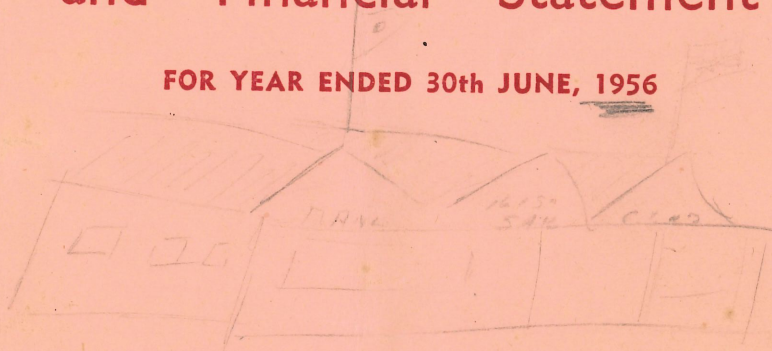


MANLY 16ft. SKIFF SAILING CLUB

34TH ANNUAL REPORT
and Financial Statement

FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1956



To be Presented at the Club House, Manly,
on FRIDAY, 3rd AUGUST, at 8 p.m.

MANLY 16ft SKIFF SAILING CLUB

(Affiliated with N.S.W. 16ft. Skiff Association)

ANNUAL REPORT

&

BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1956.

To be presented to members at 34th Annual General Meeting to be held at the Club House, East Esplanade, Manly, on 3rd August, 1956 at 8 p.m.

AGENDA:-

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of 33rd Annual General Meeting
3. Chairman's Address
4. To Receive the Annual Report from:-
 - (a) Hon. Secretary
 - (b) Hon. Treasurer
5. Adoption of reports
6. Election of Office Bearers for the year 1956/57
7. To fix:-
 - (1) Subscription and Entrance Fees payable by
 - (a) Active Members
 - (b) Junior Members
 - (c) Associate Members
8. Presentation of Life Members' Badges
9. General Business

Office Bearers for 1955/56

Patron

W. Hermon Slade

Vice Patron

W. Russell Slade

President

A.A. Marshall

Commodore

J.G. Graham

Vice President

J.A. Forsyth

Vice Commodore

R.O. Smee

Hon. Secretary

A.A. Brown

Hon. Treasurer

C.G. Betts

Club Captain

W. Standing

Assist. Secretary

A.T. Norman

Social Secretary

R.F. Norman

Race Secretary

S. Richards

Competition Secretary

K. Clarke

Hon. Auditors

A.R. Parsons

R. Dubois

Vice Captain

H.S. Graham

Starter & Judge

R. Mavromatis

Umpire

D. Treharne

Publicity Officer

W. Standing

Assistant Starter & Judge

T. Fawkner

Hon. Solicitor

R.H. Roper

Handicappers: J.G. Graham, T. Fawkner, D. Treharne

Delegates to N.S.W. 16ft Skiff Assn. S. Richards

L. Monkhouse (resigned 13.2.56)

R. May from 13.2.56

T. Fawkner (Relieving)

Boat & Sail Measurers: J.G. Graham, H. Graham, A.R. Curry

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Management Committee: D.J. Browne, R. May, T. Fawcner,
R. Curry, D. Sims.

Trustees: A. Seller, C.A. Seller, W.G. Hole

LIFE MEMBERS ✓

E. Andrew	W.G. Hole	A.L. Schultz
R.M. Dubois	K.D. Kershaw	C. Seller
A.M. Dwyer	H. Lemon	W. Russell Slade
J.A. Forsyth	A.A. Marshall	L.H. Simms
J.G. Graham	R.J. May	

Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Management Committee the report of the activities of the season 1955/56 is presented as follows:-

MEMBERSHIP:

Officials (not included elsewhere)	3
Life Members	14
Active	55
Junior	24
Honorary	25
Associate	1
	<u>122</u>

The number of members engaged in active sailing has remained comparatively static as compared with previous years. There has been a loss of senior members and a gain in junior members while we welcome the first Associate Member (Mrs. A. Marshall) to the list of Members.

BOAT REGISTER: At the end of the season the following skiffs were registered:-

Adios II	Reject	Solong II
Encourage	Return	Success
Farewell II	Rona III	Storm
Matana	Solo	Temptation
		Viking III

"Lorraine" was given a clearance during the year and while Rona III changed ownership during the year was given a clearance recently. "San Toy" was taken over by P. Farmer and was renamed "Adios II".

