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Honorary	25	University	72
Full	139	School	131
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Steward : J. E. HOLBROOK

PROSPECT - 1967

By Gordon Dear

IT would be a foolhardy captain who attempted to dogmatize about the prospects for a coming season, and I have no intention of so doing. One has seen too many crews that looked set for victory come sadly unstuck at some critical point in their training or racing programme, and never recover. Conversely, one has seen crews that were written off by the pundits who achieved a "break-through" and went on to win medals.

The difference between the above two types of crew is largely one of mental attitude. The importance of being able to relax physically while rowing is well known; it is equally important to be able to relax mentally, not only during the tense moments just before a race, but at all times—both in the boat and out of it. This is emphatically not to say that mental concentration is not required, each stroke should be taken with the same care than an engraver takes over each line he engraves on his plate; the stroke, like the engraved lines, once done is irrevocable—one can throw away the plate and start again, but at a cost. Nor is it to say that rowing, and one's aims in rowing, should not be thought about seriously, but, having thought, the mind should leave those problems and turn to other things; the oarsman who allows himself to become obsessed by them is likely to become his own worst boat-stopper.

What I am really saying is that rowing, while it should be taken seriously if any real satisfaction is to be derived from it, should also be fun. And there are great satisfactions to be derived from rowing, three in particular in my own experience: the sheer physical delight in moving a boat; the companionship and mutual respect that exist among the members of a dedicated crew—being a crew off the water as well as on; and, of course, winning. All the fast crews that I have known enjoyed the first two, and had the will to achieve the third—they could relax physically and mentally, but were tough physically and mentally.

The above train of thoughts was triggered off by the title of this article, and may not seem to have much direct bearing on the Club's prospects as such, but the points made are relevant to the creation of fast crews, and hence success. And success on the river is, naturally, what chiefly interests me as captain, both for the sake of the individual oarsman and for Thames Rowing Club as a whole. I want to see T.R.C. crews winning, and, in so doing, setting a standard of skill, racing spirit, and sportsmanship that all would wish to emulate. There are oarsmen in the Club of sufficient calibre who, if they are determined enough, can do this.

As a parting thought I will misquote a piece of ancient, but sound, advice given in another context: if rowing is inevitable, relax and enjoy it.

EDITORIAL

This Journal is now happily back to its normal yearly appearance, and we offer our readers once again the usual mixture of records of races, and comment on the past year's happenings, together with a note or so on past history. We cannot claim great successes during the year, though we produced, once again, the fastest British coxed four—alas again despised by the British Selectors, even if regarded with respect by other crews here and abroad. John Stephenson comments on this and other events. We also record our friendship and regard for Dick Phelps on his retirement, and we offer good wishes to his successor as Boatman to the Club, Mr. N. McIver. Members will like to know that the War Memorial in the Club has been brought up to date through the generosity of a family of members. If their anonymity is thinly veiled, it would not be right to penetrate it further here. The whole Club offers them its grateful thanks for the happy idea of commemorating their association with us over so many years in this way.

We also print an appreciation by the Honorary Treasurer of the help he has received during the year from the Club's Honorary Auditors, and the great benefit that has resulted to the Club. Under the firm guidance of Geoffrey Seaman our finances steadily climb to the level that we so much wish to see them at. May these efforts continue to bear fruit.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT - 1966

By J. A. Stephenson

AT the beginning of the year a dilemma arose which normally lies dormant until the racing season arrives—whether a first four should double in the Grand eight. I decided that, as our Coxed four of the previous season remained complete, they should be given the chance of another crack at International honours. This, of course, set the pattern for the whole Club; four of our most experienced oarsmen were skimmed away from the rest right at the very outset.

The first eight did not in fact turn out to be a very fast crew, but it had a good win in the International Elite Eights at Ghent and later wins at the end of the season after a re-shuffle; so that the year was not without satisfaction for the members of the crew, particularly for oarsmen gaining valuable experience for future years.

The second eight developed late, but won early in the regatta season and had some good racing as the season progressed. The Junior eight won at Chiswick Regatta—and it was great fun watching their cox being thrown in after a fine win that had involved a head-heat and a re-row in the final.

Coxed Four

But it was the Coxed four that provided most of the Club's success during the year. They trained hard during the winter, doing a lot of pairing and sculling; but there is some doubt whether they increased their pace over last year. They were without doubt the fastest British Coxed four, and won at Ostend, Walton, Reading, Marlow and in the Metropolitan Regatta. At Henley they were beaten by a world-class East German four who went on to win the World Championships at Bled.

The Selectors intimated that they were not prepared to select this four without changes; so, trying to be constructive, we got together with Vesta R.C., shuffled the crew and brought in two more internationals. As it turned out, this four was probably no faster than the Henley one; but it won at Hamburg Regatta and went on to win the A.R.A. Trials. They were not selected, although they put up as good a

show as the Derby coxless four who were. What more can one do?

Coaches

I now come to thank the Coaches: Felix Badcock, John Baker, Gordon Dear, Don Elliott, Alan Hawes, Stuart Miskin, Denis Mount, David King, Alan Reddin and Bill Williams, for all their help and interest throughout the year.

The smooth running of a Club depends very greatly on the voluntary help given by members and there are times when more could be forthcoming. We did tend this year to put too great a strain on a few individuals. David King deserves to be singled out as such a one. His untiring efforts as Honorary House Steward, launch driver and mechanic, boats-tower and general Club engineer are invaluable.

Finally, I think I can rightly speak for all who have been captain of the Club in the past 35 years when I thank Dick Phelps as he retires for being a most excellent boatman and friend. I am glad we shall still be seeing him regularly at Thames.

The First Eight

Technically the first eight was not one of our very best, although they occasionally did really good pieces of work. Basically the blades were not driven through the water as hard as we would perhaps like, and consequently the crew's rhythm was patchy. Before Henley they had a good win at Ghent in the middle of May; but they did not develop as we would have wished from there, and they did not look like winning again until after Henley. They were then re-formed and Dennis Mount took over the coaching. There was a certain amount of light-headedness, but once this was taken in hand their outlook came more into line with our ideas of first eight rowing and the crew soon enjoyed really good outings with accompanying success.

Dennis Mount writes: "I am a firm believer in the value of small boating for everyone and although my suggestion that the crew should put in a spell in sculling

boats or pairs before the outing was initially unpopular, I think they soon found this exercise more beneficial than playing football. We won at three out of four regattas, with a different crew on each occasion owing to injuries, etc.; and I am sure that the misery of a waterlogged Maidenhead could have been relieved but for No. 5's broken ankle and No. 7's other troubles. Our successes included the record for Senior Junior eights at Bedford and the mastering of the balance of the new German-designed eight "Duggie".

The Second Eight

Dennis Mount writes:

When taking over a crew to coach, I think I prefer the challenge of a raw, new and untried crew to one that has just won. When I took over the second eight in the middle of May they had just won at Thames Ditton, stroked by David Skinner; he stopped on that day, having been subbing for the regular stroke who had been laid low with a poisoned hand.

Chiswick was a disappointment all round; we were disqualified in the final of the Thames Cup there, when our cox took London's water leading them by just over a length. We proceeded not too happily to Twickenham, and there we beat Crowland, and then Sandhurst in the final, in spite of rowing that was neither good nor controlled. Bad luck dogged us at Walton, where Wilmot had stomach trouble. There was a shortage of substitutes, and I had to row myself. After $2\frac{1}{2}$ minutes, we led by $\frac{3}{4}$ length, but after a shipwreck, Molesey went away leaving us to struggle home. At Reading we were simply outclassed. When racing a good Isis and an even better Quintin crew with at least 5 young Tideway Scullers rowing under the blue and white colours, Thames were left trailing.

