

2024 INTERCOLLEGIATE ROWING REGATTA



THE UNIVERSITY OF
MELBOURNE



THE PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

The Melbourne University Boat Club is once again proud to be associated with the University of Melbourne College Rowing Regatta.

Over many years we have seen quite high standards of rowing from the Colleges of the University, particularly given the short season and diversity of experience within the crews. Indeed, some of the finest oarspersons in Victorian rowing have competed in this event, along with those who are experiencing the sport for the first time. Needless to say we also see some of our more social rowers competing and enjoying themselves. The event is one of participation, given the crew based format. I urge all Colleges to continue to promote the sport of rowing to their students.

MUBC continues to look at ways of further involving the members of residential colleges in structured rowing activities and we encourage College residents to participate in our programs. Further details will become available on the Club website: www.mubc.asn.au and all participants should receive contact from the club post-regatta. It is the hope of MUBC that we can continue to provide further opportunities for College rowers outside of this event.

Finally, I extend a vote of thanks to Melbourne University Sport, MUBC coaches and club members, and to Regatta Manager Greg Longden, and MUBC General Manager Operations Alacoque Tunny for their assistance in ensuring the successful staging of this event. Thanks also to our Race Officials from Rowing Victoria and MUBC. Further thanks are extended to the City of Melbourne and Parks Victoria, Rowing Victoria and Transport Safety Victoria for their consideration and assistance in the staging of the event.

Good rowing to all crews.

Christian Ryan
President
MUBC





THE DIRECTOR'S WELCOME

Melbourne University Sport is proud to collaborate with the Intercollegiate Sports Council, the University's Residential Colleges and Melbourne University Boat Club to present the 2024 College Rowing Regatta.

With a history dating back to 1881, the Intercollegiate Sports Program has developed into one of the University's most recognised sporting programs. Intercollegiate Sport has fostered a tradition of sporting excellence but also stands as an example of sport's power to bring students together in pursuit of common goals.

Student-athletes train with their Collegiate teams during the semester, a significant commitment on top of their academic endeavours, in pursuit of the Tickner Cup.

Considerable thanks to those who have made this event possible: Melbourne University Boat Club, especially President Christian Ryan and Regatta Manager Greg Longden, the Residential Colleges including Heads of College, the City of Melbourne, Parks Victoria and Rowing Victoria. On behalf of the University, I wish all crews good luck in the Regatta, and hope today is a memorable and unique moment in your time at the University.

Tim Lee
Director of Sport
Melbourne University Sport



Regatta Presentations

A presentation of medals to Men's and Women's First VIII and Second VIII Champion crews will take place at the Melbourne University Boat Club immediately after the regatta (10.45 – 11.00am). Winning crews, including their coach, are asked to meet on the first floor of the Boathouse at 10.45am. Each winning crew will be presented to spectators on the MUBC balcony.

All College rowers, spectators, family and friends are invited to attend.

The winning first VIII Colleges will be invited to race against a University of Sydney College at the 2024 Australian Boat Race later in the year.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ROWING

Intercollegiate rowing at the University of Melbourne began in 1881 with a four oared race between Trinity and Ormond. After four years, with Trinity winning on each occasion, the race became an annual contest for eight oared crews. Queen's College entered the fray in 1891, and Newman competed for the first time in 1918.

Originally the length of the race was two miles, on the Lower Yarra Course, but in 1909 the Upper Yarra Course of one and one-quarter miles was adopted. In 1918 Mr. Justice HB Higgins of the High Court of Australia presented the magnificent trophy, which has come to be identified with Intercollegiate rowing. The circumstances are explained in the following extract from a letter from the then Master of Ormond, DK Picken.

...Mr. Justice Higgins has vested a fund of 500 pounds in the Heads of the Colleges (as Trustees) for the encouragement of rowing, by means of a permanent trophy and memorial to be associated with the name of his son, the late Captain MB Higgins (Captain and Adjutant) of the 8th Light Horse Regiment AIF, formerly a member of Ormond College, Melbourne and later of Balliol College, Oxford, who was killed in action at El Maghaba on 23rd December, 1916. The fund comes from Captain Higgins' arrears of pay. The trophy which is to be called the Mervyn Bourmes Higgins Memorial Trophy, is to be held by the winning College...

