



TOWN OF BUCODA  
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**Pine Box Derby Casket Races  
Saturday, October 9, 2021  
Official Rules and Information (Subject to Change)**

**For questions and to confirm you plan to participate please contact  
Race Chairperson George Sharp 360-878-3835**

The BOO-Coda Spook-Tacular Pine Box Derby Casket Races will take place on Saturday, October 9, 2021. The races take place on 7th Street in downtown Bucoda. The race course is 180 feet long.

Casket Race Teams of: Businesses, Non-profits, High Schools, Government Agencies, friends and families are invited to compete against each other for 1st, 2nd, 3rd Places, dead last, and Best Costumed Team and Cortege.

Casket Races Teams must participate Pine Box Derby Casket Racer Parade. An announcer will read about each Casket Race Team. After the parade Casket Race Teams will proceed onto Pit Row and prepare for the Casket Races. Teams consist of 4 Pallbearers and 1 Corpse. Teams will be allowed to compete with a minimum of 2 Pallbearers and 1 Corpse. Each team is guaranteed to participate in at least two races.

**Timeline:**

12:00pm-1:00pm Registration, Casket inspection and set up in Pit Row in front of Town Hall 101A East 7th Street, Bucoda, WA 98530

1:00pm Team Rules Meeting (In front of Town Hall)

1:15pm Casket Lineup for Casket Racer Parade in front of Town Hall.

1:30pm Casket Racer Parade proceed from Pit Row on 7<sup>th</sup> street to Main street to Announcer Stand in Front of Joe's Place. Announcer will announce about each Casket Race Team.

2:00pm Pit Row Lineup

2:13pm Casket Races Start

**AWARDS CEREMONY:**

The awards Ceremony for Casket Race Teams will be presented in front of the Vendor Fair (lot next to Joe's Place) after the last Casket race. Awards will be presented for the three 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Places, Dead last, fastest time and Best Costumed Team & Cortege.

## **Rules**

The following are the rules that govern the BOO-Coda Spook-Tacular Pine Box Derby Casket Parade and Races, all participants must adhere to them.

The Pine Box Derby Casket Parade and Races should be seen as a marketing opportunity for businesses, government agencies, schools, and non-profit organizations. Friends and Families are also encouraged to put together a team and Cortege (Supporters) and have fun competing against other teams.

All Pallbearers, Corpses, Corteges, must sign a "Hold Harmless Agreement" (an agreement which holds the Town of Bucoda harmless for any accidents or injuries) on the day of the race. Each race team member will receive the Hold Harmless Agreement at check-in on race day.

All Caskets, Pallbearers, Corpses, must check-in/register at Town Hall by 1:00pm for the Rules Meeting. If you are NOT registered by 1:00pm you will be considered a "No Show".

### **JUDGING AND PARADE LINE UP:**

Casket Teams & Corteges will be judged during the Casket Parade. Arrive early to prepare your Casket for the parade and judging. Participants are responsible for transporting their Caskets to and from the parade and Pit Row. Casket Race Teams are permitted and encouraged to distribute promotional products and Candy during the parade and in Pit Row.

At the 1:00pm **Race Teams Meeting in front of Town Hall:** Rules and parade and race procedures will be reviewed. The parade begins at 1:30pm SHARP. All Casket Racers must participate in the parade to compete in the races.

### **CASKET RACE RULES:**

Each participating Casket Race Team shall provide a Casket and or use a casket provided by the Town of Bucoda. Race officials will inspect all Caskets before the race. Caskets that do not pass inspection may not race. Any questions or disagreements will be forwarded to an event official.

Each racing team consists of five members: four Pallbearers ("Runners or Pushers") to propel the Casket and one Corpse to sit inside the Casket. Teams will be allowed to compete with a minimum of 2 Pallbearers and 1 Corpse.

All Corpses **must wear helmets** during the race. Pallbearers are also encouraged to wear protective gear. Every entrant and participant shall conduct themselves according to the highest standards of behavior and sportsmanship.

## **CASKET RACE RULES CONTINUED:**

The races will begin at 2:13pm when the parade is over and racers have moved to Pit Row. The race course is approximately 180 feet long. The Caskets must stay in the Pit Row area until the awards ceremony. Each racing team consists of five members: four Pallbearers ("Runners or Pushers") to propel the Casket and one Corpse to sit inside the Casket. A minimum of 2 Pallbearers and 1 Corpse may compete as a team. Pallbearers must hold onto the Casket until it has crossed the finish line and stopped. Changing Pallbearers or Corpses during a heat is prohibited. In case of injury, a race official shall have the authority to allow a substitute. Pallbearers will keep their Casket in their own lane. Pallbearers and Caskets may touch the center line, but not cross over it. Pallbearers and/or Caskets interfering with the other team as a result of leaving their lane will be disqualified. Protests can only be made by the race competitors. Protests must be directed to a race official within 5 minutes of the completion of the heat in question. Protests must be logical, reasonable, and based on sound evidence. Decisions by race officials are final. All Casket Teams will participate in a minimum of two races/heats. The Caskets with the four fastest times from the qualifying Heats will run 2 final Heats to determine 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> fastest times and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest times will race each other in the final races to determine 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. The team with the slowest time of all heats will be declared dead last. (Race format subject to change)

