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WH PINCOTT CLUB ON FACEBOOK

GGs rowing parents and supporters are encouraged to join the **W.H. Pincott Club** page on Facebook. Regularly updated with information from the Director of Rowing and with rowing photos, this is the main resource for our rowing community and enables everyone to stay informed throughout the season.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY 2018

Date	Event	Location	req:
Sat 27	W.H. Pincott Barwon Regatta	Barwon River	All Senior Crews

FEBRUARY 2018

Date	Event	Location	req:
Sat 3	Wendouree/ Ballarat Regatta	Lake Wendouree	All Senior Crews
Sat 10	Nagambie Regatta	Nagambie Lakes	All Senior Crews
Sat 17	NSW Rowing Championships	Sydney	Girls & Boys 1st & 2nd VIII
Sat 17	RV APS Regatta	Ballarat	Senior Boys
Sat 17	RV APS Regatta	Barwon River	Senior Girls

MARCH 2018

Date	Event	Location	req:
Sat 3	Victorian Championships	Lake Wendouree	All Senior Crews
Fri 16	W.H. Pincott Cocktail Party	Melbourne	All Year 10, 11, 12 Parents
16 - 18	Head of Schoolgirls Regatta	Barwon River	All Senior Girls
Sat 17	Scotch Mercantile Regatta	Nagambie Lakes	All Senior Boys
Thu 22	WHPC Annual Dinner	Melbourne	All welcome
Sat 24	APS Head of the River Regatta	Nagambie Lakes	All Senior Crews
Sun 25	EoS Boat Club Luncheon	Dining Hall, Corio	All welcome

Please note: The Director of Rowing reserves the right to make changes to this fixture and attendance at regattas at his absolute discretion.

ROWING 2018



ROWING AT GGS

GGs BOAT CLUB (1874)

The Geelong Grammar School Boat Club (GGSBC) was established in 1874 and is one of the oldest and most successful rowing clubs in Australia. The GGSBC represents the ambitions and interests of the students and coaches. The School's Director of Rowing, Mr Toby Lister, heads the GGSBC. Reporting to him are the coaches, their crews and the boatman. The Director of Rowing reports to the Director of Sport.

WH PINCOTT CLUB (1963)

The WH Pincott Club (WHPC) was founded in 1963 and is the oldest school rowing supporters club in Australia, with over 1,500 members.

The WHPC is the supporters' club for rowing at GGS and comprises past rowers, current and past parents, staff and friends. The WHPC essentially serves two groups; offering a forum for past rowers to maintain contact with crewmates and developments in rowing at School, and providing a focal point for parents and supporters whose children row.

Individual membership is by a one-off subscription:
www.ggs.vic.edu.au/School/Sport/Sport-Support-Groups/Rowing---WH-Pincott-Club/Membership

The WHPC draws from both OGGs and current parents to form its committee and deliberately has no involvement in crew selection, coaching or the running of GGSBC.

The Club takes its name from WH ('Pinny') Pincott who coached the 1st VIII from 1923 until 1944, winning 4 Head of the River regattas. Pinny was Captain of School, captained the 1st XVIII and played for the 1st XI. He also played Australian League Football for Geelong. He was a greatly revered coach, coaching crews from Geelong Grammar, Geelong College, The University of Melbourne and Barwon boat clubs. It is for his sincerity and simplicity of approach and for his great influence on coaches and the coaching of rowing that he will long be remembered.

SUB-COMMITTEES OF WHPC

From time to time the WH Pincott Club uses sub-committees to share the administrative load. Typically, sub-committees are formed to assist with event management and fundraising.

BCD INC. (2002)

The BCD Inc. is a separately incorporated legal entity and functions outside the responsibilities of the WHPC, the GGSBC and the School.

The Boat Club Dance (BCD) is for Senior rowers and is usually held at the end of Term 1. The BCD is run as a private, parent-sponsored function without the involvement of WHPC, GGSBC or the School. It is hosted, planned and supervised by the parents of the senior crews. These parents form the BCD Committee that oversees and is responsible for the activities of BCD Inc. and for those students attending the BCD.