To sum up, I don't think the crew ever quite had what it takes to get the best out of a boat or themselves. The engine room was weak and even with three changes of stroke they never developed real pace or length. I am sure there are quite a few men at Thames who do not know just how much punishment they can take or who possess the ability to rally after disaster.

The Wyfold Four

The Wyfold four was chosen from the successful junior eight which won at Chis-

wick. They developed well, but they never quite got into the Wyfold class; however, they can be pleased to have turned out to be good oarsmen of the junior senior class; and their run at Henley did them a lot of good and taught them a lot. They can look forward to a future of bright and happy rowing. If success eluded them, there were no signs of despair, and they came back each week quite determined to do better and go faster. Coaching them was always enjoyable.

Youth Championships

This year we asked a four from Ealing Grammar School to row in junior senior races in the season and to represent the Club in the Youth Championships. The experiment was most successful in the sense that the crew enjoyed itself and learnt a lot; but it had no very successful racing. It acquitted itself well in the Championships themselves, but the heavier and more experienced Radley crew proved more than a match; nevertheless, our crew made a very strong and determined effort, and they deserve all praise for it.

The Juniors

David King and Alan Reddin assembled what looked like a respectable bunch of juniors for the year, and worked them up and down the river in all weathers until it was clear that the first crew was shaping as we would wish. They had two or three tough regattas with pretty close racing before they won at Chiswick, commendably early in the season. After that they provided the basis for two junior senior fours, one of which appeared at Henley as is recorded above. The other won a good junior senior race at the City of Norwich Regatta in July.

DICK PHELPS

Our Boatmen tend to stay with the Club for a long time, and Dick Phelps has been no exception to that rule. In the 70 years before he came to us we had had only three boatmen, and the last of these Laurie Bedell, had been with us for many years. Laurie seems to have known little about the water before he came, having been secretary to an actress, but he proved one of the best of all boatmen; and Dick had plenty to live up to in his new job. It must not be thought though that he did not know us by then; on the contrary, he had steered many crews for us in his young days, in practice.

Dick has been with the Club since 1931, and those who know him well—and this now includes almost all the rowing world—agree that he has filled the post superbly. He has been friendly with all and most helpful to all; no one on the water has ever appealed to him for help in vain. His willingness to help is matched only by his skill in boat building and repairing.

Dick's family is famous. In 1961 they celebrated the centenary of their first winning Doggett's Coat & Badge. Honest John Phelps, who won in 1861, was Dick's great-uncle, and he is possibly better remembered for his perhaps apocryphal verdict given when he judged the Oxford & Cambridge boat race of 1875: "dead heat by five yards". He was a Fulham man, but the rest of the family have all been Putney men. John was followed by two nephews, William, who won Doggett's in 1875, and Charles, Dick's father, who won it in 1884. Three of Dick's brothers have won the race, and so has his nephew, Edwin. Harry, who is Bargemaster to the Fishmongers Company, won in 1919; Tom, Boatman to London R.C., won in 1922, Dick won in 1923, and Jack, now Boatman to Winchester College, won in 1928.

It is clear that Dick took as readily to the water as the rest of his family. As I have noted, he started young and steered many crews for Thames and other Clubs, and he travelled to regattas with the boats—then sent by horse and dray—and earned the strictures and more grudging praise of Bossy Phelps for real or imagined misdemeanours.

He settled in quickly at Thames and was soon introduced to success. The Club won the Stewards at Henley the year after he came to us, and he had his first experience of international rowing that same year, when he went to Los Angeles for the Olympic Games of 1932. He has said: "I well remember this trip. What a proud fellow I felt when I was asked to travel as Boatman to the Olympic rowing team, and what a team it was! I shall never forget the fine win of the Thames four that had included T. H. Tyler, R. D. George and Jack Beresford, with J. C. Badcock at stroke. What a pity it was that Mr. Tyler fell ill and had to be replaced at the last minute; but Mr. Jumbo Edwards stepped into his place and the Olympic win is a matter of proud Club history, and indeed English history."

"In 1934," he continues, "I went to the Continent for the first time with a Thames Eight to the Ghent International Regatta, and though this crew lost to the S.N. Basse Seine in the final, it did so only by 4 feet; and most of the crew won the Thames Cup at Henley later in the year."

Since then he has been to almost innumerable international regattas, but he never seems to regard them as commonplace. He records that he went to Ostende Regatta 15 times by 1962. In 1936 he had his second Olympic Games, when the Thames Double, Jack Beresford and Dick Southwood, won handsomely after being level at 1500 metres and proved itself one of the very few crews capable of standing up to the Germans at that time. Later on this double deadheaded in the final of the Double Sculls with the Italians at the Centenary Regatta at Henley in 1939. "What great victories," says Dick, "especially the one at Berlin in front of Hitler and Goering."

Since then Dick has taken boats and crews to Dinant and Namur in Belgium, as well as to Ostende and Ghent, to Macon for the European Championships, to Vancouver and North Wales for the Empire and Commonwealth Games, to Paris, Amsterdam, Dunkirk, and so on. But these visits are incidental to his work with us at Putney. The routine of the home regattas, with

Henley as their climax, and international regattas interspersed among these, has occupied him fully for all but the war years—and even then he was to be found at the Club whenever his war-time duties of boat-building for the forces at Teddington allowed. After the war he received the honour of appointment by Royal Warrant “into the place and quality of a Waterman to Her Majesty the Queen”, joining his brothers in this well-deserved mark of distinction.

Dick has been firmly esconsed at the Club for thirty-five years, but he has now retired. He seems inseparable from us, and we have made him an Honorary Life Member to mark our friendship—and we hope that it will continue for many years to come.

Annual Dinner

To mark his retirement, Dick was made the Guest of Honour at our Annual Dinner, held early in December last at the Club-house. Ian Fairbairn took the Chair at the Dinner, and the Club was filled with over 150 members and guests who had come to pay their tributes to Dick. Tributes were paid to Dick by Ian Fairbairn and by Gully Nickalls, and Dick not only thanked the speakers and the Club generally, but he also proposed the toast of the Club in most felicitous terms.

This was one of our most memorable Annual Dinners, and the fun went on as usual to the small hours.

RACING - 1966

KINGSTON HEAD OF THE RIVER RACE 5th March

Second Eight: R. F. Cutler (bow); B. Murphy; P. R. Scott; H. C. A. Hardwick; A. G. Rogers; J. W. G. Baynes; D. A. G. Thomas; A. T. G. Hooper (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

Started 35th, finished 22nd, 18 min. 31 sec.

Third Eight: T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; J. A. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

Started 42nd, finished 43rd, 19 min. 37 sec.

Fourth Eight: J. C. Wade (bow); A. J. H. Pollitt; A. Puller; D. S. Collingwood; C. M. Kidd; J. H. Amies; P. Morris; S. A. Swinburn (stroke); G. R. Withers (cox).

Started 55th, finished 39th, 19 min. 26 sec.

Best Four: B. R. Hanham (bow); C. R. Barker; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke); P. G. Bailey (cox).

Started 1st, finished 1st, 18 min. 46 sec.

READING HEAD OF THE RIVER RACE 12th March

First Eight: R. Hackford (bow); S. R. Boddington; T. J. Kirby; A. Rice; J. R. Lester; T. Dawson; P. E. Lacey; M. J. Lohnberg (stroke); T. R. Kirkpatrick (cox).

Started 4th, finished 5th, 14 min. 35 sec.

Second Eight: P. Strong (bow); R. A. Farrants; V. B. A. Temple; F. D. L. Wilmot; J. E. Taylor; B. M. Barker; T. A. Bakiewicz; T. R. Haynes (stroke); N. H. Clarke (cox).

Started 13th, finished 11th, 14 min. 44 sec.

