THE UNIVERSITY CROSS-COUNTRY RACES 2018



OXFORD UNIVERSITY CROSS-COUNTRY CLUB



CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY HARE AND HOUNDS

From Thames Hare and Hounds' Headquarters, Memorial Playing Fields, Roehampton Vale on Saturday, 1st December

ORDER OF EVENTS

1:00 p.m. 27th Old Blues' Race 4 miles

(Mob Match – all alumni welcome)

2:00 p.m. 43rd Ladies' Race 4 miles

(Eight-a-side, six-to-score)

2:45 p.m. 128th Gentlemen's Race 7½ miles

(Eight-a-side, six-to-score)

Starters

Ladies' Race: E. J. Leggate (née O'Hare) (Merton & Peterhouse)

O. U. C. C. C. 1996-99 & C. U. H. & H. 2000-03

Gentlemen's Race: A. S. Hope (Fitzwilliam)

C. U. H. & H. 1968

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WELCOME

Welcome to the 128th Gentlemen's and 43rd Ladies' University Cross-Country Races. Thames Hare and Hounds is privileged to be hosting them once again to continue a tradition that dates back to 1896. We hope you enjoy the afternoon's sport and what should be two exciting races.

The 43rd Ladies' Race will be started by **Ellen Leggate** (Merton and Peterhouse), who ran for Oxford from 1996 to 1999 and for Cambridge from 2000 to 2003. She holds the record for the highest number of appearances in the race (eight). Her best performances were her victories in 2001 and 2002. She was also a member of the Oxford team that won the 2000 B.U.S.A. Cross-Country Championships.

The 128th Gentlemen's Race will be started by **Andrew Hope** (Fitzwilliam), who ran for Cambridge in the 1968 race, finishing 12th in a contest won by Oxford by 28 points to 58. His son, Ben (St. John's), ran for Cambridge from 2002 to 2005.

We are also very pleased to welcome back a number of members of the two teams from 1968, including John Hazelden (Churchill, C), Phil Baker (St. Catherine's, O), John Valentine (St. John's, O), Edwin Oxlade (St. John's, O), Jim Shemilt (Pembroke, O), Robert Shields (St. John's, C), Hugh Starkey (St. John's, O) and Hugh Richards (St. Edmund Hall, O). They are celebrating the 50th anniversary of their race along with a number of other club mates from their era.

The teams this afternoon will be wearing the following colours and numbers:

Cambridge Ladies	White vest and white shorts	4-11 (reserves 12 & 13)
Oxford Ladies	White vest and dark blue shorts	14 – 21 (reserves 22 & 23)
Cambridge Gentlemen	White vest and white shorts	24 – 31 (reserves 32 & 33)
Oxford Gentlemen	White vest and dark blue shorts	34 – 41 (reserves 42 & 43)

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4. P. R. A. Barker

(Sevenoaks School & Robinson)

Phoebe Barker is a newcomer to Cambridge and she announced her arrival in style with victory in Cuppers, followed by another win in the R.A.F. match. Having finished 14th in the England Schools' Championship in March and 12th in the National, she should be one of the athletes involved at the front of the race.

5. **N. Bridson Hubbard** (Captain) (2017–2nd; 2016 – 5th)

(Newstead Wood School & Magdalene)

Niamh Bridson Hubbard returns for her third appearance and captains the Light Blues. After a strong summer on the track, injury has restricted her to just one appearance this autumn, that being the R.A.F. match in which she finished fourth. As a result, it is unlikely that she will emulate her second place of 2017; however, she should still finish solidly amongst her team's scorers.

6. **F. S. Bunn**

(St. Helen & St. Katharine, Abingdon & Queens')

Twelve months ago Fiona Bunn was unfortunate to miss the race through injury and she will be hoping to make amends today. Although she has raced sparingly this year, seventh place in the Metropolitan League indicates that she is in similar form to last year and should be one of Cambridge's higher scorers today.

7. **L. Major** (Orleans Park School, Twickenham & Trinity Hall) (2015 – Gazelles, 13th; 2013 – Cheetahs, 5th)

Lauren Major has made a significant step up this season and makes the Blues team for the first time. She is a member of Thames and was first scorer for them (in 4th) in the Surrey League in October. She followed this up with second place in the R.A.F. match to secure her place in the team.

8. J. R. Maxwell

(Stanford University & Murray Edwards)

American Julia Maxwell arrived at Cambridge in the autumn, bringing with her a strong track running pedigree, although her best times were recorded a couple of years ago. She has only raced once for Cambridge this autumn, finishing 11th in the Metropolitan League race. This makes her something of an unknown quantity; however, if she can adapt to the demands of the course, she could feature strongly today.

9. **N. E. Scott**

 $(2017 - 5^{th})$

(Heathside School & Newnham)

One of only two survivors from last year's defeat. Nancy Scott will be hoping to improve on an excellent debut fifth place. She was second in Cuppers and fourth in the Metropolitan League race, as well as running a strong leg in the National Cross-Country Relays. She should be one of Cambridge's top runners again.

10. E. N. Sundquist

(Williams College, Massachusetts & Homerton)

Emily Sundquist is another newcomer to Light Blue colours this year. She announced her arrival with fourth place in Cuppers and followed this up with third a week later in the R.A.F. match. She secured her place in the team today with an excellent eighth in the Metropolitan League.

11. F. M. Wiggins

(St. Helen & St. Katharine, Abingdon & Christ's)

Florence Wiggins, who missed out on last year's races after a promising autumn, completes the Cambridge eight. This time around, a fifth place in Cuppers and tenth in the Metropolitan League have brought about her selection for the Blues team.

Reserves:

- 12. E. M. Ruane (Bishop's Stortford College & Magdalene) (2016 10th; 2015 1st; 2018 Cheetahs, 1st; 2014 Cheetahs, 2nd)
- 13. E. J. Apsley (Marple Sixth Form College & Pembroke) (2017 9th; 2016 4th; 2015 4th; 2018 Cheetahs, 4th)

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14. **E. V. S. Bolton**

(Clitheroe Royal Grammar School & Keble)

(2017 - Turtles, 1st)

Eleanor Bolton won the second team race and was Oxford reserve as a fresher last year. Fifth place in Cuppers and 25th in the Chiltern League race means that she goes one better this year as she makes her debut in the Blues race.

