

Keith Baldwin – a short profile

Keith has been nominated to succeed Mark Ormiston as President.



Keith joined TwRC in 1970 shortly after he moved to Twickenham. Between 1971 and 1973 he raced for the Club in an eight coached by George Plumtree, winning his novices pot, appropriately enough, at Twickenham Regatta. He was also a member of the Club's Thames Cup entry for Henley in 1972, but unfortunately the crew were eliminated in the preliminaries. By 1974 the demands of a young family brought Keith's initial racing career to an end, but from 1974 to 1976, Keith was the Club's Hon Secretary. He then had two extended periods of living and working overseas.

Keith returned to the club and veteran rowing in 1986, since when he has been a regular member of the Club's Veteran (now Masters) racing crews and has won at least one Veteran/Masters pot every year for the last 10 years, including wins at most of the local regattas and also a class win and third overall at the Boston Marathon. Keith's rowing has not been limited to the UK, having been a member of crews taking part, and occasionally winning, in overseas events in Argentina, the USA, Ireland, France, Germany and the Netherlands.

Keith was The Club's Hon Treasurer from 1987 to 1990 and subsequently was Hon Secretary/Treasurer of the TwRC 100 Club for 10 years. He was Committee Chairman for 2 years from 2002, since when he has been a Vice President.

Keith is married to Rosemary and has two grown up children. Apart from looking forward to the challenge of being President, especially at a time when the Club's building programme will be a key focus of attention, Keith has several other roles as a Trustee, Board Member and Non-Executive Director with organisations in the youth, justice and culture sectors.