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### **Race Day Schedule**

**COOLEST EVENT ON THE WATER!**

HUGE thank you to Evan Young with Appalachian Boarding Company for partnering with us to enhance this awesome day that's full of fun on-the-water activities! We are STOKED! Check out Evan and Appalachian Boarding Company at Appalachian Boarding Company on Facebook!

Join us for our annual Paddle 4 A Cause cardboard boat, kayak, paddle board race, and anything that floats race! Register today at [www.unitedwayhdc.org](http://www.unitedwayhdc.org). 100% of the proceeds benefit 18 United Way of Harrison County funded partners. All participants are required to bring their own life jackets (pfd), paddles, and helmets.

We welcome folks, whether they are racing or not, to come enjoy a "Community Float" on the lake . . . Everyone can space out and enjoy watching the races from the water and/or enjoy some leisure self-discovery on your floating craft. At many races across the state, racers like to cheer on the other paddlers from the water just so we are all connected in that fun vibe together . . . yet still spaced apart.

People (of all ages) race to see who has the fastest and classiest cardboard boat, kayak, canoe, paddle board, or floating device! Please see the schedule below.

#### **Paddle 4 A Cause Schedule - Subject to change**

##### **10:15 a.m. early morning check in**

**10:30 – 11:30 a.m.** SUP Yoga (BYOB 'Bring your own board' \$15) (\$30 for SUP rental/only 20 boards available) (Registration automatically enters you in the SUP race)

**10:30 a.m. - Noon** - Build your own boat on the spot! That's right! For \$30, you can build your own boat. We will have supplies onsite.

**11:30 a.m.** registration for SUP/Kayak lessons (BYOB \$15) (\$30 for SUP rental/only 20 SUP boards available/must bring your own kayak) (Registration automatically enters you in the SUP/Kayak race)

**Noon – 1:00 p.m.** SUP/Kayak lesson class

**Noon** - check in for races (Kayak, canoe, SUP, cardboard boats, MEGA SUP family board, anything that floats class)

**ALL DAY** - Community Float (Social distancing from the water) Come cheer on our racers!

##### **1:15 to 1:30 p.m. – Races begin**

**1:30 p.m.** – Cardboard boat races (buoy race/different divisions) / anything that floats class (blow up rafts, unicorns, air mattress, etc.)

**2:00 p.m.** – Kayak 100 yard paddle (fastest time) \$25 Entry donation

**2:15 p.m.** – Canoe 100 yard paddle (fastest time) \$25 Entry donation

**2:45 p.m.** – SUP 100 yard paddle (fastest time) \$25 Entry donation

**3:15 p.m.** – Paddle Royal! (FIVE fastest from each class race). A race between all paddle-craft (SUP, kayak, Canoe, and cardboard boats)

**3:30 p.m.** – Awards - Winners receive trophies and you can even win with an epic sink or wipe out! Call 304-624-6337 for more info or if you have any questions. This day gives our community the chance to have fun on the water! Concessions will be available.

**Join us for some fun in the sun and on the water and some good food will be available to purchase from MR. TACO.**

**#DOINGMORE4THE304! #GIVEUNITEDHDC!**

Winners receive trophies and you can even win with an epic sink or wipe out! How cool is that? Also, spectators will be able to vote on the People's Choice Award by purchasing tickets. The cardboard boat who has the most tickets at the end of the race will win that category! Raffles will be available as well! Start building your cardboard boat today or get your kayak and/or paddle board ready! Call 304-624-6337 for more info or if you have any questions.

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See you there! LIVE UNITED!

## **HOW TO BUILD YOUR BOAT**

### **Design Regulations:**

- Less than 6 feet wide – Here, more is not better.
- Where the crew sits cannot be enclosed. The boat crew must be able to get in and out of the boat easily! Oars and paddles can be made of anything and attached to the cardboard hull as long as it doesn't add to the strength or buoyancy of the boat.
- Decorations and props that are not part of the boat's hull or structure are allowed as long as they in no way affect the strength or the buoyancy of the boat.
- Raft style designs are allowed.
- If there is any doubt about the construction, the judges reserve the right to use a probe, such as an ice pick, to test and verify that only cardboard has been used.
- Cardboard boat designers and builders are encouraged to use "fair" designs and building materials. Please contact the United Way office if you have any questions.

## **Materials:**

- The ENTIRE boat must be built of cardboard, duct tape and one-part polyurethane.
- The cardboard may be as thick as you want, but may not be glued or attached to wood, plastic, fiberglass, etc. Additional cardboard can be found at recycling centers, appliance stores, department stores, discount clubs, electronic stores. You must only use corrugated cardboard from these types of boxes.
- Cardboard carpet tubes can be used.
- Metal (or plastic) staples, clamps, nails, screws, etc. – are not allowed. These are dangerous to the crew and others and the Harrison County environment.
- Wood or Styrofoam cannot be used. The buoyancy from these materials is unnecessary and defeats the whole purpose.
- No caulking compounds such as silicon, tar, wax or any similar waterproofing material is allowed.
- Boats cannot be wrapped with plastic, tape, Fiberglass or any similar product.
- Duct tape, masking tape, or adhesives such as 'liquid nails' can be used to connect cardboard to cardboard and can be used to reinforce all seams and stress points.
- If you don't want your boat to sink, waterproof the entire boat with any paint-able, one-part substance like Varnish or Polyurethane.

