

St Edmund's College Boat Club



2025 - A YEAR IN REVIEW

The 2024–25 season has been nothing short of historic for St Edmund's College Boat Club. From novice breakthroughs to record setting Bumps success, this year showcased the strength, depth, and spirit of rowing at Eddie's. The 2025-26 season has started with some excellent results and we are hopeful the rise of Eddie's BC will continue!

A May Bumps for the History Books

May Bumps 2025 will be remembered as one of the greatest campaigns in club history. Across the week, Eddie's achieved a perfect record — 13 bumps from 13 races — earning two sets of blades, one set of super blades, and the coveted Pegasus Cup for the most successful college.

It was a moment that reflected years of steady growth within the club and the extraordinary commitment of our athletes, coaches, and committee.

The Women's First Boat delivered a standout performance, powering through four consecutive bumps to claim super blades, secure promotion into Division 2, and reach the highest spot an Eddie's women's boat has ever achieved at the Mays.



W1 achieve Super Blades at the Mays 2025



M1 achieve Blades at the Mays 2025

Meanwhile, the Men's First Boat stormed their division to take blades for the first time in fifteen years, a landmark achievement that speaks volumes about the program's upward trajectory.

Not to be outdone, M2 completed an emphatic blades campaign of their own, contributing to a week that firmly etched the Class of 2025 into Eddie's rowing folklore.

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This success would not have been possible without the leadership of our captains and committee, the dedication of our coaches, and the continued generosity of our honorary presidents and supporters, whose contributions helped fund new equipment and club kit this year.

Novice Crews on the Rise

The future of Eddie's rowing in the 2025-26 season looks exceptionally bright.



M2 achieve Blades at the Mays 2025

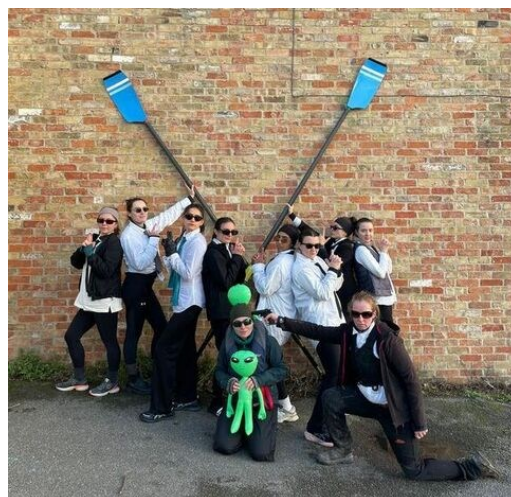
The novice men got off to a great start with an impressive 4th in the QERGS final. On the water they showed tremendous resilience in their early racing season. After tough draws and challenging conditions at Emma Sprints, they returned at Clare Novice Regatta with a hugely improved performance, pushing their opponents to the line in one of the closest races of the day. Their determination and rapid development promise exciting seasons ahead.



Novice men place 4th at QERGS finals

Building on that momentum at Clare Novice Regatta, they battled through dramatic side-by-side racing to secure multiple wins and demonstrate remarkable composure under pressure. Their term culminated at Fairbairns, the ultimate endurance test for novice rowers. Delivering a controlled and determined race, the crew finished an outstanding third overall among women's novice boats — one of the strongest performances in the club's history.

Our novice women made an immediate statement at Emma Sprints, racing with confidence to reach the final and finishing runners-up after a string of impressive victories.



Novice women 2nd at Emma Sprints as the "Men In Black"

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Presidents Message

It is hard to find the words to do justice to the week Eddie's delivered at May Bumps — unbelievable, extraordinary, historic all come to mind. To achieve a perfect record of 13 bumps from 13 races, bring home multiple sets of blades, and win the Pegasus Cup was beyond anything we had dared to dream.



SECBC 2024-25 Mays Sports Dinner

I learnt to row with the club in Michaelmas 2021, and this is now my third year as Club President. I have poured my heart and soul into Eddie's; it hasn't always been plain sailing juggling it with a Veterinary Medicine degree, but it has been an absolute privilege to watch the club go from strength to strength. Seeing the dedication, resilience, and teamwork of our athletes culminate in such success made this a season I will never forget.



Left to right: Chris Young, Kathy Begley, Andy Harter & Lily Bacon on the launch of "Andy"

My deepest thanks go to our outstanding committee and captains, whose leadership made this year possible, and to our honorary presidents and supporters who continue to provide opportunities that elevate the entire club. Most of all, I am incredibly proud of every member of the boat club. This year's achievements are not just about results, but about the culture we have built at St Edmund's. Rowing is more than just a team sport here — we are a family.

Kathy
SECBC President

SAVE THE DATE

All alumni and supporters of St Edmund's College Boat Club are invited to join us at our **Lent Boat Club Dinner on Saturday 7th March.**

Formal invitations to will be sent in due course.

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