

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

CALGARY
ROWING CLUB



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A message from the president

2022 was a year of transition: transition to a restricted version of indoor winter training; a return to in-person erg champs; transition to a new Club Manager; removal of pandemic restrictions; and, a return to meaningful competition. Here are some highlights from the year.

The Board initiated a project to determine what current or potential capacity concerns there might be in our programs and to consider possible actions or remedies. Richard Galway and Wanda Murin led this initiative and conducted interviews with coaches and current and past club managers. It was determined that there are no current concerns about program quality or safety due to current numbers in programs. The Junior and Senior programs may be close to capacity given current coaching, coach boat resources and time slot availability. The para program is naturally capped based on equipment availability. Some recommendations are: changes to junior intake timing; an ongoing commitment to recruit and train new coaches; and, to encourage RCA to provide more relevant training for para and new coaches.

As pandemic rules changed, we were able to return to a restricted version of indoor training. Our fearless Club Manager, Amelie Schumacher, along with the CRC coaching staff worked very hard to ensure we could train indoors safely.

In-person Erg Champs was back this year after a 1-year hiatus; Central Alberta Rowing Club invited us back to Erg Champs indoors in Red Deer following provincial pandemic restrictions. As usual the CRC athletes achieved some great results.

Rowing Canada rolled out their Safe Sport Policy and the CRC Board approved the adoption of the policy in March. Richard Galway reviewed our previous policy manual to ensure reference to and consistency with the CRC Safe Sport Policy and the Board accepted these changes in May.

The Club Comp program saw some changes this year as Wesley Ernst stepped down as the sole program coach for the Club Comp group; Pascal Ferraro, Mike Simonson and Wesley shared the coaching responsibilities as their time permitted. While this wasn't ideal as we returned to competition both locally and internationally, the coaches and athletes made it work. We thank Pascal, Mike and Wes for preparing many of this group for World Rowing Masters in France.

A message from the president

In April we said goodbye to our long-time Club Manager Amelie Schumacher. We were sad to see her go but thrilled about her new position at the Creative Destruction Lab. We conducted a public search, conducted interviews and were very happy to welcome our own John Perri to the role of Club Manager.

By the time May rolled around the provincial government had lifted restrictions to outdoor sport and we anticipated a return to some sense of normalcy around the Clubhouse. We were all thrilled that the ice melted and docks went in so that we could start rowing May 1.

In early July we held our first AB Open in three years! It was a huge success thanks to the coaches, staff and many volunteers. A special thanks to Karen Salmon, AB Open Chair, Barb Heise, AB Open Co-Chair and Andrea Larochelle, our amazing volunteer coordinator, you all did a fabulous job! We also were able to hold our year-end banquet this year! It was so nice to see everyone dressed up, relaxing and having a good time. In addition to athlete awards, this year's banquet saw a few new additions in the form of a photo booth and gingerbread house contest. Thank you Andrea Larochelle for organizing this fun event and thank you to Monroe and John for making the beautiful cakes for dessert!

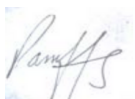
We sent crews to nine regattas: AB Open, Island Summer Regatta, Cascadia Masters Championship, Canadian Henley Regatta, Canada Summer Games, World Rowing Masters, Dino Sprints, Head of the Charles and NRCs.

Youth camps were full to the brim again in 2022, the camp coaches hosted 152 kids in 7 week-long camps and 2 high performance camps. The Junior program also ran 1 novice intake camp hosting 35 kids in May with over 45% retention. We ended the season with a junior squad of 95 athletes. Learn to Row was also full this summer. We hosted 72 individuals in LTR and we converted 24 of those to members.

I've said it before, and I probably sound like a broken record, but it's still true - I'm proud to be a member and the President of this club. We have a great community of athletes and parents that contribute to make this a wonderful place to train, compete and meet our own personal goals.

Congratulations to everyone for a very successful season!

Sincerely,



Pamela Young
CRC President

CRC INCLUSIVITY STATEMENT

Words have power, and the CRC takes pride in vocalizing our inclusivity. However, actions have more power and we continue to commit to equity at our club through daily actions and club policies. No matter race, gender, religion, sexual preference, physical ability or otherwise, everyone is welcome at the CRC. While some of us may never understand the challenges others face within our club and our community, we stand with you.

You are always welcome in our CRC rowing community and we will always be #oneteam . Thank you for continuing to be kind, inclusive and respectful to one another, today, tomorrow and everyday.



2022 Coaches and Staff

At the CRC we are proud to have an amazing group of coaches and staff who dedicate their time and energy to their athletes and the club. We would like to highlight and recognize this year's coaches and staff.

