

# WATERSIDE SERIES 2012

New website: [www.watersideseries.org.uk](http://www.watersideseries.org.uk)

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Race A	12 <sup>th</sup> February	Great Bedwyn to Newbury	13½ miles including 21 portages
Race B	26 <sup>th</sup> February	Newbury to Aldermaston & back	17½ miles including 19 portages
Race C	11 <sup>th</sup> March	Pewsey to Newbury	23 miles including 35 portages
Race D	25 <sup>th</sup> 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. **We are still working on reducing the problems experienced over the last few years**

**Please keep an eye on the Web site for any announcements regarding Parking limitations etc.**

Entries received by Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2012 will be accepted unless the entry limit is already reached.

*This year a list of entries received will be posted on this web site - this will not be a guaranteed entry but a list of entries received via post*

Successful entries for A will be posted on the website with check-in and start batch times.

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.

**New 2012 Class: K2 Junior Ladies Plus C1 Junior Category**

1 - K2 Senior	2 - K2 Junior	3 - K2 Ladies	4 - K2 Junior Ladies	5 - K2 Veterans	6 - K2 Mixed	
7 - Junior/Veterans	8 - K1 Senior	9 - K1 Junior	10 - K1 Ladies	11 - K1 Veterans	12 - C2	13 - C1

Juniors must be aged under 19 on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012.

Veterans must be aged over 35 on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012.

K1 Veteran Masters must be aged over 50 on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012.

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. Please note 2012 changes to Rule 7 regarding Schools teams.

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 13 main classes: 1<sup>st</sup>; 2<sup>nd</sup> (provided there are at least 5 starters in the class); 3<sup>rd</sup> (provided there are at least 10 starters in the class). Other prizes for junior/ladies/mixed crews at organisers discretion. (New C1 Juniors Category included)

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

In each of the 13 main classes - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Team; 1<sup>st</sup> Junior Team; 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Masters (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 £10.00 per seat per race, or £36.00 per seat for the series. *Late entries: Additional £3.00 per seat per race.*

Junior: Pre-entries £8.00 per seat per race, or £28.00 per seat for the series. *Late entries: Additional £3.00 per seat per race.*

**Race A is pre-entry only. Full and correct entry forms including estimated times to reach the organiser by Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2012.**

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

Refer to Rule 3 for BCU Membership as this 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 :- (If BCU Membership expires before any race day a renewed Membership will be needed to be proven)

**Waterside Entry, 35 Kingsley Close, Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 2EB**

If you should have to **RETIRE** from any race, please make every effort to inform a Race Official, or telephone **07507 173145**.

## 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.

Except for Race A, 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.

Race A check-in times and "start batch" times will be advised on the website. You will be able to start in a later batch but not an earlier one.

Any competitor who starts or finishes after the stated times will not qualify for any Race Prize.

**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.

( Records now updated – See website for more details)

### RACE A.

Start: Great Bedwyn 09.00 to 12.00 Finish: Newbury 11.00 to 14.15 Race Control will be open from 08.00 to 11.30

Distance: 13½ miles 21 portages

	K2S	K2J	K2L	K2V	K2M	K1S	K1J	K1L	K1V	K1V	C2	C1
Record times	1:33	1:36	1:47	1:45	1:41	1:39	1:46	1:54	1:43	1:44	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
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

### 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	C2	C1
Record times	1:58	2:08	2:21	2:14	2:17	2:09	2:20	2:35	2:15	1:59	2:33	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
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

### 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	C2	C1
Record times	2:44	2:50	3:26	3:00	3:06	2:54	3:03	3:34	2:59	3:20	2:54	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
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

### 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	C2	C1
Record times	4:11	4:36	5:03	4:39	4:44	4:33	4:55	5:22	5:04	5:11	5:23	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
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

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

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