the security system.
- A new WiFi access point was installed within the clubrooms to give free internet access to all the club members, while in the clubrooms
- An uninterrupted power supply (UPS) was installed in the IT cupboard to ensure the security cameras and recorder continued to operate when there is a power outage.
- The stiffness of the Unistrut channelling on the new adjustable boat racks is not what we expected, so it has limited our ability to have full flexibility with the position of the racks. We have had to compromise and with the assistance of Ian Hamilton he has created solutions to overcome the problems identified.
- The club was fortunate to have had Russell North mowing the club's lawn areas during the growing season. With the passing of Russell and Ron no longer having a ride on mower any longer, the club has now purchased its own ride on mower to enable other volunteers to keep the club lawns mowed. Ron Riley contributed to the cost of the mowers first service.
- George Kempton has regularly kept the club windows clean in addition to ensuring the sewage pumps and coach boat outboard motors are serviced when required.
- Decom Electrical continues to make themselves available when required to keep all our club electrical services operational. Very much appreciated.
- Wind-blown debris from the trees continues to fill the spoutings and require constant cleaning to prevent the water tanks filling up with muck.
- Barry and Gavin McKenzie undertook maintenance of the mens' shower controls, bird proofing of the roller doors, hanging of the framed row suits on the clubroom wall and the display of the historic club wooden oars and sculls on the boatshed wall.
- The committee have continued be generous in allowing most of the local rowing meetings and events to be held in the IRC facilities at no cost to those using our venue.
- The club has entered into a partnership with the Police Dog Section, which will result in a more visible presence around the club and the wider Sandy Point Domain area.

Gavin McKenzie, Club Property & Security Manager

Health and Safety Report

- Some incidents occurred where safety equipment was found to be missing from the coach boats
- Drifting and snagged logs on the Oreti River continue to be a safety risk for our club rowers, with several instances of rowers tipping out.
- The clubs Hazard Management Plan was updated in October 2025
- A nasty incident occurred on the boat launching ramp this season, when the winch rope was not rewound as a result of a coach boat trailer being pulled up the ramp by hand. As a result, the next coach boat to be launched, raced down the ramp out of control and injured the coach

Rachel Greenwood, Club Safety Manager

Communications and Records Report

- Our club celebrated its 150th jubilee in August 2025. We received many generous donations for this event, including i-Cue for the jubilee signage, and printing.
- Members and parents were required to also register with Rowing Connect (Game Day) this year as an Incorporated Society and RNZ requirement
- Life member Phil Aicken died soon after attending and enjoying the clubs 150th jubilee celebrations
- A new club constitution was developed by a sub-committee and adopted at a special general meeting in January 2026
- Many of the club policies were reviewed and updated throughout the season and a flow chart created to make following the complaints policy easier to follow.
- The historic club records are being progressively scanned, archived and most of the paper copies that have been scanned were burnt.
- The new Incorporated Society Act required all club committee members to complete a certificate of consent to being an Officer of the club, which they have done.
- A graphic designer was engaged to update the club logos, so that they can be used for club documents and merchandise when required

- Mice continue to be a problem over the cooler winter months. Traps and bait stations have been set around the club facilities.

Gavin McKenzie, Club Records Manager

Treasurers Report

I have pleasure in presenting the financial statements for the financial year ending 31 March 2026

It is important to note that the audit of these financial statements has not yet been completed.

This was the second-year reporting under the new Teir 4 Not for Profit standards.

The cash position form operations for 2026 was a shortfall of $8,826, compared to an increase of $5,955 in the 2025 year.

In comparing the two years, be aware that these accounts differ from the past accrual method, and movements in debtors and creditors under the accrual method can lead to receipts and payments falling outside the year in which they were accrued. For example, creditors reduced by $4,200 over the year and debtors increased by $6,100.

Two major projects this year were the 150th Jubilee and the purchase of new boat racks. While the jubilee generated a surplus, the boat racks required the club to make up the difference between the grants and the cost The receipts and payments for these two events are the major contributions to the variances.

The fertiliser drive cleared $21,079 after cost leaving a small surplus of $3,914 after payment of the annual insurance. Thanks to Gavin McKenzie for negotiating a substantial reduction in the insurance premium on the club building cover.

