

Race České Budějovice – Praha

The canoe & kayak race held on the river Vltava was one of the most famous water races of the 1920's. The race wound over many rapids and wiers on its way from České Budějovice to Prague. However once the dam cascades on Vltava were built the race had ended.

The time has come to renew this racing tradition—a new race following the same path as the historic race has come to life. The race will take place over three days and will constitute three distinct stages. The race is quite suitable for top competitors as well as for casual paddlers who desire to rise to the challenge and compete in this ultra-marathon. This unique race will provide the opportunity to strive for optimal athletic excellence as well as to discover the natural beauty of the Vltava.

Basic info

Dates: from August 12th to August 14th , 2011

Location : The Vltava River, České Budějovice / Zvíkov / Slapy / Praha

Race track : Main race 178 km
Short race 31,5 km

- 1.stage : České Budějovice - Zvíkov , distance : 75 km
- 2.stage : Zvíkov – Skalice , distance : 70 km
- 3.stage – Short race : Slapy – Praha , distance : 31,5 km

Entry fee :

- Main race – category : K1, C1 - 400 CZK , other boats - 700 CZK
- Short race – category : K1, C1 - 150 CZK , other boats - 300 CZK

Entry fee is paid in cash (CZK or EUR) at the time of presentation (on Friday, August 6 in the morning before start).

Category :

- men - K1, C1, C2,
- women - K1, K2, C1, C2
- K2 mix
- senior (men / women) - K1, K2, C1, C2, K2 mix
- junior (men / women) K1, K2, C1, C2
- C2 tourists (any type of canoe other than flat water C2)
- K2 tourists (any type of double kayak - width up to 55 cm)
- P5 (punt)
- Dragon boats

Registration :

Send your registration information by email : budejovicepraha@gmail.com

Time Schedule :

Friday

- 6:00 - 7:30 a.m. presentation and issuing of start numbers at start in České Budějovice
- 8:00 a.m. group start in České Budějovice
- 22:00 p.m. deadline for finish line in Zvíkov

Saturday

- 7:00 a.m. group start in Zvíkov
- 22:00 p.m. deadline for finish line in Skalice (Slapy)

Sunday

- 8:00 - 8:45 a.m. presentation and issuing of start numbers at start in Slapy (under the dam)
- 9:00 a.m. interval start (by time distance after 1.& 2. stage) in Slapy (under the dam)
- 9:30 a.m. group start rest of the field + group start of Short race
- 16:00 p.m. deadline for finish line in Praha – Braník
- After 16:00 p.m. prizes and clothing ceremony

Course info :

1.STAGE	mass start for all	river km	km of stage
START	České Budějovice	239,5	0
1.overrun	weir in České Vrbné	233,1	6,5
2.overrun	wier near the Hluboká castle	229,1	10,5
3.overrun	dam Hněvkovice	210,3	29
4.overrun	refreshment station weir in Hněvkovice	208	31,5
5.overrun	dam Kořensko	200,2	39,3
FINISH	Na Husárně	165	75

2.STAGE	mass start for all		
START	Na Husárně	165	0
1.přenáška	dam Orlík refreshment station	144,6	28
2.přenáška	dam Kamýk	134,7	39
CÍL	Skalice campsite	95	70

3.ETAPA	interval start (by time distance after 1.& 2. stage) 9:00 - 9.30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. mass start rest of the field + mass start of Short race		
paddle from Skalice campsite to dam Slapy and overrun			4km
START	under dam Slapy	91,7	0
1.overrun	dam Štěchovice	84,4	7
2.overrun	dam Vrané refreshment station	71,4	20
3. wier Modřany	boat could be taken across	62,2	29
FINISH	Praha - Braník	60,5	31,5

Further information:

- there are refreshment stations for competitors at the half and at the end of stages, carrying of baggage and accomodation between stages
- each participant must wear a lifejacket during the whole race
- Competitors participate at their own risk and must be able to swim. Organizer is not responsible for accidents or material damage, which may occur during the race.
- prize money for first 6 boats in overall classification and prizes for winners of categories

More information about race on <http://www.sportzbraslav.org/budejovicepraha/>