



**2022 Paddle NSW Marathon Series  
Race 5 Windsor – The Orange Paddle for the SES  
Hosted By Windsor Paddlesports Club  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

**Race Location:** Macquarie Park, 1A Wilberforce Road, Freemans Reach.

**Entries:** Pre-race only, via JustGo. Early bird entries close on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022. All entries close on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

**Briefing:** This written briefing replaces the usual race briefing at the venue prior to the race.

**Race Start:** Division 7 and 20km SUP start **9:30 am**. Division 6 start **9:40 am**. Division 5 start **9:50am**. Division 1 start **10:00 am**, followed by Divisions 2-13 at **1-2 min** intervals thereafter. Numbers available from **8:30am**.

**Divisions 1 to 7:** 20 km

**Division 8:** 15 km

**Divisions 9 to 12:** 10 km

**Division 13:** 5 km

**Lifejackets:** Compulsory for all paddlers. Inflatable lifejackets are not permitted.

**COVID-19:** Please do not attend the event if you are unwell and display cold or flu-like symptoms.

**Results:** Will be posted on [www.webscorer.com](http://www.webscorer.com) shortly after the race.

**Parking:** Large grass area available for parking to the right of the driveway. Follow the road through the gates of Macquarie Park, past the Boathouse Café, children's playground and toilets. You will be directed into the parking area.

**Coffee and food:** There will be a coffee van available on site, but no club operated BBQ. Instead, we would like paddlers to support the Boathouse Cafe at Macquarie Park which was severely impacted by the recent floods. A flood level marker in the Cafe is worth seeing to appreciate the impact of the flood in the area. There are also a number of other Cafes in Windsor.

**Public toilets** are available at Macquarie Park.



### **Dress: The Orange Paddle**

Following the floods in the Hawkesbury in both 2021 and 2022 which had a significant impact on both the river and the local area, we as a club would like to encourage all paddlers to show the support of the paddling community for all the tireless work of the emergency crews and SES during these events not only in the Hawkesbury but around the country by wearing something orange and considering donating a gold coin to the SES when you collect your number.

### **Course**

Please take your boat down the ramp to the river. There is some damage to the path besides the ramp, please take care if using this path.

### **Lap distance 5 km anticlockwise course:**

Div 1 – 7 20km, 4 laps; Div 8 – 15km, 3 laps; Div 9 – 12 10km, 2 laps; Div 13 – 5km, 1 lap  
Warm up in the area downstream of the start and under the bridge. Please pay attention to those paddlers starting when you head out from the beach towards the warmup.

The aligner will call your start towards the start which is in line with the pontoon at the bottom of the ramp and demarcated by chequered black and white buoys. You may start anywhere in line with the chequered buoys and starter, you are not required to start between the two black and white buoys. Head up stream and follow the river as it turns to the right. Be aware that there are trees down in the water along the riverbanks. There will be pink separation buoys. Please keep these to your left. There are yellow markers indicating the three-buoy turn at the top of the course. Keep the yellow markers to your left. Head back down stream keeping the pink buoys on your left towards the Windsor Bridge where there is another yellow three buoy turn bringing you back towards the start/finish buoys (black and white chequered buoys). Please keep to the LEFT of the finish buoys UNLESS you are finishing and only go between these buoys when you intend to finish. Complete the number of laps required for your course and then finish between the black and white buoys on your last lap.

The portage will be on the beach area approximately 100m past the start/finish line. There is no portage on the first lap. The portage is only compulsory for division 1 paddlers. Other paddlers can elect to portage voluntarily.

**Safety boats:** There will be three safety boats on course.

**Tide:** Low tide 7.27am, High tide 12.45pm.



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Everyone at Windsor Paddlesports Club wishes all paddlers an enjoyable and successful day.