

Key Dates

Year	Event
1948	Race Origins - Note First rules state - Cup may be competed for by any canoeing team without restriction of age
1953	Junior Event Rules introduced to prevent non stop attempts
1957	The first K2 to finish the course (Gillie Howe).
1964	Life Jackets required
1968	The Waterside Series begins
1969	First International race - Up to 1969 entry restricted to those normally resident in the British Isles
1971	Bank Feeding allowed
1971	1st Mixed Crew – Unofficial
1975	1st Ladies Crew – Unofficial
1979	Official Course Record
1985	Singles Event
1988	Veteran Junior Class
2000	Race Abandoned Old Windsor - Unofficial Course Record
2001	Foot & Mouth Disease Prevents Race
2002	Senior Race Start moved to Saturday, Tide Window imposed at Teddington Endeavour Class Created
2003	Strong head winds
2008	Start switched to run the Canal at Night
2011	1000 mile club officially recognised
2016	Race Shortened to Teddington for 4 day race (High Winds)
2018	Additional Cut Off Times Imposed down the course from Newbury (10 Hours) to Shepperton (29:30), Survival Bag changed to Thermal Foil Blanket Race Abandoned Reading (High Flow)
2020	Coronavirus Prevents Race
2021	Coronavirus Prevents Race

Note there is no reference to sex in the original rules which as published in 1950 would have allowed female competitors.