In addition, the bequest also made provision for a small individual trophy for each oarsman; originally a two handled pewter mug, but since the last war an inscribed medallion. Apart from the war years, the Intercollegiate contest has been held every year, and was expanded to include a race for Second Eights for the Malcolm Russell Norton Trophy. Since 1923, the winning College Eight has raced against the Extra Collegiate crew for the John Laing Cup.

Women's Intercollegiate rowing commenced in 1959 when members of Janet Clarke Hall decided that it was about time that women had a race of their own. Originally the women were few in number as they had not an opportunity to row at school. Thus, rowing was a new experience for most that entered the races. Races were held over 800 metres for the First's crews and 500 metres for the Seconds. The number of women who row has increased greatly in the years since women's Intercollegiate rowing was established due to the popularity of schoolgirl rowing.

Unlike the men, the women had originally not been able to compete for a trophy or medallion, but competed for honour and glory alone. In 1992 this changed with the presentation of inscribed glasses to the winning crew at a celebratory dinner, and in 1993 for the first time the winning women's crew competed for the Margot Foster & Richardson Shield, similar in size to the Higgins Trophy, but reflecting the modern rowing woman of the 1990's. In 1999 the Susan Oddie Sypkens Shield for the winners of the women's Second Eights was presented for the first time.

Intercollegiate rowing was further enhanced in 1995 with the combining of the men's and women's regattas. It is appropriate that the men and women of the colleges who share so much should be able to share also the excitement and glory of one Intercollegiate Regatta.

Trivia:

The first intercollegiate boat race was held in 1881 between Trinity and Ormond men's VIII. Trinity won this race and the following five races.

Three dead-heats have occurred between Ormond and Trinity (1897); Ormond and Queen's (1921); and Trinity and Ormond (1946) – all men's VIII races.

Ormond leads the men's First VIII total races won with 57; and Ormond also leads the women's First VIII races with 20.

RECENT REGATTA CHAMIPONS

	Men's First VIII	Women's First VIII	Men's Second VIII	Women's Second VIII
2023	Trinity College	Ormond College	Ormond College	Trinity College
2022	Trinity College	Ormond College	Trinity College	Ormond College
2021	Ormond College	Ormond College	Ormond College	Trinity College
2020	Event Cancelled			
2019	Ormond College	Ormond College	Ormond College	Trinity College
2018	Trinity College	Ormond College	Ormond College	St. Mary's College
2017	Ormond College	Ormond College	Ormond College	St. Mary's College
2016	Ormond College	Ormond College	Ormond College	St. Mary's College
2015	Trinity College	Ormond College	Ormond College	St. Hilda's College
2014	Ormond College	Ormond College	Ormond College	Ormond College
2013	Ormond College	Trinity College	Ormond College	Ormond College
2012	Ormond College	Ormond College	Ormond College	Ormond College
2011	Ormond College	Queen's College	Trinity College	Queen's College
2010	Trinity College	Queen's College	Queen's College	Trinity College
2009	Queen's College	Queen's College	Queen's College	Queen's College
2008	Queen's College	Queen's College	University College	University College
2007	Trinity College	Ormond College	St. Hilda's College	St. Hilda's College
2006	Queen's College	Ormond College	Queen's College	St. Hilda's College
2005	Queen's College	Ormond College	Queen's College	University College
2004	Queen's College	Ormond College	Queen's College	Result Unavailable
2003	Ormond College	Trinity College	St. Hilda's College	Trinity College

PAST RESULTS

Our records begin at the first race in 1881, with many results missing or unrecorded across regatta history. It is our goal to fill these results to create a complete historical database of the College Rowing regatta results.

Should you have any old records, results or photos from previous regattas, please contact the Sport Competitions Coordinator at Melbourne University Sport, Maddy Goldsmith at maddy.goldsmith@unimelb.edu.

