

Hi Kayakers,

Thank-you for the hardy kayakers who supported the 3rd Hare 'n Hounds Race, it wasn't for the faint hearted, as we faced strong wind, waves, very choppy conditions and capsizing sailors! 5 paddlers from Chester took part and Trentham once again boosted our numbers also bringing 5 paddlers, but this time two K2's.

The race this time was slightly longer (as my aim is to increase the distance as the series progresses) so we raced back from Eccleston Ferry. After a good steady pace up stream with a tail wind, we turned and as we predicted it was going to be a tough paddle back! It was excellent pre-season race training, you don't get many race days as wild as this so it was good character building stuff! Phil and Malcolm (Trentham) put in an excellent time, and didn't seem bothered at all by the wind and waves! The other K2 and the rest of us in K1's, plus Ken and Graham in WWR's battled on, passing the sailing club, were there a couple of capsizes, lucky we all stayed upright! Roger took the lead from Camron (Trentham) just before the sailing club, as he knew to keep to the left bank which was much more sheltered and this just gave him the lead.

I did think we all deserved DOUBLE POINTS but after the homemade soup and Phil's wonderful healthy chocolate cake we were more than rewarded for our efforts!

Hare 'n Hounds Race 4 will be on either Sat 26th or Sun 27th March, we can decide at the up and coming committee meeting on the next few dates. The first Hasler 'Chester' on 3rd April with 4 Hare 'n Hounds in the bag hopefully we'll be ready for action!

Attached are the Results of Race 3, and also Total points so far.
(All on the same spread sheet)

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 join in if you just want to have fun! Its 6 races to count 3 have gone but with 9 to go there's plenty more to trycome and join the series.

**Hope to see you at the next race 26th or 27th March
Meet up at 10.00 ready to paddle to the start at 10.30 start.**

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 3- 27th Feb 2011

Name	Club	Division	Actual Time	Handicap Time	Points
Phil/Malcolm (K2)	Trentham	Div 5	19.37	24.37	10
Roger Williams	Chester	Div 6	22.17	26.17	9
Ken Bain (WWR)	Chester	Div 7	23.27	26.27	8
Camron Bentley	Trentham	Div 6	22.28	26.28	7
Andrew/Matthew (K2)	Trentham	Div 8	25.18	27.18	6
Bob Scholey	Chester	Div 6	23.27	27.27	5
Jean Ashley	Chester	Div 6	23.3	27.3	4
Graham Bulmer (WWR)	Chester	Div 7	24.46	27.46	3

Hare 'n Hounds Race Criteria

1. Course - Eccleston Ferry to Chester Canoe Club House
- 2. Handicapped 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 - to be confirmed after our committee meeting](#)

Race 4 - 26/27th March 2011

Race 5 - 16/17th or 23/24th April 2011

Race 6 - 14/15th May 2011

Total Points

Name	Club	Division	Race 1 Point s	Race 2 Point s	Race 3 Point s	Total Point s
Camron Bentley	Trentham	Div 6	7	8	7	22
Ken Bain (WWR)	Chester	Div 6	1	10	8	19
Roger Williams	Chester	Div 6		3	9	12
Melvin Swallow	Chester	Div 3	10			10
Phil Roberts	Trentham	Div 5	9	1		10
Phil/Malcolm (K2)	Trentham	Div 5			10	10
James ? (WWR)	Chester	Scratch	9			9
Dave Ashley (Sea Kayak)	Chester	Div 8	2	7		9
Jean/Adele (K2)	Chester	Div 6		9		9
Jean Ashley	Chester	Div 6	5		4	9
Graham Bulmer	Chester	Div 6	4	1	3	8
Graeme Haigh	Trentham	Div 5	6	1		7
Dave Whiston	Trentham	Div 8		6		6
Bob Scholey	Chester	Div 6		1	5	6
Andrew/Matthew (K2)	Trentham	Div 8			6	6
Andrew Haigh	Trentham	Div 9	1	4		5
Peter Bennet	Chester	Div 6		5		5
Vicki Swallow	Chester	Div 6	3			3
Helen Mariot (Sea Kayak)	Chester	Scratch		2		2
Roz Clarke	Chester	Div 7	1			1
David/Carol Hatton (K2)	Chester	Div 9	1			1
Steve Chorley (WWR)	Chester	Div 7		1		1
Andy Hargraves	Trentham	Div 8		1		1
Linda Whiston	Trentham	Div 9		1		1
Andrew Parkinson	Chester	Div 8		1		1