



O U R C s

Captains' Meeting Agenda
Wednesday 2nd Week Michaelmas Term 2007
8pm, Balliol College

1. Apologies For Absence

Nick Brodie – OUBC
Tom Mercer – OURCs
Anna Jeffery-Smith – OURCs

2. Minutes Of The Last Meeting

Available At (<http://www.ourcs.org.uk/?content=ourcs/captains%20meetings/index.php>)

3. Matters Arising

4. Squad Reports

a. OUWLRC

The girls went to Gent international regatta at the start of the summer. They picked up a bronze for their quad at Nat Champs, won S2 quads at Wallingford Long Distance Sculls. A couple of pairs were sent to pairs head in preparation for trials. Katie wanted to thank ChCh for lending them a four for fours head in their largest ever entry. The next step was indoors and Wallingford Head as well as Fours Head.

b. OUBWC

OUBWC had a successful summer at BUSA, the Met. They won senior 8s at Henley Women and qualified for Henley Royal. At Nat champs they picked up a silver in the pair. More recently they picked up two golds in pairs head and in Reading. The next events are indoors, Fours Head and Wallingford.

c. OULRC

The biggest news was their new coach from the start of the season – an improvement on last year when the coach only arrived in December. They have a squad but strong squad this year in training. Henry thanked Keble for the use of their four for Four's head and asked for any other club with a four to consider lending it to them. They planned to attend the indoors, Fours head and possibly Wallingford.

d. OUBC

This year OUBC have a deep squad and are sending 5 or 6 boats to Fours Head. They are lucky enough to have a handful of U23 rowers from various countries and two Olympians and world champions. They ran a development squad over the summer with a few of the athletes training still training with the squad.

5. Elections

a. Tom Chapman (Somerville) to Treasurer

Proposed: Paul Taylor (OURCs)
Seconded: David Pallot (OURCs)

Tom Introduced himself and explained why he wanted to run.

1 abstention, motion passed overwhelmingly.

6. Announcements

a. OARC

Andrew Benett from OARC will briefly introduce the club and explain their need for volunteers.

Andrew explained what the club do and how short they are of volunteers. He asked those interested to get in touch with Judy Gleen saying that not only was it very rewarding but looks good on a CV.

b. Extra Slots

The extra slots allocated will be announced.

Extra slots were allocated to Exeter, Johns, Catz, Hugh's and Anne's on sequential days of the week.

Note from Sabbatical: in light of new information the slots have changed and can be found on the OURCS page

c. DB kit

Kate Filochowski to explain the new kit deals through the sports fed.

Kate introduced herself as the business manager of DB kit, Oxford's own brand of clothing with a shop now on St Clemet's. She wants to extend the range to colleges to offer lycra and casual kit. She noted especially that a large percentage of the profit went back to the sports fed and eventually to Oxford Rowing – especially if a lot of rowers sign up for kit.

7. Constitutional Amendments

a. Membership of College Boat Clubs

Following the rule change at the end of last year removing 'staff' from membership of college boat clubs, the problems with the logistics of this change have been addressed and an updated amendment proposed.

Change C6.1 from:

"Within these rules, members of College X shall be restricted to those in possession of a valid University ID card listing affiliation to College X and a status of one of: Undergraduate, Postgraduate, Visiting Student, Associate Students, Staff or Congregation; with such status to be deemed to have terminated prior to the card expiry date in the event of:

- 1) The subject leaving or suspending their course of study; or
- 2) The publication of a pass list or class list marking the end of the course; or
- 3) The granting of leave to supplicate for the degree "

To:

- 1.1 Members of college boat clubs are restricted to bona fide students (in accordance with University Statute II) of said college
- 1.2 until such a time as:
 - The subject leaving or suspending their course of study; or
 - The publication of a pass list or class list marking the end of the course; or
 - The granting of leave to supplicate for the degree
- 1.3 plus those allowed under C6.2,3,4,5 and 6.

Remove C6.3, renumber the subsequent clauses.

Add to C6.4:

"Subject who is a member of the Congregation or University staff AND with a proven membership of X college – Typically allowed."

Remove C6.6 so it becomes a part of C6.4

Renumber C6.8 to C6.4.1 and C6.7 to C6.5

Add C6.6:

"Other members of the University who are congregation or Staff employed by the college are entitled to membership of the College Boat club but will not normally be allowed to row in their college 1st Eight or Torpid unless otherwise agreed by a Captain's meeting."

