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September

WOLCESTERS CANOE CLUB

HASLER FINALS RACE INFORMATION

Date	Sunday 24 th September 2023
Organiser & Venue	Worcester Canoe Club
Parking	<p><u>Use post code WR1 3EH.</u> Parking is only available on the Worcester Racecourse (Pitchcroft) central area. What three words clay.lost.movies There is space to park and turn trailers if required.</p> <p>There is no allocated parking for anyone on Grandstand Road or in the Rowing Club, Canoe Club or Grandstand car parks.</p> <p>Disabled parking will be available on request, please contact dpsmith79@yahoo.com</p> <p>THERE MUST BE NO INTERFERENCE WITH THE RACECOURSE / TRACK / FENCING / BARRIERS.</p>
Website	https://worcestercanoeclub.org/
Queries for race information	Dave Smith at dpsmith79@yahoo.com
Directions	<p>From M5 South – Exit at Junction 5 and follow signs to Worcester City Centre passing the Cathedral and then travelling along Deansway. Stay in the right-hand lane, turning right just before you reach the road bridge over the Severn. Take the left hand lane along the North Parade, passing three sets of traffic lights before turning into Severn Terrace and following signs on to the racecourse where parking can be found.</p> <p>From M5 North – Exit at Junction 6 and at the roundabout follow signs to Kidderminster along a dual carriageway (A449). At the first roundabout turn left, along Ombersley Road, towards Worcester City Centre. Go straight until the road turns sharp right into Castle Street. Go down the hill and turn right at the bottom of the hill into Severn Terrace and follow signs on the racecourse where parking can be found.</p>
Force Majeure	Worcester Canoe Club reserve the right without prior notice to alter any of these arrangements should the weather or circumstances warrant it.
Entries	<p>Entries to be made using the online entry system https://entries.gbcanoe marathon.co.uk/entries</p> <p>Entries will close on 16/09/23 NO LATE ENTRIES</p> <p>£20 per seat for Seniors (Parking included) £15 per seat for Juniors £8 per seat for GS races</p> <p>All payments must be received by 16/09/23.</p>
Booking in	Team leaders only to collect numbers from the check in either the evening before (5-8pm) or the morning of the event from 7 am.
First Aid	First aid-trained personnel will be available at the main Canoe Club building. An AED is available on the northern end of the Rowing Club building.



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Environmental & Sustainability	<p>Making sure this event is as environmentally friendly and sustainable as possible is very important to us at Worcester Canoe Club. Therefore, please consider the following bullet points to support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please car share and take boats on v-bars for others to avoid too many vehicles travelling to our event – we are offering trailer parking close to boat check for any clubs wanting to bring them - We are encouraging all attendees to the Hasler Final to bring re -usable drinks bottles for water. - Recycle as much packaging as possible in our bins provided onsite - Biosecurity Risk assessment can be found here please encourage everyone to read this before coming to our event and Clean, Check and Dry your boats and equipment to avoid the spread of invasive non-native species to our rivers. Please read this short link here to explain: Paddlers » NNSS
Rules	<p>Please refer to the British Canoeing Marathon Racing Rules, available at https://canoemarathon.org.uk/governance/marathon-racing-rules/</p>
Safety	<p>Competitors must be able to swim adequately in the waters on which the race is being held. All paddlers are required to render assistance to other competitors in distress.</p> <p>Canoeing and Kayaking are “Assumed risk”-“Water contact sports” that may carry attendant risks. Participants should be aware of and accept these risks and be responsible for their own action and involvement.</p>
Buoyancy aids	<p>Buoyancy aids are compulsory for Geoff Saunders paddlers and for all competitors ranked in Divisions 7, 8 and 9 irrespective of the division they are paddling in. This applies to singles and doubles races. The wearing of buoyancy aids by other paddlers is at the discretion of team leaders and event organiser/safety officer, bearing in mind the prevailing conditions on the day.</p>
Club colours	<p>All competitors must wear club colours or points will not be awarded towards the Hasler Trophy.</p>
Boat check	<p>Boats must be reported to boat control before getting on the water.</p> <p>As stated in the Marathon Racing Rules, all boats must have suitable buoyancy as well as have their race number attached so they can be checked off list and boat check sticker awarded. If boat is being used twice for different races, it must come through boat check again with the new race number attached.</p> <p>Once your boat has passed through boat checking, it will be assumed that you have started. If you do not get on the water then you must inform the race organisers.</p> <p>Failure to go through boat control will result in disqualification from the race.</p>
Classes	<p>All K1 and K2 races for each division (Division 1 to Division 9), GSA, GSB, GSC (GS are non-Hasler final points) and a mini K2 (non-Hasler final points).</p> <p>Every effort will be made to run all classes as separate races. However, in the event of a non-quorate class, the paddlers will be transferred to the most appropriate class.</p>
Boat numbers	<p>Team leaders will be given a pack of pre-numbered vertical race numbers for each of their paddlers. Number plates must be returned at the end of the race.</p>
Prizes	<p>Medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd places in all quorate races plus perpetual awards.</p>



