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100 Mile Canoe Test River Severn Itinerary

DAY ONE - Saturday 29th May 2010

Leighton Bridge/Welshpool to Montford Bridge 22.9 miles

Miles	Map Ref.	Place & Discription
0	237 070 SY21 8LG	LEIGHTON BRIDGE Over this first stretch the river is narrow with many twists & turns and can be overgrown in places. The old, broken Abbey Weir, with its small island below, creates a ripple but is not hazardous. The Breidden Hills appear right and later the Criggion Radio masts come into view, as the river twists and turns.
2.35	256 113	POOL QUAY CHECKPOINT 1 on left as the river bends to the right. Just before Pool Quay footbridge.
4.8	276 129	STONEY RAPID Red brick building appears right, left hand bend, rocks right, fast water under low trees left. Proceed with caution in low water.
9.8	298 170	LLANDRINIO BRIDGE CHECKPOINT 2 on left Take centre arch - small stoney ripple in low water. Haimwood Tower on left. <i>BACK UP TEAM Note: parking with trailers restricted, limited turning</i>
13	328 158	CONFLUENCE WITH RIVER VYRNWY enters left. Severn now passes into England and for a time becomes the border between England and Wales. Inn - Tontine Arms. Craft Centre.
13.1	330 158	CREW GREEN BRIDGE CHECKPOINT 3 on left Disused railway bridge converted to single track road bridge in 1962. Inn - Fir Tree Inn right .25 mile. Over this next stretch numerous clay humps become visible at normal level. HAYES ISLAND - left.
15.5	351 173	THE ROYAL HILL Riverside Inn with camping. Left.
18		ALBERBURY PRIORY - right MINISTRY OF DEFENCE TRAINING AREA - left. Caution
19.2	393 154	SHRAWARDINE ISLAND CHECKPOINT 4 on left Please note this checkpoint is on private property, there is no group access. RAILWAY BRIDGE - dismantled - abutments only.
21.5	429 144	MONTFORD ISLANDS Left of small islands, right of larger island. Preston Montford Field Study Centre right .25 mile.
22.9	430 152 SY4 1EB	MONTFORD BRIDGE A5 - 1992 - Road. Picnic site, toilets, car park right - Wingfield Arms Public House
		FINISH DAY ONE. (back up teams follow instructions)

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DAY FOUR - Tuesday 1st June 2010

Stourport to Worcester 14.4 miles

Miles Day	Miles Total	Map Ref.	Place & Discription
85.6		DY13 0AA	Stourport Boat Club Small canal basin immediately left below bridge Junction with Staffs & Worcester Canal & River Stour left. REDSTONE ROCK – Right – Site of Old Ferry.
87.2	1.6	821 693	LINCOMB LOCK CHECKPOINT 1 before lock Highest Lock on the River. Lock to left Weir off on right. Follow instructions from marshals
88.5	2.9		The Hampstall Inn on left. Site of old ferry.
	3.7		DICK BROOK - enters right. SHRAWLEY WOOD - right. Site of Lenchford Ferry.
92.2	6.6	821 633	HOLT LOCK Lock to left Weir off to right. - Follow instructions from marshals
			HOLT FLEET BRIDGE - 1827 - Road. CHECKPOINT 2 - No back up team access to check point use car park at pub r/h riverbank Joel Enterprise - Canoe supplies - access from left then over bridge. The Holtfleet & The Wharf - right and left. Site of Hawford Ferry.
	10		CONFLUENCE WITH RIVER SALWARPE - left. Camping - turn into Salwarpe - under road bridge.
96.5	10.9	836 593	BEVERE LOCK CHECKPOINT 3 – below weir Lock to right Weir to left. - Follow instructions from marshals Site of Camp Ferry. Camp House Inn - right. Site of Kepax Ferry.
98.8	13.2	14.4	WORCESTER HOLDING POINT - Racecourse left. Rowing Club – left.
100	14.4	846 546	Worcester Canoe Club – left. END OF TEST CONGRATULATIONS YOU HAVE COMPLETED 100 MILES!
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DAY TWO - Sunday 30th May 2010

