

A Toast to our Hosts – To Fair Competition and Friends Less Foreign

Olympic Leaders gather at an International Forum on Elite Sport,
Near the playing fields of Eton, sporting clubs and Wimbledon's famed centre court.
A mission dedicated to common challenges of how to, both serve and train
One inaugurated in Sydney – expanded and nurtured at CAR in Spain.
Respecting each others autonomy, freely collaborating the standard an ethical approach
Sharing personal knowledge and experience; the best practices of staff and coach.
We have been privileged to share an agenda both challenging and thorough
Through the hospitality and programming of our colleagues at Loughborough.
Is it all for the medals – how do we measure success – how many ways to win?
How does sport merge our global borders, crossing miles and discipline?
We meet at the cultural home of sport history, born of spirited, sporting clubs,
Amid a heritage of sporting wagers, sport as community awash with friendly pubs.
We greatly appreciate this conference and banquet which celebrate Olympic values this night
And raise our glasses in recognition of your splendid effort and thoughtful insight.