



Nelson Rowing Club 2024 Annual Report





NRC Guiding Principles



Mission Statement:

To facilitate and foster the sport of rowing to the wider Nelson Community for personal development, competition and pleasure.

Guiding Principles:

1. Governance

Establish an effective governance structure that provides leadership in a transparent and accountable manner.

2. Health & Safety

Maintain and regularly review all Health and Safety policies and practices in line with regulatory guidelines.

3. Membership

Grow our membership, within our capacity, to responsibly cater for all members.

4. Financial

Be a financially responsible and sustainable organisation.

5. Facilities

Keep current facilities operational to meet the needs of all our members.

6. Culture

Develop and support a culture (internal and external) that is friendly, respectful and inclusive.

7. Coach Development

Develop a coaching pathway that aligns with Rowing NZ and provides enough skilled local coaches.



President's Report

Suzanne Hannen

In bringing the 23/24 season to a close I reflect on the successes and challenges over the year. I would firstly like to thank our Club members – rowers, coxswains, coaches, parents, volunteers and supporters for your continued support of Nelson Rowing Club. The way you represent NRC locally, nationally and internationally makes us all proud. More so, the way you demonstrate skill, teamwork and dedication is recognised. We would not be a Club without all of your support and commitment, so thank you.

To our naming partner Nelson Pine Industries – Golden Edge and long-time supporter Bowater Toyota a huge thank you for your continued support of our club and athletes. To our sponsors and supporters: Lion Foundation, Mainland, NBS, NZ Community Trust Foundation, OSN (Phil Knight), Pub Charity, Kevin Strickland and TAB – thank you! Without your generous contributions the Club could not offer the programmes and equipment we do.

This year the Club attended a full regatta programme with members representing Nelson Rowing Club at College, Club and Masters regattas. Thanks goes to Marlborough Rowing Association, Karāpiro Rowing, South Island Rowing and the numerous volunteers who assist with regattas all over the country, making it possible for our club members to compete and celebrate the sport of rowing.

The competitive Club season started in September with NZ Masters Champs and continued through to February with NZ Nationals. The Schools regattas, NZ Beach Sprints and SI Masters rounded out the year complimented by coastal rowing adventures in Picton and Nelson. We continue moving towards being a Club that is inclusive of all ages and stages and celebrate the successes – in its many forms - of all our members.

We acknowledge Fiona Lulham, our Administrator and Nic John and his Regatta Management team for their smooth organisational input into the College programme over the season. You are all legends.

It is with a great pride that we congratulate our Nelson athletes who were selected into NZ Teams. Congratulations to Nicole Campbell in the NZ U23 Rowing Team to compete at 2024 U23 World Championship Regatta in St Catharines, Canada 18-23 August.

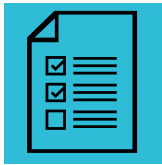


To Naomi Robertson on her selection in the NZ U19 Coastal Rowing Team to compete at 2024 World Coastal Beach Sprint Finals in Genoa, Italy this September and to Phil & Sally Knight for their appointments as Coach and Manager respectively. Also to Brook Robertson, Coach - elite rower and former NRC rower.

We follow with interest the journeys of our US based athletes Nicole Campbell, Lucy Monro and Macy Kappely. All the best to Madie Taylor and Ruby Southwick, NRC coxes as they commence this semester.

As a highly technical sport the development of rowers is contingent on skilled coaching. The Club is fortunate to have had Tim Babbage and his coaching team working with our college & club rowers over the past season. A huge thank you to all our coaches and assistants (incl LTR & Masters) for your commitment to sharing your skills and enthusiasm for our rowing community.

Special mention goes to Kylie Johnson for receiving an RNZ Volunteer Recognition Award, Kevin Strickland on receiving the Terry Noonan Trophy for services to Masters rowing and Tim Rogers for his appointment to the RNZ Masters Working Group.



President's Report cont.

The Club continues to upgrade our fleet and equipment with a planned approach that benefits all our athletes. Our boat shed is the envy of many Clubs and reflects the hard work put in by committees and supporters over many years. Thank you to our loyal team who help maintain our boats and equipment year after year – Terry, Bob, Hamish, Warren and Kylie – and to those who step up to help when the call goes out.