CREW LISTS

FIRST VIII - MEN'S

	TRINITY	ORMOND	QUEEN'S	NEWMAN
BOW	Alex Leviny	Ethan Orr	Callum Dell'Oro	Michael Toohey
2	Baxter Aurisch	Will Dimitroulis	Flynn Hanrahan	Samuel Condie
3	Lachlan Houghton	Alexander Shannon	Alex Tippett	William Swan
4	Alex Brew	Matthew Acland	Lachlan Perrett	Raphael Commins
5	Archie Allen	Gerard Brezniak	William McKay	Christopher Bowker
6	Digby Banks	Samuel Jeffrey	Ben Morgan	Alex Carrillo
7	Olly Williams	Alex Coleman	Lachlan Clark	Daniel O'Driscoll
STR	James Houghton	Calum Johnson	Alex Moffat	Charles Marshall
COX	Freddie Campbell	Leah Quay	Chloe Tippett	Eliza Ahearn
RES 1		Alex Wenzel	Caerwyn James	

FIRST VIII - WOMEN'S

	TRINITY	ORMOND	QUEEN'S	NEWMAN
BOW	Jazz Wylie	Zoe Carter	Saffron Yates	Caitlin Somerville
2	Ella Hamilton	Annabelle Fry	Saskia Billson	Ellie Rickard
3	Charlotte Newman	Sadie Preston	Halle Noyes	Kate Oski
4	Mietta Passon	Claudia McNee	Millie Gleeson	Bridget Bales
5	Lou Campbell	Edie Sarson	Cassie Silberberg	Paige Fraser
6	Michelle Clewley	Elise Angus	Felicity Batten	Zambia Neely
7	Natarsha Madden	Georgia Petersen	Sarah Gubbins	Karissa Kelly
STR	Ellie Campbell	Isabelle Balding	Ellie McClure	Jane McKinnis
COX	Bella Boffa	Ella Panek-Mitchell	Annie Sullivan	Sienna Maddocks
RES 1				Stella Michie

SECOND VIII - MEN'S

	IH	ST MARY'S	UC	ST HILDA'S
BOW	Dhanika Nawinne	Harvey Driscoll	Archie Ralph	Patrick Ryan
2	Tom Perrett	Sam Rossato	Tom Thornton	Tom Pickles
3	Isaac Morris	Harry Murphy	Ben Gorell	Jesse Mcdougall
4	Caleb Ching	Rhonan Davies	Sean Northwood	William Nourse
5	Ryan Luo	Harrison Sadler	Johnny Pring	Ned Blenkiron
6	Owen Sanigorski	Connor Gaffney	Sam Quinn	Ben Shelton
7	Jordan Walsh	Ben Black	Hugo Hirst	Sam Henning
STR	Trevor Hultgren	Ned Walker	Ewan McLeod	Billy Thomas
COX	Callum Schultz	Eimile Scibelli	Marley Bridge	Julia Huang
RES 1		Ben Nash	Sam Lee	

CREW LISTS

SECOND VIII - MEN'S CONT.

	TRINITY	ORMOND	QUEEN'S	JANET CLARKE HALL
BOW	Rupert Grant	Ellis Langford	Gryff Connah	Duy Nguyen
2	Nick James	Sebastian Robson	Jack Davies	Angus Taylor
3	Will Brew	Alex Corinaldi	Aarav Shah	Dante Duell
4	Fergus Guest	Will Hunter	AJ Pryde	Quinn Kacic-Midson
5	Jack Anderson	Ted Bucknill	Liam Hutchins	Leon Phillips
6	Ciaran McCormack	Alex Wenzel	James Clegg	Lucas Van Den Berg
7	Henri Lempriere	Jack Lowman	Freddy Mcloughlan	Hal Porter
STR	Harry Clarke	Rory Dennis	Charlie Mortimer-Short	Shalin Bigwood
COX	Charlie Wallace	Alexander Morner	Isabel Longo	Esme MacGillivray
Res 1		Leo Barbieri-Yates	Jonathan Irish	

SECOND VIII - WOMEN'S

	TRINITY	ORMOND	QUEEN'S	JANET CLARKE HALL
BOW	Poppy Glenning	Lucy Cooper	Paige Evans	Sasha Coorey
2	Sophie Courtney	Milla Naylor	Lotte Bromley	Zoe Bespalov
3	Phoebe a'Beckett	Daisy Page	Francesca Carthew	Cat Etkins
4	Chloe Ting	Georgia Szer	Amelia Reyntjes	April Healy
5	Molly Duggan	Latasha Townsend	Connie Gardiner	Zina Maiza
6	Sophie Allen	Daisy Hinckfuss	Emma Sampson	Evie Archer
7	Sara Taylor	Lucy Roberts	Ellie Bellsmith	Anya Singh
STR	Ella Cooper	Sophie Dole	Imogen Duigan	Katherine Wen
COX	Bella Mariu	Harper Gracie	Heidi Rupp	Josephine Ong
RES 1				Brianna Burgess
RES 2				Jiella Guttie-Galpin

SECOND VIII - WOMEN'S CONT.

