



MEDWAY MARATHON

Sunday 28th July 2024

A marathon race on the River Medway from Maidstone to Tonbridge, a distance of 17.4 miles. There is also a touring class, which is an open class and will include all non racing boats.

START: The Malta Inn, Allington, Maidstone, ME14 3AS which is situated on Forstal Road off the A229 Chatham road out of Maidstone. It is also adjacent to the M20 motorway (Junction 6).

All cars must be removed from the Malta Inn car park by 11:00 am.

Car parking at the Malta is monitored by a parking app, which competitors will need to comply with. Please ask for details when checking in.

COURSE: 17.4 miles from Allington Lock to Tonbridge Canoe Club. There are 9 portages. The course is placid water and therefore suitable for all levels of ability.

FINISH: Tonbridge Canoe Club, New Wharf Road, Tonbridge. Car parking at Lower Castle Fields car park (currently free on Sundays) at TN9 1HR

TIMETABLE:

Booking In	9.00 - 10.00 am at the Malta Inn
Briefing	10.15 am
Starts from	10.30 am

CLASSES: There will be K1 and K2 races for each of the following classes:

Class A	All Div 1, 2 & 3 paddlers
Class B	All Div 4, 5 & 6 paddlers
Class C	All Div 7, 8 & 9 paddlers

PRIZES: Medway Marathon T shirts will be presented to 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each class subject to sufficient entries.

NUMBERS: We will be using the L&SE region marathon number boards.

PADDLE UK: All paddlers must hold current Paddle UK membership. Non Paddle UK members can purchase a temporary single event membership via the online MRC entry system. Old style event tickets will not be available at check in.

REFRESHMENTS: Will be available at the finish at Tonbridge Canoe Club.

ENTRIES: £12.00 per seat. Late entries accepted on the day at £3.00 extra. Please submit your entries online using the MRC entry system, or send your entries to Clive Neale, Hazel Holt, Hadlow Park, Hadlow, Kent TN11 0HX, or email to clive.neale@axahealth.co.uk by 3pm on 26th July please. Entries emailed after this time will not be processed. Please include your phone number on your entry.

MEDWAY MARATHON - ENTRY FORM

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<u>Class</u> <u>A,B or C</u>	<u>K1/K2</u>	<u>Div</u> <u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>PUK No.</u>	<u>Fee £12.00</u>

TOTAL £ .

I/ we certify that the above competitors is/are amateurs as defined by the Paddle UK and is/are able to swim 50 metres in light clothing and accept full responsibility for themselves, boats and equipment before, during and after the race.

Signed

Date

Name

Club

Address

Contact phone number

Please send entries to Clive Neale, Hazel Holt, Hadlow Park, Hadlow, Kent TN11 0HX.

Cheques to be made payable to Tonbridge Canoe Club.

If you have any queries or would like maps, directions, or assistance with travel arrangements, please phone Clive Neale on 01732 851945.

NOTES:

1. This is an A to B race. Please ensure you have made transport arrangements.
2. Support crews are welcome. Some of the locks are not accessible by road.
3. Buoyancy aids are compulsory for all paddlers ranked in marathon divisions 7, 8 and 9, and recommended for all junior paddlers at team leaders discretion.

MEDWAY MARATHON – CURRENT COURSE RECORDS

<u>Class</u>	<u>Paddler</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Time</u>
<u>K2</u>				
Senior Men K2	Ivan Lawler	Elmbridge	1990	1.58.00
	G Burns	Elmbridge		
Junior Men K2	Matt Johnson	Chelmsford	2014	2:05:17
	James Russell	Chelmsford		
Veteran Men K2	Ivan Lawler	Elmbridge	2006	2:08:11
	Steve Harris	Elmbridge		
Senior Ladies K2	Jan Lawler	Elmbridge	1989	2.15.03
	Jackie Eastwood	Havering		
Junior Ladies K2	Louisa Sawyers	Elmbridge	2006	2:21:09
	Jessica Walker	Elmbridge		
Mixed K2	Lizzie Broughton	Richmond	2014	2:01:16
	Keith Moule	Chelmsford		
Sprint C2	Marcus Gohar	Richmond	1984	2.29.45
	S Smith	Richmond		
Marathon C2	N Scott	Australia	1985	2.40.45
	R Holt	Australia		

K1

Senior Men K1	Keith Moule	Chelmsford	2015	2:05:50
Senior Men K1 (K2 assisted)	Ivan Lawler	Elmbridge	1998	2:03:42
Junior Men K1	James Russell	Chelmsford	2015	2:06:28
Veteran K1	Ivan Lawler	Elmbridge	2009	2:08:57
Senior Ladies K1	Lizzie Broughton	Richmond	2015	2:15:43
Junior Ladies K1	Abi Cattle	Reading	1999	2.27.15
Veteran Ladies K1	Yael Ford	Tonbridge	2009	2:45:47
Senior Sprint C1	Marcus Gohar	Richmond	1991	2.29.07
Junior Sprint C1	Nick Green	Tonbridge	1989	3.03.22

Note: Records are considered to be wash assisted where K1 and K2 classes have been amalgamated, and the crew has made time advantage from the wash of a faster boat in the other category.