

OULRC Old Members Association

The OULRC Old Members' Association (OMA) exists to provide a focal point for those who have rowed in, coached, or coxed OULRC crews, including Nephthys. Of the approximately 250 people who would fall into this category, nearly 100 have become subscribing members since the organisation was launched in 2001. The Association has a dual role, firstly as a social organisation and secondly as a fundraiser for OULRC.

As well as providing newsletters on a regular basis, the Association organises 4 major functions in the year: the Trial Eights tea at Henley in December; the London Dinner, which is normally held the night before the Henley races; the Henley Boat Races BBQ on the day of the race; and the Henley Picnic, on the Saturday of the Royal Regatta.

Subscriptions are paid on a monthly basis, but there are no limits to the amount pledged, and many students start on £1 a month. Happily many Old Members raise this amount on entering the real world and the Association's financial strength has grown year on year. Subscription monies are committed to paying for a professional coach for the squad, which is seen as the corner stone of the club's recent success. This is done through a direct grant to the coach each year – £4,500 in 2011 – and indirectly through contributing to the OULRC Trust Fund, which the OMA manages for the same aim. The goal is to maintain the direct grant at its current level, whilst growing the Trust Fund as fast as possible to the point where it can support the club independently of further funding. Taking subscriptions through the OULRC Trust Fund means that these are subject to Gift Aid, allowing us to claim tax back where appropriate.

Anyone who has rowed or coxed for OULRC or Nephthys in the Henley races is automatically eligible to join and triallists are most welcome to apply for membership, subject to the approval of the President of OULRC and the Committee. The President is also encouraged to nominate individuals who have given particular support or help to the club in a non-rowing capacity as Honorary Members.

To join, please complete the attached standing order mandate.

Yours faithfully,

James Gillies, OMA President

Alex Hammacher, OMA Treasurer

Doug Turnbull, OMA Secretary

Standing Order Mandate

1. Standing Order Mandate

To The Manager,

Name of bank: _____

Address: _____ Post code: _____

Please pay OULRC Trust Fund (Account No. 91514369, Sort Code: 40-06-19), the sum of £2 / £5 / £10 / Other _____ (*delete as appropriate*) on / / 12 and monthly thereafter until further notice.

Details of account to be debited:

Title: _____ First name: _____ Surname: _____

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Account No.: † _____ Sort Code: † - -

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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2. Gift Aid Declaration – UK tax payers only

Please complete the following declaration if you are eligible to enable OULRCTF to claim Gift Aid on your donation. This allows us to reclaim 25p on every £1 you give, increasing your donation by 25%.

Oxford University Lightweight Rowing Club Trust Fund charity number: 1122535

Please treat:

- The enclosed gift of £ _____ as a Gift Aid donation; OR
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Please tick the appropriate box

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Please notify OULRCTF if you:

1. Change your name or home address.
2. No longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

If you pay income tax at the higher rate, you should include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self Assessment tax return if you want to receive the additional tax relief due to you.

General Notes

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Thank you for your support

Please send your completed form (and cheque if relevant) to:

(for emailing): till.wirth@gmail.com

(or for posting to) Oxford University Lightweight Rowing Club, 135 Chatsworth Road, E5 0LA, London