## **RACE CASKET SPECIFICATIONS:**

The intent of the Casket Races is to have fun and provide an entertaining experience for participants and audience. Creativity is encouraged for the design of the Casket, Costumes of the Team and Cortege.

**SIZE OF CASKET:** Race Caskets should be a minimum 2 feet wide and 5 feet Long, and a maximum of 4 feet wide and 8 feet long. Overall width includes handles for pushing.

1. **WHEEL SPECIFICATION:** Each Race Casket must have a minimum of 4 wheels/tires that must be in constant contact with the road surface. Wheels must be within the overall dimensions of the Casket. Casters may be used. For safety and steering ability, wheels or casters may rotate or swivel.
2. **STEERING.** Steering mechanisms operated from inside or outside of the Race Casket are prohibited. Ropes for pulling Caskets are also prohibited.
3. **DESIGN.** Race Caskets are encouraged to have a logo, company/organization, personal names, or other types of decorations on sides, top or inside; however they may not exceed the maximum width and/or length of the Race Casket. We encourage you to provide a memorable name for your Casket Race Team, Casket and Corpse. Each Casket must have 2 Push Handles firmly attached. Front and Rear Push Bars are optional. No ropes are allowed.
4. **RACE NUMBER.** All Race Caskets must attached to the Front of the Casket the BOO-Coda Spook-Tacular Logo & Number, which will be provided by the Town of Bucoda at the time of registration. (Size is 8 ½" high x 11" wide).
5. **SAFETY.** Safety is IMPERATIVE! Race officials may disqualify any Casket they feel is dangerous.

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**BOO-Coda Spook-Tacular 2021 Pine Box Derby (Casket Races) Entry Form**

**We will provide our own Casket: \_\_\_\_\_ Please check with an x**  
**We will borrow a Casket from Bucoda: \_\_\_\_\_ Please check with and x**

NAME OF CASKET RACE TEAM: \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ (race day phone)

SECONDARY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ (race day phone)

FIRST AND LAST NAME OF PALLBEARERS (RACERS) (Please include date of birth for racers and Corpse)

If you don't have all your team, put TBD-to be determined.

1: \_\_\_\_\_

2: \_\_\_\_\_

3: \_\_\_\_\_

4: \_\_\_\_\_

ALTERNATE PALLBEARER: \_\_\_\_\_

CORPSE: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Team for announcer to read: \_\_\_\_\_

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**DEADLINE:** Registration forms must be received by noon, Saturday, October 9, 2021.

Please contact George Sharp at 360-878-3835 to confirm your participation. DROP OFF, Fax, email or bring YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO: Town of Bucoda, P.O. Box 10, 101A East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Bucoda, WA 98530 | Fax 360-378-3526 | [bucoda@scattercreek.com](mailto:bucoda@scattercreek.com)

You will be asked to sign an Event Indemnification and Release of Liability on the day of the race.



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**Event Indemnification and Release of Liability**

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned, in consideration of participation in any event held by The Town of Bucoda, releases and forever discharges the Town, its officers, elected officials, agents, employees and representatives, and any cooperating agencies involved in any event and their respective heirs, successors and assigns, from any and all actions, causes of action, suits, proceedings, debts, dues, contracts, judgments, damages, claims, and/or demands whatsoever in law or equity that the undersigned, its successors or assigns, ever had, now have, or may have in the future in connection with the undersigned's participation in any event held by The Town of Bucoda.

The undersigned further agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Town of Bucoda, its officers, agents, servants and employees, and any cooperating agencies involved in any event, their respective heirs, successors and assigns harmless from any claims by any others, including costs and expenses including attorney fees, for or on any account of all lawsuits or claims of any character whatsoever arising directly or indirectly out of or from the undersigned's participation in any event, including any claim for property damage and/or personal injury, including death. The foregoing release and indemnity shall apply regardless of any negligence or strict liability of the Town of Bucoda except to the extent the loss is caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Town of Bucoda or as otherwise limited by law. By completing this registration form, I authorize that all necessary first aid steps may be taken as prescribed by qualified personnel. I acknowledge that the Town of Bucoda takes photographs at events, and I hereby consent that Town of Bucoda may use any photographs of me on their website, social media sites, pamphlets, or other media materials or for any purpose.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian or Agent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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