RACING: This year saw the introduction into the Club of the new type "ply" skiff which had gained eminence in other Clubs. Commodore J.G. Graham's skiff "Matana" proved the speed and capabilities of the ply boats as will be seen in the following race result schedules. Mr. Graham is to be commended for his initiative in constructing the newer type of skiff as ultimately the standard of Club racing will rise upon the advantage of such construction being made so apparent.

RACING SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>RACE</u>	<u>W I N N E R</u>	
		<u>SKIPPER</u>	<u>SKIFF</u>
24.9.55	Invitation to Middle Harbour	L.Monkhouse	Matana
1.10.55	Point Score	W.Standing	Reject
8.10.55	Vice President's Trophy & Point Score	L.Monkhouse	Matana
15.10.55	R.May Trophy & Point Score	L.Monkhouse	Matana
22.10.55	A.L.Schultz Trophy & Point Score	L.Monkhouse	Matana
29.10.55	L.C.Emmanuel Trophy & Point Score	W.Standing	Reject
12.11.55	T.Fawkner Trophy & Point Score	L.Monkhouse	Matana
26.11.55	Vice Patron's Trophy & Point Score	L.Monkhouse	Matana
	1st Heat Club Championship (Champ)...	L.Monkhouse	Matana
	(H'cap)...	G.Marshall	Return
3.12.55	Bailer Boys Trophy & Point Score	G.Marshall	Return
		(D.Gibson-Bailer Boy)	
10.12.55	R.Lundie Trophy & Point Score	R.May	Storm
17.12.55	Sheet Hands Trophy & Point Score	L.Monkhouse	Matana
		(T.Graham-Sheethand)	
7.1.56	Point Score	P.Farmer	Solo
14.1.56	Point Score	G.Marshall	Return
21.1.56	Point Score	G.Marshall	Return
28.1.56	W.A.G. Trophy & Point Score	L.Monkhouse	Matana
4.2.56	2nd Heat Club Championship (Champ)...	L.Monkhouse	Matana
	(H'cap)...	G.Marshall	Return
11.2.56	F.J.Richards Junior Skippers Trophy	G.Marshall	Matana
18.2.56	Point Score	R.O.Smee	Viking III
25.2.56	Ladies Day & Point Score	R.Hammond	Solo
		(Miss Skinner)	
3.3.56	C.G.Brentnall Memorial Trophy for Forward Hands	E.Jones	
		(G.Coote F'wd Hand)	
10.3.56	Point Score	G.Marshall	Rona III
17.3.56	3rd Heat Club Championship (Champ)...	G.Marshall	Return
	(H'cap)...	W.R.Stade	Matana
		W.Standing	Reject
24.3.56	R.Smith Memorial Trophy & Swingers Race	K.Fawkner	Encourage
		(Swinger)	
1st Minor Point Score	.. Matana	2nd Minor Point Score	.. Return
Patron's Trophy for Major Point Score and Delwood Tiller, J.G. Graham's .. Matana			

FASTEST TIMES:

<u>SKIFF</u>	<u>SKIPPER</u>	<u>NO. OF TIMES</u>
Matana	L. Monkhouse	14
Matana	W.R. Slade	2
Matana	G. Marshall	1
Matana	S. Richards	1
Solo	P. Farmer	1
Solo	R. Hammond	1
Farewell II	P. Browne	2
Return	G. Marshall	1
		<u>23</u>

COURSES SAILED:

Southerly	..	13
Nor-Easterly	..	6
Easterly	..	3
Westerly	..	1
		<u>23</u>

Congratulations to E. Jones in "Rona III" on a win in his first season of skiff racing while Vice Commodore R.O. Smee in "Viking III" also returned to the winning list. G. Marshall in "Return" was outstanding in winning 7 races and maintaining his previous years' successes. The Alston Bros. have completed their ply boat "Temptation" and should show form in the coming season. All races were well conducted and a high degree of sportsmanship displayed throughout the season, while our racing officials gave unequalled service that adds more keenness to racing. A permanent mark at Reef Beach was acquired from North Harbour Sailing Club and another was used in North Harbour on the southerly course. It was felt that permanent marks where obtainable were of benefit both to skiffs and racing officials.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP: "Matana" in its first season of racing won the Club Championship well. Congratulations are due to L. Monkhouse and crew for their excellent performance.

SPECIAL RACES: Older members were entertained by the Committee on 27th November, 1955. The race in conjunction, was very evenly contested and it would appear that the handicappers have the measure of the old masters. The shortened nor-easter course was used and the big swell made conditions uncomfortable, however, Ted Mitchell scored his second successive win in this event, in "Storm" followed closely by W.R. Slade in "Matana" with W. Hole

in "Viking" and B. Johnson in "Reject" very close by in third place. This traditional race is one of the most important on the Club's sailing and social calendar and it is encouraging to the Committee that it has the solid backing of the former active members.