Coastal Rowing continues to flourish within the Club with weekly Masters coffee runs to Tahunanui Beach and adventures further afield including Picton Long Distance rows and the recent Rabbit Island Safari. For the first time adult Learn to Row was run using coastal boats. This year saw our first two U19 athletes compete at the Coastal Beach Sprint Nationals with great success. Following selection of the RNZ National Coastal Team two training camps were held in Nelson. The proposed Sea Sport facility at 305 Akersten Street continues to be a “work in progress” under the Council’s long-term plan with the land & buildings deal contingent on final land swap details. Governance has moved to a Board appointed by Council which includes commercial and social elements, with design and the consent process being fast-tracked. Construction is expected to start in 2 – 3 years. As many members will be aware, this year has been particularly challenging as a result of behaviour outside of the Committee’s control. I am saddened by the impact this has had on our coaches, athletes and many of those in the rowing community.

As a result of allegations arising from the South Island Secondary Schools Regatta an independent investigator was engaged to make findings of fact and these were communicated to the membership. It would be remiss to ignore the unacceptable level of vitriol directed at the Committee earlier in the year from a small number of people. The changes in behaviour and attitude being witnessed across all sport is an ongoing challenge that puts the future of community sport at risk.

To the Committee thank you for weathering the storm and always trying to act in the best interests of the Club. I’d like to recognise Erin McNary (Secretary), Tony Crosbie (Treasurer), Kylie Johnson (Club Captain), Colin Brown (Health & Safety), Nic John (Regatta Management) and Warren Amos (co-opted member) for your contribution, professionalism and dedication to the Club. This year has required a huge time commitment and I am grateful for your support.

As we move forward, I hope we can build a more supportive club culture across all groups both competitive and recreational. We have an incredible Club and to see College, Club and Masters athletes (& their coaches) out on the water enjoying their sport reminds me why we do this crazy rowing business!

As I stand down, I wish the incoming committee well and look forward to continuing my rowing at the Club.

Best wishes to all our members and supporters for the upcoming season. I leave you with a quote shared from a fellow Rowing Club that I hope everyone will embrace.

Suzanne Hannen

*This is a positive place
Where people come to improve themselves
We expect Encouragement, Teamwork, Mutual Respect &
Support for and from all
Enjoy the journey and remember
Club First!*



Club Captain's Report

Kylie Johnson

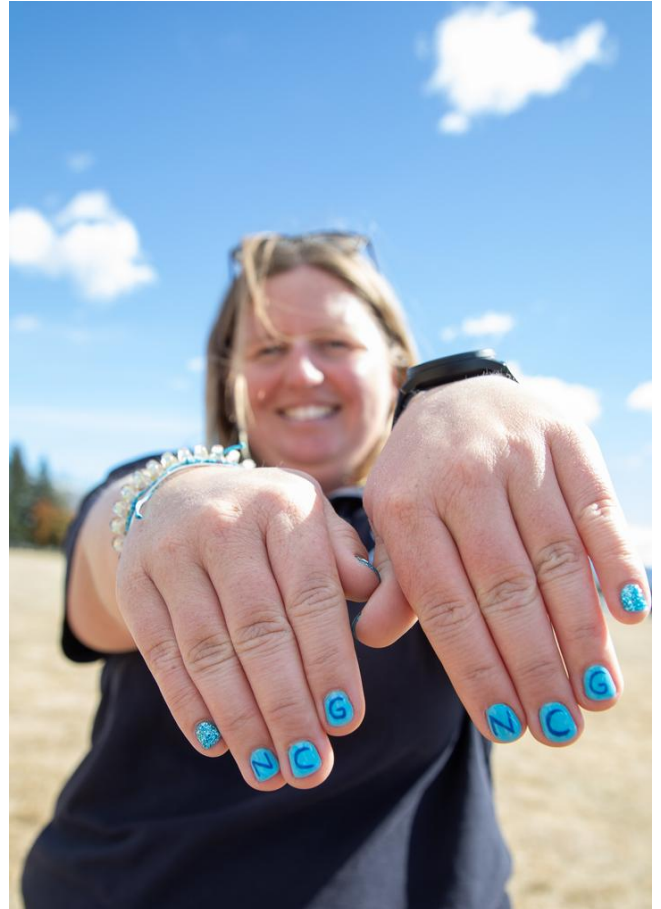
September 2023 started off with a bit of wind, sun and snow, which set the scene for the season.

NRC, with some funding from Mainland and NBS, was able to purchase a new boat trailer built by TME Trailers in Murchison. The trailer can carry more boats than ever, with more height and more length, and went on many adventures over the season, starting with a trip to Twizel in the snow, into some dead end streets, a trip on the ferry and finished the season with its final trip to Twizel in the snow through Burkes Pass. The new trailer can be towed brilliantly with a Toyota Hilux kindly provided to NRC for each trip away by Bowater Toyota.

The NRC shed started the season as usual with the return of the college and club rowers and with the addition of our college and adult learn to row and novice rowers. During the start of the season crews were able to spend some time out on the water before the wind arrived, with one sighting of dolphins in at the marina entrance for our novice rowers.

