



Weyerhaeuser



59th AuSable River Canoe Marathon

July 27, 28, 29, 30, 2006

Grayling to Oscoda • Michigan • USA



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OFFICIAL 2006 ENTRY PACKET

The official entry list is updated daily on our website at www.ausablecanoemarathon.org. Please visit the site to confirm that your entry has been received and to check your sprint time. Many interesting stories and notices also appear on the site.

PLEASE NOTE: All participants must check-in at race headquarters at the Grayling Mini Mall.

(A): For participants sprinting on Thursday, the check-in deadline is Thursday, July 27 at 3:00 p.m.

(B): For Friday sprint participants, the check-in deadline is Friday, July 28, 12:00 noon.

(C): Contestants who fail to check in by deadline will be assessed an additional fee of \$200.00 for late check-in and may be subject to additional penalty at the discretion of the committee.

(Please note that volunteers involved with the Weyerhaeuser Canoe Marathon typically have several assignments during race week. Your cooperation and consideration on the timeliness of your appearance for check-in, time trials, canoe inspection, paddlers dinner and the opening ceremony introductions will enable our volunteers the greatest opportunity to complete their assigned tasks.)

North America's Richest
Marathon Canoe Race!

OVER \$50,000
Cash & Prizes!

Expert Division Cash Purse

1st .....	.\$5000
2nd .....	.\$3500
3rd .....	.\$2500
4th .....	.\$2000
5th .....	.\$1500
6th .....	.\$1400
7th .....	.\$1300
8th .....	.\$1200
9th .....	.\$1100
10th .....	.\$1000
11th .....	.\$950
12th .....	.\$900
13th .....	.\$850
14th .....	.\$800
15th .....	.\$750
16th .....	.\$700
17th .....	.\$650
18th .....	.\$630
19th .....	.\$600
20th .....	.\$580
21st .....	.\$550
22nd .....	.\$530
23rd .....	.\$500
24th .....	.\$480
25th .....	.\$450
26th .....	.\$430
27th .....	.\$400
28th .....	.\$380
29th .....	.\$350
30th .....	.\$330
31st .....	.\$320
32nd .....	.\$310
33rd .....	.\$300
34th .....	.\$290
35th .....	.\$280
36th .....	.\$270
37th .....	.\$260
38th .....	.\$250
39th .....	.\$240
40th .....	.\$230
41st place and beyond:	\$750

total; not to exceed \$150 per team. Over \$8,000 in Finisher's Raffle Prizes, Awards and paddle-support materials will be presented to AuSable Marathon participants.

Amateur Division Prizes

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Unique awards will be presented to all amateur teams which complete the course within 19 hours!



59th AuSable River Canoe Marathon

“A FIFTY-EIGHT YEAR TRADITION”

The AuSable River Canoe Marathon is one of the most grueling sporting events ever conceived. Back in the mid-forties some folks said such a race could never succeed. In September 1947, the first AuSable Marathon was held. Forty-six teams started in Grayling and headed for Oscoda. Twenty-one hours and 3 minutes later the winners, Allen Carr and Delbert Case of Grayling beached their canoe at Oscoda.

During the early years Michigan canoeists dominated the race. Then in 1964 a Michigan-Minnesota team consisting of Raph Sawyer, Oscoda, and Irving (Buzz) Peterson of Coon Rapids, Minnesota placed first in 15 hours, 6 minutes in one of the few years the Marathon was run as a two-day event.

One of the most exciting races in the 58 year history of the Marathon occurred in 1979. Claude and Serge Corbin, brothers from Quebec, edged out Michigan natives John Baker and Ken Brown at the finish line by 6 seconds. The two teams were never more than 20 seconds apart during the race!

In 1988, Lynne Witte and Jim Myers shattered the mixed team record time paddling to a 4th place finish, the best Marathon mixed team finish ever (15:05:26).

