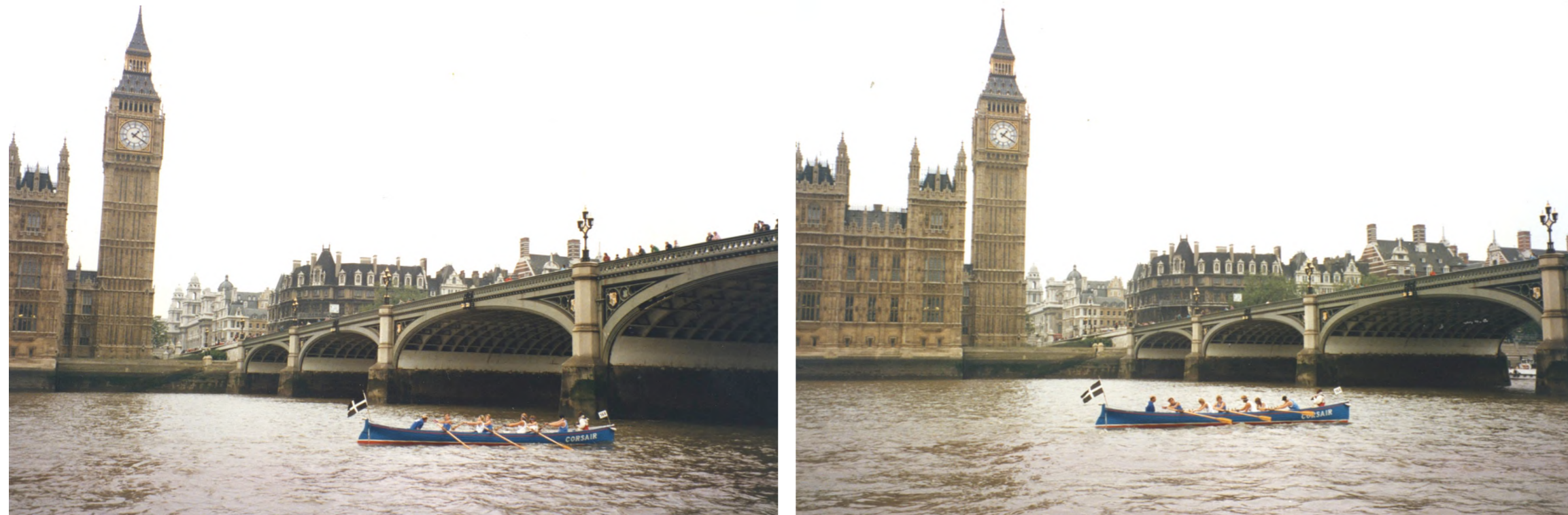


The Great River Race

Port Isaac Rowing Club regularly take part in the Great River Race in London, the capital's River Marathon. This 21.6 mile race from London Docklands to Ham, Surrey is for traditional vessels of at least four oars or paddles. It is a very colourful event and in 2015 there were 42 gigs competing with the other 330 boats taking part.



Rowing past the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben in the 90s



“...George Tutt and I have secured the use of a spectator vessel for the day of the Great London River Race on September 5th (1992) ...”
Bob Bulgin



