

MARATHON #3: THE MANDURAH CANALS RACE



SUMMARY:

A very interesting course that crosses the estuary at Mandurah and weaves in amongst the canal houses.

LOCATION:

Blue Manna Boat Hire, 13B Dolphin Drive, Mandurah, close to the harbour and beach-front cafes. Bring the family for a great day out !! Parking: Free at Blue Manna Boat Hire, 13B Dolphin Drive, Mandurah

COURSE DETAILS:

Long course 12.2km, short course approx 9.5km, directions as per map, Short Course turns at Point #4, Guppy Course a circuit nearer the start.

See map for details of course.

HAZARDS:

Complicated Course:

Turns in canals will all be policed by Turn Marshalls with Hi-Vis Vests on. Slower paddlers will go off first and fast paddlers last to keep everyone together. One boat will go ahead and point out key turn points. Second boat will come up behind.

Boat Traffic, Choppy Water:

The course is mainly in the canals but there could be large boats in the main channel [short sections of race] **COME IN YOUR OCEAN SKI UNLESS YOU ARE REALLY COMFORTABLE IN CHOPPY WATER.** It is recommended you wear your PFD if you are in your K1.

Canal Walls:

The locals say there is a step, below the water line, which will be good to stand on when getting back on, if you fall in [lets hope they are right]