Montford Bridge to Ironbridge 34.4 miles

Miles Day	Miles Total	Map Ref.	Place & Discription
22.9		430 152	MONTFORD BRIDGE Island - pass either side SY4 1EB
24.3	1.4	440 166	BROMLEYS FORGE - Confluence with River Perry. Caution River shallow left below confluence, fast water under trees right.
		443 164	BICKLEY COPPICE - Scout camp - right.
25.6	2.7	456 158	THE ISLE – ISLE GRANGE River now makes a large loop around the Isle. This is a particularly pretty stretch with large wooded estates.
31.4	8.5		Remains of boat house left, followed by Berwick House
32.3	9.4	467 137	RIVER HOUSE CHECKPOINT 1 Please note this checkpoint is on private property, there is no access. As the river starts to bend to the left the right.
33.5	10.6		SHROPSHIRE & WEST MIDLAND SHOWGROUND - Left
		492 129	SHREWSBURY
34.7	11.8	489 127	FRANKWELL, SHREWSBURY - 1979 - Access to town PORTHILL BRIDGE - 1922 - Foot. KINGSLAND TOLL BRIDGE 1881, road - The Crown Inn right. GREYFRIARS BRIDGE – 1879, Foot. CONFLUENCE WITH REA BROOK - right. ENGLISH BRIDGE 1927 - Road.
36.4	13.5		SHREWSBURY STATION BRIDGES - 1848 & 1903 - Rail. CASTLE WALK BRIDGE 1951 - Foot. DRUMMOND OUTDOOR - Canoe hire and supplies left.
36.8	13.9	501 130	SHREWSBURY WEIR CHECKPOINT 2 Follow Marshall Instructions Portage left and re-enter at canoe launching point. Avoid fish pass on right bank at all times, at it is an offence to disturb fish.
37	14.1		HOLYWELL OR GOFF ISLAND – pass left.
37.6	14.7	508 140	TELFORD WAY BRIDGE – 1964 – Road. CHECKPOINT 3 <i>on left before Island.</i>
38.8	15.9		PIMLEY ISLAND View of HAUGHMOND
39.1	16.2		A49 BYPASS BRIDGE – 1992 - Road.

NOTE for back up teams: Vehicle access to river at Shrewsbury Weir is very limited used in the past as lunch stop. Due to long portage, back up teams are advised to help with portage if needed, and then group move down river to a more accessible egress point.



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39.5	16.6		UFFINGTON - The Corbet Arms - left. River can be shallow in summer.
39.6	16.7		SECOND A49 BRIDGE
	17.1		Pylons over river
40.4	17.5	519 125	BELVEDERE RAILWAY BRIDGE - 1846
	18.1		PRESTON - Site of a good example of a fish weir, which was extended and was the last in operation in Shropshire. Water can be shallow here, pick way through stones.
41.6	18.7		A5/A49 BRIDGE 521 109
	19.3		EMSTREY ISLAND - pass left - right can be shallow in low water.
	20.5		CHILTERN ISLAND - pass left in low water.
43.6	20.7	541 093	ATCHAM CHECKPOINT 4 on left NEW BRIDGE 1927/29 - Road. OLD BRIDGE 1776. Now Footbridge. -Mytton & Mermaid Inn - left, shop left. Attingham Hall left. CRONKHILL ISLAND - normal passage right.
45.9	23	553 091	CONFLUENCE WITH RIVER TERN Tern enters left. Remains of lock wall into Tern visible. Over the next few hundred yards river becomes wider and shallower.
46.6	23.7	561 083	WROXETER ISLAND - Pass right Small islands and remains of Roman Ford
48.2	25.3	566 062	CONFLUENCE WITH COUND BROOK - Right. Island - right. Sandstone Cliff - left.
49	26.1	570 050	CHOLMODELY RIVERSIDE INN Island – pass right or left.
51.1	28.2	594 045	CRESSAGE BRIDGE - 1913 - Road. CHECKPOINT 5 Village, Inn – the Eagles - 0.5 mile. River flows through plain and meanders over sandy bed. View of the Wrekin and Leighton Hall.
56.2	33.3	644 044	BUILDWAS BRIDGE - rebuilt 1993 - Road. Buildwas Village left, ruins of Abbey right. Islands above and below bridge.
	33.9		Power Station - right. Old Power Station access bridge.
	34.2		New Power Station access bridge.
57.3	34.4	662 038 TF8 7BJ	ALBERT EDWARD BRIDGE - 1862 - Rail Ironbridge Rowing Club - left. END OF DAY TWO

