

WATERSIDE SERIES 2009

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Race A	15 th February	Great Bedwyn to Newbury	13½ miles including 21 portages
Race B	1 st March	Newbury to Aldermaston & back	17½ miles including 19 portages
Race C	15 th March	Pewsey to Newbury	23 miles including 35 portages
Race D	29 th March	Devizes to Newbury	34 miles including 35 portages

IMPORTANT: Race A is pre-entry only. No late entries will be accepted. There is a limit of 400 paddlers. Entries will be accepted as follows: All juniors; crews entering the complete series; paddlers who have completed 10 or more series; then in date order as postmarked. Entries received by Saturday 31st January will be accepted unless the entry limit is already reached. Successful entries and check-in times will be posted on the website.

The Series result is based on the total time taken for **ALL FOUR** races. Any crew finishing all four races is automatically eligible for the Series awards. In the case of K2 and C2 paddlers, you must have had the same partner for the whole series.

CLASSES.

K2 Senior	K2 Junior	K2 Ladies	K2 Mixed	K2 Veterans	C2
K1 Senior	K1 Junior	K1 Ladies	K1 Veterans	Junior/Veterans	C1

Juniors must be aged under 19 on 1st January 2009.

Veterans must be aged over 35 on 1st January 2009.

K1 Veteran Masters must be aged over 50 on 1st January 2009.

A crew qualifies for the Junior/Veteran class if one crew member is a Veteran, and the other is a Junior.

Within the above restrictions, crews may choose which class to enter. For instance, a K2 crew who are both ladies under the age of 19, have the choice of entering K2 Junior or K2 Ladies.

TEAMS.

A Junior Team comprises of between 3 and 8 paddlers, with at least 3 boats, from any class, provided that all paddlers are under 19.

A Senior Team comprises of between 3 and 8 paddlers, with at least 3 boats, from any class. A Senior Team may include one or more junior crews.

The Team time is calculated by adding up the times of the fastest three boats at each race.

The members of the Team must be nominated before the start of the Series, after which no changes to the membership of the Team will be allowed. Crew pairings, within the nominated team members, may change and K1s can race instead of K2s. In each race, 3 boats, paddled by nominated team members must finish to qualify for the team event.

PRIZES.

The following prizes will be awarded at each race :-

In each of the 12 main classes: 1st; 2nd (provided there are at least 5 starters in the class); 3rd (provided there are at least 10 starters in the class). Other prizes for junior/ladies/mixed crews at organisers discretion.

The following prizes will be awarded at the end of the Series :-

In each of the 12 main classes - 1st, 2nd & 3rd; 1st Senior Team; 1st Junior Team; 1st Schools team - *presented by the Schools Canoeing Association*; Services Trophy - the fastest crew representing a Uniformed Service (regardless of class); Keith Donkin Cup - K1 Veteran Master (over 50 on 1st January 2009 male or female); Junior Ladies K2 Trophy - *presented by Kimbolton School*; John Baggs Trophy - the fastest Junior C2 *presented by Bedford School*; Lyn McLaren Trophy - the fastest Junior Mixed Crew *presented by Newbury Canoe Club*.

ENTRIES.

Senior: Pre-entries £7.00 per seat per race, or £24.00 per seat for the series. *Late entries: Additional £2.00 per seat per race.*

Junior: Pre-entries £6.00 per seat per race, or £20.00 per seat for the series. *Late entries: Additional £2.00 per seat per race.*

Race A is pre-entry only. Full and correct entry forms including Race A estimated time to reach the organiser by Saturday 31st January 2009.

For all other races advance entries must be received by the Friday prior to the race.

Personal **Comprehensive** Membership of the BCU, or approved National Association is compulsory for every paddler. Proof of membership must be provided before a crew will be allowed to start. BCU membership (including **Day Tickets at £3**) may be arranged at Race Control before the start of each race. **IF YOU CANNOT PROVIDE PROOF OF BCU MEMBERSHIP YOU WILL HAVE TO BUY A DAY TICKET ON RACE DAY (THE COST OF DAY TICKETS, £3, IS NOT REFUNDABLE).**

Entries including a cheque payable to *Newbury Canoe Club*, and a photocopy of current B.C.U. Membership Card(s), clearly showing name, number and date, should be sent to :-

Mr J Treadgold, Anderby, Gore End, Newbury, Berks, RG20 0PH

GENERAL RACE INFORMATION.

