Dear all,

As I tuned in to BBC Breakfast this morning, sipping my breakfast tea, I recognised someone on the news. A special report discussed one of the most extraordinary Oxford expeditions in recent times - led by our very own James Kempton.

On Tuesday (14/11), James will speak about his expedition at the Exploration Club. We saw the preview at the Royal Geographical Society last weekend, before the full results could be announced. I encourage everyone to search 'echidna' today and read an article about the expedition (from a publication of your choice).

If you are at a loose end, join us for the talk. If you have plans, reschedule.

Members free, non-members £5. Queen's College main gate at 19:15 for 19:30.

See you on Tuesday!

Matthew Buckley OUEC Chairman

'1961: a Dutch botanist discovers a bizarre new animal in the Cyclops Mountains of New Guinea. The mammal lays eggs and looks like a cross between anteater, mole, and hedgehog. Attenborough's long-beaked echidna is not seen by scientists again. 2023: James leads an international coalition of scientists to rediscover it. His talk will chart Expedition Cyclops from inception to end.'

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-67363874

First ever images prove 'lost echidna' not extinct
Sir David Attenborough "delighted" as mammal named after him is filmed for the first time. www.bbc.co.uk

