

Hudson Crossing Park presents

18th Annual Cardboard Boat Races

Great Explorations

Saturday, August 10, 2024
Fort Hardy Park Beach, Schuylerville

On-site boat building begins at 9am
Live Music from 11am - 1pm
Races kick off at 2pm
Family fun & free activities all day

Learn more and pre-register at HudsonCrossingPark.org!

This event is made possible in part by Stewart's Shops, the Saratoga County Chamber and Schuylerville Community Council

Join the fun with Hudson Crossing Park's 18th annual Cardboard Boat Races! Held every year at Fort Hardy Park in Schuylerville, New York, the Cardboard Boat Races are a fun and creative community day on the Hudson River. *Participants are invited to base their boat design off this year's theme: "Great Explorations."* Challenge friends, family, co-workers...and let's see who wins one of the coveted awards: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards for speed, the Titanic Award, Most Enthusiastic Crew, Judges Bribe Award ("Bribes" are considered donations to Hudson Crossing Park), People's Choice, Overall Best in Show, and Most Sailors Left Afloat!

Fort Hardy Park Beach, Rte. 29, Schuylerville, NY
Join us for Live Music, Great food, & Family Fun!
Spectators are Free!

Registration forms and waivers can be found at:
www.hudsoncrossingpark.org/cardboard-boat-races

Registration Levels

- ◆ Individual & Family: \$35 per sailor (\$100 Maximum Per Boat plus additional insurance fees)
- ◆ Small Business/Non-Profit: \$100/Boat plus additional insurance fees
- ◆ Corporate: \$175/Boat plus additional insurance fees

Boat Classes

- ◆ Pre-Built Cardboard
- ◆ Built on site (day of)
- ◆ Kids' Paddle (ages 7-12 only)
- ◆ Most Sailors (minimum of 3 sailors, all ages)

Basic Rules for Racing

- ◆ Be SAFE, have FUN, and BE KIND TO EACH OTHER!
- ◆ Minimum age of 7 to set sail alone
- ◆ All sailors MUST wear Coast Guard approved personal floatation devices. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN!
- ◆ Registration release forms must be signed by participant, parent, or legal guardian over the age of 18
- ◆ No sharp objects onboard vessels
- ◆ Any boat deemed unsafe to others (or to the river) will be disqualified
- ◆ Paint, if used, must be dry before launching. Water-based paint only - no oil based.
- ◆ Boats may be pre-built or built on-site. All boats will compete within the appropriate class.
- ◆ The “cabin” of the boat (where the crew sits) may not be enclosed above shoulder height.
- ◆ Boats, boat parts, and debris must be completely removed from the river and park.
- ◆ Crews must dispose of boats responsibly. Cardboard boats can be taken home or be dropped off at the DPW truck in the parking lot for recycling after the race. Participants are responsible for proper disposal of their boats.








Please note: All sailors MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN Coast Guard approved personal floatation device.

Supplies and Materials:

Some materials will be available the day of for purchase. Feel free to bring your own from home, following the guidelines below!









NOT Okay Materials

-  No materials that will pollute the river
-  No staples
-  No sharp objects
-  No laminated, waxed, oiled, or peeled surfaces
-  No sono-tube
-  No foam, plastic, or rubber
-  No oil based paints



Okay Materials

-  Plastic or wooden brooms
-  Flat canoe paddles (no double/kayak or "scoop" paddles)
-  Cardboard (corrugated only) in any amount
-  Caulk and/or glue
-  Duct or paper tape in any amount
-  Latex based paint

Hudson Crossing Park events are environmentally friendly. This is a substance free family event: smoking and/or vaping is strongly discouraged, and Please, no Alcoholic Beverages.