



SENIOR DOUBLES (NON-STOP)

All Senior Doubles entrants must be 18 years of age or older on the 1st of January in the year of the Race.

This category will be timed continuously from Devizes to Westminster, irrespective of any stops. Competitors must pick a start time that lets them reach Teddington within the permitted tide windows, as shown below.

Timings Race time is in BST throughout the 2017 Race.

Competitors must start between 0700-2000 hours on Easter Saturday.

Crews should start before 1200 unless:

- (a) They are fast enough to reach the first tide at Teddington on the Sunday by starting after then.
- (b) They are too slow to reach the first Sunday tide at Teddington even if they start at the earliest opportunity on Saturday morning and aim therefore to catch a later tide.
- (c) Crews may stop anywhere along the course, provided they remain within 100m of the course – the clock will not stop. Should crews intend to halt for more than 10-15 minutes, they must notify Control of their intention, and notify Control again when they get back on the water. Beware of the cut-off times at Newbury and Dreadnought Reach.

Any crews planning to start between 1200 - 2000hrs on Easter Saturday must, without fail, inform the Chief Umpire of their plan to do so by the Wednesday preceding the race. This is so that a Race official is present to record their actual departure time. This information will not be shared with other crews. The Chief Umpire can be emailed at chiefumpire@dwrace.org.uk. You must receive a written confirmation from the Chief Umpire for your late start to be accepted. Competitors who fail to comply will be deemed to have scratched and will not be permitted to start.

The Organisers will not modify start windows to enable people to 'fit' DW into a multi-event endurance challenge.

Cut-off times for the canal section

In the interests of safety at the Westminster end of the course, there are now two 'cut.off' times on the canal section of the course:-

Newbury Wharf. Any crew who takes more than 10 hours to reach Newbury Wharf from Devizes will be excluded from the race and must leave the water by/at Aldermaston Checkpoint having informed Control or the checkpoint staff that they have done so.

Dreadnought Reach. Any crew who takes longer than 15.5 hours to reach Dreadnought Reach from Devizes will be excluded from the race and must leave the water by/at Marsh Checkpoint having informed Control or the checkpoint staff that they have done so.

Teddington Tide Windows

Crews arriving for the first tide on the Sunday may only pass through Teddington during a period starting 30 minutes before high water and ending 3 hours and 30 minutes after high water (06:00 – 10:00 BST in 2017). The tide window at Teddington for the Sunday evening tide will be 2 hours long. It will open 30 minutes before high water and close 1 hour and 30 minutes after high water (18:15 – 20:15 BST in 2017).

Crews arriving before or after these times will be required to wait for the next tide window and no time allowance will be given. **There will be no exceptions to this rule.** Crews arriving after the

In the event of retirement or emergency, call Race Control on 0207 620 0298

closure of the second tide window on Sunday must portage via the towpath to Thames Young Mariners, 750 metres downstream of Teddington Lock, and may only restart on Monday's morning tide as directed by the Starter.

Procedure at Westminster

The finish is on the right hand bank about 50 metres below Westminster Bridge. Crews should not stop paddling until they hear the finish signal; an air-horn, bell or whistle. Upon finishing crews should follow the instructions of the safety crews and disembark on the County Hall steps.

Compulsory equipment

See the "Compulsory Equipment" rules.

All crews are required to carry a GPS tracker, which will be supplied by DW. This will be fitted to one of the paddlers at Devizes and collected at Westminster. It must remain attached to the paddler for the duration of the race. If crews retire they must return the tracker to the nearest checkpoint. The tracker position is displayed on a publically accessible website.

Support restrictions apply in this class

See the "Supporters' Code of Conduct" rules.

Senior Race Trophies

1. THE DEVIZES - WESTMINSTER CHALLENGE CUP

Donated by A. E. Weibel, for the fastest senior crew.
Plus PLAQUES donated by Kirton Kayaks.

2. THE JIM CORNWELL SHIELD

Donated by Jim Cornwell, for the second fastest senior crew.
Plus PLAQUES donated by Kirton Kayaks.

3. THE STAN NEWELL SHIELD

Donated by Stan Newell, for the third fastest senior crew.
Plus PLAQUES by Kirton Kayaks.

5. THE DESIGNER TROPHY

Donated by Henry Ross, for the designer of the winning boat. Plus CERTIFICATE.

