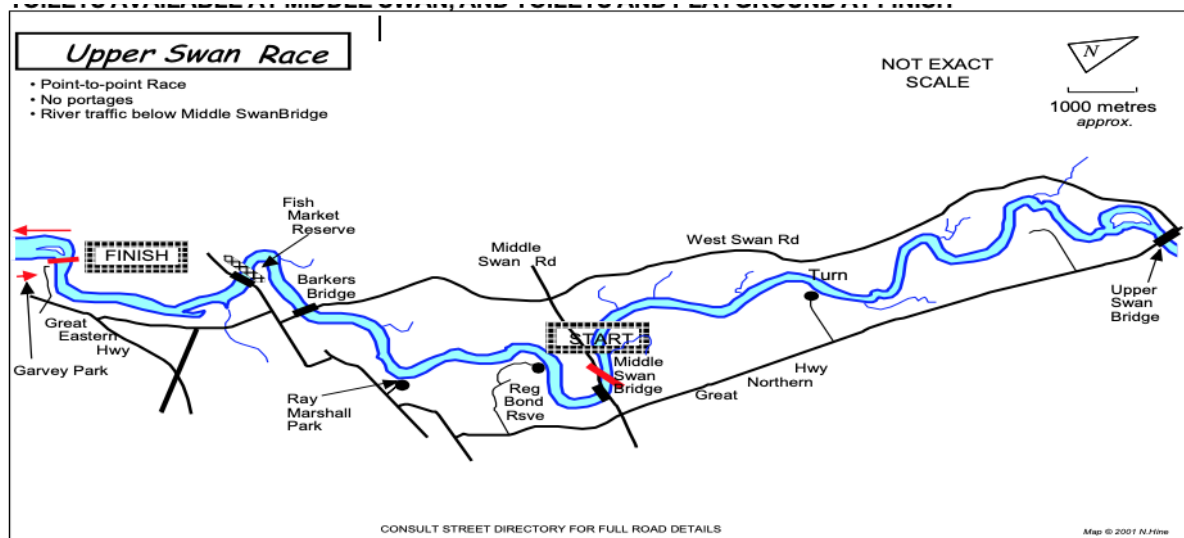


## MARATHON #7: THE UPPER SWAN RACE



### SUMMARY:

This is a long course for the last in the annual program prior to the Avon Descent. The race starts at Middle Swan Bridge [Reid Highway], it proceeds upstream for 5km to Barret St foot bridge. It then turns and runs downstream under Middle Swan Bridge, Barkers Bridge and Guildford Bridges. It then passes Ron Courtney Island and continues downstream under Tonkin Highway Bridge to the International Hotel on the Water. At that point, it turns to go back upstream and finish at Ascot Kayak Club.

### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

#### LONG COURSE 26km

- A. START at Middle Swan Reserve heading upstream to Barrett St Bridge.
- B. Anticlockwise around turning point then downstream to Middle Swan Bridge.
- C. 6.3 km to Barkers Bridge.
- D. 2.1 km to Guildford Road Bridge.
- E. 3.6 km to Ron Courtney Island. PASS ON THE RIGHT SIDE, and continue downstream, beyond Redcliffe Bridge, to the green spit post, near the International Hotel (old Jetty has been removed). Do not pass under Garratt Road Bridge.
- F. Turn anti-clockwise around the spit post then return to Garvey Park, with Ron Courtney Island on the left, to FINISH at the AKC jetty.

#### SHORT COURSE 13km

- A. START at Middle Swan Reserve heading downstream to Ascot
- B. 6.3 km to Barkers Bridge.
- C. 2.1 km to Guildford Road Bridge.
- D. 3.6 km to Ron Courtney Island. PASS ON THE RIGHT SIDE.
- E. Turn anti-clockwise around the island then return to Garvey Park, with Ron Courtney Island on the left, to FINISH at the AKC jetty. Do not pass under the Tonkin Highway

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A. START at Barkers Bridge heading downstream to Ascot

B. 2.1 km to Guildford Road Bridge.

C. 3.6 km to Ron Courtney Island. PASS ON THE RIGHT SIDE.

D. Continue on to the big orange buoy down near Katanning St boat ramp. Turn anti-clockwise around the buoy then return to Garvey Park, with Ron Courtney Island on the left to FINISH at the AKC jetty. Do not continue past the island

## NOTES:

Car Shuffle required

Entire course is flat and mostly deep, usually with very little wind.

Below Middle Swan Bridge, the river is wider, and some river traffic may be expected.

## SPECTATOR AND SUPPORT CREW VANTAGE POINTS

1. The start at Middle Swan Reserve, Middle Swan Rd, W.Swan.
2. End of Barrett Street, off Gr Northern Hwy.
3. Middle Swan Bridge, Middle Swan Rd, W.Swan.
4. Reg Bond Reserve, Bernley Drive, Viveash.
5. Sandy Beach Reserve
6. Ascot Kayak Club