



Soapbox Derby

Sunday, October 20, 2024

It's time to start building your soapbox car!

Registration is **OPEN** (Pre-registration required)

Junior Division (6 - 10)

Senior Division (11 - 14)

Car Specifications (to be created & built by the racer, with assistance)

- Wheels cannot have bearings & max. 13" diameter.
- Maximum length: 4' (junior) & 5' (senior)
- Maximum width: 3.5'
- Cars must be equipped with a functioning brake – hand or foot controlled. Racer **cannot** use their own foot on the pavement to stop their car.
- Cars must be constructed mainly of wood – use of steel is limited to mechanical controls only.

Race rules & format can be found on the Pumpkinfest website: pumpkinfest.com



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Rules

General Rules:

- Open to ages 6 – 14. Junior division 6 – 10 & Senior division 11 – 14.
- Soap box cars are to be made by the racer, with assistance from a parent – not the other way around.
- Pre-registration is required, new registrations will not be accepted on race day.

Soap box cars are to be made to the following specifications:

- Wheels cannot have bearings and can be no longer than 13” diameter.
- Cars can have a maximum length of 4 feet (Junior division) or 5 feet (Senior division). Cars can be a maximum of 3.5 feet in width.
- Cars must be equipped with a functioning brake – hand or foot controlled. Car operator **cannot** use their own foot on the pavement to stop their car.
- Cars must be constructed mainly of wood – use of steel is limited to mechanical controls only. *Racers will not qualify if cars are steel/aluminum/metal, etc.*
- **Helmet is mandatory.** (Bicycle, motocross, or hockey) Gloves & suit optional.
- Racers will be assigned race numbers on the day of the race – no exceptions. Race number will be affixed to the car and driver on race day.
- Cars will be inspected at the time of registration & racers will be disqualified if the above specifications are not followed.
- Racers must know how to use brakes. Brakes must be able to stop car if needed, especially when over the finish line. Any unsafe cars will be disqualified. Decisions of officials are **FINAL**.

Race will be held on Sunday, October 20, 2024



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Race Format

All racers must be registered and ready to race by 10:45am

- Each racer per division will be called to the starting line to race a minimum of 3 heats. Heats will be raced alternately. All juniors to race first heat followed by all seniors in first heat, then juniors' second heat, seniors second heat, and so on until all races have completed 3 heats.
- Each heat will be timed with the time for each car recorded. If the racer crashes or wipes out, the racer must push the car over the finish line under his/her own power to stop the clock. Failure to complete 3 heats will disqualify you from the final.
- After each heat, the competing racers are to move their cars to the outside edge or the roadway at the end of the tracks and walk back up the hill on the outside of the track. **Racers cannot bring their cars up the racetrack.** Failure to comply will result in disqualification. Any repairs or modifications can be made at the end of the track if desired, or at the top of the hill while the other division is racing.
- Upon completion of the 3 heats, all times will be tallied. The 3rd fastest accumulated time will be declared the 3rd place winner. The first and second fastest accumulated times over the 3 heats will race one final heat, the first car over the finish line declared the 1st place winner, and the other declared the 2nd place winner.
- The driver with the fastest declared heat time will be offered lane preference for the final heat.
- Prizes will be awarded to 1st place, 2nd place, & 3rd place in each division as well as 1st best decorated and 2nd best decorated for both divisions combined.

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Soap Box Derby 2024 Junior & Senior Division Waiver Form

To: Registrant (present signed form at registration table on race day)

In consideration of accepting my child's registration, I for myself, my heirs, administrators and assign, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I now have or hereafter have against the above organization, organizers, and any association or sponsor connected with this event or town in which they may participate, their representatives, successors and assigns or any and all injuries suffered by my son/daughter while taking part in the activities. Furthermore, I hereby grant permission to Waterford Lions Pumpkinfest to publish name and/or photos of said son/daughter in print/online media and organization publications.

Junior Division: Ages 6 - 10

Senior Division: Ages 11 - 14

Print Racers Name: _____ **Age:** _____

Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Print Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

**Please bring completed form, signed, to the race at
St. James Street S. on Sunday, October 20, 2024.**

Registration: 10:00 – 10:45am

Best decorated judging: 10:45am

Races begin: 11:00am

New registrations will not be accepted on race day

Straw bales donated by Robert Lee Farm

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