

# YUKON RIVER QUEST

## **Newsletter June 2023**

Time is flying by leading up to race week! Here are some things for your 'To Do' List

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Coal Mine Campground boat corral in Carmacks. photo credit Harry Kern

#### **Order your Decals**

You may have noticed on the website that you can order fresh decals from your race. The ones you use on the boats will not come off nicely to take home as a memento. Please order them before it is too late (June 18).

#### **Sponsorship Bibs**

You may wish to ask your favourite local business to sponsor your boat. The business will receive your canvas bib(s) signed by your team for display at their business and recognition in our media publications and website. Register <u>Bib sponsors</u> here or on our website. The fees schedule is:

Single \$250.00 Tandem \$400.00 Voyageur \$700.00

#### **Final Payments**

Payments for the race and boat rentals are still due and can be paid through the website. Please complete those transactions as soon as possible!

#### **Team photos:**

Monday July 3 before or after your Racer briefing.

A photographer will be set up by the river for your team photos. Come to the briefing wearing what you want for your photos. These will be available later for purchase on-line. Be sure you give yourself enough time before the briefing as the briefing is **mandatory**!

Racer Briefing Monday July 3 - Yukon Visitor Information Centre theatre - 100 Hanson St.					
1:00 – 2:00	Support Crews 1 crew member per team, except 2 for voyageur				
2:15 – 3:15	SUP C2 C1 K2 K1 racers (43 teams, 88 racers)				
3:30 - 4:30	Voyageur and C4 racers (17 teams 105 racers)				

#### **Waivers**

The <u>racer waiver</u> is linked here. It can also be found on the Website under 'other racer information'. You will be required to sign the waiver at Final registration on Sunday July 2. There is a lot of detail in there. It would save you time if you read it before you come to registration.

#### **Gear Check at Final Registration**

The YRQ has a list of gear that is deemed mandatory to have in your boat for the entire length of the race. This is for every racer's personal safety and wellness. You must be cognizant of the fact this is a wilderness race. After an early high temperature spike this spring, weather has since been colder than usual. Highs of 12-14 C (54 - 59F). Lows of -6 to -2 (21-28 F).

All team teams will be required to sign off their gear checklist in confirmation that they are aware of all mandatory items required and they will have these items in their boat. This year, only new teams to the race are required to have their gear checked at final registration on Sunday July 2. This gives racers an opportunity to understand what and why these items are needed. You will see new teams are scheduled early in the registration period, so you have time to acquire items, if needed. Those teams missing gear will have until Monday at the mandatory briefing to obtain those items and get their race number decal for their boats.

THERE WILL BE RANDOM GEAR CHECKS ON RACE DAY. This applies to all experience levels. Teams will be assessed a <u>time penalty if not in compliance</u>.

#### **Great River Club**

Paddlers who have done the full race distance race 6 times, might be eligible. Seven trips, the full race length, mean paddlers have completed 5000 kms. Fourteen complete races is 10,000kms! Qualified paddlers will receive the honourable membership in the Great River Club. If you think you may qualify for that award this year let the Race Coordinator know.

### Final Registration Schedule - Sunday July 2, 2023 Shipyards Park, Whtehorse, YT

Time	Team Name	Class	Time	Team Name	Class
08:00	Watch Our Wake	C2	12:30	CAP Warriors	V8
08:10	Pangal Norte by Kilrich	C2			
08:20	Team Morris	C2	12:50	Maximum Capacity	C2
08:30	The Carcs	C4	13:00	Team Whoa	V8
08:45	Power Couple	K2			
			13:20	Spirit of the Yukon	C4
08:55	Stroke of Serendipity	K1			
09:00	Good Company	V6	13:30	Yster Sweden	SUP
			13:35	Golden Retriever	K1
			13:40	BC Questor	K1
09:20	Free Animal	C2	13:45	Stix Together	V8
09:30	Mix Match	C4			
			14:05	Tight Lines	C4
09:45	Aus Can Canoe	C2			
			14:15	Team Lootas	K1
09:55	14DaBOYZ	K1	14:20	RGP	SUP
10:00	Eagle	V6	14:25	Sonny	K1
			14:30	3-2-1 Go	V6
10:20	The Revenant	K2			
			14:50	matt@newwestdesign	C1
10:30	Usain Boat	C4	14:55	Rough Cut Diamond	K1
			15:00	Nauti & Nice	K1
			15:05	Airboard	SUP
10:45	Memento Mori	K1	15:10	Run from the Bear ye Dafty	K1
10:50	Paddle Hounds	C2	15:15	Planned Grit	C2

Time	Team Name	Class	15:20	Happy with the Flow	K1
11:00	CaCoCa	K1	15:25	Ts'Alvit	V6
11:05	Hugo GSWOPS	SUP			
11:10	The Waterman	K1			
11:15	Shut Up and Paddle	C1			
11:20	Oggy	SUP	15:45	Northwestel	C2
			15:50	Tippecanoe and TJ Too	C2
11:30	Hai Voltage Spreepaddler	K1			
11:35	Little Brown Kiwi	K1	16:00	Spirit of America	K2
11:40	Paddling Citizenship	K1	16:05	Yukiwis	K2
11:45	Golden Lake Crew	C2			
			16:15	Paddlers Abreast	V6
11:55	Broderson	C2			
	LUNCH				
			16:35	Wolves Don't Live by the Rules	C2
			16:40		
			16:45	Brad Pennington	K1

#### **Final Registration Process**



At registration you will receive a checklist of all the stations you need to visit. Once each step is completed the corresponding box will be initialed by the registration volunteer for that area. Once all the boxes are initialed, you take that to get your racers bag and boat decals. The more you prepare before registration the quicker you will be! Bring your GPS! Bring your credit card!

- Racer Waivers we will provide or you can bring your own, pre-signed for quick service!
- Rescue deposit \$1000/voyageur C4, \$500/all other boats
- Medical coverage highlight coverage for emergency evacuation
- Boat check/Rental payment for customised boats or confirm full payment for rental.
   Standard and rental boats don't require measuring.
- Tracker check <u>bring GPS</u> to verify function
- Gear check for new teams. Veterans sign waivers stating they have the required gear.
- Need YRQ provided Support Crew? pay \$75.00 to receive two (2) gear tags/person.
- Signing of sponsorship bib by all team members

Once completed, you receive your Racer Package for each team and boat decals (and extras if you ordered them.) YRQ Merch sales will also be at Registration.

Congratulations if you read this far! You are already winning!

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