	IH	ST MARY'S	UC	ST HILDA'S
BOW	Clarisse Mak	Freya Hamilton	Maddie Wilson	Harriet Evans
2	Caitlyn Gani	Tess Byrne	Amelie Steel	Rhiannon Ferdinando
3	Maise Sullivan-Kent	Ella Gleeson	Helena Medcraft	Gerogina Kemp
4	Kirsten Xie	Katie Bradley	Phoebe Dunoon	Lucie Bailey
5	Karina Wang	Lara Essex	Skye Stewart	Abby Warner
6	Yuki Shibuya	Clare Gorman	Lulu Morgan	Amelia Kennett
7	Eloise Molloy	Kiera Henderson	Liv Howitt	Emma Carroll
STR	Isabelle Urquhart	Hilary O'Connor	Catherine Greenhill	Mia Lu
COX	Shuhan Zheng	Lily Davis	Lola Eastaugh	Ashna Sharma
RES 1			Lola Goldsworthy	

SCHEDULE

Time	Race	Distance	Event	South	Centre	North	Progression
7:00-7:30AM			Cox Weigh-in @ MUBC Min. weight for all coxswains – 55kg				
8:00 AM	R1 A	1200	Men's 2 nd VIII – H1	Queen's	Ormond	UC	1st R11, 2nd R13, 3rd R12
8:06 AM	R2 B	1200	Men's 2 nd VIII – H2	IH	St Hilda's	Trinity	1st R12, 2nd R11, 3rd R13
8:12 AM	R3 C	1200	Men's 2 nd VIII – H3	St Mary's	JCH		1st R13, 2nd R12
8:32 AM	R4 D	1200	Women's 2 nd VIII – H1	St Mary's	JCH		1st R16, 2nd R15
8:38 AM	R5 E	1200	Women's 2 nd VIII – H2	IH	St Hilda's	Trinity	1st R15, 2nd R14, 3rd R16
8:44 AM	R6 F*	1200	Women's 2 nd VIII – H3	Queen's	Ormond	UC	1st R14, 2nd R16, 3rd R15
8:55 AM	R7 G	2000	Women's 1 st VIII – H1		Trinity	Ormond	1st R22, 2nd R21
9:00 AM	R8 H	2000	Women's 1 st VIII – H2		Newman	Queen's	1st R22, 2nd R21
9:05 AM	R9 I	2000	Men's 1 st VIII – H1		Trinity	Ormond	1st R24, 2nd R23
9:10 AM	R10 J	2000	Men's 1 st VIII – H2		Newman	Queen's	1st R24, 2nd R23
9:20 AM	R11 K	1200	Men's 2 nd VIII – SF1	2 nd R2	1 st R1		1 st R18, 2 nd R17
9:26 AM	R12 L	1200	Men's 2 nd VIII – SF2	2 nd R3	1 st R2	3 rd R1	1 st R18, 2 nd R17
9:32 AM	R13 M	1200	Men's 2 nd VIII – SF3	2 nd R1	1 st R3	3 rd R2	1 st R18, 2 nd R17
9:40 AM	R14 N	1200	Women's 2 nd VIII – SF1	2 nd R5	1 st R6		1 st R20, 2 nd R19
9:46 AM	R15 O	1200	Women's 2 nd VIII – SF2	2 nd R4	1 st R5	3 rd R6	1 st R20, 2 nd R19
9:52 AM	R16 P	1200	Women's 2 nd VIII – SF3	2 nd R6	1 st R4	3 rd R5	1 st R20, 2 nd R19
10:05 AM	R17 Q	1200	Men's 2 nd VIII – B Final	2 nd R11	2 nd R12	2 nd R13	
10:10 AM	R18 R	1200	Men's 2 nd VIII – A Final	1 st R11	1 st R12	1 st R13	
10:15 AM	R19 S	1200	Women's 2 nd VIII – B Final	2 nd R14	2 nd R15	2 nd R16	
10:20 AM	R20 T	1200	Women's 2 nd VIII – A Final	1 st R14	1 st R15	1 st R16	
10:30 AM	R21 U	2000	Women's 1 st VIII – B Final		2 nd R7	2 nd R8	
10:35 AM	R22 V	2000	Women's 1 st VIII – A Final		1 st R7	1 st R8	
10:40 AM	R23 W	2000	Men's 1 st VIII – B Final		2 nd R9	2 nd R10	
10:45 AM	R24 X	2000	Men's 1 st VIII – A Final		1 st R9	1 st R10	

