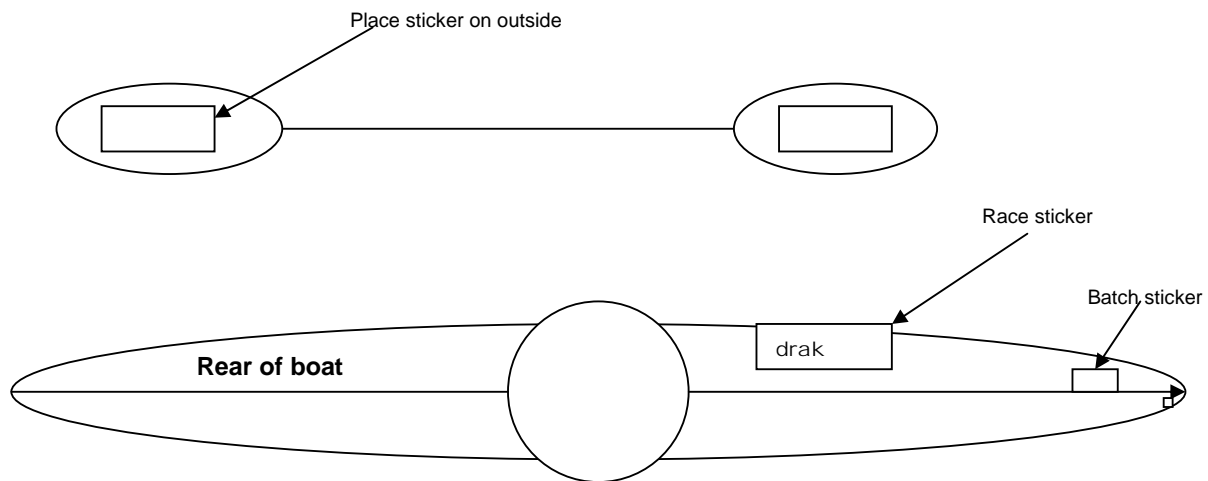




21 & 22 January 2017



**PLEASE PLACE YOUR STICKERS AS SHOWN BELOW: STICKERS MUST NOT BE MODIFIED IN ANY WAY - NO STICKERS NO START!!!!**



### FINAL RACE INSTRUCTIONS

***SOME ROADS MAY BE CLOSED IN WET WEATHER TO PROTECT PRIVATE ROADS, PLEASE RESPECT THESE RESTRICTIONS FOR THE SAKE OF FUTURE RACES***

#### **1. BOAT BRANDING**

Please ensure that the boat sticker is on your canoe, forward of the cockpit as shown on the above sketch. Your paddle sticker must be on the outside of the paddle blade as shown. Your batch sticker will be given to you as you are checked into the pound on each day.

Please make sure all your other branding conforms to the CSA rules.

#### **2. SAFETY Safety officer 084 353 5588 Medical emergency 079 976 9056**

- 2.1 Life jackets that conform to CSA specifications are compulsory.
- 2.2 Helmets are voluntary at normal water levels but may be declared compulsory at the start of each day should the water conditions be dangerous.
- 2.3 Normally there are no compulsory portages.
- 2.4 **Black Murray** rapid (10 km from start of day 1) is a dangerous rapid at all water levels and can be portaged on the left or right hand bank. We recommend the right hand bank.
- 2.5 The Underberg Weir, Glenhaven rapid & some bridges may be made compulsory portages by the safety officer, you will be informed of this eventuality at the start of each day.
- 2.6 **Underberg Weir** is marked with a slalom gate and there is a white marker in the distance to assist with the line. Portage on left hand bank ONLY as marked, do not get too close to the weir.
- 2.7 **Taylor's weir** - there is a shoot in the middle of the left hand section, it is marked with two vertical posts sticking out the water

*Please turn over*

### **3. RETIRING FROM THE RACE**

3.1 If you decide to retire from the race for any reason please do the following:

- inform John Oliver, or any other race official, as soon as possible.
- if you break your boat and have to walk out then follow these guidelines:
  - o on Day 1 before the Swartberg road bridge, get out on the left hand bank and head up to the Drak Gardens road where there will be many vehicles to assist.
  - o Between the Swartberg bridge and Scotstons bridge walk up or down river to the respective bridge.
  - o Between Scotstons bridge and Glenhaven walk up or down the river as it is not easy to find the road away from the river.
  - o Between Callaway and Greenend bridge walk up or down the river.
  - o Between Dunraven bridge & the finish walk out on the right hand bank and up to the Dunraven farm road.

4. **GLENHAVEN - This property belongs to Scripture Union, please respect their values when visiting.** This rapid may be viewed between 8 am and 6 pm on any day of the Drak weekend. In all cases vehicles must park in the designated area at the first buildings and then walk up to the rapid. You are not allowed to drive up to the rapid.

5. **Cut off times:** There will be cut-off times for Day1 & Day2, these will be displayed at the start of each day

6. **The golf competition** starts at 14h00 Saturday afternoon at the Country Club.

7. **The main prize giving** will be at 12h00 at the finish of Day 2 .

### **8. LUCKY DRAW FOR K1'S**

- o There will be a lucky draw at the Saturday night party, Underberg school, this will be at about 20h30. The prize is a K1 canoe, you have to be there in person to win
- o At the end of the prize giving on Day 2 there will be a lucky draw for another K1 canoe - you have to be there in person to win.

### **9. LOW LEVEL START (if there is too little water)**

#### **DAY 1**

- o the low level start for Day 1 is approx 1 km beyond Khotso ( Old Trout Hatcheries) approximately 7 km up the Drak Gardens road
- o parking will be in and around the low level bridge, left hand side the road and the pounds will be through the farm gate on the prepared field
- o the start will be a le mans type start for each batch
- o the low level finish on Day 1 is at the Callaway bridge with the take-out on the right hand bank two hundred meters down stream of the bridge.

#### **DAY 2**

- o the low level start on Day 2 will be as announced at Day 1 finish
- o The low level finish on Day 2 is at the normal place on Hopewell farm

### **10. SATURDAY NIGHT PARTY**

- Entry to the Underberg Country Club will be controlled from 12h00 onwards, you will need the N3TC DRAK 2017 wristband to get in at the gate. These will be issued to you at registration
- The entertainment will kick-off at 18h00 in the main tent at Underberg School
- The lucky draw for the K1 canoe will take place at about 20h30 and you have to be there to win.
- **Music by DJ Sean will keep everyone partying till late**

### **11. BOAT REPAIRS**

- There will be an area at the school for own boat repairs. Fibre glass repair kits will be on sale. Angle grinders will be available to hire. This will be open from 2 pm until 6 pm

***VERY HIGH WATER START RULES WILL BE ISSUED IF NECESSARY***