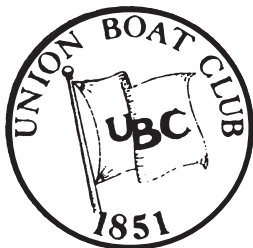


THE PUDDLE



Newsletter of the Union Boat Club of Boston

Winter 2006

Union Goes Online

Website Will Be Multifaceted

A new and improved Union Boat Club website (www.unionboatclub.org) is scheduled for launch on March 15th. The key features of the site will be an updated and redesigned public homepage, an electronic "blue book" directory and the ability to sign up online for upcoming boat club events. Both the directory and events sign up will be housed in a private, "members only" section of the site in order to safeguard the Club's and individuals' confidentiality.

In the coming weeks, each UBC member will receive a username and password to facilitate access to the "members only" sections of the site. Over the course of 2006, the Club aims to enhance the site with features enabling members to pay their bills electronically and receive a broader range of UBC information. We are confident that the upgraded



Come out and play hockey sundays, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Daly Rink!
E-mail Scudder.Sinclair@us.ing.com with questions.

website will provide greater convenience for our members and streamline the administrative burden on our dedicated staff.

Our thanks go out to Jane Hester who has worked tirelessly over the past year to help make the website a reality. Though the launch of the site in March 2006 will mark the attainment of a significant milestone, we regard it as less of an end than a beginning: the UBC's entry into the

electronic age. Thank you in advance for all of your feedback and suggestions on what we hope will be a valuable tool for the entire UBC community. ■

Special Meeting
Approval of the Dues Increase
UBC Clubhouse—5:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 30th

President's Letter

We received an overwhelming number of responses to the recent membership survey, and we will be reporting shortly on results and recommendations. We value our traditions at UBC, but we are equally committed to making sure that UBC is an attractive, enjoyable and useful club for our members. Your ideas and particularly your willingness to be involved with one of our committees are important components of UBC's strength.

It is my duty, although not necessarily my pleasure, to announce Executive Committee approval of a dues increase at its January meeting. A special meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2006 at 5:30p.m. at 144 Chestnut Street for membership approval. As a former UBC Treasurer, I can attest to the long tradition of careful fiscal management at the Club, but I also recognize the present need for a dues increase. While the Club has historically implemented substantial dues increases every three or four years, the Executive Committee has decided to begin implementing more frequent but more modest dues increases. This approach will allow us to keep up with ever rising operating costs without as much disruption to our members' budgets.

One of the best offsets to dues increases is a growing membership. Under the energetic leadership of David Page and Maxwell Turner, UBC's Membership Committee is the core of the Club. The results of

their efforts are included in this Puddle in a list of new and "milestone" members. I encourage each member to give thought to sponsoring a friend for membership. The Membership Committee welcomes your participation in helping to keep our Club roster full and thriving. Please contact David, Max or anyone on the Membership Committee, as well as our assistant secretary Charlie Forbes or Jane Hester in the Club office to obtain an application or guidance about the membership process.

As Club tournaments and league matches keep our squash players running at full speed, the absence of ice on the Charles bodes well for our rowers. Spring must be just around the corner.

Gene Clapp,
President ■

Community Rowing Inc. is Building Their Own Boathouse

With the state allocating the site along with a \$2 million contribution to the project, Community Rowing's campaign to build a boathouse is underway. On the beautiful Sunday morning of January 22, 2006, CRI launched the public phase of its "New Boathouse for All Campaign". Held at the Cambridge Boat Club the brunch was attended by more than a hundred guests. Members

from Cambridge Boat Club, Union Boat Club and Riverside Boat Club attended as well as a strong showing from CRI's own membership. All were eager to learn of CRI's progress in building the only boathouse on the Charles River dedicated to public rowing.

The kick off event included a magnificent model display of the new boathouse, an update on fund-raising progress, (they have raised \$4.5 million of an \$11 million goal to date), and a question and answer session with Alex Anmahian of Anmahian Winton Architects. Nick Winton, a UBC member, is part of the architectural team. Speakers included CRI Steering Committee members: Kurt Somerville, Alyson Magian, Executive Director at CRI and Nancy Douyon, one of the graduates from CRI's G-Row program.