Junior Program

- Alex Marchuk – Head Coach
- Brandon Mooney – Asst. Coach
- Brianna Walsh – Asst. Coach
- Kendra Hartley – Asst. Coach
- Anna Bender – Asst. Coach
- Anna Currie – Asst. Coach

Senior Program

- Pascal Ferraro – Head Coach
- Michael Simonson – Asst. Coach
- Amelie Schumacher – Asst. Coach

Club Comp Program

- Wesley Ersnt – Asst. Coach
- Michael Simonson – Asst. Coach
- Pascal Ferraro – Asst. Coach

Club Tech Program

- Makenzie Lukacs – Head Coach

Club Staff & Management

- John Perri – Club Manager
- Deanna Salmon – Summer Staff
- Louis Ferraro – Summer Staff
- Ali Webster – Summer Staff
- Ben Ravenscroft – Summer Staff
- Ainsley Salmon – Summer Staff
- Cecile Ferraro – Summer Staff
- Rishi Kalaga – Summer Staff

Para Rowing Program

- Amelie Schumacher – Head Coach
- Beth Miller – Asst. Coach

In-Training Coaches

- Diana Davis
- Claire O'Brien
- Kaliya Javra
- Landon Foley





Events and Regattas

Small Boat Championships - JUNE 2022

This year, we had over 83 entries in our annual Small Boat Champs Regatta. With the help of our coaches and volunteers, the event was a huge success. Athletes from across all programs were given the opportunity to race in singles, for some it was their first time! Each athlete pulled their heart out on the ergs before racing down the CRC course against fellow teammates. Sasha Toews and Rishi Kalaga took home 1st in the U19 category. Our two masters champs were Barb Heise and Chris Davidson. The open category was won by Anna Currie and Albert Harkema.



Alberta Open - JULY 2022

The first Alberta Open after the Covid-19 pandemic was a complete success. Volunteers, coaches, umpires and athletes all came together for one of the first inter-club regattas hosted at the CRC since 2019. The two day event was filled with lots of fun and stiff competition. The 239 entries from various provinces provided some fierce competition for the CRC athletes. Nonetheless, we finished with 19 first place and 111 top five finishes! With outstanding performances from all ages and rowing experience, we certainly set the bar high for next year's Alberta Open.



Events and Regattas

Elk Lake Summer Regatta- JULY 2022

Every summer, junior athletes, along with some master and senior athletes travel to Victoria to represent the CRC on the west coast. This regatta is essential to the Junior Program as it gives newer athletes good away-regatta experience. Once again, the CRC was very well represented and delivered top-notch performances. We finished the weekend with 15 first place finishes and 39 top five finishes. The Juniors won 13 of those golds, and our novices earned 2 sets of hardware at one of their first regattas!

Royal Canadian Henley - AUGUST 2022

After two long years, the focal point of the competitive season was back, and better than ever. The masters athletes paved the way, heading out to St. Catharines, ON a week early to show the east what the CRC is made of. A huge congratulations to Anna Currie for her win in the SR LWT 1x, and to Jessie Loutit, Courtney Kruschel, Olivia McMurray and Kendra Hartley for their win in the SR Women's Four. We consistently had boats in A finals across all programs, making this one of our most successful Henley regattas to date. Our CRC athletes displayed amazing grit, determination, dedication and sportsmanship. Congrats to all crews who raced!



Events and Regattas



CANADA SUMMER GAMES - AUGUST 2022

After being postponed a year due to the Covid-19 pandemic, it was finally time for our Alberta U22 athletes to compete against the rest of the country in Niagara, ON. After a week of racing, our athletes paraded into the closing ceremony having won one gold (M2-), one silver (M4-) and three bronze medals (M4x, M8+, W4-). As it was the last Canada Summer Games including the sport of rowing, our athletes raced their hearts out, and demonstrated strength, tenacity and hard work on the national stage. Congrats to all athletes.

DAY OF THE EIGHTS - SEPTEMBER 2022

After rowing once a week for 12 weeks, our Rowing League participants had the chance to showcase their new found sweeping skills. Members from every CRC program joined Rowing League participants to fill out 8 crews. After close and competitive racing, team Dinosaurs claimed victory, wrapping up the 2nd annual race. We look forward to new competition in next year's Day of the Eights.

DINO SPRINTS - SEPTEMBER 2022

The 2022 Dino Sprints saw seven rowing clubs racing down the reservoir. The UCalgary Dinos did an excellent job organizing and running the annual event. The CRC and UCRC put up excellent results, with 8 first place finishes. Amazing job to all crews! The CRC is looking forward to helping host the regatta for many years to come!

