

PADDLER UPDATE

February 2024

Ready-to-Race Clinic

Sunday, 25 February 2024, INCC Yarra Paddlers, Fairfield Park

PV Marathon is holding a Ready-to-Race Paddling Clinic for all age groups which will cover starts, turns and wash riding. The aim of the clinic is to build racing and paddling skills for paddlers of all abilities.



These skills will be of use to all paddlers, and especially to those planning on attending the Victorian Canoe Marathon Championships in March and the Paddle Australian Canoe Marathon Championships in April. All sessions will be led by qualified marathon coaches. Morning tea provided. Bring along something for a BBQ lunch. Paddlers are to provide their own gear, or make arrangements with PV Marathon beforehand to borrow equipment. Cost is \$20 (with \$5 discount for early bird).

Registration: https://www.webscorer.com/register?raceid=338375

Info: https://vic.paddle.org.au/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/2023/12/PVM 2024 R2R Clinic.pdf and https://www.facebook.com/PaddleVictoriaMarathon/events

VIC Canoe Marathon Championships

Saturday-Sunday, 2-3 March 2024, Geelong Canoe Club, Newtown

The course consists of multiple long laps (4 km each) followed by one short lap (1 km), with portage for ICF craft in designated classes.

With both general and ICF classes of kayak, canoe, para and SUP, it's great practice for Nationals. Singles on Saturday. Doubles on Sunday.



Early bird entries (\$5 discount) by 8pm Thursday 22 February 2024. Standard entries by 8pm on Thursday 29 February 2024. Late entries (extra \$20) by 12noon on Friday 1 March 2024. NO entries on the day.

Registration: https://www.webscorer.com/register?raceid=334948

Info: http://vic.paddle.org.au/wp-

content/uploads/sites/5/2024/02/2024 Race Flyer VIC Marathon Champs V2.pdf

Rules: ICF: https://www.canoeicf.com/rules

PA: https://paddle.org.au/paddlesports/canoe-marathon/#rules

Call for Race Volunteers

We are seeking volunteers for the 2024 Victorian Canoe Marathon Championships (2-3 March). Training will be provided.





Nationals

Registration for the 2024 Paddle Australia Canoe Marathon & SUP Championships at Encounter Lake, SA from 5-7 April is now open: https://www.webscorer.com/register?raceid=311358







Victorian Team Selection

- 1. Selection to the Victorian Canoe Marathon Team ("VIC Marathon Team") recognizes both the attainment of a standard of performance and the participation in marathon paddling in Victoria.
- 2. The selection event for the VIC Marathon Team to represent Victoria at the 2024 Paddle Australia Canoe Marathon & SUP Championships ("Nationals") in Encounter Lakes, SA from 5-7 April 2024, is the Victorian Canoe Marathon Championships ("VIC Champs") in Geelong on 2-3 March 2024.
- 3. You do not have to be selected to the VIC Marathon Team to participate at Nationals. Selection is a point of recognition only. It is not required for entry to Nationals.
- 4. The two fastest crews in each class, which meet the qualification criteria, are eligible for selection.
- 5. Each VIC Marathon Team member will receive a Paddle Victoria numbered cap.

For more information on the Qualification Criteria and the qualifying races go to: https://vic.paddle.org.au/sample-page/competition/marathon/ then the "Victorian Team" tab.

VIC Paddling Uniform

Singlet \$70; Shorts \$50; Long-sleeve Top \$75. Garments available to try on at events. Postage cost additional. To order email marathon@paddlevic.org.au.

Order and pay by 3 March for delivery in time for Nationals (a bulk order discount and PVM subsidy will apply to this order).



The **new long-sleeve** paddling top has the same graphic design as the singlet, with dark blue arms with VICTORIA printed in white. This sun-smart option is made from stretchy ultra lightweight UPF50+ poly lycra fabric.

Upcoming Races

Race Calendars, information flyers and registration links, are available on the PV Marathon website:

https://vic.paddle.org.au/sampl e-page/competition/marathon/ then go to "Calendar & Race Registrations";

or on Facebook events at: https://www.facebook.com/Pad dleVictoriaMarathon/events

Race Results

On the Paddle VIC Marathon website at:

https://vic.paddle.org.au/sampl e-page/competition/marathon/ then the "Results" tab;

or on Webscorer at: https://www.webscorer.com/CV Marathon

DATE/S	EVENT / RACE
25 Feb	PV Marathon Ready-to-Race Clinic, Fairfield Park
2-3 Mar	VIC Canoe Marathon Championships, Geelong
17 Mar	VIC School Marathon & Sprint Championships, <i>Nagambie</i>
24 Mar	Murray River Classic, <i>Yarrawonga</i>
5-7 Apr	2024 PA Canoe Marathon & SUP Championships, <i>Encounter Lakes, SA</i>
21 Apr	Yarra Doubles, Tay Creggan, Hawthorn
16 Jun	City Singles, Essendon
14 Jul	Team Pursuit, INCC Yarra Paddlers, Fairfield Park
17-18 Aug	Bendigo Cup & Ready-to-race Clinics, Bendigo
16-22 Sep	ICF Canoe Marathon Masters & World Championships, Metković, Croatia
12 Oct	Echuca Mini or Broken Creek Classic, <i>Echuca or Nathalia</i> , tbc
10 Nov	Salty TK & Rec Challenge, Footscray
16 Nov	Short Course Championship & Friendly Sprints, <i>Bendigo</i>
14-15 Dec	Murray Triple Crown & PVM Awards Night, <i>Yarrawonga-Cobram</i>







