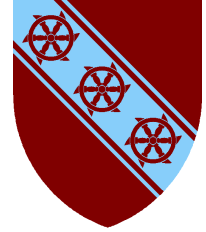




St Catherine's College Rowing Society
St Catherine's College, Oxford OX1 3UJ

President: Prof. Ceri Peach
 Vice-Presidents: Don Barton, Neil Chugani, Richard Peters,
 Andrew Triggs Hodge MBE, Sir Matthew Pinsent CBE,
 Ben Sylvester



19th June, 2016

Eights Bumps Charts

In this issue ...

Catz had a good Eights — all our crews got bumps and none got bumped — we have the reports, results and photos. We also catch up with a couple of our alumni with Rio in their sights; this weekend was their last serious racing before the Games. And, following the recent edition of *Catz Eye*, I feel the need to set the record straight with the *full* list of our former Olympic rowers.

Thanks again to Josephine Barnett-Neefs for the photos (including, somehow, the one below).

Results

Bedford Regatta, 7th May

Women's IM3 VIII's (14 entries)

Heat W1 lost to Auriol Kensington NRO[†]

IM3 VIII's (15 entries)

Heat M1 lost to SASRU 2 L 3:17

Novice VIII's (16 entries)

Heat M2 bt Abingdon School 3 L 3:27

Q/F lost to Bedford School 2^{1/2} L 3:17

[†] Not Rowed Out (broken rudder string)



Summer time ...and the bumping is ... (finally) ...easy. M2 cox, Josephine Barnett-Neefs, is celebrating rather than conceding (the clue's in the smile).

MEN		WED THU FRI SAT	WOMEN		WED THU FRI SAT
I	ORIEL CHRIST CHURCH PEMBROKE MAGDALEN WOLFSON KEBLE TRINITY UNIVERSITY S.E.H. BALLIOL WADHAM NEW COLLEGE HERTFORD SOMERVILLE		I	WADHAM PEMBROKE MAGDALEN UNIVERSITY ST JOHN'S CHRIST CHURCH S.E.H. KEBLE BALLIOL WOLFSON NEW COLLEGE HERTFORD SOMERVILLE	
II	WORCESTER ST CATHERINE'S BRASENOSE L.M.H. MANSFIELD LINCOLN JESUS ST JOHN'S ORIEL II PEMBROKE II ST ANNE'S QUEEN'S ST PETER'S		II	WORCESTER ORIEL JESUS LINCOLN MERTON TRINITY ST ANNE'S ST HUGH'S OSLER HOUSE MANSFIELD ST CATHERINE'S LINACRE EXETER	
III	EXETER ST HUGH'S CHRIST CHURCH II CORPUS CHRISTI NEW COLLEGE II MERTON SOMERVILLE ST ANTONY'S LINACRE UNIVERSITY II WADHAM II MAGDALEN II BALLIOL II		III	BRASENOSE CORPUS CHRISTI WADHAM II L.M.H. ST HILDA'S WOLFSON II ST PETER'S QUEEN'S WORCESTER II ST ANTONY'S GREEN TEMPLETON ST JOHN'S II UNIVERSITY II	
IV	TRINITY II S.E.H. II KEBLE II JESUS II OSLER HOUSE BRASENOSE II WOLFSON II WORCESTER II HERTFORD II ST CATHERINE'S II ST JOHN'S II GREEN TEMPLETON ST HILDA'S		IV	LINACRE II PEMBROKE II MAGDALEN II HERTFORD II TRINITY II CHRIST CHURCH II ORIEL II LINCOLN II NEW COLLEGE II REGENT'S PARK BALLIOL II ST HILDA'S II LINCOLN III	
V	MERTON II LINCOLN II EXETER II ST PETER'S II WOLFSON III REGENT'S PARK PEMBROKE III JESUS III QUEEN'S II ST BENET'S HALL ST ANNE'S II UNIVERSITY III WADHAM III		V	GREEN TEMPLETON II JESUS II L.M.H. II SOMERVILLE II BRASENOSE II ST HUGH'S II ST JOHN'S III KEBLE II QUEEN'S II MANSFIELD II WOLFSON III ST PETER'S II ST HUGH'S III	
VI	SOMERVILLE II ORIEL III L.M.H. II S.E.H. III MANSFIELD II KEBLE III PEMBROKE IV NEW COLLEGE III LINACRE II ST JOHN'S III ST HUGH'S II HERTFORD III MERTON III		VI	PEMBROKE III ORIEL III UNIVERSITY III LINACRE III WOLFSON IV EXETER II MAGDALEN III CHRIST CHURCH III NEW COLLEGE III ST ANNE'S II ST ANTONY'S II PEMBROKE IV WADHAM III BALLIOL III	
VII	BALLIOL III KEBLE IV JESUS IV MANSFIELD III ST ANTONY'S II UNIVERSITY IV CORPUS CHRISTI II L.M.H. III LINCOLN III ST HILDA'S II ST CATHERINE'S III ST ANTONY'S III BALLIOL IV CORPUS CHRISTI III				