Proposed: Judy Gleen (OURCs)

Seconded: David Pallot (OURCs)

JG read out the change and DP explained it in real terms – with an addition from JG. DP explained that not all bod cards listed colleges, that the removal of staff inadvertently knocked out a lot of academic staff. He explained the Christ Church episode last year and why the rule was changed. He noted that this change is now in favour of college staff. JG noted that the following transfers were in light of this change.

None against, no abstentions. Motion passed overwhelmingly.

8. Transfers – extension of existing

JG explained the three sections of the transfers – the first following on from last year's change to scrap all existing transfers and reinstate those which still apply, adding an end date. DP reminded everyone that this was only an issue for Torpids and Eights and there was plenty of time to retransfer people who hadn't been done. Each motion was read out and the first two sections passed in block.

a. James Philbin - New College to Oriel College – 2 years

James was an undergraduate at Oriel, where he rowed for 4 years, as well as the following 2 years of his DPhil, which he is studying at New College. He has previously been transferred from New College.

Proposed: David Woods (Oriel)

Seconded: Dave Whiffin (New)

b. Timothy Bowker - Linacre College to Oriel College - 2 years.

Tim was an undergraduate at Oriel, where he learnt to row and continued to do so for the 4 years of his undergraduate course. He now studies for a DPhil at Linacre and has been transferred from them already for the past two years.

Proposed: David Woods (Oriel)

Seconded: Adam Bumpus (Linacre)

c. Laura Squire, Green to Teddy Hall

Laura is a 6th year medic and has rowed for Teddy Hall all the time she has been in Oxford (2 years as an honorary member). She would like to continue rowing for Hall but needs her honorary membership renewed. The Osler-Green captain supports this transfer.

Proposed: Helen Taylor (SEH Women's captain)

Seconded: Oliver Gingell (SEH Men's captain)

d. Shreya Sarawqi, St Hilda's to Linacre – 3 years

Shreya is a cox doing her dphil and would like her prior transfer renewed.

Proposed - Adam Bumpus,

Seconded - Amy Tatham

Not questions were asked.

All four were voted for in a block and **passed overwhelmingly**.

e. Judith Scheele, from Magdalen to Linacre – 3 years

Proposed - Adam Bumpus,

Seconded - Amy Tatham

Motion withdrawn.

9. Transfers – following constitutional change

All typically allowed if the amendment passes.

a. Benoit Pujol from no college to Wolfson College – Two years

Benoit is a University academic staff member, postdoc at the plant sciences department and Junior Research Fellow at Wolfson College for the next two years and is currently Wolfson College men's captain. bodcard number 2730016

Proposed: Judy Gleen (OURCs)

Seconded: Katja Bier (Wolfson)

b. Fernanda Pirie from no college to Wolfson College – Five years

Nanda is a University lecturer at St Cross College and member of Congregation for the next five years. Wolfson College boat club includes members of St Cross College. She is currently WCBC only senior cox and the new captain of coxes. bodcard number 2148327

Proposed: Benoit Pujol (Wolfson)

Seconded: Katja Bier (Wolfson)

c. Chris Cooper - University Staff to Linacre- until 2008 - currently BC President

Proposed - Adam Bumpus, (Linacre)

Seconded – Judy Gleen (OURCs)

d. Frank Sobott - Congregation to Linacre- until 2008 - currently BC committee (Safety)

Proposed - Adam Bumpus, (Linacre)

Seconded – Judy Gleen (OURCs)

- e. Gillian Douglas - University Staff to Linacre- until 2011 - currently BC committee (Treasurer)

Proposed - Adam Bumpus, (Linacre)
Seconded – Judy Gleen (OURCs)

- f. Helen Fletcher - University Staff to Linacre - until 2008

Proposed - Adam Bumpus, (Linacre)
Seconded – Judy Gleen (OURCs)

Withdrawn.

- g. Christina Orphanidou - University Staff to Linacre - until 2008

Proposed - Adam Bumpus, (Linacre)
Seconded – Judy Gleen (OURCs)

- h. Carolyn Slausen - University Staff to Linacre - until 2008

Proposed - Adam Bumpus, (Linacre)
Seconded – Judy Gleen (OURCs)

Withdrawn

No questions were asked.

All voted for as a group and passed overwhelmingly with 5 abstentions.

10. New Transfers

- a. Valerie Gorman – No College to Wolfson College – Five years

Valérie is an academic researcher for Oxford University Press for the next five years who rowed for Wolfson last year following the advice of RQ. Bod card number 2726264

Typically not allowed.

