

Prince Alfred College, winners of the SA Head of the River.

Meanwhile, the schoolboy's Head of the River was won by favourites, Prince Alfred College, who dominated racing throughout the latter half of the season.

A keen start saw many crews vying for an early lead with Scotch College, CBC, Pembroke and St Peters College keeping pace with or leading Prince Alfred for the first third of the race.

The very fast 1000m took toll on the crews as the stronger and more highly polished Princes pulled slowly ahead.

By the 1500m, they had established a length's lead over Scotch and CBC. Scotch were always going to make it hard for Princes after showing improvement since early in the season and pushed their rivals all the way but came second by three-quarters of a length.

CBC was third with Pembroke, and St Peters out of the minor placings, with Unley High, Pulteney Grammar and Adelaide High unable to make a significant impression on the front half of the field.

The win was Princes first Head in nine years. The club has proven to be very strong in recent years but has been struggling to capture the First Eights.

But the win was especially sweet a Princes also won the Second Eight trophy for the second year running, giving it the "double-header" for the first time.

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