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1992 Fixtures

Feb	1	Peterborough Head	Jul	27	Richmond
	8	Hampton Head	1	Henley Royal Regatta	
	15	Henley Fours Head	11	Kingston	
	22	Burway Head		Bedford	
	23	Head of the Trent	12	Bedford Sprint	
Mar	7	Reading Head	18	National Championships	
	14	Women's Head (11.30)		Molesey	
	21	Kingston Head	19	National Championships	
		Chester Head	25	Disabled Henley	
	28	Head of the River (11.45)	27	Olympic Regatta (to Aug 2)	
	29	Veterans Head	Aug	1	Henley Town & Visitors
Apr	4	Boat Race (3.00)	2	Upper Thames Sprint	
	11	Scullers Head (11.15)	8	Peterborough Summer	
	12	Abingdon SBH		Maidenhead	
	18	Reading Sprint	9	Peterborough Summer	
	25	Hammersmith Amateur	13	Lightweight Worlds	
May	2	Chiswick		(to Aug 16)	
		Wallingford		Oxford City	
	4	Marlow Spring	16	Abingdon Sprint	
	9	Notts City	Sept	12	Hammersmith Autumn
		Putney Amateur	13	Boston Marathon	
		Bourne Women's	19	Bradford Autumn	
	10	Notts City	26	Pairs Head (15.30)	
	16	Thames Ditton		Chester LD Sculls	
		Putney Town	Oct	3	Wallingford Sculls
	23	Metropolitan	11	Reading Fours & SBH	
	24	Metropolitan	17	Weybridge Sculls	
	25	Kingston Sprint	18	Nottingham SBH	
	30	Paris International	24	Marlow Sculls	
		Twickenham	25	Upper Thames Fours & SBH	
	31	Paris International	31	Henley Sculls	
Jun	6	Docklands	Nov	1	Watney Fours
		Walton	7	Fours Head (13.30)	
	7	Docklands	8	Kingston SBH	
	12	Lucerne International	15	Docklands SBH	
	13	Reading Amateur	21	Tiffin SBH	
		Barnes & Mortlake	22	Marlow SBH	
	14	Reading Amateur	Dec	5	Walton SBH
	20	Women's Henley	12	Burway SBH	
		Marlow			



Prince Michael of Kent, on his annual visit to the club, talks with captain Pauline Rayner and chairman Alan Redding.

Chairman's review of the year

This is the fourth edition of the relaunched Thames Journal. Thanks are again due to Izzy Grindal for her editorial input. The Journal has again become the document of record chronicling the activity of the Club. As such, the Journal has the whole-hearted backing of the Committee who believe it has the support of the membership. Do you agree? You can evidence this in one of two ways. Firstly, contributions are always welcome, relating to the past, present or future of the Club and its members. Secondly, the cost of producing the Journal is not inconsiderable and a small contribution towards its cost would be greatly appreciated.

A year is but a short time in the life of a Club like Thames but 1991 was an important and memorable year in the development of the Club. First and foremost we elected Pauline Rayner as captain. Pauline becomes the first female captain of a major club and a minor celebrity in the press as a consequence. She has brought to the role her wealth of experience and infectious enthusiasm to make Thames a winning club.

A conspicuous feature of 1991 was that just about every active member from Juniors through the Novices right through to the Veterans won at some stage in open competition. On occasion it appeared that some regattas such as Peterborough Summer were in fact the Club Regatta with thirty or more Thames entries and many wins. The strength in depth was reinforced by some notable achievements at the top of the club.

Miriam Batten of course teamed up with Fiona Freckleton of Westminster School in a pair to become the first heavyweight women to win a world medal for Britain, cheered home by many Thames members. They were joined on the winners rostrum by Kate Brownlow and Alison ('Wilma') Brownless who took the silver in lightweight coxless fours.

Miriam and Fiona later won the prestigious Sunday Times 'Team Sportswomen of the Year' award.

Nearer to home our junior men, under the experienced eye of coach Alan Hawes, took gold at the National Championships in both

the Eights and Double Sculls. They went on to represent England in the Home Counties in Dublin.

The senior men also claimed their share of honours. Under the guidance of coaches, Noel Casey and John Pritchard, they showed early form by trouncing London in February in the Bousted Cup. Henley too gave rise to some heroic performances. Mark Otto in the Diamonds, obviously determined never be underrated, gave what was probably the best sculling performance a Thames man has shown in the event for many years. Bill Baker ('of Britain') also excelled with his doubles partner. His lightweight pair came within a couple of feet of beating the fancied heavyweight pair of Andrews and Dryden in a thrilling race.

The women excelled, capping an impressive season by storming home to take the silver at the National Championships and taking numerous prizes at domestic regattas as well as supplying several members of the National Squad.

Off the water too 1991 was a memorable year. With help from our President Alan Burrough and the Thames Charitable Trust we purchased a new trailer, three pairs and eight ergometers. The ergos allow bored crews to while away their spare time to music disturbed only by the periodic cry of 'pull harder' from vice-captain and cox Izzy Grindal.

The clubhouse too has been changing. At a cost of over £25,000 the slate roof was replaced thus protecting the fabric of the club. Thanks are due to the Thames Trust for their generous financial help in this project. We also built the women a changing room within the club. This despite the scepticism

of founder women's member Jean 'never in a lifetime' Rankine. They are not perfect, space will always be at a premium in central London, but are an important step in proving our commitment to keeping Thames the premiere women's rowing club in the country.

A crew room was also carved out of the men's changing room to keep the bar area free for social use. Coupled with the experimental appointment of a full time Bar Steward, it evidences our commitment to building up the social side of the club.

On a lighter hearted note, the Autumn saw an unseasonable migration of sharks into the tank and John Russell demonstrated his conjuring trick of turning a pile of matchsticks (from under a wrecked trailer) into an Empacher eight that took silver at the Championships.

A chairman's review must always end with a review of the finances. Treasurer Freddy Beardmore is always faced with a constant juggling act to keep the club afloat. Rowing at the highest standards will always be an expensive sport and your generosity is needed to keep Thames in the forefront of British Rowing. There are two obvious vehicles for your support. The Thames Trust exists as a sinking fund for projects like replacing the roof. It generously paid out a five figure sum to the club and needs rebuilding. The Charitable Trust provide help again in many areas, a new set of oars, the ergometers and subsidies for our internationals for foreign regattas and championships. As a charity they can recover tax paid on your donations and are also worthy of your help. Please contact me if you would like any clarification in this area.

Captain's Report

The one aspect of being Thames RC Captain this year which pleased me most was the co-operation shown by innumerable club members, new and old, in making Thames RC, a happy and successful club to row for.

For some there may have been hiccoughs in their individual aspirations, but on the whole there was a concerted effort on everybody's part to get all active rowers to participate and to succeed.

We started the season well with Noel Casey in overall charge of the top squads, both men and women. His enthusiasm and organizing ability soon made itself evident when he arranged eight new ergos on a platform at the end of the tank, which, when they were all being used together with members rowing away on the tank, was an impressive sight.

Training on winter evenings saw Thames buzzing with activity with ergos, tank, gym, hall and streets around Putney all being put to good use. Towards the HORR night-time rowing came into being. I think Thames owned the river on those evenings.

Having established various groups within the club John Russell, Gordon Dear, Simon Rostron, John Stephenson, Tessa Millar, Penny Haslam, Mark Treserdern, Alan Reddin, Steve Austin and Dennis Mount, ably took up the coaching of the less experienced oarsmen and women.

The junior members were managed by Alan Hawes.

In December we had the Plum Pudding eights, which was won by

our junior eight—mainly Emmanuel colts—after the usual battles. The following day, a mixed scratch twelves regatta was held with London RC which was enjoyed by all.

As we had the new ergos we decided to hold a 500 metre sprint ergo regatta. Unfortunately, our top oarsmen and women only took their turns after two outings on the water so the event was not won by a club member.

