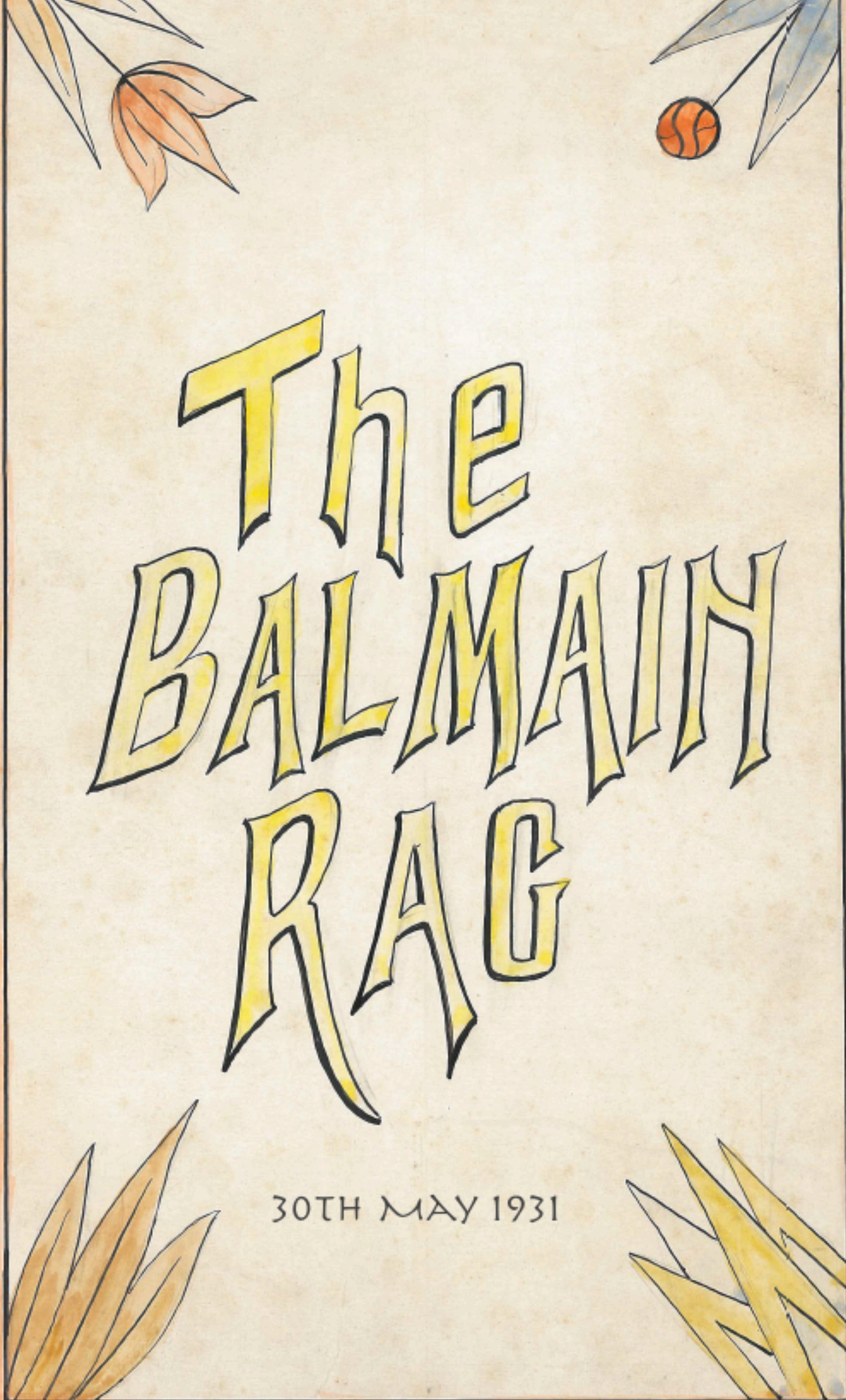
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We're off . For some time now we have heard murmurings about not knowing about this and not not knowing about that. Now that is why you are reading this rag.

Our object is to endeavour to let the members generally know important decisions reached in committee which members evidently did not know about and therefore were quite surprised when any of these decisions were applied.

While being serious is this respect we are going to have some fun with this rag. You've all got to help. The Editor has a reput-ation for not missing much , but what he does miss you are all in duty bound to record it.

Never mind what you send in. Truth or fabrication I prefer fabrication . I think if you tell a few lies you will always hear both sides of an argument. At any rate denying rumors is always generally more exciting than spreading them.

Dont put your own name to anything. Anybody' elses will do. Suspicions give you greater pleasure.

And,finally, don't be afraid.You won't be paid for anything you send in . My Salary of £5000 per annum just about eats up the profits. hdpS

So now let her go and I'll put it in.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE MEETING 27th. May, 1931.