In 1993, Jeff Kolka and Bill Torongo “burned it” from the start, leaving the others behind on the upper part of the river. They destroyed long-standing split time records, earning 2 point-to-point records as well. The 1994 Marathon saw several previous records fall:

- Serge Corbin and Solomon Carriere paddled to a new record with a time under 14 hours (13:58:08). The team also swept many of the point-to-point records set in 1993.
- A new pro women's record was set by Carrie Trudgeon and Connie Cannon (15:26:14).
- A new amateur record was set in 1994 by 15 year old, Mo Harwood and Matt Ashton with a time of 15:30:46 (breaking the 1986 record of Mike and Bob Bradford by 12 minutes).

In 1995, a new team of champions emerged when Jim Harwood (Grayling) and Patrick Lynch (Quebec) were victorious over previous champions Corbin and Carriere, who finished 3rd. Jeff Kolka and Bruce Barton placed 2nd.

Jeff Kolka (Grayling) tasted his 1st Marathon victory with partner Serge Corbin in 1996. The team finished an incredible 37+ minutes in front of the second team, earning many new split time records along the way. Jeff's win helped satisfy a long-standing family hunger for the Marathon trophy as a both he and his father (Jack Kolka, who paddled 22 Marathons!) each had placed 2nd several times. Corbin & Kolka returned as champions for events in 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 for an unprecedented eight years of consecutive victories.

In 2004 the winning streak was ended by the new champions Andrew Triebold of Spring Arbor, MI and Steve Lajoie of Mirabel, Quebec, who finished 13 seconds ahead of Jeff Kolka and Serge Corbin with a time of 14:59:46. A photo finish in 2005 had the team of Serge Corbin and Jeff Kolka at 14:56:11 only one second ahead of the team of Matt Rimer and Andy Triebold at 14:56:12. Jim Harwood and Allen Limberg finished 3rd with a time of 15:03:42. The first mixed team was Kate Ellis and Todd Ellison, both of Minnestoa, with a time of 15:54:37. The womens team of Connie Cannon and Amy Solak placed 26th with a time of 16:32:15.

Entry Packet/Dinner Tickets

Each entrant receives paddler support items during check-in at the race office including a competitor's shirt; river and road maps; tickets to the Paddlers Dinner Friday night in Grayling. Tickets for Sunday's Awards Banquet will be given to paddlers who attend Friday's Paddlers Dinner.

Mixed, Womens, Masters and Seniors Bonuses

Bonus money will be paid to the top 3 Mixed, Womens, Masters (both paddlers 40+) and Seniors (both paddlers 50+) expert teams to finish the 2006 Marathon: 1st \$250 • 2nd \$150 • 3rd \$100. A team with both paddlers 50 and over is a seniors team, and is not eligible for Masters team awards.

Finisher's Prizes

All expert and amateur paddlers who complete the course within 19 hours will qualify for the Finisher's Prizes and will also receive a unique finisher's award.

Break the Record Bonus

If the winning team in the Marathon breaks the current time of 13:58:08, the team will be awarded a \$1000 bonus.

Leader's Bonuses

Leader's bonuses totaling \$1,400 have been established. Fastest expert team point-to-point wins \$50, at each of fourteen official timing locations, fastest expert team split time wins \$50 at each of fourteen official timing locations. A team is not required to complete the Marathon to be eligible for these bonuses.

ENTRY

All 2006 Marathon entry applications and fees must be received in the race office no later than noon Monday, July 24, 2006. Fees are based on *post-marked dates for June 16th and June 30th deadlines, and payable in U.S. funds. Fees are based on date and time of receipt by race committee for July 21st and July 24th deadlines*, and payable in U.S. funds. To meet the deadline, the entry application must be completed and signed by at least one contestant. Both participants must sign the entry form by the race week check-in deadline. Teams are required to race as indicated on their entry form. **A change in team members will require a newly completed and signed entry application and will be subject to the new entry fee, based on the new date received. There will be no refund for entry withdrawals. The Marathon committee reserves the right to reject any entry.**

