



Glasgow Kayak Club and SCA Marathon Committee  
are delighted to invite you to

# K-2 Scottish Championships 2017 & 4<sup>th</sup> Glasgow Canal Marathon

## Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June

Registration from  
**10:00 am**



### INVITATION AND ENTRY PACK

This document is an invitation to participation in  
4<sup>th</sup> Glasgow Canal Marathon and K-2 Scottish Championships 2017.

**DATE:** Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June 2017

**HOST:** Glasgow Kayak Club [www.glasgowkayakclub.com](http://www.glasgowkayakclub.com)

**VENUE:** Forth & Clyde Canal at Firhill Court, G20 7BB Glasgow



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# LOCATION

The venue is located in the Possilpark area of Glasgow.

Firhil Court  
(Behind Partick Thistle Stadium)  
G20 7BB Glasgow

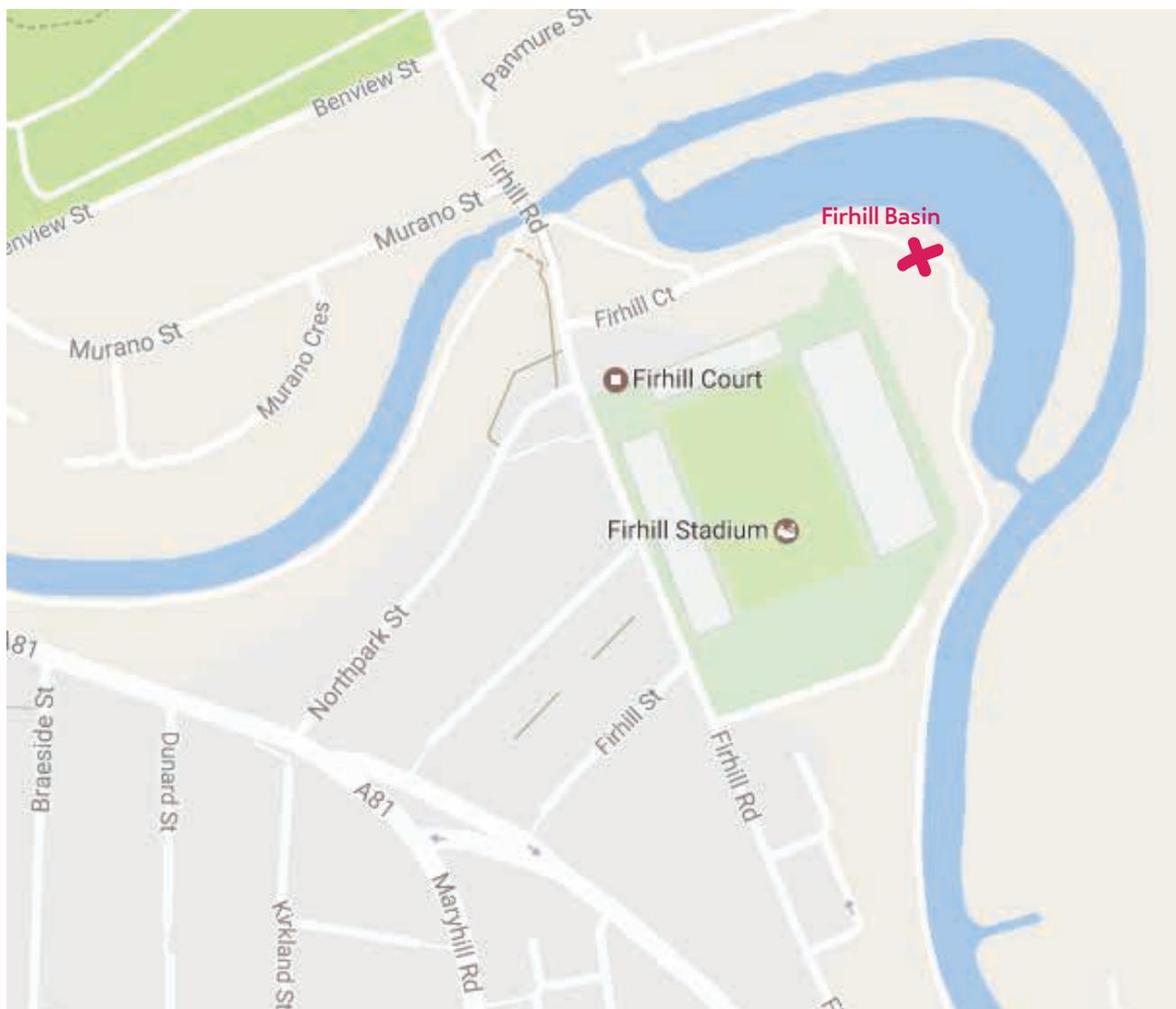
## Directions

### From WEST:

M8 to Glasgow  
Take the **A82** exit towards **Dumbarton**  
Keep left at the fork, follow signs for **A81/Aberfoyle**  
Turn right onto **St. George's Rd./A804**  
Continue straight onto **St. George's Rd.**  
Turn left onto **Garscube Rd/A81.**  
Turn right onto **Firhill Rd.**  
Turn right onto **Firhill Court**

