



GRACE ON TOP OF THE WORLD

GOLD



Grace Clough, Dan Brown, Pamela Relph, James Fox and cox Oliver James kept their World Championships crown in France today in a thrilling contest which saw the USA push them all the way to the line.

America got off to a lightning start and, at the finish, only just over two tenths separated the crews. Canada won the battle for bronze but were eight seconds off the winning time. The four's gold meant that GB has been unbeaten in this event since 2011.

"Truth be told, I didn't think we'd got it until 15 seconds after the line and GBR came up on the screen", said Relph.

"That was the toughest race of my life", said Clough. "Credit to them, that was a great race".

Fox added: "We knew they would be quick off the start but expected our race pace to bring us back. But that didn't happen so it was down to just grit and determination that got us there".

Brown said: "It was really really good to win. Nice to get the gold. We knew coming into it that it was going to be close. Now we've got a lot of hard training to do over the winter".

Cox James added: "This time was a different experience for us. I felt them breathing down our necks. Credit to them. We can use the close race for next year. We have to push on now for next year".

Story courtesy of British Rowing

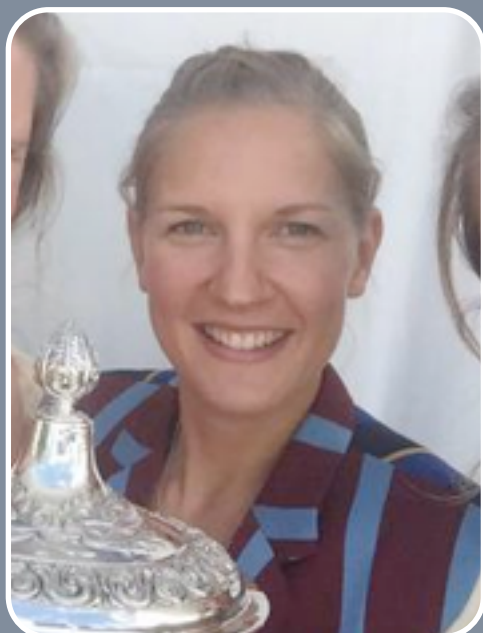
PREVIOUS MEMBERS



Matt Gotrel's season has continued to be a success, yet again beating the Germans. Racing at Aiguebelette, Gotrel and the Men's Eight put in a lung bursting performance to win the race in 5:36.18.

The GB Women's 8+ is getting closer and closer to the podium, claiming 4th place at the Worlds behind USA, New Zealand and Canada.

Vicki Meyer-Laker, and her crew, are closing the gap - completing a fantastic first 1000m and narrowly missing the Bronze by one second.



Competing in the Women's Quad, Tina Stiller and her crew (Frances Houghton, Jess Leyden and Melanie Wilson) came second in the B final, beaten to the line by China.

THANK YOU

I would like to say a huge thank you for the support the Presidents fund has given me over the past few years at the rowing club and I feel very lucky to have had it. Financially it has made life a lot easier for my parents, for example funding towards Coupe de la Jeunesse last year and it's great to have the support from the presidents mentally as well.

The Carl Smith Memorial Fund has allowed me to go on training camps like the GB Nantes Camp and the fees for Junior World Rowing championships in Rio this year alongside flights to the USA where i studying and rowing at UCLA from September. I will be back at Nottingham Rowing club at Christmas and will keep in touch over the course of the next few years.

I'm very thankful for all the support.

Kyra



Last year, the President's Club kindly contributed £300 towards the £900 charge for me to represent GB at the Junior World Rowing Championships 2014 in Hamburg. GB Rowing stated that the real cost per athlete was £2700 and this figure was subsidised by lottery funding through UK Sport. The club also paid for my race and trailer fees for representing the club in the senior women's quad at Henley Women's Regatta in 2014.

I have also received generous support from the Carl Smith Memorial Fund. This year the money has helped me with the cost of attending the Junior World Rowing Championships 2015 in Rio and international regattas such as Munich Junior International and Holland Beker in Rotterdam.

I am very grateful for the opportunities afforded to me and for all the support given by Nottingham Rowing Club.

Anna Thornton

THE PRESIDENT'S LUNCH

SUNDAY 22ND
NOVEMBER

This year's President's Lunch will be combined with a boat launch starting at 12 noon on Sunday 22nd November.

The boats:

1 Empacher 8+
2 Cobra Quads
1 Wintec Quad international
1 Explorer Quad
1 Explorer Triple
6 Junior Singles

A delicious finger buffet will be provided as well as a free beer or wine for President members.

The first of this year's prize draws will also be completed on this day.

Please let us know by 14th November if you would like to attend.

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