

# **TYNE ROWING CLUB**

## NEWSLETTER

## 13 SEPTEMBER 2007

This newsletter includes minutes from the committee meeting (September 07) as well as general news about the club.

#### **President's Reception**

The President's Reception will be held on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2007 at 1pm at the boathouse. This is being held to celebrate the outstanding achievements of the Juniors over the last 12 months. Refreshments will be available. Dress code: Formalwear (for men: - shirt and tie, club (or representative) blazer preferred). Please come along.

## Community Sports Coach

Gavin Coates has accepted the appointment as the new CSC and will start sometime in September. Gavin is currently working as a CSC for the Birmingham Schools Rowing Association, Henley Stewards Charitable Trust, and Stratford Upon Avon BC.

## Help needed!

Would anyone volunteer to help prepare a club handbook/starter pack to be given to all new members?

And would anyone like to take over as novice coordinator (or even coach). On both counts, please speak to or email Gendie Lash.

## Tyne Long Distance Sculls (6<sup>th</sup> October 2007)

We need your help to organize this year's event. Please can you sign up to one of the following. Let Graeme Huggan know (by email) or sign up on the noticeboard:-

- Donating food (cakes, mars bars, lucozade drinks, pre-packed sausage rolls etc)
- Working in the kitchen / serving food on the day
- Cleaning out the boathouse (upstairs rooms, kitchen, changing rooms) before and after the event. Empty the bins before and after the event and take one or two to the tip
- Help get boats on and off the steps, and help with parking on the day
- Need people to go in safety boats / launches to marshal the racecourse
- We also need 4 timekeepers/spotters

Without your help, we would not be able to run these events. All of our money (for Tyne LDS) is made from catering so any food donations (pre-packed food is best) are gratefully received.

#### Regatta Committee

A new sub-committee has been set up to discuss the forthcoming Long Distance Sculls event as well as Rutherford Head and the regatta next year. If anyone would like to be involved, please let Graeme Huggan know by email or in person. First meeting is 6pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September. Your help would be much appreciated.

#### Junior Squad

Hollingworth Lake There were wins for:-J2- Adam and Stu McCluskey E 1x Kieran Emery WJ16 1x Bryony Pitt WJ14 1x Natalie Hardy N2x Phil with his brother Michael in a Tyne/DARC composite I hope that no-one has been missed out.

#### Future Events

The Juniors will be racing at some of the Long Distance Sculling series events

#### Men's Squad

#### GBR Weekend

Wes Maccabe won the S3 1x event at Gloucester Regatta (borrowing a Burgashell from Ross Rowing Club). The Reading University/Ross/Tyne composite Eight raced in the S2 8+ category at Ross Regatta but lost their heat after one of the Reading lads' seats came off.

#### Future Events

There is a S4 mixed quad (Carol, Rebecca, Wes, Graeme) currently training for the Boston Marathon (16<sup>th</sup> September). Charlie is racing in the S4 1x category. Following Boston, the men's squad will be concentrating on training for the forthcoming Long Distance Sculling series. There is a winter training plan in place.

#### Women's Squad

#### Hollingworth Lake

There was a win for the S3 4x of Rebecca Maccabe, Alex Haley, Sarah Percy and Kate Lindsay. There were close results in the 8, the 4+, the 2x and the other 4x.

#### Future Events

There is a mixed quad (Rebecca Maccabe, Carol Parker) and double (Laura Croisdale, Tonya Lawson) competing at Boston Marathon.

Laura Gilbert will be racing at Boston Marathon (16<sup>th</sup> September) in her single. She is racing on behalf of the NSPCC. Please can you make donations at the following website:-<u>www.justgiving.com/lauraiscrazy</u>. Please give generously as it's a very worthy cause. A Training plan has been established for the winter season and the women will be setting up some training sessions with Tees women's squad over the winter.

#### Veteran's Squad

#### Future Events

The following veterans are taking part in the Boston Marathon on 16<sup>th</sup> September: -Vet E 4- of Andy Kirkwood, Martin Bell, Ian Wagstaff and John Goddard (the second time this combination have done Boston) And Vet C 1x - "Kamikaze" Ken Hardy.

#### Great North Run

Once again Gendie is running the Great North Run (30<sup>th</sup> September) - and she needs your money!!! She is running for Action Medical Research, who fund many different research projects (for details of their work go to <u>www.action.org.uk</u>). Gendie has set up an online sponsorship account (<u>www.action.org.uk/~gendie</u>), so please go visit and give as generously as you can. Alternatively she will be around the club with a sponsorship form.

#### AGM

The AGM will not be held on 20<sup>th</sup> September as originally planned. A revised date will be issued shortly.

#### Final Note

Thanks to all those involved in reorganising the boathouse and racking, and thanks to all those who have helped with the painting.

Next newsletter will be circulated on 27 September.

Thanks to Gendie Lash, Ian Boyd, David Robinson and Chris Parsons for their contributions. Graeme Huggan (13 September 2007)

Dates for your diary	
Tyne Long Distance Sculls	Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> October
Tyne Annual Dinner	Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> November (Thistle Hotel, Newcastle)
Rutherford Head	Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> December
Tyne Xmas Party & Disco	Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2008 (Assembly Rooms, Newcastle)
Tyne Head	Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2008