

# Paducah Regatta

Cost -- \$20.00 per boat entry

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## Rules for Paducah Regatta

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- ✓ Boats must be made entirely of paper and paper products (cardboard). **NO wood, nails, staples, fiberglass, caulking, Styrofoam, plastic, etc.** Duct tape and water soluble glues may be used to seal seams, holes, and cracks.
- ✓ Boats can be made ahead of time or at the pool on the day of the event but must adhere to the construction materials restrictions. Contestants will be given a maximum of one-hour at the pool for boat construction prior to the race. Cardboard and duct tape will be provided. Any other decorations must be brought by the participants.
- ✓ Boats **CANNOT** be wrapped in plastic, tape, or any other similar material.
- ✓ Boats **MUST** carry **A MINIMUM** of 1 crew member, but the bigger (crew) the better.
- ✓ **MAXIMUM** boat dimensions should be no wider than 5 feet and no longer than 12 feet.
- ✓ Cardboard **CANNOT** be waxed but may be painted with a "one-part" paint or varnish.
- ✓ Each team must provide their own paddles. All boats **MUST** be human-powered by paddle. **NO** motors, jet-engines, fire extinguishers, etc. Store bought paddles are allowed.
- ✓ The area in which the crew is to sit **CANNOT** be entirely enclosed. This is for your safety.
- ✓ Decorations and props that do not add to the buoyancy of the boat are allowed and encouraged.
- ✓ Surfboard style designs are **NOT** allowed. Raft style (think Huck Finn) designs are allowed, provided your "logs" and "lashings" are made of legal paper products.
- ✓ The name of the boat must be displayed proudly.
- ✓ Sabotaging of other boats or crews is **NOT** allowed.
- ✓ Race will be the width of the Noble Park Pool, approximately 75 feet.
- ✓ Boats will compete in heats and the best time overall will be the overall winner.
- ✓ All teams must clean up after themselves before they leave. All boats and boat pieces must be discarded or taken home.
- ✓ All boats will be inspected by judges to make sure they meet building criteria. All judges' decisions are final.

!!!! HAVE FUN !!!!

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## Awards

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### **Titanic Award**

The boat that sinks the fastest and/or has the most dramatic sinking. Remember the captain always goes down with his/her ship!

### **Largest Crew Award**

This goes to the boat that is able to float while holding the most crew members. It must float, too, otherwise better try for the Titanic Award.

### **Crowd Favorite**

Crowd will vote for who they like the most. So rally your friends and family behind you.

### **Overall Winner**

This goes to the boat that reaches the other side of the pool with the fastest time out of all of the heats.

**Judges' decisions are final on all awards**

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