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	<p>Trophies available for the Hasler Final are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Hasler Trophy will be awarded to the club scoring the most points at the final b) The Regional Trophy will be awarded to the region with the highest aggregate score at the final from their three highest scoring clubs c) The Adam Thomasson Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the Division 2 race at the final d) The Ross Warland Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the highest placed junior in the Division 4 race at the final e) The Committee Cup will be awarded to the highest place junior woman K1 in the highest division at the final f) The Ken Pereira Cup will be awarded to the highest place Junior C1 in the highest division at the final g) The Rhodes White Trophy will be awarded to the senior man K1 with the fastest time over the 12 mile course h) The David Shankland Trophy will be awarded to the senior or junior woman K1 with the fastest time of the 12 mile course i) The Barber Trophy will be awarded to the junior K1 with the fastest time over the 12 mile course j) The Bill Sparks Trophy will be awarded to the highest placed veteran K2 in the highest division at the final
<p>On site facilities and access</p>	<p>A limited number of toilets are available upstairs at Worcester Canoe Club (unfortunately there is no lift). Additional portable toilets, including a disabled toilet will be situated near to the car park. Additional disabled toilets are available in the Rowing Club, adjacent to the Canoe Club. Showers are available upstairs in Worcester Canoe Club.</p> <p>The course is a lap-based race. Spectators may view the start and finish from the area in front of the canoe club or from the Sabrina Bridge. The portage may be viewed from 500 metres upstream of the Clubhouse. Much of the course can be followed on bicycle or by foot but there is a section from the top of the racecourse to turn A which is not accessible.</p> <p>Paddler refreshments will be issued free to all competitors when returning their race number. Worcester Canoe Club are providing refreshments and bar facilities.</p> <p>Dogs are allowed on site but must be kept under control, especially around the portage area. Any fouling is to be cleared up.</p>
<p>Camping</p>	<p>No camping is available on site. However, there are local campsites that can be located here: https://www.visitworcestershire.org/business-directory/category/stay</p>
<p>Club Gazebos</p>	<p>Club Gazebos can be erected on the grass adjacent to the car park on the centre course area of the race course (the track of the race course area must be kept clear). There is also limited space on the river bank behind the canoe club building (downstream of the Canoe Club).</p>
<p>Hotels and B&B</p>	<p>For local hotels, guest houses, bed and breakfast and self-catering accommodation in the local area, see https://www.visitworcestershire.org/business-directory/category/stay</p>
<p>Trade Stands</p>	<p>If you wish to run a trade stand for the day, please contact the Hasler Final team at dpsmith79@yahoo.com</p>
<p>Results</p>	<p>Results will be available via a live feed. Links to this will be displayed in the Canoe Club on the day.</p>



