



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Sincerely,

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SOLOMONS DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

TEAM INFORMATION

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RACE WEEK SCHEDULE

MONDAY, AUGUST 16 - THURSDAY, AUGUST 19 - PRACTICE DATES

Teams will be assigned practice times to help teach teams the terminology, form and teamwork best practices. Generally, times are 4:30 - 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20 - DOTTING OF THE EYE

7:00 p.m. Dotting of the Eye Ceremony

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21 - RACE DAY!

7:30 a.m. Teams may begin setup

9 a.m. Races begin

3 p.m. Racing Competition Awards

Times listed above are for example only. You will be given a schedule closer to race day. Training staff, supplies and training week schedules come from our host 22Dragons and have limited flexibility. Schedules are subject to change.

TEAM DEADLINES

- August 1: Team Roster due
- August 9: Full payment due
- August 13: Team waivers due

RACE CATEGORIES

Fiery Dragons

Highly competitive. Feature teams that really want to show their athletic prowess. In it to win it!

Smoldering Dragons

Slightly less competitive. While enjoying a good race, these teams are more in it for the camaraderie and community support.

Laughing Dragons

Simply in it to make friends, have fun, and support the community.

WHAT TO BRING & WEAR

- Ask only one or two persons to be responsible for bringing in the majority of your team's supplies. This helps to move traffic through the area.
- Car pool when possible, this is also a great help to cut down on morning traffic.
- A Team Buddy – ask a volunteer to watch your race schedule and keep an eye on your tent while you're on the water.
- Tent - 10' X 10' ONLY. And tent decorations. Be creative, you earn bragging rights!
- Chairs or blankets to sit on, towel, sun glasses, hat, sunscreen, a fundraising activity or raffle item.
- Snacks, water, and non-alcoholic beverages, coolers, ice, trash bags. (If you bring it in - please take it out) Stay hydrated!
- Money to buy festival swag & visit the Vendors Village and Food Trucks!
- Safe shoes for dragon boating – sandals are okay, we recommend they have a strap across your heel.
- IMPORTANT: Lifejackets (PFDs) MUST be worn anytime you are on the water. No exceptions. These will be provided by our dragon boating company.

FUNDRAISING

We encourage every team to fundraise on the side, to help support our cause. If you decide to do some extra fundraising, here's what to know about SMCR. We:

- promote social, recreational and educational opportunities in SoMD in which community members with developmental differences can contribute their unique gifts.
- are dedicated to developing programs and providing resources to individuals age 21+ who have special needs and have aged out of the school system.
- reach out 1 on 1 with programs that offer these community members the opportunity to grow and be a part of the larger community.

SMCR, Inc. is a 501(c)3 qualified charity and donations are tax deductible.