The whole club took on the NBS Helicopter appeal finding the best ways to perform 10 press ups whilst out on the water. With the help of the Lion Foundation NRC was able to purchase 4 brand new ergs just in time for 5km erg tests for our senior rowers.

As the club got into the swing of heading up to the Lake Rotoroa Lodge a new coach boat (The Jack) was purchased to help with coaching and the growing number of rowers in the college/club program. As the season progressed upgrades started at the lodge thanks to our volunteers led by our Life Member Terry Bourke. It was awesome to see upgrades to the lights, a new water filter system, new underground wastewater systems, upgrade of the bathrooms, now fully lined and painted and the addition of 6 new picnic tables for outside dining. Look out for further upgrades to our favourite training location during the up-coming season. NRC also made a donation towards the purchase of a new AED located up at the lake to help support the locals and all those that use the lake in case of an emergency.





Club Captain's Report

Kylie Johnson

Our coastal fleet continued their adventures across the top of the south region, taking on the Picton harbour and Tasman Bay.

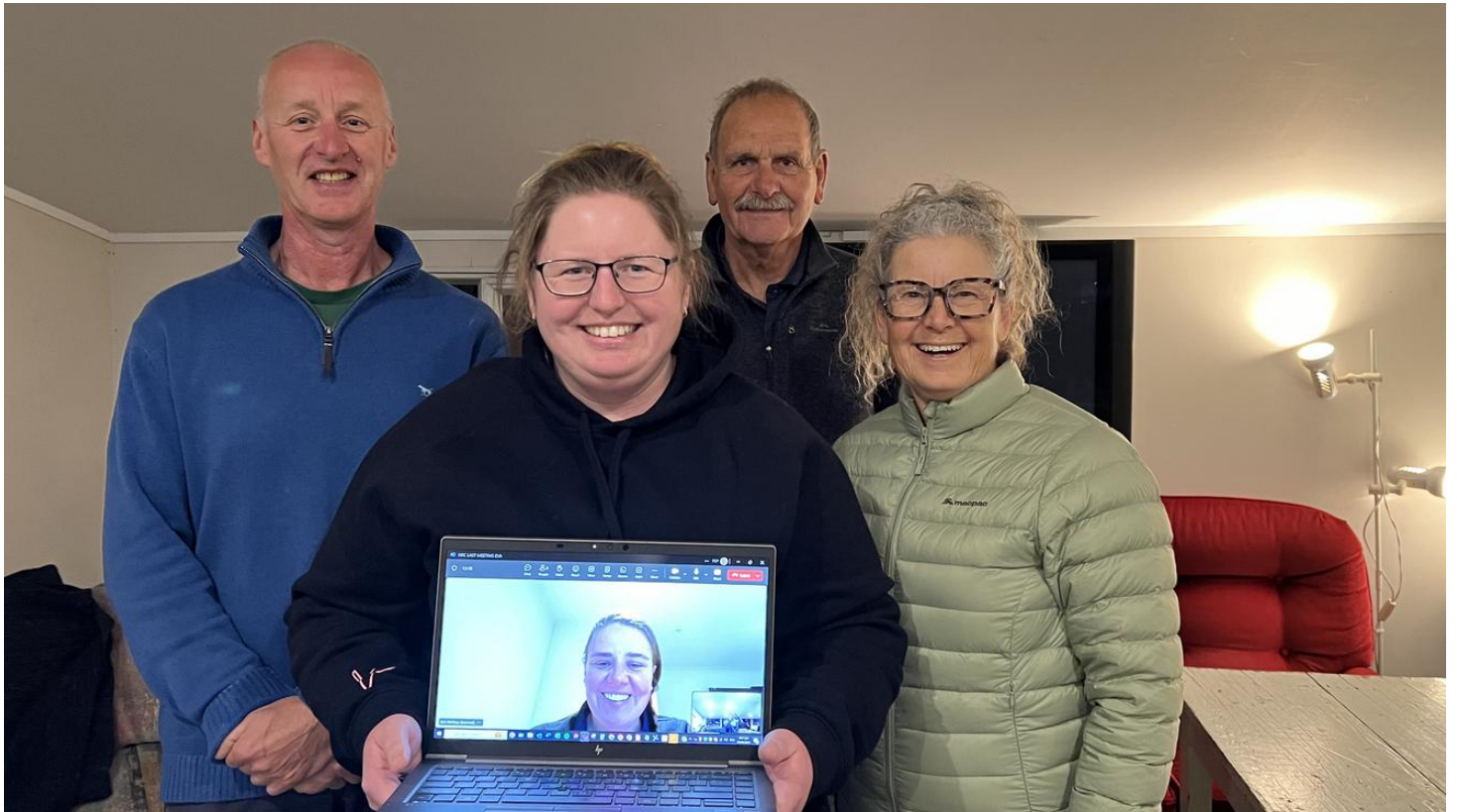
We finished off the season with an all hands-on board working bee across our fleet of boats which also included the installation of a new 8s racks funded by the NRC showing of "The Boys in the Boat" movie and auction fundraiser. This made the shed all spic and span for the upcoming 2024/2025 season.

