



Captains' Meeting Agenda

Tuesday 1st week Hilary Term 2018

19:00, 16 January 2018

Harris Lecture Theatre

Chair: Derek Xu, Katherine Erickson

1. Welcome attendance - 53

No Representatives from: Oriel, St. Antony's, St. Benet's, St. Peter's

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

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3. Matters Arising

None

4. Squad Reports

a) OUBC

"Since the last meeting we were scheduled to compete in the British Rowing Championships, GB Rowing Team Trials, Four's Head and our club Trial Eights, then attend our January training camp in Temple.

Brit Champs were cancelled due to adverse weather conditions, so the triallists within the team went straight to Boston for the long distance trials. In the pairs we placed 1st and 9th, in the singles 3rd and 51st.

At Four's Head we were behind Cambridge in all boats by varying margins - our top boat was 13s behind. The build up to Trial Eights was a fairly standard pattern, with each crew taking turns as favourites. The winning crew were not favourites after our last session of side-by-side work, and the important lessons leading to a win will hopefully translate over to the remainder of the season.

Our January training camp was disrupted by weather, and we didn't get as many sessions in the eight as we planned. The sessions we did have were useful from a technical standpoint, and we got plenty of hard work done."

b) OUWBC

Since my last report, OUWBC has competed at the Fours Head and completed a training camp in Temple-Sur-Lot, France. 10 athletes competed at the Fours Head, where the top coxed four placed fourth overall. 22 rowers and coxes attended the training camp, which was unfortunately marred by high winds and river flooding, which disrupted some training sessions. Despite these setbacks, however, physiological and technical improvements made before Christmas still indicate that the club is progressing well.

OUW will next race at Trial Eights on 21 January.

c) OULRC

The squad has made a good amount of progress through the first half of the season, in spite of a number of injuries and illnesses. After a slightly smaller than expected squad size at the beginning of the season, numbers stabilised and we have cut to a squad of fourteen rowers and two coxes. Unfortunately Trial Eights was cancelled due to weather conditions, however we had a productive training period after the end of term, and in our Wallingford-based training camp in the new year. We have a number of match races planned for the coming term as we look to prepare for our race. George Spill OULRC President

d) OUWLRC

Since September our squad has continued training, and has participated in a number of races and fixtures including Upper Thames Head and Fours Head. Unfortunately due to poor weather both Brit Champs and Trial Eights were cancelled.

We have cut the squad down to 18 rowers and 2 coxes, of which 16 were invited to attend our winter training camp in Galicia, Spain. The squad is continuing to make good progress both on and off the water. The date for the Henley Boat Races has now been set for the 18th March, and our second boat Tethys will compete in WEHoRR on the 10th March. Prior to these races we have a number of fixtures planned.

5. Election

OURCs Sponsorship Secretary

Keir Bowater (Jesus)

Proposer: Rob Strachan (Jesus)

Secunder: Tim Koch (Jesus)

Passed unanimously. Keir Bowater is now OURCs Sponsorship Secretary.

6. Ratification of Ordinary Committee Members

- Joseph Hitchen (OURCs)

Ratified.

7. Transfers under A1.2.1

Objections may only be made on the grounds that:

- 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

- a. Adam Roberts from Balliol to Wadham. He did undergrad at Wadham and rowed for us for 3 years and now would like to be back rowing with us having returned to Oxford this year. Paperwork in order.
- b. Dani Chattenton from GTC to Wadham. Dani rowed and coxed for Wadham through her undergrad and would like to transfer back to us from GTC. Paperwork pending. No objections
- c. Lukas Koch from Queen's to Merton. Lukas did his undergraduate at Merton and started rowing for MCBC in 2013. He is now at Queen's for his DPhil and would like to transfer back to Merton. Paperwork in order.
- d. James Brebner from GTC to LMH. Paperwork pending.

No Objections. All transfers have passed.

