

Welcome to the City of Lincoln McBean Pool Cardboard Boat Regatta

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- Who: Adults and children (ages 5 and older)
- What: Cardboard Boat Regatta
- Where: McBean Pool, 61 McBean Park Drive
- When: Saturday, June 21. Competitors check-in at 10am. Races begin at 11am.
- Why: Put your boat creations to the test for a chance to win prizes and bragging rights!

Registration

This event is Free to participate in.

Please Register at www.lincolnrec.net

No registration is needed to attend and cheer on boats and sailors.

Racers — and their completed boats — should arrive to the pool deck by 10 a.m. to check-in and have boats inspected.

Divisions and Prizes

Two divisions for competition include:

- Minors: Maximum of two children between the ages of 7-17.
- Family: One adult and one child. Child must be 5+ years of age.

Trophies will be awarded by City staff for the following:

- Speed Boat Award: the team in each division that completes the course in the fastest amount of time (or travels the farthest before sinking).
- One team — across all divisions — will be awarded the:
 - Titanic Award: the most spectacular sinking of the day.
 - Design of the Day: the best design and theme (including boat and crew).

Cardboard Boat Rules

To protect the pool and for fair competition, only the following construction supplies are permitted:

- Corrugated cardboard
- Duct tape (including colored tape)
- Packaging tape
- Stickers
- Markers

- Paddles do not need to be made of cardboard. Racers may bring their own or use the provided event paddles.

Participants must construct their boats prior to the 10am check in., at which all boats must pass inspection by aquatics staff to confirm only approved materials were used before entering the water.

Racers should bring

- Their cardboard boat.
- Swimsuit. All racers must wear swimming attire while in the pool.
- Life jackets. All racers are required to wear a lifejacket and only coastguard-approved life jackets are allowed. Our pool has child-sized lifejackets available upon request, but adults will need to bring their own. (We will have limited adult sizes to borrow)
- Paddle(s). Competitors are welcome to bring their own paddles or use the paddles provided at the event.
- Friends to cheer you on!

Race Rules

- All participants will be required to sign a waiver of liability the day of the event prior to entering the pool.
- Team members in the boat must not be enclosed above the shoulders and must always be visible while the boat is in the water. Participants cannot lay down or stand up in the boat.
- Team members who start the race must finish the race without leaving the interior of the boat. If a team member exits the boat for any reason during the race, that will end the competition for that team.
- Teams are not allowed to sabotage anyone else's boat. Any roughhousing in the water will lead to disqualification.
- When a boat has finished the race, the team must remove the boat and any leftover cardboard debris from the water area and dispose of it at the designated trash area.
- Judging will be based on completion time of the race or distance traveled and time the boat sinks.
- Life jackets must be worn while in the pool. Lifeguards will be on duty.
- All racing participants must follow the Aquatic Center requirements for swimming attire.