ENTRY FEES:	EXPERT	AMATEUR
Postmarked by Fri. June, 16th	\$90	\$70
Postmarked by Fri. June 30th	\$160	\$120
Received by 3 p.m. Fri. July 21st	\$225	\$165
Received by noon Mon. July, 24th	\$300	\$225
Entry Fees are "per team"		

An official entry application, a paddler profile form, and a copy of the preliminary race rules are enclosed with this information packet. Other information may be mailed to each participant upon receipt of the entry application by the race office. Participants/guardians will be required to sign release and insurance forms during contestant check-in (mandatory) prior to the event. Participants are encouraged to pick up their entry packets at the Marathon office as early as possible during race week. Pre-race check-in will be available beginning Friday, July 21st.

TIME TRIALS FOR MARATHON STARTING POSITION

Thursday, July 27, 5-8 p.m. and Friday, July 28, 2-5:45 p.m.

Sponsored by Scott McNamara Ford
Penrod's Canoe Livery, Grayling

Amateur and Expert division teams paddle a looped course to determine Marathon line-up positions for Saturday night's LeMans-style running start and order for Saturday's canoe inspection. (Fastest = best line-up position and first inspected.) One canoe will be released onto the course at each designated interval. Be sure to select your preferred sprint start time on the entry form.

NOTE: You do not have to use your Marathon canoe in the sprint; however, all canoes must meet specifications and may be measured prior to the sprint. An official measuring of your Marathon canoe is available Thursday and Friday afternoon at the time trials. **ALL** canoes must still pass at the official inspection on Saturday.

Teams which fail to participate in the sprint will be penalized for their Marathon starting position

The sprint course will be closed to ALL competitors

during the sprint event except those paddling at their designated time.

Violators subject to a 2 minute Sprint time penalty

Sprint course bouys will be placed at least 1 hour before the event each day. Competitors wishing to look over the course are encouraged to do so at that time.

ATTENTION MARATHON CONTESTANTS

ALL EXPERT AND AMATEUR MARATHON CONTESTANTS ARE REQUIRED TO:

- Check-in at Marathon race headquarters at Grayling Mini Mall. For participants sprinting on Thursday, the check-in deadline is Thursday, July 27th at 3:00 p.m. For Friday sprint participants, the check-in deadline is Friday, July 28th, 12:00 noon.
- Participate in the Thursday-Friday afternoon **time trials** for starting position at Penrod's Canoe Livery, Grayling.
- Be present for the pre-race **briefing** and qualifying canoe **inspection**, Saturday noon at Citizens Bank, Grayling.
- Be present for the **introduction** of Marathon paddlers at 7:30 p.m. Saturday night at Ray's Canoe Livery, Grayling.

*Teams which do not attend required events listed above are subject to penalty.
(See Marathon Race Rules)*

If a team withdraws prior to the Monday, July 24th deadline, and one of the team members enters with a new partner, a credit equal to 50% of the original entry fee will be applied to the new entry. If both of the original team members enter with new partners, a credit of 50% of the original entry fee will be applied to each of the new teams. The rule will be followed by the Marathon Committee without regard to which of the original team members paid the original fee. **This rule pertaining to partner changes is limited to one change per person.**

PADDLER SPONSORSHIP

Generally, competing teams are expected to recruit their own sponsors when competing in the Marathon. A limited number of \$100.00 paddler sponsorships will be made available by the volunteer organizing committee to teams which are unable to solicit their own sponsor. Priority is given to out-of-state teams.

Teams should request sponsorship assistance from the committee only as a last resort and only if they have NO other sponsors. If a team requests and accepts sponsorship support that has been arranged by the organizing committee, that is to be the only sponsor(s) for the team (or the team will forfeit the sponsorship support).