After the Christmas break, training took on a greater meaning and John Pritchard was drafted in by Noel to help with the top crews.

His efforts were rewarded with a win for the first eight in the Boustead Cup, much to the surprise of London, who made excuses, blaming their defeat on our aggressive coxing.

The high hopes which were raised in the Boustead however, took a small dent as London with a strengthened crew beat the men's first eight in the Head.

But all the men's crews performed well, as did the women in their race, and it promised well for the season.

The club also made its presence felt in the sculling field with a record entry in the Scullers Head where we won two pennants. Thames also picked up five pennants at the new women's sculling head at Peterborough.

As evening rowing began to replace land training, crews began to prepare to race. Many of our novices were successful at the early regattas and worked very hard to progress up the status scale.

Our top crews went to Ghent and learnt a great deal about themselves. Meanwhile, the second women's squad and lightweight group continued to notch up wins as did Mark

Otto and Andy Inglis in their sculling boats.

All the women's crews performed well at Henley but not quite well enough to win. The women's first eight lost in the semi-final to Durham by a length.

After much deliberation Noel and I decided to create a Britannia Cup four and Thames Cup eight from the top men's squad.

The eight was unfortunate in producing the fastest time over the course by any Thames crew ever but still losing to Banyoles Club of Spain in their first race also entered a veteran 'A' crew in the Thames Cup who thoroughly enjoyed their row on Wednesday and the rest of the regatta off the water.

The Britannia four put on an impressive show for Prince Michael of Kent easily winning their Thursday race. In the quarter-finals however, they met eventual winners Notts County, coached by former Thames member Sean Bowden.

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Mark Otto did very well to qualify for the Diamonds and win in his first round. After that he drew Ver Donk and lost with honour. Blair Crawford and Gavin Reddin completed the Thames contingent in their double.

Not disheartened, the whole club went to Kingston Regatta where wins from the men's first eight, senior 3/junior eight and the women's second eight helped win the club a £250 cash prize.

The following week a large contingent went to Nottingham for the National Championships. The coxed four rowed exceptionally well to

finish fourth in the final just losing the bronze to a fast-finishing Edinburgh University crew.

But the junior eight and double both won gold and with it Home Counties selection while the strengthened women's first eight held off Durham to win silver.

During the summer numbers were boosted by a number of university members and the club was well represented at August's regattas. At Peterborough the Thames squad won 11 events over the two days.

During this time Domenyk Honey who rowed at 7 in the Thames Cup eight represented the club and Britain at the World Junior Championships in Spain in the double, finishing a creditable fifth.

The year finished on an exceptionally high note in Vienna at the World Championships, where five of our members made the squad and Caroline Christie was team reserve.

Katie Brownlow repeated her 1989 success with another silver medal joined this time by fellow Thames member Alison 'Wilma' Brownless, while Miriam Batten with partner Fiona Freckleton, won Britain's first medal in women's sweep oared rowing.

The future looks good for 1992 with a fresh influx of new members all eager to do well. Certainly if all the coaches, coxes, deputy captains, launch drivers, regatta organizers, Land Rover drivers and other helpers, repeat their efforts of last year the club should thrive and flourish.

Thank you for all your help.

Pauline Rayner

Money Matters

Throughout the years each captain of Thames has been anxious to see that crews are provided with the best equipment and is constantly nagging the committee for more money.

Subscriptions which must be kept reasonable and within the means of active members, coupled with regatta fees, are never adequate to satisfy these aspirations, as well as meeting the demands for maintaining and repairing our clubhouse.

To fill this gap we must rely on the generosity of members with donations and fund-raising efforts.

Thames is fortunate in many ways. Whilst our present captain is no exception in constantly seeking the betterment of the club, she does couple her requests for money with enterprising efforts of her own to bring in cash. In addition, we have a diligent hon. treasurer (and finance committee). We do, however, also have the benefit of two financial 'Trusts'. Neither is sufficiently well-endowed or rich enough to meet our needs, but they are managed by certain ex-oarsmen who take an active interest in its financial affairs.

The Thames Trust

After a period of high spending when our meagre capital reserves were seriously depleted to meet current expenditures, the Thames Trust was established in 1969 to remedy the situation. Its remit was to establish and maintain a reserve of capital, invest it wisely and hold it against a rainy day. The Trustees are selected from members closely interested in the club, but not present holders of any office.

Although not as successful as originally hoped, it was able to help

on the rainy day last year when capital repairs to the roof of the clubhouse were essential, and to provide some £10,000 towards this.

The Thames Rowing Club Charitable Trust

The Thames Rowing Club Charitable Trust was established by certain members in 1989 to take advantage of the relaxation in the laws governing registered charities in support of amateur sport.

Thus, this Charitable Trust—as distinct from the Thames Trust—is not under the control of the club, nor are its assets part of the club funds. The Trustees must ensure that the application of its benefactions falls within the scope of its charitable remit.

It is thus principally concerned with assisting active members with equipment and exceptional rowing expenses.

Already in its first three years the generosity of members with donations large and small has given it a good start in establishing capital to invest. The income from this has enabled it to give the club a total to date of more than £8,000; of which about £5,000 was towards equipment, including four ergometers, a set of oars and boat repairs following the trailer accident, and some £3,000 towards the expenses of Thames crews and individuals selected to row in national crews.

The charitable status of this Trust has many advantages benefitting both donor and Trust with tax relief on covenants and legacies enabling the trustees to invest the capital free of capital gains tax and to collect its income free of tax on all gifts.

If it is to continue to provide support to the costs of active members, the capital needs constant priming with donations of all sizes.

Thirty, forty and even seventy years on

Thames' senior vice president Lord Headley, celebrated the 70th anniversary of his first appearance at Henley Royal Regatta at this year's regatta.

Charles Allanson-Winn competed in the regatta for the first time in 1921 when he rowed at bow in the Bedford School eight in the Ladies Plate.

He had rowed for Twickenham RC for some five years before he joined Thames in 1928. In that year, sitting at seven behind Eric Beresford at stroke, he helped Thames retain the Thames Cup beating Twickenham in the final.

In 1929 he was in the winning Wyfold four and rowed in the Thames Grand eights in 1929, 1931 and 1934 as well as the Stewards four in 1934.

Charles was captain of Thames between 1936 and 1938 and was elected vice president in 1976. When not rowing he was always in demand as a keen and successful coach.

Charles will be 90 next May and we wish him a happy birthday and look forward to seeing him at the regatta in 1992 with his feast of scurrilous stories.

Forty years ago Thames won the Steward's Cup. Having won the event twice in the past four years, the club was getting quite blasé about their success in the event.

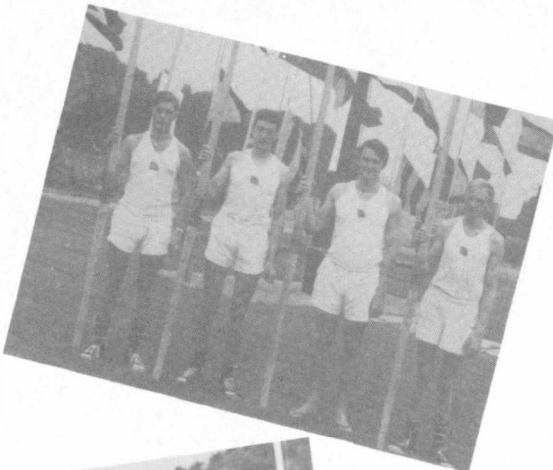
The four of John Dizer, Tony Purssell, Hank Rushmere and Peter Kirkpatrick disposed of LMBC, New College and Veslacki Klub of Yugoslavia to reach the final where



they beat Leander by a length and a half in 7.53.

