



LAKE-A-THON

Cardboard Boat Regatta

Rules and Regulations:

- All participants must be able to swim. Only 4 participants per boat are allowed to race.
- Children under 8 years of age are not allowed to participate in the races but can enter a boat for judging.
- All boats must be made entirely of cardboard. It can be of any thickness but must not be bonded to any other material such as vinyl. Non-corrugated material may not be used, especially the kind of resin or wax-type coating found in packing cases. No solid cardboard and no carpet roll tubes may be used. No fiberglass, Styrofoam, plastic, wood, or other flotation materials or devices are allowed in the hull construction. No sandbags or other materials can be used for ballast.
- Hulls may be painted with any environmentally friendly “one-part” paint. No epoxy glues, fiberglass resins or “multi-part” varnishes or paints may be used. Applied paint must have been allowed to dry for at least 24 hours before the event.
- Hulls may not be “wrapped” in plastic, duct tape or anything else. Tar based substances like roof coatings are not permitted.
- Only joints and seams may be taped. Paper tape, contact cement, rubber cement, or construction adhesive can be used. No nails or metal or wood fasteners or staples may be used in the construction of the boat (small amounts may be used for removable decoration only). Duct tape and caulking are not allowed.
- The sides of the passenger area of the boat must be well below the shoulders and egress from the boat must be unencumbered. Each occupant must be clearly visible while the boat is in the water.
- Boats must be free of sharp edges or anything that could pose a danger.
- Boat dimensions should not exceed 8 feet long and 3 feet wide.
- No rafts are allowed.
- Any boat deemed unsafe will not be allowed to enter the water, and boats in violation of construction rules will not be allowed to enter the judging.
- Boats may be propelled by oars, paddles, or convenient body parts. Oars or paddles can be made of cardboard or can be standard canoe or kayak paddles.
- Participants must wear a PFD (Personal Flotation Device).
- Any verbal or physical assaults on other competitors during the race will not be tolerated.
- Participants are responsible for the complete removal of their boats, boat decorations, and boat materials, at the end of the event. All debris must be removed from the water and the boat ramp area.

Date & Time:

The Regatta will be held on **Saturday, June 29, 2019**.

Boats can be brought to the event starting at 9:00 AM and the Regatta will begin at around 11:00 AM. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the races.

Location:

Judging for the best construction and best design will be held at Pleasant Lake on the field near the dam area parking lot on Elkins Road in New London, NH. The paddling part of the Regatta will begin at the boat ramp on Pleasant Lake, off of Elkins Road in New London, NH.

Boat Divisions:

Open – The Open division is for participants aged 8 and older. It is intended for adults and families. Boats in this class can be built and/or paddled by any of the team members. This division is sponsored by **Elkins Fish & Game Club**.

Youth – The Youth division is for participants aged 8 to 18. The boats must be built, decorated, and paddled by youth of this age group. This division is sponsored by **New Hampshire 4-H**.

Judging:

Prior to the races, boats will be judged in the following categories:

Best Original Design**Best Construction or Construction Technique**

During the races, boats will be judged in the following categories:

Fastest Course Time**Spirit Award****Racing:**

No boat will be allowed to leave the starting gate unless **all persons on board are wearing a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) and shoes. Participants must provide their own PFDs and paddles.** Boats will be timed as they move through the course. Awards will be given for the fastest time and most spectacular sinking (if there is one).

Notes:

Rules are subject to change. All participants and sponsors will be notified in writing if changes are made.

The entry form and liability waiver are contained on the next two pages. Please be sure to fill out all of the information and sign where required. Liability waivers must be signed for all participants and a parent or guardian must co-sign for minors.

The entry fee must be sent in with the entry form and liability waiver.

Fees are per boat and one form is required for each boat entered. If more than one person will be participating in that boat's entry (going on the water), a separate liability waiver form is required for **each person**.

Mail in the following pages to register.



LAKE-A-THON CARDBOARD BOAT REGATTA 2019 Entry Form

Name (please print): _____

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Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Boat Name: _____ Captain: _____

Entry Fee (per boat):

Youth Class (Ages 8 to 18): \$5

Open Class (Ages 8 and up): \$20

We are selling Regatta t-shirts for \$20 each, with all profits going toward sending kids to camp. To get a shirt(s) let us know what size you'd like and how many:

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____

Please make checks or money orders payable to:

Elkins Fish & Game Club

Complete both pages of the entry form and mail to:

Cardboard Boat Regatta
c/o Elkins Fish & Game Club
PO Box 3
Elkins, NH 03233

ALL RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED.

Information about the regatta can be found at:
elkinsfishandgame.net

LIABILITY RELEASE, INDEMNIFICATION, & ASSUMPTION OF RISK

in consideration for being allowed to participate in activities at

ELKINS FISH and GAME CLUB, INC. ("EFG"), a nonprofit corporation, or at any other venue where EFG is conducting their activities or events.

(Must be completed by all individuals prior to entry of **EFG** property, or start of any activity, by any person.)

I do hereby acknowledge, release, and forever discharge EFG of New London, New Hampshire, its officers, members, agents, successors and assigns, of and from any and all manner of action and actions, claims, suits, damages, judgments and demands of any kind whatsoever, whether now or in the future, at law or in equity, that results or may result from any and all activities and/or events conducted by EFG at their property or at any other venue.

I further acknowledge that the use of firearms and/or archery equipment is an inherently dangerous activity and assume the risks of using and being in close proximity to said items on the property of EFG or at any other venue where the club is conducting activities or events.

If the activity or event conducted by EFG involves the use of firearms, I hereby certify that I am not prohibited from possessing, selling, owning or transferring firearms under State or federal law:

I (A) have not been convicted of a felony that has not been annulled or expunged; or

(B) Have not been convicted of a violation of 18 USC § 922 that has not been annulled or expunged; and

(C) Am not a member of an organization that advocates the violent overthrow of the United States Government and that I am not barred by any law from the possession, use, or control of firearms.

If any portion of this release is found to be invalid, the offending portion shall be stricken and the remainder shall remain in full force and effect. I hereby agree that jurisdiction for any action pertaining to this RELEASE shall lie exclusively in Merrimack County, State of New Hampshire and shall be governed exclusively by the laws of the State of New Hampshire without reference to conflict of laws provisions.

I understand that both commercial and non commercial still, audio/video and/or motion picture photography may occur during my presence on **EFG** property and as long as I am in the general area, I may be incidentally included in such photography. Should I wish to be excluded from such photography, I understand that it is my responsibility to be aware of photographic activity and remove myself from the area or event being photographed or recorded. Absent such action on my part, I hereby grant **EFG**, its agents, volunteers, sponsors, beneficiaries, heirs and assigns the right to use my photographic image and video recording(s) in the promotion of the sporting activities or **EFG** in general as it chooses in its sole discretion without compensation.

I further acknowledge that I have read and understand the foregoing LIABILITY RELEASE, INDEMNIFICATION, & ASSUMPTION OF RISK.

Date: _____

Print Name

Signature

Participants under the age of 18 must have their parent or guardian sign for them. The parent or guardian must print their name and sign their name above, then print the name of the minor in the space provided below, and sign their name again across from the minor's name.

Minor Name

Parent or Guardian signature