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At the Boat House

The official newsletter of the Girton College Boat Club,  
to keep you updated as if you were on the boat!



## President's message

Welcome to our very first newsletter! It's shaping up to be a very exciting year for GCBC, with 5 senior boats already this Michaelmas term, and many members keenly taking part in our training week before the start of term. We also had an incredible 6 boats out on our taster session, and we can't wait to see how our new novices shape up. I'm very confident that our amazing committee and passionate members are going to make 2021-22 a year to remember.

Katherine Cleary  
GCBC President, 2021-22

## Training week

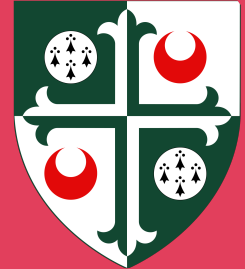


With the beginning of term approaching, GCBC organized a pre-term training week from 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> October, with lots of rowing, including outings, erg sessions but also land training and circuits held by our amazing crew captains. Members of GCBC had the opportunity to have sculling taster sessions under the supervision of our experienced coaches. Among the activities organized, there were pub trips, barbecues and even impromptu drinks at Spoons, when bad weather kept our restless rowers away from the river!

*Mixed crew during an outing in the pre-term training week.*

## Upcoming events

This term, GCBC is planning to take part in Emma Sprints (21<sup>st</sup> November tbc) and the Fairbairn Cup (2nd and 3rd December, with novice eights racing on the 2nd and senior eights and fours racing on the 3<sup>rd</sup>). GCBC is also entering three crews into QERgs this year (7<sup>th</sup> November): a novice men's and women's crew and a senior mixed crew.



We're back!

GCBC is ready for a new year and is back with a fresh termly newsletter!

## Sponsorship

GCBC is looking for a sponsor to help us with the rising cost of repairs, equipment and coaching. If you know of a company that might be interested in forming a partnership with us or you would like to discuss details of sponsorship, please drop us a line at

[treasurer@girtoncollegeboatclub.com](mailto:treasurer@girtoncollegeboatclub.com)

Alternatively, if you would like to help us keep going, then please get in contact with our [treasurer](mailto:treasurer@girtoncollegeboatclub.com).

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## Recruiting for new rowers!

On 9<sup>th</sup> October, our LBCs held land trainings and outings (taking out six boats!) to recruit new members. Not only many freshers but also second, third year and postgraduate students gathered at the boathouse for a taster session on the river Cam. A huge thank you to our patient LBCs and all the seniors and coxes who made this possible!



*Novices pushing off!*

## Social Highlights

With the easing of Covid restrictions, GCBC is looking forward to a pretty sociable term: the club has already taken part in a 'banterous' swap with Selwyn BC on 15<sup>th</sup> October at Selwyn college bar and a curry on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, when more than 30 members of GCBC gathered for a fun night with traditional fines and pennies! Our proactive social secretary is already planning more fun events with other boat clubs and the usual BCD, so keep a look out for details!



*GCBC and Selwyn College Boat Club as cops and robbers*

## Wish list!

GCBC is currently working hard fundraising from various sources for the following items:

- New set of Concept 2 Senior Mens Blades
- New senior Womens IV
- New senior Mens VIII

We realise this looks like a lot however, this is what we're working towards, any donation, big or small would still help us massively

## Blues watch

Check this section to know more about the Girtonians who will row with CUBC!

## Meet our rowers!



My name is Imogen and I've just returned to Girton after graduating in July to do an MPhil in Classics, technically to learn more about Roman poetry, but in reality, to do more college rowing. I joined GCBC in Michaelmas of my second year and after realising how much I loved rowing, competed in Lent Bumps 2020 as part of W1. During third year, I was Women's co-captain and took over the role of running a weekly circuits session via zoom to keep our fitness and morale up during lockdown, which put the women's side in a great position by the time we reached June Eights' Regatta this year - a really enjoyable week that saw us record a few excellent wins. I am thrilled to be back rowing properly this year and can't wait for 9 more months of beautiful sunrises, early squares and powerful ergs.