Third Eight: R. F. Cutler (bow); B. Murphy; P. R. Scott; H. C. A. Hardwick; A. G. Rogers; J. W. G. Baynes; D. E. G. Thomas; A. T. G. Hooper (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

Started 42nd, finished 60th, 15 min. 20 sec.

Fourth Eight: T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; J. A. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. W. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

Started 44th, finished 83rd, 15 min. 40 sec.

Fifth Eight: J. E. Wade (bow); A. J. H. Pollitt; M. Bookless; D. S. Collingwood; C. M. Kidd; J. H. Amies; P. Morris; G. A. Swinburn (stroke); G. R. Withers (cox).

Started 100th, finished 119th, 16 min. 4 sec.

HEAD OF THE RIVER RACE 19th March

Thames & Vesta:

Started 243rd, finished 7th, 19 min. 1 sec.

First Eight: R. Hackford (bow); A. Rice; T. M. Dawson; S. R. Boddington; P. E. Lacey; T. Kirby; J. R. Lester; M. J. Lohnberg (stroke); T. R. Kirkpatrick (cox).

Started 5th, finished 11th, 19 min. 11 sec.

Second Eight: P. Strong (bow); R. C. Farrants; V. B. A. Temple; F. D. L. Wilmot; J. E. Taylor; B. M. Barker; A. G. Frost; T. R. I. Haynes (stroke); N. H. Clarke (cox).

Started 19th, finished 45th, 19 min. 42 sec.

Third Eight: R. F. Cutler (bow); P. R. Scott; A. G. Rogers; H. C. A. Hardwick; B. Murphy; J. W. G. Baynes; D. E. G. Thomas; A. T. G. Hooper (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

Started 55th, finished 108th, 20 min. 17 sec.

Fourth Eight: T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

Started 81st, finished 103rd, 20 min. 14 sec.

Fifth Eight: J. G. Wade (bow); A. J. H. Pollitt; M. Bookless; D. S. Collingwood; C. M. Kidd; J. H. Amies; P. Morris; S. A. Swinburn (stroke); G. R. Withers (cox).

Started 115th, finished 215th, 21 min. 1 sec.

Sixth Eight: M. H. Garrett-Cox (bow); A. Hawes; B. Griffiths; R. A. Telling; A. Hewlett;

A. Moss; D. R. Mount; J. Mills (stroke); P. G. Bailey (cox).

Started 159th, finished 104th, 20 min. 15 sec.

Seventh Eight: University College School B.C., II.

Started 192nd, finished 104th, 20 min. 15 sec.

Eighth Eight: A. Robinson (bow); W. M. Chase;

B. Williams; C. Walker; D. Oscrift; Morton;

E. C. Thomson (stroke); E. Holland.

Started 204th, finished 235th, 21 min. 11 sec.

Ninth Eight: A. G. Thoday (bow); A. M. St. L.

Ramsay-Murray; R. Watkins; I. G. Hudspith;

F. A. Plumer; M. R. Phelps; D. H. Kelly; J. L.

Cooke (stroke); G. H. Garner (cox).

Started 207th, finished 303rd, 22 min. 31 sec.

Tenth Eight: J. Smulders (bow); F. Morley;

G. Robinson; H. Niven; I. Woolley; P. Peacock;

G. I. Blanchard; G. W. J. Bridge (stroke); R. F.

Weston (cox).

Started 243rd, finished 285th, 22 min. 7 sec.

Eleventh Eight: G. S. Dear (bow); T. A. Peek;

W. H. Needham; K. J. Braun; A. A. MacRae;

A. D. Warden; A. A. Reader; D. D. Skinner

(stroke); W. Ross (cox).

Started 335th, finished 217th, 21 min. 2 sec.

SCULLERS

HEAD OF THE RIVER RACE

16th April

V. B. A. Temple, started 32nd, finished 27th,
22 min. 6 sec.

M. H. Garrett-Cox, started 34th, finished 49th,
22 min. 27 sec.

R. Hackford, started 39th, finished 66th,
22 min. 39 sec.

A. Hawes, started 88th, finished 201st,
25 min. 25 sec.

T. Dawson, started 91st, finished 143rd,
23 min. 56 sec.

A. Rice, started 97th, finished 136th,
23 min. 50 sec.

D. R. Mount, started 119th, finished 57th,
22 min. 33 sec.

T. A. Bakiewicz, started 127th, finished 106th,
23 min. 12 sec.

D. W. Gramolt, started 143rd, finished 101st,
23 min. 9 sec.

B. R. Hanham, started 146th, finished 15th,
21 min. 54 sec.

J. E. Taylor, started 160th, finished 203rd,
25 min. 39 sec.

C. D. Barrett, started 200th, finished

PUTNEY REGATTA

30th April

Samuel Samuel Challenge Cup (Junior Eights)

T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M.

Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise;

M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

Race 5: T.R.C., 1; Putney Town R.C., 2; St.

Bartholomew's Hospital B.C., 3; canvas.

Final: Imperial College B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2;

Mortlake Anglian R.C., 3; $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

Vernon Pairs (Junior Senior Pairs)

J. W. G. Baynes (bow, steers); H. C. A.

Hardwick (stroke).

Race 1: T.R.C., 1; Burway R.C., 2; 3 lengths.

Semi-Final: Walton R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; easily.

HAMMERSMITH REGATTA

7th May

Kelmescott Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Fours)

R. F. Cutler (bow, steers); A. T. G. Hooper;

H. C. A. Hardwick; J. W. G. Baynes (stroke).

3.35 Race: Westminster Bank R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2;

Imperial College B.C., 3.

Hammersmith Challenge Cup (Junior Eights)

T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M.

Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise;

M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

Semi-Final: T.R.C., 1; Chiswick Grammar

School B.C., 2; Mortlake-Anglian R.C., 3.

Final: Putney Town R.C., 1; Kensington/Auriol

R.C., 2; T.R.C., 3; $\frac{1}{2}$ length; 2 ft.

Hammersmith Pairs

J. W. G. Baynes (bow, steers); H. C. A. Hard-

wick (stroke).

1.40 Race: T.R.C., 1; Imperial College B.C., 2;

$1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

Final: Walton R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; easily.

THAMES DITTON REGATTA

14th May

Nelson Bowl (Senior Eights)

V. B. A. Temple (bow); A. G. Flight; R. C.

Farrant; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J.

Peacock; A. G. Rogers; D. D. Skinner (stroke);

J. Hurst (cox).

4.40 Race: T.R.C., 1; Kensington R.C., 2; easily.

Final: T.R.C., 1; St. Edmund Hall B.C., 2; 2

lengths; 4 min. 31 sec.

Evelyn Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Fours)

R. F. Cutler (bow, steers); A. T. G. Hooper;

H. C. A. Hardwick; J. W. G. Baynes.

Scratched.

London Rowing Club Challenge Cup (Junior Eights)

T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M.

Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise;

M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

7.50 Race: T.R.C., 1; Sir Wm. Borlase School

B.C., 2; 2 lengths.

12.25 Race: T.R.C., 1; Twickenham R.C., 2;

$\frac{1}{2}$ length.

Semi-Final: Eton College B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2;

2 lengths.

Junior Restricted Eights

N. H. Clarke (bow); P. Boorman; M. Bow;

W. M. Chase; D. S. Collingwood; A. J. H. Pollitt;

P. Morris; J. H. Amies (stroke); G. R. Withers

(cox)

10.40 Race: T.R.C., 1; Tulse Hill School B.C.,

2; $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

2.50 Race: Westminster Bank R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2.

GHENT INTERNATIONAL REGATTA

15th May

Elite Eights, 2,000 metres

R. Hackford (bow); S. R. Boddington; J. R.

Lester; B. M. Barker; J. E. Taylor; T. J. Kirby;

T. A. Bakiewicz; A. Rice (stroke); R. A. Matthiae

(cox).