All races finish at the Waterside Centre in Newbury, where changing facilities and showers are available. All competitors will receive a free lunch when they return their race number at the finish.

You may choose your own start time within the time limits given below, but it is your responsibility to ensure that you complete the course before the Finish Control is closed. Note that check-in times for Race A will be advised but you can start whenever you want after this. Any competitor who starts or finishes after the stated times will not qualify for any award.

All crews must check in to Race Control before the start of each race to obtain their race number. Race numbers are re-allocated for each race, please return your number after the race, and collect a new one before the next race.

For races B, C and D you are recommended to allow 1 hour before your intended start time for checking in. Race Control closes 15 minutes before the last start.

Numbers must be mounted vertically on the boat; suitable mounting brackets must be provided by the competitors.

If you should have to retire from any race, please make every effort to inform a race official, or telephone 07789 043725 (this number is available on race days only).

RACE A.

Start: Great Bedwyn 10.00 to 11.30 Finish: Newbury 11.30 to 14.00 Race Control will be open from 09.00 to 11.15
Distance: 13½ miles 21 portages

	K2S	K2J	K2L	K2V	K2M	K1S	K1J	K1L	K1V	K1V	K1V	C2	CI
Record times	1:34	1:36	1:47	1:45	1:41	1:39	1:46	1:59	1:49	1:52	1:59	1:59	1:59
2003 Winning time	1:36	2:00	1:57	1:48	2:11	1:43	1:46	2:05	1:51	1:52	2:03	2:07	2:07
90% finish within	2:29	2:50	2:51	2:45	2:40	2:30	2:42	2:59	2:43	2:40	3:00	3:00	3:00

RACE B.

Start: Newbury 10.00 to 11.30 Finish: Newbury 12.00 to 14.30 Race Control will be open from 09.00 to 11.15
Distance: 17½ miles 19 portages

The turning point is to the west of the A340 road bridge near Aldermaston Wharf.

	K2S	K2J	K2L	K2V	K2M	K1S	K1J	K1L	K1V	K1V	K1V	C2	CI
Record times	2:02	2:08	2:23	2:14	2:17	2:09	2:30	2:35	2:26	2:30	2:33	2:41	2:41
2003 Winning time	2:24	2:39	2:56	2:22	2:45	2:20	2:36	3:02	2:27	3:27	2:41	3:11	3:11
90% finish within	3:38	3:35	3:50	3:19	3:26	3:16	3:28	3:41	3:44	3:27	4:15	4:03	4:03

RACE C.

Start: Pewsey Wharf 09.00 to 11.00 Finish: Newbury 12.00 to 14.30 Race Control will be open from 08.00 to 10.45
Distance: 23 miles 35 portages

There is no car parking at Pewsey Wharf, please park opposite at St Francis school where parking has been arranged.

	K2S	K2J	K2L	K2V	K2M	K1S	K1J	K1L	K1V	K1V	K1V	C2	CI
Record times	2:44	2:50	3:26	3:00	3:09	2:54	3:19	3:36	3:14	3:20	3:21	3:28	3:28
2003 Winning time	3:09	3:28	3:57	3:13	3:23	3:18	3:38	4:09	3:15	3:45	3:35	4:04	4:04
90% finish within	4:34	4:45	4:57	4:25	4:33	4:17	4:10	4:41	4:56	4:23	4:55	5:11	5:11

RACE D.

Start: Devizes 07.00 to 08.30 Finish: Newbury 12.30 to 14.30 Race Control will be open from 06.00 to 08.15
Distance: 34 miles 35 portages

PLEASE NOTE THE EARLY START TIME FOR THIS RACE. IT IS ESSENTIAL TO START EARLY IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT YOU FINISH IN TIME.

	K2S	K2J	K2L	K2V	K2M	K1S	K1J	K1L	K1V	K1V	K1V	C2	CI
Record times	4:21	4:36	5:26	4:47	4:44	4:33	5:18	5:22	5:04	5:15	5:23	6:09	6:09
2003 Winning time	4:47	5:33	6:05	4:54	5:50	5:44	5:18	6:04	5:04	7:10	5:34	6:09	6:09
90% finish within	7:15	7:44	6:58	6:44	6:56	6:21	5:18	6:46	7:08	7:10	7:18	8:04	8:04

This event is held on the Kennet & Avon Canal by kind permission of British Waterways.