15. C. A. Dannatt

(Farnborough Hill School & Sixth Form & St. John's)

 $(2017 - 4^{th})$

Charlotte Dannatt was Oxford's third scorer as a fresher in 2017. A productive summer on the track followed by second place in Cuppers and third in the Under 20 Chiltern League race mean that she is likely to be involved near the front of the race one again today.

16. **L. H. John**

(University of Konstanz & Magdalen)

Laura John is the first fresher in Oxford's team. She has raced cross-country sparingly this year; however, sixth place in Cuppers and 34th in the Chiltern League race have secured her place in the team. She also has a strong triathlon pedigree which may serve her well today.

17. H. H. M. Plaschkes

(King's College School & New College)

(2017 – 11th; 2016 – 11th; 2014 – Turtles, 1st)

Hannah Plaschkes is the most experienced member of the Dark Blue team, making her third appearance in the race. Her results this autumn – seventh in Cuppers and 35th in the Chiltern League suggest that she is in slightly better form than 12 months ago and she will be hoping to improve on two 11th-place finishes.

18. F. V. Scrafton

(University of Birmingham & Worcester)

 $(2017 - 1^{st})$

Twelve months ago, Floren Scrafton took the individual victory as a fresher in the fastest time over the course since Julia Bleasdale's 2003 record. She returns today for a second appearance possibly in not quite the form she was in 2017. However, third in Cuppers and 24th in the British Athletics Cross Challenge race at Cardiff in October suggest that she should once again feature at the top end of the race.

19. **A. J. Sharp** (Peter Symonds Sixth Form College & Queen's) (2017 – Turtles, 3rd; 2016 – Turtles, 14th)

Anna Sharp makes her debut in the Blues race having spent two years at second team level and being selected as a reserve in 2017. She finished eighth in Cuppers and then moved up the Oxford order with 34th in the Chiltern League. A good run today would should see her make the Dark Blues' scoring six.

20. E. G. H. Sharrock

(Norwich High School & Balliol)

Ella Sharrock is the second fresher in Oxford's team. In her first race at Oxford, she finished tenth in Cuppers, and followed this with 36th in the Chiltern League race to gain selection for the Blues team.

21. **A. M. Shipley**

(The Grammar School at Leeds & Worcester)

Alexandra Shipley is the final fresher in the Oxford side and completes their team. She announced her arrival at Oxford in style with victory in Cuppers in October. She then finished fourth (a place behind her team mate Charlotte Dannatt) in the under 20 Chiltern League race. She has a considerable all-round sporting pedigree, also representing the university and England at netball and the north of England at hockey. She should be amongst Oxford's top scorers.

Reserves:

- 22. N. E. Beadle (Lancaster Girl's Grammar School & St. Edmund Hall) (2018 3rd team, 1st; 2017 Turtles, 4th; 2016 3rd team, 3rd; 2015, Turtles, 4th)
- 23. C. Renaud (University of Cape Town & St. Anne's) (2018 Turtles, 9th)

Captain:

H. E. Greenwood (Oxford High School & University) (2016 – 9th; 2015 – 14th; 2017 – Turtles, 8th)

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24. **P. R. Aste** (Canyon Crest Academy, California & Caius) (2017 – 9th; 2015 – 4th team, 1st)

Paul Aste is making his second appearance in the race. He opened his season with useful performances in both the Southern and National 6-stage relays and followed this up with tenth place in Cuppers. Another good performance at the National Cross-Country Relays and 23rd in the Metropolitan League race indicates he is in the form to improve on ninth in 2017.

MacGregor Cox is one of the many University Race veterans in the Light Blue team, making his fourth appearance. After two last places in his first two races, he moved up to tenth in 2017. After missing both Cuppers and the R.A.F. match, he finished a very good 15th in the Metropolitan League and then 61st in the Liverpool Cross-Challenge race. He should be expecting to, at the very least, match his 2017 performance.

Usually, appearing in your fifth race would make you the most experienced member of the team; however, Phillip Crout cedes this distinction to William Ryle-Hodges. After a disappointing race in 2017, he will be looking to move back up the order today. He finished seventh in Cuppers and then sixth in the R.A.F. match before putting in an excellent run to finish seventh in the Metropolitan League. He should be one of Cambridge's top scorers today.

Oliver Fox's two previous performances in the University Race have been exceptional, finishing in under 38 minutes both times. His performances this term indicate that he must be in a position to repeat his individual victory of 2016. First in Cuppers was followed by first in the R.A.F. match, second in the Chiltern League race and then ninth in the Liverpool Cross-Challenge.

28. **G. E. D. Gathercole** (Royal Grammar School, Guildford & Caius) (2017 – 3rd; 2016 – 9th; 2015 – 11th)

Along with MacGregor Cox, George Gathercole is another making his fourth appearance. After an excellent third in 2017, he is is good shape once again. He finished second to Oliver Fox in both Cuppers and the R.A.F. match and then came into his own with another second in the Metropolitan League. He comes into the today's race off the back of 40th in the Liverpool Cross-Challenge.

29. **J. T. Massingham** (Wickersley School & Sports College & Pembroke) (2017 – 14th)

Joseph Massingham returns for his second appearance. After running a very good leg in the National 6-stage Relays, he started the Cambridge season slowly with ninth in Cuppers and 13th in the R.A.F. match. However, he moved up significantly in the Metropolitan League to finish ninth and secure his place in the Cambridge eight.

30. **W. E. Ryle-Hodges** (St. Antony's College, Oxford & Magdalene) (2017 – 5th; 2016 – 4th; 2015 – 8th; 2014 – 9th; 2013 – 3rd; 2012 – 7th; 2011 – 3rd)

William Ryle-Hodges makes history today with a new record for the gentlemen's race of eighth appearances. Last year, his enviable record of never having been on the losing side was broken. His form this season indicates that he should maintain his record of never having finished outside the top ten. He was fourth in Cuppers, ninth in the R.A.F. match and fifth in the Metropolitan League.

31. **N. Shreeve** (*University of Southampton & King's*) (2017 – Spartans, 1st)

Norman Shreeve is the only newcomer for Cambridge, having been reserve in 2017. Fifth in Cuppers and 13th in the Metropolitan League, and a 31:26 10km time in early November mean he should be well amongst the Cambridge scorers.

