



4th Annual Hudson River

# CARDBOARD BOAT RACE

Sponsored by Hudson Crossing Park, Inc.

Construct a “human-powered” boat made of corrugated cardboard (or 100% recyclable materials) that will hold at least 1 crew member and be “seaworthy” to race (for a short while at least) on the Hudson River in Schuylerville.

## August 9, 2008

*Raindate: August 10*

### Meet us at the Gazebo ~ Fort Hardy Park Beach

Rt. 29 Schuylerville N.Y. [www.hudsoncrossingpark.org](http://www.hudsoncrossingpark.org)

8:00 a.m. Registration opens at the Gazebo on the beach in Ft. Hardy Park

8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. On-site construction area open for work. Some materials available for purchase and/or bring your own supplies (please see back)

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Hudson River boat rides available on the “Sadie”

12:00 p.m. Registration closes

12:30 p.m. Best photo opportunity

Fun for everyone in the family!

Anyone age 7 or older may enter the race.

Individuals  
Groups  
Businesses  
Corporate & School Teams

Come join us!



1:00 p.m. The races commence

- #1 Pre-Built Cardboard Boats
- #2 Pre-Built 100% Recyclable Boats
- #3 Kids' paddle  
(any boat with 7-12 year old sailors)
- #4 Boats Built on-site in the morning
- #5 Boat with the **most** “sailors”

*COME ENJOY  
LIVE MUSIC  
GOOD FOOD  
VENDORS  
and  
A SPECIAL DAY  
ON THE  
HUDSON RIVER*

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards for speed in each class

“Titanic Award” in each class

“Most Enthusiastic Crew” awarded in each class

“Most Sailors Afloat” one award

“Judges Bribe” award ~ Let it not be said that we are above bribing the judges! Anyone & everyone may bribe a judge. Contributions are considered a donation to Hudson Crossing Park. The current “highest bribe” will be posted all day. One award

“Peoples’s Choice” one award

By popular vote - a 50/50 monetary award for the “favorite boat” \$1.00 per vote - Winner gets 1/2.

One overall “Best of Show” award

**AWARD CEREMONY TO FOLLOW RACES**

### Hudson Crossing Park

Our mission is to tie environmental responsibility to economic revitalization, and to engage people of all ages in making informed choices for a sustainable future.

To achieve our mission we have three objectives:

- \* To foster environmental stewardship
- \* To emphasize the area’s natural, cultural, and economic history
- \* To establish a public park that is an educational and recreational destination

The Cardboard Boat Race is part of **CANAL SPLASH** a N.Y.S. Canal Corp. signature event. All proceeds will benefit Hudson Crossing Park. Donations are tax-deductible ~ Thank you

## ***BUILD YOUR BOAT & BRING IT WITH YOU OR BUILD YOUR BOAT WITH US***

### **BASIC RULES**

Be safe ~ have fun! Minimum age of 7 to set sail alone

No sharp objects on-board vessels

Any boat deemed unsafe to others (or to the river) will be disqualified

This is a substance-free family event. No alcohol. Smoking is discouraged

All “sailors” must wear Coast-Guard approved PFDs ~ bring your own

Release forms must be signed by participant, parent, or legal guardian over age 18

Boats may be pre-built or built on-site ~ all boats will compete within their own class

The “cabin” of the boat (where the crew sits) may not be enclosed above shoulder height

Boats, boat parts, & debris, must be completely removed from the river & the park. Crews must take Recyclable Boats with them. Cardboard Boats may be left on-site for removal by Hudson Crossing volunteers (please place in appropriate designated area). Hudson Crossing events are environmentally friendly. Please help us leave the river cleaner than we find it! If in doubt, refer to rule #1. Be safe ~ have fun!



