



Bedford Vet - 13th April 2014 - Match Report

Bedford Vet D & E 4+ (John, Brian, Mark, Jon, cox Paul) IN THE SUN

A fantastic day with Sun, Sun, Sun and No wind! Arriving with plenty of time for our 10.30 Vet D start we parked right next to the pontoon and warmed up lying in the SUN. From the start our race went well with no overtaking incidents, unlike Abingdon, and we were back in the SUN before 11am with a rest before our next race and time to talk to a few old friends. Resisting the lure of a pint in the bar in the SUN we checked our time, a promising 7.42, and planned how we would improve in the Vet E race (our proper old gits category).



Getting to the start we checked out our Guildford Vet F (Over 60) opposition who were going to be right behind us – you can see their crew in the bright yellow boat here: (OTRC crew is the selfie!)



They maintained that moisturising was the secret of their youthful appearance, you may think differently! Anyhow we cracked off down the course (in the Sun) rating slightly higher than our first rate and leaving it all on the water at the butterfly bridges, registering a pleasing 2 second improvement on our first time (given increased wind and general old git knackeredness). Alas to no avail though - we were placed a creditable 3rd, of 6 and 5 entries respectively, in both categories just

losing out by 8 seconds in Vet D and 21 seconds in Vet E. Anyhow the SUN was still shining when we got back to Oundle with the boat packed away by 4pm. So a great day in the SUN – see you all at the MASTERS.