Reserves:

- 32. J. W. M. T. Coxon (St. Paul's School & Jesus) (2018 Spartans, 1st; 2017 Spartans, 4th; 2016 Barbarians, 4th; 2014 C.U. 4th team, 12th)
- 33. J. S. G. Dempsey (St. George's School, Harpenden & Girton) (2018 Spartans, 3rd)

Captain:

S-M. Lee *(Westminster School & Christ's)* $(2014 - Spartans, 10^{th}; 2017 - 4^{th} team, 9^{th}; 2016 - 4^{th} team, 8^{th}; 2012 - 4^{th} team, 11^{th})$

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34. **W. J. A. Christofi** (Dauntsey's School & University) (2017 – 4th; 2015 – 2nd; 2014 – 4th; 2013 – 10th)

Along with Jamie Parkinson and Luuk Metselaar, William Christofi forms the experienced core of the Dark Blue eight. This will be his fifth appearance. He might possibly be not quite in the form of 12 months ago; however, his fifth in Cuppers and then 17th in the Chiltern League race suggest he should be heavily involved in the front of the race once again.

35. **L. M. Cotter** (Wales High School & St. Catherine's) (2016 – 2nd; 2015 – 13th; 2017 – Tortoises, 7th; 2014 – Tortoises, 6th)

Luke Cotter makes a welcome return to the Blues team having missed our due to injury last year. His performances this autumn indicate that he is back to something like his 2016 form, when he finished second. He opened the season with third in Cuppers and then a very strong leg in the National Cross-Country Relays. Twenty second in the Chiltern League was down on expectation; however, he should be amongst Oxford's scorers today.

36. **T. J. Harrison** (The Perse School & Keble) (2017 – Snails, 7th)

Tim Harrison is one of three newcomers to the Oxford team, having made the big jump up from the third team in 2017. He has raced sparingly this autumn; however, he secured his place with ninth in Cuppers and 20th in the Chiltern League. He followed this up with 13th in the Under 20 race at the Liverpool Cross-Challenge. A good run today should see him amongst the Oxford scorers.

37. **N. Hurton** (Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Penrith & Mansfield) (2017 – Tortoises, 16th; 2016 – Snails, 10th)

Noah Hurton is another of the Oxford newcomers and emulates his sister Connie, who was in the Oxford ladies' team 12 months ago. His selection represents solid progress over the past two years having run at third and then second team level. Fourth in Cuppers and 19th in the Chiltern League show that he has made a significant step up this season and he should expect to be amongst the Oxford scorers.

38. **T. R. B. Lefroy**

(University of Western Australia & St. Cross)

Tim Lefroy arrived at Oxford in 2017; however, he missed last season through injury and will be hoping to make amends today. He brings with him from Australia a strong running pedigree and this was borne out by victory in Cuppers and eighth place in the Chiltern League. He should feature at the front of today's race.

39. **L. Metselaar** (Delft University of Technology & St. John's) (2017 – 8th; 2016 – 6th; 2015 – 11th)

Luuk Metselaar is another of the experienced runners in Oxford's eight, making his fourth appearance. He missed Cuppers in October; however, he did not waste that month as he registered a 70:08 half-marathon in Oxford followed by a 2:23:57 marathon in Amsterdam. Twenty-third in the Chiltern League secured his place for another 'Varsity appearance and he should be solidly amongst Oxford's scoring six.

40. **J. M. Millar** (University of Nottingham & University) (2017 – 6th)

Jack Millar is the second of the strong trio at the spearhead of the Oxford team. After a promising debut race in 2017, he looks to be in the form to improve this year. He was narrowly beaten by Tim Lefroy in Cuppers and then finished about twenty seconds behind him and Jamie Parkinson in the Chiltern League. He also ran a very strong leg in the National Cross-Country Relays in November and he should be heavily involved in the battle at the front of the race today.

41. **J. R. G. Parkinson** (South Dartmoor Community College & Jesus) (2017 – 1st; 2016 – 7th; 2015 – 4th; 2014 – 3rd; 2011 - O.U. 4th Team, 5th)

Jamie Parkinson is making his fifth and last appearance in the race and he will be hoping to bow out in style, having narrowly beaten Oliver Fox to the individual honours last year. He missed Cuppers; however, he was first Oxford man home – by one second from Tim Lefroy - in the Chiltern League, thus emulating his 2017 performance in that race. He should go into today's contest confident of once again featuring at the sharp end.

Reserves:

- 42. O. W. Paulin (Capt.) (King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Boys & Merton) (2017 11th; 2016 Tortoises, 7th; 2015 Tortoises, 7th)
- 43. A. L. R. Smith (Birkdale School & St. John's) (2015 9th; 2014 10th; 2013 Tortoises, 7th)

THE 2017 UNIVERSITY RACES

(held over Thames Hare and Hounds' courses at Roehampton Vale on Saturday, 2nd December)

(* denotes team captain)

The 42nd Ladies' Race: Oxford won by 23 points to 34

1.	F.V.Scrafton	Worcester	Oxford	23.11
2.	M.N.Bridson Hubbard	Magdalene	Cambridge	23.31
3.	S.M.F.Saller	St. Catherine's	Oxford	23.53
4.	C.A.Dannatt	St. John's	Oxford	24.04
5.	N.E.Scott	Newnham	Cambridge	24.15
6.	R.S.Woolfe	Girton	Cambridge	24.21
7.	K.M.Horner	St. Catherine's	Oxford	24.28
8.	D.L.Chattenton	Wadham	Oxford	24.31
9.	E.J.Apsley*	Pembroke	Cambridge	24.45
10.	C.E.Hurton	Pembroke	Oxford	24.53
11.	H.H.M.Plaschkes	New College	Oxford	24.59
12.	R.C.Falloon	Jesus	Cambridge	25.04
13.	R.A.Frake	Corpus Christi	Cambridge	25.17
14.	R.S.Longstaff	Magdalene	Cambridge	25.43

