



Hawkesbury Canoe Classic – General Information Sheet

A comprehensive outline of the event including maps and race book are available on the Hawkesbury Canoe Classic website: <https://www.canoeclassic.net/> www.canoeclassic.asn.au

To enter as part of the TAS HCC contingent:

- You need to express interest by the commencement of training, Term 3 each year. This will be done via a Google form, the link published in TAS talks.
- The minimum age is 15 years on the race day each year.
- You must commit to train for the event. Training allows you to develop teamwork with your partner and develop paddling stamina. It is highly recommended to attend all trainings.
- You can source your own boat or use one of the TAS craft

Boats available to hire from TAS are:

- 1 x Vortex racing double (always reserved for an experienced pair) [LREC]
- 1 x Elliott Vulcan long rec double kayak (fast, but suited to an experienced pair) [LREC2]
- 6 x Elliott Nomad double short sea kayaks [REC2]
- 12 x Mirage Sea Kayaks 730 [LREC2]
- 1 x Elliott Pulbah Raider (single paddler) [TK1]

- Final allocation of boats will not occur until approximately Week 5 of Term 3. Paddlers who have paddled before and train get first preference, followed in order by those who train regularly. Students followed by parent and child teams will be allocated boats before adult pairs.
- Training is on most Sundays in Term 3 at Malpas Dam. Students must have completed at least one night training session.
- Buoyancy vests, decks and paddles are supplied if needed
- You must be a competent swimmer, able to swim 100 metres fully clothed and/or tread water for 10 minutes fully clothed
- Complete the official Hawkesbury entry form online. Your canoe club is **TAS**._____
- You will need to pay by credit card or personal cheque before the final date specified by the Hawkesbury Committee or else there is a late entry fee.

- Don't tick the class until you have been allocated a boat. Your MIC Alasdair Hey will guide you toward what race class to enter.
- You also need to enter your landcrew online.
- If your parent(s) is prepared to landcrew, complete the **landcrew entry** as well as the online entry form. AJH is the landcrew leader.
- In addition to your entry fee all paddlers must raise a minimum sponsorship of \$200 per adult paddler and \$100 per junior paddler to be presented in on or before race day. We would like all paddlers to raise as much as they can for the leukaemia research and patient support services.

Sponsorship can be raised in the following ways:

- Donate the money yourself and get a receipt from the Hawkesbury Canoe Classic Association Incorporated which can be used as a tax deduction. Fill out credit card details on the form or use your receipt book.
- You could ask friends, relatives, work mates and businesses to sponsor you via the Hawkesbury Canoe Classic website or through your receipt book. This can be at a flat rate or on a per kilometre basis. You order receipt books for sponsorship on the entry form.
- Other costs are detailed on the TAS website.
- All paddlers will be charged a fee that covers Malpas Aquatic Association, insurance, catering at each Malpas training day, an information night for the paddler and their landcrew, and a presentation evening for the paddler and their landcrew.
- Parents can help by:
 - Landcrewing for training sessions and the event
 - Transporting paddlers and boats to and from training
 - Transporting boats to and during the event (4WD with roof racks and towbars needed)
 - Cooking food and preparing drinks when required.
 - Helping unload, load and secure boats at trainings.
 - Paddling with their sons and daughters at training or in the event.

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