

Haslar Trophy 2012

This is the most significant and prestigious Marathon Championship in the UK. Wey Kayak Club has won the trophy six times in that past. The route to the championship is not difficult however it does need commitment from all of our paddlers if we are to be successful. This year's Haslar Final is at Wokingham on 30th September. In order to compete in the Haslar Final we need to fulfil 2 important criteria:-

1) We need to finish in the top 4 clubs in the London & South East Region. This requires us to compete at our regional Haslar Series marathon races which are:

22nd April	Wey Marathon
20th May	1066 Hastings Marathon
24th June	Royal Marathon
8th July	Richmond Marathon
9th Sept	Tonbridge Marathon

2) All competitors need to have competed in 3 Haslar Series Marathons. This means that you can enter races in other regions to make your personal qualification easier.

Haslar Series races I suggest you enter are:

6th May	Basingstoke
27th May	Reading Circuit
3rd June	Longridge (Marlow)
1st July	Wokingham
25-26th Aug	Norwich - National Marathon Championship

If you want to compete in the Haslar Final in a single you need to compete in 3 qualifying Haslar Series events.

In addition to the above GB Team Assessment races also count towards a competitor's qualification these are due to take place at:

29th April	Worcester K1
6th May	TBA K1
27th May	Reading K2
1st July	Wokingham
25-26th Aug	Norwich

The Haslar Final and Haslar Series races are for Division 1 to 9 paddlers and are basically competed over the following criteria:

Div 1-3 Approximately 20km
Div 4-6 Approximately 13km
Div 7-9 Approximately 6.5km usually without any portages

You need to be a BCU member (juniors in div 7,8, & 9 are covered under our "club youth membership"), you also need to be a paid up member of Wey Kayak Club and wear a Wey KC vest at races to enable the club to score regional points and for you to qualify at any of the above races.

With the Haslar Trophy Final being on our doorstep at Wokingham and on a quality stretch of water it would be really good opportunity to see you all racing to put Wey Kayak Club back on top of the podium again.

Please remember that the results in Division 9 score the same amount of points for the Club as Division 1.