6. THE DEVIZES - WESTMINSTER TEAM TROPHY

Donated by the Lancashire Regiment, for the team of three crews registering the lowest aggregate time. (Team drawn from maximum of four nominated crews.) Plus CERTIFICATES.

7. THE PARACHUTE COMMANDOS TROPHY

Donated by the Parachute Commandos, Belgium, for the team in second place.
Plus CERTIFICATES.

8. CERTIFICATES

For the team taking third place.

9. THE DEVIZES - WESTMINSTER CIVILIAN TROPHY

Donated by F.J. Jennings, for the fastest civilian crew. Plus MEDALS.

10. THE DEVIZES-WESTMINSTER SERVICES TROPHY

Donated by The Royal Marines Canoe Club, for the fastest crew who are both serving members of HM.Armed Forces (Regular). Plus MEDALS.

11. THE DEVIZES-WESTMINSTER RESERVE TROPHY

Donated by the 10th Battalion Parachute Regiment (TA), for the fastest crew who are both members of the Reserve Forces. Open to RNR: RMFVR: R.AUX: A.F. and T.A.. Plus MEDALS.

12. THE VETERANS TROPHY

Donated by Dale Johnson, for the crew of the greatest total age who complete the course.
Plus MEDALS.

13. THE DEVIZES-WESTMINSTER SCOUT TROPHY

Donated by the Borough of Devizes, for the fastest Scout crew. Plus MEDALS.

14. THE ROGER CRANE MEMORIAL TROPHY

Donated by H.W. Crane, for the fastest Royal Navy Crew. Plus REPLICAS.

15. THE RAF TROPHY

Donated by the RAF Sports Board, for the fastest RAF crew.
Plus MEDALS donated by the RAF Canoe Association.

16. DEVIZES-WESTMINSTER CANADIAN TROPHY

Donated A.R.Beale and A.R. Beale Junior, for the fastest crew paddling a Canadian Canoe with single bladed paddles. Plus MEDALS.

17. THE LEE TROPHY

Donated by Dr M. A. Lee, for the fastest crew who are both veterans, i.e. over 35 years of age on the 1st January preceding the Race.

18. THE CPO W.R.TEMPLETON RN MEMORIAL TROPHY

Donated by Susan Templeton, for the fastest mixed crew.

18a. THE HIGHLAND QUAICH TROPHY

Donated by Mark Bragg and Susi Moessner of Integrate Paddling, for the second fastest mixed crew.

19. THE WOODPECKER CIDER LADIES ROSE BOWL

Donated by H.P. Bulmer Drinks Ltd., for the fastest ladies crew.

20. THE SIR JAMES AND LADY SWAFFIELD TROPHY

Presented to the support team of the fastest senior crew.

21. THE HASLAM TROPHY

Donated by the Metropolitan Police, for the fastest Police crew.

22. THE DEVIZES-WESTMINSTER ARMY TROPHY

Donated by the Army Support Control Board, for the fastest Army senior crew who are members of the Regular or Territorial Army.

23. THE OVERSEAS TROPHY

Donated by R. Meads, for the fastest crew not of British or Irish nationality who have visited the UK primarily to enter the Race.

24. THE ROYAL ENGINEERS TROPHY

Donated by the Corps of Royal Engineers, for the Services team of three crews registering the lowest aggregate time. Teams to be drawn from a maximum of four nominated crews. Open to HM Regular Forces and Reserve Forces teams from RNR: RMFVR: R Aux AF and TAVR.

25. THE SENIOR LADIES C2 TROPHY

Donated by Mobile Adventure, for the fastest canoe paddled by ladies.

27. THE GILLINGHAM TROPHY

Donated by Gillingham Canoe Club, for the fastest civilian team of three crews.

28. THE UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE TROPHY

Donated in memory of Frank Welch, for the fastest crew entered by a University or Universities. The trophy is intended to encourage universities to promote canoeing. The organisers will not recognise clubs that appear to exist solely on paper or which appear to have been set up solely for the purposes of winning this trophy. University Officer Training Corps and other relevant University Student Bodies remain eligible for this trophy.

29. BULMERS CIDER TROPHY

Donated by H.P. Bulmers Drinks Ltd, for the fastest ladies crew both aged over 35 years.

29a. THE FOLDING BOAT TROPHY

Presented by the Artist's Rifles Association for the crew of the fastest folding boat.