



CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY COMBINED BOAT CLUBS

Captains' Meeting
Sunday 9th June 2013, Robinson College

Minutes

Present: Holly Hedgeland (HH, chair), Tom Grimble (TG, minutes), Dan Wilkins (DW), Mat Bryan (MB), Evelyn Tichy (ET)

Apologies: Chris Balmer, Mark Jacobs, Annie Elkington, Will Hayes, First and Third women, Selwyn women, Sidney women, Fitzwilliam women, Jesus men, Homerton women.

1. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

The minutes of the previous Captains' Meeting (21st April) are on the website and were approved by the Captains. HH brought up the matter of rule changes from the previous meeting.

The new proposals were to homogenise the courses for all the races in Uni IVs to be that of the Colquhoun Sculls.

The captains were invited to vote on the proposed changes:

In favour: 44

Against: 0

Abstaining: 3

The changes to the rules were duly accepted.

The second issue was the case of 3 boats entering or showing up to the finals of a timed race format. The proposal was for the Chief Umpire to add a third station upstream of the standard 2 at the start and finish and run the race as a 3 boat chasing format. The boats would be seeded in positions to avoid any impediment during racing at the discretion of the Chief Umpire.

The captains were invited to vote on the second set of changes proposed:

In favour: 44

Against: 0

Abstaining: 2

The changes to the rules were duly accepted.



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Full details of the rule changes are included as an appendix to these minutes.

2. May Bumps

HH announced that the May Bumps 2013 would start on Wednesday and issued the following notices and advice:

- Litter – Please ensure crews do not leave litter on the towpath especially at the start. An empty water bottle will not slow you down...
- There will be a split M6/W5 division. All crews in the division should marshal on their stations 15 minutes before it is due to start. There will be 2 sets of guns with a minute between them for the separate men's and women's races.
- Urinating in public – DON'T or at least hide yourselves VERY well. Fines will be imposed and the police often patrol the area.
- Bank parties – Very strictly limited to FOUR cyclists only. The towpath gets very busy later in the week and it is dangerous and often difficult for umpires to do their jobs. This limit includes any VIPs that want to follow the crew and college Masters/Fellows.
- Stroke/cox swapping – Please don't as this delays later divisions if you can't steer safely. Its even worse and obvious if you forget to swap over the lifejacket...
- Marshals – The rota for marshals in on the CUCBC website. Marshals should be experienced members of your clubs who have raced bumps before and know which end of a boat is which. They should turn up 10 minutes before their start time and sign in at control desk. There will be fines for failing to supply marshals.

3. Handover of CUCBC accounts

DW reminded captains that they should hand over their CUCBC email account login details to their successors. If there are any problems then captains should email webmaster@cucbc.org. ET asked the captains to ensure their successors checked their email accounts often or set up forwarding to the Hermes as it was often difficult to get hold of people.

4. Election of CUCBC Honorary Secretary



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HH announced that the position of CUCBC Honorary Secretary was to be elected by the captains. There was one candidate for the position, Tom Grimble the existing Honorary Secretary, who was crazy/silly enough to put his name forward for a second year.

ET took over minutes from TG.

TG was invited to make a short speech to the captains before they voted.

HH invited the captains to vote for the position of CUCBC Honorary Secretary:

The captains unanimously voted in favour of Tom Grimble continuing in the position as CUCBC Honorary Secretary.

TG resumed taking minutes.

5. Notice of other CUCBC positions and co-options

HH announced that the Executive had co-opted the following people to the CUCBC Committee for next year.

Henk-Jaap Wagenaar would be taking over as CUCBC Junior Treasurer.

Dan Wilkins would be continuing as CUCBC Webmaster.

The position of Coxes' Representative would be elected at the Coxes' Meeting that followed.

6. AOB

Someone on the towpath had complained that there was no notice of events taking place along the river. The Committee would ensure that the events noticeboard was deployed during each event in future. Also the Conservancy only post information online rather than on their noticeboard.

7. Date of next meeting

The next captains meeting would be scheduled for the start of Michaelmas term 2013.