### **SUPPLIES & MATERIALS**

**Everyone on the water must wear a COAST GUARD APPROVED PFD (Personal Floatation Device)  
~ YOU MUST BRING YOUR OWN ~**

No staples \* No sharp objects \* No laminated, waxed, oiled or peeled surfaces \* No Sono-tubes  
Nothing that will pollute the river

Plastic or wooden brooms are ok \* Flat canoe paddles are ok \* No double or “scoop” paddles allowed

Cardboard (corrugated only) any amount is ok and bigger sheets work well

We suggest a flat-bottomed design, try building a manila folder model first.

A long slender boat is faster and a short rounded boat is easier to navigate - compromise.

Duct tape or paper tape, in any amount, is ok - Use lots! (Hint: duct tape may shrink when painted)

Latex-based paints are ok (oil-based paints are not) If you paint your boat it must be dry before launching

Caulk is ok \* Glue is ok \* No foam, plastic or rubber in the Cardboard Boats

### **For 100% Recyclable Boats Only:**

Almost anything goes - as long as it isn't dangerous or polluting - and it can't have been a real boat in any previous form!

You might use soda bottles, milk jugs, plastic sleds, barrels, plastic swimming pools....use your imagination

And ~ of course, you must recycle it after the race.

**Enjoy a day filled with fun, laughter, good food, good music, good friends, and unbelievably great photo opportunities! Whether you come as a crew member, the captain, or an on-shore cheerleader, we promise you a day you'll never forget. Mark your calendar today.**

Hudson Crossing is a bi-county educational park, free and open to the public every day from dawn until dusk. It is centered around the Champlain Canal Lock 5 Island on Route 4 just north of the Village of Schuylerville. Come enjoy waterfront trails, a picnic pavilion, the canal overlook, a floating dock, and the Hudson Crossing Play Garden which will be completed this summer. Watch boats “locking through” the canal or take a ride on the Caldwell Belle Riverboat.



Enjoy food (on-site) from  
“Frankly Speaking”  
Hot Dog Cart  
and the  
**Turning Point Rotary Club**  
BBQ

For information call Marlene @  
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e-mail:  
**Cardboardboats@yahoo.com**  
or check out CANAL SPLASH on-  
line @  
**www.canalsplash.com**  
**www.hudsoncrossingpark.org**

## REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Group: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Inquiries welcome  
for Vendor and  
Non-Profit tables  
and for  
VOLUNTEERS**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Students** (age 18 or under @ \$10.00 total for 1 or 2 "Sailors" \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
or showing a college ID)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Adults** (age 19 or over) @ \$15.00 total for 1 or 2 "Sailors" \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Group** School/Community @ \$20.00 total for all "Sailors" in your boat \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Non-Profit Corporations** @ \$20.00 total for all "Sailors" in your boat \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Corporate/Business Sponsorship** Included in advertising if pre-registered  
@ \$25.00 total for as many "Sailors" as you wish to fit in your boat \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **PLEASE INDICATE WHICH BOAT CLASS/ES YOU WILL ENTER:**

Please make checks payable to:  
Hudson Crossing Park, Inc.  
**Mail check & registration to:**  
  
**HUDSON CROSSING PARK**  
**P.O.B. #144**  
**SCHUYLERVILLE, N.Y. 12871**  
  
Attn: Cardboard Boat Race

\_\_\_ Cardboard Pre-Built  
\_\_\_ Recycled Pre-Built  
\_\_\_ Kids' Paddle 7 - 12 years old  
\_\_\_ Built On-Site  
\_\_\_ Boats with the MOST Sailors  
(Boats may compete in more than one class)

**REGISTER EARLY**  
**FOR A FREE T-SHIRT**



### **RELEASE OF LIABILITY** (required)

Participants or participants' parent(s)/guardian(s) acknowledge, understand and assume the risks, if any, arising from cardboard boat racing and agree to waive any cause of action (including any cause of action based on negligence) against Hudson Crossing Park, Inc., volunteers, board members, its promoters or officials.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **PHOTO RELEASE** (required)

I consent to the unrestricted use of my image, in connection with any promotion of Hudson Crossing Park, Inc. including, but not limited to, any photographs, audio or visual recordings, interviews, videotape, motion pictures, or the use of my name in connection with television, radio, or print media.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_