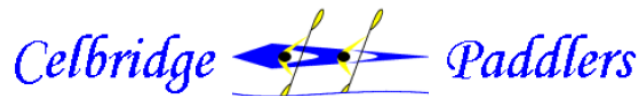


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### Wild Water Series: Castletown Rapids Race Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Castletown Rapids in Celbridge hosted the 1<sup>st</sup> of 11 rounds of the Wild Water 2024/2025 series. The sprint timed trials took place on the Liffey through the demesne. A beautiful sunny day with good enough water levels set the conditions for a good event. The series has four main divisions, K1 Wild water, C1, Wave Hoopers and GP's. Each participant took two sprint runs with the best time counting for their final positions. The season brings competitors to many of the challenging rivers across Ireland.

The outright winner in the K1 section was Salmon Leaps Odhran McNally, followed by Celbridge Paddlers Eavan O'Keeffe, and Conor Quin from WWKC in 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Kyra Flannery was 1<sup>st</sup> in Junior Women's Wave hopper section.

In the Junior Men's Wave hopper section, Naoise Heneghan came home 1<sup>st</sup>, with Callum Browne 2<sup>nd</sup>, a single second separating their best times and Aidan O'Donohoe finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Carol O'Donohoe won Women's Open singles with her daughter Megan winning the Junior Women's event.

Simon Hearn won the Junior Open singles, Sean Heneghan the Senior Men's Wave hopper category, Noel Flannery won Senior Men's Open singles followed home by Lukas Dziwirek in 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Next up for our kayakers will be the rapids and weir at the Canoe Centre in Palmerstown on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2024

A massive thank you to all our club volunteers, Neil, Carmel, Vincent, Eugene, Darren, Fergal on rescue, thank you all the club spectators and parents. We hope you enjoyed the sunshine, food and entertainment.





