

## **Trophies of Scottish Rowing Clubs**

The names of trophies some which I won, others that just appeared in programmes, will bring back memories to some people though many of the trophies have now disappeared, never being returned or having been stolen. Rather sad.

### **Aberdeen.**

Canadian Centennial trophy, Sculls.

Co-operative challenge;

### **Castle Semple;**

Alex Snyder Trophy (Castle Semple)

**Clyde ARC** trophies. Historical note. During the early 1950's Clyde was unable to achieve its aspirations in organising a post war open regatta because of a lack of presentation trophies. We were then fortunate that a lady donated to the club, cups and silver plate which had been won by a male relative who had been connected with the club during its formative years. The pieces were mounted on appropriate plinths, (since misplaced) and used for events held at the first post war regatta. The events were named after the original trophies, thus, City of Glasgow Plate (Silver Coffee Pot). Argyle Cup (Two cups won in subsequent years). Phoenix Cup. Henderson Cup. The pieces used as trophies were the original individual prizes for events won at the Scottish National Regatta held at Clynder, Gairloch during 1860 and 1861. At that time racing took place eights (65-70 feet in length), fours and sculls (36ft in length) These boats ere fitted with outriggers and sliding seats, and Clyde Steamers were chartered for the Regatta to follow races as floating grandstands. He regatta has changed considerably over the years and with the approval of the Corporation of Glasgow as originally titled "The City of Glasgow Regatta". The number of events has increased as has the stock of trophies, for example; The Centenary Trophy by Mr and Mrs R Cullen; The Secretary's Cup and School sculling cups presented by Tom Findlay; and of course, The BHS Tankard newly presented this year by British Home Stores Ltd. Also of interest are the Golden Oar and the Silver Rudder which were introduced for inter-club competition with East of Scotland in 1896, and St Andrew BC in 1956, respectively.

Victor Ludorum Trophy was made and presented by member Steve Banks.

I am also pleased to announce that with the agreement and permission of the Parsonage family, the novice sculling event will be known as the Ben Parsonage Memorial Event for Novice Sculls.

(All above taken from a Clyde programme dated 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> April 1980).

Argyle Macarthur Cup; Apprentice Cup; Burnley; Clyde Pendant; Clyde Quaich Clyde; City Shield; Robert Whyte Trophy; Schools Cup; Silver Oar; Senior C Tankard Clyde; President's Prize for Pairs; MacLay Cup; Clyde Star Quaich;

The Silver Rudder and the Golden Oar are both made of wood but the wee fittings are silver and gold respectively.

### **City of Glasgow Regatta Braid Cup**

**Scottish Rowing** Championship trophies; Ben Parsonage BEM" trophy, Scottish lightweight championship; Co-operative Shield Scottish coxless fours championship; Freer Cup, Scottish sculling championships (Stolen); Scottish Shield;

Unknown

Barrat Challenge Cup. Foulis Cup. Gartmore Trophy, Guinness Trophy; Lyon Trophy; Members Cup; Jefferson Trophy; JB Trophy; JCB Trophy; Kilmardinny.

### **Clydesdale ARC.**

#### **Confined race trophies.**

Cairns Cup scratch fours; Champions Cup 1862 £100 guineas; Charles D Simpson Trophy; Collie Shield; Collinson Cup Clydesdale confined pairs championships; Cox of the Year Trophy; Dan Johnston Trophy scratch fours; Fleming Shield sculling championship; Gartmore Trophy; Hay Cup Clydesdale scratch fours; John Hercus trophy, Clydesdale oarsman of the year; Melvin Cup, novice sculls; McNaughton Quaich; Penman Cup, pairs championship; Peter Grieve Trophy; Saracen Head Cup scratch fours;

#### **Open trophies;**

Alastair Trophy WJ4; British Steel Corporation Cup J8; City of Glasgow District Council Silver Jubilee Trophy J4; Clydesdale Cup and £100 guineas prize, 1862 and 1923; Coronation Plate 50 guineas 1862; Collins Cup; Clydesdale Plate eights; Crichton Cup; Gibson Quaich Clydesdale fours HOR (Ex North British); Hall Cup (Clydesdale); Junior Cup. JVL; Kelly cup elite pairs; Members Cup WN1x; McGhie Trophy McGhee Trophy; Motherwell and District Council Trophy WJ4; Phoenix cup; Rogano cup fours; Roger Cup Clydesdale Regatta Senior Sculls; St Andrew cup, pairs; Tannahill Cup; T J Malone Cup N1x; Vogt Cup; Viewers Cup; Walsh Trophy J20-