Guests were also treated to Harry Parker's personal thoughts on the importance of public access rowing, why CRI means so much to him and why he is urging others to support the campaign for a new boathouse. Harry Parker also noted the unique and rare gathering of representatives from all of the boathouses along the river. It was truly a special event. Community Rowing needs the support of the entire rowing community to help complete this extraordinary project.

If you are interested in learning more about the boathouse campaign or helping with fund raising, please contact Gene Clapp (geneclapp@pimboston.com) or Jane Morse (jgmorse@morses.net), President of Community Rowing. ■

A Note of Caution and Sadness

I am not sure if you read the story out of New York City where a rower was killed when the boat he was rowing in was struck by a motor boat. His name is Jim Runsdorf. I knew Jim through my friend Raoul Rodriguez, who I rowed with in the 88' Olympics.

Jim was one of the nicest guys you could ever meet. He was married and has 2 young children. He died doing the sport he loved. The sport that we all love. This is a tragic accident that affects all of us even if you did not know Jim.

Please make sure that when you row you are safe. Make sure all lights are working. Don't row alone. Make good decisions if the water is rough. Carpe Diem!

Tom Bohrer, rowing coach. ■

UBC Squash Championships

Thursday May 4th—at UBC. A golden opportunity to catch up with friends, introduce a prospective member and see the best of our best play for bragging rights!

P.S.

For those who have not heard, our Squash Pro Mark Lewis is a dad again, having had his second daughter on November 2nd.

Congratulations!!!

Membership Changes 2005

UBC MEMBER MILESTONES AND NEW MEMBERS

Matthew H. Parker

Resident Under 27

Michael V. Brogna

Resident (Re-joined)

Benjamin A. Clapp

Student

Dr. Bertram Zarins

Resident (Re-joined)

Stephen A. Brooks

Rowing

Timothy A. Barrows

20 Year

Eric Paul Hayes

20 Year

Philip A. McIntyre

20 Year

Robert F. Perkins Jr.

20 Year

William F. Jeffery Jr.

35 Year

Dr. Ashby C. Moncure

35 Year

Edwin P. Tiffany

35 Year

Mark S. Scott

Resident

Nicholas B. Crocker

Resident Under 27

Todd T. Maynard

Resident

Andrew Van Ogtrop

Resident

Richard P. Quincy Jr.

Resident Under 27

Robert H. Ackerman

20 Year

Joseph L. Butera

20 Year

Charles E. Clapp III

20 Year

Christopher A. Fox

20 Year

Thomas D. Herman

20 Year

Timothy W. Egan

Resident Under 27

Thomas R. Mellor

Resident Under 27

John M. Robinson

Resident Under 27

Hans M. Sherman

Resident Under 27

Jean-Francois Marois

Resident

Katherine E. O'Brien

Rowing

Joseph L. Demeo

Resident

Jared S. Fry

Resident Under 27

Grant W. Godfrey

Resident Under 27

Warwick P. Olney

Resident Under 27

John M. Olsen III

Resident

Christopher S. Reigeluth

Resident Under 27

Justin A. Ruane

Resident Under 27

Patrick S. Taffe

Resident

Roderick J. Wagner

Resident

Jennifer M. Wawrzonek

Rowing

Donald S. Bradshaw

20 Year

Philip L. Laird

20 Year

Michael E. F. Treacy

20 Year

Lawrence Coolidge

50 Year

Adolf F. Haffenreffer IV

Resident Under 27

Conan J. Laughlin

Resident

Brendon D. Luby

Junior

Donald E. Besser

Resident

Seth W. Brennan

Resident

Britton C. Derkac

Resident Under 27

Horace H. Irvine II

35 Year

Fred N. Pratt Jr.

