



O U R C S

Captains' Meeting Agenda

7pm, Thursday 1st week Michaelmas Term

17th October 2019

Vernon Harcourt Room, St Hilda's

Chair: Tina Christmann, OUWBC President

1. Welcome

2. Minutes of the last meeting

- Available at <http://ourcs.co.uk/>

3. Matters Arising

- Affiliation fees** – Viv Leong to speak
- Safety** – Jo Egan to speak
- BR Safety Audits** – Jo Egan to speak
- Transgender subcommittee** – Iona Woodward to speak
- Women's subcommittee** – Beri Kotefko to speak
- OURCs vacancies and recruitment** – Joe Lord to speak
- Open Meeting** – Joe Lord to speak
- Autumn 4s 2018 Medal Presentation** – Joe Lord to speak

4. Squad reports

OUWBC – Tina Christmann

OUWBC had a good season of summer racing. We saw one coxed four winning at Reading Amateur Regatta. We had an eight and a coxless four competing at Henley women's with the eight making it to the Semi-Final. The coxless four also qualified for and competed at Henley Royal Regatta. We had a motivated development squad, of which 8 rowers now trial. In July we had a 4 day cycling training camp in Wallingford.

Pre-season has started on the 9th of September and we had a good turn up, with many people from the dev squad, 7 returner and new people with decent previous rowing experience and 8 coxes. Our season has started well, we've done a lot of training in small boats and the ergometer tests are on a decent level. We're soon getting into our term-time routine and will prepare for four's head, Regatta of London and other upcoming races.

OUBC - Augustin Wambersie

This year I have appointed Charlie Buchanan as Vice President and Tobias DeMendonca as club Secretary to assist me in my role. Both have been performing well in their roles so far. The start

of this years campaign began with a prescribed minimum volume of training over the summer in order to ensure that those trialing would start with a certain level of base fitness on day one.

Trialling began with 58 athletes in total, a significant step up from last year, 15 of which were returners, 7 from last seasons Blue boat. After an intensive period of testing and seat racing, the squad now reduced to a more operational number of 30. In the current squad we have an even balance between grads and undergrads, with 5 and 4 freshers from each, all with significant past rowing experience. The arrival of two new talented coxes has also greatly helped improve the level of sessions on the water.

Our focus has now turned to putting together lineups for fours head with 6 entries lined up in different categories

OUWLRC – Leah Mitchell

After the Lightweight Boat Race, we entered a number of boats at BUCS regatta. The squad won a gold in the Championship Lwt 8+, a silver in the Intermediate Lwt 1x, and a Bronze in the Championship Lwt 4-. Our Championship Lwt 4x also came 4th, qualifying them for EUSA. Our athletes then returned to their college clubs to row in Summer Eights, after which our summer racing season began, largely in small boats at regattas including Met regatta, Reading Town, Henley Women's, Molesey, and Henley Town and Visitors. 4 athletes raced in the Championship Lwt1x and one in the Aspirational Lwt1x at HWR, making up over a third of the field in the Championship event. At Molesey regatta, both our 2x and 2- won the Tier 1 event, and Naomi Holland won the 1x Tier 2 event. At Henley T&V, both our athletes came away with pots having won their respective categories in the 1x. We were also invited to take an 8+ to the World Rowing Universities Regatta in Xi'an, China, where we won bronze and had a lovely time, meeting rowers from international universities and participating in the Chinese culture. We finished our summer season with our 4x winning silver at EUSA (and doing an erg marathon to fundraise their way there!). We also ran a successful Development Squad during the summer term, culminating in Reading Town regatta, where we entered two coxed fours and an eight. The seniors also joined, winning their 2x and 4+ categories. Chris and Jill took a small group of development squad athletes to Wimbleball along with the EUSA 4x, as a mini pre-season training camp. Most of these athletes are returning to trial with us this season.

We have begun the 2019-20 season with a new Head Coach, Martin Cambareri, and a promising group of athletes. We will be working towards the new challenge of a Tideway race, and are excited to see how our squad develops over the coming months.

OULRC – Arthur Arnould

After a summer that included a silver medal at EUSA and prequalifying for Henley Royal Regatta, OULRC has had a good start to the 2019-20 season. With three returning Blue Boat members and six from the reserve crew being joined by many talented new recruits, the squad has great strength in depth.

We have managed to get a lot of good quality training in on the water during pre-season, alongside some off the water testing. We are looking forward to upcoming races as we head into the start of term.

There is a great squad atmosphere and everyone is highly motivated. Athlete retention has been good thus far and we are excited to carry this good momentum through the rest of the season.