LADIES DAY race produced the usual excellent breeze to give the fairer sex a little of the thrills encountered in the sport. "Solo" with R. Hammond at the tiller gave Miss Skinner (Now Mrs. R. Champion) a popular win, with "Return", Miss Judy Wilson, in second place. A pleasant afternoon followed and the presentation of prizes made at the dance during the evening.

In the Crew's races, we congratulate K. Fawcner who skippered the "Encourage" to victory in the Swingers Race and G. Marshall in "Matana" took out the Junior Skipper's Race and D. Gibson T. Graham and G. Coote who received the trophies for Bailer Boys, Sheet Hands and Forward Hands races, respectively.

PERCE JOHNSTON MEMORIAL TEAMS RACE was raced under this title for the first time, Messrs. Ben and George Johnston perpetuating the memory of the late Perce Johnston who formerly gave his trophy for interclub racing with Middle Harbour. This year's tussle gave a well merited win to Middle Harbour who knew too well the vagaries of the at times very boisterous westerly breeze. Middle Harbour Officials and members conducted the race and the entertainment and refreshments following were of the highest order. The Club representatives were "Matana" "Farewell II" "Solo" and "Encourage".

MANLY REGATTA attracted 27 entrants and was sailed on the southerly course. R. Bowry in "Thunder" from the Drummoyne Club won the event for the second year in succession. The Club's congratulations were forwarded to Mr. Bowry on his excellent effort. R. May in "Storm" was second and received the "Manly Cup" as the first Manly Club Skiff across the line. Mr. Webb acting as umpire was the sole representative of the N.S.W. 16ft Skiff Association Racing Officials and we thank Mr. Webb for his interest in the Manly Club.

INTER CLUB RACING: "Matana" carried the Club's honours in inter Club racing and continued the amazing performance attained in Club racing. The skiff was primarily responsible for the club obtaining 2nd position in the Association Point

Score and has done a lot in raising and maintaining Club prestige in inter club and Association racing.

The wins accredited to "Matana" this season would include the following:

1. Middle Harbour Championship
2. 1st Representative of the Zone for the Test Races
3. Lake Macquarie Championship
4. Belmont and Businessmen's Scratch Race
5. Botany Bay Championship and Stuart Shield
6. Port Botany Championship

It is a proud record of any skipper or crew who are to be congratulated in maintaining such a high standard of sailing and time taken to compete in such diverse regattas. To other members who represented the Club at regattas including the Upper Harbour, Port Jackson and Gosford, the club is aware of your efforts directly benefitting Club spirit and standard of home waters racing and prestige.

AUSTRALIAN CARNIVAL: The Club was again fortunate in having a representative at the 1956 Australian Carnival held in Brisbane. Mr. J.G. Graham's "Matana" with L. Monkhouse skipper, S. Richards, H. & T. Graham and D. Sims as crew were worthy representatives of this Club and gained 3rd placing in the final tally of points (which is no mean effort in the class of that nature).

TROPHY DONORS: The club is most appreciative of the donors of cash and kind thanks all, both acknowledged and anonymous, who relieved a large financial burden from the limited finances of the Club.

TOW LAUNCH: Towing facilities were provided by Mr. Treharne who could be depended upon to place and pick up buoys, get the starter on the line umpire and recover capsized skiffs with the utmost expedition. All crews were grateful of Mr. Treharne's speedy service together with his able assistants.

DISCUSSIONS: To improve the knowledge of the members in sailing subjects, discussions on "Boat Measuring" and "Sail Measuring" by Mr. J.G. Graham and "Weather" by Mr. D. Browne were conducted. The lecturers were well acquainted with their subjects and spoke very entertainingly and were well received by their audience. Not too much could be said in praise of these worthy gentlemen who were prepared and at some inconvenience to themselves to pass on

knowledge they had gained over the year of activity in the sport. It is anticipated that the final lecture in the series will be delivered by Mr. R.O. Smee on 10th August, 1956, a date which might be kept in mind by members.

COMPETITION SECRETARY: Ken Clarke again returned the Club over £100 and to the members it is difficult to assess the tremendous energy put into this job by Ken to prepare, distribute and collect his competitions.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: Were capably directed by the Social Secretary R. Norman. The attendance of the monthly dances were considerably more than the previous year but the overhead expenses have risen proportionately. Those attending the dances thoroughly enjoyed the evenings and we were fortunate in obtaining the services of an excellent orchestra while Mr. Ben Johnson continued as the capable master of ceremonies. The New Year was ushered in by a happy throng at a dance to exhaustion; the highlight being the ladies who volunteered for the floor show and Mr. Alf Curry. Mr. J.G.E. Graham kindly showed his films including those of the Manly Regatta and the Australian Carnival.