It was awesome to see all the rowers from NRC succeed and enjoy the sport of rowing whether it was getting out and racing a single for the first time, returning from injury to get back on the ergs and the boat, to those representing our amazing club at South Island masters, club regattas and school regattas. It makes me proud to be the Club Captain of such an awesome club with some amazing people. Finally, I would like to thank all those that make being the Club Captain an easy and enjoyable task at such a diverse club, especially my three musketeers Terry Bourke, Bob Gilchrist and Warren Amos who are always there as a helping hand and to offer me so much wisdom.





NRC Committee



The Nelson Rowing Club is a Charitable Trust and Incorporated Society. It is run by a volunteer committee who meet monthly to ensure the smooth running of the Club.

2024/2025 Committee (from left to right): Tony Crosbie, Kylie Johnson, Erin McNary (online!), Warren Amos and Suzanne Hannen. Colin Brown (bottom left) and Nic John (middle).





NRC Life Members



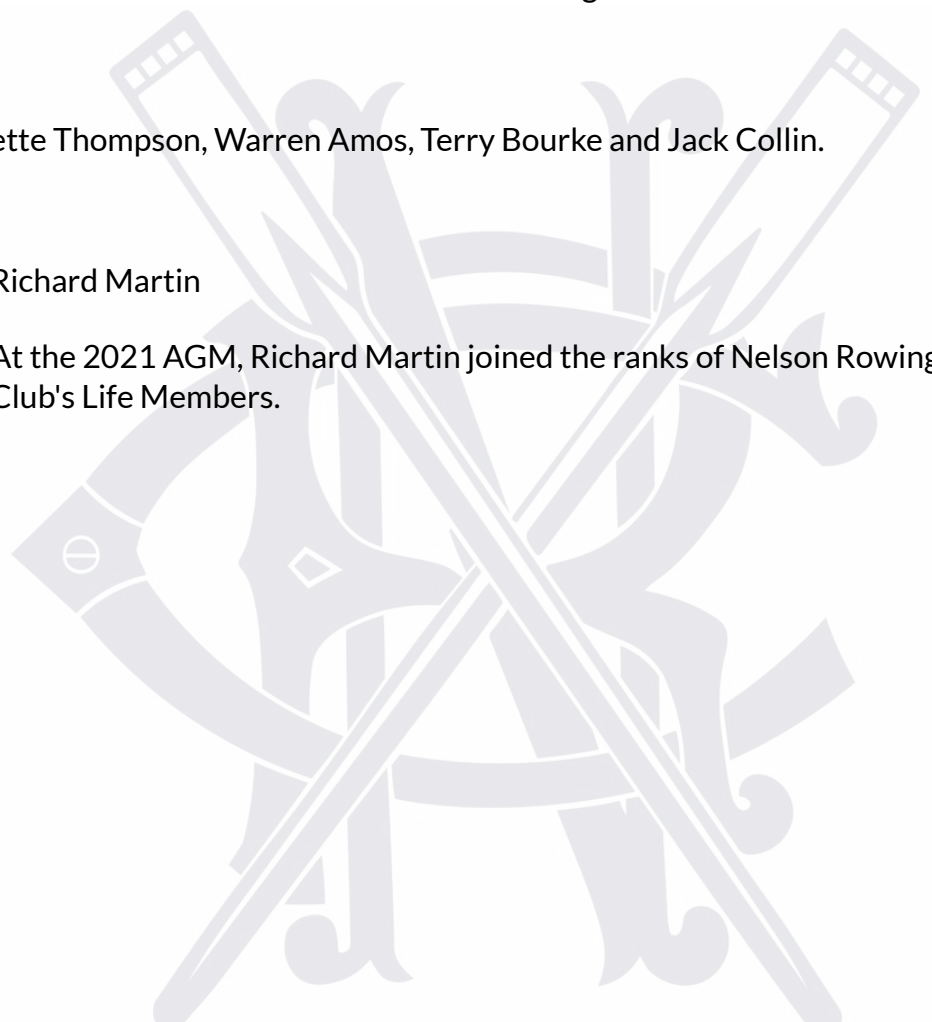
The Nelson Rowing Club is proud of its Life Members who have contributed huge amounts of time and energy to the Club over many years.

