



## Motion to Amend the Constitution

On 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022, an EGM was held in line with Article 29 of the DUBC Constitution. This amendment is being brought to the AGM of DUBC on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022 for ratification, in line with Article 31 of the DUBC Constitution.

The decision to hold the EGM was made by the Captain's Committee. The EGM was organised by the Captain, Tom Stevens, and chaired by Seán Canning, LTC Chairman. The EGM proposed a change to Article 4 of the Constitution as follows:

### **Article 4**

*Undergraduates, postgraduates and all other students registered with Trinity College Dublin and in possession of a current Trinity College student's card are eligible for membership. The annual membership fee shall be as last agreed at an AGM or EGM. Former Presidents and Captains of the Club shall be ex officio members of the Club.*

Be changed to:

### **Article 4**

*Undergraduates, postgraduates, all other students registered with Trinity College Dublin and in possession of a current Trinity College student's card and graduates of Trinity College Dublin within 3 years of the date of their graduation are eligible for membership. The annual membership fee shall be as last agreed at an AGM or EGM. Former Presidents and Captains of the Club shall be ex officio members of the Club.*

In addition, and to preserve the true student character of DUBC, the following addition was necessary:



### **Article 15**

(i) *An EGM of the Club, to be chaired by the Captain, or in the event of the Captain being unable or unwilling to so act, by a graduate and former senior member of DUBC appointed by the Captain's Committee, shall be held on or within three weeks before the last Saturday of the Trinity Term, at which the Captain for the following season will be elected and who will until he is invested at the AGM hold the title of Captain Elect.*

*(ii) Only members of DUBC who currently hold a Trinity College Dublin student card may be eligible for election as Captain.*

(iii) *The outgoing Captain shall be known as the Admiral for the year following the completion of his captaincy.*

(iv) *The name of any member who is to be proposed at the EGM for the office of Captain shall be posted on the Club Notice Board at the Front Gate, together with the names of their proposer and seconder, for at least one week prior to such meeting.*

(v) *Only those members who have represented the Club at a public or interuniversity regatta and hold a current Trinity College Dublin student card during the contemporary season are eligible to vote at this meeting. In the event of a draw between two or more candidates the Chairman of the meeting will cast the deciding vote.*

It is the intention that graduate rowers will be required to pay an annual subscription fee higher than that of student members. The additional costs of graduate rowers arising from training and racing activities will not be subsidised using club funds as is precedent with student member costs.

This constitutional amendment will be reviewed by the Captain and Captain's committee three years from the date of its implementation. The review will consider the results and culture of the club.