### From EAST:

M8 to Glasgow,  
At junction 16, exit towards **A81/Aberfoyle/George Sq.**  
Continue onto **Dobbie's Loan/A804**  
Turn right onto **Garscube Rd./A81**  
Turn right onto **Firhill Rd.**  
Turn right onto **Firhill Court**



## ENTRIES

The race organiser has the right to reject an entry from any competitor whose boat or equipment standard is not to the organiser's satisfaction. The organiser may also impose a minimum standard of competence for entries to the event and may reject an entry from any competitor who is not deemed competent for conditions on the day. Any competitor whose entry is rejected shall not paddle over the race course.

Closing date for entries: **9<sup>th</sup> June 2016.**

Closing date for late entries: **1 hour before start of race.**

Entries should be made using the Online Entry Form, click [www.goo.gl/SS0RS7](http://www.goo.gl/SS0RS7)

**All payments will be accepted at the event.**

**NO fee - NO race.**

**Late entry fee – additional £2.00**

### **Fees:**

**£5 Adult** (entry by 9<sup>th</sup> June)

**£4 Junior** (entry by 9<sup>th</sup> June)

**£3 Lightning** (no late entry fee)

**£5 SCA Day Membership**

The purpose of a SCA event membership is to provide the paddler with SCA insurance for the event. All competitors must hold a valid BCU, WCA, SCA or CANI membership. If unable to prove this, must buy an Event Membership £5.00

### **Enquiries:**

**glasgowkayakclub@gmail.com**

**07895 80 48 47**

## RULES

This event will be run under the SCA Marathon Racing Rules of Competition 2017.

## SAFETY

Canoeing and Kayaking are assumed risk - water contact sports that may carry attendant risks. Participants should be aware of and accept these risks and be responsible for their own action and involvement.

The GKC and its committee and officials cannot be held responsible for any injury to participants or any loss of life, limb or equipment however caused.

1. All boats used in marathon racing must be fitted with sufficient buoyancy to support the boat and crew in the 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.
2. Buoyancy aids are compulsory for all lightning and mini course paddlers, Divs 7, 8 & 9. They are discretionary for other paddlers although all paddlers are advised to wear them. In adverse weather conditions the race organiser may require all paddlers to wear them.
3. Any competitors failing to comply with these rules will not be allowed to participate in the race.

## RACING

1. Competitors shall race at all times in a fair manner. The only means of propulsion shall be by paddle. In the absence of specific SCA rules, the BC/ICF rules covering equipment and the conduct of competitors during a race will be observed.
2. The canal is open to traffic. Paddlers must take care particularly when negotiating bends and bridges. Paddlers must not obstruct the passage of other boats along the canal and should abide by the waterways code.
3. Wash hanging on Power craft, or other vessels not involved in the race, is not permitted.
4. All courses are as described in the Sprint and Marathon handbook, or as notified by the race organiser. No alternative routes or portages, which shorten the course, are permitted.
5. In the event of a paddle breakage, a replacement may be used. The same craft must be used throughout the race.
6. Assistance may not be provided or accepted at any portages except on the specific instructions of the race organiser. Competitors with physical disabilities or injuries that require such assistance should make arrangements with the event organiser before the start of the race.
7. Each competitor will be issued with a number bib or board that must be clearly visible at all times. These numbers must be returned to the organiser at the end of the race.
8. Paddlers should check that their class is quorate (3 or more boats starting). In the event of a non-quorate class (less than 3 boats starting), paddlers will be transferred to the most appropriate class which may be at another time. It is in the paddlers' responsibility to check this. The paddler is then deemed to be racing in the new class.

## PROTESTS

Any competitor, who wishes to protest any aspect of the conduct of a race, including the accuracy of the results, must do so in writing to the event organiser within 30 minutes of the production of the race results. If necessary, the organiser will provide a protest committee of three persons, of whom one will be the SCA Marathon Racing Committee advisor for the event. At least two will not be members of the organising club [or the club(s) involved in the protest].

## PRIZES

Medals will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in all quorate (3 or more boats starting) races.

## EVENT SITE

The event organiser **CANNOT** be liable for loss or damage to personal property. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure they take sensible precautions by locking property away and out of sight where possible.



### **Car Parking**

On-street parking at Firhill Basin.



### **Toilet Facilities**

A designated male and female toilet will be available on site



### **Disabled Facilities**

If you require access to disabled facilities please contact the organiser in advance so that suitable arrangements can be made.



### **Refreshments**

Competitor's refreshments will be available

Other Refreshments will be available to purchase throughout the day



### **Disposing of waste**

We expect you to dispose of your rubbish. Please make sure that you put your rubbish in the appropriate bins provided.



### **First Aid**

During the event there will qualified First Aiders on site.