R.A.Skokowski (University) was Oxford captain

The 127th Gentlemen's Race: Oxford won by 37 points to 41

1.	J.R.G.Parkinson	Jesus	Oxford	37.40
2.	O.J.S.Fox	Robinson	Cambridge	37.44
3.	G.E.D.Gathercole	Gonville & Caius	Cambridge	37.48
4.	W.J.A.Christofi	University	Oxford	37.54
5.	W.E.Ryle-Hodges	Magdalene	Cambridge	38.03
6.	J.M.Millar	University	Oxford	38.30
7.	D.J.Mulryan	Trinity	Oxford	38.31
8.	L.Metselaar	St. John's	Oxford	38.32
9.	P.R.Aste	Gonville & Caius	Cambridge	38.38
10.	M.J.Cox*	Robinson	Cambridge	38.43
11.	O.W.Paulin	Merton	Oxford	38.50
12.	P.Crout	St. Catharine's	Cambridge	38.56
13.	J.A.Cara	Gonville & Caius	Cambridge	39.33
14.	J.T.Massingham	Pembroke	Cambridge	39.37
15.	A.Bampton	Lincoln	Oxford	39.49
16.	K.P.Smith	Trinity	Oxford	40.20

L.M.Cotter (St. Catherine's) was Oxford captain

THE 2018 2nd-4th TEAM UNIVERSITY RACES

(held over C. U. H. & H's courses at Priory Park, St. Neot's on Saturday, 23rd November)

75 th Tortoises-Spartans Race	Oxford won by 36 points to 42
68 th Snails-Barbarians Race	Cambridge won by 38 points to 40
61 st Gentlemen's 4 th Team Race	Oxford won by 910 points to 961
36 th Turtles-Cheetahs Race	Cambridge won by 26 points to 57
32 nd Ladies' 3 rd Team Race	Oxford won by 246 points to 356

PREVIEW OF THE 2018 UNIVERSITY RACES

Oxbridge distance running currently finds itself in a very good place, which is reflected in the quality of the four teams on show today and it should provide for two interesting contests.

In the 43rd Ladies' Race, Oxford will be looking to make it a hat-trick of victories. The top end of their team, with 2017 race winner Floren Scrafton (Worcester), Charlotte Dannatt (St. John's) and talented fresher Alex Shipley (Worcester), has a potent look. To complement this trio, they have two runners who have moved up from the Turtles (Eleanor Bolton (Keble) and Anna Sharp (Queen's)) and their most experienced runner, Hannah Plaschkes (New College), who is making her third appearance. The team is completed by two freshers in triathlete Laura John (Magdalen) and Ella Sharrock (Balliol).

By comparison, the Light Blues look slightly less experienced with only captain, Niamh Bridson Hubbard (Magdalene) and Nancy Scott (Newnham) having competed before. However, both of them finished well up the order last year and, tellingly, they were able to leave four old Blues in their second team this time. This suggests they have an enviable strength-in-depth, something that will be even more important this year with the increase to six scorers. Fiona Bunn (Queens') will want to make amends, having missed out through injury last year and Lauren Major (Trinity Hall), as a Thames member, will no doubt enjoy running over home turf. Their team is completed by Florence Wiggins (Christ's) and two Americans, Julia Maxwell (Murray Edwards) and Emily Sundquist (Homerton). It should be a close contest; however, Cambridge's greater depth makes them the favourites.

In the 128th Gentlemen's Race, Oxford are looking to make it four wins in five years. There is plenty of experience in their ranks with 2017 winner Jamie Parkinson (Jesus) and William Christofi (University) making their fifth appearances and Luuk Metselaar (St. John's) his fourth. All three of them should feature strongly today. Joining them near the front should be Jack Millar (University) and Australian Tim Lefroy (St. Cross). The Dark Blues will also be delighted to welcome back Luke Cotter (St. Catherine's), who missed out last year through injury, but who looks to be back to somewhere near his 2016 form (when he finished second). Their team is completed by Tim Harrison (Keble) and Noah Hurton (Mansfield) both of whom have moved up from the non-Blues teams.

Cambridge's chances will no doubt be hampered by the likely loss of Oliver Fox (Robinson) to European selection as he looked to be in shape to repeat his 2016 victory. If he does not run, James Coxon (Jesus) will step in. However, there is no reason for Cambridge to be despondent as George Gathercole (Caius) is running very well once again and should be involved at the sharp end. Behind him there is a very solid core of runners who should pack closely. These include Phillip Crout (St. Catharine's), MacGregor Cox (Robinson), Joseph Massingham (Pembroke) and newcomer to the Blues team, Norman Shreeve (King's). On top of this, they also have Paul Aste (Caius), who was an excellent ninth on debut last year, and William Ryle-Hodges (Magdalene), who today sets a new appearance record for the gentlemen's race, and who has never finished outside the top ten.

While Oxford look to be favourites on paper, there is no doubt that Cambridge will push them all the way and the result is very far from certain. With 34 appearances in the race between them, inexperience is unlikely to hamper either team today.

UNIVERSITY RACE COURSES

The courses currently used for the University Races were introduced in 2000. Both start and finish at the Thames Hare and Hounds' Headquarters at Roehampton Vale

Ladies' course (4 miles)

Referring to the map opposite, the ladies' race proceeds from the start to the finish via the following:

$$Start - A - B - C - D - E - U - V - W - K - L - M - N - P - Finish$$

Gentlemen's course (7½ miles)

The gentlemen's race proceeds from start to finish via:

$$Start - A - B - C - D - E - V - F - G - H - Q - R - S - T - B - C - D - E - U - V - W - K - L - M - N - P - Finish$$

The start and finish will be on the west side of Beverley Brook just across the brick bridge adjacent to the Thames clubhouse. The courses feature a number of prominent landmarks. The infamous watersplash is reached shortly after the start, runners crossing Beverley Brook from the Commons Extension playing fields. The Windmill provides a good viewing point to spectators. The ladies' race passes here once and the gentlemen's race three times. Refreshments can be enjoyed at the café. The muddiest part of the course is invariably the dreaded Butts. Only a mile or so from the finish, the boggy conditions sap the strength from the toughest of competitors.

Spectators who follow the races round the Common are asked to be aware of their position at all times and avoid causing irritation to other users. The Common is shared by many sports, including a golf course, the fairways of which may not be immediately obvious. While the races themselves do not cross any of them, spectators are likely to if they are following the races. We also ask you keep off of the sports pitches on the Memorial Playing Fields.

