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FROM THE ROWING CO-ORDINATOR

It is hard to believe that we are at the half way mark of the 2015-2016 rowing season already and that there are only seven shopping days until Christmas!! – just remember if you are stuck for a present for your rower, a 10mm spanner is always handy!!

Congratulations to the three year 7 crews and three year 8 crews who all competed at the Juniors only regatta on the Torrens on 28 November. You are all to be commended for taking up the challenge and putting yourselves ‘out there’ after only a few short weeks of practice. Well done to the more experienced year 8 crews for their strong efforts, particularly the boys B crew who won their event in convincing style.

On the same weekend, Alannah Gilsmore, Nour Mol and Sabohan Jerkic all took part in the gruelling Head of the Yarra Regatta in Melbourne, Sabohan’s crew managing to win their category outright despite very limited preparation together. A great experience for all athletes!

A number of our senior rowers are also part of the Pathway 8+ program which will produce male and female crews to compete at a state regatta in Sydney in April after the National Championships. Good luck to Alannah, Nour Telopia Kailis-Phillips, Sam Hore, Ben Gordon, Matthew Nielsen and Beau in their quest to represent South Australia!

Hot weather has brought a premature end to training pre-Christmas and it is vital that all rowers continue some form of (rigorous) activity over the break so that your hard work is not wasted. All coaches have published training schedules for the next few weeks/months so make it your business to return fitter, faster and stronger in 2016, ready for the mid season camp in January.

On behalf of all coaches, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year – GO PULTENEY!!

Richard Sexton
Head of Rowing

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of Nick Ruygrok who died last week in a cycling accident in Sydney.

Nick was Vice Captain of School and Captain of Rowing in 2007 and had moved interstate earlier this year to further his political aspirations.

Nick was engaged to be married next year. His loss, at 25 years of age, is tragic.

We extend our thoughts and prayers to Jackie, Maddi and Nick’s fiancée Verity.
FROM THE PRESIDENT

Time flies when you’re having fun and clearly we at the Pulteney Boat Club must be having plenty, because we’re already half way through the season!

So much has happened during that time and we’ve achieved some good results on the water and plenty of strong results off of the water. This season's committee has done a magnificent job with a range of fundraising activities and we’re well on track to possibly achieve our best season result ever. That translates directly into equipment for our rowers and this season our fundraising has helped with the purchase of a new 1st VIII boat and shortly a new set of oars. While the committee works hard to achieve these results, they don't materialise without the strong support of all rowing families. It's that support which underpins the strong sense of community which our club has and which other schools notice and envy.

Thank you all for what you do to build the Pulteney Boat Club.

The next significant fundraiser for the club will be a "Back to the Boat shed" function in mid February and we'll also be encouraging all current families, past rowing families, coaches and former rowers to sign up to our ‘100 Club’. More details on both early in the new year. And if you're keen to top up your cellar in lead up to Christmas and New Year, there's going to be a quick wine drive - so keep an eye on your emails and be prepared to order quickly.

Finally on behalf of the club, may I wish you the best of the season and here's to success for our rowers in the new year.

Leigh Radford
President, Pulteney Boat Club Committee

DIARY DATES – 2015–2016

2016
18 January Pulteney Boat Club meeting - see margin
28-31 January Mid season Rowing Camp, Ankara Youth Camp - Walker Flat
12 March Schools' Head of the River Regatta, West Lakes

Pulteney Boat Club thanks Platinum sponsor the University of Adelaide for their support through the 2015-2016 season.
Pulteney Boat Club thanks the following Silver Sponsors at our Regatta:

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If you have any photos you would like to share, particularly of the Season Opener and boat naming ceremony, please email them to me!