

2022 Cardboard Boat Building Challenge & Race

You provide: Cardboard, duct tape, cutting tools (no power tools allowed), measuring tapes, writing instruments, straight edge, etc. Paddles & lifejackets.

We provide: 1 plastic church table (to aid in construction) extra box cutters extra duct tape, extra cardboard. Extra paddles & life jackets.

Boat Building Rules

- Boat construction must be completed **within 30 minutes**.
- No additional floatation materials are allowed in the construction of your boat, or thereafter (foam, pool noodles, styrofoam, etc).
- No glue is allowed in construction, DUCT TAPE ONLY.
- Each team must have at least 1 person in the following age categories; under 20 and over 50.
- At least 2 members of your team must wear a silly hat AND silly socks during the entire construction process.
- No 'pre-cutting' of cardboard is allowed.
- Teams will be given extra points for shouting out, twice during the construction of your craft, quotations from Scripture.
- "Time remaining" will be called out at regular intervals.
- Your must give your boat a Biblical Name.
- Teams are allowed to bring water-based, offensive and defensive weaponry (water balloons, squirt guns) on board to discourage nautical piracy. No hard projectiles please.

Boat Racing Rules

- Each boat must have, at a minimum, 2 crew; 1 "Captain" and 1 "Engine" for the entire duration of the race. Other members of your team may accompany your boat in the water to provide additional propulsion.

- All crew members must accompany the boat for the entire duration of the race.
- The Race Course will be designated by the judges the day of the race.
- No means of propulsion are allowed other than paddles and human power. No flippers.
- Your boat must reach the finish line, more or less, in 1 piece. Partial submergence of your craft is authorized, and indeed, expected.
- No boarding of another craft is authorized. Also, asking another crew to "walk the plank" for real or imagined transgressions is not allowed.
- All Crew Members that enter the water must wear a life jacket for the duration of the race.

Scoring

- Points are awarded in the following categories: Teamwork, Nautical Creativity, Styling & Flamboyance, Seaworthiness, and Order of Finish (both in boat construction & race).
- The following scoring rubric will be utilized; Outstanding, Good, Fair, Poor, Terrible.
- A Trio of Judges will be used to evaluate, score, and adjudicate on disputed matters. Dissent from their wise decisions will result in harsh penalties from the book of Leviticus.
- Points will be deducted for: whining, saying 'it isn't fair', complaining, or dissent from the decisions of the judges.
- Decisions of the judges are final and not open to dispute, reinterpretation or dissent.