Events and Regattas



WORLD MASTERS - SEPTEMBER 2022

This fall 15 of our Masters athletes travelled to Bordeaux, France to compete in the World Rowing Masters Regatta. The CRC team, comprised of 8 women and 7 men achieved 7 first place, 6 second place and 6 third place finishes. The combined team finished 8th in team points out of 713 clubs.



HEAD/TAIL OF THE GORGE - OCTOBER 2022

Once again, the fan favourite fall regatta provided athletes with the opportunity to fly through the Gorge Narrows and make onlookers laugh with their creative costumes. Athletes from our Junior, Master and UCalgary teams provided tough competition for some BC Clubs. We ended the weekend with eight first place finishes and a plethora of fantastic costumes. We are excited to see what our athletes come up with next year.

HEAD OF THE CHARLES - OCTOBER 2022

This year seven CRC and UCRC crews took on the world's largest head race at HOTC in Boston, MA. We had some stellar results, with our LWT Women's 2x claiming the number one spot. Our Women's Champ 4- clinched a third place finish as well. Overall the HOTC race provides our athletes with the opportunity to showcase their skills at a renowned regatta, and have the experience of a lifetime while doing it.



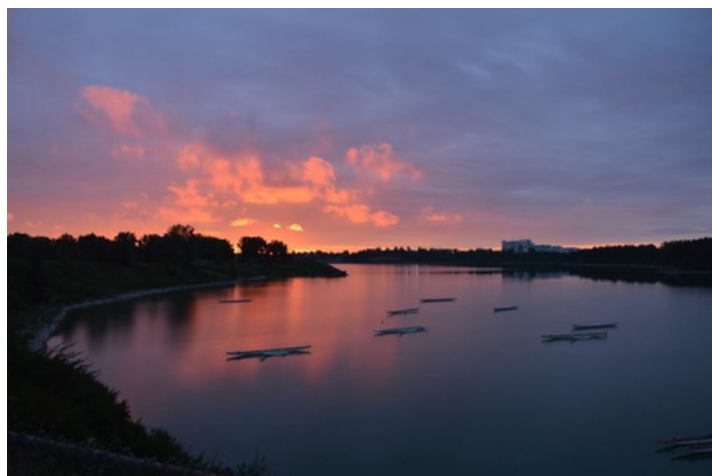
NATIONAL ROWING CHAMPS - NOVEMBER 2022

CRC/AB athletes traveled to Duncan BC, to compete against the nation's best at NRCs. The CRC sent crews to compete in each category, Junior, U23 and Open. All in all, it was an extremely successful regatta, in which seven athletes won medals for their great performance. We could not be more pleased with the results. Fantastic job to all crews who raced!



Competitive Results

Royal Canadian Henley and Masters Henley		
LW1x	Anna Currie	1st
W4-	Jessie Loutit, Courtney Kruschel, Kendra Hartley, Olivia McMurray	1st
W8+	Jessie Loutit, Courtney Kruschel, Kendra Hartley, Olivia McMurray, Carli Klapstein, Hannah Anderson, Deanna Salmon, Anna Currie, Elizabeth Ford	2nd
W2-	Olivia McMurray, Kendra Hartley	2nd
W2-	Jessie Loutit, Courtney Kruschel	2nd
U17W4x	Monroe LaRochelle, Ruth Buchanan, Apoline Ryan, Sonia Popa	2nd
Champ W2-	Olivia McMurray, Kendra Hartley	2nd
Mix Masters E-I2x	Terry Joubert, Heather White	2nd
U17M1x	Griffen Salmon	3rd
U23W2-	Deanna Salmon, Rosalie Trigg	3rd



Canada Summer Games		
M4-	Axel Ewashko, Patrick Milner, Eric Pettapiece, Sam Ree	2nd
W4-	Kaliya Jarva, Beth Miller, Gabrielle Worobec, Gabrielle Yarema	3rd
M4x	Michael Claassen, Andrew Hubbard, Ben Ravenscroft, Griffen Salmon	3rd
M8+	Bob Bryden, Mac Dressler, Axel Ewashko, Henry King, Patrick Milner, Eric Pettapiece, Sam Ree, Alexis Vela, Paige Sze	3rd



World Rowing Masters		
Men's H 2x	Richard Galway, Sandy Smith	1st
Women's D 2x	Wanda Murin, Carol Hermansen	1st
Women's E 4x	Donna Cunnin, Ivanna Perzak, Wanda Murin, Carol Hermansen	1st
Women's E 2x	Wanda Murin, Carol Hermansen	1st
Women's D 4x	Pamela Young, Barb Heise, Ivanna Perozak, Margot Wilderdijk	1st
Mixed D 2x	Ivanna Perozak, Matt Swain	1st
Mixed F 2x	Wanda Murin, Wayne Pridham	1st

