



Captains' Meeting Agenda

Thursday 4th Week Trinity Term 2024

7.00pm, 16th May

Tanner Room, Linacre College

Chair: Tobias Bernard (OUBC)

1. **Welcome**

2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

Available at <https://ourcs.co.uk/organisation/meetings/>

3. **Matters Arising**

4. **Report from COUR on changes to the OURCs Code of Conduct** – Samuel McLoughlin to speak

5. **Rowing Sabbatical Officer's Election** – Samuel McLoughlin to speak

- Oscar Hayden (Balliol)

Nominated: Sophie Winter (Balliol)

Seconded: Markus Baumgartner (Balliol)

6. **Transfers under A1.2.** – Samuel McLoughlin to speak

Under A.1.2.a.:

Objections may only be based on the following:

- *Athlete is not a member of the college they are transferring from*
 - *Athlete has never been a member of the college they are transferring to*
- Francis Bertschinger, Magdalen to Jesus
 - Joe Gellet, St Peter's to St Anne's
 - Reja Wyss, St Catherine's to St Antony's
 - Rebekka Geremew Mankeshe, Linacre to St Edmund Hall
 - Dylan Dissanayake, Green Templeton to University
 - Sophie Harbord, Wolfson to Worcester

7. **Retention of Student Status (A1.1.a.i.1.a.)** – Samuel McLoughlin to speak

Simple majority to pass

a. **Robert Ferritto (Green Templeton):**

We are applying to the captains to allow Robert Ferritto to retain his student status for Summer Vllls 2024. Robert has had to suspend his studies for mental health reasons following unforeseen events arising this Spring in his DPhil project. Robert has been involved with GTC for multiple years, including as captain during the Covid-19 pandemic. He is currently GTC's welfare officer. Rowing has been a constant source of wellbeing for Robert and we would be sorry for him to miss out on rowing during this difficult period. Robert is rowing in our M1 boat in division 3, and we already have three associate members (all partners of GTC students) filling our associate member spots in the lower boats. As such, we cannot simply have him row in our M2 as an associate member without causing prejudice to other committed members of our club. Rob is not a Blues or international rower.

We believe his case to be exceptional and to warrant such retention of student status. We have obtained written approval of the GTC's Senior Tutor to this effect.

Thank you.

Proposed: Arnaud Hamelin-Lachapelle (Green Templeton)

Seconded: François Barres (Green Templeton)

b. **Toby Bonvoisin (Green Templeton):**

We are applying to the captains to allow Toby Bonvoisin to retain his student status for Summer Vllls 2024. Toby has suspended his studies in order to take a temporary role on an important national public inquiry that's highly relevant to his studies and which will directly inform his thesis. Toby has been involved with GTC for a few years and he has always enjoyed taking part in rowing. Toby would row in our M3 boat in division 7. Toby is not a Blues or international rower.

We believe his case to be exceptional and to warrant such retention of student status. The GTC's Senior Tutor has been supportive of Toby and we are in the process of obtaining written approval of the GTC's Senior Tutor to this effect.

Thank you.

Proposed: Arnaud Hamelin-Lachapelle (Green Templeton)

Seconded: François Barres (Green Templeton)

c. **Harry Hutchinson (St Hilda's):**

Harry is a cox and rower who rusticated towards the end of Hilary following the death of an immediate family member. He is very involved in the boat club, currently serving as our co-president, and as such the boat club forms a critical part of his wellbeing network. This term Harry would likely have been coxing M1 as well as rowing in M2 and we would love to be

able to continue to offer him the opportunity of being as actively involved in the boat club as possible given its importance in his life. We wouldn't gain any huge competitive advantage from this as Harry is only a novice cox, having begun properly in TT23.

Proposed: Jack Davies (St Hilda's)

Seconded: Georgia Sweeney (St Hilda's)

8. **Associate Rowers in Vlls 2024 Senior Divisions under A3.6.a.iv.** – Samuel McLoughlin to speak
Simple majority to pass

a. **Eimear Conroy, Christ Church W2**

Eimear rowed with us in W2 last year. We are bringing this motion to have her row with our W2 this year (10th in Division 3), which is our lowest women's boat. Due to the unusually high position of our W2, in senior divisions, and the lack of river time novices have had this year, we are not confident that they will be able to compete safely in division 3. Therefore, we ask that Eimear be allowed to row as an associate.

Proposed: India Marsden (Christ Church)

Seconded: Benjamin Joseph (Christ Church)

b. **Maximilien Tirard, Lady Margaret Hall O1**

LMH O1 would like permission for Max Tirard to cox as an associate at summer eights. He completed his degree in Trinity last year, and was a rower during his time as a full member. Due to the flags we have had great difficulty in both training and attracting new coxes to the club, and Max has taken on coxing to help us. We would like to stress that at LMH we have no other available coxes, and without permission for Max to cox it is highly unlikely we will be able to race at all. He is an N status cox, so we do not feel this will provide us an unfair advantage.

Proposed: Fergus Carrington (Lady Margaret Hall)

Seconded: Abi Cooper (Lady Margaret Hall)

9. **AOB**

- **Update on fines money** – James Hopkinson to speak
- **MNR bids reminder** – Qianyi Sun to speak
- **Summer Eights reminders** – Sophia Ungermann to speak