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## WRC Alumni Programme

### To all former oarsmen and oarswomen of the Wellington Rowing Club

*If you are a former Schools, University, Novice, Club or Masters rower and enjoyed rowing as part of the Wellington Rowing Club community, then we would like to invite you to become an Alumni member.*

If you are a recently retired member or someone of advancing age but still young at heart, then the following is a way of retaining an active interest in the goings-on of the Wellington Rowing Club and being recognised as a valued Alumni member.

WRC was nominated as the New Zealand Rowing Club of the year in 2016. This major achievement recognises the standing that we have across the New Zealand rowing community as well as the high rowing standard we set on-the-water. In addition, our crews are enjoying considerable success in regional and national regattas at all levels.

As you will undoubtedly know, we rely on a large volunteer community who work very hard to ensure WRC rowers achieve success on the water, in spite of the challenges faced with water conditions on the harbour. We have a number of active fund raising initiatives during the season, as part of trying to keep the financial burden on active rowers as reasonable as possible. However, this approach does not fund boats and other needed equipment that is needed for club with a strong future.

By joining the Alumni programme, you will be actively contributing to the future success of the club and at the same time enjoy some rather unique benefits.

### Aims and objectives of our Alumni programme

- To provide a mechanism and valued recognition for current and past rowers (Schools, Universities, Novices, Club, Masters) and partners to continue to be associated with the club even if no longer an active rower.
- To provide specific support funding (scholarships to needy individuals, coaching development, pathway programmes)
- When appropriate to assist funding of equipment. E.g., new or even second-hand rowing skiffs, oars, cox boxes, ergs, safety equipment (PFDs, life jackets, etc) coach boats, or specific land-based projects.

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## Alumni programme details

A relatively small donation will secure your WRC Alumni membership. The amounts shown below are minimums and if an Alumni member or group of Alumni wished to make a larger donation, that would be recognised on the planned Alumni honours board if the donor desired. Donations over \$5 are tax deductible.

| Alumni category   | 1 year | 2 years | 3 years | Life time |
|---|--------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Past non-active rower of WRC  | \$100  | \$200   | \$300   | \$600     |
| Current or recent (within 3 years) active rowers who currently are or have paid full subscription |        |         |         | \$500     |

### As an Alumni member you will receive:

- A newly designed WRC lapel “pin”
- An annual function specifically for Alumni members (Open Day, September). BBQ or dinner with other activities surrounding. This also involve getting on the water for a paddle if wished.
- A specific Alumni section in the WRC newsletter. Issues will highlight specific Alumni and include photos. A full list of Alumni members and register of contact details will be maintained.
- Discounts for merchandise that is showcased in the newsletter and on the website.
- Ability to join Masters for a row (usually Sunday mornings)
- Other planned benefits

### In addition, for Life Membership Alumni:

- A copy of the Dolly Varden book
- A specific annual invitation to come along to a Wellington regatta of your choice, watch racing and enjoy hospitality as a guest of WRC.
- Able to rent the function room at the club discount rate (currently 40%).
- A WRC rugby jersey (shown below) embroidered (Alumni Life Member)



k/ An honours Board is being erected that will recognise Honorary and Alumni Life Members

## How to join

Simply email [fundraising@wellingtonrowing.org.nz](mailto:fundraising@wellingtonrowing.org.nz) and someone will be in contact to formally enroll you to our Alumni fraternity.