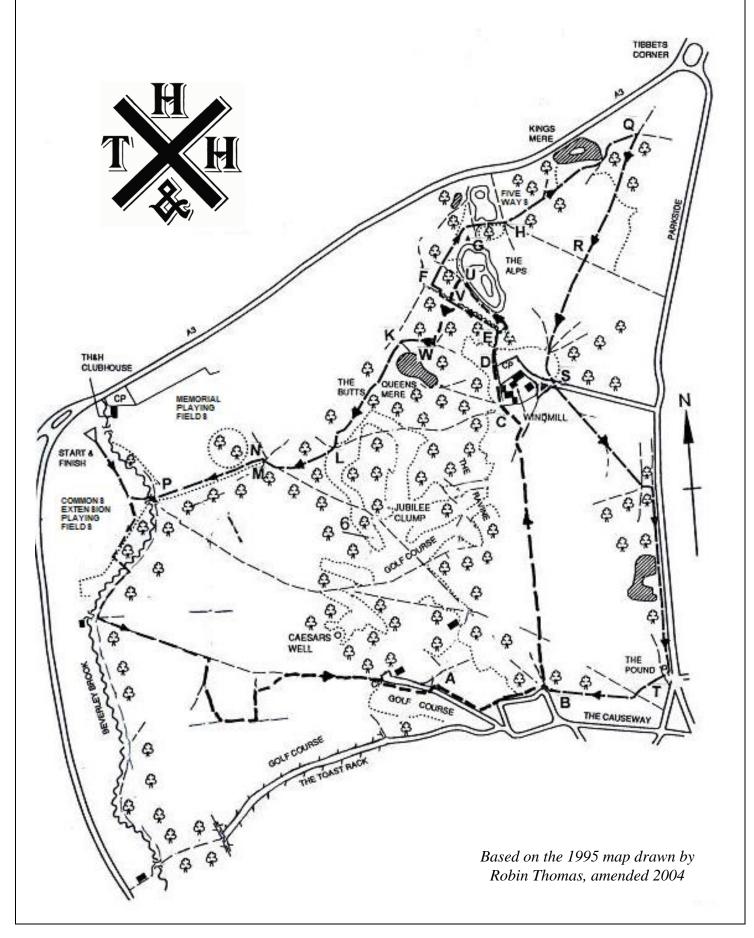
Our ability to host these races on the Common depends on your co-operation.

Thank you.

James McMullan
Captain
Thames Hare and Hounds

UNIVERSITY RACE COURSES

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

10 years ago

In the 118th gentlemen's race, Oxford registered what was to be the first of three convincing victories, by 27 points to 53. Richard Franzese (Worcester) was first home in 38:33 and he was closely followed by his team-mate, David Bruce (Green Templeton) in 38:40. James Kelly (Jesus) was the only Light Blue in the top six, finishing third in 38:56. Cambridge runners occupied five of the last seven places. The result brought the series score back level at 59 wins each.

In the 33rd Ladies Race, Oxford recorded a 17th win in 22 years by the margin of 15 points to 24. Michelle Sikes (Lincoln) took the individual honours having only come into the team following injury to Alison Crocker (New College). Just over 12 months before, however, she had been in the U.S. team for the World Athletics Championships in Osaka, before a long injury lay-off.

25 years ago

In the 103rd Gentlemen's Race, Cambridge comprehensively thrashed their rivals by 25 points to 59, filling seven of the first nine places. After a second and a fourth in his previous two appearances, Ian Harkness (Darwin) took the individual honours in 38:54, from his team-mates Charles Addison (Darwin) and Duncan Clark (Downing). Future Thames captain, Nick Altmann (Churchill), was fourth for Cambridge in 40:19. This was a particularly dark period for the Oxford gentlemen as they lost consecutive races from 1992 to 1995 by wide margins.

In the 18th Ladies' Race, Emma Coleman (Magdalen) made history by becoming the first runner in history to win for both sides, having previously taken the honours for Cambridge in 1991. Not far behind her in second was future multi-Olympian, Mara Yamauchi (née Myers, St. Anne's). Oxford's victory was the first in what is the longest sequence of wins in the history of both races: the Dark Blues did not taste defeat again until 2002.

50 years ago

In the 78th Gentlemen's Race, Oxford avenged their shock defeat in 1967, winning by the wide margin of 28 points to 58, their fourth success in five years. John Valentine was first home in a fast time of 37:43 and he was followed by team-mate Peter Braithwaite (University) and the Light Blue captain John Hazelden (Churchill). The result left Oxford trailing by two wins in the series, 38 to 40.

75 years ago

There was no University Race in 1943. During the Second World War, unofficial races were held that alternated in venue between Oxford and Cambridge. Usually held in the spring, the race for the 1942-43 season was held in November 1942 (won by Cambridge by 27 points to 51) and the next race was not held until February 1944.

100 years ago

The University Race was postponed for the duration of the Great War, so there was no contest in 1918 with the guns having fell silent only about a month before. The conflict left its mark on the University Race with 16 old Blues and two reserves having been killed. This included three competitors from the last race before the war in 1913: Eric Hopkinson (Trinity, Cambridge), John Bath (All Souls, Oxford) and John Byrne-Johnson (Clare, Cambridge).

125 years ago

Oxford won for the fifth time in six years, by 24 points to 31. This was their period of recovery following Cambridge's seven successive wins from 1881 to 1887 and it brought the series score back to eight wins to six in favour of the Light Blues. Charles Angell (St. John's) gave Cambridge something to cheer on the day by taking the individual honours in 42:00. This was the era of the universities taking it in turns to host the race and it was the second of only two victories away from home the Dark Blues registered before the move to Roehampton in 1896.



Oxford's victorious ladies' team in 1993.

From left-to-right: Emma Coleman (Magdalen); Mara Myers (St. Anne's); Megan Clark (Balliol); Julie Rees-Jones (Hertford); Sarah Cook (New College) and Ainsley Normand (New College).



John Valentine (St. John's), Peter Braithwaite (University) and Hugh Starkey (St. John's) lead early in the 1968 race.

