2nd ANNUAL
ARNETTE HOUSE REGATTA BOAT RACE
“Whatever Floats Your Boat!”

Carney Island Recreation & Conservation

September 7, 2019

9 am—2 pm

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The 2nd Annual Arnette House Regatta Boat Race boosts awareness, gets people excited, celebrates the spirit of working together and helps raise funds for a well known non-profit in Marion County that provides food, clothing and shelter to homeless, runaways, lockouts, truant or youth ages 10 to 17 experiencing parent/child conflict, the Arnette House.

Taking part in this event is a great team building activity for your business, family, or group. Your employees or members get to design, name, build and run their own boat. On Race Day coworkers, friends, and family are encouraged to join in the fun and come cheer their favorite team on. There are a number of benefits:

- Facilitates better communication
- Promotes creativity
- Deepens relationships
- Increases morale
- Improves problem-solving skills
- Celebrates giving

WHATEVER FLOATS YOUR BOAT!!

Boats are entirely homemade and are MAN-powered by one or two rowers. They will race in timed heats at Carney Island Beach. Boats compete in individual heats for honor, glory, bragging rights, and some really big trophies!

As a part of the Arnette House Fleet you will:
- Have a boatload of fun!
- Compete in an amazing event!
- Receive T-shirts for your boat crew (with the option to buy additional shirts)
- Get delicious hot dog & burger, chips and a drink for 4 people on your team.
- Free Park Entrance
COMMITMENT
Captains and Crews who wish to participate in the 1st Annual Arnette House Regatta Boat Race commit to the following:

- Construct a boat out of any recycle materials, excluding fiberglass items, old canoes, old kayaks, old boats, surfboards
- All boats are human powered (oars and paddles are acceptable as propulsion tools; you provide the oars/paddles; 1 or 2 people)
- Participate in the entire event which includes:
  - Bringing completed boat to the boat ramp on Saturday morning at 9:00 am & attending the orientation from 9:00-9:30 am.
  - Attend race check-in to obtain your heat number and first heat of race will start at 11:00 am.
  - Stay for brief awards ceremony after the race
  - Dispose of boat in provided dumpster or remove from Carney Island after the race

IMPORTANT DATES

August 31st, 5 PM
Last day for boats to register. All boats must have submitted their final Name of Boat, crew names and T-shirt sizes.

September 7th - RACE DAY!
Boats should arrive by 8:30 am. With crew and team on hand. Up to four boat crew members will receive T-shirts, up to four team members will receive food arm bands for lunch. From 10:00 a.m. through the race, guests will have the opportunity to check out the homemade boats in the volly ball area. This is a great opportunity for boat builders to solicit cash donations for the People’s Choice Award. (The boat with the most cash donated wins the title & a trophy!)
At this time the Guest Judges will pick their favorite boats. Guests will have a chance to visit local sponsors and their displays—boats, campers and trucks!!
The boat races start at 11:00 am. The awards ceremony immediately follows the final race.

RACE COMPETITION
Heats will be drawn at random. The winner of each timed heat will move on to compete for first place in the final Championship Race heat.
AWARDS

Place Trophies: will be awarded to top 3 winners in the final heat. A homemade boat must complete length of the course to qualify as a “finisher.” Swimming crewmembers pushing a boat (or some portion of it) through the course is not considered racing. The boat (or some portion of it) must be maneuvered and propelled by paddling crewmembers. Homemade Crusaders Race: any boat that is still sea worthy and not participating in the final heat is allowed to enter in the Last Chance Crusaders Race. This race is first to cross the finish line...with the winner receiving a special one-of-a-kind homemade trophy!

Special Trophies will be awarded for the following:

Best in Race Award (1st place) - First boat to cross the finish line in the final heat. Best in Race receives a “traveling trophy” for one year and will have that trophy replaced at the end of the year with a permanent one they can keep. Second and third place will also be awarded.

Judges’ Choice Awards - Awarded by the judges based on creativity, showmanship and team spirit. Costumes, props, and entourages are highly encouraged.

People’s Choice Award—Largest Treasure Chest— The People’s Choice Award is given to the crew that raises the most money for their boat entry on Race Day. Crew members can support their own boat.

Last Chance Crusader Trophy: goes to the team who wins the Homemade Crusaders heat (see above).

The Wonder That Went Down Under Award (Most Spectacular Sinking) - Awarded to the crew who, in the opinion of the Arnette House Judges, was the most spectacular in the way the ship and its crew went down.