The Men's 1st Eight (Photo: JBN)

Men's Boat Club Report

Georgios Ntentas, Men's Captain

The men's squad started their Summer Eights campaign last April with a successful training camp in Tilburg (NL), where 24 rowers and two coxes trained hard over 4 days (even if the photos might give a different impression...).

The commitment this term was fantastic and Eights was a great success, with the men's crews gaining a total 9 places. The 3rd Eight just missed blades due to a klaxon on the Friday, a few seconds

2016 St Catherine's Eights

Men's 1st Eight	Women's 1st Eight
B Georgios Ntentas	B Madeline Douglas ¹
2 William Beuckelaers	2 Katharine Biddle
3 Kieran Young	3 Madalina Ciocanu ²
4 Mathias Hoeyer	4 Emily Rosen
5 Julian Malisano	5 Lucy Roberts ³
6 Erkki Vihriälä	6 Emily Hoogkamer
7 Rory Antcliff	7 Roxanna Abhari
S James Winder	S Carina Schwarz
C Ian Houlsby	C Anna Corderoy

Men's 2nd Eight	Men's 3rd Eight
B Martin Cusack	B Maris Serzans
2 Peter Forsyth	2 Jakob Kaeppler
3 Gilad Amzaleg	3 Jay Shiao
4 Mark Hew	4 Malcolm Spencer
5 Kristian Kostadinov	5 Florian Zobel
6 David Smith	6 Alex Barbaro
7 Richard Everett	7 David Zimmer
S Matthew Smith	S Ian Houlsby
C Fien Barnett-Neefs	C James Wills

Coach: Christy Job

Substitutes

¹(Wed) ²(Sat) Elisabeth Gram

³(Wed) Jenna Poole

before they bumped Mansfield III. The 2nd Eight rowed over on Wednesday (though missed the bump also by a few seconds as Hertford II managed to bump out with Catz a canvas away) and bumped up all the other days. The 1st Eight bumped Worcester on Wednesday and then, being the Sandwich boat between Div 1 and Div 2, had to perform 7 more heroic row-overs, and just

missed a bump on Hertford on the Saturday by less than a canvas.

I'm really excited for next year as hopefully most of the current squad will continue rowing giving Catz men a squad depth that we have been missing for a while. Since this is my last report as Men's Captain, I would like to wish best of luck to James Winder, the new Men's Captain and to thank our coach Christy and everyone else in SCCBC for a fantastic year!



(Bottom) The men's 2nd Eight closing on Brasenose II.



The Women's 1st Eight closing on Osler House

Women's Boat Club Report

Emily Hoogkamer, Women's Captain

After a very successful Summer Eights, it is easy to look back on this term and think that everything went perfectly. The women's squad finished with a net gain of 3 places, not only stabilising our position, but turning things around to put W1 back into the upward stream for next year. The first day saw a tough race for our W1 crew, with most of us thinking it was all over as we exited the Gut. But, a big push from the whole crew left Linacre in our wake and spurred the boat on to a row over. This started the week off with the right attitude and set the crew up to bump falling crews on the remaining three days. Pulling together as a team to experience the daily adrenaline highs as we bumped our way up through the division made this a particularly special set of final races for me as Captain and I couldn't have been prouder of my team and what we have achieved over this year.

Looking back over the term and the year, the results of this summer are not just down to the 11 girls who ended up racing. Although we didn't manage to

muster a W2 with exams and field trips getting in the way, the wider squad and training throughout the year meant that our racing crew was selected from a large number of girls. Setting the crew late in the term meant that everything ended up coming together very last minute, but I think everyone that raced or came to watch would agree that the team meshed well. One of my favourite things about rowing is that

you don't just row for yourself, you row for the other 8 members of your crew and every power 10 or acceleration comes from the crew as a whole. Particularly on day 1 of Eights, it was really evident how much can be gained by working as one machine rather than rowing the boat for yourself.

