



## Marathon Race Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018

All races start and finish at club house Croft Lane Gailey, ST19 5PY

The race will be held in accordance with B.C. Marathon racing rules and is a Midlands Regional Hasler Trophy Race

ALL PADDLERS MUST DECLARE THEIR SINGLES RANKING WHEN PADDLING DOUBLES

Booking in from 9.45am

### Times of Races

Division 7, 8,9, singles, 7, 8. & 9 doubles and lightning race. 11.30 am

Division 1 - 6, singles, 2, 3,4, 5 & 6 doubles & Junior K2 1.00 pm

**DIV 1 - 6 MUST HAVE BC MEMBERSHIP EXPIRY DATE ENTERED ON THE RANKING DATABASE OR GIVE PROOF OF COMPREHENSIVE B.C. MEMBERSHIP BEFORE OR ON THE DATE OF THE RACE. AN EVENT TICKET CANNOT BE USED BY THESE DIVISIONS.**

**DIV 7 - 9 AS ABOVE OTHERWISE A DAY EVENT TICKET MUST BE PURCHASED.**

### Classes

Division 1 - 9 Singles

Division 2 - 9 Doubles

### Courses

Division 1- 3, Singles, Div 2 & 3 Doubles 12miles /8 portages

Division 4,5,6, Singles and 4,5 & 6 Doubles 8miles /no portages

Division 7,8,9, Singles and 7, 8 & 9 Doubles 4miles /no portages

Lightning / Junior K2 Race 2miles /no portages

The Club reserve the right, without prior notice, to alter any of these arrangements should the weather or any other circumstances warrant it.

**Briefing** All morning paddlers should check in at the club house by 10.30am, briefing will take place at 10.45am for division 7,8,9, singles 7, 8 and 9 doubles and lightning race and 12.15 for all other races. Afternoon paddlers must check in by 11.45am.

**Entry Prices** Due to the MRC increasing their levy again we have no choice but to increase costs for 2018.

**Seniors & Juniors will be £9 per seat. Lightnings £3. Late entry (on the day) £10. Lightnings £3**

**Numbering / Club Colours** All racing kayaks should be fitted with a white number board to the rear, numbered as described in this year's Racing Handbook (F7). Illegible numbers will receive no points. Also, paddlers not wearing club colours as registered will not be awarded points.

**Buoyancy** Team leaders are reminded that all paddlers in division 7, 8, 9 & lightning must wear approved buoyancy aids. Any other inexperienced paddlers at team leader's discretion.

**Boat Buoyancy** - Rule 5 requires paddlers to ensure that they have adequate buoyancy in their boat including those with vac bagged boats. This means that foam, airbags or sealed bulkheads must be visible. Boats may be spot checked before entering water.

**Information** There are a number of hazards such as narrow bridges, bends and oncoming boats so paddlers are requested to keep to the RIGHT and act at all times in a courteous manner to other canal users.

**Refreshments** Light refreshments will be available free to all competitors. A good variety of hot and cold refreshments will be on sale for spectators.

**Prizes** 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> & highest placed 'C' boat for all races depending on entry.

*'Gailey CC will assume that all paddlers entering this race are competent paddlers and that their equipment has been checked by themselves as being 'fit for purpose'. Any medical conditions needing consideration must be disclosed to the race organisers on entry.'*

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU - HAVE A SAFE JOURNEY!**