



Three Mount Isa canoeists set high standards in the inaugural Katherine River 100km Canoe Marathon recently.

Jim Wright, Gary Pickering and Ron Snow took advantage of the locals' lack of marathon knowledge and generally unsuitable canoe designs.

The two-day race, which raised \$4000 and was organised by the Red Cross, attracted about 60 paddlers from Darwin, Alice Springs, Katherine and Mount Isa.

Gary Pickering, racing a TK1, put a huge gap in the field when he completed the course in seven hours 45 minutes, taking out the honors and fastest time for the race.

Jim Wright and Ron Snow paddled the second fastest time of eight hours and 33 minutes to win the Canadian class.

Pictured (left to right) are: Jim Wright, Gary Pickering and Ron Snow.

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