Bill Potter
Assistant Treasurer

IRC Membership List 2025–2026 Season

First Name	Last Name	Squad	Position	Gender
Katrina	Allan	Masters - Competitive		Female
Tia	Boutcher	7 Introductory Sessions		Female
Shakayla	Brown	Secondary Student Under 18		Female
Cliff	Buchanan	Life Member		Male
Nathan	Cohen	Life Member		Male
Madeline	Collard	Adaptive Recreational		Female
Emily	Cullen	Ordinary Member	Secretary	Female
Emma	Davis	Secondary Student Under 16		Female
Frank	Dean	Masters (ABC Dual Member)	Coach	Male
Lola	Dean	Novice - Student		Female
Oliver	Deans	Novice - Student		Male
Maddison	Diack	Secondary Student Under 16		Female
Trinity	Duncan	Secondary Student Under 16		Female
Julia	Dyer	Masters - Competitive	Club Captain	Female
Steve	Dyer	Masters - Competitive	Vice President	Male
Alexis	Foster	Novice - Student		Female
Hamish	Fox	Masters- Casual Regatta Day Member		Male
David	Galbraith	Masters - Competitive, Life Member	Coach	Male
Geoff	Gorton	Masters - Competitive		Male
Katy	Gray	Novice - Student		Female
Blake	Green	Masters - Casual Regatta Day Member		Male
Blake	Green	Masters - Non Competitive	Committee	Male
Rachel	Greenwood	Masters - Competitive	Committee	Female
Millie	Hackett	Secondary Student Under 18		Female
Arlie	Hamilton	Novice - Student		Male
Ian	Hamilton	Masters - Competitive & Life Member	President	Male
Jeremy	Hamilton	Masters- Casual Regatta Day Member	Coach	Male
Luke	Hamilton	Novice - Student	Coxwain	Male
Archie	Heenan	Novice - Student		Male
Lottie	Henry	7 Introductory Sessions		Female
Ciara	Hourston	Ordinary Member	Coach	Female
Jackson	Hutton	Novice - Student		Male
Nigel	Jack	Masters - Competitive	Coach & Committee	Male
George	Kempton	Life Member		Male
Chris	Kimura	Adaptive Competitive		Male
Cormac	Legg	Novice - Student		Male
Fergal	Legg	Novice - Student	Coxswain	Male
Pyper	Marshall	Secondary Student Under 16		Female

Tiziana	Mazaeda Churruarin	Secondary Student Under 16		Female
Gavin	McKenzie	Masters - Competitive	Committee	Male
Grant	McKenzie	Adaptive Competitive		Male
Ryan	Mcritchie-King	Novice - Student		Male
Shakira	Mirfin	Honorary Member		Female
Daniel	Moore	Adaptive Recreational		Male
Valerie	Munoz	Novice - Student	Coxwain	Female
Christine	North	Life Member	Treasurer	Female
Ana	Packham	7 Introductory Sessions		Female
Jennifer	Paton	Masters - Competitive		Female
Oliver	Payne	Novice - Student		Male
Jake	Pont	Novice - Student		Male
Bill	Potter	Ordinary Member	Committee	Male
Evie	Randall	Secondary Student Under 16		Female
Ron	Riley	Life Member		Male
Cecelia	Russell	Masters - Competitive		Female
Rex	Ryan	Masters (ABC Dual Member)		Male
Nathan	Scorringe	Adaptive Recreational		Male
Pallavi	Shankar	Recreational - Non Competitive		Female
Meila	Sheehan	Secondary Student Under 16		Female
Ava	Simeon	7 Introductory Sessions		Female
Sofia	Smellie	7 Introductory Sessions		Female
Virginia	Sweney	Masters - Competitive		Female
Kate	Taare	Ordinary Member	Coach	Female
Keeley	Templeton	Novice - Student		Female
Caitlin	Tetai	Recreational - Non-Competitive		Female
Eamonn	Thwaites	Masters - Casual Regatta Day Member		Male
Lachlan	Thwaites	Masters - Casual Regatta Day Member		Male
Avé	Valoa-Jack	Novice - Student	Coxwain	Female
Jacqui	van Dam	Masters - Competitive		Female
Georgia	Webster	Novice - Student		Female
Aaron	Wild	Adaptive Recreational		Male
Lynett	Williams	Adaptive Recreational		Female
Xavier	Wright	Masters - Casual Regatta Day Member		Male
Cora	Young-Vries	7 Introductory Sessions		Female

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4th ROW: Jeremy Hamilton (Coach), David Galbraith (Life Member), Kate Taare (Coach), Gavin McKenzie (Committee), Nathan Scorringe, Steve Dyer, Grant McKenzie, Chris Kimura, Aaron Wild, Virginia Sweney, Julie Dyer (Club Captain), Blake Green (Committee)

3rd ROW: Nigel Jack (Coach), Lynett Williams, Oliver Deans, Cormac Legg, Jake Pont, Jackson Hutton, Ryan Mcrichie-King, Ben Hargest, Oliver Payne, Arlie Hamilton, Archie Heenan, Isla Anderson, Bella Mcrichie-King, Sofia Smellie, Ana Packham, Cora Young-Vries, Ian Hamilton (President & Life Member),

2nd ROW: George Kempton (Life Member), Georgia Webster, Tiziana Mazaeda Churruarin, Katy Gray, Keeley Templeton, Alexis Foster, Pyper Marshall, Meila Sheehan, Trinity Duncan, Emma Davis, Lola Dean, Evie Randall, Tessa Allen, Ava Simeon, Ron Riley (Life Member),

1st ROW: Ave Valoa-Jack, Fergal Legg, Luke Hamilton, Valerie Munoz

ABSENT: Katrina Allan, Shakayla Brown, Cliff Buchanan (Life Member), Nathan Cohen (Life Member), Emily Cullen (Secretary), Frank Dean, Hamish Fox, Kristen Froude (Honorary Member), Geoff Gorton, Rachel Greenwood (Committee), Richard Hamilton (Coach), Ciara Hourston (Coach), Shakira Mirfin (Honorary Member), Christine North (Treasurer), Shankar Pallavi, Jennifer Paton, Bill Potter (Committee), Cecelia Russell, Rex Ryan, Joseph Sullivan (Honorary Member), Caitlin Te Tai, Earmonn Thwaites, Lachlan Thwaites, Jacqui van Dam, Xavier Wright.