Our most successful skipper of recent years Lloyd Monkhouse was farewelled in the early part of this year on his departure for his native state. Lloyd had success both in Club and Inter Club racing during his stay in the East and his handling of skiffs was a pleasure to watch, while his sportsmanship and observance of the sailing rules and regulations would be an inspiration to any skipper. Lloyd served this club well as delegate to the Association and was a Councillor and a member of the Association handicapping Committee. He will be missed by the Manly Club and an undoubted gain to the West Australian Skiff Movement where we wish him well.

During the year the Mayor of Manly (Alderman M. Paine) and the Deputy Mayor (Alderman Nicholas) paid a welcome visit to the Club. Mr. Massey of the yacht "Wanderer" from Tasmania was also welcomed while it was pleasing to note that members entertained other interstate and country visitors.

The informal gathering on Christmas morning was the opportune time to wish bon voyage to Vice Patron W.R. Slade and crew members of "Janzoon" and crew members from the Club

on the "Wanderer" on the eve of the race to Hobart and also good wishes to Club representatives to the Australian 16ft. Skiff carnival who were presented with a cheque as a token of the members esteem of their services to the Club.

Preparation of the supper for the dances fell largely upon the shoulders of our very loyal lady supporters who although few in numbers did an excellent job. Reinforcements from the friends etc. of our younger members would be welcomed.

The Annual Presentation of Trophies was made by Patron W. Hermon Slade who made some interesting suggestions for the encouragement of juniors into skiffs. Mr. C. Woods President, and Mr. J. Stewart Secretary respectively represented the N.S.W. 16 ft. Skiff Association at this function.

OBITUARY: The untimely death of Arthur Schultz Jnr. as a result of an accident saddened all those who knew him, as fine a friend and sportsman as could be desired. Arthur had not sailed actively for a few years but his enthusiasm for the sport remained the same and the Club's respects and sympathy are forwarded to Mrs. Schultz and family.

JUNIOR MEMBERS were well represented throughout the crews. "Return" "Rona III" and "Success" were crewed entirely by juniors who, it is hoped will take their place in senior ranks to push the Club ahead in the future years. "Success" returned to sailing being under the control of P. Ferrier who had his first season in 16ft. skiffs.

CLUBHOUSE: The Club is grateful to Messrs R. Dubois and Whiddon for the acquisition of a gas stove and the latter gentleman for the installation of the gas service that has already proved a most welcome addition to the amenities of the Club. The change section of the Club and lockers were re-organised and enlarged, however, dressing facilities were still overcrowded. As in past years members have come forward with their services and donations of materials. Mr. H.S. Graham was seen frequently maintaining the Clubhouse fittings while R. May constructed a cabinet for glasses and a large locker for refreshments. Donations by T. Fawcner (large ice box) R.O. Smee (printing of programmes) Mrs. Standing (sewing new club flags) J.G. Graham (Union Jack Flag) A.T. Wilson (fire extinguisher and fitting of first aid kit) and D. Sims (gal. piping) have improved the Clubhouse and saved the Club's

finances. Donations were not limited to members and Mr. A. Cavill saw fit to make and present suitably designed plaques for the toilet doors and interstate and country visitors made cash donations. It is fine to see Club hospitality appreciated by visitors.

Mr. Treharne and company experimented with the ever present problem of weed and worm on the skids and some improvement was seen after anti-fouling was applied. The jetty was completed and fulfilled its role throughout the season. An awning was constructed and has helped to cope with the increased patronage at social functions.

Mr. D. Sims supervised the construction of a concrete path from the roadway to the main entrance and thus has eliminated one of the dangerous approaches to the entrances. A painting programme of the external walls was carried out successfully and the Club Captain has other maintenance work in hand.

REPRESENTATION at the N.S.W. 16ft Skiff Association meetings by the delegates kept the Club well informed of activities in this sphere. R.O. Snee Treasurer, J.G. Graham Sail Checker and Member Handicapping Committee and L. Monkhouse Councillor and Member of the Handicapping Committee occupied positions in the Association. Members of the Membership Sub-Committee and Zone Test Sub-Committee and Protests Committee contributed to the efficiency of the Club.

PUBLICITY of the Club's activities was well placed by W. Standing and space allocated by the Sydney and local newspapers was appreciated. Wal is to be thanked for the printing of the secretarial circulars which have appeared this year along with duty lists, etc.