35 Year

Stephen S. Young

35 Year

Carlo Petruzzello

Resident

John H. Cunningham

Resident

Jaffrey Dawson

Resident

Scott L.T. Kennedy

Resident Under 27

Curt B. Lewellyn

Resident

Henry H. Livingston

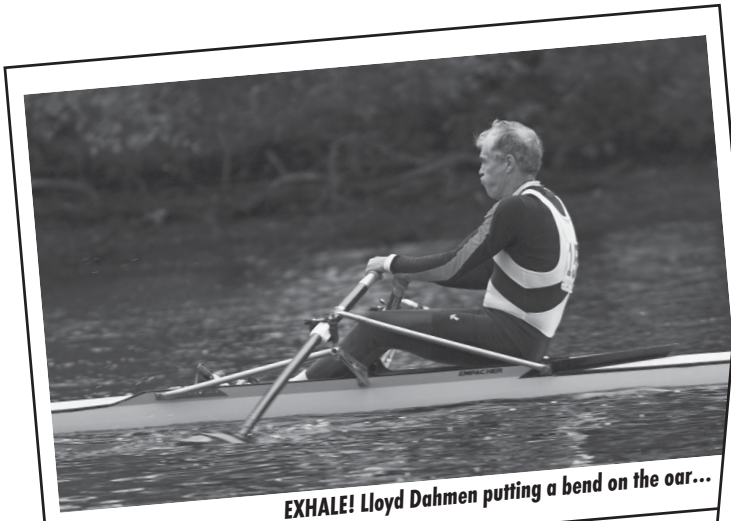
Resident

Joseph J. O'Brien

Resident Under 27

Joseph Shamir

Resident



EXHALE! Lloyd Dahmen putting a bend on the oar...



L to R—Larry Mahoney, Brent Shay, Peter Whitman, Rick Cleveland



...and then sharing his secrets to rowing success on the docks of Harvard's Newell Boathouse.



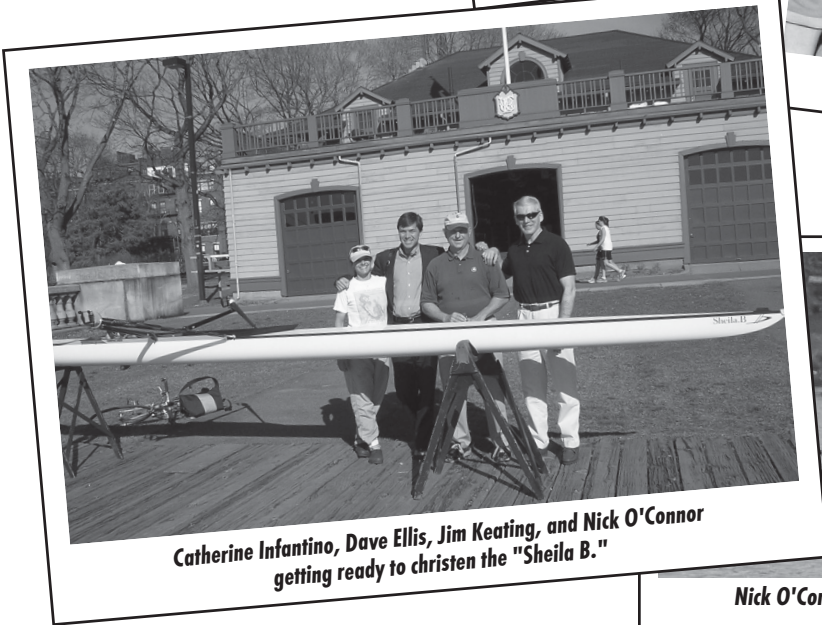
After three decades of rowing club singles, "Sheila B." Keating comes to Jim's rescue and helps get him in his new rig.



L to R—Bill Motley, Forgan McIntosh, Chip Ellner



L to R—Mark Lewis, Jamie McIntyre



Catherine Infantino, Dave Ellis, Jim Keating, and Nick O'Connor getting ready to christen the "Sheila B."