Source: Athletics Weekly

RACE STATISTICS

Gentlemen's Race

Of the 127 gentlemen's races between 1880 and 2017, Oxford has won 64 and Cambridge 63. The longest sequence of victories is seven by Cambridge from 1881 to 1887 and by Oxford from 1974 to 1980.

Under the original five-a-side, five-to-score race format, the biggest victories recorded were Cambridge's whitewashes (15 points to 40) in 1897 and 1899 and Oxford's in 1901 and 1910. Under the six-a-side, five-to-score format, the biggest victories were Oxford's two whitewashes in 1926 and 1932. In 1932, Oxford also succeeded in getting their spare man home in front of all the Cambridge scorers. Under the short-lived six-a-side, six-to-score format, the biggest victory was by Oxford in 1938 (32 points to 46). Under the present eight-a-side, six-to-score format, the biggest victories have been Oxford's in 1952 (21 points to 66) and Cambridge's in 1961 (22 points to 61).

The highest number of individual wins in the race is four by Simon Mugglestone (Hertford and Keble, Oxford) from 1987 to 1990. Including joint victories, Oxford has supplied 84 winners of the race to Cambridge's 57.

The highest number of individual appearances is seven, held by Warwick Ewers (Worcester, Oxford), from 1971 to 1977, Nick Talbot (University, Oxford), from 1996 to 2002 and William Ryle-Hodges (Queens' & Magdalene, Cambridge & St. Antony's, Oxford), from 2011 to 2017. If he starts today, Ryle-Hodges will set a new record. The first gentleman to run for both sides was Nick Dorey, who competed for Queens', Cambridge, (1977-79) and New College, Oxford, (1980).

In terms of participants, the most successful college at Oxford is New College (72 runners since 1880) and at Cambridge it is St. John's (97). In terms of race winners, the most successful are Magdalen (12) for Oxford, and Christ's (11) for Cambridge.

Ladies' Race

Of the 42 ladies' races between 1976 and 2017, Oxford has won 25 and Cambridge 17. There was an unofficial race in 1975, which was won by Oxford. The longest sequence of victories is nine by Oxford from 1993 to 2001. Cambridge's longest winning run was seven from 1980 to 1986.

The biggest victory in the series was Oxford's whitewash in 1976 (10 points to 34).

The highest number of individual wins in the race is three by Vicki Vaughan (Corpus Christi, Oxford) in 1986, 1987 and 1989. The first lady to run for both sides was Cathy Meunier, who competed for St. Hugh's, Oxford (1977) and Churchill, Cambridge (1978). Emma Coleman (Newnham, Cambridge & Magdalen, Oxford) became the first, and so far only, runner in both the gentlemen's and ladies' races to win for both sides. She won for the Light Blues in 1991 and for the Dark Blues in 1993. Oxford has supplied 21 race winners and Cambridge has supplied 21.

The highest number of individual appearances in the race is eight by Ellen Leggate (Merton and Peterhouse); four for Oxford from 1996 to 1999 and four for Cambridge from 2000 to 2003.

In terms of participants, the most successful colleges at Oxford are St. Anne's and St. Hugh's (17 runners each since 1976) and at Cambridge it is Newnham (25). In terms of race winners, the most successful are Corpus Christi (three), for Oxford, and Downing and Trinity (three each), for Cambridge.

PREVIOUS RESULTS

Gentlemen

Oxfords lead Cambridge by 64 wins to 63

2017 Oxford	37-41	J.R.G.Parkinson (O)	1962 Cambridge	23-58	D.M.Turner (C)
2016 Cambridge	33-45	O.J.S.Fox (C)	1961 Cambridge	22-61	D.M.Turner (C)
2015 Oxford	27-55	M.W.Unterreiner (O)	1960 Cambridge	27-57	T.J.Briault (C)
2014 Oxford	35-43	A.M.Short (C)	1959 Cambridge	37-42	S.H.James (O)
2013 Cambridge	30-52	L.A.Lloyd (C)	1958 Oxford	36-42	M.J.Palmer (C)
2012 Cambridge	38-42	J.W.Wiebel (O)	1957 Cambridge	27-55	M.J.Palmer (C)
2011 Cambridge	35-43	R.C.Franzese (O)	1956 Cambridge	32-48	M.J.Palmer (C)
2010 Oxford	29-52	A.R.Heyes (O)	1955 Oxford	37-41	=I.H.Boyd (O)
2009 Oxford	28-52	D.J.Bruce (O)			=A.D.Gordon (O)
2008 Oxford	27-53	R.C.Franzese (O)	1954 Oxford	29-49	=I.H.Boyd (O)
2007 Cambridge	32-47	P.Natali (C)			=C.W.Suddaby (O)
2006 Cambridge	35-43	P.Natali (C)			=A.J.Weekes-Pearson (O)
2005 Oxford	30-51	J.E.Blackledge (O)	1953 Oxford	29-50	I.H.Boyd (O)
2004 Oxford	38-42	F.K.Thompson (O)	1952 Oxford	21-66	=C.J.Chataway (O)
2003 Cambridge	37-43	F.K.Thompson (O)	-,		=D.C.Law
2002 Oxford	29-49	F.K.Thompson (O)			=A.J.Weekes-Pearson (O)
2001 Oxford	32-46	J.T.S.Brooks (O)	1951 Oxford	27-51	C.J.Chataway (O)
2000 Cambridge	37-41	N.P.Talbot (O)	1950 Cambridge	34-44	C.J.Chataway (O)
1999 Cambridge	35-48	N.P.Talbot (O)	1949 Oxford	35-43	R.G.Bannister (O)
1998 Oxford	35-45	D.R.Leggate (C)	1948 Oxford	36-42	J.H.Scott-Wilson (O)
1997 Cambridge	31-48	A.B.Hutchinson (C)	1947 Oxford	17-38	=T.P.E.Curry (O)
1996 Oxford	38-43	D.R.Leggate (C)	1) II OMOIG	17 50	=N.M.Green (O)
1995 Cambridge	26-54	D.E.Naylor (C)			=J.F.Pollard (O)
1994 Cambridge	29½-49½	R.W.Collier (O)			=G.Ridding (O)
1993 Cambridge	25-59	I.R.Harkness (C)	1946 Cambridge	26-29	T.P.E.Curry (O)
1992 Cambridge	32-51	S.D.S.Baines (O)	1945 Cambridge	26-29	D.A.Bond (C)
1991 Oxford	25-55	S.D.S.Baines (O)	e		` ,
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1989 Oxford	25-56	S.J.Mugglestone (O)	Six uno <u>f</u>	ficial warti	me races held (see below)
1988 Oxford	29-50	S.J.Mugglestone (O)	1938 Oxford	32-46	P.D.Marrian (O)
1987 Oxford	27-55	S.J.Mugglestone (O)	1937 Cambridge	34-44	E.C.Weir (C)
1986 Oxford	33-45	R.D.Nerurkar (O)	1936 Cambridge	24-31	E.C.Weir (C)
1985 Oxford	27-57	J.D.Barton (C)	1935 Oxford	27-28	A.A.Robertson (O)
1984 Oxford	31-52	J.D.Barton (C)	1934 Cambridge	23-32	R.M.Barrer (C)
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1911 Oxford	16-39	C.H.A.Porter (O)
1910 Oxford	15-40	A.W.Clemes (O)
1909 Oxford	20-35	R.E.Knight (O)
1908 Oxford	22-33	A.W.Clemes (O)
1907 Cambridge	27-28	E.C.Inman (C)
1906 Cambridge	27-28	F.M.Edwards (C)
1905 Cambridge	23-32	A.H.Pearson (C)
1904 Cambridge	19-36	A.R.Churchill (C)
1903 Cambridge	21-34	A.R.Churchill (C)
1902 Oxford	22-33	H.W.Gregson (C)
1901 Oxford	15-40	E.A.Dawson (O)
1900 Cambridge	25-30	C.E.Pumphrey (C)
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1898 Oxford	25-30	E.A.Dawson (O)
1897 Cambridge	15-40	W.W.Gibberd (C)
1896 Cambridge	20-35	W.W.Gibberd (C)
1895 Cambridge	23-32	W.H.Whitelaw (O)
1894 Oxford	22-33	W.H.Whitelaw (O)
1893 Oxford	24-31	C.C.Angell (C)
1892 Oxford	21-34	W.F.M.Copeland (C)
1891 Cambridge	20-35	R.F.G.Major (C)
1891 Oxford**	20-35	T.Colbatch-Clark (C)
1889 Oxford	18-37	W.Pollock Hill (O)
1888 Oxford	21-34	W.Pollock Hill (O)
1887 Cambridge	26-29	H.E.Soper (C)
1886 Cambridge	23-32	W.Pollock Hill (O)
1885 Cambridge	24-31	D.E.Payn (C)
1884 Cambridge	23-32	L.W.Reed (C)
1883 Cambridge	19-36	L.W.Reed (C)
1882 Cambridge	22-33	W.A.Rice (C)