National Rowing Championships		
U23LW1x	Karissa riley	1st
U231x	Andrew Hubbard	2nd
U23W1x	Shaye de Paiva	2nd
M2-	Curtis Ames & Partner	2nd
U23W2-	Gabrielle Yarema & Partner	2nd
JW2-	Kaliya Jarva & Ainsley Salmon	2nd
LW1x	Karissa Riley	3rd
M1x	Andrew Hubbard	3rd

Club Program Awards

Junior

U19 Athletes of the Year: Archer Larochelle & Ainsley Salmon

U17 Athletes of the Year: Griffen Salmon & Kiera Brennan

U15 Athletes of the Year: Jacob Bramble & Orla Bailey

Black Squad Most Improved: Monroe Larochelle

Red Squad Most Improved: Vaugh Ellemers

Grey Squad Most Improved: Oscar Nanjad

Senior

Male Athlete of the Year: John Perri

Female Athlete of the Year: Anna Currie

Club Tech

Most Improved: Ally Johnson

MVP: Vanessa Daams

Club Comp

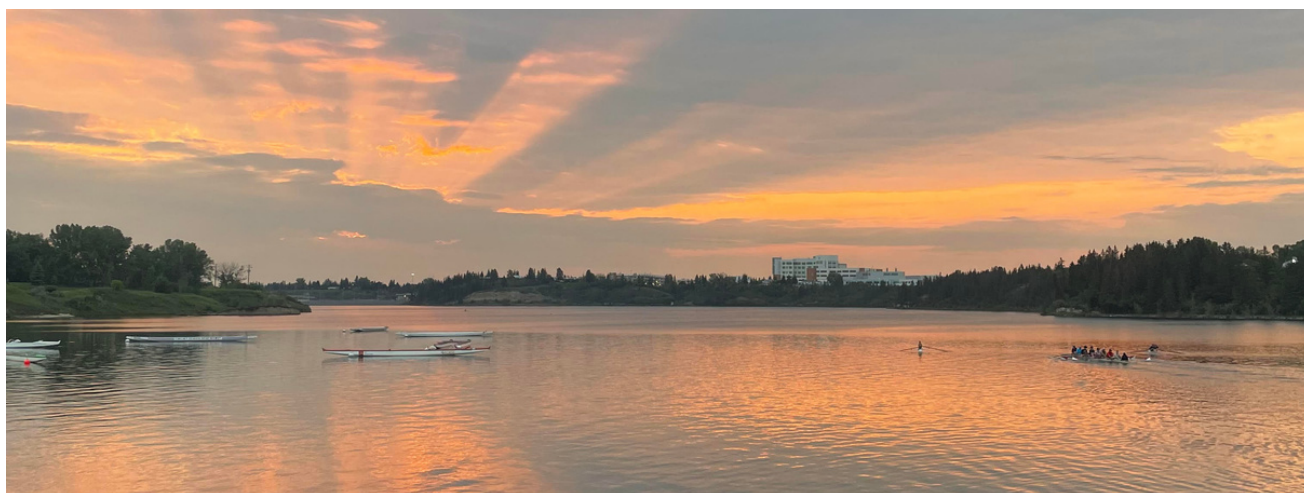
Male Athlete of the Year: Richard Galway

Female Athlete of the Year: Carol Hermansen

Para

Chelsea Donelon

Congratulations to these athletes for their hard work and determination!



Board of Directors



Pamela Young
President



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Vice President



Wanda Murin
Secretary



Stephan Antsey
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Director



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Director



Barb Heise
Director



Richard Galaway
Director



Cyrus Mackie
Director



Wayne Pridham
Director



Karen Salmon
Director



Olivia McMurray
Director

Treasurer's Report

Audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021 are provided for your review as well as unaudited financial statements for the period January 1, 2022 to October 31, 2022. A summary is below:

