

## Saturday, June 8, 2024 · Postl Point

## **RULES & REGULATIONS**

- 1. Boats, paddles, oars, and all other boat accessories must be constructed of ONLY these limited materials: Cardboard, Tape, Glue, and Paint. Competitors must NOT use prohibited materials such as foam, wood, plastic, cloth, metal, fiberglass, resin, or similar products in the construction of their vessel. No pre-treated or waxed cardboard is permitted. If prohibited materials are discovered in a boat's construction during a pre- or post-race inspection, the boat will be disqualified.
- 2. Boats may be a maximum width of 60 inches (5 feet) and a maximum length of 84 inches (7 feet). Boat design is left to the builder's imagination! All design and construction must be completed before 11 AM on Saturday, June 8, when judging begins on-site at the event. Once judging has begun, crews are not allowed to modify, adjust, or reinforce their boats in any way.
- 3. Boats must be brought to the designated start area on the beach near the east end of the Postl Point parking lot. Drop-off begins at 10 AM. on Saturday, June 8. All vessels must be in place before 11 AM, when judging will begin. The race will launch at approximately 11:30 AM.
- 4. Boats may be manned by as many crew members as desired, but all crew members must remain inside or atop the vessel in order to make a qualified finish. Pushing and/or pulling a boat while swimming outside the vessel will result in disqualification. A qualified finish will not be accomplished until BOTH BOAT AND CREW (meaning all original crew members who left the shore) have reached dry land.
- 5. Children must be age 8 or older to participate aboard a boat, and must participate with a parent/guardian.
- 6. Personal flotation devices (PFDs, i.e. life jackets or vests) are STRONGLY RECOMMENDED to be worn by all race participants! Crew members are asked to bring their own PFDs if possible. If crews require PFDs be provided, please indicate so during the registration process. Provided PFDs may be limited and cannot be guaranteed for all participants. Those who choose to not utilize a PFD do so at their own risk and cannot hold any other party liable for any accidental loss as a result.
- 7. Boats must be powered by crew members using only cardboard-constructed means of propulsion. Body parts may not be used to propel boats.
- 8. The race will require boats to navigate a designated course on top of the water. A standing dry start format will be used. Upon the start, crews must move boats from the starting line into the water. Boats will be raced from the beach to a turnaround point and then back to shore.
- 9. The first boat to make a qualified finish, returning to the beach with crew and boat intact, will be awarded 1st place. The following two boats will be awarded 2nd and 3rd place.
- 10. Regatta organizers reserve the right to divide the race into separate heats in order to accommodate a large number of vessels. In this scenario, races will be timed in order to determine overall winners by fastest speeds.
- 11. Crews are responsible for removing the entirety of their boat (including all debris) from the water area and disposing of it in the designated trash area.
- 12. Sail or sink, remember to have fun!

## **AWARDS**

Awards will be announced and presented immediately following the race.

The panel of judges' determinations will decide the winners of:

- **BEST DESIGN** For the most aesthetically impressive boat.
- **BEST SPIRITED** For the most committed and coordinated crew.

Race results will determine the the winners of:

- First Place
- Second Place
- Third Place
- The "Davy Jones" Award For the boat that sinks the fastest.

A "People's Choice" trophy will also be awarded to the crowd favorite!

All judges' decisions are final.

## REGISTRATION

All personnel and family members with access to Eglin AFB are invited to enter the Regatta. Participants must pre-register online as a "crew." Crews may represent families, friend groups, units/squadrons, organizations, clubs — or even be a "one-person crew" consisting of an individual. A crew includes all individuals who contribute to the design, engineering, and construction of the crew's vessel, as well as those who man the vessel during the race. Contact information (email or phone) for at least one crew member must be provided at registration.

Participation is FREE. Agreement to abide by all Rules & Regulations is required, and said agreement shall be applied to all individual crew members named in the registration.

To register, visit: https://eglinlife.com/form/?CBRegatta