ATTENDANCE AT REGATTAS

Parents and supporters are always welcome at weekend regattas. Casual, comfortable attire is recommended. Weather conditions vary greatly and it is useful to bring sunscreen, hats, a picnic rug/chairs and possibly coats and umbrellas. The WH Pincott Club Supporters' caps are available for purchase at all regattas.

The GGS Marquee is located in the spectator area at regattas, usually near the Finish line. Assistance with setting up and packing down the marquee at regattas is greatly appreciated. Catering is BYO picnic style, alternatively refreshments can be purchased from the food trucks & coffee vans in attendance. The exception to this, for our rowing community, is the APS Head of the River Regatta at Nagambie, which is a fully catered event (see below).

RACE DAY ETIQUETTE & CODE OF CONDUCT AT REGATTAS

RACE DAY ETIQUETTE

(A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF ROWING)

We encourage parents to come and support their child at all (or as many as possible) regattas, however, I do ask that parents refrain from distracting the students and coaches either pre-race or directly after returning from the water, when debriefing of races occurs. It would be best practice if you wait until your child approaches you. If we can work together off the water then this will go a long way to ensure the students compete at their best on the water. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Toby Lister

WH PINCOTT CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS, PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS

1. Encourage your children to practice the 'GGs Rowers Code of Conduct' at all times.
2. Support the coaching staff.
3. Follow coaches' instructions particularly during the briefings before and after races. Parents are not allowed to attend at these briefings.
4. Be sensitive to your children's pre-race preparations and post-race debriefings.
5. Cheer for all GGS crews – not just the heats or finals in which your child is rowing.
6. Join in with fellow GGS parents and OGGs.
7. Help create a 'picnic' atmosphere at the WHPC tent at regattas.
8. Help with the putting up and taking down of the regatta tents and returning these with all the accessories, to the boat trailers in good time prior to the boat trailers departure.
9. Applaud winning crews and recognise the good performance of other schools, and in particular, those of our traditional APS competitors.

10. Do not compete with parents of other Schools. The place for competition is on the water between crews – not between the parents on the riverbank. Parents should support not compete.
11. Be generous in offering GGS hospitality to parents and supporters of other schools.

Please remember that as OGGs and GGS parents, our behaviour has the potential to build or diminish the good reputation of the School.

SOCIAL EVENTS

WH PINCOTT CLUB COCKTAIL PARTY

Friday 16 March 2018

A new event this year, hosted by the committee of the WH Pincott Club in Melbourne, for all parents and supporters of GGS rowers in Years 10, 11 and 12.

HEAD OF THE SCHOOLGIRLS' REGATTA

16 - 18 March 2018

The Head of the Schoolgirls' Regatta is the main event of the schoolgirl rowing season in Victoria. GGS supporters are encouraged to head to the banks of the Barwon River to cheer on our crews at this popular regatta. The GGS Marquee will be located near the Finish line and a shared BYO picnic-style atmosphere is encouraged.

WH PINCOTT CLUB ANNUAL DINNER

Thursday 22 March 2018

This formal dinner, held in Melbourne, celebrates the adventures of past rowers and, in particular, GGS crews going back in ten-year intervals, known as "the reunion of the decade crews". The evening is a wonderful opportunity for past rowers to reacquaint and reminisce. All members and supporters are welcome.

APS HEAD OF THE RIVER REGATTA

Saturday 24 March 2018

The pinnacle event of the rowing season for all our Senior Crews and a great day for the GGS community. All WHPC Members, parents, relatives and GGS friends are warmly welcome. With the support of the School, an extra large GGS Marquee will be set up on the banks of Nagambie Lake, for all to gather beneath and cheer the crews along. This event is fully catered for, with Members and their guests asked to make a small contribution, on the day, toward catering. GGS supporters are encouraged to wear a touch of light blue to this premier regatta day.

GGs BOAT CLUB LUNCHEON

Sunday 25 March 2018

The end of season luncheon, held in the Dining Hall, GGS Corio, takes place the day after the APS Head of the River Regatta and is an opportunity to reflect upon the season, share stories and anecdotes and celebrate the efforts of our rowers. This event is for all Senior School crews, their coaches, parents and supporters.