Requests by qualified teams for sponsorship assistance should be made to the organizing committee in writing as soon as possible:

Attention Racer Sponsorship
A.R.I.C.M. • P.O. Box 911 • Grayling, MI 49738

MARATHON COMPETITOR HOSPITALITY

Adequate camping facilities are available in the Grayling and Oscoda areas. Motel facilities are strictly limited; reservations should be made at the earliest opportunity. Contact the local area Chamber of Commerce for more information:

Oscoda: CVB • 4440 N. US-23 • Oscoda, MI 48750
1-800-235-4625

Grayling: Chamber of Commerce • City Park • Grayling, MI 49738
1-800-YES-8837

The Weyerhaeuser AuSable Marathon is held in conjunction with the "Grayling AuSable River Festival" and the Oscoda area "AuSable River Days" celebrations. A complete schedule of these festivities will be enclosed in entrant's packets.

All Marathon expert and amateur teams will receive two tickets during registration for the Paddlers Dinner (Friday evening at the Grayling Holiday Inn). Each paddler present at the Paddlers Dinner on Friday will receive one free ticket for Sunday's Awards Dinner in Oscoda, following the race. *Guests should purchase tickets to the dinners in advance; a limited number of tickets may be available at the door.*

**Sponsored by the Grayling Knights of Columbus
MARATHON PADDLERS AND SPECIAL OLYMPIANS**

It's a Marathon Tradition!

Sign up through the Marathon race office

Awards await each Special Olympian participating with a Marathon paddler on a brief, looped river course.

Be a part of the fun!

Friday, July 28th



SPECIAL OLYMPICS

*Let me win
But if I cannot win
Let me be brave
in my attempt*

10% of all race entry fees will be donated to:

MICHIGAN SPECIAL OLYMPICS

NORTH AMERICAN MARATHON CANOE RACING CHAMPIONSHIP EXPERT SPECIFICATIONS

1. Maximum length of the hull shall be 18'-6" (eighteen feet, six inches)
2. Minimum heights, measured from the 3" waterline:
15" bow - 10" center - 10" stern
The minimum-height gunwale line shall form a continuous, smooth arch-curve.
3. Minimum width:
33" (thirty-three inches) on the top, at the gunwale line
27" wide at the 3" waterline or 3" of draft
4. The points at which the 33" minimum top-width measurement and the 27" minimum waterline-width measurement are taken may be divided up to 14" maximum.
5. The 33" minimum top-width and the 27" minimum waterline width may be measured a maximum of 14" fore or aft of the center of the canoe.
6. The cross-section(s) of the hull at the location(s) of the 33" minimum top-width and the 27" minimum waterline-width shall have no more than 1/4" (one quarter inch) concavity between the 3" waterline and the gunwale line of the hull.
7. No concave curve(s) are allowed under the 3" waterline. The imperfections from repairs will be tolerated but will have to be very minimal to conform to the regulations.
8. All of the measurements will be verified on the exterior of the hull.
Gunwales, sponsons and keels shall not be included in the measurement whether added to the hull or built into the hull.
9. Manual (non-electric) foot pump may be used as a bailing device.

WEYERHAEUSER - PRIMARY SPONSOR

Weyerhaeuser Structurwood Mill of Grayling is the primary sponsor of the AuSable River Canoe Marathon for the 16th year. Weyerhaeuser is a vital part of Northern Michigan's forest industry and supports the community through events that contribute to progressive growth while protecting the environment and beauty of the area.

Together, Weyerhaeuser and the Marathon work to promote and expand the sport of canoe racing, generate positive public exposure of the AuSable River Valley and increase public awareness of this unique natural resource while helping to protect it for future generations.

For additional information about the 2006



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write to:

Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon
P.O. Box 911 • Grayling, MI 49738
or phone: (989) 348-4425 or 1-800-YES-8837

AMATEUR DIVISION CANOE SPECIFICATIONS

1. Cruising canoes of maximum length 18'-6" (eighteen feet, six inches).
2. Width not less than .14375 times the length of the canoe in inches, measured at a 4 inch water line.
3. Minimum bow height = 15-1/2".
4. Maximum stern height = 11-1/2".
5. Minimum depth = 11-1/2 inches inside.
6. Manual (non-electric) foot pump may be used as a bailing device.