1881 Cambridge	24-31	G.F.Wooldridge (O)
1880 Oxford	23-32	A.F.Hernaman (O)***

Unofficial wartime series, 1940-45:

1945 Cambridge	37-41	R.E.J.Ibbotson (C)
1944 Cambridge	37-41	J.C.C.Walden (O)
1942 Cambridge	27-51	J.W.Stone (C)
1942 Oxford	27-51	R.B.Martin (O)
1941 Cambridge	32-46	J.E.L.Pemberton (O)
1940 Cambridge	36-42	H.C.Still (C)

- * In 1969 and 1971, Cambridge won by closing its team first.
- ** In 1890, Oxford and Cambridge approached Thames Hare and Hounds and asked them to host the race over their Roehampton course and it was staged on 25th November. Unfortunately, it turned into a fiasco as the trail was lost by the runners in the section between Coombe Hill and Raynes Park and a *no race* was declared. It was re-run at Oxford on 11th February 1891.
- *** Contemporary newspaper reports suggest that the 1880 race may have been won by C.W.Grinstead (Oxford), who is credited as having finished second.

Ladies

Oxford leads Cambridge by 25 wins to 17 Oxford won the unofficial race in 1975

2017 Oxford	23-34	F.V.Scrafton (O)	1995 Oxford	12-25	N.J.Lynch (O)
2016 Oxford	21-34	S.M.F.Saller (O)	1994 Oxford	10-29	H.Moulder (O)
2015 Cambridge	23-38	E.M.Ruane (C)	1993 Oxford	14-22	E.E.Coleman (O)
2014 Cambridge	No score*	S.M.F.Saller (O)	1992 Cambridge	12-28	C.E.Fothergill (C)
2013 Cambridge	12-30	L.M.Gossage (C)	1991 Cambridge	17-19	E.E.Coleman (C)
2012 Cambridge	15-22	A.L.Greggor (C)	1990 Oxford	10-31	J.D.Dering (O)
2011 Oxford	14-25	L.M.Gossage (C)	1989 Oxford	12-29	V.E. Vaughan (O)
2010 Oxford	10-32	R.S.Deegan (O)	1988 Oxford	17-20	M.C.Lavers (C)
2009 Oxford	17-21	N.Taschimowitz (C)	1987 Oxford	15-21	V.E. Vaughan (O)
2008 Oxford	15-24	M.Sikes (O)	1986 Cambridge	19-19**	V.E. Vaughan (O)
2007 Oxford	13-29	C.A.Birch (O)	1985 Cambridge	11-27	C.J.Shelley (C)
2006 Cambridge	14-22	P.H.R.Keen (C)	1984 Cambridge	111/2-30	B.A.O'Neill (C)
2005 Oxford	11-31	C.A.Birch (O)	1983 Cambridge	10-26	H.L.Shaw (C)
2004 Oxford	10-29	A.Beverly (O)	1982 Cambridge	11-25***	E.C.Hand (C)
2003 Cambridge	16-20	J.H.Bleasdale (C)	1981 Cambridge	13-28	S.A.Hales (C)
2002 Cambridge	13-26	E.J.Leggate (C)	1980 Cambridge	12-29	J.Lewtas (C) †
2001 Oxford	16-21	E.J.Leggate (C)	1979 Oxford	18-18***	J.Lewtas (C) †
2000 Oxford	18-19	K.W.T.Skorupska (O)	1978 Cambridge	13-26	S.F.Parker (C)
1999 Oxford	12-29	L.E.Hasell (O)	1977 Oxford	17-19	K.E.Tufnell (C)
1998 Oxford	12-28	L.E.Hasell (O)	1976 Oxford	10-34	L.Wightman (O)
1997 Oxford	12-26	K.W.T.Skorupska (O)	1975 Oxford****	*7-14	C.J.Meunier (O)
1996 Oxford	15-21	S.J.Cook (O)			

- * Cambridge was comfortably ahead in the team race when several runners went off course. S.M.F.Saller was awarded the individual victory.
- ** In 1986, Cambridge won by closing its team first.
- *** No score declared after a protest from Oxford about pacing of Cambridge runners by supporters.
- **** In 1979, Oxford won by closing its team first.
- ***** The 1975 race (held at Oxford) was unofficial and is not counted as part of the series.
- † Now J. Lasenby C.U.H.& H. President since 2006.