Felix Badcock, writing in that year's Journal said of the crew:-

"The Stewards' Four at Henley this year needed no coaching as such. They were all experienced and first-class watermen. They knew when they steadied their slides those vital last few inches forward, they were in a class of their own. They also realized that when they were 'naughty' and hurried the beginning they bucketed, and were therefore barely mediocre. From the bank it was obvious that they would win the Stewards' or fail in



Vice presidents Peter Kirkpatrick and Lord Headley (top left) at Henley in 1991. The 1961 Stewards four (right) representing GB at the European Championships in Prague. A reunion (above) of the 1951 Stewards four at this year's Henley.

their first heat miserably after a thoroughly bad row.’

The club first eight finished second in the Head that year behind Jesus College, Cambridge, in a time of 18 minutes and 42 seconds and also won all three senior events—eight, four and pair—at the Festival of Britain regatta on the Serpentine.

Thirty years ago, Thames lost in the final of the Stewards to Trud Club of the Soviet Union, but the four went on to represent Great Britain at the European Champion-

ships in Prague. The crew of Mike Woolner, Fred Lambert, John Stephenson and Felix Badcock drew Germany, Italy and the Netherlands in their first heat. After a hurried row when both Germany and Italy appeared to get off the start early, the British four finished last behind the Dutch.

In the repercharge however, the crew produced what was thought to be their best performance of the season. Having drawn Germany again, the Thames four were surprised to find themselves lying in second behind Poland at 500 metres.

The Germans, however, rowed strongly through the field, followed by the American crew as Poland faded. Britain pushed back at the Americans but just missed out on second place by a second.

Italy won the gold in the final and Germany the bronze while the Soviet crew which beat Thames at Henley took the silver.

Geoffrey Page writing in that year's Journal said:-

“The Stewards’ four were more obviously destined to do well from the day they were put in a boat. They settled at once, despite a weight disadvantage to stroke side. Their steering was highly alarming at times, but in their last race at Prague they steered a near perfect course—a great achievement for Mike Woolner, who was, incidentally, a maiden oar at the beginning of the season.

The only four in this country likely to challenge them in the Trials, National Provincial Bank, did not come on as well as our four, and in the end the win in the Trials produced our biggest verdict over them, despite some more ‘exciting’ steering by both crews.”



Miriam Batten and Fiona Freckleton looking understandably pleased with themselves, having just won Britain's first World Championship medals in a women's sweep oared event.

World Championships

Thames was well-represented at the 1991 world championships in Vienna with five club members winning selection—one of the largest Thames' contingents for many years.

Katie Brownlow won her seat as stroke of the lightweight coxless four for the third year in a row and was joined this year by Alison Brownless at bow, who was representing Britain for the first time.

In the women's heavyweight squad, Philippa Cross won her first vest and the stroke seat of the coxless four and eight, while Miriam Batten was selected to row in the eight and, after much perseverance, persuaded the squad authorities to allow her and her partner Fiona Freckleton to compete in the coxless pairs.

Caroline Christie, who missed

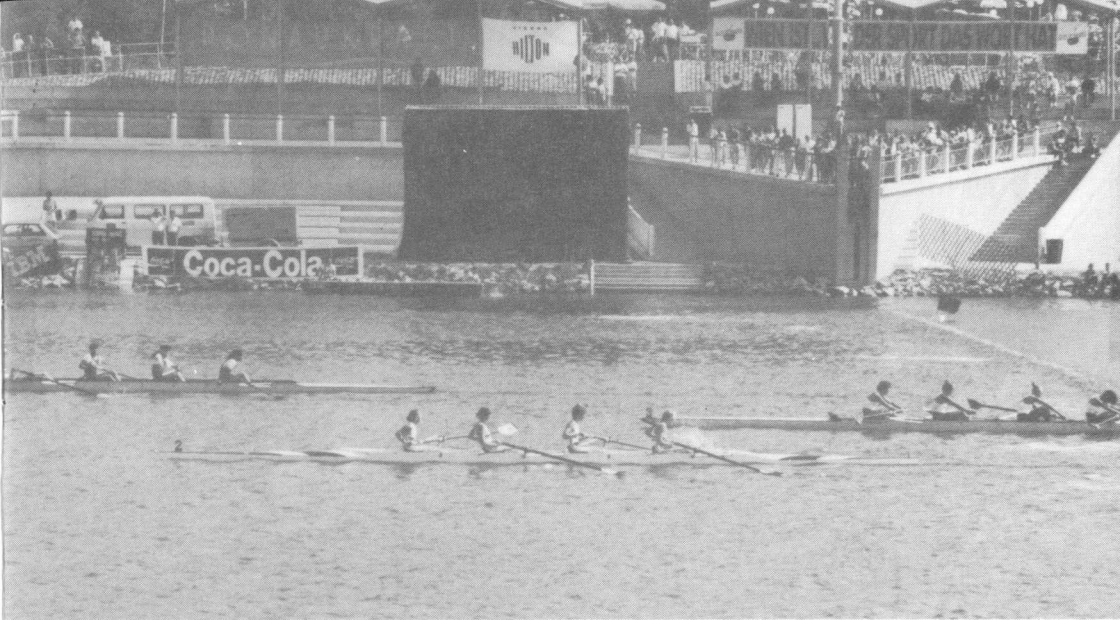
out on selection last year due to ill health, was unlucky again this year. In the final selection choice made just two weeks before the championships, Christie was told she would not be in the eight but would go to Vienna as team reserve.

Bill Baker, Thames' only hope for selection to the men's squad, with his partner Robert Redpath of London, produced the best performance of any British lightweight double at Lucerne finishing 11th.

Unfortunately, this result was not good enough to win them selection and they competed instead at the Home Countries in the open event where they finished second to Ireland.

However, life member Richard Phelps and former member Gary Herbert, both now rowing for Leander, won seats in the men's heavyweight eight.

The women's heavyweight team produced an excellent performance at the championships qualifying for



Britain's lightweight coxless four, stroked by Katie Brownlow and with Alison 'Wilma' Brownless as bow, take the silver at Vienna.

the finals of all the events they entered apart from the eights event.

Despite this the chances for winning a medal appeared slim, which made Batten and Freckleton's performance all the more impressive. Lying in fourth at 1000 metres, they moved up to third in the next 250 metres and narrowly missed out on the silver, winning bronze and Britain's first world medal in women's heavyweight rowing in a time of 7.02:28.

The eight finished third in the petite final while the coxless four finished fifth in their final.

The lightweight coxless four were among the favourites for their event having won at Lucerne. Lying in third place at 1000 metres they rowed down the American crew and clung to the leading Chinese crew to win the silver in 7.37:06.

The men's eight coxed by Herbert with Phelps rowing at three produced an incredible final push for the line to steal the bronze medal from Romania.

Britain's final medal tally was two golds, one silver and two bronze.

A medal winning row?

Hours of winter slog, early mornings, late evenings, skiving off work for days of extra sleep, isn't all that it takes to win a world championship medal.

Relaxation is what made the difference.

After a disappointing result at Lucerne where Fiona Freckleton and I failed to make the final of the women's coxless pairs, we didn't know what else we could do.

My nerves had been very difficult to control. Nights spent dreaming of the race and days spent in tense anticipation sapped vital nervous energy so that once the race finally started I was exhausted.

So I learnt how to relax, to switch off my seriousness and enjoy the

pre-race preparation.

Vienna for me meant making the final, so by the time we were under starters orders in that race I had nothing to lose. We went off the start in last place but by 500 metres the Americans were paying for blasting off.

Keeping the rate high and with lightning fast catches in the tail wind, we made all our pushes count. By 1000 metres we had fended the Romanians and French off by sending our finishes. Our third 500 was the fastest in the field.

As we wound in from 750 to go Fiona called, "We can make silver." We attacked the Germans whose faces were screwed up in pain. You can pull harder than you ever think you can.

I counted three crews cross the line behind us. All I could say was "Why?"

