

## About Me...

I've seen every side of college rowing, so I can sympathise with the problems that every party faces, and am well placed to judge how best to respond to the needs of the community:

**Rower**-I've trained and raced from novice to 1<sup>st</sup> VIII at BCBC, OUBC's dev squad, and the Academicals, in Isis-based and external regattas.

**Captain**-I'll be able to bring first hand experience of the challenges and frustrations that come with the role when advising and helping captains.

**OURCs committee**- I've been a member since HT10, inc. Race Sec for IWL, and race committee for the full calendar of events

**President**- I'm versed in dull admin, safety and financial issues, as well as sponsorship procurement

**I set up a new regatta (Spring 2<sup>nds</sup>)**- experienced in regatta organisation from proposal through to execution.



## Commitments...

### **Support the captains:-**

*With HE spending cuts, college sport is bound to suffer. I will:*

**Secure sponsorship for Torpids/IWL**: Cheaper entry fees means a lighter financial burden on clubs

**Provide guidance** for clubs seeking to fundraise with 'Friends of the Boat Club' groups, corporate sponsorship and alumni events.

**Foster links with Cambridge** to facilitate cheap 'racking-swap' training camps.

*I'll also:*

**Incentivise S-cox redistribution system** to safeguard Torpids under Red Flag.

**Provide seminars** to increase the skill base on the Isis: coaching, coxing, rigging- whatever the clubs want guidance on.

### **Support the sec:-**

- I'll expand and update the OURCsWiki as a more accessible source of guidance- no more scrolling endlessly through the entire constitution.
- I'll encourage recruitment to the committee: it'll lighten the load and improve OURCs' image and relationship with colleges.
- I'll write up really, *really* good minutes.

### **Support the squads:-**

- I'll support recruitment by promoting a visible squad presence during Torpids/Eights.
- Squads have trailers, colleges need boats moved. I'll compile lists of who's going to which regattas and then auction off the trailering rights. Squads get extra cash, colleges get the best deal.

## Why I want this...

I've got a passion for rowing bordering on the pathological, and lots to give in terms of experience and ideas... but so do the other candidates. Since first picking up an oar as a fresher rowing has helped me understand who I am. The year I spent as captain, trying to make rowing as fulfilling as possible for each member of a large squad, and trying to get a regatta off the ground was demanding, stressful, and social-life destroying- but I loved every minute of it. As RowSab I want to use my understanding of Oxford rowing to enrich the experience for everybody.