

ORC SAFETY REPORT FOR 2011

The year of 2011 saw a change in the way that the ORC looked at safety. This was a fresh approach; the executive also saw that it would embrace safety with appointment of the 'Chair' of the safety committee, to the board.

New Safety Committee initiatives for 2011.

- Safety inductions for all active rowing members;
- Lighting on all boats and athletes;
- Safe boat handling techniques; and
- Incident reporting.

Facts and figures from 2011.

- 523 club members attended the safety course. (figures do not include the ARL or Fall university numbers);
- 15 incidents reports filed (13 separate incidents, 2 double ups.);
- 13 on water incidents, 1 dock related incident; and
- 10 involved training, 1 racing, 1 time trial.(1 involved ducklings on a pair!!)

This year has been a great step forward for ORC safety program. The ORC is committed to growing the safety program to meet all of the needs of the membership over the coming years, and looks forward to having your continued support and help.

As Chair of the safety committee, I would like to thank the entire club for their help and support for all of the changes put forward during 2011.

Jeremy Courtney

Safety Chair ORC