

Kirkcaldy Canoe Club

Grand - Dunk Marathon - Sunday 3rd May 2015

VENUE: River Tay, stretch between Grandtully and Dunkeld. The river is usually quite shallow, so oversteern rudders are strongly recommended.

Safety

- Buoyancy aids are compulsory for all Div 7, 8 & 9 and paddlers under 16 years old, and recommended for all other paddlers. In high water levels or adverse weather conditions the organiser may require all paddlers to wear them. Helmets must be worn by paddlers in river racers and all other closed cockpit boats.
- All boats must be fitted with sufficient buoyancy to support the boat and crew in event of a capsize. Inherent buoyancy in composite boats is not sufficient to meet this requirement. Additional foam buoyancy or air bags must be fitted.
- All paddlers must be competent to cope with the water conditions. It is advised that the required minimum level of competence should be equivalent to three star touring for all course events. It is strongly advised that all paddlers should have previous experience on moving water. All other SCA/BCU rules apply regarding marathon racing on moving water which will be found in the 2015 Sprint & Marathon Handbook.

THERE WILL BE NO ORGANISED SAFETY PADDLER FOLOWING ANY OF THE COURSES, THIS WILL BE THE INDIVIDUAL CLUBS RESPONSIBILITY, IF REQUIRED.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL PADDLERS MUST BE AN SCA/BCU MEMBER TO ENTER THIS EVENT (SCA DAY MEMBERSHIP IS AVAILABLE FOR AN EXTRA £5.

Long Course (Div 1,2,3) Distance: 12 miles Briefing: 11:40 Start: 12:00

Start below 4th fall at Grandtully OS sheet 52: 914 535 . Finish 200m upstream of Dunkeld Road Bridge OS sheet 52: 025 425. Course is grade 1 to 2 rapids depending on river level.

Short Course (Div 4,5,6) Distance: 8 miles Briefing: 12:00 Start: 12:30

Start on River Tummell, at the bridge near Ballinluig where the Grandtully road crosses the river OS sheet 52: 975 521. Finish 200m upstream of Dunkeld Road Bridge OS sheet 52: 025 425. Course is grade 1 / 2 water depending on river level.

Mini Course (Div 7,8,9) Distance: 4 miles Briefing: 12:20 Start: 12:50

Start at the railway bridge which is opposite Dowally, 4 miles north of Dunkeld. OS sheet 52: 995 480 and finishes 200m upstream of Dunkeld Road Bridge.

Directions to start of mini course:

2.5 miles north of Dunkeld turn left before going over the River Tay onto the B898 (signposted Dalguise and Balnaguard). As you pass through Dalguise you will see the railway bridge on your right. Turn right along a narrow lane signposted Dalguise Fisheries. Follow the lane till you get to the car park, the gate will be unlocked.

Entry Fees: Seniors £5.00 Juniors £4.00 (under 18)

Entries: Entries on entry cards may be made at all starting points up to 30min prior to the start time on the day of the race.