From left to right they are:
Kevin Strickland, Tim Babbage, Nanette Thompson, Warren Amos, Terry Bourke and Jack Collin.



Richard Martin

At the 2021 AGM, Richard Martin joined the ranks of Nelson Rowing Club's Life Members.





2023/2024 - The Year in Review

22 August 2023: MRA Sports Award & AGM. NRC rower Lucy Munro wins the Best up and coming female rower; Madie Taylor wins Top Coxswain and the Top Masters crew was the Mixed E 4x

30 August 2023: NRC AGM

14 September 2023: Brook Robertson is named in the Rowing NZ Summer Squad

16-17 September 2023: NZ Masters Champs, Lake Ruataniwha. 11 rowers - 1 gold, 4 silver, 5 bronze

23 September 2023: Mainland Interprovincial Champs at Lake Ruataniwha

27 November 2023: Naomi Robertson & Ruby Southwick selected to attend the U19 Development Camp

2-3 December 2023: Marlborough Champs regatta, Wairau River, Blenheim. 67 Club rowers take part in the 2 day regatta.

9-10 December 2023: Otago Champs regatta, Lake Ruataniwha. 57 rowers compete for NRC.

16/17 December 2023: Xmas Rows for College & Masters rowers

20 January 2024: "The Boys in the Boat" movie fundraiser

27-28 January 2024: South Island Club Champs. 68 rowers competed in the wind affected regatta. 1 bronze (based on heats times).

13-17 February 2024: NZ Rowing Champs regatta, Lake Karapiro. 13 rowers, 1 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze medals

1-3 March 2024: South Island Secondary Schools regatta, Lake Ruataniwha. 51 rowers representing 5 colleges. 1 gold, 1 silver medal.

18-23 March 2024: NZ Secondary Schools Maadi regatta, Lake Ruataniwha. 40 rowers representing 2 colleges. 1 bronze medal



2023/2024 - The Year in Review

26-27 April 2024: South Island Masters, Glendhu Bay, Wanaka. 31 rowers - 6 gold medals.

4-5 May 2024: RNZ National Beach Sprints Champs, Wellington. 2 rowers - 1 gold

25 May 2024: Rowing NZ Awards in Gisborne. Kylie Johnson was the recipient of the MRA Volunteer of the Year Award.

29 May 2024: NRC Prizegiving at The Boathouse

1 June 2024: Coastal Beach Sprints trials, Auckland. NRC has two U19 trialists.

5 June 2024: Naomi Robertson is selected onto the 2024 NZ World Coastal Beach Sprints Team, to compete in Genoa Italy in September.

27 June 2024: Nicole Campbell is selected onto the Rowing NZ U23 Team. Unfortunately injury prevents her from competing.

10 August 2024: Coastal Safari "Round the Island". 49 rowers from NRC and Picton row to Moturoa Rabbit Island and back :-)



Club and College Rowing

Tim Babbage



A group of 13 athletes headed north to the NZ Club Champs at Lake Karapiro with the aforementioned win in the Senior single to Olly Stephens. The Women added to the medal tally with a Silver in the Club Eight (composite with Wairau), Bronze in the Club Four and Bronze in the Novice Coxed Eight (composite with Tauranga). Most fun of the regatta had to be the win in the Mixed Senior Eight 500m Sprint with Maddie Collis, Naomi Robertson, Hollie John, Millie Treder, Olly Stephens, Sam Johnston, Rico Fraser, Jaxon Taylor and cox Madie Taylor.

The Maadi Regatta was the culmination of the school season with a good number of athletes reaching the standard to attend. One Medal was won with Nelson College's Murdoch Smith winning his first national medal with a Bronze in the U16 Single. Murdoch was coached by his Dad Brent Smith. Murdoch also made the A final in the U16 Double with Ollie White. B Finals for the Boys were the U17 1x, U18 2-, U18 1x, U18 N4x+.

For Nelson College for Girls 5 A Finals (U18 2x, U18 4+, U17 2-, U16 4+, U18 N4+) and 5 B Finals (U17 4+, U16 2x, U16 8+, U15 4+, U15 4x+) which reflects a very good step on from 2023 Maadi. Best result was a 4th in the U18 Double to Maddie Collis and Naomi Robertson.

My thanks to all the people who looked after the various teams ably led by Nic John. It's a huge logistical job to move the masses around the country and feed and house them. More thanks to the coaching group of Kylie, Phil, Sally, Clare, Brent, Hamish, Charlie and Bob for their hard work over the summer season. And finally my personal thanks for all the support by various people at the end of the season. It was very much appreciated.

