

Paddle VIC Marathon

2023 OCEANIA & PADDLE AUSTRALIA CANOE MARATHON & SUP CHAMPIONSHIPS



6-10 April 2023, Geelong, Victoria

Newsletter #9



Stand Up Paddle (SUP) Courses

The SUP Competition will consist of three (3) main events: Sprint, Technical and Long Distance. Competitors can choose to do one or more of the SUP events.

SUP Sprint Course

The SUP Sprint race is a straight-line course starting 200 meters upstream of the Geelong Canoe Club and finishing directly in front of the Geelong Canoe Club in a downstream direction.



SUP Long Distance Course

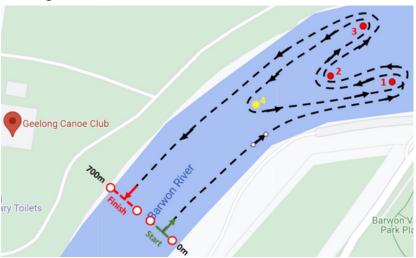
The SUP Long Distance race is a lap circuit course and will follow the marathon Long Course as described in Newsletter#8. The overall distance for the SUP Long Distance Course will depend on the paddlers age. There is NO portage.

SUP Competition Rules

Please refer to the International Canoe Federation Canoe Stand Up Paddle (SUP) Competition Rules (2023): https://www.canoeicf.com/sites/default/files/2023 icf competition rules sup final.pdf



The SUP Technical race consists of a number of left and right-hand turns as given in the diagram below, with a total distance of approximately 700m. Paddlers will start directly in front of the Geelong Canoe Club, head downstream to buoy 1 for a left-hand turn, then a right-hand turn around buoy 2, followed by a left-hand turn around buoy 3. Paddlers will then head towards buoy 4, before paddling back to buoys 1, 2 and then 3. Paddlers will then proceed upstream to the finish line located directly in front of the Geelong Canoe Club.



SUP Relay

The SUP Relay race is a five (5) lap circuit course and will follow the marathon Short Lap (approximately 1 km) as described in Newsletter#8. The overall distance for the SUP Relay is approximately 5km. There is NO portage. Two (2) to five (5) SUP paddlers make up the team (where a team member can do multiple legs, but not two legs in a row). Paddlers will start in the upstream direction. On completion of their lap, paddlers will tag (high-five) each other on the river near the start/finish line. Paddlers will finish in the downstream direction (noting the final lap will be slightly shorter than the others).