Nick O'Connor passing those ahead in last Fall's Head of the Charles

Volunteers wanted:

Under the leadership of Sam Perry, Club Secretary, and Maxwell Turner, Club Historian, volunteers are wanted to help organize and arrange for the backup and archiving of UBC's historical documents and files. If you are interested in helping such an effort, please contact Sam (sperry@eatonvance.com), Max (mtturner@naihunneman.com) or Jane (janehester@unionboatclub.org).
Thanks!

Head of the Charles

Here are the results for UBC members for the 2005 HOCR. The results are the best in years. 45+ members raced. Great job to all with special congratulations to the medalists!

1st—Men's Club 4+

Brown/Hughes/Besser/
McKiernan/Emily

1st—Master 1x

Claudia Wagner

1st—Club 1x

Jen Wawrzonic

1st—Penn AC Master 8+

Bohrer/Riley

2nd—Master 1x

Jen Sacheck

2nd—Club 1x

Katie O'Brien

2nd—Champ. 1x

Steve Tucker

3rd—Champ. 2x

Pat Ruffo/Wes Perimini

3rd—Master 1x

Dan Debonis

5th—Lt. 1x

Catherine Infantino

5th—Master 2x

Brad Smith/Mike Cataldo

6th—Women's Club 4+

Sarah Garner/Joy Stark/Betsy/
Tina Donlan

6th—Sr. 2x

Mike Corr/Tom Hull

10th—Master 8+

Hein/Needham/Ward/Brooks/
Timmerman/Carlo/
Reichenbach/Dawson/Dahmen

18th—Vet. 1x

Bob Ackerman

18th—Master 1x

Bob Mannino

18th—Champ. 2x

Laura Donohue/Jutta

21st—Champ. 1x

Aleks Zosuls

22nd—Sr. - 60+

Lloyd Dahmen

26th—60+

Nick O'Connor

26th—50+

Dan Dill

30th—Champ. 1x

Sam Batchelor

36th—Sr. 1x

Charlie Clapp

4x—

Aleks/Jeb/Reichenbach/Patrick
Hamm

4x—

Gene Clapp/Nick O'Connor/
Greg Gallico/Jim Keating

Sib Reppert rowed with his
alumni class from Wesleyan.
Sorry if we forgot anyone.

UBC Members Chip In

At last fall's rowing classic, The Head of the Charles, a special event in the quad was created. Given the late notice of this entry, we decided to "auction" the eight available seats in two quads to help fund the new UBC Eight which was purchased last summer. Many thanks to the bidders below (some of whom made it a requirement of their bid to NOT row!) *David Arnold, Sam Batchelor, Jeb Besser, Tom and CB Bohrer, John Bournef, Ken Boyle, Steve Brooks, Doug Burden, Joan Campbell, Mike Cataldo, Charlie Clapp, Gene Clapp, Lloyd Dahmen, Jeff Dawson, Doug Foy, Greg Gallico, Patrickk Hamm, Cap Kane, Jim Keating, Terry Maher, Steve McKiernan, Todd Needham, Nick O'Connor, Carlo Petruzzello, John Reichenbach, Sib Reppert, Ollie Scholle, Claudia Wagner, Tim Timmerman, Chris and Jen Ward, Aleks Zosuls.*

We were able to raise \$6,730 toward the cost of our beautiful new Vespoli racing eight. ■

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Important Dates:

- **Crash-B Sprints—**
Saturday, February 25th at Boston University
- **Gov. Keyes—**
Wednesday, March 1st, 4:00–7:00 p.m.
- **Hour Of Power—**
Month of March
- **Special Meeting—**
Thursday, March 30th, 5:30 p.m., UBC Clubhouse
- **San Diego Crew Classic—**
Sat & Sun, April 1st and 2nd (three UBC eights!)
- **UBC Squash Championships—**
Thursday, May 4th, UBC Clubhouse
- **Annual Dinner—**
Thursday, May 11th at the Harvard Club
- **New Members Cocktail Party—**
Thursday, June 8th
- **Esplanade Chicken Dinner—**
Thursday, August 3rd
- **2006 Annual Meeting—**
Thursday, December 7th, 2006