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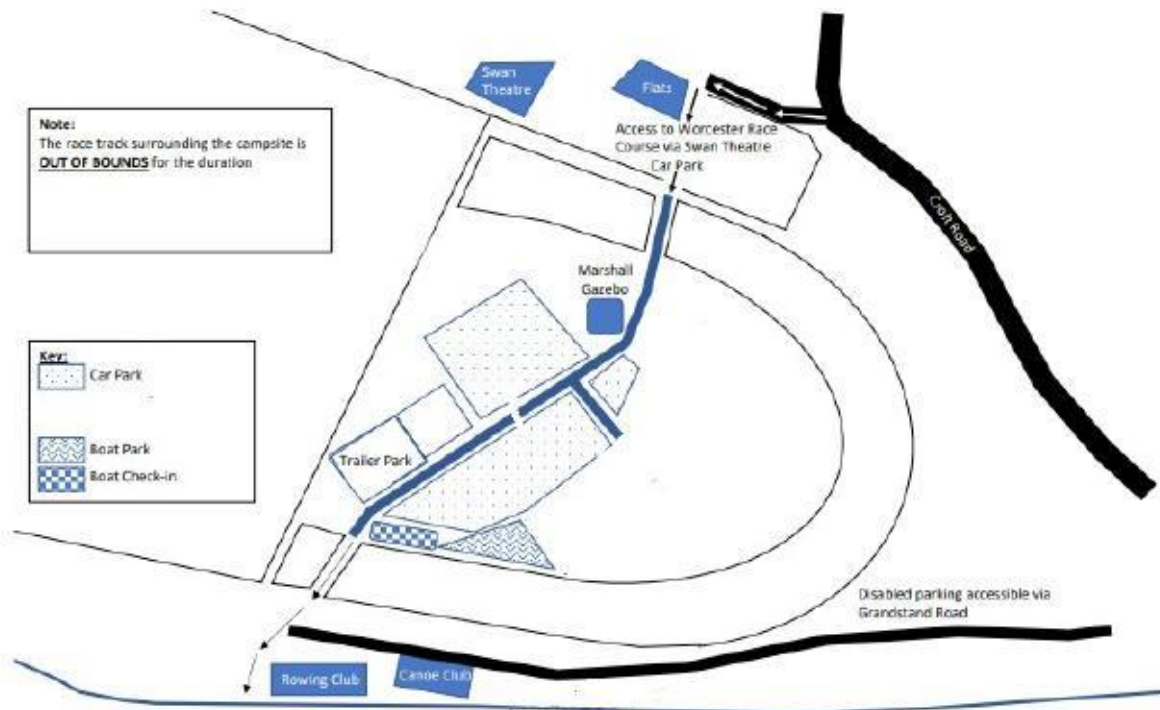
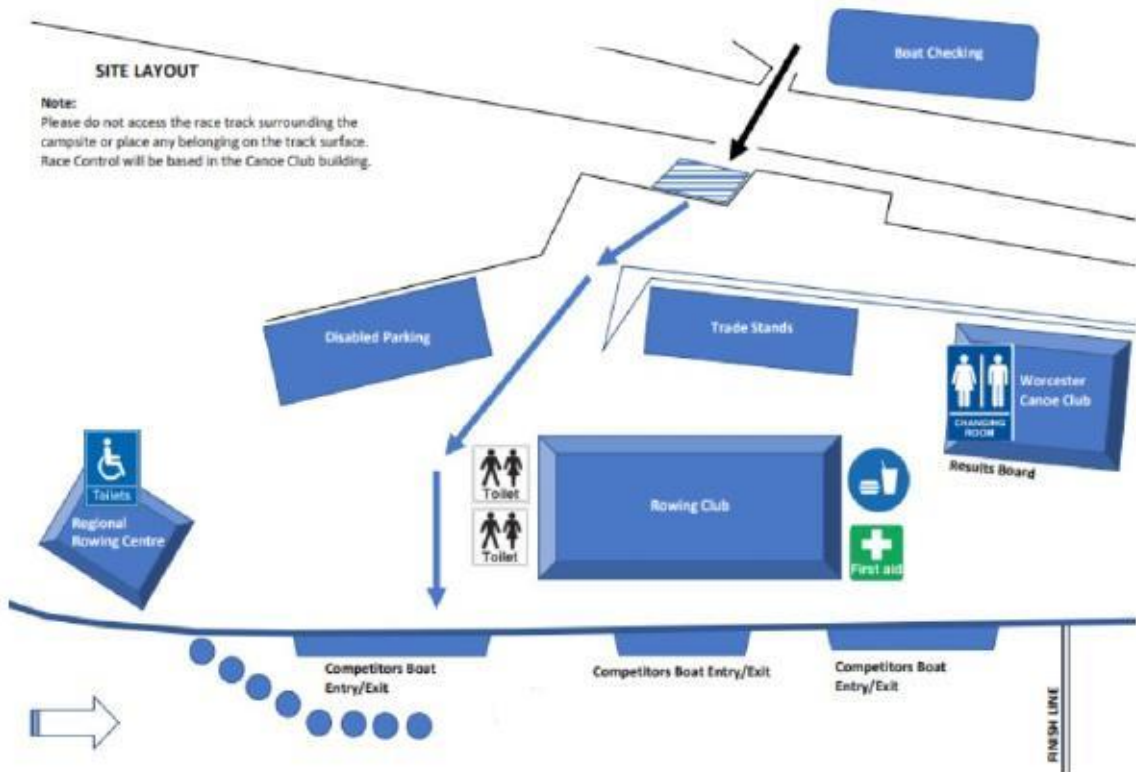
RACE SCHEDULE

Check-in	Check-in completed by Team Leaders only either Saturday Evening (5 pm - 8 pm) or Sunday Morning from 7 am. Number boards will be provided.		
Briefings	Race briefings will be held 30 minutes before each block start time in front of the Canoe Club building. It is recommended that all competitors attend.		
Block A Races Briefing 09:00	09:15	Div 7 K2	4 miles – no portages Start – Turn A – Turn C – Finish One lap
	09:17	Div 8 K2	
	09:19	Div 7 K1	
	09:21	Div 9 K2	
	09:23	Div 8 K1	
	09:25	Div 9 K1	
	10:00	Geoff Sanders K2/C2	2.5 miles – no portage
Block B Races Briefing 10:10	10:40	Div 4 K2	8 miles – 1 portage Start – Turn A – Turn C – Portage – Turn A – Turn C - Finish Two laps
	10:42	Div 5 K2	
	10:44	Div 4 K1	
	10:46	Div 6 K2	
	10:48	Div 5 K1	
	10:50	Div 6 K1	
Block C Races Briefing 12:15	12:45	Div 1 K2	12 miles – 2 portages Start – Turn A – Turn C – Portage – Turn A – Turn C – Portage – Turn A – Turn C - Finish Three laps
	12:47	Div 2 K2	
	12:49	Div 1 K1	
	12:51	Div 3 K2	
	12:53	Div 2 K1	
	12:55	Div 3 K1	
Block D Races Briefing 14:30	15:00	Geoff Sanders A	2.5 miles – no portage Start – Turn B – Turn C – Finish One lap
	15:02	Geoff Sanders B	
	15:04	Geoff Sanders C	
Prize Giving	Will be run from approximately 16:00		



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SITE PLANS



COURSE PLAN