It's great on the medal rostrum. So get relaxed and get motoring.

Miriam Batten

World Junior Championships

As well as being represented in Vienna at the senior championships, Thames had three members competing at the world junior championships in Banyoles.

Domenyk Honey, in his second championships, was selected for the double with his partner Chris Elmitt of St. Paul's. Both had sculled in the quad at last year's championships and the squad had hoped to boat a quad as its top sculling crew again in Banyoles.

Yet while Honey, Elmitt and Robert Thatcher of Quintin were thought to be good enough for the

event, a fourth sculler of a similar standard could not be found.

The double was selected during final trials in the week after Henley, three weeks before the championships themselves.

As in Aiguebelette the previous year, the weather during the championships was very hot. Honey and Elmitt, however, progressed comfortably to the semi-final with the fifth fastest qualifying time of 6.47, a second behind the German crew.

In the semi-final, Honey and Elmitt kept their composure while lying fifth for the first 1000 metres. They moved through Switzerland in the next 250 and France in the final 250 metres to finish third behind Norway and Belgium.

In doing so the British pair became the first British junior scullers to reach a final since 1985.

In the final, however, they found themselves slightly off the pace and behind the leading pack. Germany took the gold in 6.35:36 while Honey and Elmitt finished fifth in 6.44:98.

Thames was also represented in the eight by Robert Waller and John Williams of Emmanuel School.

The eight qualified for the final via a recharge which ended with a photo finish. Britain having been lying in sixth place in the early stages of the race, pushed through the field in the final 250 metres to finish second behind Spain in 5.58.

The final was also decided by a photo finish but Britain were not so lucky this time. Sixth at 500 metres to go the eight pushed strongly to move into third but just lost the medal to Spain by 0.1 second, the smallest clearly recordable margin.

The Soviet Union took the gold and Germany the silver.



The Britannia Four—Michael Urry, Chris Slameck, Iain Pritchard, Angus Dodd and Izzy Grindal (cox)—lead Notts County to the Barrier in the quarter finals at Henley.

Men's squad

Despite attracting a number of new faces at the start of the year, the top men's squad gradually whittled down to 16 or so rowers and scullers, most of whom had trained at Thames for at least the last two seasons.

The club's senior 2 oarsmen brought on by John McConnell last year struggled to make the transition to the top squad, the extra commitment required proving to be the stumbling block for both them and many of the newcomers.

A notable exception was Guy Delandes from Lensbury who stayed the course, despite awkward work commitments, and rowed in the Thames Cup eight at Henley. The addition of Chris Walker and David Fenton from London in May also boosted the squad.

A few combinations were put together for the Fours Head and several pairs and scullers raced at Walton Small Boats Head. But from the start of the season Noel Casey made it clear that the group's ultimate goal was a Henley win.

The cold weather was not allowed to hamper winter training although the squad had to abandon its weekend training camp with Notts County when the winter's first snow brought the M1 to a standstill.

The purchase of three new pairs meant the squad could train most weekends in small boats. Numerous outings spent trawling up to Kew and back had a noticeable effect on the group's technique but they did create a few marshalling problems and most outings resembled some odd form of sheep dog trial.

After Christmas John Pritchard took over the coaching of the group

with the goal of producing a crew which would finish in the top 10 at the Head of the River.

The pairs outing to Kew continued as did the 50 minute ergos which, thanks to the purchase of six new ergos, could be conducted in just two sessions with Noel or one of his minions watching over the group to ensure perfect timing.

Small boat training culminated in seat races in fours at Reading. The eight which was chosen from the group then had three weeks to prepare for the Head.

Its first test was the Boustead Cup which saw London boat a crew from their lightweight squad. The Thames first eight, however, remained unruffled by the prospect of squad oarsmen or by the equipment failure which checked their warm-up on the way to the start.

Thames had lost the toss and London had chosen the Surrey station in order to have the advantage around the Hammersmith bend. By that stage of the race, however, they were sitting in Thames' puddles the Thames crew having had a flying start.

Taking an early lead of several lengths, Thames held onto it despite a strong headwind over the second half of the course, to win. A display of Cambridge's Thunderbirds in front of the clubhouse capped a memorable performance.

The crew's confidence was running high and although a planned outing against Cambridge failed to materialize, the eight prepared for the Head with enthusiasm and intense concentration.

Conditions for the actual race were calm with a slight tail wind. Thames starting 20th behind Isis, powered off the starting line and quickly caught up with the Oxford second boat.

By Barnes the two were overlapping but Isis refused to give way forcing Thames to row around the outside of the next bend. By Chiswick steps however, Thames had dropped Isis and could prepare for the first of their planned pushes.

The eight overtook Durham's first crew by Harrods and pushed Rob Roy all the way to the finish but despite gaining so much ground within the field, only finished 15th, although this was a great improvement on recent performances.

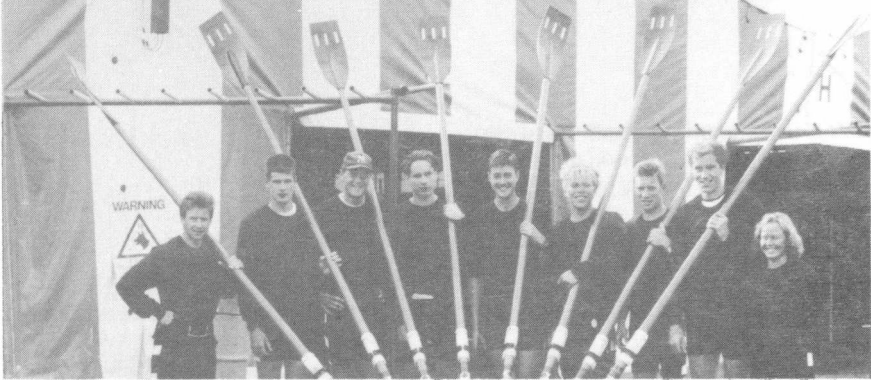
The crew tried to put this disappointment behind them as they returned to small boat training. Seven of the group were part of the club's 20-strong entry for the Scullers Head. By far the best result of these was that of Iain Pritchard who surprised even himself by finishing 10th having started 57th.

With the Scullers Head out of the way the group started their summer training in fours with a view to doubling up at regattas in fours and eights events until Noel had made his choice of event at Henley.

A training camp with the women's eight at Wimberball in Devon saw the eight produce some of its best performances. In comparison, Ghent the following weekend saw some of its worst rowing. A fourth place for one of the fours was little consolation.

Based on what he saw in Ghent and an apparent lack of consistency throughout the group, Noel decided that a four would stand a better chance of winning at Henley than the eight, although he had set his heart on the Thames Cup. Pauline backed his decision having spoken to the oarsmen.

The four of Angus Dodd, Michael Urry, Chris Slemeck and Iain Pritchard coxed by Izzy Grindal was coached by Noel along with the



The Thames Cup eight (left to right) Steve Jones, Sam Allpass, David Gates, Guy Deslandes, Richard Moon, Domenyk Honey, Chris Walker, Nick Copley and Nicky Powell (cox).

women's eight, while David Gates, Nick Copley, Sam Allpass and Richard Moon combined with Steve Jones, Guy Deslandes, Chris Walker, Domenyk Honey and cox Nicky Powell to make an eight to be coached by John Pritchard.

At Henley the four drew Bedford on the first day, but it was neither of the combinations Thames had met at regattas earlier in the season. The eight had a bye to the Thursday where they were drawn to meet Natacio Banyoles of Spain.

The four led Bedford off the start and quickly established a one and a half to two lengths lead. Although not the tidiest of rows, Thames held onto their lead, dropping their rate over the second half of the track to win in 7.36.

The following morning they raced Gloucester—followed in the umpire's launch by Prince Michael of Kent. The Thames crew were confident of a win and again established an early lead. Having taken more than two lengths out of their opponents they relaxed and brought the rate right down to win by a two and a third length's margin in 7.28.