8. Amendment to the Code of Conduct:

Previous rule:

2.5 Additional Requirements for Coxswains

6. Coxes with 'novice' status may not cox an outing unless accompanied **at all times** by a coach.

Change to:

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6. Coxes with 'novice' status may not cox an outing unless accompanied **at all times** by a coach, **During racing, all coxes must follow the requirements and recommendations set out in the relevant Event Plan and**

safety Plan, which will supersede this requirement

Proposer: Max Spicer (Exeter/OURCs)
Secunder: Oliver Hedges (OURCs)

1 Abstention, no objections, Motion Passes.

9. Motion for OURCs to join the All Party Parliamentary Group for Rowing.

Per an email sent out by the sabbatical officer last term (MT17), an APPG for rowing has been founded. We propose that OURCs become an associate member of this group at a cost of £100 per year, in order to be able to give direct input to politicians of all parties to help protect the interests of rowing in general, and of Oxford rowing in particular.

We note that:

This would not prevent member clubs from joining the APPG themselves should they wish to, nor indeed any person from joining as an individual, however would ensure representation for all college clubs via OURCs.

Our counterparts at Cambridge are also associate members of this group.

Proposed: Scott Houghton (OURCs)

Seconded: Pete Bond (Regent's Park/OURCs)

1 Abstention, no objections. Motion Passes.

10. Extra Slots

Feel free to swap amongst yourselves (email sabbatical@ourcs.co.uk if you do swap!)

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| Monday AM | Merton |
| Tuesday AM | Worcester |
| Wednesday AM | Corpus |

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| Thursday AM | ChCh |
| Friday AM | Jesus |
| Sunday 1-3pm | Pembroke |
| Sunday 3-5pm | LMH |

Applicants: Merton, Christ Church, University, Somerville, Lincoln, LMH, Worcester, Jesus, St. Antony's, Corpus, Pembroke.

11. Major Transgression Meetings

Mansfield – Incorrect use of lifejacket. £25 fine.

Keble – No bankrider. £10 fine.

St Antony's – No Lifejacket. £50 fine.

No objections. All MTMs ratified.

12. . River Closures

a. Isis Winter League

IWL C – Sunday 21st January (2nd week) – 12:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing

IWL D – Sunday 4th February (4th week) - 12:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing

IWL E – Sunday 18th February (6th week) - 12:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing

Proposer: Oliver Hedges (OURCs)

Secunder: Hakim Faiz (OURCs/ Regent's Park)

b. The Neptune Torpids

Rowing On: Friday 23rd February (7th week) – 08.30 until Closing Time or End of Racing

Rowing On Contingency: Sunday 25th February (7th week) – 08.30 until Closing Time or End of Racing

The Neptune Torpids: Wednesday 28th February (7th week) to Friday 2nd March (7th week) – 11:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing

The Neptune Torpids: Saturday 3rd March (7th week) – Opening Time till End of Racing.

Proposer: Oliver Hedges (OURCs)

Secunder: Hakim Faiz (OURCs/Regent's Park)

All River closures passed. No objections.

13. OURCs financial Report -

14. AOB

a) OURCs kit

OH stated that OURCs were planning on buying jackets for its committee members, as had been done in previous years. There was no comment from the captains.

b) Proctors complaint

OH brought up that the proctors had received some complaints about students asking for time off to compete in regattas with little notice given to Tutors. He reminded captains that if their athletes need to move academic commitments, they should do it sooner rather than later. He also made the point that this is by no means guaranteed, and that athletes shouldn't expect to be able to move academic commitments.

c) BUCS regatta

OH informed captains that funding has been offered by the Sports Department to pay entry for several crews to enter BUCS Regatta. Funding shall be allocated to the fastest crews who enter the Henley Boat Race Challenge and express a desire to attend BUCS.

d) Towpath works

OH mentioned that there are Towpath Works being planned. He did not have concrete details on how this would affect clubs, but will email out information as it becomes available.

e) Back Protectors for Coxes

WN is intending to purchase back protectors for the Magdalen coxes. Any college interested should speak to him for more details.