FINDING YOUR OWN SPONSORS

When speaking to a prospective sponsor for your team, inform them they will receive the following exposure during race month.

1. All sponsors listed on early registration forms (up to two) will be published in the 15,000 edition of the newspaper race insert.
2. Sponsors for each team will be announced at the Time Trials.
3. Sponsors for each team will be announced at the Paddlers Dinner.
4. Sponsors for each team will be announced during the opening program.
5. Sponsors will also be announced at the finish line and Awards Banquet.
6. If you have secured your own sponsorship, there is a vendor in Grayling that can supply you with sponsorship lettering for your canoe.

It is safe to say that tens of thousands of Marathon fans will hear or read your sponsor's names over the course of the event.

MARATHON SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

Safety of paddlers is a prime concern during this grueling, 14-19 hour overnight race along the 120+ mile course of the AuSable River. Beginning at 9:00 p.m. Saturday in Grayling with a LeMans start, the narrow twisting upper stretches are paddled in darkness. Several hours later are the backwater ponds and six hydro-electric dam portages before reaching the finish line at Oscoda between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Sunday.

This race is challenging and should be attempted by only those who are conditioned, experienced paddlers. Paddlers will need a knowledge of the river, a light source for night paddling and support teams to provide food and fluids. Please make arrangements for your feeders well in advance. The race committee is not responsible for providing feeders. **A designated support team captain, two life jackets, two USCG approved signaling devices, and three USCG approved aerial flares are mandatory. All required equipment must be in the canoe at the official inspection on Saturday afternoon.**

Several cut-off points as outlined in the race rules have been established. Paddlers unable to reach a given point within a maximum time limit will be disqualified, and asked by the race committee to leave the river.

Protocols established for the sake of the safety include race officials stationed along the course with portable communication equipment to alert emergency personnel if necessary.

*** See Race Rules ***

RESPECT AND SHARE THE AuSABLE

The AuSable River is both one of the finest canoeing streams and one of the finest trout streams in the eastern United States. The upper river, from Grayling to below Wakeley Bridge, is heavily used by wading fishermen. Fishermen are also found in smaller numbers on any section of the river below Wakeley Bridge (and all the way to Oscoda) that is shallow enough to wade. From late May until and after the Marathon, wading fishermen will be out after dark.

When making practice runs on the AuSable for the Marathon or the Challenge Events please practice common courtesy and respect nature. Let wading fishermen know that you are approaching, pass quietly and disturb the fishing as little as possible. If you ask them they will generally let you know where they'd like you to pass (usually behind them).

When practicing at night, use a white or red light to let fishermen know you're coming. Contact one of the local fishing shops to find when during the day or evening fishing traffic will be heavy and plan your run around the busy period (this time will change through the season).

Log jams and "sweepers" (the cedars coming out low over the river) are important parts of the AuSable River ecosystem. Trimming of these natural structures is illegal and gives the river unnaturally clean, straight flow that inhibits plant, insect and trout growth.

Please join in courteously sharing and helping to protect and preserve this special river so that future generations may enjoy it as well!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

CONTESTANTS' CHECK-IN
WEYERHAEUSER MARATHON OFFICE-GRAYLING MINI-MALL
Friday, July 21st through noon Friday, July 28th
• Registration for all races; pick up entry packet
• Check-in for the Marathon closes at noon Friday, July 28th

- THURSDAY, JULY 27 • GRAYLING -
GRAYLING AREA BUSINESS RELAY CANOE RACES
Penrod's Canoe Livery, begin at 4:30 p.m.
C-1 Race - Sponsored by Springs
Weyerhaeuser Marathon Expert & Amateur Division
Time Trials for Starting Position
Sponsored by Scott McNamara Ford
Penrod's Canoe Livery - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Official measuring of canoes is available during the time trials.