Tim

It will be no surprise to anyone reading this that the 2023/24 season contained some controversy and some lows. But amongst that were some real highs and some truly outstanding performances.

Olly Stephens had a dominating season in the Single culminating in winning the Senior Men's Single at the NZ Club Championships. Having someone like Olly in the shed showed just how focussed you have to be to be able to perform at that level. He and the rest of the Senior Men were a great example to the younger athletes.





Masters Rowing

Yvanca Clarisse & Erin McNary

In another busy year for Nelson's Masters rowers, Yvanca and Erin report on two of the rowing highlights: Masters Rowing National Champs, September 2023 and South Island Masters, April 2024.

NZ Masters Champs, 16-17 September 2023 - by Yvanca Lake Ruataniwha, Twizel

Masters rowing took centre stage as seasoned athletes from across New Zealand defied Mother Nature's temperament to compete at the Masters Nationals regatta in Twizel. While the wind howled and the waves danced on the water, Nelson Rowing Club's masters' athletes demonstrated their unwavering dedication to the sport. Lake Ruataniwha, normally known for its excellent waters and ideal rowing conditions, turned into somewhat of a battleground for resilience as gusty winds swept across the nation.

The competition started with some strong racing in the Men's single race (D category) with Gregor Sedlmeier rowing himself convincingly to a spot in the A final. The women's F category coxless quad came on the water next and finished a strong 4th place in the A final. Next up was the women's B category quad of Kiri Williams, Erin McNary, Fiona Jones and Yvanca Clarisse who seemed to be taking the gold medal and the national title for the most part of the race, just to be pipped at the finish line by the crew from Dunstan Arm Rowing by 0.2 of a second. The men's coxless pair, Tony Crosbie and Colin Brown, rowed strong to a silver medal also. The wind continued to play havoc on the competition and a number of times the regatta was stopped due to heavy winds.

The first day was rounded out by medals for the women's G category double sculls for Silva Walsh and Dee Taylor who earned bronze, the mixed masters G-M double sculls where Dee Taylor picked up another bronze medal, a silver medal for the women's A category double sculls for Erin McNary and Kiri Williams, and the mixed masters G-M coxless quad which saw Steve Odinot rowing under the Nelson colours again together with Silvia Walsh, Dee Taylor, and J Steele also taking the silver.

The wind was blowing and the rain was falling overnight which made a second day of racing highly doubtful, but the regatta got off to a reasonably smooth, although continuously windy, start on Sunday.

The first gold medal for the Nelson team was achieved in the women's B category double sculls by Erin McNary and Yvanca Clarisse, leading from the start with a convincing 3 second lead on the second boat. The mixed masters D-F double sculls crew of Gregor Sedlmeier and Silvia Walsh picked up a bronze, the men's E category coxless quad, Tony Crosbie, Colin Brown, Huw Mitchell and Gregor Sedlmeier secured another bronze medal as well as the mixed masters A-C double sculls with Colin Brown and Kiri Williams just missing out on a silver medal because the course was not just 980 meters long.

After a defiant fight against the forces of nature and literally being the only boat that continued to move its way towards the finish line, Tony Crosbie and Erin McNary had to put down their oars and abandon their mission in the mixed masters A-C double sculls race. Huw Mitchell and Sue Bonham-Carter also fell casualty to the weather gods in the same division race.

The continued white caps and gale force winds ensured an early finish for the regatta and cancelled races, but the spirits of Nelson's rowers never waned. The team secured a total of 1 gold medals, 4 silver medals, and 5 bronze.



Masters Rowing cont.

Yvanca Clarisse & Erin McNary

South Island Masters, 26-27 April 2024 - by Erin Glendhu Bay, Lake Wanaka

Nelson Master's had a wonderful time at 2024 Glendhu Bay Hampshire Holiday Parks South Island Masters that took place over Anzac weekend in April.

After converging in Wanaka, the crew got to work setting up gear. Despite our best efforts, certain nameless folks managed to forget the connectors for the tent and the sculling riggers for the Lynley. Thankfully what we lacked in equipment, we made up for in good company.

The start of the event saw 20 of our squad separated into a few quads and an octi for the long distance. It was big on views, and waves, but surprisingly short on distance- a mere 3000m which I suspect was appreciated by many. Nelson took home 2 golds and a silver.

After the long distance, everyone had the opportunity to race in their mixed boats. The wind remained, so many found the course hard to navigate. Despite the tough conditions, mixed quads of Koen, Tim, Anita and Jean as well as the Martin and Strickland quads took home gold in their races. The day ended with a batch of medals in the mixed doubles by Tony and Yvanca, Colin and Kiri and Anita and Koen.

