

Putney: A welcome sign of Spring, eight men in a boat, not forgetting the cox, having their first outing on the Tideway.

This Cambridge crew (the heaviest ever to row in the race) are training on strong ale and vitamin pills, so they should pack a real punch on Boat Race Saturday.

And here's Oxford, who will be conceding weight but not confidence in the 102nd Battle of the Blues.

From the bow: Vine and McLeod, (both Australians), Paine, Mason, Barrett, Cross, Carnegie (the third Australian). Mawer and Venner, the Cox. ALL

~~Though they do not seem to be training, the crew is~~
hoping to regain the Blue Riband of the Tideway.