Never was there such a night as last Wednesday night. Externally I mean. Yet seven good men tore themselves away from their good wives's bosoms. Yes, tore themselves away in order to serve you readers.

It never rained so much , It never blew so hard and we never swore so much. Still, I was washed down Young St. blown down to the shed and then propelled along Tilba Avenue through a door and along a hall to find Welcome on the doormat in the shape of Mr. Sharp and Pete.

Through the business we went Annual Ball, Jubilee Re-Union, New Tools, New Boat, First Aid , Overdue subsrciptions. only a few things said and done.

First the Annual Ball will be held at the Balmain Town Hall on Thursday 30th. July. It was with the utmost difficulty that this date was secured. Concerted action from Mr. J.S. Sharp and Mr. A.T. Nix saved the day. However the tickets are 5/- so if you put 1/- away each week from now you and your sort will both be there. Rosenthals Orchestra and a good supper . Smack your lips and ask your friends.

With regard to the Jubilee Re-Union the committeeman knowing the oldest members is Mr. J. Macqueen and in the of the other members of the committee . invitations were left in his hands to the entire satisfaction of all. This function will be held on 11th. July and how.

The captain was given authority to buy some new tools. That does not mean that the present ones are to be thrown over the pontoon. We just like to be prepared in case another eight goes west.

The captain also mentioned a New Four. So next year you may look at the New Boat . Just at present you can all look back and see 8/4 in the Bank.

Mr. Crew also informed members that a First Aid equipment was available in the Shed. We expect a crop of accidents during the next week.

At this moment Miss. N. Sharp appeared on the scene with an excellent supper and the deliberations of the committee ended. You should have seen Pete hopping in for his cut.

So ended the first committee meeting of the year. It was still raining. We all got wetter than we had been for years outside I mean and the only satisfaction we got was the domestic scene of Mr. J Macqueen putting the milk-can out.

CREW'S for SHARP CUP SERIES.

1st. Regatta 13th. June. 1931.
under auspices of Leichhardt Rowing Club

Junior Eight

F Turner	Bow
C Shaw	2
N Boshell	3
R Bow	4
R Porter	5
E Crew	6
F Mc Ginn	7
J.S. Sharp	Stroke.

Course. Stone-wall to Leichhardt Baths.

L.W. Junior Four.

J Waites	Bow
C Greiner.	2
J Hocking	3
E Mc Lean.	Stroke.

The "Rag" wishes the two crews the best of luck and success the latter only coming from active training.

It gives the "Rag" much pleasure in the appearance of Messrs Porter, Mc Ginn and Sharp. It sounds like the "Good Old Days" when men wore beards. and won their races.

On cannot pass the first crew without commenting on the presence of Mr. Cecil Shaw. Few people realise that Mr. Shaw is one of the most brilliant pianists in Sydney. A product of the Sydney Conservatorium, the then Director M. Verbrugghen had a very high opinion of Mr. Shaw.

ROLL UP ROLL UP ROLL UP

Miss. N.Sharp is the organiser of a Card Party in the Balmain Town Hall on 20th. June next. Admission 2/6. Now every brand of cards may be played Anything from Bridge to Old Maid and Grab. You would be surprised how much this annual card party realises for the Club and in helping Miss. Sharp to make a success each year we are merely helping ourselves. Also the reflected glory shines on Mr. J.B. Sharp to whom the Club cannot be too grateful.

20TH. JUNE 1931.

ROLL UP ROLL UP ROLL UP.

It's going to be a rolling month this next month. This time you have to come to the Term Meeting at the shed on Sunday next 7th. June. Everything at the meeting will be of Interest to you. In addition Mr. J. Macqueen will propound his sensational scheme of Membership for newcomers.

Mr. E. Crew, Captain, desires me to state that the skiff "J.B.S" is to be used by the various coaches this season and members may use same when the coaching for the morning or afternoon is ended.

This announcement has been made necessary owing to the fact of a coach coming down one day and finding the cupboard bare.

The skiff of course of quite free when no crews are being coached.

NEXT MONTH.

Next month the "Rag" will present to its readers a short play "Fifty years after" This will be an idea of the Centennial celebrations in 1981. Think of it . Beards and all. No Clothes . Mr. J. Hocking had so much success with his Nude Club in 1931 that the whole community decided to adopt his suggestions.

Not only this but a full description of all present.

All the usual features of the "Rag" will ~~be~~ repeated. and the Editor hopes to have the support of members in this respect.

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It is with regret that we have to announce the serious illness of Mr. Vince Furlong formerley of this club.

Mr. Furlong ~~is at present~~ WAS an inmate of the Coast Hospital, Little Bay and all members wish him a speedy recovery to his normal health.