



Captains' Meeting Agenda

Tuesday 1st Week, Trinity 2025

19:30, 29th April

Doctorow Hall, St Edmund Hall

Chair: Tom Mackintosh (OUBC)

1. Welcome

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

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

3. Matters Arising

4. Transfers – Oscar Hayden to speak

Objections may only be made if:

The athlete is not a bona fide student, fellow or visiting student at the college they are transferring from.

*The athlete has never been a **student** member of the college they are transferring to.*

Transfers under A1.2.a

- Emma Grummitt – Wolfson to New College
- Rosie Thorogood – Christ Church to Somerville
- Joe Gellett – St Anne's to St Peter's
- Kate Maddern – St John's to Keble
- Barbara Tyler – University to New
- Verity Black – St Edmund Hall to Green Templeton

5. Change to the Rules of Racing – Oscar Hayden to speak

A3. Rules of Bumps Racing

[...]

7. Rowing On

- d. Rowing On races shall be timed rows with a rolling start, measured from Longbridges raft to a semaphore placed approximately midway between Univ Boathouse and the Head, with the fastest crews to qualify.

- i. 1st VIII's or Torpids consisting of 9 Full Members of that College Boat Club participating in Rowing On races will qualify regardless of time, but may still be excluded on safety grounds (A3.7.k).

Proposed with the support of the Oxford University Sports Federation, this motion is intended to ensure that all colleges can participate in Bumps, with no colleges not participating in the foremost event in Oxford due to speed.

Proposer: Oscar Hayden (OU Sport/OURCs)

Seconder: Q Sun (OURCs/St Edmund Hall)

6. **Change to the Code of Conduct** – Julia Bellardo to speak

2.8 Isis specific rules

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e. Special rules applying to the Gut

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- i. No **unregistered** or 'novice' status cox may go through the Gut until they have completed 10 outings, **at least 3 of which must be on the Isis**. Until that point coxes from boathouses upstream of the Gut should spin at Longbridges, and coxes from boathouses downstream of the Gut should spin in the bay outside the Sea Scouts Boathouse when safe to do so.

Proposer: Julia Bellardo (Balliol)

Seconder: Joshua Maisuria-Hull (Merton)

7. **Change to the Rules of Racing** – Sascha Frey to speak

A3. Rules of Bumps Racing

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5. Substitutions

- a. Substitutions fall under ~~two~~ **four** categories; regular, extraordinary, **designated**, and **examination**.

b. [...]

~~e~~ i. Coxing substitutions [...]

~~d~~ ii. Regular substitutions will be approved [...]

e. c. Extra-ordinary substitutes [...] *This will include changes to the linked rules in this paragraph, where all mentions of A3.5.e will be A3.5.c instead.*

d. Designated Substitutions

- i. A designated substitute must be declared to the event committee by the Entries Deadline. This will typically be done by use of the 'Notes Section' for the crew in which they are substituting **from**, in the format "Designated Substitutes: [Name 1], [Name 2]"

- ii. Only names on the “Primary crew list” may be designated substitutes. Associate members cannot be designated substitutes. Staff Honorary Members may not be a designated substitute in a second crew.
- iii. A designated substitute may replace a member of a crew one higher for a single day during any bumps campaign, regardless of A3.5.a.i. For the avoidance of doubt, using a designated substitute in a third boat to replace a designated substitute in a second boat will count as one day for all substitutes involved.
- iv. No athlete may race under this rule for more than one crew in one day.
- v. Each crew may have a maximum of two designated substitutes.
- vi. Designated substitutes may be rejected if the Race Committee have reason to believe it is being made in bad faith or to gain an unfair competitive advantage

~~f~~ e. [...] (Examination Substitution Rule)

Proposer: Sascha Frey (St Hugh's)

Seconder: Shea Heaney (St Hilda's)

8. **Change to the Rules of Racing** – Grant Rowley to speak

A3. Rules of Bumps Racing

3. Eligibility

a. In addition to general entry requirements for OURCs events listed in A1.6:

[...]

ii. No person may row in two crews ~~or cox two crews~~, although it is permitted to row in one crew and cox another. This does not include crews which have failed to row on under rule A3.7.

iii. It is permitted to cox up to two crews, provided (1) they are not both the highest ranked men's and women's crews for that college, and (2) they are not competing in immediately adjacent divisions.

If the college captains wish to enter a cox for two different crews, they must provide their name and University card number to the OURCs Sabbatical Officer. Their coxing request will then be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

At the next Captains' Meeting, the Captains will be given the opportunity to register their objection to the request, and it must be passed via a motion.

Permission for an individual to cox two crews has effect from the end of the Captain's Meeting at which it is announced by the OURCs Sabbatical Officer.

iv. All crewmembers...

Proposer: Grant Rowley (Wolfson)

Seconded: Mads Hoefer (Wolfson)

9. Election - Rowing Sabbatical Officer 2025/26 - Oscar Hayden to speak

- Esther Tan (Jesus)
Proposer: Eleanor Prince (St Hilda's)
Second: Jack Forrest (Jesus)
- Harriet Anderson (Christ Church)
Proposer: Robert Doane-Solomon (Pembroke)
Second: James Hopkinson (Queen's/OUBC/OURCs)
- Mark Probets (Univ)
Proposer: Alex Rigamonti (Univ)
Second: Lily Harris (St Hugh's)
- Sophie Kubik (Linacre)
Proposer: Emily Stone (Linacre)
Second: Catherine Stephenson (Somerville)

10. Change to the Rules of Racing – Alex Rigamonti to speak

A3. Rules of Bumps Racing

17. Penalty Bumps

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b. Dangerous Conduct shall include, but is not limited to:

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vi. in Summer Eights, winding down too early after conceding to a crew behind, where doing so contributes to a dangerous incident.

Proposer: Alex Rigamonti (University)

Second: Tom Forster (University)

11. Change to the Rules of Racing – James Hopkinson to speak

A3. Rules of Bumps Racing

3. Eligibility

a. In addition to the general entry requirements for OURCs events listed in A1.6:

- i. No member of the Oxford University Boat Club may participate in Torpids unless granted permission by the Race Secretary. Permission will only be given in exceptional circumstances to members of the four Blue Boats, Isis and Osiris. A squad rower will be given permission to compete in Torpids as a cox and a squad cox will be given permission to participate as a rower.

~~University squad rowers and coxes are not allowed to compete in Torpids if they have been selected for a Boat Race crew (this does not include designated spares), or if, in the instance of their squad not having made its selection before Torpids, they are still in contention for a seat in a crew. A squad rower may compete in Torpids as a cox and a squad cox may compete as a rower.~~

Proposer: James Hopkinson (OUBC/OURCs/Queen's)

Second: Oscar Hayden (OU Sport/OURCs/Balliol)

12. **Change to the Rules of Racing** – Galen Brown to speak

A1. General Rules of Racing

b. Respective College

[...]

- ii. An athlete may only compete in Bumps as a non-associate member of one College Boat Club in any academic year. [This does not include athletes registered as substitutions.](#)

Proposer: Galen Brown (Wolfson)

Seconder: Mads Hoefer (Wolfson)

13. **AOB**