11:00 AM

Presentation to winning crews

*Order swapped due to boat being shared between men's and women's crew



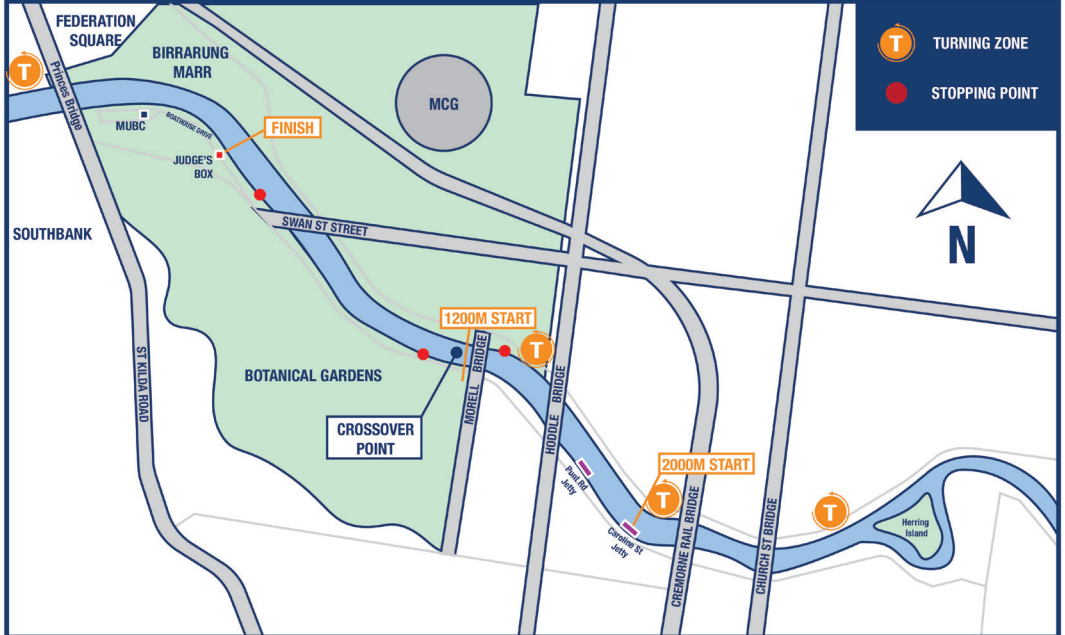
Two Great Cities Two Great Universities Head-to-head on the Harbour

Join in the fun and cheer UoM to Victory!

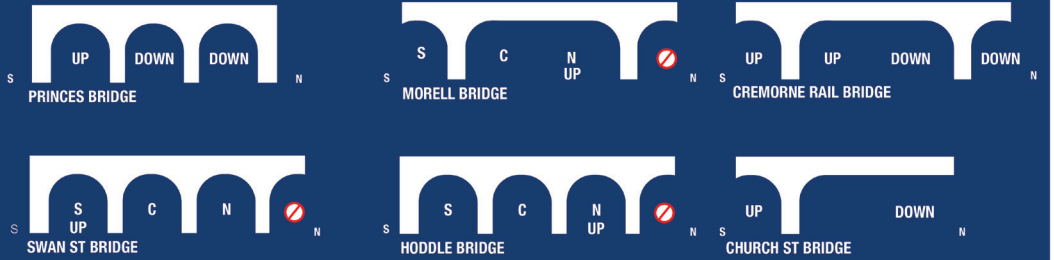
**THE WINNING FIRST VIII CREWS WILL BE INVITED
TO RACE SYDNEY COLLEGE CREWS ON SYDNEY
HARBOUR LATER IN THE YEAR**

