

# Mike Hennessy calls shots

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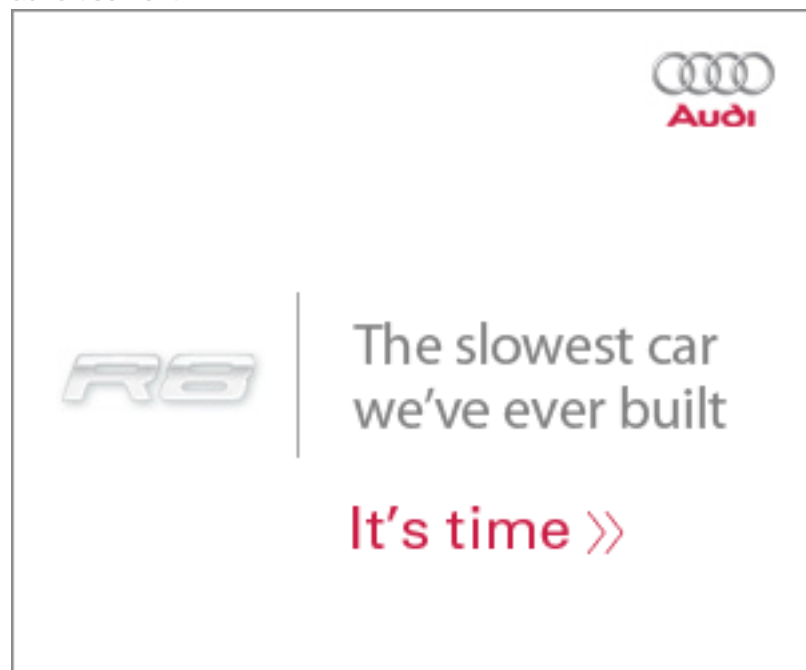
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The war of words between Tideway Scullers and Leander turned into a battle of blades in London on Saturday, as Wingfields champions Mahe Drysdale and Alan Campbell retained the Fours Headship by a bigger margin than when winning last year.

Leander's quad had a good early race, pushing hard beside the Bandstand and threatening to close the gap. But the 2006 Fours Headship winners, stroked by world champion Iztok Cop and with canny Tideway expert Mike Hennessy calling the shots, moved into a superb rhythm in the second half to win by 13 seconds.

Leander also lost the coxed fours pennant to old rivals Molesey, but collected coxless fours and senior two quads in compensation. Tideway's women's quad, also featuring overseas visitors, got into steering trouble, and were soundly beaten by both Leander and the 2006 winners, Marlow/Thames.

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The GB composite, with Sarah Winckless back in competition for the first time since her knee operation, showed what Britain's women can do, storming down the course 16 seconds ahead of Leander.

Slow conditions on a low stream robbed Marlow/Thames of their goal of making the top 20, but Thames added a second pennant with their elite four, another quartet of full internationals.

The Lea and Westminster School impressed with top-50 finishes, winning the senior one and senior two coxless events respectively.

Wallingford had the fastest junior quad.