



Nelson Rowing Club Scholarship Fund

Purpose of the Fund

The Scholarship Fund can be applied for by rowers who may be struggling financially to cover their rowing season costs.

The purpose of the scholarship is to assist continuing access to the sport for athletes who show promise at Club level or who would otherwise not continue in the sport were it not for the financial support provided by the scholarship. School and club rowers are eligible to apply to the fund. Applications will be considered in accordance with the criteria outlined below.

Scholarship Fund Sub-Committee

The Scholarship Fund Sub-Committee consists of:

- Club Patron
- Club Captain
- Life Member

The Sub-Committee will consider each application

Scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the Sub-Committee.

The Committee may request additional information to support an application.

A scholarship need not be awarded when the Sub-Committee believes there is no genuine need.

The Sub-Committee's decision is final and is not subject to appeal.

Applications Requirements

All applications will be treated as confidential and only made available to the Scholarship Fund Sub-Committee for the purpose of considering an application for financial support.

Applications should be endorsed by the applicant's Parents/Guardian if under 18 prior to being considered by the Sub-Committee.

Scholarship Fund Assessment Criteria

Applicants should provide information relating to:

Sources of Funding

- Personal contribution towards rowing costs
- Family contribution (where applicable)
- Other financial assistance available

General Eligibility Criteria

Members may be eligible for assistance where:

- They are a current or intending member of Nelson Rowing Club.
- They are experiencing genuine financial hardship
- The hardship is temporary or unforeseen in nature.
- They have explored other reasonable means of meeting the costs where appropriate including wider family and fund raising
- They are committed to participating in club activities and maintaining their membership.

Examples of hardship may include:

- Family hardship
- Personal hardship
- Unexpected financial commitments
- Financial emergencies

Nelson Rowing Club Expectations

The Scholarship Fund Sub-Committee may decide on a case-by-case basis to include a requirement for the recipient to "give back" to the Club by providing time or skills to assist in the running of the Club.

Recipients are expected to represent Nelson Rowing Club in a positive manner and, whenever possible, assist in the promotion of the Club.

Scholarship Terms and Conditions

The scholarship is awarded to the recipient for one rowing season.

The scholarship is intended to cover the annual rowing subscription levied for the applicable rowing category for that season along with. Regatta and training costs.

The amount approved by the Scholarship Fund Sub-Committee will be transferred by the Treasurer directly to the recipient's Nelson Rowing Club account. Funds will not be paid directly to the recipient's personal bank account.

The recipient remains responsible for any fees, charges and expenses incurred during the season that exceed the amount of the scholarship awarded.