Saturday was a jam packed day where Nelson continued to shine. The wind mellowed for some of the events allowing for some of the smaller boats to have some great racing. Our mens E-J quads had great races in their divisions, each taking 3rd. Standout racing of the day came from ToCo who added a nice Gold in the pair to their collection and Kiri and Erin who took gold in their double. Nelson picked up a few more medals in the womens A quad, as well as the womens and mens doubles. The eights that rounded out the weekend were a blast.

Congrats to everyone that competed. All your training and hard work paid off and it was another awesome event. We're looking forward to another great performance next year at Lake Kanarie.

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Coastal Rowing

Tim Rogers



Over the past few years Coastal Rowing has seen a significant boom. Coastal Beach Sprints will form part of the Olympic Games in LA during 2028 and Rowing NZ is presently implementing strategy for the continued growth in this area of our sport.

The addition of a Coastal Double and Single in 2022 has given the club more options to get out on the water, as well as providing a pathway for less confident rowers to get afloat in small boats earlier in their rowing careers and for all rowers to have an option when the Nelson wind does its stuff.

Since the beginning NRC has been seen as something of a trail blazer, and despite that we did not run a Beach Sprint regatta during the 23/4 season here, we have continued to see growth. It is thus very likely this discipline will play a part in our rowing universe well into the future.

In May this year, Maddie Collis and Naomi Robertson made us all proud when they won the U19 CW2x National Beach Sprints title on Titahi Bay. Both were selected to trial for the upcoming World Championship NZ team - with Naomi securing a spot on the team and Maddie selected as a non-travelling reserve. The World Champs are set to take place at Nazarro Beach in Genoa, Italy in early September.

This year we have hosted the NZ Coastal Squad at both Senior and U19 levels for training camps and even the flat water Interprovincial squad were out in our coastal boats when they came to Nelson at the end of August for a camp of their own and weather was a little inclement.

Our Masters have been more focused on endurance racing/training. The squad took 3 quads and rowed 30 plus KM around the Sounds with Picton last November and then in May had a strong showing and some wins in the Waka Ama Portage Race.



Coastal Rowing

Tim Rogers



The largest coastal event of the year took place during mid August when 49 athletes from Nelson and Picton took 7 quads, a double and a single for the Coastal Safari "Round the Island". Whether it is a row, a rally or a race appears to be a personal thing. The "event" pits crews of six imaginatively dressed rowers against each other over three stages of rowing around Moturoa Rabbit Island interspersed with a couple of breaks for morning tea and lunch. Total course distance is about 35km with around 3 hours of rowing and 2 hours of rest.



Best Dressed crew this year were the Bumblebees (Huw, Denise, Gregor, Clare, Silvia and Warren). While the crews all claimed they were not racing, the dash for line honours was clear with The Tasman Tigers and the Blue Sharks fighting hard for The Laurels. The Tigers (Trevor, Trisha, Malindi, Koen, Brian and Jayne) earning full bragging rights after the Sharks (Nick, Alannah, Dee, Murray, Jean and Kevin) were penalised for a navigation time penalty shortly after the start for sneaking the wrong side of a buoy. A lesson to all that attention during the pre-race briefing matters!



A special mention for Anita who completed the entire course in her Coastal Single, establishing a new race category and making her the inaugural class winner. All up an event likely to repeat and to continue to evolve.

To run this event we are constrained by available fleet. Many thanks therefore to Rowing Tours NZ for lending four quads to make this event possible.





NRC Medallists for 2023/2024

NZ Masters Champs

16/17 Sept 2023
Lake Ruataniwha

Gold: Womens Masters B double sculls - Erin McNary, Yvanca Clarisse

Silver: Womens Masters B coxless quad sculls - Kiri Williams, Erin McNary, Fiona Jones, Yvanca Clarisse

Silver: Mens Masters E coxless pair oars - Tony Crosbie, Colin Brown

Silver: Womens Masters A double sculls - Kiri Williams, Erin McNary

Silver: Mixed Masters G-M coxless quad sculls - Steve Odinet, Dee Taylor, Silvia Walsh, J Steele

Bronze: Womens Masters G double sculls - Dee Taylor, Silvia Walsh

Bronze: Mixed Masters G-M double sculls - P Newsome, Dee Taylor

Bronze: Mixed Masters D-F double sculls - Gregor Sedlmeier, Silvia Walsh

Bronze: Mens Masters E coxless quad sculls - Tony Crosbie, Colin Brown, Huw Mitchell, Gregor Sedlmeier

Bronze: Mixed Masters A-C double sculls - Colin Brown, Kiri Williams

South Island Club Champs

27/28 January 2024
Lake Ruataniwha

The regatta was wind affected on Saturday. Heats were raced on Sunday and medals were determined by heats times.

