

**EVENT:** Bring family and friends together in a fun and creative event taking place on the beautiful Maumee River Canal located in Grand Rapids OH. Build the boat of your dreams out of cardboard and participate in friendly race.

**MATERIALS:** The only materials allowed in the construction of your boat are; cardboard, duct tape, adhesive, water-based paint. Corrugated cardboard may be used, but it cannot have any wax, resin, or vinyl coating. Decorations can be made of any material but should not help the boat stay afloat or keep its structure together.

#### **RULES:**

- 1. Only the items listed above may be used to build boats
- 2. Design is the builder's choice. Make your boat look like a race car, a yacht, dragon, flying saucer or the theme of the weekend . . . . 'all ducked out'
- 3. You must provide your own oar/paddle.
- 4. Each participant must wear their own PFD (personal floatation device) at all times when in or on the water, otherwise the team will be disqualified. Contact one of the event chairpersons if you need a PFD.
- 5. Each group/business/troop/family can have multiple entries
- 6. Sides of the boat cannot be higher than the shoulders of the shortest member of the team, when sitting in the boat
- 7. Team members must be visible at all times while the boat is in the water
- 8. Team members who start the race, must finish the race without leaving the interior of the boat
- When a boat has finished the race, the team must remove the boat and any leftover cardboard debris from the water and dispose of properly
- 10. Teams are not allowed to sabotage anyone else's boat
- 11. Team members must provide their own towels
- 12. Children under 14 must have a parent/guardian in attendance
- 13. Liability waiver must be signed by all crew members before race begins

### RACE DETAILS:

- 1. Date: Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1:00
- 2. Location: Grand Rapids, OH Canal, Address: (boat launch area) next to 24316 Front St, Grand Rapids OH
- 3. Send registration form and liability waiver to:

## **EVENT CHAIRPERSONS:**

- a. Jay Carr, (coachcarr73@gmail.com, 419-345-0424)
- b. Lynn Sylvain (lynn\_sylvain@yahoo.com, 419-350-9284)
- 4. Registration: NOTE: 100% of funds raised go back to sponsor next year's event
  - a. Pre-race: \$10 registration donation requested
  - b. Day of Race: \$25 registration donation requested
- 5. Route:
  - a. Start: Farthest dock west of boat launch
  - b. End: boat launch ramp
- 6. Winners will be categorized as follows:
  - a. Performance: Fastest Time
  - b. Titanic: Most dramatic sinking boat
  - c. Theme: Best boat theme . . . 'all ducked out'
  - d. Youngest: combined ages of all crew members
  - e. Excessive: most crew members on any boat

**BOATING BUILDING CLASS:** If you do not have the materials to build a boat or need help constructing one, contact the event coordinators to sign up for a free boat building class in June. All materials will be provided along with help for construction.





## **REGISTRATION FORM**

Team Name	Crew Members	Phone No.	Address	E-Mail	Emergency Contact	Waiver Signed
Example: Waterlogged Lilly's	Bob Smith	419-000-1 234	123 Main St, Grand Rapids OH	Bob.smith@gmail.com	Sue Smith 419-000-223 3	Yes

## **Email form to:**

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# PARTICIPANT RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION RISK AGREEMENT

I acknowledge and agree that I understand the nature of the Cardboard Boat Regatta Event and related activities and that I am qualified in good health, and proper physical condition to participate in such activity. I further agree that I have not medical or physical condition that could interfere with my safety while participating in this activity, or else I am willing to assume and bear the costs of all risks that my result, directly/indirectly by any such condition.

I understand there is risk of injury from the activity, including potential paralysis and death. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, personal representatives, and next of kin, release and hold harmless Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, representatives, volunteers and/or organizers. I knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, and assume full responsibility for my participation and agree that no legal action will be taken against the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, representatives, volunteers and/or organizers.

I willingly agree to comply with the set terms and conditions for my participation. If I observe any unusual hazard(s) during my participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring attention of the hazard to the nearest official immediately.

I acknowledge that the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce is NOT responsible for the loss of personal property. With my signature on this waiver, I am agreeing to pay for loss and/or damage of equipment. I also agree to pay for search and rescue fees, whatever it may be if necessary.

I agree that if I fail to follow directions and go past the designated location of the event, I will be disqualified from the event.

I understand that the use of drugs or alcohol are not condoned or permitted during the event.

I agree that I have adequate insurance to cover any injuries/damages that I may suffer or cause while participating in this activity. If I do not, I agree to bear the full costs myself.

I agree not legal action will be taken against the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, representatives, volunteers and/or organizers for any reason related to this event.

I have read this Participant Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk Agreement and I fully understand the terms. I understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing this agreement and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement or coercion.

Participant Name:	Age:	Phone Number:
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