## **Cardboard Boat Regatta Rules & Regulations**

August 7th, 2022

(This year's dress and decorating theme will be "PIRATES")

Race #1 – Children 7 and under launch at 2:30. They DO NOT bring a boat to ride in but instead a tiny cardboard boat which they will race against the other participants' boats. Prizes for first, second, and third place.

Race #2 - Ages 8 to 15 launch at 2:45. Participants will bring a full-size boat which they will race in. Parents/guardians will be responsible for their children.

Race #3 – Ages 16 and over launch at 3:00.

Registration begins at 1:45. Prize Categories in both races will be:

- "Fastest Time Award" Fastest to Marker & Back
- "Floating Spirit Award" Best Boat/Costume Design
- "Titanic Award" Going Down in Style/Best Sport

## **Construction Material & Rules**

Acceptable Building Materials (Supplied by Your Team)

Corrugated Cardboard

Cardboard Boxes

Cardboard Blocks

Cardboard Carpet Tubes (No Sauna Tubes)

Duct tape

Rope -12 ft.

One Gallon Water Jug

Canoe Paddles

Decorations

Unacceptable Building Material

NO wood, plastic, rubber, inflatable devices, styrofoam, fiberglass, or plastic

NO caulking compounds, two-part/mixed adhesives, glues or epoxy mixtures or coatings are allowed

**NO** electrical, gasoline, benzene, propane or other chemical or electrical propulsion systems are permitted.

NO surfboard style boats are allowed

NO pre-treated cardboard such as waxed cardboard

Everyone must be in a boat, no swimmers, or pulling/pushing boats from the water.

Decorations are allowed and encouraged provided they are not used as structural or floatation elements.

Crew costumes are encouraged.

Design is left to builder (s). Let your imagination take over. Get those creative juices flowing!

Your boat must be propelled by canoe paddles. The crew compartment CANNOT be enclosed so as to interfere with escape.

Each boat must carry a closed gallon plastic jug with 12' rope tether firmly secured to the vessel. Gallon jugs are to remain inside boat while racing, they are not to be used as floatation for the vessel. This is for locating and retrieving any sunken remains. When the race is over it is your responsibility to bring the remains home and dispose of them.

Every crew member that is entering the water must wear a personal floatation device (PFD). Not to be used to float the vessel in any way!