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DAY THREE - Monday 31st May 2010

Ironbridge to Stourport 28.3 miles

Miles Day	Miles Total	Map Ref.	Place & Discription
57.3		TF8 7BJ	Start at Rowing Club
60.7		673 035	IRONBRIDGE - 1779 - Foot. The first iron bridge. The river has now entered the Ironbridge Gorge and the flow increases. Islands in the middle create riffles – normal passage in low water – left channel.
58.5	1.2	681 032	NEW JACKFIELD BRIDGE - 1994 - Road JACKFIELD RAPID – 200 yds downstream. Grade 2 rapids at normal level. Very fast and rapids washed out at highwater. Telford Canoe club - left. Inns left and right. CAUTION – 400 yds downstream of Jackfield Rapid and 100yds upstream of the Half Moon, due to land slippage there is debris on the bed of the river. The Half Moon Inn - right.
			WAR MEMORIAL BRIDGE - 1992 - Foot.
59.8	2.5	701 020	COALPORT Bottle kilns of Coalport pottery left. Left tar tunnel and Blists Hill Museum.
			COALPORT BRIDGE - 1818 - Road. The Woodbridge Inn right. CHECKPOINT 1 on right NEW BRIDGE – 1960s – Telford Sewage Treatment Plant.
	3.6		2 sets pylons over river
62.8	5.5	706 983	APLEY PARK BRIDGE – Private The river passes through the Apley Park Estate one of the prettiest stretches with wooded banks and sandstone cliffs – cave. CONFLUENCE WITH RIVER WORFE - left. HIGH ROCK - left.
66.9	9.6	719 926	BRIDGNORTH CHECKPOINT 2 on left Bridgnorth High Town appears on the right. Low town and base camp left. BRIDGNORTH BRIDGE - Take one of the right arches in low water. Island below left.
67.4	10.1	716 924	New By-Pass Bridge 1980s. QUATFORD - The Danery Inn - left.
	13.4		CONFLUENCE WITH THE MOR BROOK – Right. Cast Iron Bridge over Mor Brook which carried towpath. Severn Valley Railway runs alongside the river (right) BRIDGE – Carrying water from Chelmarsh Reservoir to water works.
72.3	15	747 865	HAMPTON LOADE CHECKPOINT 3 on left River and Rail Inn - Right. Operational Rope Ferry The Lion Inn - Few hundred yards downstream.
74	16.7	748 839	ALVELEY BRIDGE - 1936 - Foot. Alveley Country Park – left. Colliery Bridge.

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74.3	17		HIGHLEY – site of old ferry. The Ship Inn - right.
75.8	18.5		BORLE BROOK enters right. Bridge over Brook carried towpath.
77.2	19.9	765 801	ARLEY CHECKPOINT 4 Quay - left. Footbridge.
	20.5		VICTORIA BRIDGE - Carries Severn Valley Railway.
			WYRE FOREST - right.
			WATER EXTRACTION PLANT - left.
78.6	21.3	772 785	EYMORE RAPID Rapid left. Island centre. Pass left of island taking channel down main chute. Right too shallow in summertime. 200 yds below island - rock ledge with break on right hand side covered in high water.
	21.7		Water pipe bridge - TRIMPLEY
	22.9		Railway bridge – dismantled.
			DOWLES BROOK enters right.
80.9	23.6	787 754	BEWDLEY BRIDGE CHECKPOINT 5 on right Access right above and below bridge. Town right – shops, cafes, pubs, museums, etc. Rowing club - left above bridge. WYRE FOREST CANOE CLUB - left below bridge.
	24.4		NEW BY-PASS BRIDGE - Island under bridge channel left. BLACKSTONE ROCK
	27.5		GLADDER BROOK - The Gladder Brook enters right and marks the head of the navigation under the control of British Waterways. The river changes character becoming deeper, traffic increases and canoeists must be aware of powered craft.
85.6	28.3	808 710 DY13 0AA	STOURPORT BRIDGE - 1870 - Road. Access/egress - small canal basin immediately left below bridge. Junction with Staffs & Worcester Canal and River Stour left. Rowing Club - right. END OF DAY THREE

Back up teams: new road access to rowing club via Leisure Centre