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Captain's Meeting Agenda

7:15pm, Thursday 1st week Trinity Term 2019

2nd May 2019

Habakkuk Room, Jesus College

Chair: Felix Drinkall (OUBC President)

Attendance:

BAL2, BRC 1, CHB 2, COO1, EXC1, GTC2, HEC1, JEO2, KEB2, LMH1, LIN1, LIC2, MAG1, MAN2, MER2, NEC2, ORO1, OSGO (expected), PMB1, QCO1, RPC1, SOM1, SAC2, SAY1, SBH2, SCO1, **SEH 0**, SHI2, SHG2, SJO1, SPC1, TRO1, UCO1, WAD1, WOO2, WRO1

Voting body: 48 captains, 13 OURCs (61)

1. Welcome

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

- Available at www.ourcs.org.uk

3. Matters Arising

- **Women's Torpids Trophy** – Kate to speak

Proposed trophy acquired, plans to present at Balliol w/ torpids and eights. Inscription in Latin and English

4. Good Lad Initiative – workshops still available, contact Sabbatical for details

5. Safety/Reminders – Kate to speak

- Launch permissions

Captains need to give at least 24 hours for me to reply. Mostly, requests have been within this, but Kate cannot be on her emails at all hours!

- Complement

If you are rowing without full complement, the cox is obviously needed! Captains are required to email ahead of any planned outings without full complement and we can work a safe solution to your problem out

- Conduct

BR have lately been tightening up on this at their events. Our own rules are fairly open-ended. Any instances of bad conduct are a real issue for the rowing community as a whole. Please, make sure to be respectful to all other river users and wider community. Conduct issues can carry severe penalties!

- Racedesk help

Helping out on racedesk is an excellent opportunity to see how races are run. Email Kate or Keir about helping, and you can sign up

- COUR Rep

If don't feel comfortable bringing something to OURCs, another avenue is to bring it to Tom SurrIDGE (COUR Rep). Good place to bring it, many high-level representatives sit on the COUR panel.

6. **Secretary Elections** – Keir Bowater to speak (introduction of constitution RE elections)

- i. Joseph Lord (St. Benet's)
 - Proposed Caitriona Quigley (St. Benet's)
 - Seconded Iona Woodward (Worcester/OURCs)
- ii. Alex Koffman (Hilda's)
 - Proposed Julia Halligan (St. Hilda's)
 - Seconded Lucy Bannatyne (Somerville)

29 votes to Alex, 30 to Joe (note that candidates may not vote in their own election, and so the voting body was 59).

Joe wins and is new Secretary commencing in Michaelmas, and will work with Kate for Summer Eights.

7. **Appointment of Ordinary Committee Members (1.8.5)** – Kate Halcrow to speak

- Viv Leong (St. Hugh's) – new appointment
- Iona Woodward (Worcester) – in for Jameson Lee, whose term is expiring
- Joe Hitchen (Hertford/New) – reappointment

No objections

8. **River Closures** – Kate Halcrow to speak

Summer Eights 2019, sponsored by Neptune Investment Management

- Rowing On – Saturday 4th week, 25th May – 08:30 until Closing Time or End of Racing
- Rowing On Contingency – Sunday 4th week, 26th May – 08:30 until Closing Time or End of Racing
- Wednesday 5th week, 29th May – 11:00 until End of Racing
- Thursday 5th week, 30th May – 11:00 until End of Racing
- Friday 5th week, 31st May – 11:00 until End of Racing
- Saturday 5th week, 1st June – Opening Time until End of Racing

Proposed: Katherine Halcrow (OURCs)

Seconded: Keir Bowater (OURCs)

Note the change in Rowing On date from Friday to Saturday. Rowing On closure changed to an all-day closure for student clubs, rather than from 0830.

Motion passes unanimously

9. Transfers under A1.2 – Kate Halcrow to speak

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*

- Darius McArdle: Wolfson (St. Cross) to LMH (papers in order)
- Kate Erickson: Pembroke to Wolfson (papers in order)
- Laurel Kaye: Somerville to Christ Church (papers in order)

No objections

10. Ratification of Major Transgression Meetings – Kate/Sacha to speak

- Lady Margaret Hall - £50
- St Hugh's - £40

No objections. Explanation made about error in previous comms about St Hugh's MTM. Correct fine is £40 for St Hugh's.

11. Extension of Student Status (Rules of Racing A1.1.a.i.1.c) (All to extend until Sunday after Summer Eights)

- Simon Eberz (Wolfson)

Simon intends to row in the lowest boat for Summer Eights. He received his leave to supplicate on April 3rd, in the middle of the Easter vacation.

32 in favour, 22 against, 7 abstain. Motion passes.

- Jess Buck (GTC)

Has not yet received her leave to supplicate. Intends to cox and potentially row in a low boat.

58 in favour, 0 against, 3 abstain. Motion passes

- Giulio Mazzotta (Univ)

Giulio intends to row in 1st boat. Received his leave to supplicate on Apr 3rd

18 in favour, 33 against, 10 abstain. Motion fails.

12. OxBump marshalling discount – Jorn Reniers/Claire Holubowskyj to speak

Proposer: Jorn Reniers (Wolfson)

Seconder: Claire Holubowskyj (Wolfson)

Requesting marshalling discount equivalent to one racedesk helper per day.

Queries made by captains RE inaccuracies, both with on-the-day live results and in the past results section (disparities with OURCs and Anu results)

Jorn had already identified these problem areas, and had already made plans about how to improve. In particular, Thursday of Torpids had some errors, largely caused by the high number of appeals. This was resolved after Thursday, and Friday and Saturday were much better.

Vote:

46 in favour, 4 against, 11 abstentions. Motion passes.

13. AOB

The British Rowing Rules of Racing have some important changes this year – this will particularly affect those attending external regattas – note changes to heel restraints and blade colour requirements. Full information available here: <https://www.britishrowing.org/events/entering-competitions/rules-of-racing/>

Lukas Koch: taking applications for replacement for next year's Treasurer. Elections to be in 8th week meeting

Katie Davies, Captain of Coxes: Make sure to do up your lifejackets, even if it's warm! With Eights coming up, the river can be quite hectic. We have been seeing very competent coxes who have coxed mainly on other stretches, but who may struggle on the Isis, especially during racing. It's vitally important that (especially) these coxes get experience on Isis pre-racing, even if you are only transiting shortly before Summer Eights. It is well worth getting them some outings with your lower crews or other colleges, so that they are familiar with the Isis come Summer Eights. The same is true for assessments on the Isis – very competent coxes who mainly cox elsewhere may struggle to pass their assessments because they are not fully comfortable with the idiosyncrasies of coxing on the Isis.

Felix Drinkall, OUBC president: OUBC is making a big push with their Development Squad: going to make a greater effort, and will be trying to race at Henley in the Temple or Prince Albert Challenge Cup, depending on numbers. Please let anyone in your clubs who may be interested know, and tell them to make contact with myself or Brendan Gliddon, the assistant coach. More information is available on the website: <http://oubc.org.uk/development-squad-2/>