- FRIDAY, JULY 28 • GRAYLING -
Weyerhaeuser Marathon Expert & Amateur Division
Time Trials for Starting Position
Sponsored by Scott McNamara Ford
Penrod's Canoe Livery - 2:00 - 5:45 p.m.
Official measuring of canoes is available during the time trials.

15TH ANNUAL SPECIAL OLYMPICS CHALLENGE
Penrod's Canoe Livery - approximately 4:30 p.m.
Special Olympics paddlers team with Marathon racers Sponsored by Grayling Knights of Columbus

PADDLERS DINNER
Holiday Inn of Grayling - 6:30 p.m.
• Meet the Paddlers; Special Olympics Awards
• Free tickets to Marathon Paddlers - Additional tickets available

- SATURDAY, JULY 29 • GRAYLING -
OFFICIAL MARATHON PADDLERS' PRE-RACE BRIEFING &
OFFICIAL MARATHON QUALIFYING CANOE INSPECTION
Citizens Bank - 12:00 noon
(Alternate "rain location" - Grayling Middle School gym)
The following events are at Ray's Canoe Livery Grayling
Saturday, July 29th

Pre-Marathon Entertainment Programs - Begins at 6:00 p.m.
Introduction of Marathon Paddlers - 7:30 p.m.

\$50,00 Weyerhaeuser Marathon 59th Race Start - 9:00 p.m.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS • JULY 28TH & 29TH - OSCODA
Hospitality Tent
AuSable Inn at the Marathon Finish Line - Friday & Saturday night
Food, Dancing & Refreshments

- SUNDAY, JULY 30 • OSCODA -
Pre-Finish Program
Mill Street Bridge - 10:30 a.m. - Entertainment, Food & Booths
Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon Finish
Mill Street Bridge, teams arriving approximately 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Awards Banquet - American Legion Oscoda - Dinner 5:00 p.m.
Marathon paddlers who attend the Paddler's Dinner in Grayling on Friday, receive a free ticket - additional tickets available

- MONDAY, JULY 31 • OSCODA -
Paddler's Breakfast - AuSable Inn - Oscoda

Paddler Profile - please complete/update (attach additional paper if needed)

The information requested here will be forwarded to the media in conjunction with your appearance at the Marathon

Name _____

Member: MCRA NYCRA USCA ACA

How many times have you raced the Marathon? _____

Best finish: _____ Most recent year entered: _____

What attracted you to the Marathon? _____

Please list other racing achievements: _____

Please tell us how and why you got started in canoe racing: _____

Please list other athletic achievements and interests: _____

Please give details of other members of your family involved in canoe racing, if any: _____

What is your occupation? _____

Please provide complete *names, addresses, and phone numbers* for your hometown area *newspapers, television, and radio stations* - (attach additional sheet if necessary):

Please list any TV stations that broadcast into your area:

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Please list any TV stations that broadcast into your area:

All entrants please read and sign below:

The undersigned recognize that injury and illness sometime occur to participants in competitive athletic events and herewith advise the AuSable River International Canoe Marathon (ARICM) committee that they are aware of all the factors with which they must comply to safely participate in this event. The undersigned are also aware that ARICM has no control over the weather, race conditions or the participants' conduct during the Marathon and accompanying events. By their application, the undersigned voluntarily assumes all of the risks of injury or illness that they, or either of them, may sustain as a result of participating in the Marathon and accompanying events.

Accordingly, the undersigned waive any and all rights to claims against ARICM and/or Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon officers, committee members, sponsoring organizations and their employees, both jointly and severally, and hereby release and hold harmless said persons and organizations for any and all liability for injuries or illness you may suffer as the result of participating in the AuSable River Canoe Marathon.

A U.S. tax form 1099 will be filed for individuals winning over \$600 in awards. Out of country paddlers winning over \$600 in awards may be subject to U.S. federal tax withholding. (taxes on these awards may be offset by tax deductions for paddling expenses.) If my social security number is not on file in the Marathon office, I agree to provide my number during the check-in process.

