#### **ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA CANOE CLUB MARATHON**

#### RACE BRIEFING

This is a Hasler qualifying event for divisional paddlers in the Midlands region.

The race will be held under the Marathon Racing Rules as per the Racing Handbook.

#### COVID

If you have tested positive or have any covid symptoms please act responsibly and skip this one!

#### **SAFETY**

We hope you have a great race but please keep safe and race responsibly.

Even in warm conditions the river may be cold. Please ensure your equipment and clothing is suitable for the conditions.

If you see a paddler in difficulty please stop and help. Yours and their safety is always more important than your race.

This is a natural river as such there may be some obstacles to be aware of, including low hanging branches and underwater obstructions. River banks may be muddy and slippery.

Care should be taken around rowers, fishermen and other river users. There may also be pleasure craft and rowers on the River Avon near Warwick.

#### **Buoyancy Aids**

All paddlers in Divisions 7 to 9 and A, B and C must wear approved buoyancy aids. Team leaders to decide if paddlers in higher divisions should wear them.

**Start Order** will be posted on the notice board on the morning of the event.

For the Hasler Races There will be two starts in different locations at the same time. Please allow Div 1 - 6 to get onto the water first so they have time to paddle up to their start. This will be at the Leam Avon junction approx 20 min paddle down stream.

Please do not carry boats through the club house. You may get on the water opposite the club house. On RLS side of the river just upstream of the clubhouse or walk to the portage. approx 500m.

#### **Starts**

Div 7 - 9 and U14 races. The start will be outside the club house, upstream. Please be ready and listen to the starter and pre starter so we can get all divisions started guickly as the course is fairly short.

Div 1 - 6 Please allow time to paddle to the start (approx 20 min) You may portage down the weir steps, however please be aware they may be slippery when wet.

Racing portage will be across the field.

Once you arrive at the junction please turn right and warm up upstream.

## **Portage**

This will be clearly marked. Please wear suitable footwear as it will be muddy and slippery with possible thorny undergrowth.

Get out as directed and follow the route across the field to get in above the weir.

## Thank you for Racing at Royal Leamington Spa Canoe Club.

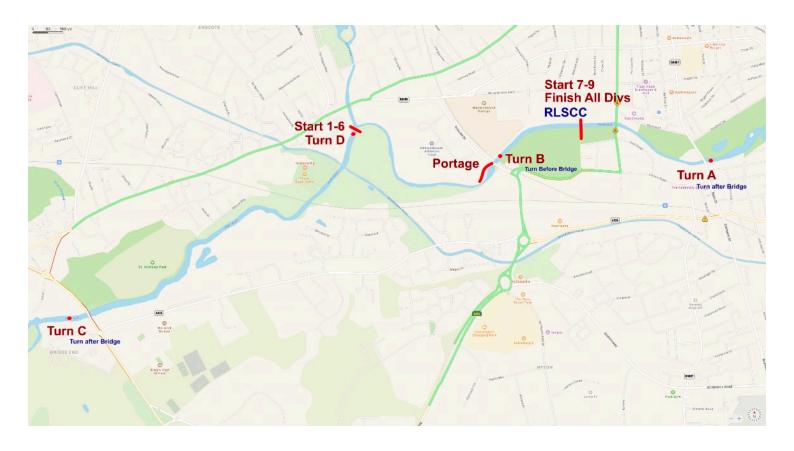
Prizes will be awarded after the results have been collated. Please stay and enjoy our facilities and catering.

We hope you have a fantastic day while visiting RLSCC. Thank you for joining us.

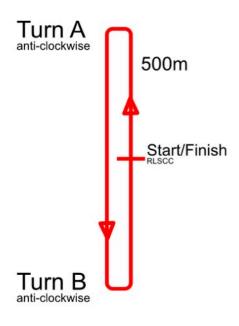
## **COURSE DETAILS**

Lightening and Geoff Sanders races will be briefed on the course before their race.

## **Course Overview**



# Div. 7-9



Start (Upstream) Outside RLSCC Clubhouse.

