



# Cygnet Newsletter

February 2016

## From the Captain

As expected, Cygnet finished the 2015 programme by participating in the Quintin Plum Puddings. Two crews were carefully selected (!) from across the range of our active squad including some of the latest batch of Learn to Row graduates. Both crews reported surprisingly solid row although no prizes were won, possibly due to the rather bizarre selection of marshalling positions by Quintin and their decision to run this as a time trial! This allowed us to retire to the bar for a festive mulled wine, without the chore of having to trek to MAA to collect any prizes...

Since then, training has continued across the squad, as we prepared for the start of the Head season: Quintin head on 23rd January. Two Cygnet Vllls were racing and 5 guys made their debuts in Cygnet colours. Not only that, they skipped the Novice category to debut at IM3 and had a highly promising row well in contact with the IM3 pack, finishing in 15 mins 11 secs, 114th out of 212 finishers. The Mas D Rawkins special came in 24 seconds behind in 15 mins 35secs in a ridiculously competitive category. We would have done fine in Mas E if Cris had been just a year older. The conditions were great for the time of year, more like spring than January, sorry we can't always guarantee that. It was great to see the levels of excitement and enthusiasm so I hope we can build on that and continue to train hard for Hammersmith Head and Head of the River in February and March.

Jeremy Pugh

## From the Club Secretary

This is the only newsletter mostly dedicated to club business.

First of all, please see the agenda of the Annual General Meeting copied below. Club members are encouraged to come along to the AGM which will be held on **28 February 2016**. **Please note that this is a different date as that published on the Fixture Card 2015!!** A notification has been posted at the club this weekend.

I also attach the Committee of Management's Annual Report for 2016, for your enjoyment and perusal. Please note that the committee will present this report at the AGM.

Please also note that we're celebrating the Cygnet birthday on 12 February in the Duke's Head, Putney from 19:00.

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## Subscriptions and Donations

Are always due and can be paid by electronic payment (please inform the treasurer by sending an email to treasurer@cygnet-rc.org.uk or by cheque.

If you prefer to pay by cheque, please return this tear-off slip with your cheque to the Treasurer, Matthew Byrne, Flat 102 Westfields, Railway Side, Barnes, London SW13 0PL. Active Members: members of the Civil Service Sports Council - £260.00\*, Others - £320.00; Club Friends: Suggested minimum - £15.00.

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\* Club members paying the CSSC-member subscription fee are now required to show their 2016 CSSC membership card.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

An Annual General Meeting of Cygnet Rowing Club will take place at the Civil Service Boathouse on Sunday 28 February 2016 at noon

### Agenda

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 21 July 2015 (displayed with this notice for viewing in the changing room)
3. Matters arising from the Minutes
4. Annual Report
5. Captain's Report
6. Bungalow
7. Presentation and Adoption of Examined Accounts
8. Presentation and Adoption of the 300 Club Accounts for 2014/15
9. Election of Officers and Committee of Management
10. Appointment of Independent Honorary Examiners
11. Any Other Business - So that it can be displayed on the Notice Board this must have been previously advised in writing to the Hon Secretary by 14 February at the very latest.

### Dates for your diary:

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Thursday 12 February	Cygnet RC's birthday drinks – at the Duke's Head, Putney, from 19.00
Sunday 20 March	Hammersmith Head (13:00)
Sunday 28 February	Cygnet Annual General Meeting (12:00noon)
Saturday 05 March	Women's Eights Head (12:45)
Saturday 12 March	Kingston Head
Saturday 19 March	Eights Head of the River (13:30)
Sunday 20 March	Vesta Veterans Head (14:00)

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