Proposed: Katja Bier (Wolfson)
Seconded: Benoit Pujol (Wolfson)

DP explained that RQ does not endorse this and that Valerie understood she wouldn't be eligible for bumps. She rowed a year as an associate, not in bumps but external regattas and has no official affiliation to Wolfson.

Chris Cooper – Linacre said that the OUP were fully fledged members of the University.

DP said he didn't think it was right that just because you've rowed with them for a while that you get a transfer to the boat club.

Ben Pujol said that captains meetings exist to allow captains to decide on these things. She has become a full participant in the boat club and having rowed so long it seemed appropriate that she become a true member.

ER called a move to vote.

9 For, 34 against, 19 abstentions

Motion fails

- b. Sarah Hager – Blackfriars to Wolfson College (MT 2009)

Sarah started rowing with Wolfson in summer. Blackfriars doesn't have a boat club and the affiliated college would be St. Benet's but as it is an only boys college there was no way for her to row with them. 2729381

Typically not allowed

Proposed: Katja Bier (Wolfson)
Seconded: Benoit Pujol (Wolfson)

The situation was explained and a captain asked if there was a rule to say she couldn't row for Benet's men. The obvious flaw in that was pointed out.

None against, motion passes overwhelmingly.

- c. Steve West - Junior Research Fellow at Oriel

Steve took up rowing just over a year ago with the Oxford Academicals. Last Summer Eights, having trained with Oriel all term, he competed for our 2nd VIII. He spent the summer training with Oriel under our head coach and raced in small boats at an external regatta with the summer squad. He has expressed a strong desire to row for our senior crews and has been training hard with us ever since. We feel we offer him a very high standard of coaching and are developing him from a novice

rower. As a genuine academic member of the college, he is not 'taking someone else's seat', but is being given the opportunity to row to the highest level possible for him.

Typically allowed

Proposed: David Woods (Oriel)

Seconded: Hannah Seddon (Oriel)

Moved to the second section as, under the constitutional change he was typically allowed.

Motion passed in the second block.

d. Gabriel Rosser - St. Anne's to Oriel College – 3 years

Gabriel learnt to row as an undergraduate at Oriel. Despite moving to St. Anne's for his DPhil, he wishes to continue rowing at Oriel, which is where many of his friends row.

Typically allowed

Proposed: David Woods (Oriel)

Seconded: William Blake (St. Anne's)

Motion passes overwhelmingly.

e. Robbie Shade - New College to Oriel College – 3 years

Robbie was an undergraduate at Oriel, where he began rowing and continued to do so for the past 4 years. Despite now moving to New College to study for a DPhil, he is still heavily in Oriel College Boat Club, from his help training new novice rowers to his job as our webmaster, and would like to continue rowing at Oriel.

Typically allowed

Proposed: David Woods (Oriel)

Seconded: Dave Whiffin (New)

Motion passes overwhelmingly

f. Jessica Whelan from no college to Wolfson College – Three years

Jessica is currently a novice rower who only just started rowing recently before term started. She is an associate member of the Wolfson common room who is doing her doctorate student research at Oxford University. Her academic research will last three years and as she would like to be a full member a Wolfson boat club for the three years to come (until Michaelmas 2010).

Typically allowed if motion passes.

Proposed: Katja Bier (Wolfson)

Seconded: Benoit Pujol (Wolfson)

Motion passes overwhelmingly

g. Paul Winship from Jesus to Pembroke

Paul rowed for Pembroke as an undergrad from 2003 to 2007 starting as a novice and progressing up to M2.

Paul is now doing his DPhil at Jesus but wants to continue rowing for Pembroke. Paul has offered to help coach Jesus Novice boats if his help is required to show his appreciation. He is in possession of valid Bod Card.

Typically allowed

Proposed: James Green (Pembroke)

Seconded: Tim Kindt (Jesus)

Passes overwhelmingly

h. Jon Lanman from Magdalen to Wolfson

Jon was at Wolfson last year doing an MSc and is currently doing a DPhil at Magdalen. He rowed in the summer with Wolfson and would like to continue doing so.

Typically allowed

Proposed: Benoit Pujol (Wolfson)

Seconded: Mark Haden (Magdalen)

Passes overwhelmingly

i. Hubert Bastide from St. Cross to Linacre – Three years

Previously at Linacre where he rowed during his MPhil, now starting DPhil

Typically allowed

Proposed - Adam Bumpus,
Seconded - Amy Tatham

Passes overwhelmingly

11. Other Motions

a. Other regattas on the Isis

Change O1 from:

"Permission must be sought for the event to happen from the Proctors and Environment Agency at least four weeks before the events."

