

Hi Kayakers,

Thank-you for supporting the 2nd Hare 'n Hounds Race, it was a great turnout despite the cold temperatures, at least it was dry and the sun did try to shine! 10 paddlers from Chester took part and Trentham once again boosted our numbers by bringing 7 paddlers, and as always lots of enthusiastic supporters.

Paddlers soon warmed up as the race got under-way; it was a very close call, with everyone crossing the line within 3 minutes of each other. Lots of smiling faces and grimaces as the paddlers finished, it showed they had all been working hard, their were some excellent results Camron (Trentham) had a superb race, with Chester's Div 6 paddlers Peter, Roger and Bob having a very close race, excellent pre-season race training! Well done to the girls too, Helen (Chester) and Linda (Trentham) both putting in great times, so all in all a good 'fun' training session for everyone!

Thanks also to the Trentham supporters who helped out, took some great photos and cheered us all on!

In Race 1 we used a handicap of 30 seconds between divisions, however when you analyse the results this favoured the better paddlers. For race 2 we used a handicap of 60 seconds between divisions, although the spread is quite good there is still a slight bias, this time towards the lower divisions. For Race 3 we need to work between these 2 figures. I intend to progress our Hare 'n Hounds Series slightly, so we improve and are ready for our race season, the next race will be slightly longer, and the following one will have a turn. So by the first Hasler 'Chester' on 3rd April with 4 Hare 'n Hounds in the bag we'll be ready for action!

Below are the Results of Race 2, and also Total points so far.

Remember this is a race for everyone, would be ideal for the Juniors or Novice Racers to join in and get a feel for racing, and also for the stronger paddlers to get race fit and improve their racing skills, or if you just want to have fun, come and join the series.

**See you at the next race Sunday 27th February
Meet up at 10.00 ready to paddle to the start at 10.30.**

Thanks again everyone who made it happen!

If you've got any races lined up, marathon, slalom, whitewater, results, canoe tips or stories, you want to share with the club, I d love to hear from you so I can publish them in our Monthly Canoe Email News.

Just email me malpasashleys@btinternet.com

Thanks Happy Paddling

Jean (on behalf of the Canoe Club Committee)

Race 2 - 30th Jan 2011					
Name	Club	Division	Actual Time	Handicap Time	Points
Ken Bain (WWR)	Chester	Div 8	18.34	20.34	10
Jean/Adele (K2)	Chester	Div 6	16.54	20.54	9
Camron Bentley	Trentham	Div 6	16.56	20.56	8
Dave Ashley (Sea Kayak)	Chester	Div 8	19.11	21.11	7
Dave Whiston	Trentham	Div 8	19.16	21.16	6
Peter Bennet	Chester	Div 6	17.28	21.28	5
Andrew Haigh	Trentham	Div 9	20.28	21.28	4
Roger Williams	Chester	Div 6	17.35	21.35	3
Helen Mariot (Sea Kayak)	Chester	Scratch	21.35	21.35	2
Bob Scholey	Chester	Div 6	17.38	21.38	1
Graeme Haigh	Trentham	Div 5	16.41	21.41	1
Phil Roberts	Trentham	Div 5	16.42	21.42	1
Steve Chorley (WWR)	Chester	Div 7	18.46	21.46	1
Andy Hargraves	Trentham	Div 8	20.00	22.00	1
Linda Whiston	Trentham	Div 9	21.24	22.24	1
Graham Bulmer	Chester	Div 6	18.46	22.46	1
Andrew Parkinson	Chester	Div 8	20.54	22.54	1

Hare 'n Hounds Race Criteria

1. Course - Road Bridge to Chester Canoe Club House
- 2. Handicaped 60 seconds per Division**
3. Points awarded to first 10 places
4. Rest of the field awarded 1 point
6. Best 6 results to count over 2011 Series
7. Various Trophies to be awarded at the end of series

[Race Dates - more to be confirmed](#)

Race 1 - 1st Jan 2011

Race 2 - 30th Jan 2011

Next Race 3 - 27th Feb 2011- Meet at 10.00 Paddle up 10.30