The awards ceremony will be held after the final heat and all boats are out of the water.
Every crew member MUST wear a PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE (PFD) & proper footwear. (Please provide your own PFDs)

All crew members MUST sign a Participant Waiver/Hold Harmless Agreement. Nobody will be allowed in the water without a signed agreement, located on back of Boat registration.

Boats may have one or two crew in boat.

All boats are human powered, no more than two oars or paddles per boat. (Please provide your own oars or paddles.)

No pets allowed.

No alcohol allowed.

Swimming crew members pushing a boat (or some portion of it) through the course is not allowed. The boat (or some portion of it) must be maneuvered and propelled by paddling crew member(s).
CONSTRUCTION RULES:

- The ENTIRE boat must be HOMEMADE...barrels, tires, wood, cardboard, plastic jugs, Whatever Floats Your Boat...
- Only exceptions are the oars/paddles & decorations
- NO fiberglass
- NO old boats, kayaks, canoes, stand-up paddle boards or pontoons
- NO caulking compounds, two-part/mixed adhesives, or rubberizing paints/sprays
- NO wrapping in duct tape, plastic, shrink wrap, fiberglass or similar product
- All oil, grease, gas or other foreign material must be removed from all items before the boat enters the water.
- Human Powered only!!!
- Decorations are encouraged! They cannot, however, effect the structural strength or buoyancy
- Boats CANNOT tow anything behind them for the safety of other boats
- The crew compartment CANNOT be enclosed so as to interfere with escape
- Care should be taken that construction does not include pointed objects and sharp edges that could injure anyone
- EVERYTHING must be removed from the lake at the end of the event.
MATERIALS:

PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS—SUGGESTIONS

- Corrugated Cardboard, blocks, tubes
- Plastic milk jugs
- Bath tubs—not made of fiberglass
- Wood, Styrofoam
- Old bicycle parts
- Old vehicle parts
- Barrels—wooden or plastic
- Fastening material
  - Duct, masking, clear or similar tape
  - Liquid nails adhesive
  - Nails, screws, bolts, washers, nuts—securely fastened
- Latex Paint, Varnish

NOT ALLOWED

- Wrapping boat with duct tape, plastic, etc.
- Fiberglass
- Sona -Tubes, coated cardboard
- Silicon, wax, tar, rubberizing product
- Caulking compounds
- Old boats, canoes, kayaks, pontoons
- No surfboards, paddleboards, stand-up boards

*If there is any doubt about the construction, the judges reserve the right to test and verify that unallowed materials are not used in the construction of the boat. Failure to abide by any design, race rule or the direction of a race official shall be cause for disqualification. The Judges’ decision is final. Please contact Cindy or Denise at Arnette house, 352-622-4432 if you have any questions.
Consider the logistics of building and transporting the boat

- Big enough to hold one to two crew, small enough to transport and carry to the water.

- Wider is better for stability, but still must be able to paddle and turn
  - No surfboard/paddleboard style designs are allowed
  - Homemade Rafts are allowed

- Consider total weight of all materials when waterlogged

- **EVERYTHING** must be removed from the lake

Boat decorations and crew costumes are encouraged - use your imagination; you may be rewarded with the Judges’ Choice or People’s Choice Award
DESIGN STYLES:

Basic boat styles

Simple Box

Slanted Box

V-Shaped Bow

Outrigger Design

Pontoon Design

Raft Design
Set the Design Goal: Fun, Speed and Appearance

Sketch out your design

- build a scale model from manila paper:
  - estimate materials or plan how to use what you have
  - plan out what construction techniques will be used

Flat bottom, sit-to-paddle & canoe styles have been the most popular and successful designs

Rudders help keep you straight but make turning difficult and adds complexity to your design

Long boats go fast - but are harder to turn

Short boats (<8’) - are difficult to paddle straight

Best Length: 8-12 feet

Best Height: 18 inches

- allows room to sit/kneel & still paddle over the edge

Best Width:

- 18”-30”(max) for 2 or more people in a row

- Minimum 48” wide for 2 people side by side

Kneeling is a “power” position but sitting is more comfortable
READY, SET, GO BUILD YOUR BOAT!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
Carney Island Recreation

BOATS ARRIVE AT 8:30 AM
FIRST RACE STARTS PROMPTLY AT 11 AM

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