



SCBC Newsletter

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The 2019 University Boat Races

Several current and former members of SCBC braved an overcast Sunday afternoon of sporadic showers to watch Oxford take on Cambridge in the biggest university boat race event of the year. Sadly, Cambridge emerged victorious in all 4 races which took place on the day (thankfully Oxford's lightweight crews had secured victory in both the men's and women's races in March).

Regardless of the result, it was fantastic to see SCBC assembled near Putney Bridge, with others gathered at various locations along the course to support the Dark Blues, especially the Women's Blue Boat, in which Somerville alum Issy Dodds (now at Hertford College) was rowing!



Clad in red to support the Blues. Many of our members took the opportunity of a boat racing event to don their Boat Club blazers!

Oxford City Bumps

SCBC took the opportunity to get some practice in bumps racing in before Summer VIIIs this Trinity by taking part in Oxford City Bumps, organised by City of Oxford Rowing Club. Sadly no bumps were gained by our crew in the 4+. Nevertheless, any practice is good practice, and it was a great way to kick off Trinity Term!

Our crew for City Bumps

Cox: J. Mahmoud

S: H. Asiki

3: M. Ducroizet-Boitaud

2: K. Storer

B: C. Yates

A huge well done to our rowers who took part on the day immediately after sitting their collections!



Summer VIIIs 2019

Doubtless the most anticipated event in the Oxford college rowing calendar, Trinity Term saw 4 SCBC crews compete in the Summer VIIIs 2019. Achieving a perfect balance (something we certainly strive for on every outing), this year's campaign produced two sets of blades and two sets of spoons. With M1 and W2 moving up on every day of racing, while W1 and M2 were unfortunately bested by very strong competition. Here's a full breakdown of the week's racing:

	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
W1	Bumped by Jesus	Bumped by Balliol	Bumped by Linacre	Bumped by St. Anne's
M1	Bumped St. Antony's	Bumped Keble	Bumped Pembroke	Bumped St. Anne's
W2	Bumped Keble	Bumped Jesus Rowed over (Div. 4 sandwich boat)	Bumped Lincoln	Bumped Brasenose
M2	Bumped by Christ Church	Bumped by Oriel	Bumped by Corpus	Bumped by Corpus

Regardless of results, we are immensely proud of all of our crews, who worked hard throughout the year and put in their very best during the Summer VIIIs campaign. Looking back on this year, many of our members looked fondly on the friendships they have formed through SCBC, not to mention the fun had on outings, during erg sessions (yes, ergs can be fun!), and socials. Special thanks go out to our fantastic and dedicated coaches, as well as to all our supporters, who enable SCBC to get such fantastic coaching.



The Annual Eights Dinner

As always, the end of the rowing year was marked by the Annual Eights dinner. With the winning of two blades to celebrate, spirits were high and the speeches from our captains and vice-captains reflected this. It was also brilliant to see alumni in attendance to join the celebrations!



Alumni Outings

As well as being joined by our alumni at the Eights Dinner, former Somervillians had the opportunity to see if rowing a boat is just like riding a bike. It was fantastic to see this proven true, as our alumni did some solid paddles (and even a few pieces!) up and down the Isis.



Still got it: one of our outings saw a crew of 8 alumni (including cox, Caroline Smith) paddling up and down the Isis.

Introducing: SCBC Committee 2019-20



Charlotte Yates & Kieran Storer
Women's Co-Captains

Pak Hei Hao
Men's Captain



Joel Summerfield
Men's Vice-Captain



Jude Mahmoud
Women's Vice-Captain



Rachel Donnachie & Lucy Bannatyne
Women's Co-Presidents

Toby Sanderson
Men's President



Lizzie McGowan
Secretary and Women's Social Secretary



Rachel Donnachie
Treasurer



Nina Hurst
Men's Social Secretary

Elinor Lamrick
Captain of Coxes



Katie Inch
Water Safety Officer



Matthew Pugh
Development & Fundraising Officer



Alex Nash
Social Media Officer

We look forward to seeing what our (mostly) new committee will bring to SCBC in the year to come!

Alumni wishing to contact SCBC can do so directly by emailing scbcddevelopment@gmail.com, or to get in touch with our alumni organisation, the **1921 Association**, please email alumni.scbc@gmail.com

The 1921 Association are still looking for photos from former SCBC members as part of a photo book being produced for the club's centenary in 2021. Please email any photos and stories you have of your time at SCBC to their email address (above)!