### **City of Glasgow.**

Estates Cup 1929; Gow Cup 1929; Murray Buchan Challenge Cup (£50 1914) 1929;

### **Dumbarton.**

Denny Cup Dumbarton; Dumbarton Cup

### **Dumfries Trophies**

Dumfries Burgh Jubilee Prize 1935; Silver Anchor and Chain; Silver Oars; Silver Cup; another prize was a London Wherry; Clark-Kennedy Cup 1877; Pilkington Cup; Ladies of Dumfries Silver Cup; The Member for the Burghs Challenge Cup (Jardine Cup); The Member for the County's challenge Cup (Walker Cup); The Silver gold medal; The Clark-Kennedy Cup; The Grant-Craig Cup; The Johnson Gold Badge; Four Golden Badges; The Gibson Trophy; The Dumfries Burgh Jubilee Prize; Gibson Trophy 1926; Grant-Craig Cup 1899; Guid Neighbours Cup senior sculls; Johnson Gold Badge 1890; Jardine Cup 1869; Pilkington Cup 1867; Silver Gig; Silver Gold Medal 1875; The Captains Medal; Tayleurian Cup; Walker Cup 1869;

**Glasgow Printers;** Alliance Challenge Cup (Printers 1929); Blackadder Shield (GRA trades race) Canadian Challenge Cup. 1929; Collins Cup 1929; Challenge Cup; Daily Press Challenge Cup 1880; John Horn Challenge Shield; John D McAllister Trophy; Licenced Victuallers Challenge Cup; Letterpress Cup; Roderick Dhu Challenge Shield; Printers Challenge Cup 1880; Waverly Cup; Glasgow Printers gave

canteens of cutlery; furniture; ceramics and many other items as prizes for races. Winners were allowed to choose a prize they had not won before.

**GUBC**; Aitken Cup; Maclay Cup; Cross Cup presented by A R Cross junior fours 1933; Charities Eights cup; Maclay Cup senior fours; St Ives Shield eights Western Regatta, The Namdaram presented Feb 1984 by Fahered Namdaram first crew cox.

**GABC** Willie Hunter trophy. HOR race presented 1973.

### **Glasgow Association.**

Empire Challenge Cup. (Regatta); Emperor Napoleon Trophy; Robert D Graham Cup (Glasgow Rowing Association sculling handicap). Blackadder Shield. Jefferson Cup. Metropole Challenge Cup.

**Glasgow School trophies**; Murchison Cup; St Mungo Quaich; Boyd Cup; Coronation Cup; Soutar Cup; George A Hunter Trophy; Wylie Cup; Duncan Cup; Hunter Cup; Willie Hunter" cup; Karen Cup Scottish Schools 1974.

### **INVERNESS ROWING CLUB TROPHIES**

Trophies awarded for IRC closed competitions, only:

John A Stevenson Trophy (silver claret jug/ewer): most competitive and successful member in all closed, open and external competitions

Alan Garraway Trophy (shield): winner of IRC single scull handicap sprint

Waterson Cup: most improved club rower (current whereabouts unknown)

Under-Water Sculling Trophy (oblique tip section of IRC Macon spoon mounted on wooden plinth): self-explanatory

Trophies awarded to winning crews at IRC events:

Ellis and McHardy Trophy (cup): Caledonian Fours: Men's Veteran Coxed Four crew

IRC Ladies Challenge Cup: awarded annually from 1992 to 2005

IRC Men's Head Challenge Cup: awarded 1998 to 2008

IRC J Barry Oates and Co Challenge Cup for Eights: awarded 1992 to 2007

### **Loch Lubnaig Regatta**

Ladies Plate Race

### **Perth.**

"PA" Trophy. Raced for in 1931 and 1932

### **Portobello**

Challenge Cup (with gold medals in 1929)

### **St Andrew Boat Club.**

Hermiston Cup for 1x; Scott Skirving Cup 4o+

### **Stirling.**

Challenge Cup; County Stakes Race 1859; The Macfarlane Cup 1855; Stirling Challenge Cup 1920; Championship Silver Cup 1855; Darling Cup. Martin Memorial (N 4+).

### **Strathclyde Park.**

The President's Awards for both Senior and Junior Achiever (sometimes presented to an exceptional crew) and The Captain's Awards for both Senior and Junior Improvers of the year (Again, sometimes awarded jointly). The President's Awards are Shields and are engraved with the winner's name and year. The Captain's Awards are a Glass Award for Seniors and a Wooden Plaque for Juniors - neither of which are engraved with winners. The recipients of the awards generally get a medal or small token trophy to keep.

### **Strathclyde University Boat Club.**

Drew Manzie Trophy.