That afternoon the eight lined up against Banyoles, thought to be one of the favourites. Thames, however, surprised the Spaniards with a flying start and led by over half a length by the quarter mile.

Banyoles however, pushed back, raising their rate to row Thames down by the Barrier. Thames clung to the Spanish crew but could not haul them back. Banyoles won by a length in 6.29.

On the Friday the four drew Notts County Rowing Association. Thames had expected Notts County to be quicker out of the blocks but thanks to their fast start were leading by a quarter of a length by the end of the island.

They stretched their lead out to three quarters of a length and beat NCRA to the Barrier in the fastest split of the day, 2.01. They could not break the Nottingham crew however, who pushed back strongly to regain the lead by Fawley.

Thames tried to hold onto Notts County but their efforts earlier in the race began to take their toll. NCRA won in 7.05 and by three and three quarter lengths.

The Nottingham crew went on to win the event.

The crews remained together for the National Championships with Richard Court coming into the eight to replace Domenyk Honey.

The four raced first on Saturday. A last minute redraw turned what had seemed a relatively easy heat into a rather more difficult semi-final. With three to qualify for the final, Noel told the four not to push

themselves and finish third to guarantee getting a good lane.

Thames led out of the blocks, followed by Bedford and Tideway Scullers. The four led to the 1000 metres mark but over the second half of the course they let Bedford then Scullers row through them.

The eight's semi-final was held early on Sunday morning so they spent Saturday racing and winning at Nottingham Sprint Regatta. On Sunday, however, they faced a tough field and struggled from the start to stay with the leaders.

Thames finished fifth behind a UL/Leander/NCRA composite, Oxford Poly, City of Oxford and Quintin.

In the fours final Thames had a chance of avenging their Henley defeat against Notts County.

It was Notts and Union, Notts County's victims at the final at Henley and local rivals, which led out of the blocks.

Thames were second to the 500 metre mark ahead of Notts County but both Nottingham crews pushed strongly opening gaps of four and two seconds over Thames.

With 500 metres to go Notts County had pulled ahead of Notts & Union and both crews had broken away from Thames who were still lying third. The bronze looked possible but in the final 300 metres Edinburgh University pushed strongly and rowed Thames down.

Having little to show in terms of medals or pots for a hard season's training, most of the squad indulged in two to three weeks of pot-hunting. Wins at Bewdley, Kingston, Peterborough and Upper Thames Sprint meant most of the group ended the year with at least one victory to their name.

Izabel Grindal

Women's First Squad

Now that women's rowing in Great Britain is growing in respectability it is excellent to see a relatively inexperienced Thames first eight blossom and reap considerable success in the increasingly competitive environment.

When brought together at the beginning of the season, the squad contained at least one novice and several senior 3 oarswomen. The first eight when established was very proud of its 'barely' senior 2 status.

A hard winter's training was completed before our first venture onto the competitive circuit in the Women's Head of the River Race in March. Thames has a good reputation in this particular race, so we paddled up to the start with our heads held high, setting off tenth, intending to storm down the course and conquer all.

However, our dreams were short-lived, ending abruptly under Barnes bridge where one of the crew (don't worry Fiona, I won't mention your name) caught an all time lobster, sending the coxswain into a mad panic to avoid a collision with the very solid looking bridge.

Sixteenth was the result we managed to salvage which at least left room for improvement.

Our Easter training camp in Devon cleared away the winter cobwebs and introduced us to a new species, the Thames Men's Squad. Noel Casey's four day plan was to do nothing but sleep, eat and row (a lot).

However, we were able, on more than one occasion, to sneak off to the bar where we met some very interesting and young and not so young (sorry Iain) oarsmen, including Snogger Gates, Sam the Italian stallion and a sweet young



The women's first eight after winning silver at the National Championships. Fiona Cousins (bow), Julia Webb, Rebecca Peagram, Jude Sanders, Lesley Baguley, Lucy Wright, Jenny Smith and Suzie Ellis (cox).

guy called Christopher Slemeck. Chris has a wonderful party trick but for some reason it has just slipped my mind.

Refreshed from Devon we moved onto the regatta season, travelling first to Ghent for our first international regatta. It was here that we learnt that alcohol has an important effect on rowing performances. Our best result was on the second day after a very late night spent drowning our sorrows after a disastrous first day's racing.

On the second day we had a 'stormer' winning our heat and qualifying for the final with a time just short of the ARA eight.

Then began the domestic regatta

season. Superb winning performances were produced at the Metropolitan, Docklands and Richmond regattas.

Women's Henley brought us back down to earth when we didn't produce the goods and went out in the semi-finals to eventual winners Durham University. As an ex-Durham cox myself, this was a fate worse than coxing the men's squad (sorry Izzy).

Training performance was deteriorating and to achieve anything significant at our final goal the National Championships, Noel came up with a typically Casey decision—retrials for the whole crew.

At this point it is fitting to mention those who did not regain their place in the boat. Kay Campbell, Debbie Hall and Christine Peters, were all strong members of the original eight. With Kay, Debbie and Christine on board we had several significant victories and their effort and commitment throughout the year is an example to everyone at all levels of the sport.

The 'new look' eight arrived in Nottingham nervous and apprehensive. The competition was hot and if there is ever a race that sticks in my mind, it will be the final of the women's eights at the 1991 National Championships.

I can remember coming off the start and pulling away from Durham (revenge at last) and the University of London. After that it seemed to be a neck and neck race with Cambridge University.

It was a game of cat and mouse, Cambridge pushing and Thames responding. However, despite some colossal efforts on the part of the girls, we never quite managed to crack Cambridge.

Despite this we felt that for a crew which had only been formed 10

days previously, a silver medal for us and for Thames was no disgrace. Lesley, Lucy and Jenny turned out to be solid new recruits in the stern.

Noel Casey is our hero. His original approach and select use of vocabulary is relished by many and forgotten by few. Thanks are also due to Nicky Powell for her winter coaching and to Tessa Millar for all

her help.

I hope that the results that we were able to achieve during the season will encourage others to seek the same goals and in some cases more.

And there is always the rumour that someone in our eight can do a pull-up.

Suzie Ellis



The Thames junior eight, gold medal winners at the National Championships.

Junior Squad

At the end of last season the Junior Squad returned to school and continued rowing under the watch of their rowing masters. Nevertheless, two scratch junior eights entered the Plum Pudding Eights last Christmas, and took both first and second places.

To start the new season a junior quad of Tom Andrews, Mathew Barnes, David Harte and Domenyk Honey won the Junior Quads section of the Schools Head of the River.

The school summer term ended early in 1991 and this enabled the Junior Squad to get together much earlier than in previous years. In

fact it was possible to enter a junior eight into the senior 3 event at Kingston Regatta. It won by a comfortable margin.

The early end of term also allowed the club to form a Junior team for the National Championships. The double scull of Mathew Barnes and David Harte won their heat on the Friday afternoon and then won the gold in the final on Sunday.

The junior eight of M. Hawes, M. Barnes, L. Smolski, N. Griggs, T. Sullivan, T. Wheaton and S. Skeates, stroked by A. Smeed and coxed by R. Lepper also won gold in a straight final. In this Mathew Barnes achieved the distinction of winning two gold medals in the same afternoon.

The Junior Squad performance at the National Championships led to their selection to represent England in the junior double scull and eight at the Home Countries International at Blessington Lake in Ireland. Unfortunately the double scull could not achieve its earlier form and was beaten into third place by the Irish and Scottish crews. The eight came second to the heavier Irish crew after rowing into a strong head wind, but beat the Scottish and Welsh.

After return from Ireland many of the squad went on holiday and the crews were reformed to make a junior squad of 10 to go to Peterborough Regatta.

