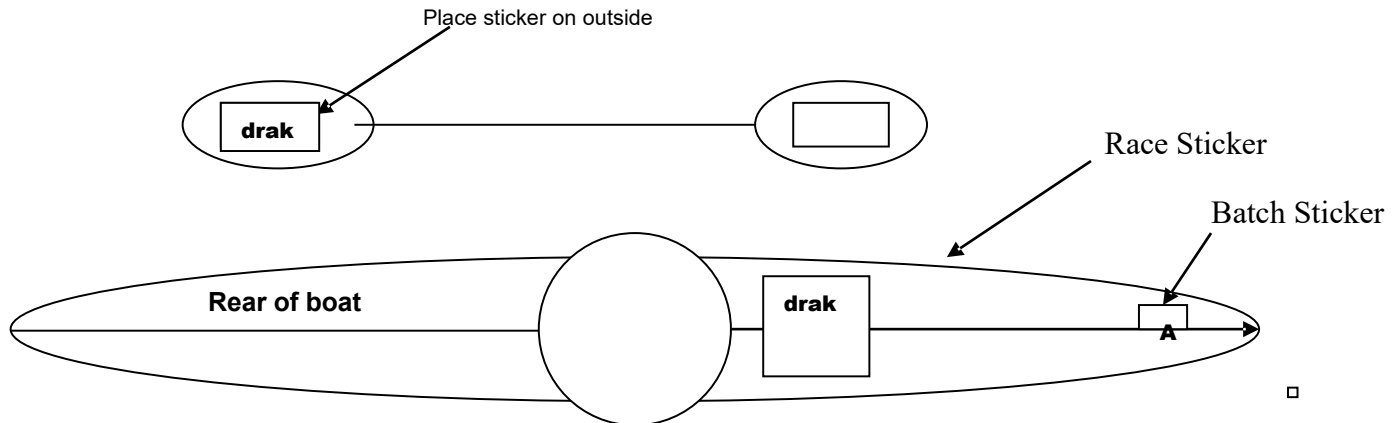




27 & 28 January 2024

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

SECURITY - DO NOT LEAVE ANY VALUABLES IN UNATTENDED CARS

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.

2. SAFETY Safety officer 078 123 2335 Medical emergency 079 573 2247

- 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 2) 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 white slalom gate. 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 2 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 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. This road may be closed due to poor conditions or if too the road is wet. In this case, there will be no way to view the Glenhaven 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 & PADDLE

- o At the end of the prize giving on Day 2 there will be a lucky draw for a K1 canoe & a paddle - 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 at the old Day 1 finish (Swartberg Bridge).
- o parking 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 one hundred meters downstream of the bridge.
- o NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO BOAT POUND AT THE DAY 1 FINISH.

DAY 2

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

10. BOAT REPAIRS

- There will be an area on the field near the side screen at the Underberg Country Club where boat repairs can be carried out. There will be angle grinders to hire and also boat repair kits on sale. This will be open from 12h00.

11. SATURDAY AFTERNOON/EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

There will be an afternoon/evening of music entertainment at the Underberg Country Club.

- Entry to the music area will be controlled from 16h00 onwards, you will need the DRAK 2024 wristband to get in at the gate. These will be issued to you at registration. Additional tickets can be bought at the the gate on Saturday afternoon/evening for R50 adult or U12 R30. **NO FOOD OR DRINK ALLOWED INTO THE MUSIC AREA.**
- The Flying Fish Drak Party will kick-off at 16H00
- There will be food and drink available at the venue.