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COMPETITION RACING COURSE



RACING - VIEW TRAVELLING DOWNSTREAM



Regatta Officials

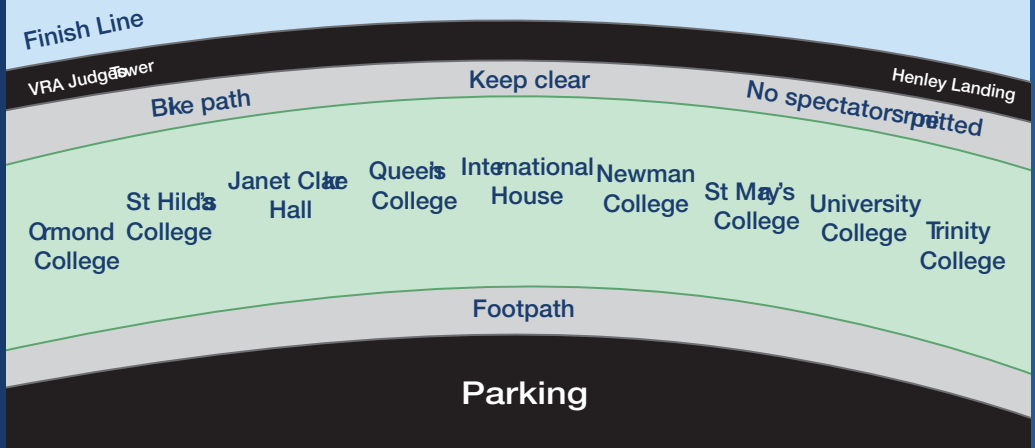
Regatta Secretary
Referee (Finish)

Maddy Goldsmith
Greg Longden

0424 615 780
0420 398 285

SPECTATORS

Yarra River



1. College spectator viewing areas have been determined according to the 2023 College Sport Random Draw (Not to scale)
2. Spectator viewing areas will be clearly marked according to the above plan using signs and lines marked on the grass
3. All colleges are requested to ensure their students, staff, family and friends spectate from their designated college's viewing area only
4. Spectator toilets are located at the City of Melbourne Skate Park on the southern side of Boathouse Drive
5. This is not a closed event – please keep clear of the Bike Path for the safety of all spectators and members of the public
6. Colleges should remove any rubbish from their designated spectator area (including any footpath/parking space) immediately after the regatta
7. Medal and trophy presentations will be made shortly after the final race at the Melbourne University Boat House

MERVYN BOURNES HIGGINS TROPHY



The Mervyn Bournes Higgins is perpetually awarded to the winning college 1st VIII Crews of the College Regatta. The trophy is too large to be handed over at presentation, so is passed between to the winning college by the previous holder post-regatta.

The following excerpt from the book *Well Rowed University*, provides insight into the history and significance of the trophy:

At a meeting in March 1917, Mr Crosthwaite reported that Mr Justice Higgins had asked him to approach the MUBC committee in regard to His Honour and Mrs Higgins founding a trophy for the Intercollegiate Boat Race to commemorate the memory of their son, Captain Mervyn Bournes Higgins MC, who had been killed on active duty with the 8th Light Horse in the AIF just before Christmas in the previous year. He had survived Gallipoli, only to be killed at El Maghaba in Egypt. Crosthwaite and delegates from the colleges were to draw up a scheme and submit it to M Justine Higgins. After various drafting sessions and discussions, a Trust Deed was signed on 10 May 1918 pursuant to which Mr Justice Higgins gifted £500. The trustees included the Masters of Ormond and Queen's and the Warden of Trinity. The objects of the trust were the benefitting of the affiliated colleges and the encouragement of intercollegiate rowing and to perpetuate the memory of the late Mervyn Bournes Higgins. There was to be a permanent trophy known as the Mervyn Bournes

Higgins Trophy and a suitable book on parchment to contain a complete record of all intercollegiate boat races. The gift was acknowledged in the Club minutes of 26 March 1919:

