

SECTION 23 – CANOE RACES. NEW EVENT FOR 2023.

Kangaroo Valley has, at least amongst paddlers, long been considered one of the best places to go canoeing in all of Australia. With over 50 kms of navigable flat water in Lake Yarrunga and countless kms of flowing rivers both into and out of the valley it's not hard to see why. It's time that Kangaroo Valley lay claim to the title: *Canoeing Capital of Australia*.

In order to cement that title Kangaroo Valley needs to crown a **Male KV Canoe Carry Champion** and **Female KV Canoe Carry Champion** of every canoe paddler's least-favourite part of the sport: *The Canoe Carry*. A title that will be hotly contested at the 2023 KV Show and for years to come.

This challenging event will see participants portage their canoe on their shoulders in a race around the Showground Oval. And the prize money is well worth the carry and the crown(s).

This new event for 2023 is sponsored by Paddle & Portage Canoes, who are based in Kangaroo Valley, and are Australia's largest importer and distributor of premium canoes. Some of the canoes used in this event are also provided courtesy of Southbound Adventures – one of Australia's top providers of outdoor education.

The Race

- Men's and women's races.
- Participants must be 18 years and over to enter.
- All participants must wear a wavier band to indicate that the waiver form has been completed and submitted.
- Each canoe will be carried by two (2) participants.
- Participants will carry on their shoulders Wenonah "Heron" canoes, which are 4.5 metres long and weigh approximately 27kgs.
- By a series of heats, this challenging event will see participants portage (carry) their canoes in a straight line in the Arena, until the final winning teams is victorious.

Event time

- Sat 18 Feb 2.30pm in the main Arena

Prizes

- Donated and sponsored by **PADDLE & PORTAGE CANOES**
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Class 23001 Female KV Canoe Carry Champion

Prizes: 1st: \$1000; 2nd: \$300; 3rd: \$150; 4th: \$50

Class 23002 Male KV Canoe Carry Champion

Prizes: 1st: \$1000; 2nd: \$300; 3rd: \$150; 4th: \$50



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