



Bradford on Avon Canoe Club

June 2015.

Congratulations to Nigel and Mike on raising nearly £2000 in sponsorship for the Wiltshire Air Ambulance in their Easter Devizes to Westminster Race. Many thanks to all that put their hands in pockets for a great cause.

BRADFORD RACE WEEKEND 27th-28th June.

We are hosting our annual weekend of racing, Saturday is the race up from Bath and Sunday is the circuit race around the club (Southwest Hasler event). We are looking for as much help as possible for this weekend please make an effort to help, there is a list of jobs that need to be covered at the club or contact Mike Purchas. On Sunday for the Hasler event we need as many members as possible racing, it doesn't matter if you have never raced before, just get out there and have a go, all will score points for the club.

RACE REPORTS

Weekend 9th/10th May Nottingham Sprint Regatta.

In the second regatta of the season the weather was still rather windy with water conditions on the Saturday being decidedly wavy! This regatta was the Masters National and Open Championships and our sole club competitor in the National event was Stan. Stan had a convincing win in his 1000m heat and made the final but a small technical hitch of a slightly underweight boat meant that he was not placed in the final 1000m (!). Rather more successfully, he also had a convincing win in his 500m heat, going on to win the final and was therefore crowned National Masters Champion for the 500m event. Congratulations Stan!

In his first regatta in Boys C, Ed had a good run in his 1000m heat coming 2nd in extremely adverse conditions more akin to surf ski! He made the final and came 8th overall. He was placed in the Royal Leamington Spa 1000m K4 boat, winning the straight final by 33 seconds. We are off to Nottingham again this weekend and the weather is looking better (fingers crossed!). James Missen (racing for Nottingham) also had a good regatta winning his 500m heat and coming 2nd in Final 1 of Mens B. He also had K2 success with Cresser from Nottingham, coming 2nd in his 500m K2 Mens A/B straight final and beating the squad boat of Lusty and Redmond who came in 3rd.

Deadlines for entries for the Nottingham sprint regattas are giving in the table of events – please make a note of these, as entries need to be in at least two weeks before the regattas (unlike the Haslers).

17th May Worcester Hasler.

11 club paddlers made the trip up to the lovely city of Worcester for their regional Hasler event, the weather was good and river conditions fine for a good day's racing. Club paddlers again enjoyed some pleasing results. First up was George in div 7 K1, she did not have the best of starts but made up some good ground in the rest of the race to finish 10th. Entries were low in div 1 and 2 K1 were James Webster gained a win leaving James Escott in 2nd place and Alex in 6th. In div 3 K2 Ed paired up with Philip Miles from RLS for his first 12-mile race in that division and finished a very creditable 6th. Our vet's in Div 4 K1 were John 2nd and Bo 5th while in Div 5 k1 Harry was 2nd and promoted to 4, Alan was 5th. In div 5 K1 Joe and Connor were 2nd and 3rd, both promoted to div 5.



17th May Basingstoke Canal Hasler.

John Kent took himself off to Basingstoke for their Hasler event and on a very crowded canal finished 7th in div 7 K1 and was promoted to div 6.

24th May Tamar Hasler.

Deciding we needed a few more Hasler points, ten of us made the long trek down to Calstock to try and add to our tally. On a typical Cornish damp morning Alex came in 2nd in div 2 K1 while in div 3 Andy was 5th. In his first div 4 K1 race Ed finished 3rd and in div 6 Simon was 1st. In the K2 events Alison and Sarah were 2nd in div 9 (both promoted Div 8 well done ladies), James/James 1st in div 2 and Stan/John 4th.

24th May Reading .

Making the shorter trip to Reading for a paddle on the Thames were Bo, George, Harry, Joe and Connor. In div 4 K1 Bo finish 7th while in div 5 k1 Joe was 8th and Connor 17th. George in a very big field in div 7 K1 finished 20th .

Congratulations to Nigel Unwin on his 2nd place in the Brigg Bomber Quadrathlon.

31st May Reading K4 event.

On a wet and blustery morning out on the Thames at Reading we had two crews taking part in this annual event, which is good fun. In race C we had George, Alison, Bo and John who finished 4th in a time of 33.30 and in race B over the same course we had the junior crew of Ed, Joe, Connor and Harry who finished 7th in a time of 34.24. We think it's fair to say that our veteran crew are feeling rather smug about this!

There will be another K4 event at Reading In late September so hopefully we can put together some more crews for this great race!

ICF World Cups

Both Ed McKeever and Hannah Brown have been racing in the sprint World Cup events. Ed McKeever came 6th in A Final at World Cup 2 in Duisburg and Bronze in World Cup 3 (Copenhagen) 200m K1. In Copenhagen Hannah Brown made her first World Cup A Final, coming 7th in the 200m K1 event after coming 7th in the B Final in World Cup 1 in Portugal.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
3 rd June	CLUB SESSION: TIME TRIAL
4 th June – 25 th June	Go Paddling Course 2 (Thursday evenings, 6pm) (Please do not use club stable boats at this time of day).
6 th /7 th June.	Nottingham Sprint Regatta.
14 th June.	Marlow Sprints.
21 st June.	Royal Marathon or Oxford Hasler.
27 th and 28 th June.	Bath to Bradford and Bradford Circuit Marathon. Please put this date in your diaries.
4 th /5 th July.	Nottingham Sprint regatta. Entries to Derek by Saturday 13th June.
11 th July.	Royal Sprint Regatta.
12 th July.	Dart/Totnes SW Hasler.
19 th July.	Southampton Hasler.
26 th July.	Fal Hasler.
2 nd August.	Richmond Hasler.
9 th August.	Camel Hasler. London Sprint Regatta.
22 nd August.	National Marathon Champs Norwich.
29 th August.	Wye Descent.

200 CLUB

The May 200 club draw was made at the BOARC committee meeting on Monday 1st June by Geoff Brewer. Many congratulations to John Barter, Mike Smith and Trevor Lutkin for their wins.

If you would like to join the 200 club – support the club and give yourself a chance of winning please do pick up a form from the notice board in the club house or email Alison Nightingale alinightingale@gmail.com or a.nightingale@bath.ac.uk.

BOARC WEBSITE

Many thanks to all of you who have given feedback and ideas about the BOARC website. Due to an overwhelming opinion that the website is in need of updating and the rowing and canoeing sites separated, we are now proceeding with the re-design. Steve Askew (canoeing) has kindly agreed to help us to build a new website. Alison Nightingale will be leading on the canoeing pages and Anne-Marie Leflaive on the rowing pages. The plan is to have an overall BOARC front page with options to either go to the canoeing or rowing sites, which will then be separate. Anne-Marie and Alison will be working on some initial designs with Steve over the coming weeks so if you have any good ideas for things that you would like to see on the canoeing website or any recent photos of us training or racing please do contact Alison (email addresses above) – all ideas and input greatly appreciated! This needs to be a site that works for us as a group. If you particularly like any other club websites please do let Alison know.

CLUB LOCKERS

Please remember to remove any padlocks you have left on the club lockers so that all members have the opportunity to use lockers whilst they are on the water. Thanks.