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OUEC Newsletter

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(1) Freshers' Fair

It was a pleasure to see substantial interest in the Exploraion Club's Freshers' Fair stall. With **520** new sign-ups to the mailing list, may I welcome those receiving their first OUEC newsletter.

(2) Termcard



Ben Cook, Atuel
Wk 1, Tue 11/10/22, 19:30, MLT

The Atuel River rises in the Argentine Andes and disappears into the desert. Its precarious and threatened existence supports the lives and livelihoods of hundreds of thousands of people. Ben Cook, from the 12.01 Project, whose members became the first people to journey the entire navigable Atuel, will show the Project's new documentary on the Atuel's pressured ecosystem and the stories and solutions that the people who live along it share. A Q & A session will follow.



Expedition Planning Evening Pt I
Wk 2, Tue 18/10/22, 19:30, Atmosphere Room

Join Shane Winsor from the RCS and Michelle Sanders, a former Oxford University Expedition leader, to learn how to plan your own expedition and acquire funding from the University's Expedition Council.



Adrian Garside, Conservation during civil war
Wk 6, Tue 15/11/22, 19:30

Adrian will talk about his experiences navigating the forests of western South Sudan: a pristine wilderness comprising the Nile watershed that connects the biomes of east and central Africa. His talk will emphasise the relationships he built with forest communities and rangers amidst the recent civil war.




RGS EXPLORE
Wk 4/5, Sat/Sun 5-6/11/22, Royal Geographical Society, 1 Kensington Gore, London, SW7 2AR

The world's foremost conference on expeditions returns in person this year at the Royal Geographical Society in London. EXPLORE is the RCS' annual expedition and field research planning weekend held each November. It is unmissable for inspiration, advice, and contacts. A delegation from OUEC will be attending, with discounted entry if you are an OUEC member.

Expedition Planning Evening Pt II
Wk 3, Tue 25/10/22, 19:30, Atmosphere Room

Take the opportunity to explore the Club's physical archives to find inspiration from former Club expeditions in planning your own.



Live stream of REV Ocean Chagos Archipelago Expedition
TBC

Marine scientists will dive 1000m deep in submersibles to document deep-sea communities in the Chagos Archipelago, including a search for the rarely observed *Coelocanth*.

Talks take place at the School of Geography and the Environment

(3) Upcoming events

OUEC events take place at **7:30 pm** on **Tuesdays** in the Oxford University Centre for the Environment Building off South Parks Road (<https://what3words.com/silks.swim.wash>), unless otherwise stated. Events are **£5 for non-members** and **free for members**, unless otherwise stated. For more information on specific events, see the termcard above.

Week 1 (11/10/22) - Atuel

Ben Cook will be showing his documentary on a kayak expedition down the Atuel River in Argentina. A Q+A session follows the documentary.

Week 2 (18/10/22) - Expedition planning evening part I

Ever wanted to be part of an expedition to the rainforests of New Guinea, to circumnavigate Africa by boat, or to excavate lost cities of Mesopotamia? In our expedition planning evening part I, the Club welcomes Shane Winsor from the Royal Geographical Society, and Michelle Sanders, former leader of an OUEC expedition, to advise students in planning their own expeditions and securing

funding from the University. **Entry is free to all.**

(4) Membership

For free entry to talks, the ability to apply to University funding for expeditions, and discounts on OUEC stash, consider becoming an OUEC member. Our current rates are:

Term - £10

Year - £20

Life - £35

The sign-up form for membership is [here](#)

I look forward to seeing many of you at this term's events.

James Kempton

Chairman of the OUEC



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