- 2022 saw the CRC operate in its "new normal" state, having returned to a full slate of regatta competition, while implementing modified Covid protocols.
- In 2021 a new membership structure was introduced due to increased number of athletes and coaching requirements with membership revenue of \$199,087 and 2022 YTD at a similar level, \$203,587.
- Staffing expenses in 2021 were \$59k higher due to CRC's opening on May 1st (instead of June 15th in 2020), and increase in athletes, addition of an Assistant Club Manager, and additional coaching time on water. Total staff expenses amounted to \$211,449 in 2021 and are expected to be similar in 2022.
- We received a Communities Initiatives Program grant in 2022 for \$61,472, matched by CRC, which allows us to execute our Capital Purchase Plan of \$131,213 – please refer to the CPP.
- A successful Casino provided funds of \$74,491 to be deposited in Nov / 2022.
- The \$40,000 federal CEBA loan repayment date was extended to Dec. 31, 2023, when \$30,000 is to be repaid. Given the current economic climate and high interest rates, we have invested a total of \$233,346 into four GICs which are expected to generate interest of \$9,334 by November 2023.
- \$25,977 Canada Summer Jobs grant was received in 2021, and \$36,000 in 2022.
- LTR began to return to normal levels at \$24,736 in 2021, and Youth Camps achieved another new record high at \$42,752 in 2021, and \$42,523 YTD, 2022.
- Regatta activity was low in 2021 with \$11,798 in revenue but returned to a full schedule in 2022, with more typical revenue of \$60,701, offset by regatta expenses.
- CRC did not host Alberta Open in 2021, however 2022 saw the return of this exciting regatta, with revenues of \$15k and expenses YTD of \$11k.
- Total Equipment expenses remained low at \$39k in 2021 to provide boat parts, supplies, and truck/trailer insurance.
- 2021 Current Assets totaled \$419,236, with YTD 2022 at \$471,162.

Capital Purchase Plan, \$131,213

- New Coach Boat w/ motor (2022)
- Para and Sculling Oars (2022)
- Ergs (2022)
- Para Seats (2022)
- Propane motor replacement
- Tubby Single
- Floater suits
- Midweight 1x singles (used)
- LWT 1x singles (used)

CRC weathered the worst of the pandemic due to incredible teamwork and financial due diligence of all involved, realizing a net income of \$20,128 in 2021. Our cash position remains strong as we head into 2023.

After close to 5 years serving as your Treasurer, I am stepping down but have fond memories working with the CRC Board and I look forward to helping in other ways!

Sincerely,



Stephen Anstey
Treasurer, Calgary Rowing Club

Financial Statements

Calgary Rowing Club Income Statement, Year End December 31, 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>Jan-Oct 2022</u>
REVENUE		
Bingo	\$ 12,205	\$ 28,131
Casino	\$ -	\$ -
Membership	\$ 199,087	\$ 202,112
Regatta and Other Income	\$ 15,084	\$ 90,009
Boat Storage	\$ 10,121	\$ 10,368
LTR & Youth Camps	\$ 67,488	\$ 64,169
Social Functions	\$ -	\$ -
Grants	\$ 38,689	\$ 97,472
Donations	\$ -	\$ -
Other	\$ -	\$ -
Total Revenue	\$ 342,673	\$ 492,261
EXPENSES		
Regatta Expenses	\$ 17,118	\$ 108,537
Office Expenses	\$ 31,379	\$ 33,056
Facility Expenses	\$ 20,612	\$ 31,062
Casino	\$ -	\$ 2,351
Staff	\$ 214,090	\$ 190,072
Social Functions	\$ 259	\$ -
Bursary	\$ 150	
Equipment Expenses	\$ 38,938	\$ 71,443
Miscellaneous Expenses		\$ 829
Total Expenses	\$ 322,546	\$ 437,350
Net Income	\$ 20,128	\$ 54,911

Calgary Rowing Club Balance Sheet as at December 31, 2021

	<u>2021</u>	<u>Jan-Oct 2022</u>
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 233,107	\$ 312,658
Restricted Cash		
Bingo & Credits	\$ 23,874	\$ 32,747
Casino*	\$ 55,943	\$ 22,251
Accounts Receivable	\$ 2,820	\$ 13
Total Current Assets	\$ 315,743	\$ 367,668
GICs**	\$ 103,493	\$ 103,493
Total Long Term Assets	\$ 103,493	\$ 103,493
Total Assets	\$ 419,236	\$ 471,162
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$ 12,709	\$ -
Credit Cards	\$ 1,371	\$ 3,039
CEBA Loan	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
GST/HST Payable	\$ -	\$ 8,179
Other Current Liabilities	\$ (126)	\$ (126)
Total Liabilities	\$ 53,954	\$ 51,093
EQUITY		
Opening Balance	\$ 153,416	\$ 153,416
Retained Earnings	\$ 191,738	\$ 211,741
Net Income	\$ 20,128	\$ 54,911
Total Equity	\$ 365,282	\$ 420,069
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$ 419,236	\$ 471,162

* Casino funds of \$74,491 to be deposited in November, 2022

** GICs total \$233,346 as of November 14, 2022