



MCC's 50th Anniversary:

50 PADDLE CHALLENGE

Celebrate 50 years on the water – by paddling it!
Fifty unique journeys. One unforgettable milestone.

To mark our 50th anniversary, we're inviting club members to take part in our 50 Paddle Challenge – a year-long celebration of our love for paddling. From July 2025 to July 2026, we're aiming to record 50 unique paddle trips from our members – one trip per person, anywhere in the UK or the world. Whether it's a quiet local stretch or an overseas adventure, we want your story on the water!

Your paddle trip must be original – no duplicates! If someone else has already submitted the same route, it won't count, so get out there early and find something fresh. The chosen 50 paddles will be collated into a commemorative book for the occasion, and displayed at our Half Century Social in the Summer of 2026.



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Submission Rules

- Only one submission per member for the entire challenge.
- Each paddle trip must be unique. Different sections of the same river, lake, or coastline are allowed, as long as they do not significantly overlap.
For example, paddling one stretch of the Thames from Marlow to Henley is distinct from another member paddling Henley to Reading. However, two paddles covering the same section, even in reverse, will count as duplicates - and only the first submitted will be accepted!
- Paddle must take place between 1st July 2025 and 30th June 2026.
- Submissions open from 1st July 2025 – don't send them in before!
- All paddling craft welcome – kayak, canoe, SUP, marathon boat, etc.
- Trips can be based in the UK or abroad.
- Each submission must include:
 - Location and description of the route
 - Type of craft used
 - Date of the trip
 - At least one clear photograph taken during the paddle
- Group paddles are allowed, but only one person can submit a given trip – coordinate with your fellow paddlers!
- Submissions will be checked for duplication, dates, and eligibility.
- Safety first! We expect all trips to follow relevant water safety guidelines and club values.





50 Paddle Challenge Submission Form

**TELL US ABOUT
YOUR PADDLE!**



Member name (and names of other members involved):

Date of paddle (DD-MM-YYYY):

Craft(s) used - e.g. sea kayak / stand up paddleboard

Location & route description + any highlights/additional details (max 200 words):



Please attach photographic evidence when you send your above response to media@marlowcc.org.uk.