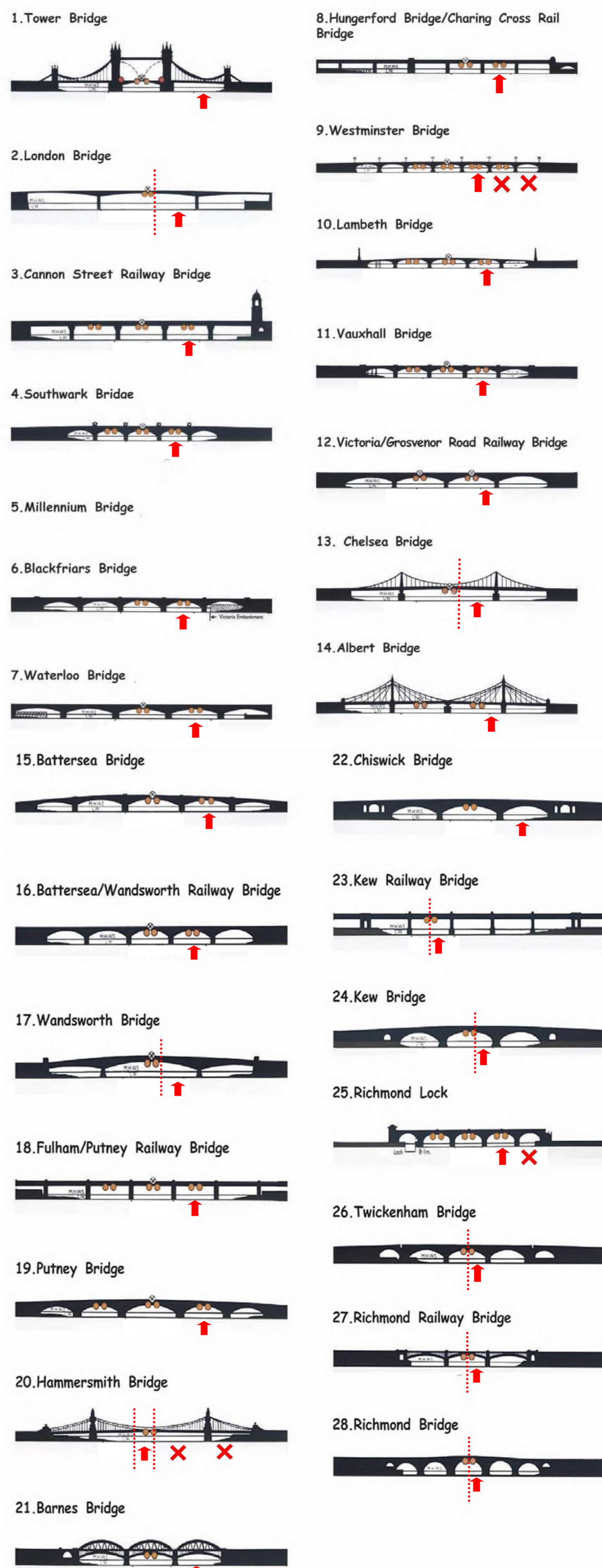
“... on September 5th the *Corsair* made the long journey to London to race on the thames. She was crewed by John Mc, Mark Provis and four men from the Loughton Divers' Club. Roy, John, Philip and John, and was coxed by John Brown. They raced 22 miles in 2 hours 40 minutes and came in a tremendous 18th out of 150 assorted boats ...” Trio



Rowing past tHMS Belfast

BRIDGING THE THAMES - MILLWALL TO RICHMOND

The bridge arches are shown as you will see them on approach. Use ONLY the arches indicated



The Thames Bridges that all the vessels go under



The Great River Race



2013 - the year of the Cornish Piskie!



“The Piskie is a general name for a fairy race or tribe in Cornwall. In appearance they look like old men with wrinkled faces, and are small in stature.”



“Generally the piskies are seen as cheerful creatures with a prankish nature. They are said to be helpful but also mischievous.”



2014 - a "Choughing" good year



"Choughs are definitely the most glamorous and captivating members of the crow family ..."



Port Isaac Rowing Club members are not just well known for the effort they put into their rowing but also for their outfits! The annual Great London River Race is a chance for the club to row 21 miles from Greenwich to Richmond in fancy dress and everyone is up for the challenge!

2015 - a Pirates life for me



In 2015, Port Isaac Rowing Club achieved their best ever results at the Great River Race. All three boats entered. *Corsair*, rowed by the men's crew, came in first among the three Port Isaac boats with a time of 2 hours and 34 minutes. She was the fourth pilot gig home, and sixteenth fastest overall. *Roscarrock* was not far behind, twenty-fifth fastest with a time of 2 hours and 38 minutes and *Unity* came sixtieth fastest at 2 hours 50 minutes.



"The only rules that really matter are these: what a man can do and what a man can't do ..."

Captain Jack Sparrow



Port Isaac Ladies rowing on the Thames in 1993



22 miles in 2 hours 53 minutes

*Cox: G Pearce, 6: Anita Beare, 5: Elaine Brown, 4: Juliet Tom, 3: Lesley Dawe,
2: Jane Hudspith, 1: Trudy Tummon
Passenger: Jackie from Loughton Divers*

“...George Tutt and I have reserved a River Boat for spectators to follow the race as we did last year and will need to know how many places may be required to cover supporters from Port ...”

Bob Bulgin



The 1993 Great River Race - Juliet Toom towed the Corsair from Cornwall to London with her landrover and Bulgin Electronics in Essex gave the gig (and landrover) overnight bed and board