On Saturday the eight of K. Langbridge (str), D. Hudgins, A. AlGhabban, S. Nichols, J. Young, P. Simmons, M. Barrett and M. Hawes, coxed by S. Levy, won their heat by two seconds and repeated the performance in the final also to win by two seconds and setting a new course record of 2 min 58 sec.

On Sunday the eight won with all four crews within three seconds and the Thames eight only separated from Thames Tradesmen by the photograph, while the double of Barratt and Smolski beat a TRC senior crew, Peterborough City and Sons of the Thames to win.

To wind up the season before returning to school rowing a team of 20 including the tractor driver went to Worcester Regatta. The Junior 'A' eight beat a strong R.G.S. Worcester crew to win by a length.

The Junior 16 squad were disappointed that there was no opposition for the eight, but one of the two fours from this eight beat King Edward VI School Stratford to win by a comfortable distance.

Alan Hawes

Men's second squad

The season started with the remnants of Jim Banks' squad from the previous summer, but with only five diehards left from the Henley Town & Visitors crew (noted by their race distance of 1100m over a 1000m course due to some interesting steering, *and* beating Vesta in the process. The arrival of fresh blood on Scratch Eights day was most welcome.

Autumn was spent working out a squad with the first half of the winter programme culminating with the Plum Pudding race. Having overtaken the novice girls at Barnes Bridge we led until the football ground when two crews passed at the death. Third was still a creditable result for us.

With just one change in personnel in the New Year, the crew of Simon Evans, Pete Dudley, Jon Weedon, Jonathan Sofield, Pete Curtis, Paul March, Bryan Taylor and yours truly continued through until May. At the helm of this wondrous gathering was our long-suffering and loyal coxwain Kay Springall. The disappointment of losing our leg of the Boustead Cup in February was put behind us by finishing 10th in our class in the Head.

The regatta season started with much promise, winning easily in the heats at Hammersmith only to lose narrowly in the final. But this disappointment was swept aside the following weekend at Chiswick despite the atrocious conditions. Before the start we had to disembark at Tideway Scullers to empty our boat, as the water on our journey to Chiswick Bridge had been met with more than a few white horses. Facing London in a straight final we held them until halfway and then powered ahead,

Novice women

This year's novice women were a varied if not motley looking bunch at the start of October 1990, some new to the game and some toughened by a few weeks in the tub pair with George Askew. But all we needed was someone to keep us in line and knock us into shape—and Penny Haslam bravely volunteered to wield the whip.

She relied on the system of "first eight down, into the boat now", which seemed to work as by the Women's Head in March, we had a base of about a dozen or so regulars from which to boat an eight.

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Liz Mason

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The women's second eight, winners at Richmond, (back) Kate Pollit, Abigail Edwards, Jaqui Mason, Nessa Sweeney, Christilla Saix, Rachael Frost (front) Teresa Martin, Clare Humphries and Liz Mason.

Women's second squad

Selection of John Stephenson's Rockettes, as the second squad quickly became known, took place on the hard one Saturday morning, from a group of senior 3 and novice women of assorted shapes and sizes.

Our ambition was to compete at Women's Henley.

With the help of John's invaluable coaching, we were to go on to complete in this (although we had only just reached senior 2 status), win four pots and compete at the National Championships.

In June our first target was Docklands Regatta. Here there was a straight final between ourselves, Thames B, Reading University and Thames Tradesmen.

After a long battle down the course we had our noses ahead half a length and we managed to hold off Reading to win our first race.

Our first senior 2 challenge was at Barnes and Mortlake Regatta. Having practised starts all week for the shorter course, we got off to a flier and won with an easy verdict.

This was a terrific morale booster for Women's Henley the following weekend where we had to race in the Friday qualifiers to win a place in the club eights event.

By qualifying we made Thames

the only club with two crews in the event.

We were thrilled to qualify and we gave Kingston a good run for their money in worsening conditions, losing by half a length.

The next weekend saw us at Richmond, again racing at senior 2, where we beat Furnivall in the heat and a Staines/UL composite in the final by a length.

We were glad to have Henley Royal Regatta the following week to give us a break from racing and get back to some solid training for Kingston Regatta.

There we faced our old rivals Kingston, racing on their home stretch of river. But we won again, our flying starts allowing us to lead once more from the start.

This was to be our last success of the season. Some of the crew departed and a new combination started training for the longer 2000 metre course we would face at the National Championships.

On the day, a strong wind blew up just before the start of our race. Although we never gave up, our efforts were in vain and we were beaten by stronger opposition.

It was a disappointing way to end the season, although we were glad to have taken part and we are sure it will stand us in good stead.

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Summer novices win their first pots in Women's novice coxed fours at Henley Town and Visitors.

behind them they prepared to try their hand at the real thing.

In their race the men got off to a slow start but maintained pressure on the leading crews by tenaciously holding on during the middle part of the course. Then at Remenham came the big push and from the bank it looked as if they would squeeze through and start threatening the ever tiring leaders.

Unfortunately, the conditions and the pressure got the better of them. A few sea food cocktails were served up, interrupting the race plan which at this point read, "Push through, take the lead and win by three feet". Although maintaining pressure from behind they never sufficiently recovered to resume the plan and eventually lost by two lengths.

Exit men's four, very disgruntled but wiser.

Next up were the ladies who in

their heat led from start to finish and won by a country mile. If the final was the same then they surely would run out easy winners.

However, it was not to be so straightforward. Everyone was switched onto different, wrong channels at the start so the first stroke resulted in the boat being sideways across the course and the opposition taking over a length's lead within the next five.

The confidence of that first race evaporated very quickly, now it was time to see if they really had any spunk in them and to my relief they did. Gallons of it. Within 20 strokes they had recovered and started to draw back. By a minute they were level and drawing away. By the finish they were in excess of four lengths clear, a verdict traditionally referred to as "easily" but I can assure you they worked bloody hard for it.

The post orgasmic squeals that rang out as they crossed the line brought the St. John Ambulance men running in anticipation of lots of bandaging and cleaning up. The rest of the club gathered around to congratulate the next wave of rowing junkies.

Things I remember?

Veronique Truffaut drinking 19 gin and tonics at the Pitcher and Piano in the Fulham Road during one of the group's regular Saturday night training sessions.

Patrick McCaig reminding me that I'd said, "Rowing is not a humane sport."

Michel Lamb saying, "Ooo, err! Don't. Stop it Matron," every time I said pull, hard, long or squeeze.

During the middle of a piece asking anyone who hadn't understood what I had just said to hold both hands in the air and Rebecca Burt ending up flat on her back with a blade handle over her head.

Most of all, the five beaming faces of the winners at Henley T&V.

Mark Treserdern

Thames' assault on Peterborough

Peterborough Summer regatta marked the climax of three weeks' serious pot-hunting for many of the club's active oarsmen and women.

The squad consisted of eight or so of the top men, 16 senior 3 and junior oarsmen, a handful of Slims, four novice men, six to eight senior

women and 12 senior 2 and 3s, at least seven coxes and Liz Banks' dog Holly.

We took two fully-loaded trailers, a large amount of camping equipment—although all those who camped last year and knew sleep was near impossible on the campsite wimped out and stayed at the hotel—a large barbeque, vast amounts of burgers and bangers and an even vaster amount of beer.

The squad entered more than 30 events over the two days and won 13 of them. Over half the squad came back with one pot, some of them three or four.

Some of the squad were unlucky. The women's senior 2 eight should have capped their season with a win but were stopped by an early crab.

The men's senior 3 eight were unfortunate enough to have drawn Alan Hawes' very strong junior eight in both their races and on the Sunday, when they looked like posing a real threat, stroke broke his blade.

But despite these disappointments everyone made sure they enjoyed themselves. Over 70 rowers turned up to the evening barbeque on Saturday. They ate and drank all they could (as quickly as BBQ chef extraordinaire Mike Urry could cook it) but we still made a small profit which was handed over to the Charitable Trust in recognition of its much-appreciated support.

