



# ***Western Well Regatta***

## **Information & Rules**

### **Boat Design and Construction**

- The boat must be built from cardboard & duct tape.
- Corrugated cardboard, carpet tubes, cardboard blocks can be found at auto body shops, recycling centers, appliance stores, department stores, discount retailers, electronics stores, etc.
- Duct tape, paint, construction adhesive, contact cement, and caulk may be used to seal joints. Paint may be used as decorative elements only – not waterproofing.
- Boats may be a maximum width of 60” (5 ft.) and a maximum length of 84” (7 ft.).
- Design is limited only by your imagination. Decorations, adornments, flags, business logos and other embellishments are encouraged in addition to crew costumes.
- **NO** materials (wood, plastic, rubber, inflatable devices, Styrofoam, fiberglass) may be used in a manner to assist in flotation of the boat.

### **Boat Race Logistics**

Please bring your “yacht” to the grassy area in front of Larks Park to be displayed and for judging no later than 4:30 p.m. the day of the race.

- There will be several heats with up to 6 boats participating in each race.
- Participants for each race will be listed on a poster by the back entry gate prior to the race.
- At the designated time, you will bring your boat and crew to the water’s edge on the north side of the pool (you will not put your boat in the water). There will be introductions/announcements recognizing your business followed by a round of applause. Then the whistle will blow (or a countdown) and the race is on. You will put your boat in the water with only 2 crew members in the boat. An additional 2 crew members may jump in the water to steady the boat and give it one push to get the vessel started.
- You will race to the finish line with the winner of each race awarded a pizza party for their business and receive 5 complimentary entries in the duck race. The boat with the fastest time of all races will have naming rights for next year’s boat race. The team of Western Well. (winner of last year’s race) received the distinct honor of naming this year’s race, the Western Well Regatta.

### **Participant Rules**

- Crewmembers unable to swim must wear a life jacket (a limited number will be available for use).
- Crew must remain in boat – not towing it or propelling it by swimming alongside the vessel.
- Boat must be propelled by the use of hands and/or paddles brought by you to the race.
- Each crew member **must** sign a “Hold Harmless” liability release prior to the start of the race.
- All boats must be removed from Hays Aquatic Park following race.

### **Awards**

Awards will be given for:

- Best of Show – most creative, original, and eye-catching in design and construction
- Titanic Award – the boat that sinks in the most spectacular fashion
- Spirit Award – judges choose the most spirited team based on crew costumes & team spirit





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**(Boat race named by Western Well Service – 2017 Winner)**

**Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

**Hays Aquatic Park**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Hays Duck Derby is fast approaching and we would love to have you join in the festivities this year. It's a great way to promote your business and have fun at the same time! There will be thousands of rubber ducks racing down the Lazy River with fabulous prizes for the winners including the grand prize of a car provided by local dealerships. There will also be a Duck Dash with colorful small ducks and prizes for kids, a picnic with grilled hot dogs, Quackactivities (games for kids), and a crowd favorite – the cardboard boat races!

Businesses and teams of individuals build their “yacht” made solely of cardboard and duct tape to race in the Western Well Regatta. There will be a series of heats with up to 6 boats participating in each race. The winner of each race will be awarded a Pizza Party for their business and receive 5 complimentary entries in the Duck Race. The boat with the fastest time will receive the honor of naming rights for the boat race challenge in 2019.

The proceeds from the event will enable us to match more children on the waiting list with a Big Brother or Sister. Give us a call at 625-6672 if you have questions. If you are ready to have a lot of fun while promoting your business at the same time, simply return the bottom portion of this letter as soon as possible as we are only able to take the first 24 entries.

## **Entry Fee: \$500**

- **Free meal tickets (4) for your team to use during the event**
- **Recognition of your business includes radio advertising, banner at event with your logo, thank you and recognition at event and [haysduckderby.net](http://haysduckderby.net) website.**
- **Pizza Party & 5 free entries in Duck Race for winners of each boat race**
- **Team with the fastest time will have naming rights for 2019 Cardboard Regatta.**

## “Western Well Regatta” Entry Form

Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

For more information, visit [www.haysduckderby.net](http://www.haysduckderby.net)

Presenting Sponsor: Eagle Communications

### Payment Options:

Bill Me

Payment Enclosed

Credit Card Payment (enter below)

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to:** Big Brothers Big Sisters

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