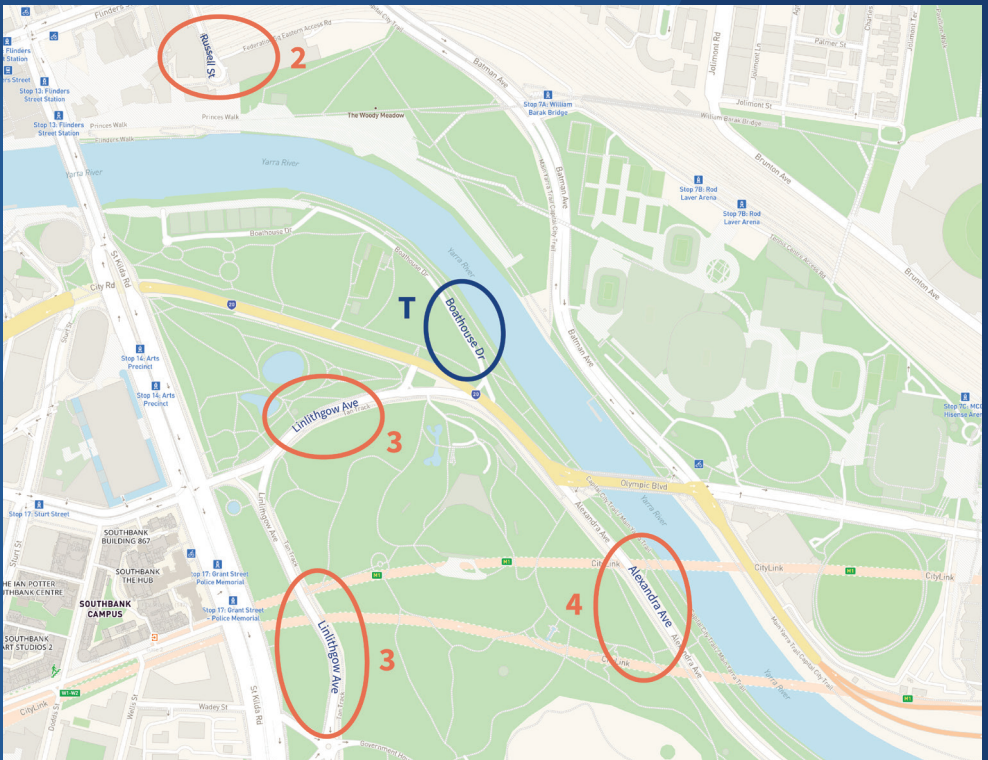
This exceedingly generous gift from His Honour is greatly valued not only because of the sentiment and prestige added to the race but because there is perpetually also associated with it the name of a fine stalwart oarsman and gallant Australian soldier.

In 1919... Plans got underway to revive the intersiversity and intercollegiate races, the latter now including Newman College. To facilitate four crews racing in the intercollegiate race (Trinity, Ormond, Queen's and Newman) it was necessary to have two heats with the winners racing off in a final. For the 1919 College boat race, heats were rowed on 9 May with the final taking place the next day. In addition to being the first intercollegiate race in which Newman would participate, this race would be the first where the newly instated Mervyn Bournes Higgins Trophy was competed for. Ormond College beat Queen's while Newman was too good for Trinity. In the final, Ormond won the Mervyn Bournes Higgins trophy for the first time by defeating Newman by two lengths in a spirited race.

Writing taken from: *Well Rowed University – Melbourne University Boat Club, the first 150 years* – Dr. Judith Buckrich, 1950

The book encapsulates the story of one of Australia's oldest sporting clubs and one of its most successful rowing clubs. It is also a story of Melbourne and its society; of the University of Melbourne; and of the Yarra River, which flows through the centre of Melbourne. Beautifully designed and illustrated in both colour and black and white throughout, 'Well Rowed University' contains over 400 images, including early scenes of Melbourne and the Yarra River rarely seen before.

To order a copy of the book, please visit www.wellrowed.com



Parking in the event area is limited. The above map highlights options within walking distance of the Yarra River and spectatorial viewing area on Henley Landing, Boathouse Drive (blue circle).

Blue Circle: Boathouse Drive – this fills up very quickly on Regatta Day but there is limited on-street parking available.

2. Federation Square undercover car park (Paid) – situated on the North Side of the river, within a short walking distance across St. Kilda Rd foot bridge to the boathouses and Henley landing. Enter off Flinders and Russel Street.

3. Lithgow/Birdwood Avenues – within walking distance (5-10 mins) south of viewing area – cross at Alexandra Avenue lights.

4. Alexandra Avenue – also within short (5 mins) walking distance along the river trail which runs alongside the course.

Public Toilets are located next to the Skate Park on the south side of Boathouse Drive in between the finishing box and MUBC Shed. This is highlighted on the map by the blue T.