- 3 Laps, anti-clockwise turns.
- Finsh Upstream outside RLSCC

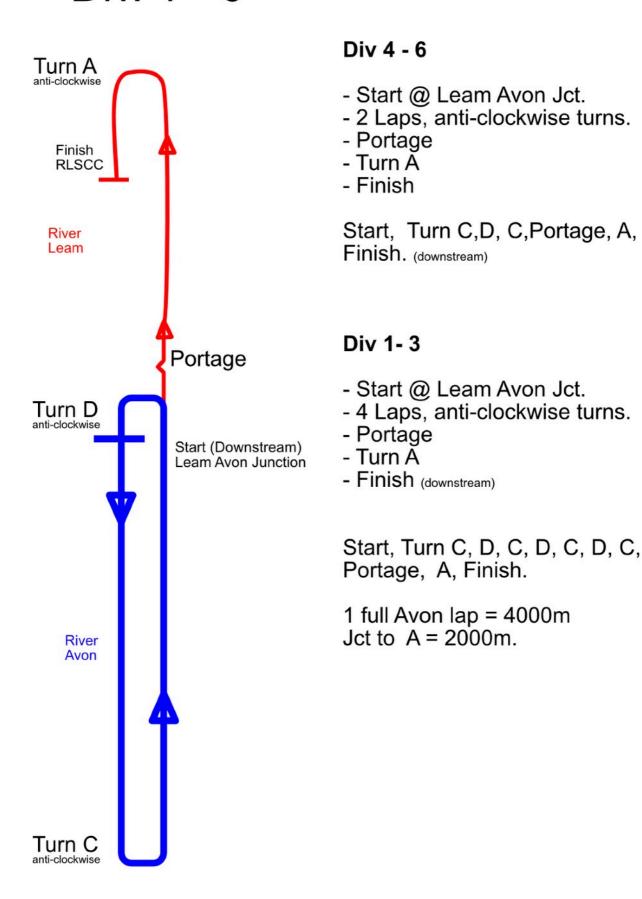
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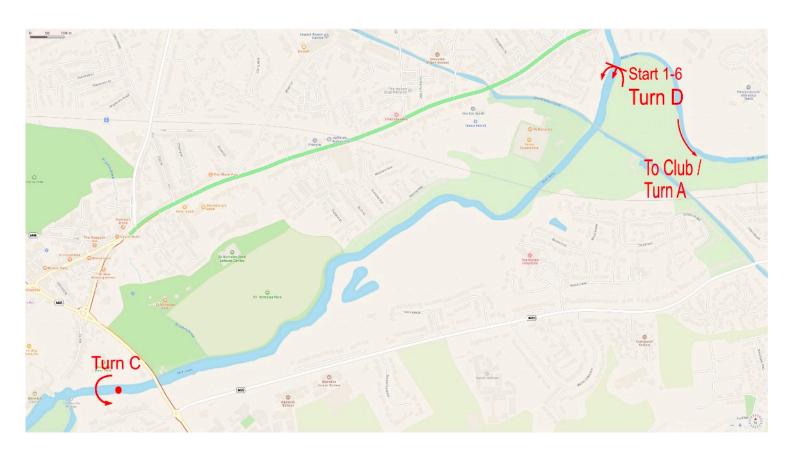
Start, Turn A,B, A,B, A, B, Finish

1 full lap = 2000m Start to A = 500m. A - B = 1000m.



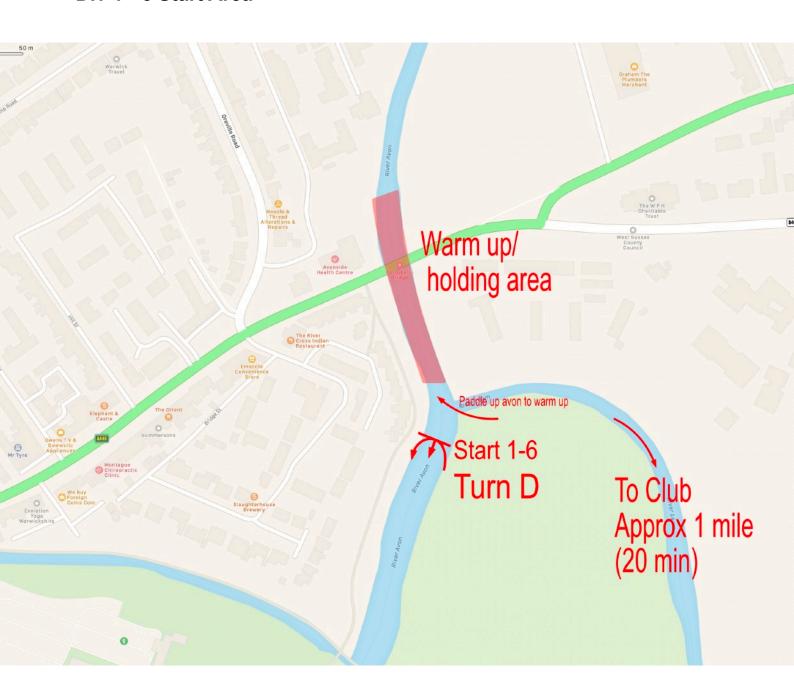
## Div. 1 - 6







Div 1 - 6 Start Area



## Satellite Maps

