

14th Annual Hudson Crossing Park Cardboard Boat Races on Saturday, August 11, 2018

Hudson Crossing Park presents its 14th Annual Cardboard Boat Races on Saturday, August 11, 2018 (rain date: Sunday, August 12, 2018) at the Fort Hardy Park beach on Route 29 in Schuylerville, New York. This year's theme is "Rock the Boat." The first race launches at 1 p.m. and the best photo opportunities are between noon and 2 p.m. Admission is free for spectators. Entry fees start at \$20 per sailor with a \$50 per boat maximum. Small business and corporate entry fees are available, as well.

On-site registration and cardboard boat construction will be open from 8 to 11 a.m. Rules, registration forms and hints to get started with boat-building are available at <http://www.hudsoncrossingpark.org>.

Race participants will construct human-powered boats made of corrugated cardboard or 100 percent recycled materials, which will hold at least one crew member and be seaworthy enough to race a short distance on the Hudson River. Racers may construct their boats ahead of time or on the morning of the event (materials will be available for a nominal fee).

During race preparations and throughout the day, there will be food, live music, family activities, photo opportunities and lots of creativity as participants interpret the "rock the boat" theme. Individuals, families, groups, businesses and school teams are encouraged to be part of the fun-filled day. The event is sponsored by Stewart's Holiday Match Program, Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor and the New York State Canal Corporation.

For more information, call Park Director Kate Morse at (518) 350-PARK (7275) or email info@hudsoncrossingpark.org.

Hudson Crossing Park is an evolving bi-county educational park centered on and near the Champlain Canal Lock 5 Island of the Hudson River. The park offers river and canal access, a floating dock, trails, picnic sites, fishing access, points of geological and historical significance and an innovative play garden.