Final: T.R.C., 1; 6 min. 20.90 sec.; S.N. de la

Marne, Paris, 2, 24.80 sec.; Antwerp SC. and

S.R.N. Antwerp, 3, 6 min. 24.80 sec.; AZS,

Gdansk and Legia AZS Krakow, 4th, 6 min.

31.30 sec.

Elite Coxed Fours, 2,000 metres

B. B. R. Hanham (bow); C. R. Barker; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke); P. B. Bailey (cox).

Final: Akademicki Zwiazek, 1; 7 min. 6.80 sec.; AZS Krakow Gdansk, 2; 7 min. 9.70 sec.; T.R.C., 3; 7 min. 11.50 sec.; S.N. de la Marne, Paris, 4; 7 min. 12.90 sec.

CHISWICK REGATTA

21st May

Family Challenge Cup (Senior Fours)

A. Crew: R. Hackford (bow, steers); S. R. Boddington; J. R. Lester; B. M. Barker (stroke).
B Crew: T. A. Bakiewicz (bow, steers); T. J. Kerby; J. E. Taylor; A. Rice (stroke).

C Crew: B. R. Hanham (bow, steers); C. R. Barker; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke).

10.50 Race: Colet B.C., 1; T.R.C. C, 2.

11.25 Race: University of London B.C., 1; T.R.C. B, 2.

2.00 Race: T.R.C. A, 1; Leander Club, 2.

Semi-Final: Sons of the Thames R.C., 1; T.R.C. A, 2.

Allanson Memorial Trophy (Thames Cup Eights)

V. B. A. Temple (bow); A. G. Flight; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; R. Flueller (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

11.40 Race: London R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2.

Mortlake Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Fours)

J. Barringer (bow, steers); C. Griffiths; C. B. Slee; A. T. G. Hooper (stroke).

10.05 Race: Poplar & Blackwall R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2.

Ronald Studd Challenge Cup (Junior Eights)

A. Crew: T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bott; D. M. Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

B Crew: N. H. Clarke (bow); P. Boorman; M. Bows; W. M. Chase; D. S. Collingwood; A. J. H. Pollitt; P. Morris; J. H. Amies (stroke); G. R. Withers (cox).

2.45 Race: T.R.C. A, 1; Chiswick Grammar School B.C., 2; Mortlake Anglian R.C., 3; $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

3.15 Race: Molesey B.C., 1; T.R.C. B, 2.

Semi-Final: T.R.C. A, 1; Kensington Auriol R.C., 2; $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

Final: T.R.C., 1; University School B.C., 2; $\frac{1}{2}$ length, after dead-heat.

Chiswick Pairs

J. W. G. Baynes (bow, steers); H. C. A. Hardwick (stroke).

10.30 Race: T.R.C., 1; Mortlake Anglian R.C., 2

2.50 Race: T.R.C., 1; Imperial College B.C., 2.

Final: Walton R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2

Junior Sculls

A. T. G. Hooper.

1.30 Race: R. Whittaker, 1; T.R.C., 2.

VESTA DASHES

Quintin Challenge Cup (Senior Eights)

A Crew: R. Hackford (bow); S. R. Boddington; J. R. Lester; B. M. Barker; J. E. Taylor; T. J. Kirby; T. A. Bakiewicz; A. Rice (stroke); T. R. Kirkpatrick (cox).

B Crew: V. B. A. Temple (bow); A. G. Flight; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; R. Flueller (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

Heat 1: L.R.C. A, 1; T.R.C. A, 2; canvas; 1 min. 9 sec.

Heat 2: Molesey B.C., 1; T.R.C. B, 2; 3 feet; 1 min. 12 sec.

Fitte Challenge Cup (Senior Fours)

B. R. Hanham (bow, steers); C. R. Barker; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke).

Heat 1: T.R.C., row over.

Semi-final: Vesta R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 1 foot; 1 min. 11 sec.

Tweddell Trophy (Junior Senior Eights)

T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

Heat 2: Westminster School B.C., 1; Vesta R.C., 2; T.R.C., 3; $\frac{1}{2}$ length; 1 min. 8 sec.

Junior Senior Fours

R. F. Cutler (bow, steers); A. T. G. Hooper; H. C. A. Hardwick; J. W. G. Baynes (stroke).

Heat 1: T.R.C., row over.

Semi-final: Westminster Bank R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths; 1 min. 15 sec.

Senior Sculls

J. J. James.

Heat 1: James, row over.

Final: K. R. Smith, 1; A. G. Lane, 2; J. J. James, 3; 2 feet.

TWICKENHAM REGATTA

28th May

Mayor of Richmond Challenge Cup (Senior Eights)

V. B. A. Temple (bow); A. G. Flight; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; R. Flueller (stroke); Semi-Final: T.R.C., 1; Crowland R.C., 2.

Final: T.R.C., 1; R.M.A., Sandhurst, 2; 1 length; 3 min. 34 sec.

Mayor of Twickenham Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Eights)

T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

2.10 Race: T.R.C., 1; University College School B.C., 2; easily.

3.55 Race: St. Bartholomew's Hospital B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

Twickenham Challenge Cup (Junior Eights)

A. J. H. Pollitt (bow); P. Boorman; D. S. Collingwood; W. M. Chase; J. H. Amies; P. Morris; G. Swinburne (stroke); G. R. Withers (cox).

11.45 Race: Kensington Auriol R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2.

WINDSOR & ETON REGATTA

30th May

Thames Cup Eights

V. B. A. Temple (bow); A. G. Flight; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; R. Flueller (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

5.10 Race: Emanuel School B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2.

Junior Senior Eights

T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

11.10 Race: University College, Oxford, B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 1½ lengths.

Junior Senior Fours

J. Barringer (bow, steers); D. M. B. Thomas; C. B. Slee; A. T. G. Hooper (stroke).

Junior Eights

11.30 Race: Eton Excelsior R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2. A. J. H. Pollitt (bow); P. Boorman; D. S. Collingwood; W. M. Chase; J. H. Amies; P. Morris; G. Swinburne (stroke); G. R. Withers

2.20 Race: Beaumont College B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2 (cox).

OSTENDE REGATTA

29th and 30th May

Elite Coxed Fours

B. R. Hanham (bow); C. R. Barker; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke); P. G. Bailey (cox).

Sunday Final: Triton-Utrecht, 1; T.R.C., 2.

Monday: Final: T.R.C., 1; Mixte Antwerp, 2; Germania Dusseldorf, 3; Nautilus Club, 4.

HEREFORD REGATTA

30th May

Junior Eights

A. J. H. Pollitt (bow); P. Boorman; D. S. Collingwood; W. M. Chase; J. H. Amies; P. Morris; G. Swinburne (stroke); G. R. Withers (cox).

Heat 1: Shrewsbury School B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 3 lengths; 4 min. 4 sec.

Senior Pairs

J. W. G. Baynes (bow, steers); H. C. A. Hardwick (stroke).

Heat 1: Easterling and Macarthy, 1; T.R.C., 2; easily.

Senior Sculls

J. J. James.

Heat 1: J. J. James, 1; P. Hilditch, 2; 2 lengths.

Final: H. Kapica, 1; J. J. James, 2; 3 lengths.

WALTON REGATTA

4th June

Ladies Challenge Cup (Grand Eights)

R. Hackford (bow); S. R. Boddington; J. R. Lester; B. M. Barker; J. E. Taylor; T. J. Kirby; T. A. Bakiewicz; A. Rice (stroke); T. C. Kirkpatrick (cox).

Race 75: T.R.C., 1; London R.C., 2; ½ length; 5 min. 25 sec.

Final: Nautilus Club, 1; T.R.C., 2; 2½ lengths; 5 min. 5 sec.