Participants' minimum age requirement is 15 years. Contestants under 18 years of age must have this waiver signed by themselves and their parent or guardian.

We have received and read a copy of the rules for 2006.

Team Member #1

Competitor (sign) _____

Witness (sign) _____ date _____

Witness (print name) _____ date _____

Guardian (print name) _____

Guardian (sign) _____ date _____

Guardian area code/telephone # _____

Team Member #2

Competitor (sign) _____

Witness (sign) _____ date _____

Witness (print name) _____ date _____

Guardian (print name) _____

Guardian (sign) _____ date _____

Guardian area code/telephone # _____

Please submit photo(s) (black & white, close-up and clear) of your team, if available. The Marathon office maintains photo files for media use and would like to include yours.

Before returning this application, please check to be sure the following is complete:

- all entry information requested on front and back of this form
- paddler profile; **each** team member (complete or update)
- 1st and 2nd choices for sprint time
- support crew captain information (name, address, phone number)
- signatures - by at least one team member (and guardian if appropriate)
- provide names of two team sponsors (if applicable)
- entry fee



Entry Fees

	expert	amateur
Postmarked by Fri., June 16th	\$90	\$70
Postmarked by Fri., June 30th	\$160	\$120
Received by 3 p.m. Fri., July 21st*	\$225	\$165
Received by noon Mon., July 24th*	\$300	\$225

* Completed entries may be presented in person at the Marathon Office in the Grayling Mini-Mall before the deadline on these two dates

10% of all Marathon entry fees are donated to Michigan Special Olympics

Mail completed entry application with check or money order made payable in U.S. funds to AuSable River Canoe Marathon to:

ARICM
P.O. Box 911
Grayling, MI 49738

For more information call:
989-348-4425 • 800-YES-8837

Time trials for starting position - sprints will be held at approximately five minute intervals on Thursday, July 27th, 5-8 p.m. and Friday, July 28th, 2-5:45 p.m. **Please request a first and second choice for your sprint time:**

circle one

1. time: _____ day: Thursday / Friday

2. time: _____ day: Thursday / Friday

NOTE: The time trials course is **CLOSED** to **ALL** competitors **during the time trials event** except those paddling at their designated sprint time. Violators are subject to a 2 minute sprint time penalty.

Support crew captain - a team support crew captain is required and must be present with their team at the Official Pre-race Briefing.

Captain's Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Area Code/Telephone #: _____

Sponsors - list your two (2) primary team sponsors. These sponsors will be listed in Marathon publicity (**list two maximum**):

1. _____

2. _____

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Grayling to Oscoda - Michigan

Official Entry Application

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY & Complete entire application. Incomplete or illegible applications may be rejected.

We desire to enter the 2006 Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon and agree to abide by the rules of the race.

Team Member #1

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip _____

Area Code/Telephone #: _____

T-shirt size: _____ Age: _____ Gender: M F

E-mail address: _____

Team Member #2

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip _____

Area Code/Telephone #: _____

T-shirt size: _____ Age: _____ Gender: M F

E-mail address: _____

Check class entered:

- Amateur
- Expert

Canoe number:

Canoe Numbers - In an effort to assist race officials and spectators in identifying teams, especially during night paddling, uniform system of canoe numbers was established in 2002. The numbers will consist of a single sheet applied to each side of the canoe and on the bow. The design of the sheets will include the Weyerhaeuser logo, and made of a size which will be applied directly over any number currently on your canoe. The material will be designed for easy removal after the Marathon. Expert teams **must** use a two digit number from 00 to 99. Amateur teams **must** use a three digit number from 100 to 199. Teams entering by the first deadline may request a specific number. Every effort will be made to accommodate such requests, however, assignment of the requested number cannot be guaranteed. Therefore, teams should not print shirts or other fan support items until their canoe number has been verified by the Marathon committee. Teams entering after the first deadline will be assigned a canoe number by the Marathon committee.