To:

"permission must be sought for the event to happen from the Proctors at least four weeks before the events. Organisers must arrange to meet or liaise with the Environment agency regarding their event plan at least six weeks before the event."

Add O2.2

"For regattas on a Saturday, the OURCs river closure for college and University crews must start from an hour before sunrise out of courtesy to other rivers users, to allow them the use of the river prior to the regatta start time."

Add O4.2

"Organisers are not permitted to start their regatta earlier than the original published start time, out of courtesy to other river users."

Proposed: Judy Gleen (OURCs)
Seconded: David Pallot (OURCs)

DP explained the meeting with CORC and clarified the reasons.

b. Capsize drills

"All individuals using a 1x, 2x, 2- must have passed a Capsize Drill conducted by an ARA qualified instructor under ARA guidelines."

To:

"All individuals using a 1x, 2x, 2- must have passed a Capsize Drill conducted by an ARA qualified instructor under ARA guidelines or by someone trained in running capsize drills under ARA guidelines by an ARA qualified instructor and approved by the University Area Safety Officer."

Proposed: David Pallot (OURCs)
Seconded: Judy Gleen (OURCs)

JG explained the reason for the change to allow the Sab officer to test.

c. Swim tests

change R4.1 from:

"All crew members shall have satisfied the College Boat Club's appointed Senior Member that they are in good health and can swim a minimum of 100 m in light clothing (WSC/16)."

To:

"All crew members shall have satisfied the College Boat Club's appointed Senior Member that they are in good health and can swim a minimum of 50m in light clothing and demonstrate competence underwater. Rowers or coxes who fail their swimtest will be permitted to be on the river provided they are wearing an auto-inflate life jacket rated 100N or higher and are with a coach with appropriate rescue equipment."

Proposed: David Pallot (OURCs)
Seconded: Judy Gleen (OURCs)

Tom Chapman asked about bowloaders, DP confirmed that the bowloader rule over-ruled this and so non swimmers could not cox in a bowloader.

David Woods asked about Saturday of eights, DP said they'd look into it if it happened.

All three motions pass overwhelmingly

12. River Closures

a. Christ Church Regatta

Request for river closures on the 21st-24th November from 9am to dusk, Wednesday to Friday and from an hour before sunrise to dusk on Saturday.
Proposed: Katherine Hindley (Christ Church)
Seconded: David Pallot (OURCs)

Passes overwhelmingly

- b. Autumn Fours
Request for river closure 28th October from 1pm to dusk
Proposed: Judy Gleen (OURCs)
Seconded David Pallot (OURCs)

Passes overwhelmingly

- c. IWL
Request for river closures 7th November and 18th November from 1pm to dusk.
Proposed: Judy Gleen (OURCs)
Seconded David Pallot (OURCs)

Passes overwhelmingly

13. A.O.B.

- a. Nuts and bolts
The course run at the start of this term was very successful and we are aiming to run another at the end of this term, 8th/9th week. Anyone interested to get in touch with Judy Gleen.
- b. Godstow
It has been brought to our attention that generally crews at Godstow are spinning just upstream of Rainbow Bridge which is both dangerous and against the rules. Crews are reminded that the OURCs rules require them to spin 'before or opposite the Medley Sailing Club' (R12.2).
- c. Row safe feedback
The ARA is asking for feedback from clubs for the new Water Safety Code – to be known as the Row Safe – a guide to safe practice in rowing. We encourage captains to take a look: <http://www.ara-rowing.org/render.aspx?siteID=1&navIDs=1,249,1319> and send the ARA their feedback.
- d. OUBC Men's Coaches
OUBC vice-president Matt Brown to discuss the new initiative by OUBC to lend a hand to college clubs. We encourage all captains to pass on the name and email address of their Men's coaches to the rowing sabbatical.

Matt Brown explained that the coaches of OUBC would like to open themselves up as a resource to captains and coaches. They want to take their development squad very seriously and in the past have had a development program to identify rowers in the college system. This would start later in his term and until then they wanted to offer themselves as a resource to answer technical and coaching questions. Therefore they wanted to create a list of coaches and captains – JG proposed captains email her the details.
- e. Coxing
Tom Fowler told everyone that the last coxing meeting of term had passed. RQ was not prepared to run any more but if there was sufficient demand Tom would. He also reminded everyone that he was happy to run walk-about sessions down at the river should anyone request it.
- f. Autumn Fours
David Pallot encouraged entry of Autumn Fours.