Centenary Challenge Cup (Senior Coxed Fours)

B. R. Hanham (bow); C. R. Barker; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke); P. G. Bailey (cox).

Race 60: T.R.C., 1; r.o.; Nautilus Club scratched.

Semi-Final: T.R.C., 1; Eastbourne College B.C., 2; easily; 5 min. 55 sec.

Final: T.R.C., 1; Sons of the Thames R.C., 2; easily; 5 min. 40 sec.

Walton Eights (Thames Cup Eights)

V. B. A. Temple (bow); A. G. Flight; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J.

Peacock; A. G. Rogers; R. Flueller (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

Race 94: Molesey B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; ¼ length; 5 min. 14 sec.

Sabin Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Eights)

T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

Race 17: Tiffin School B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; ¼ length; 5 min. 16 sec.

Miskin Challenge Cup (Junior Eights)

A. J. H. Pollitt (bow); P. Boorman; D. S. Collingwood; W. M. Chase; C. Russell; J. H. Amies; P. Morris; G. Swinburne (stroke); G. R. Withers (cox).

Race 26: Westminster Bank R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 3½ lengths; 5 min. 23 sec.

READING REGATTA

11th June

Grand Challenge Cup (Senior Eights)

R. Hackford (bow); S. R. Boddington; J. R. Lester; B. M. Barker; J. E. Taylor; T. J. Kirby; T. A. Bakiewicz; A. Rice (stroke); T. C. Kirkpatrick (cox).

5.25 Race: Oxford University B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 3 lengths; 4 min. 4 sec.

Senior Coxed Fours

B. R. Hanham (bow); C. R. Barker; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke); P. G. Bailey (cox).

Final: T.R.C., 1; Nautilus Club, 2; Argosies R.C., 3; ¼ length; 5 min. 13 sec.

Austin Bolsom Challenge Cup (Thames Cup Eights)

V. B. A. Temple (bow); A. G. Flight; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; R. Flueller (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

10.55 Race: Isis & Quintin B.C., dead-heat; T.R.C., 3; 4 min. 39 sec.

Sandeman Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Eights): Division A

T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

8.30 Race: Barclays Bank R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; R.A.F. Cranwell, 3; 1½ lengths; 4 min. 56 sec.

Junior Senior Fours

T. J. Gray (bow, steers); D. R. Sudbury, J. G. Woods; S. J. Wise (stroke).

10.30 Race: T.R.C., 1; Quintin B.C., 2; 1½ lengths; 5 min. 34 sec.

4.00 Race: T.R.C., 1; R.M.A., Sandhurst, 2; 2 lengths; 5 min. 41 sec.

Final: Kingston R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2.

Junior Senior Sculls

K. J. Braun.

7.10 Race: D. Salter, 1; K. J. Braun, 2; O. Haisell, 3; ¼ length; 5 min. 53 sec.

METROPOLITAN REGATTA

12th June

Champion Eights

R. Hackford (bow); S. R. Boddington; J. R. Lester; B. M. Barker; J. E. Taylor; T. J. Kirby; T. A. Bakiewicz; A. Rice (stroke).

5.25 Race: Tideway Scullers School, 1; T.R.C., 2.

Layton Cup (Senior Coxed Fours)

B. R. Hanham (bow); C. R. Barker; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke); P. G. Bailey (cox).

3.15 Race: T.R.C., 1; Molesey B.C., 2.

Final: T.R.C., 1; Poplar & Blackwall R.C., 2; London R.C., 3; easily.

Old Barnes Cup (Thames Cup Eights)

V. B. A. Temple (bow); R. Flueller; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; M. W. Stone (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

4.25 Race: T.R.C., 1; London R.C., 2.

Final: Molesey B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; Crowland R.C., 3.

Forster Cup (Junior Senior Eights)

T. J. Gray (bow); T. S. Fry; J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; S. J. Wise; M. A. Stocking (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

2.00 Race: Imperial College B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2.

MARLOW REGATTA

18th June

Grand Challenge Cup

R. Hackford (bow); S. R. Boddington; J. R. Lester; B. M. Barker; J. E. Taylor; T. J. Kirby; T. A. Bakiewicz; A. Rice (stroke); R. A. Matthiae (cox).

Semi-final: L.R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

Borgnis Challenge Cup (Senior Coxed Fours)

B. R. Hanham (bow); C. R. Barker; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke); P. G. Bailey (cox).

Heat 1: T.R.C., row over.

Final: T.R.C., 2; Nautilus Club, 2; 1 length.

Marlow Eights (Thames Cup Eights)

V. B. A. Temple (bow); M. W. Stone; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; R. Fleuller (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

Race 35: Isis B.C., 1; Radley College B.C., 2; T.R.C., 3; $\frac{1}{2}$ length.

Town Challenge Cup (Wyfold Fours)

T. J. Gray (bow, steers); D. R. Sudbury; J. G. Woods; S. J. Wise (stroke).

Heat 2: Twickenham R.C. B, 1; T.R.C., 2; 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

Junior Senior Eights

T. S. Fry (bow); J. E. Bolt; D. M. Butler; M. A. Stocking; Fraser; R. F. Cutler; C. J. Griffiths; A. T. G. Hooper (stroke); D. M. R. White.

Heat 1: Barclays Bank R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; University College School B.C., 3; 2/3 lengths.

Junior Senior Sculls

K. J. Braun.

PUTNEY TOWN REGATTA

18th June

Junior Fours

N. Morley (bow); A. Booklas; M. Kield; C. J. Wade (stroke).

3.50 Race: London R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; Horseferry R.C., 3.

Junior Senior Pairs

J. W. G. Baynes (bow, steers); H. C. A. Hardwick (stroke).

Semi-Final: T.R.C., 1; Thames Tradesmen R.C., 2.

Final: T.R.C., 1; Poplar & Blackwall R.C., 2.

HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA

29th, 30th June, 1st, 2nd July

Grand Challenge Cup

	st.	lb.
R. Hackford (bow)	11	3
2 S. R. Boddington	12	7
3 A. Rice	12	1
4 B. M. Barker	13	7
5 J. E. Taylor	12	4
6 T. J. Kirby	13	7
7 T. A. Bakiewicz	13	2
J. H. Lester (stroke)	11	12
R. A. Matthiae (cox)	9	7

Heat 1: T.S.C., Berlin, Germany, 1; T.R.C., 2; 4 lengths; 6 min. 56 sec.; Barrier, 1 min. 56 sec.; Fawley, 3 min. 18 sec.

Prince Philip Challenge Cup

	st.	lb.
B. R. Hanham (bow)	12	7
2 C. R. Barker	13	7
3 C. D. Barrett	15	2
D. W. Gramolt (stroke)	13	2
P. B. Bailey (cox)	8	0

Heat 1: T.R.C., 1; London R.C., withdrawn.
Semi-final: S.G.D. Potsdam, Germany, 1; T.R.C., 2; easily; 7 min. 38 sec.; Barrier, 2 min. 10 sec.; Fawley, 3 min. 42 sec.

Thames Challenge Cup

	st.	lb.
V. B. A. Temple (bow)	10	12
2 R. Flueller	11	0
3 R. C. Farrants	13	4
4 F. D. L. Wilmot	12	7
5 B. E. Murphy	12	11
6 P. J. Peacock	13	4
7 A. G. Rogers	12	11
M. W. Stone (stroke)	12	2
J. Hurst (cox)	8	10

Heat 9: T.R.C., 1; Bedford R.C., 2; $\frac{3}{4}$ length; 6 min. 58 sec.; Barrier, 1 min. 58 sec.; Fawley, 3 min. 23 sec.

Heat 22: Nottingham & Union R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths; 7 min. 10 sec.; Barrier: 1 min. 59 sec.; Fawley, 3 min. 23 sec.