Despite the hangovers and Lea's attempt to spoil our day by getting us disqualified in the mixed eights because someone was wearing the wrong kit, the victories and pots continued to pile up.

By Sunday night, however, when we finally loaded the trailers and wound our weary way back home, everyone was quite happy to forget rowing for a while.

Membership

In the two previous journals I listed 267 members who were

elected between April 1922 and December 1969. A further 79 current members were elected between January 1970 and December 1979. They are:

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Austin FC Died	Green MG s/o	Pritchard JM
Austin SPK	Haslam Mrs PJ	Pugh RH
Bailey REH	Hill-Kelly DE Defaulter	Rankine Miss JM
Bate PG Res	Hopkins JT s/o	Richter SJ
Benson Miss JE s/o	Horne SJ Res	Roberts PD s/o
Bett SCT	Jones SL	Rothschild Col DD Died
Blanchard GB	Kaminski MP Defaulter	Russell JR
Blevins JCS	Killick RC	Rutland JA
Bowden SP	Klomp E Res	Sjoberg EJ
Boyde Prof TRC	Knight JF	Smith JM
Brass HS	Leigh EJE	Smith MG Res
Rudd PV Res chet	Lester Mrs EM Died s/o	Tanner MS
Burgess MS	Lincham PCMP s/o	Taylor AG
Butler DM	Mallinson WDE	Taylor AJ
Casey MN Res	Mason Miss PJ	Walker Miss EG
Churcher BG	McKendrick Miss ME	Watson JG
Churcher Mrs MP	Millar Ms TE	Webb SJ
Clarke TJ Defaulter	Millington HG	Wigfall SR
Cockett Mrs DA	Minevitz BH	Wilkes DJ s/o
Davis JP	Morrison JH	Wilkinson Mrs GK
Davis PN	Murray CJ s/o	Willett MGH
Denny GM	Newens GH Died	Willett OR
Evans PE Res	Pattinson K s/o	Williams MD Res
Farnham JS s/o	Phelps RC	Wood CLJ
Feldman LW	Powell Mrs NS	Woodward-Fisher CJ
Gault OTA Res	Price Miss SR Res	Wright AD Res
Grant JAS Defaulter		

We greatly regret the loss of the following members between January and August 1991—Willie Lloyd, Bernard Ramm, Mike Symonds and Rodney Wright. All post-war members.

Hanging Committee report

Following the recent redecoration of the club it is again necessary to rearrange the pictures and photographs, so we need to assemble as many as we can. If any member knows the whereabouts of any of the following will he please let me know:

1. Henley Boards: Grand 1871/1891, Stewards 1927/1947, Thames Cup 1938/1958, Wyfolds 1948/1958.

2. Map of Marlow course. We have the frame but no map.
3. Painting of Edward Hanlan that used to hang in the bar.
4. Photographs of winning Henley crews: Stewards in 1886, Thames Cup 1890 and 1893, Goblets 1898, Diamonds 1899, Wyfolds 1929, Doubles 1939 and Goblets 1949.

Clothing

We now have a small stock of club cuff links at £6 a pair, and a new stock of club lapel badges at £4 each. Send a s.a.e. with your cheque and I will post them to you. Also club ties £9 each, City ties £5 each and blazer buttons £1 each.

Tim Wilson

Thames in 1991

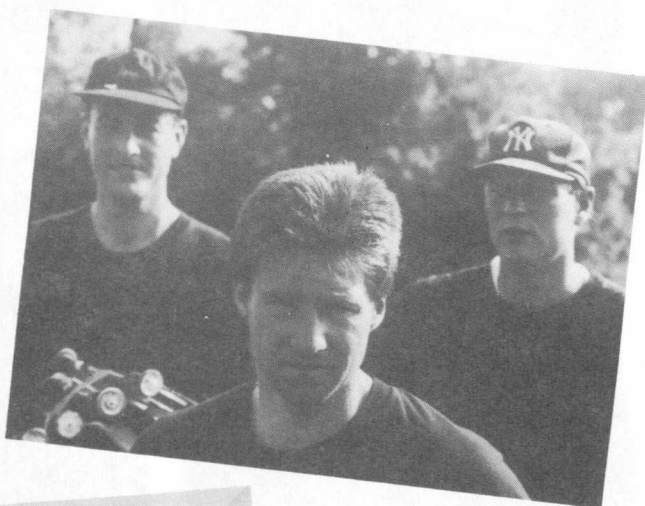


The women's first eight after winning at Docklands (above left). Another Thames' women's coxed four (far left) win their novice pots at Peterborough Summer. Matthew Barnes and David Harte (below) winners of the junior double sculls at the National Championships.





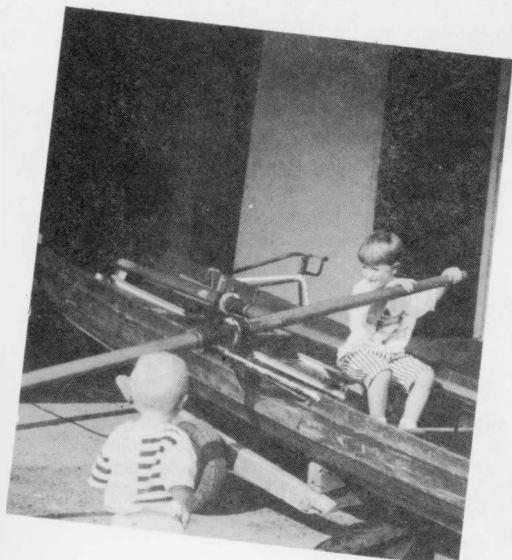
Thames' novice men, winners at Henley Town and Visitors (left). The first eight competing in the Head of the River (above) where they finished 15th. Steve 'Arthur' Jones (right) with his minders Moon and Gates.



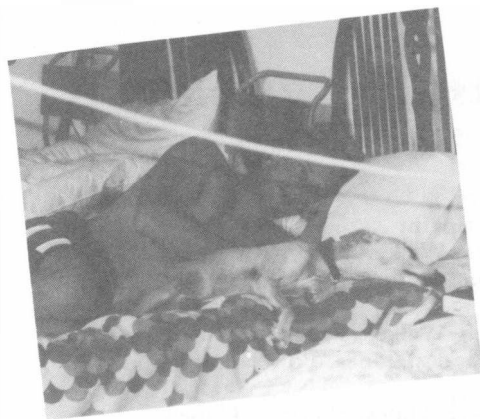
Captain Pauline Rayner (left) tries to stop John Russell from leaving the club dinner by awarding him a special 'boat ties' award.



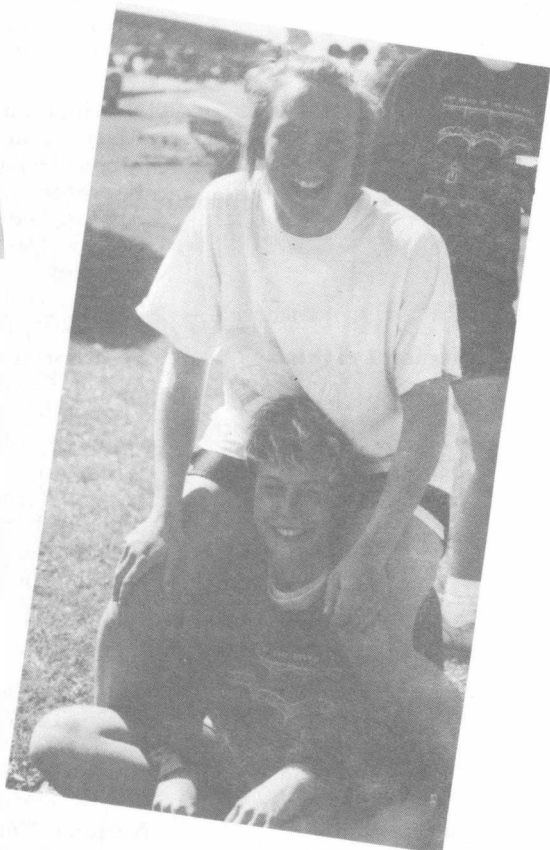
The Young and Old of Thames Rowing Club. The club's youngest member (left) Elizabeth Thomas and (below right) one of the not so young members, Ham Ward, at Remenham during Henley Week.



