

October Secretary's Report

Greetings to you all.

We enjoyed a somewhat truncated Thanksgiving, as I expect most of you did. Some immediate family, which was nice, but not the groaning board of previous years. Next year, perhaps?? One can but dream.

Nothing very much to report this month. There are plans afoot to throw an epic bash once we are able to, but no concrete planning has been possible as we have no idea when we will be able to mix and mingle as previously. As soon as we are so able, however, watch this space!!

We also hear that the Boat Race will be run next year on Sunday April 3, 2022 with the women racing at 6:23 am (our time) and the men at 7:23 am. We hope to be able to put on a Boat Race breakfast for those hardy souls who get up this early in the morning (your Hon Sec is not one of them!). And of course, we really really do hope to be able to do a Boat Race Dinner during the Spring. To miss a couple may be unfortunate, but to miss three in a row would be unforgivable.

I am also happy to report that both the VOCS book club and the VOCS movie club continue to thrive. Some very interesting books / movies have been read / watched over the past year. For obvious reasons, the meetings of these two clubs is by Zoom, which at least means one can drink and discuss without worrying whether the designated driver has remembered that they are indeed the Designated Driver.

One of the many benefits of both these clubs is the wide breadth of material to which one is introduced. Your Hon Sec is a member of both groups and has been very happily surprised at how much he has enjoyed reading / watching things he normally would not consider. The other benefit, of course, is purely social. Even if reduced to digital meetings, there are still some fascinating members.

If anyone is interested in dipping in their toe and sampling either or both clubs, please shoot me a line and I will provide the necessary information.

As always, the address is vanoxbridge@gmail.com.

I look forward to hearing from you.