Wyfold Challenge Cup

T. J. Gray (bow)
2 D. R. Sudbury
3 J. G. Woods
S. J. Wise (stroke)

Qualifying Race: Monmouth R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths; 8 min. 24 sec.; Barrier, 2 min. 25 sec.; Fawley, 4 min. 3 sec.

KINGSTON REGATTA

9th July

Coronation Challenge Cup (Senior Eights)

R. N. McBride (bow); R. Flueller; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; B. E. Murphy; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; M. W. Stone (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

Race 58: Eton Excelsior R.C. & Staines B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; $\frac{1}{2}$ length; 2 min. 29 sec.

Ravens Ait Challenge Cup (Senior Fours)

T.R.C. & Tyrian B.C.: J. J. James (bow, steers); S. S. Willder; D. C. F. Latham; J. M. Kinnear (stroke).

Race 71: Kingston R.C., 1; Thames & Tyrian, 2; 1 length; 2 min. 50 sec.

Greene Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Fours)

T. J. Gray (bow, steers); S. J. Wise; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury (stroke).

Race 46: T.R.C., 1; Kingston R.C., 2; 2 lengths; 2 min. 57 sec.

Semi-final: Burway R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2.

Chapple Challenge Cup (Senior Junior Pairs)

B. Hackford (bow, steers); M. W. Stone (stroke).

Race 23: Thames Tradesmen R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2.

Selsey Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Sculls)

V. B. A. Temple.

Race 14: T.R.C., 1; M. W. Knowles, 2.

Semi-final: T.R.C., 1; R. W. J. Massara, 2.

Final: K. Douglass, 1; T.R.C., 2.

MOLESEY REGATTA**16th July****Thames Cup Eights**

R. N. McBride (bow); R. Flueller; R. C. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; J. E. Taylor; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; M. W. Stone (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

Race 91: Molesey B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 1½ lengths; 5 min. 10 sec.

Jack Kent Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Fours)

T. J. Gray (bow, steers); S. J. Wise; J. G. Woods; D. R. Sudbury (stroke).

Race 51: T.R.C., 1; Colet B.C., 2; easily.

Race 88: Burway R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 2½ lengths; 5 min. 30 sec.

T. J. Cory Challenge Cup (Junior Senior Sculls)

V. B. A. Temple.

Race 7: R. Tolman, 1; V. B. A. Temple, 2.

F. E. Thorn Challenge Cup (Junior Sculls)

T. A. Bakiewicz.

Race 3: J. R. Burnett, 1; T. A. Bakiewicz, 2.

SALTFORD REGATTA**16th July****Senior Eights**

R. Hackford (bow); A. Rice; A. Calton; S. R. Boddington; S. J. R. Aitken; T. J. Kirby; J. H. Lester; B. R. Hanham (stroke); D. M. White (cox).

Semi-final: T.R.C., 1; Monkton Bluefriars, 2; 2½ lengths.

Final: T.R.C., 1; Wallingford R.C., 2; 2½ lengths.

Senior Coxed Fours

J. H. Lester (bow); S. R. Boddington; S. J. R. Aitken; B. R. Hanham (stroke); D. M. White (cox).

Semi-final: T.R.C., 1; Worcester/Pengwern R.C., 2; 1½ lengths.

Final: Wallingford R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; canvas.

Junior Sculls

R. Hackford.

Semi-final: T.R.C., 1; C. S. Ogbourne, 2; 2 lengths.

Final: D. Hayley, 1; T.R.C., 2; 3 lengths.

CITY OF NORWICH REGATTA**16th July****Junior Senior Fours**

M. A. Stocking (bow, steers); D. M. Butler; J. E. Bolt; T. S. Fry (stroke).

Final: T.R.C., 1; Peterborough City R.C., 2; 3 lengths; 4 min. 56 sec.

Junior Coxed Fours

A. J. Pollitt (bow); S. Collingwood; W. M. Chase; J. H. Amies (stroke); N. H. Clarke (cox).

Heat 1: Huntingdon R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; easily; 4 min. 9 sec.

TIDEWAY SCULLERS REGATTA**17th July****Novice Sculls**

T. J. Gray.

Heat 1: T. J. Gray, 1; A. Fusco, 2; easily.

Semi-final: T. J. Gray, 1; A. Smith, 2.

Final: A. McBride, 1; T. J. Gray, 2; easily.

BEDFORD REGATTA**23rd July****Britannia Challenge Cup (Senior Coxwainless Fours)**

R. Hackford (bow, steers); A. Rice; S. J. R. Aitken; T. J. Kirby (stroke).

Heat 1: City of Cambridge R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 1 length.

Bedford Corporation Centenary Trophy (Senior Junior Eights)

T. J. Gray (bok); S. J. Wise; J. W. Woods; D. R. Sudbury; A. Calton; S. R. Boddington; S. J. R. Aitken; T. J. Kirby (stroke); D. M. R. White (cox).

Semi-final: T.R.C., 1; Bedford R.C., 2; 1½ lengths.

Final: T.R.C., 1; Hereford R.C., 2; 1½ lengths; 3 min. 29 sec. (new record).

Junior Senior Sculls

V. B. A. Temple.

Heat 1: T.R.C., 1; R. W. J. Massara, 2; 1 length.

Semi-final: T.R.C., 1; A. Smith, 2; 1½ lengths.
Final: M. Griffiths, 1; V. B. A. Temple, 2; easily.

STAINES REGATTA**23rd July****Staines Eights (Thames Cup Eights)**

G. Fraser (bow); R. Flueller; R. Farrants; F. D. L. Wilmot; J. E. Taylor; P. J. Peacock; A. G. Rogers; M. W. Stone (stroke); J. Hurst (cox).

Race 55: Molesey B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 1½ lengths; 3 min. 50 sec.

Staines Fours (Senior Junior Fours)

R. F. Cutler (bow, steers); D. M. B. Thomas; T. A. Peek; T. I. Haynes (stroke).

Race 74: Kingston R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 2½ lengths.

Junior Senior Fours

R. J. Thomas (bow, steers); R. E. H. Watson; S. A. Slee; R. C. V. Munday (stroke).

Race 21: Burway R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 1½ lengths; 4 min. 13 sec.

Vernon Challenge Cup (Pair Oars)

A Crew: J. W. G. Baynes (bow, steers); H. C. A. Hardwick (stroke).

B Crew: J. Barringer (bow, steers); A. T. G. Hooper (stroke).

Race 50: T.R.C. B., 1; R.N. Engineering College B.C., 2; easily; 4 min. 49 sec.

Race 52: T.R.C., 1; Reading University B.C., 2; 3 lengths; 4 min. 52 sec.

Semi-final: T.R.C. B., 1; T.R.C. A., 2; easily; 4 min. 44 sec.

Final: Upper Thames R.C., 1; T.R.C. B., 2.

W. A. Huggins Memorial Challenge Bowl (Junior Sculls)

T. A. Bakiewicz.
Race 2: T.R.C., 1; R. J. M. Thomas, 2.
Race 51: T.R.C., 1; N. T. Fryer, 2.
Semi-final: J. R. Burnett, 1; T. A. Bakiewicz, 2;
¼ length; 4 min. 51 sec.

**HENLEY TOWN & VISITORS
REGATTA
30th July**

Haileywood Challenge Cup (Senior Eights)

R. Hackford (bow); A. Rice; A. G. Rogers;
T. J. Kirby; A. Calton; S. R. Boddington; S. J. R.
Aitken; B. R. Hanham (stroke); D. M. R. White
(cox).

Semi-final: T.R.C., 1; Molesey B.C., 2; ¼ length.
Final: T.R.C., 1; Kingston R.C., 2; 2½ lengths.

**YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS
at Henley
31st July**

Coxwainless Fours

R. J. Thomas (bow, steers); R. E. H. Watson;
S. A. Slee; R. C. V. Munday (stroke).
Heat 3: Radley Mariners, 1; T.R.C., 2; Kingston
R.C., 3; 1 length.

**MAIDENHEAD REGATTA
6th August**

Daily Telegraph Challenge Cup (Thames Cup Eights)

V. B. A. Temple (bow); A. Rice; R. Hackford;
C. D. C. Challis; A. G. Rogers; S. R. Boddington;
T. J. Kirby; B. R. Hanham (stroke); D. M. R.
White (cox).

Final: Quintin B.C., 1; T.R.C., 2; 1 length.

Senior Junior Fours

R. F. Cutler (bow, steers); T. A. Peek; J. W. G.
Baynes; T. I. Haynes (stroke).

Heat 1: London R.C., 1; T.R.C., 2 .

**HEAD OF THE RIVER FOURS
8th October**

First Four: J. Barringer (bow, steers); M. W.
Stone; R. A. Farrants; A. T. G. Hooper (stroke).
Started 11th, finished 10th, 12 min. 17 sec.

Second Four: R. E. H. Watson (bow, steers);
P. Brown; S. A. Slee; R. Munday (stroke).
Started 15th, finished 9th, 12 min. 16 sec.

Third Four: A. G. Thoday (bow, steers);
A. M. St. L. Ramsay-Murray; J. L. Cooke; I.
Hudspith (stroke).

Started 17th, finished 9th, 13 min. 47 sec.

Fourth Four: B. R. Hanham (bow); M. J.
Lohnberg; C. D. Barrett; D. W. Gramolt (stroke);
R. L. Penney (cox).

Started 32nd, finished 3rd overall, 2nd in coxed
division, 11 min. 56 sec.

Fifth Four: R. Hackford (bow); S. R. Boddington;
D. R. Mount; T. Kirby (stroke); D. M. R.
White (cox). In restricted boat.

Started 78th; finished 27th, 4th in restricted
division; 12 min. 36 sec.

ST. NEOTS REGATTA

Coxed Junior Senior Fours

T. S. Fry (bow); D. M. Butler; J. E. Bolt; M. A.
Stocking (stroke); N. H. Clarke (cox).

Novice Sculls

T. S. Fry.

MARLOW LONG DISTANCE SCULLS

29th October

D. W. Gramolt, finished 7th, 22 min. 17.9 sec.
D. R. Mount, finished 16th, 22 min. 55.8 sec.
R. Hackford, finished 35th, 23 min. 56 sec.
C. D. Barrett, finished 41st, 24 min. 12.1 sec.

Gramolt won the Junior pennant as fastest
junior sculler, Barrett won the Novice pennant as
fastest novice.

THAMES ROWING CLUB REGATTA

1st October

C. W. Hughes Bowl for Club Fours

Final: J. Barringer (bow, steers); A. T. G.
Hooper, T. R. I. Haynes, K. G. Braun (stroke), 1;
R. Hackford (bow, steers), T. S. Fry, W. H.
Needham, A. Rice (stroke), 2; easily.

George Vize Beakers for Club Pairs

Final: R. Hackford (bow, steers) and K. J.
Braun (stroke), 1; J. Barringer and A. T. G.
Hooper (stroke), 2.

Beresford Cup & Doubledee Cup for Handicap Sculls

K. J. Braun, scratch, 1; D. R. Mount, 6 seconds,
2; T. J. Gray, 16 seconds, 3.

John Lang Cup for Junior Scullers

Final: T. J. Gray, 1; D. R. Sudbury, 2.

Invitation Eights

WEYBRIDGE SILVER SCULLS

D. W. Gramolt.

Started 40th, finished 30th overall and 1st in
Junior Best Boat event; 21 min. 23 sec.

THE CLUB FINANCES

The Honorary Treasurer, Bill Lyons,
writes:

It gives me the greatest pleasure to write
this short appreciation which resulted from
our appeal last year for an Honorary
Auditor. One of our younger members, Ian
Davison, partner in Arthur Henderson &
Co., responded, and as a result his firm
most generously agreed to undertake the
task.

The book-keeping necessitated by our
large membership and our extensive rowing
and social activities is considerable, and it
is most gratifying that the help and advice
of such a friendly and eminent firm are
available to the club. We send our thanks
to Ian Davison, John Norton and Jonathan
Price for the lucid and attractive form of
accounts which they presented to the Annual
General Meeting in February, 1967.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, BLEĐ - 1966

By H. King

I had never been to an international regatta before. My only experience of major rowing events had been two or three summers at Henley. These must perforce be my standard of comparison, although the traditions and conditions were, of course, very different.

Bleđ was not a social occasion, although plenty of social opportunities were to be found in the hotels and cafes away from the course. Henley's dress parade, its flaunting blazers, socks and ties were equally absent. Bleđ's most interesting costumes—male and female—were remarkable for their scantiness; it was so hot that sitting in the sun was unpleasant for a cold northerner. Bronzed limbs and torsos scorned drapery, and it was permissible to swim between the races though it was forbidden to picnic on the lake shore in the enclosure with a vulgar litre of beer; the lunch interval was mercifully long, for racing began at nine a.m.

The large crowds on the bleachers was passionately interested in the racing—I dare not say the rowing. Every heat and final finished in a roar of enthusiasm such as I have heard only once at Henley, when U.L. beat Princeton in the Grand. National slogans were as disciplined as if an American cheer leader had been in charge. The appearance of a "home" crew was the occasion for a deafening and tireless chant of "Slavie Slavie", doubtless much reinforced by the trainloads of children who came each morning in charge of their teachers.

The general impression was more like that of a cup-final or popular race meeting in this country than Henley. It was emphasised by the many booths, from a temporary supermarket to a hot dog stand, surrounding one end of the lake. I never saw such an array of spirits as they displayed; gin, vodka, rum, brandy, viske and bottles with weird Jugo-Slavian names. Even those who habitually get a nice fat bill from Henley

would have been staggered—probably in more senses than one.

For everything was surprisingly cheap. It cost about 2s. 6d. to go into the enclosure, another 2s. 6d. for a numbered and reserved seat. Yes, numbered and reserved. None of the agonizing hurry to get back from a meal lest the only seat left—if any—be one from which the river is invisible. Car parking cost 7d., and the one ticket was available for the day in any park in Bleđ. At cafes a mile or two outside the town a good dinner with a bottle of wine was less than 10s.

The crowd, if noisy, was surprisingly well disciplined. The stewards, smart and distinctive in light blue blazers and caps, were students from Ljubljana University. They were extraordinarily pleasant and helpful, but stood no nonsense. Only on Sunday afternoon was there any of the mass standing and craning by which nobody sees anything. By that time the circuits of honour and the slow award of medals as the crews came alongside had left me glad of an excuse not to look.

Most of the time I was fascinated. The lake itself is beautiful with its chateaued island, the casino cliff hung above and the mountains all round. The whole course was in plain view; it was quite something to see the six crews abreast. To be sure, the Turks trailed cheerfully behind every time they appeared, and occasionally a crew got well out in front, but every race provided a close finish somewhere. I missed the floating intimacy of the water's edge at Henley, but the sheer spectacle each race provided was more than adequate compensation.

It would be churlish to end without a word on the organisation which, so far as the spectator could see, was perfect. The policemen, pistols and all, seemed merely decorative, except for unravelling traffic tangles; and even Marshall Tito was only a car and a lot of motor bikes going the wrong way up a one-way road.

HISTORY OF THE THAMES ROWING CLUB

I. GEORGE VIZE

Vize was one of the most versatile of athletes. He beat all the best swimmers of his day before he joined Thames. He took heartily to rowing and won his Juniors a matter of months after he started, and a month later finished first in the senior fours at Barnes & Mortlake Regatta; but here he was disqualified on a foul, some thought unfairly.