They start them young these days at Thames (right) under captain Rayner's new recruitment policy.



It's a dog's life at Henley (above) as Chris Walker waits for some intelligent conversation. Becky Peagram persuades Jude Sanders (right) to give her a piggy-back lift home from Ghent. Izzy Grindal (below left) directs air traffic of the edible kind at the active members' dinner. Beautiful bottoms (below right) Tessa Millar and Martin Levy, but which one is which?



Results

Men

Open eights

Nottingham Sprint

Allpass, Gates, Walker, Court, Copley,
Moon, Delsandes, Jones, Powell (cox)

Kingston

Allpass, Gates, Walker, Pritchard, Moon,
Copley, Deslandes, Jones, Powell (cox)

Bewdley

Allpass, Walker, Gates, Worden, Copley,
Hasselkiss, Fletcher, Jones, Powell (cox)

Senior 1 eights

Peterborough Sprint

Powell, Crawford, Clarke, Robson, Maby,
Elkington, McConnell, MacKinnon,
Connolly (cox)

Senior 3 eights

Kingston

Hawes, Barnes, Skeates, Sullivan, Smee
Smolski, Barrett, Wheaton, Levy (cox)

Peterborough Summer

Hawes, Young, Nichols, Simmons, Barrett,
Langbridge, Hudgins, AlGhabban, Levy
(cox)

Novice eights

Chiswick

Evans, Dudley, Weedon, Sofield, Curtis,
Grace, Taylor, Kennaby, Hawes (cox)

Henley Town & Visitors

Holloway, Brunskill, Aratne, Kruppa,
O'Neil, Davis, Milner, Davis, Springall (cox)

Junior eights

National Championships — gold

Hawes, Barnes, Skeates, Sullivan, Smee,
Smolski, Griggs, Lepper, Wheaton (cox)

Open coxed fours

Peterborough Summer

Jones, Urry, Hulls, Bartlett, Powell (cox)

Senior 1 coxless fours

Molesey Sprint

Fletcher, Robson, Tyler, MacKinnon

Veteran coxed fours

Putney Amateur

Reddin, Inglis, Jones, Robson,
Connolly (cox)

Senior 3 quads

Peterborough Summer

Urry, Jones, Copley, Allpass

Junior quads

Schools Head

Honey, Andrews, Harte, Barnes

Open coxless pairs

Kingston

Urry, Slemeck

Senior 2 coxless pairs	Evesham Tyler MacKinnon Reading Sprint Harte, Barnes
Senior 2 doubles	Stratford Crawford, Reddin
Senior 3 doubles	Peterborough Summer Barrett, Smolski
Junior doubles	National Championships — gold Harte, Barnes Wallingford Harte, Barnes
Open sculls	Northwich HOR — Pritchard Evesham — Maby
Senior 2 sculls	Hammersmith — Otto Marlow — Otto Thames Ditton — Otto Molesey — Maby Bedford — Inglis
Senior 3 sculls	Wallingford — Inglis Twickenham — Inglis Docklands — Inglis Evesham — Maby Peterborough Summer — Allpass Peterborough Summer — Urry
Novice sculls	Upper Thames Sprint — Urry Staines — Fawcett
Junior sculls	National Schools — Honey Marlow LD sculls — Honey Henley sculls — Honey Tiffin HOR — Honey Chester Junior Head — Honey
Women	
Open eights	National Championships — silver Cousins, Webb, Wright, Baguley, Peagram, Sanders, Smith, Wallace, Ellis (cox) Metropolitan Campbell, Webb, Dennis, Hall, Peagram, Sanders, Cousins, Wallace, Ellis (cox)
Senior 1 eights	Docklands Campbell, Webb, Hall, Dennis, Peters, Sanders, Cousins, Wallace, Ellis (cox) Richmond Amateur Campbell, Webb, Peters, Hall, Peagram, Sanders, Cousins, Wallace, Ellis (cox)

Senior 2 eights	Richmond Amateur Saix, Sweeney, Pollit, Mason, Edwards, Mason, Martin, Frost, Humphries (cox) Kingston Amateur Saix, Sweeney, Pollit, Mason, Reid, Martin, Mason, Frost, Grindal (cox)
Senior 3 eights	Docklands Saix, Sweeney, Pollit, Mason, Edwards, Mason, Martin, Frost, Humphries (cox) Kingston Head Saix, Sweeney, Brinsdon, Osborne, Locke, Reid, Martin, Frost, Humphries (cox)
Veteran F eights	Head of the River Thames/London RC composite
Open coxed fours	Peterborough Summer Jones, Banks, Wright, Williams, Grindal (cox)
Senior 2 coxed fours	Richmond Amateur Nicholls, Winnant, Byrne, Dolan, Ellis (cox) Putney Amateur Savage, Nicholls, Dolan, Byrne, Connolly (cox)
Senior 3 coxed fours	Hammersmith Bunker, Mason, Doland, Byrne, Grindal (cox) Metropolitan Savage, Nicholls, Winnant, Byrne, Reilly (cox) Richmond Amateur Pollit, Mason, Utne, Edwards, Humphries (cox) Peterborough Summer Sweeney, Reid, Hill, Symis, Reilly (cox) Vesta Winter Mason, Jefferson, Peagram, Campbell, McDonnell (cox)
Novice coxed fours	Chiswick Pollit, Mason, Utne, Edwards, Hawes (cox) Staines Symis, Hyde, Hitch, another, Rigby (cox) Henley Town & Visitors Ebhojimen, Burt, Truffaut, Scott, Clarke (cox)
Senior 1 doubles	Peterborough women's sculls Durrant, Filsell
Senior 3 doubles	Peterborough women's sculls Christie, Brownless

Veteran doubles**Peterborough women's sculls**

Rayner, Darling

Walton SBH

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Senior 2 sculls**Scullers Head** — Key**Peterborough WS** — Batten**Walton SBH** — Brownless**Putney Amateur** — Malt**Senior 3 sculls****Scullers Head** — Christie**Peterborough WS** — Christie**Chiswick** — Jones**Novice sculls****Walton SBH** — Younger**Thames Ditton** — Younger**Veteran D sculls****Walton SBH** — Rayner**Mixed****Open eights****Bewdley**

Wright, Baguley, Jones, Wallace, Worden,

Copley, Allpass, Jones, Ellis (cox)

Open coxed fours**Peterborough Summer**

Hulls, Bartlett, Banks, Williams, Powell (cox)

Scullers Head

<i>Name</i>	<i>Finish posit</i>	<i>Start posit</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Pennant</i>
I. Pritchard	10	57	22.13:0	
G. Reddin	26	24	22.33:3	
B. Baker	43	26	22.43:1	
N. Copley	88	235	23.11:4	
S. Allpass	114	278	23.22:3	
D. Honey	129	399	23.30:6	
A. Inglis	178	301	23.58:8	
M. Urry	198	386	24.08:4	
S. Key	215	435	24.19:8	WS2
C. Maby	217	159	24.20:7	
M. Batten	223	437	24.22:7	
D. McDonald	239	305	24.32:5	
S. Jones	244	242	24.35:0	
C. Slemeck	258	384	24.24:2	
A. Brownless	275	438	24.52:6	
P. Davis	293	197	25.04:9	
J. Robson	320	320	25.30:7	
C. Christie	330	459	25.41:9	WS3
G. Murphy	411	466	27.18:8	
S. McDonnell	440	496	31.07:9	

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