## **Build Your Own Boat On-site Rules:**

The ENTIRE boat must be built from cardboard & duct tape. Duct tape may be used to reinforce seams. Each team will be supplied with 2 rolls of duct tape. Additional duct tape, box cutter, pencil, yardstick must be provided by contestants.

Corrugated Cardboard, Carpet Tubes, Cardboard Blocks can be found at recycling centers, appliance stores, department stores, discount clubs, electronics stores.

Pre-treated cardboard such as waxed cardboard is allowed. No paint or varnish is allowed on the day of the event, all paint & varnished cardboard must be cured prior to boat launch. Paints and varnish are intended to be used as decorative elements only- not waterproofing.

Fastening material is to be duct tape only.

Hull wrapping in duct tape is allowed.

Decorations are allowed and encouraged provided they are not used as structural or floatation elements.

Crew costumes are encouraged.

Participants have up to 4 hours to build their boats. Boat building and/or final assembly will be completed on-site

## **Race Rules & Procedures:**

**EVERY RACE PARTICIPANT AND CREW MEMBER MUST WEAR A PROPERLY FITTED PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICE (PFD) WHILE IN OR ON THE WATER.** Please provide your own PFDs.

- PFDs can be purchased locally at Target, Walmart, Dick's Sporting Goods or at many online retailers

The minimum age of any race participant is 10 years old. No one under age 18 is allowed to participate unless his/her parents or legal guardians are present and have signed a waiver. (Date of birth on the day of the race determines age.) The oldest paddling crew member will determine which division the boat is entered. A parent may ride in Junior Division boats as a non-paddling crew member.

All crew members MUST sign a Participant Waiver/Hold Harmless Agreement on race day. Boats will not be allowed to race without a signed agreement from each race participant.

- ✓ Unload your boat in the display area. After unloading, please move your vehicle to the parking lot.
- ✓ The entire crew should proceed to the registration table to be assigned a boat number and race heat. Participant Waiver/Hold Harmless Agreement should be signed at this time. If an entrant is under the age of 18, a parent/guardian must accompany them.
- ✓ Set up your boat display. Set out your People's Choice Jug so everyone has a chance to "vote" for your boat.
- ✓ After the race, the boat crews must remove all cardboard, decorations and other materials from the water and the grounds. Volunteers will be on hand to help. You can take your boat home with you or dispose of it in on-site recycling bins.

### **\*\*Race Procedures\*\***

Racers will enter their boats at designated docking area and prepare to start. This is an out and back course. Upon the sound of the starting pistol, racers will paddle 100 yards to the anchored buoy. Racers must pass and circle behind the marked buoy before returning to the finish line (the water is approximately 6 ft. deep at the turnaround spot/buoy and the water will be in the mid 70's). Once racers have circled behind the buoy they must paddle back to the dock/finish line.

### **Registration Information:**

Everyone participating in the race will need to bring their own Personal Floatation Device and a signed Participant Waiver/Hold Harmless Agreement before being allowed to race. Anyone not on the Participant Waiver/Hold Harmless Agreement for a boat will not be allowed in a boat for any race. No exceptions.

Mail payment and registration forms to:

**United Way of Harrison County P.O. 2452 Clarksburg, WV 26301 or visit [www.unitedwayhdc.org](http://www.unitedwayhdc.org)**

# REGISTRATION FORM

## United Way of Harrison and Doddridge Counties

Paddle 4 A Cause

Saturday, July 30, 2022

Maple Lake, Bridgeport, WV

### USE A SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM FOR EACH BOAT ENTRY

THERE IS NO DEADLINE TO REGISTER – ALL ARE WELCOME!

Submit your registration via: PO Box 2452 Clarksburg, WV 26302

Or register online at [www.unitedwayhdc.org](http://www.unitedwayhdc.org)

-Or-

Email to [briffee@unitedwayhdc.org](mailto:briffee@unitedwayhdc.org)

Crew Member Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Boat \_\_\_\_\_

# of Crewmembers Anticipated \_\_\_\_\_

**2022 UNITED WAY OF HARRISON COUNTY PADDLE 4 A CAUSE**

**PARTICIPANT WAIVER/HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

I, the undersigned, wish to participate in the 2022 United Way of Harrison County “PADDLE 4 A CAUSE” on Saturday, July 30, 2022.

I understand that the activities involved with the race contain an element of hazard or risk. I recognize the inherent danger involved and take full responsibility for my actions and physical condition.

In consideration of my participating in the race, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the United Way of Harrison County, its employees, agents, representatives and successors and any other group or individual associated with this event for any personal injuries or property damage or loss suffered while engaged in the race activities.

I agree to indemnify and hold the United Way of Harrison County, Inc., and any other group or individuals associated with the event and any of their servants, agents, officials or employees free and harmless from any liability, loss, cost or expense including attorney fees, which may result from my participation in the race activities. I agree that I am fully responsible for payment of all costs resulting from the rendering of medical aid and ambulance services to me as a participant in any race activities and I authorize that all necessary first aid steps may be taken as prescribed by qualified personnel.

I also grant full permission to use any photographs, videotapes, recordings or any other record of my participating in the race program for any purpose. By signing below, I agree that I understand and consent to this statement.

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**Agency Name**

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**Print Name of Participant**

**Date**

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**Address**

**City**

**Zip**

**Phone Number**

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**Signature of Participant**

**Date of Birth**

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**Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian if minor participant**