In all he rowed over the Henley course thirteen times, and he won on twelve of these. His wins included Thames' first wins in the Wyfold Fours, the Thames Cup and the Grand. He was very good at keeping a crew happy, bubbling over with quips. Many stories are told of him. One day, for instance, he was at the Star and Garter at Putney and suddenly felt sorry for the golden carp swimming in a bowl in the bar there; he felt they would be happier in the river, and promptly liberated them. However, he knew their absence would be noticed and so he replaced them with two fine red herrings. The landlord soon found out and uttered terrible threats of vengeance, swearing that the fish loved him and would know him when he spoke to him. Vize managed to pacify him with some difficulty, but he had his work cut out.

At a Barnes & Mortlake Regatta he found himself in a crowd gathered round some three-card trick men, who, though they did not know it, were being watched by a policeman getting ready to pounce on them. Vize, sizing the situation up, pushed a stander-by hard against the policeman, who in turn fell into the crowd. The card-sharpers got away pretty sharply, but the onlooker found it hard to convince the policeman that he was innocent.

On another occasion after a Club dinner in the winter at the Star and Garter Vize insisted on swimming fully clothed from the Dummy, just above Putney Bridge, to the ferry opposite the Club. The river was full of ice at the time.

George Vize learnt his boxing from the famous Ned Donnelly, who produced many

amateur champions. He took up boxing when his doctors told him he had done enough for Thames Rowing Club and for his own physical welfare. But it was an illness that put an end to his rowing. When he recovered he took the doctor's advice, and as he could not keep away from sport, turned to boxing. He had a fine closely-knit body, but it was not this that carried him so far to his victories as his will to overcome and a capacity for joy in beating others. He is said never to have seen difficulties until he was right up against them, and then he tackled them with all his power.

He first appeared in the heavyweight championship in 1877 and was then beaten by R. Frost Smith ("Bricky"). In the evening of the same day, not having had enough, he again fought Smith, and again Bricky won. Smith won his first championship that year, but next year, in 1878 Vize turned the tables on him and carried off the championship and the West London B.C. open competition as well.

Vize was one of the most enthusiastic supporters of the idea of an Amateur Boxing Association, and was one of its founders. Eventually he became President of it and held that office for thirteen years.

He Bricky Smith, Jack Angle and Reg Wakefield were known as the "Fighting Four", and they were the best of friends. Vize and Bricky, for a bit of practice, used to go to a large cellar in Smithfield owned by a friend. There they stripped down and would spar better than many a fight. Both Vize and Jack Angle, who won the Grand with Thames in 1878, refereed more boxing matches than can be counted.

Vize was a great reader, never pedantic or dogmatic, but full of good humour. He collected ancient coins, but sold these later in life and turned to English pottery and china. Then he collected prehistoric implements, and this is why there is a small arrow in the corner of the large cartoon by Hassall that hangs in the Club.

He founded the Thames Boxing Club

which met at the Club House at Putney, usually on Tuesdays and Fridays. It continued to exist until after the first world war, when, it is said, Steve Fairbairn wound it up because of the damage that was caused to oarsmen's hands. In its earlier days it was quite a famous Club, indulging in boxing displays at the end of each season, with professional boxers giving displays with members. The ring in our big room held at one time or another such exponents as Bombadier Billy Wells, Gunner Moir and Pat O'Keefe. Among our own members well known in the boxing world we can number Alfred Allport (Fatty), who also played rugger for England, Bruce-Logan, another amateur heavyweight champion, W. G. Ross, a middleweight champion, Sidney Smith and Karl Vernon, the Bean.

II. LONG ROW, 1966

Three years ago we told the story of how Piggy Eyre, Charles Greenwood, R. C. Whiteing and W. F. Folliott rowed a light outriggered tub four from the Club to Gravesend and back in an overall time of eleven hours. This row was repeated last year, this time in a coxed best four, and the whole trip took just about the same time.

Bill Needham writes:

On Sunday, August 21st, 1966, a crew from the Club rowed the coxed best four "Sir" the 68 miles from Putney to Gravesend and back in eleven hours. The crew consisted of: W. H. Needham, (bow), A. Rice, I. A. MacRae, T. A. Peek (stroke), D. M. White (cox), and set off at 6.30 a.m. against the flood in perfect conditions. The tide turned at Westminster Bridge, and Tower Bridge was passed in one hour. Off Woolwich Pier we had to sit out a gigantic tug wash for 10 minutes. We carried on in good conditions, easing for 15 minutes off Erith, and we arrived off the Tilbury deep water dock at 10.5 a.m. The last mile from there took 35 minutes as we had to sit out three successive washes from large tankers. We disembarked at Gravesend R.C. at 10.40 a.m. and were warmly welcomed by the members to the extent of three pints of Trumans before our supporters arrived with lunch.

We started back at 1 p.m. in very popply conditions. The crew order was now: Peek (bow), Needham, MacRae, Rice (stroke), White (cox). Progress was much slower as a stiff breeze got up and the large ships were moving up with the flood. We had a ten-minute easy at Erith and at Woolwich, and after that we had to contend with a considerable amount of pleasure traffic (most of which was very discourteous) until we reached Putney. We finished with a minute's row and arrived at the Club at 5.40 p.m. This time our supporters had made it; total rowing time was just under 8 hours.

We were pleased to be able to return the hospitality of the Gravesend R.C. members at our Club Regatta on October 1st.

OBITUARY

It is with very great regret that we announce the deaths of the following members.

N. D. Morton will be remembered by many of the older members as a congenial spirit who always had the welfare of the Club at heart. Of late years he lived in Edinburgh, and we did not see much of him, or hear so much of his piano playing as in his younger days.

G. H. Kelly rowed for the Club at Henley in the Grand in 1904, 1905, 1906, 1910 and 1911; in the Stewards in 1905; and in the Wyfolds in 1906 and 1910. After the first war he was in the crew that won the Fawley Cup at the Peace Regatta in 1919, and he went on to row in the Grand in the next two years.

It will be of interest to members to know that—with the approval of Jack and Eric Beresford—the Club has lent the Fawley Cup for competition at the National Youth Championship.

Adrian Mills, who lost his life in a motor accident, came to us from Shrewsbury in 1962, and progressed sufficiently rapidly to row in the final of the Stewards Cup at Henley next year, when we were beaten by only one third of a length. Since then he has been at Cambridge, and at the time of his death we were looking forward to his rowing with us again.

CALENDAR

1967

March	25th	Boat Race 1.15 p.m. Head of the River Race 5.15 p.m.	T.V. at the Club Spring Ball
April	7th		
	22nd	Scullers Head of the River Race	Thames Dance
	29th	Hammersmith Regatta	
May	6th	Putney	Thames Dance
	13th	Thames Ditton	
	20th	Twickenham	Thames Dance
	23rd	Vesta Dashes	
	27th	Chiswick	Thames Dance
June	3rd	Walton	
	4th	Metropolitan	Thames Social
	10th	Reading	
	17th	Marlow, Putney Town	
	24th	Richmond	
	28th	HENLEY	
	29th	HENLEY	
	30th	HENLEY	
July	1st	HENLEY	
	8th	Kingston	
	15th	Molesey	
	22nd	Staines, Bedford	
	29th	National Championships, Maidenhead	
August	5th	Henley Town and Visitors	
	19th	—	Thames Dance
September	2nd	—	Thames Dance
	16th	T.R.C. Regatta	Thames Dance
	30th	—	Thames Dance
October	14th	Head of River Fours	Thames Dance
	21st	Weybridge Silver Sculls	Thames Dance
	28th	Marlow Long Distance Sculls	
December	1st	—	Annual Dinner

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