LIFE MEMBERS: Special badges have been obtained and it is hoped to honour the Life Members by the presentation of the badges during the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT shows the careful hand of Mr. C. Betts who has guided the Committee over a difficult year. Besides meeting current expenditure further capital expenditure was made and a sizeable amount paid for the redemption of debentures.

FINALLY it is with confidence that the Season 1956/57 is
approached and the support of all members is sought to ensure
the success of the Australian Carnival to be held on Sydney
Harbour during January, 1957.

A.A. BROWN,

HON. SECRETARY.

ADDENDUM

Gentlemen,

A perusal of this report and financial statement gives all the data necessary to prove a most satisfactory season in aquatic, financial and social aspects.

This result was obtained by a splendid committee who one and all showed wisdom and thought in debate and decisions on all matters appertaining to this your club.

We, and particularly myself, are indebted to them for their efforts and trust that they will again stand for office.

The influx of Junior Members has been most important and with the type of lad the Club has attracted we can look forward with confidence to the future.

A.A. MARSHALL,

PRESIDENT.

MANLY 16ft SKIFF SAILING CLUB

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1956

<u>1955</u>			<u>1955</u>		
22	<u>BOAT REGISTRATION</u>	28. 2. 6	9	<u>BOAT REGISTRATION</u>	13.10. 0
79	<u>DEPRECIATION</u>	69. 0. 4	31	<u>CLUB RACE ENTRIES</u>	24. 2. 6
36	<u>ELECTRICITY</u>	53. 1. 2	109	<u>COMPETITIONS</u>	104. 0. 0
5	<u>INSURANCE</u> Boats	6. 0. 2	108	<u>DONATIONS</u>	77.12. 6
34	<u>INSURANCE</u> Building	33. 1. 9	3	<u>INTEREST</u> Bank	3. 3. 2
7	<u>PETTY CASH</u>	7. 9.10	141	<u>MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS</u>	138. 4. 0
49	<u>PRINTING & STATIONERY</u>	29.19. 9	55	<u>SHED RENT</u>	53.11. 0
219	<u>PRIZEMONEY</u>	211. 2. 0	425	<u>SOCIALS</u>	365.16. 1
23	<u>RATES AND TAXES</u>	17.15. 0			
52	<u>REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE</u>	75.12. 4			
40	<u>SUNDRY EXPENSES</u>	19.12.10			
58	<u>TOWAGE</u>	62.15. 0			
	<u>EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</u>				
<u>257</u>	<u>FOR YEAR</u>	<u>166. 6. 7</u>			
<u>£881</u>		<u>£779.19. 3</u>	<u>£881</u>		<u>£779.19. 3</u>

MANLY 16ft. SKIFF SAILING CLUB

BALANCE SHEET 30th JUNE, 1956

<u>1955</u>			<u>1955</u>		
	<u>SUNDRY CREDITORS</u>			<u>COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK</u>	
1390	Debenture Holders	£1390. 0. 0		<u>OF AUSTRALIA - MANLY</u>	
	<u>ACCUMULATED INCOME ACCOUNT</u>		36	Account S 131	£285.18. 1
	Balance 1st July 1955	£1543.16. 4	5	Account S 1558	<u>4.19. 1</u> £290.17. 2
1544	Plus Increase for year	<u>166. 6. 7</u> 1710. 2.11	57	<u>CASH ON HAND</u>	- - -
				<u>CLUB BUILDINGS</u>	2573.10. 4
			2528	Less Depreciation	<u>51.10. 4</u> 2522. 0. 0
			82	<u>PIANO</u>	82. 0. 0
				Less Depreciation	<u>4. 0. 0</u> 78. 0. 0
			211	<u>FURNITURE & FITTINGS</u>	211. 7. 3
				Less Depreciation	<u>12.10. 0</u> 198.17. 3
			7	<u>TYPEWRITER</u>	7. 0. 0
				Less Depreciation	<u>1. 0. 0</u> 6. 0. 0
			8	<u>BADGES & RULE BOOKS</u>	<u>4. 8. 6</u>
<u>£2934</u>		<u>£3100. 2.11</u>	<u>£2934</u>		<u>£3100. 2.11</u>

C.G. BETTS ... Treasurer

AUDITORS REPORT

We, the undersigned have examined the books of account of the MANLY 16ft SKIFF SAILING CLUB for the year ended 30th June, 1956 and having obtained the explanations required hereby certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Club's affairs, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Club.

R.M. DUBOIS }
R. PARSONS } HON. AUDITORS.