Old Blues

Oxfords lead Cambridge by 15 wins to 11

2017 Cambridge	123-183	A.M.Short (C)	2000 Cambridge	81-131	D.E.Naylor (C)
2016 Cambridge	114-192	T.D.Frith (O)	1999 No race*		
2015 Oxford	223-291	W.J.Mackay (C)	1998 No race*		
2014 Cambridge	220-247	M.R.Leach (C)	1997 Oxford	45-92	R.D.Nerurkar (O)
2013 Oxford	122-186	D.J.Bruce (O)	1996 Oxford	127-127	J.W.Herries (C)
2012 Oxford	96-246	F.K.Thompson (O)	1995 Cambridge	23-34	A.J.Barber (C)
2011 Oxford	48-181	D.J.Bruce (O)	1994 Cambridge	116-241	D.A.Bond (C)
2010 Oxford	162-244	B.Moreau (O)	1993 Oxford	96-172	R.D.Nerurkar (O)
2009 Oxford	98-165	I.D.Kimpton (O)	1992 Cambridge	407-415	S.C.Nash (C)
2008 Oxford	38-40	A.D.Hennessy (O)	1991 Cambridge	48-62	A.N.J.Robinson (O)
2007 Oxford	97-114	M.J.Bishop (O)	1990 Oxford	37-40	R.D.Nerurkar (O)
2006 Oxford	312-354	D.A.Talbot (C)			
2005 Cambridge	137-166	D.A.Talbot (C)	* There were	no contest	s in 1998 and 1999 due to
2004 Oxford	90-120	N.P.Talbot (O)	problems ass	ociated wit	h holding three races over the
2003 Oxford	32-46	N.P.Talbot (O)	old courses of	on the same	e afternoon and the disruption
2002 Cambridge	109-134	D.E.Naylor (C)	it caused to the	he Commoi	n's golfers.
2001 Cambridge	39-66	D.E.Naylor (C)			

Since 1880, the race has been staged at a number of venues:

1880-1895	Oxford (even years) and Cambridge (odd years) hosted the race alternately
1896-1925	Thames H&H's course from the King's Head in Roehampton village to the Old Well House on Putney Heath
1926-38	Horton Kirby course starting and finishing at Westminster Mill
1940-44	Wartime races - Oxford (even years) and Cambridge (odd years) hosted the race alternately
1945-66	Thames H&H's Roehampton course starting and finishing at the Big Holly Bush
1967-69	Thames H&H's Roehampton course starting and finishing on the Common side of the pedestrian underpass where Roehampton Lane joins the A3
1970-74	Thames H&H's Roehampton course starting and finishing at the War Memorial on Putney Heath
1975-date	Thames H&H's Roehampton Vale course starting and finishing at the club's new headquarters on the Memorial Playing Fields.

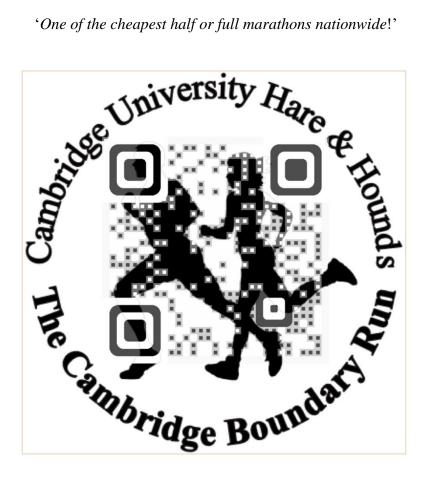
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THAMES HARE AND HOUNDS

The following notice appeared in *The Sportsman* on 3rd October 1868:

THAMES HARE AND HOUNDS

"A handicap 'paper hunt' will take place on Saturday 17th October, starting from the King's Head, Roehampton Bottom (one mile from Barnes Station) at 4.30 p.m. (3.45 p.m. train from Waterloo). Hounds, who must be introduced by some member of the Thames Rowing Club or belong to an athletic club, rowing club, school, etc., will be roughly handicapped. A pewter will be given to the hound first to reach each hare."

This was the first run of Thames Hare and Hounds, making us the oldest cross-country club in the world and last season was our 150th.

The club provides competition for men and women of all standards on the road and country. Events range from club handicaps to regional and national championships. There are also a number of friendly "mob matches" against other local clubs that may be scored as many as 50-a-side. The club consistently fields full teams in regional and national events at senior and veteran level as well as competing in the high-quality men's and ladies' Surrey Cross-Country Leagues. In recent years the club has achieved a number of successes, such as winning the men's National Cross-Country Championship and Road Relay for the V35 and V45 age groups, Surrey League Division 1, the men's UK marathon championships at London and taking bronze medals at the Ladies' Southern 4-Stage Road Relays.

The club meets regularly at its headquarters on Wimbledon Common. Wednesday evening training runs depart from here at 7.30 p.m., after which refreshments are taken at The Green Man on Putney Heath. Runs tend to last between five and ten miles. There is a 5 mile race every second Sunday morning of the month from the clubhouse which normally attracts 100 or more participants. A number of Thames runners also do a high quality session at the Kingsmeadow track from 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday nights. In the winter season this alternates each week between the track and hill sessions.

In addition to training and competition there are regular social occasions. As well as more formal functions such as the Annual Dinner and the Summer Wine Party, smaller events are arranged throughout the year on a more impromptu basis.

For further information, see our website, www.thameshareandhounds.org.uk, or contact one of the below:

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