Bronze: Womens Masters double sculls (1000m) - Erin McNary, M O'Connell

NZ Rowing Champs

13-17 February 2024
Lake Karapiro

Gold: Mens Senior single sculls - Olly Stephens

Silver: Womens Club coxed eight - composite crew with Wairau RC: Maddie Collis, Naomi Robertson, Millie Treder, Hollie John and cox Madie Taylor

Bronze: Womens Novice coxed eight - composite crew with Tauranga RC: Lauren O'Grady, Grace Palmer, Olive Forrester, Freda Turnbull and cox Madie Taylor

Bronze: Womens Club coxless four - Maddie Collis, Naomi Robertson, Millie Treder, Hollie John





NRC Medallists for 2023/2024

South Island Secondary Schools

1-3 March 2024
Lake Ruataniwha

Nelson College:

Gold: Boys U16 single sculls -
Murdoch Smith

Nelson College for Girls:

Silver: Girls U18 double sculls -
Maddie Collis and Naomi Robertson

2024 Maadi Regatta

18-23 March 2024
Lake Ruataniwha

Nelson College:

Bronze: Boys U16 single sculls -
Murdoch Smith

5th: Boys U16 double sculls -
Murdoch Smith and Ollie White

Nelson College for Girls:

4th: Girls U18 double sculls - Maddie
Collis and Naomi Robertson

5th: Girls U18 Novice coxed four -
Casey Newbury, Grace Palmer, Olive
Forrester, Freda Turnbull and cox
Brie Williams

6th: Girls U18 coxed four - Maddie
Collis, Naomi Robertson, Millie
Treder, Hollie John and cox Ruby
Southwick

8th: Girls U16 coxed four - Fern
Backhouse-Smith, Mia Cliffe, Isla
Martine, Frankie Palmer and cox
Ruby Southwick

8th: Girls U17 coxless pair oars -
Chloe Steele, Gracie Ames

South Island Masters Regatta

26-27 April 2024
Lake Wanaka

Gold: Co-ed Masters coxless quad
sculls - Tony Crosbie, Kiri Williams,
Erin McNary, Colin Brown

Gold: Womens Masters coxless quad
sculls - Simone Cook, Yvanca
Clarisse, Anita Stanbridge, Alannah
Jones

Gold: Co-ed Masters E-J coxless
quad sculls (Div 3) - Kevin Strickland,
Denise Martin, Richard Martin,
Trisha Strickland

Gold: Co-ed Masters E-J coxless
quad sculls (Div 2) - Koen Vermeulen,
Tim Rogers, Alannah Jones, Jean
Knapman

Gold: Mens Masters E-J coxless pair
oars - Tony Crosbie, Colin Brown

Gold: Womens Masters A-D double
sculls - Erin McNary, Kiri Williams





2024 NRC Prizegiving



The 2024 Prizegiving was held at The Boathouse to celebrate the successes and highlights of the 2023/2024 rowing season.

Rowing was hugely popular in early Nelson, so much so, that by the 1900's, the NRC had outgrown its clubrooms and in 1906 it built bigger premises on Wakefield Quay which is now The Boathouse. The Club's Prizegiving event is always a fun and social evening for all our members. It's also wonderful to be able to honour the Club's history by holding it in the Club's old home.



Congratulations to this years trophy winners:

Most Improved Novice Girl - Casey Newbury
 Most Improved Novice Boy - Harry Playford
 Novice Girl - Grace Palmer
 Novice Boy - Max Martin
 Most Improved Male - Jaxon Taylor
 Most Improved Female - Naomi Robertson
 Coxswain - Ruby Southwick
 Masters Contribution - Tim Rogers
 Administrator - Tony Crosbie
 The Cowbell Award (most vociferous) - Juno O'Connor
 Club Captain's Award - Terry Bourke, Bob Gilchrist, Warren Amos
 Top Male Masters Rower - Colin Brown
 Top Female Masters Rowers - Kiri Williams
 Outstanding Male Rower - Olly Stephens
 Outstanding Female Rower - Maddie Collis
 Nick Byrne Trophy (for most points in season) - Naomi Robertson & Sam Johnston
 Crew of the Year - Girls U18 double, Maddie Collis & Naomi Robertson
 Taylor Trophy (Sportsperson of the Year for Honesty, Loyalty, Diligence) - Olly Stephens
 Myles Sellers Memorial Trophy - Terry Bourke





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