



MATLOCK CANOE CLUB
National Wild Water Race and Short Course
Division 4
Slalom
18th & 19th July 2009

Matlock Canoe Club offers a warm welcome to all competitors and spectators at this year's event and hope that you have an enjoyable weekend.

Special thanks to "The Heights of Abraham" who now own the factory site and have agreed to us running the event and access the river and factory. Please respect this new partnership so that future events may take place. Thanks also to Peak UK and Cool Blue Canoes for their support and donation of prizes.

General Information

Location: The River Derwent is located between Matlock & Matlock Bath (A6).

OS Ref: Sheet 119 1:50 0000 SK 296587 - Sat nav postcode DE4 3PT

The Matlock bypass is now in operation which may cause confusion when approaching from the north. Follow signs to Derby.

Parking: All cars should be left in the Artist Corner car park approximately 400 metres (paddle) upstream of the slalom course (I have requested that the height restriction barrier is removed to allow access for vans, but have had no reply as yet) or in the Station car park approximately 200 metres (walk) downstream of the slalom course. Please note these are both Pay & Display car parks. There is limited parking on the road opposite control which should only be used for loading and unloading equipment. Please take note of parking restrictions which will be enforced by new and vigilant traffic wardens.

Access: Access to the course is next to Control or from Artist Corner car park. Please observe and adhere to the signs and do not get in, or paddle upstream of the car park. No paddling is allowed beyond the pedestrian bridge at the bottom of the course.

Accommodation: Camping facilities are available at The Duke William (01629 582585, thedukewilliam@hotmail.co.uk) - beware the bells! Details of other accommodation in the area is available from the Matlock Tourist Information 01629 583388.

Toilets: Toilets can be found at the Artist Corner car park and in Matlock Bath. No Portaloos will be on site for this event.

Refreshments: There are a number of cafes and restaurants located in Matlock and Matlock Bath. No refreshment van will be on site due to costs.

Judges: If you would like to judge we will be able to provide judging runs. If you are a non-paddling parent or partner, please offer your services at control.

Bibs: Bibs will be provided for racing. Get your bib from control before the race but please remember to bring it back at the end of the competition.

Report to Control: If you have "Report to Control" next to your name, please come and see us in control before getting on the water.

Programme & Running Order

Friday

Open practice is available from when the course is erected on Friday evening until 9pm.
Please don't get on the water and in the way until the course is ready.

	<u>WWR Saturday</u>	<u>Slalom Sunday</u>
Official practice (<i>full runs only</i>)	10.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.
Officials A	N/A	12.00 p.m.
K1M	12.15 p.m.	12.15 p.m.
K1W	12.45 p.m.	12.45 p.m.
C1M	1.15 p.m.	1.15 p.m.
C1W	1.30 p.m.	1.30 p.m.
C2	1.40 p.m.	1.40 p.m.
Officials B	N/A	1.50 p.m.
Prize Giving	4.30 p.m. (approx)	4.30 p.m. (approx)

Prizes

K1M	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd plus Junior prize
K1L	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd plus Junior prize
C1M	1 st
C1W	1 st
C2	1 st
Officials	1 st K1M, 1 st K1L

NB. All prizes are dependent upon classes being quorate.

Event Safety Notices & Reminders

BCU Statement: "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".

Supervision: An adult, who will assume responsibility for the child at the event, must accompany children under the age of 16.

Rules & Regulations: Please adhere to the current BCU Slalom Rules relating to safety and equipment. Rule 19, page 66, *2009 Slalom Yearbook*

Safety: Each competitor must stay on the water until at least the three following paddlers have crossed the finish line. A safety boat will be on the water at all times.

Restrictions:

- Please take care to keep the roadside pavements unobstructed for all pedestrians.
- Canoes may only be left on the grassed area beyond the steps leading to the river. **NOTE** this area forms part of a public right of way, so please keep access clear.
- Only event officials are allowed access across to the far bank- please do not abuse our access arrangements with the new owners of the site.

First Aid: For any queries, first aid or safety concerns please see one of the Matlock Canoe Club event organisers who will be based at race control near the top of the slalom course.



Acknowledgments: Matlock Canoe Club would like to thank the following organisations and people for their help, support and co-operation with running this event:

Alan Hartley (Results Software), Cool Blue Canoes, Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire Police, Heights of Abraham, Matlock Angling Club, Matlock Traffic Wardens, Peak UK, and all the officials and volunteers who are helping to run this event.