

1st Annual Wildcat Glades Cardboard Boat Race

Saturday, July 18, 2009 - Races begin at 12:00 PM

Registration: Completed registration form and \$25 entry fee (non-refundable) must be received by Wildcat Glades Conservation & Audubon Center by 5:00 PM, Monday, July 6, 2009
(201 West Riviera Drive, Ste A, Joplin, MO 64804)

- **Allowable Materials - CORRUGATED CARDBOARD ONLY – NO EXCEPTIONS**
 - Boats failing to comply with construction rules will be disqualified
 - “Ice Pick” test may be used to verify compliance to cardboard only rule
 - Any thickness of cardboard
 - Cardboard carpet tubes or rolled cardboard
 - Duct tape may only be used at seams and stress points
 - Oars, paddles or steering devices may be of materials other than cardboard (wood, plastic, etc)
 - Water based one-part paint
 - Elmer’s White or Wood Glue (or equivalent)
 - Liquid Nails
- **Banned Materials**
 - NO wood, metal or plastic materials (other than oars, paddles or steering devices)
 - NO cardboard materials that have been waxed, waterproofed, sealed, reinforced or other wise treated in the manufacturing process
 - NO substance harmful to the environment
 - NO Two part paints (requiring hardener or catalyst, i.e.: no epoxy glue, resins or some varnishes)
 - NO Silicon, caulks, tar, wax, Vaseline or other waterproofing agents
 - NO Staples, nails, clamps, screws, etc
 - NO Styrofoam or foam core materials
- **Design**
 - Many design and construction tips are available on the internet
 - No pointed projections or sharp edges that could cause personal injury
 - Boats must be propelled by human power, no motors
 - Boats must be open topped, allowing easy escape for the crews
 - No boat over 55 foot
- **Races – Crews must be ready when their race is called**
 - **Classes**
 - Solo (One crew member) 18 years and up
 - Tandem (Crew of two)
 - Team (Crew of three or more)
 - Boats must finish the course under their own power (no pushing, pulling or towing)
 - Paddles, oars, etc may not touch the bottom – no poling allowed
 - Intentional interference with another boat is strictly prohibited (except during the Demolition Derby)
 - If a boat falls apart, disintegrates, or sinks to the point that the crew members can no longer paddle the team will be declared DNF (Did not finish) and disqualified. Judges decision will be final.

- **Awards**
 - Speed: 1st & 2nd Place in each class (Ties will be resolved by an additional race)
 - Most Creative Boat
 - Titanic Award
 - Demolition Derby
 - Team Spirit Award
 - People's Choice (To be determined by popular vote, 25¢ per vote)
- **Crews**
 - Crew must each wear USCG approved personal floatation device (not provided)
 - Secured footwear required – No Flip-Flops
 - Children in boats under age 16 must be accompanied by parent or legal guardian
 - No one under 6 year of age allowed in boats
 - Liability release forms required from every crew member (Parent or legal guardian must sign liability release for those under 18)
 - Crew members must be human (no dogs, cats or dolphins)
 - Crew members must remain in the boat, at all times, during duration of their race
- **Judging**
 - Judges decisions will be final and not subject to appeal
 - Judges may cancel event if weather or water conditions are deemed generally unsafe
 - Judges will inspect all boats for compliance with construction rules. This may involve cutting, poking, prodding, piercing or use of an ice pick. Play Fair!!
 - Ties to be resolved by sudden death race
 - Judges will have final decision on rule interpretation

CREWS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CLEAN UP AND DISPOSAL OF ALL BOAT DEBRIS. (Dumpsters will be provided.)

Schedule of Events

- 7:00 am – Site will be open for boat staging and Race Tent will open to receive crew lists and liability releases (Security will not be available, so plan to have a crew member stay with your boat)
 - Crew lists may not be changed once list is received
 - If boat races more than once, the same crew members must be aboard
- 9:00 am – All boats must be staged, and all crew vehicles and trailers removed from Festival site
- 10:00 am – deadline to submit crew lists and liability release forms at Race Tent
- 11:00 am to 2:00 pm – Voting for People's Choice Award will take place at the Race Tent (25¢ per vote)
- 12:00 pm – Races begin – **crews must be ready when their boat is called to race**
- Awards will be presented after the completion of all races

Complete the form below and return to Wildcat Glades Conservation & Audubon Center
along with \$25 non-refundable entry fee
201 West Riviera Drive, Ste A, Joplin, MO 64804
Deadline: 5:00 PM, Monday, July 6th

*** PLEASE PRINT ***

Captain's Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

Racing Class :

(check one)

Solo

Tandem (Crew of two)

Team (Crew of three or more)

Boat Name _____

By signing my name below I agree to abide by the rules and guidelines of this event. I understand that the entry fee is non-refundable and that the event may be canceled if weather and water conditions are deemed to be generally unsafe. I understand that photos or video of the event may used for the publicity and marketing of future events.

Signature

Date