5. Senior Umpire appointments – Jo Egan to speak

- Rachel Quarrell
- David Locke
- Ian Maconnachie
- Pat Lockley
- Caroline Barnes
- Alex Woods

6. Ratification of Ordinary Committee Members – Joe Lord to speak

- Ty Rallens (Merton) - reappointment
- Tom Surrige (Mansfield)
- Rebecca Jackson (Magdalen)

7. COUR Rep

8. Transfers under A1.2

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*
- Eloise Stark: GTC to Wadham (Harris Manchester) – *papers in order*
 - Christopher Whiteman: Oriel to Somerville – *papers in order*
 - Charlotte Lee: GTC to Balliol – *papers tbc*

9. River Closures

a. Autumn Fours

Sunday 10th November (5th Week) – 12:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing
Proposed: Joe Lord (St Benet's/OURCs)
Seconded: Jo Egan (OURCs)

b. Isis Winter League

IWL A: Sunday 3rd November (4th Week) – 12:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing
IWL B: Sunday 1st December (8th Week) – 12:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing
Proposed: Joe Lord (St Benet's/OURCs)
Seconded: Jo Egan (OURCs)

c. Nephthys Regatta

Friday 15th November (5th Week) – 11:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing
Saturday 16th November (5th Week) – Opening Time until Closing Time
Proposed: Jack Ren (OULRC)
Seconded: Arthur Arnould (OULRC)

d. Christ Church Regatta

Wednesday 27th November (7th Week) – 11:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing
Thursday 28th November (7th Week) – 11:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing
Friday 29th November (7th Week) – 11:00 until Closing Time or End of Racing

Saturday 30th November (7th Week) – Opening Time until Closing Time
Proposed: Xueer Zhou (Christ Church)
Seconded: Matthew Cooke (Christ Church)

10. Amendment to Constitution

Change **1.5.f**: *All affiliated clubs are required to pay invoices to OURCs within the 30 day credit terms as issued. Any invoice unpaid 30 days after the due date will cause the corresponding club to disaffiliate from OURCs at a date within 44 days of the original due date. This date shall be fixed by the OURCs treasurer and OURCs Senior Treasurer 30 days after the original due date. Exceptions in cases of bona fide financial hardship may be agreed prior to that date with the OURCS senior treasurer.*

to

(additions shown in red)

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Proposed: Viv Leong (St Hugh's/OURCs)
Seconded: David Locke (OURCs)

Constitutional amendment, requires 2:1 majority of those in favour to those against, and an overall majority of those present and eligible to vote.

11. Amendment to Rules of Racing

Add to A3.14 Technical Bumps

A3.14g: If the Event Committee chooses to award a Technical Bump during Rowing On, the bump shall be applied on the first day of Bumps Proper.

And

In A3.7j Rowing On

Renumber: **A3.7j**: Rowing On results shall become finalised on midnight of the following day, after which no further appeals will be considered and the Event Committee shall resolve any remaining ties by ballot.

To **A3.7j.i**

And add

A3.7j.ii: The only exception to this is in the event of a technical bump being awarded to a Rowing On crew, in which case the bump (and any attendant appeals and refusals, as defined in A1.4a.ix and A3.14) shall be applied on the first day of Bumps Proper.

Proposed: Jo Egan (OURCs)

Secoded: Joe Lord (St Benet's/OURCs)

12. Amendment to Rules of Racing

Add to A1.4 Event Committee

A1.4b: The Event Committee shall exist from 90 minutes before the scheduled start of the first race on a given day until all decisions and appeals relating to that day's racing are concluded.

Proposed: Jo Egan (OURCs)

Secoded: Joe Lord (St Benet's/OURCs)

13. Extra Slots

Applications from: New College, Christ Church, University, Queen's, Wolfson, Hertford, Magdalen, GTC, Merton, Mansfield, St Peter's, Pembroke, Jesus, Linacre

Monday: Opening-8am	Magdalen
Tuesday: Opening-8am	Pembroke
Wednesday: Opening-8am	New College
Thursday: Opening-8am	Christ Church
Friday: Opening-8am	St Peter's
Sunday: 1pm-3pm	Mansfield
Sunday: 3pm-5pm	University

Clubs who have received slots may swap days if they want to, but please let OURCs know so that the list can be updated.

14. Ratification of Major transgression Meetings

- a. Jesus – No lifejacket (Eights), £40
- b. St Edmund Hall – No Lifejacket (Eights), £40
- c. St Edmund Hall – No Lifejacket, £50
- d. Keble – transit in City Closure, £10

15. AOB

- a. Mailing lists – Joe Lord to speak
- b. Discussion point: Summer Eights Rowing On date – Jo Egan to speak
- c. Discussion point: Torpids Contingency plan – Jo Egan to speak
- d. Discussion point: Changes to Bumps order outside of a regatta – Jo Egan to speak
 - i. No changes to the finish order will be allowed after the results are finalised
 - ii. Any rules found after a regatta to be broken during a regatta will be addressed in an MTM after the regatta with any resulting Penalty Bumps applied to the next year's Start Order
 - iii. Finalised finish order can be altered under certain circumstances (circumstances and procedure tbd)
- e. Swim test availability – Tabitha Thornton-Swan to speak