

The Sharks



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Hemel Hempstead Canoe Club lift Shark League Trophy

Hemel Hempstead Canoe Club have won the inaugural Shark Marafun Summer League trophy in a very tight contest, which saw them hold off a late challenge from Herts Young Mariners, who were only two points behind at the finish.

The races have been taking place on the Grand Union Canal at Harefield in West London on Tuesday evenings. As well as winning the championship, Hemel paddlers also took a number of individual prizes. David Power, winning the senior 6.4 mile, his fastest time of the season was 53 minutes and 31 seconds and is a course record. James Prowse was the fastest J18 in both the 6.4 mile (65:26) and the 3.5 mile (33:31). Fryer and Fryer, a father and son team, were the winners of the Canadian Doubles paddling the 6.4 miles in 54:53. Sue Prowse took first Lady in the 3.5 mile (34:30) whilst Mathew Prowse was the fastest J14 to paddles the 3.5 miles in 33:31.

Other members of the Hemel team included, all of whom were senior paddlers in the 6.4 mile race: Alan Farrance (57:21), John Huston (58:30), Chris Carter (59:00), John Bennett (60:07), Bob Pearce (64:03) and Andy Potter (65:08).

Before next seasons defence of the championship, Hemel will be competing in the Winter League, on Saturday mornings (second Saturday of the month). For more information visit www.thesharks.org.uk, To join the Hemel team for next season, you don't need be able to canoe as the Club will teach you, visit the Hemel Canoe Club site at: www.hhcanoeclub.com.

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Picture attached, James Prowse, Alan Farrance and Mathew Prowse collect the Trophy form Hillingdon Councillor Henry Higgins, Cabinet member for Sport, Leisure and Culture