# RACE SCHEDULE

**K-2 SCOTTISH MARATHON CHAMPIONSHIPS** - The K-2 Championships shall not be the ranking event as paddlers race the course appropriate to their age and not their divisional ranking. The following age groups and courses will be offered at the Scottish K-2 Championships:

**Long Course (min. 15km)** - Junior Men (U18), U23 Men, Senior Men.

**Short Course (min. 10km)** - Youth U16 Junior, Ladies (U18, U23, Senior), Veteran Ladies, Veteran Men (34 & over).

**Mini Course (min. 5km)** - Youth U14, Masters Ladies (44 & over), Masters Men (44 & over).

**Mini K-2 (c. 3km)** - U10, U12.

**GLASGOW CANAL MARATHON** - this event is run on a divisional basis. This means that competitions are run by division and not by age.

**Long Course** - Division 1, 2 & 3 paddlers

**Short Course** - Division 4, 5 & 6. (Div. 1, 2, 3 paddlers may be amalgamated with the Short Course if there are less than 3 paddlers on the Long Course.

**Mini Course** - Divisions 7, 8 & 9 and others who have not raced before. The Mini Courses at the following events have been designated as suitable for novice paddlers. Novice paddlers being those who have not previously taken part in competition outwith the club environment.

**Lightning** - U8, U10, U12

When competing in K-2 events the completion ranking shall be an average of the individual paddlers rankings (all halves rounded down) e.g. Div. 5 and Div. 8 = 13, average 6.5 so completion ranking is 6 and they enter Div. 6 K-2. The exception is Div. 1, 2 & 3 paddlers who must paddle over the long course (if it is quorate) even if they are in a crew with a Div. 4, 5 or 6 paddler.

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The race organisers reserve the right to make necessary alterations to timings and race courses.

Time	Activity	Class
<b>From 10am</b>	Registry and Admin	All
<b>11:00</b>	BRIEFING	All
<b>11:30</b>	MINI K-2 LIGHTNING COURSE K-1 LIGHTNING COURSE	U-12 U-10
<b>12:00</b>	K-2 LONG COURSE K-2 SHORT COURSE K-2 MINI COURSE K-1 LONG CORSE K-1 SHORT COURSE K-1 MINI COURSE	DIV 1-3 DIV 4-6 DIV 7-9
<b>14:00</b>	MINI K-2 LIGHTNING COURSE K-1 LIGHTNING COURSE	U-10 U-12
<b>15:00</b>	PRIZE GIVING	All

## COURSE DETAILS

### Lightning Course - 1.8 miles (1 short circuit only)

START at Firhill Basin, head out the basin and turn right to head to Applecross Street, then continue through the footbridge for approx. 200m. National Theatre of Scotland will be on your left – turn clockwise. Head back to Firhill Basin to FINISH.

### Mini Course - 3.8 miles (1 long circuit only (no portage))

START outside southern entry to Firhill Basin and then follow the main canal around the basin. You will go past 3 bridges before reaching Stockingfield Junction (canal goes off in two directions), turn anticlockwise and head back to Applecross Street – turn clockwise and head back to Firhill Basin to FINISH.

### Short Course - 6.8 miles (1 long + 2 short circuits + 2 portages)

**1<sup>st</sup> Circuit** - START outside southern entry to Firhill Basin and then follow the main canal around the basin. You will go past 3 bridges before reaching Stockingfield Junction (canal goes off in two directions), turn anticlockwise and head back to Applecross Street. DON'T go back into the basin follow the canal around the basin). At Applecross St. turn clockwise and head back to Firhill Basin for 1<sup>st</sup> portage.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Circuit** - Head out the basin and turn right to head to Applecross Street. Turn clockwise and head back to Firhill Basin for 2<sup>nd</sup> portage

**3<sup>rd</sup> Circuit** - Head out the basin and turn right to head to Applecross Street. Turn clockwise and head back to Firhill Basin to FINISH.

### Long Course - 10.5 miles (2 long + 2 short circuits + 3 portages)

**1<sup>st</sup> Circuit** - START at southern entry to Firhill Basin and then follow the main canal around the basin. You will go past 3 bridges before reaching Stockingfield Junction (canal goes off in two directions), turn anticlockwise and head back to Applecross Street. DON'T go back into the basin follow the canal around the basin). At Applecross St. turn clockwise and head back to Firhill Basin for 1<sup>st</sup> portage.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Circuit** - Head out the basin and turn LEFT. Reach Stockingfield Junction and turn anticlockwise and head back to Applecross Street. DON'T go back into the basin follow the canal around the basin). At Applecross St. turn clockwise and head back to Firhill Basin for 2<sup>nd</sup> portage.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Circuit** - Head out the basin and turn right to head to Applecross Street. Turn clockwise and head back to Firhill Basin for 3<sup>rd</sup> portage.

**4<sup>th</sup> Circuit** - Head out the basin and turn right to head to Applecross Street. Turn clockwise and head back to Firhill Basin to FINISH.