

River Town Festival
Cardboard Regatta @ Hiwassee Blueway July 20, 2024 10 a.m.
Ages 8 through Adult
Entry Form, Rules and Regulations

Race Rules

- Safety First- All Sailors MUST wear a Coast Guard approved personal Floatation Device.
- Children 13 and under must have adult parent/guardian present as they set sail.
- Proper signatures on the registration form are required to race.
- Keep it in the boat- During the competition you must be in the boat, not towing it, swimming, using life jackets to provide flotation to vessel.
- No four-legged stowaways. No Pets Allowed.
- Obey maritime law. Keep it civil. No intentional splashing your competition or attempting to impede others in any way. Incidental contact and splashing may occur, however, you will be disqualified if these actions are intentional. Unsafe or detrimental behavior will also be grounds for disqualification.
- Each competitor MUST remove their entire boat or salvage all of its remains and personal items from the river. A receptacle will be made available for these materials to be disposed of.

Construction Guidelines

Boat Design & Construction:

- Boats must be made BEFORE THE RACE.
 - Boats must be made ONLY of cardboard and duct tape. **NO reinforced cardboard tubes,** only broken down cardboard boxes or sheets of cardboard.
 - Cardboard cannot be sealed with any paint or sealants.
 - Duct tape may be of varying colors for creativity but must have come manufactured in said color.
 - Boats may be a maximum width of 60" (5ft) and a maximum length of 84" (7ft).
 - Boats must be completely enclosed, or permit the crew to remain fully on top of the vessel (You are not permitted to have dangling extremities).
 - The boat's passenger area must not be enclosed above the occupant's shoulders so as to interfere with escape should the vessel begin to sink.
 - Boats must be propelled by the use of cardboard paddles.
 - ✓ Paddles must meet the same construction requirements as the boats (cardboard and duct tape only).
 - Boat design is left to the builders. Let your imagination take over; make your boat look like a race car, flying saucer, dragon, etc. Crew costumes are permitted.
 - If any illegal items used in construction are discovered during the pre- or post- race inspection, the boat will be disqualified.
- Prohibited Materials- sharp objects, staples, dangerous or polluting materials, oil based paints, plastic, laminate, foam, fiberglass, rubber, wood, metal, rope, or any other structural or floatation materials.
 - People Powered Paddle Propulsion only. Cardboard paddles only. No scoop paddles will be allowed.
 - The boat must be clearly marked with its name.

Awards

- **1st, 2nd and 3rd Place to boats that cross finish line first.**
- **Creativity Award** Boats will be judged on design, appearance, and originality. Appearance may include consideration for costumes worn by the boat crew.
- **The Titanic Award** Given to the most spectacular sinking.

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CARDBOARD BOAT REGATTA: Registration Form

July 20, 2024 @Hiwassee Blueway (boatdock) on Cherokee Crossing-Calhoun, TN

Boat Name: _____

Name of Captain: _____

Age: _____

Address:

City: State: Zip: _____

Phone: Email Address: _____

Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Parental Consent Agreement (“Agreement”)

In consideration of participating in the River Town Festival Cardboard Boat Regatta, I represent that I understand the nature of the event and that I and/or my minor child am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such event. I acknowledge that if the event conditions are deemed to be unsafe, I and/or my minor child will immediately discontinue participation in the event. I am aware that event officials reserve the right to remove any participants from the line-up for any reason. I fully understand the event involves risks of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis and death, which may be caused by my own actions, or inactions. Those of others participating in the event, the conditions in which the event takes place, or the negligence of the “RELEASEES” named below, and that there may be other risks either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I incur as a result of my negligence as a result of my participation in this event. I hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue The City of Calhoun, their respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable owners and lesser of premises on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the “RELEASEES” herein) for all liability, claims, demands, losses or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the “RELEASEES”, I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the negligent rescue operations; and I further agree that if, despite this release, waiver or liability, and assumption of risk I, or anyone on my and/or my minor child’s behalf makes a claim against any of the “RELEASEES”, I will indemnify, save and hold harmless each of the “RELEASEES” from any loss, damage, liability, or cost which any may occur as a result of such claim. I have read this release and waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity and fully understand it.

Captain Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature if under 18: _____ Date: _____

Signed Waivers are required for all participants. All sailors must be at least 8 years old.

Please return completed waivers to City of Calhoun P.O. Box 115 Calhoun, TN 37309 or email to: citymanager@calhounrivertown.com . Late waivers will be accepted until 8 AM on the day of the event at the Blueway, July 20, 2024.