Looking forward to next year, things are looking up for Catz. With the momentum of a successful Summer Eights campaign, enthusiasm within the Boat Club is high and everyone seems excited to get back on the water as soon as possible. With new members and old faces I can only say: watch this space.



The Women's 1st Eight, very much enjoying their week (Photo: JBN)

International Rowing

This weekend was the third round of the World Cup Regattas, and the last international competition before Rio. Two of our alumni have been selected for the GB Olympic crews, and have raced this so far this season in the European Championships in Brandenburg, the second World Cup Regatta in Lucerne and, this weekend, in Poznan.

Andy Triggs Hodge (M.04) is in the men's VIII. He missed the whole of last year through illness, but the VIIIs was really just about the competition between two crews: Great Britain and Germany, with the British just edging it. This year the British have put their top oarsmen into the coxless IV but such is the strength and depth of the squad that the VIII would be disappointed with Silver. However they've had a shaky start to the season with a Bronze in Brandenburg and dropping to 4th in Lucerne. But today, in Poznan, they got it back on track, finishing just a canvas down on the Germans, having under-rated them by 2 or 3 pips down the whole course. But this year it's not just about these two crews: the Dutch, who weren't racing this weekend, beat the Germans into 2nd place at Lucerne, and the USA and Russians could also get into the frame.

Zoe de Toledo (M.10) is coxing the women's VIII and their fortunes have gone the opposite way to the men's VIII. Their season started well with a Gold in Brandenburg (although the best women's VIIIs are generally from outside Europe) and, perhaps more impressively, a Silver in Lucerne less than a second behind the all-conquering USA crew who've won every World and Olympic title since 2006. But today in Poznan they had a bit of a set-back when, despite the absence of USA, they were beaten by New Zealand.

Catz Olympians

You may have noticed in the recent *Catz Eye* a list of 'the' 10 Catz Olympians, including 6 rowers. Now, while it's fair to say that we've certainly had more than our fair share of Olympic rowers, I don't think it's so many that we can afford to forget a few. So here is the *full* list, and that's actually 10, yes, 10, *just* from the rowers.

The GB men's coxless four has taken the gold medal in the last 5 Olympic Games and always with a Catz man in the stroke seat. This year they've gone for a Trinity man — we'll see how that works out. You'll also notice, Jo Gough apart, the list is entirely male. The raised status of the Women's Boat Race will no doubt even things out in the long term, but in the short term I'm fairly confident we'll be adding Zoe's name.

St Catherine's Olympic Rowers

2012	Andrew Triggs Hodge	GBR M4-	1st
2008	Andrew Triggs Hodge	GBR M4-	1st
	Colin Smith	GBR M8	2nd
	Ante Kusurin	CRO M2x	12th
2004	Matthew Pinsent	GBR M4-	1st
	Stephan Moelvig	DEN LM4-	1st
	Bastien Ripoll	FRA M8	6th
	Jan Herzog	GER M2-	6th
	Andrew Triggs Hodge	GBR M8	9th
2000	Matthew Pinsent	GBR M4-	1st
	Jan Herzog	GER M4-	11th
1996	Matthew Pinsent	GBR M2-	1st
	Rupert Obholzer	GBR M4-	3rd
1992	Matthew Pinsent	GBR M2-	1st
	Rupert Obholzer	GBR M8	6th
1988	Joanne Gough	GBR W4+	6th
1912	Hugo Kuusik	RUS 1x	3rd

Coming Up ...

In the immediate future, i.e., next weekend, there's a College Gaudy and we'll be putting some ex-Boat Club members back into boats and seeing if they can remember anything. Either way, it should be good for a few photos in the next newsletter. There will, of course, be a report on our two Olympic athletes (noting that Zoe describes herself on her twitter page as the 'smallest and least athletic member of the GB rowing team'). Our captains have not been short on ambition this year, what with forging Tideway links and overseas training camps, but there's one more twist in the tale. In August we'll be hosting some Japanese rowers from Tsukuba University, aiming to compete in City of Oxford Regatta, and, in exchange, they'll be hosting a Catz men's VIII at the end of September to race in the Japanese University Championships. I just hope nothing important got lost in translation.

Anu Dudhia

email: anu.dudhia@physics.ox.ac.uk

Row.Soc: <http://www.atm.ox.ac.uk/rowing/rs.html>

www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=93221115264

Diary

25 June 2016	Gaudy Paddle
6-13 Aug 2016	Olympic Regatta
20-21 Aug 2016	City of Oxford Royal Regatta
25 Sep 2016	All Japan University Championships