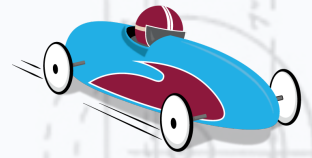


RNLI SOAPBOX RACE 15 - 08 - 2020



PART OF SWANAGE LIFEBOAT WEEK 07-16/08/2020

Introduction

The Swanage RNLI Soapbox Race is intended as a fun day for teams, their supporters and spectators of all ages.

Our aim is to encourage up to 40 Soapbox teams to compete.

The Swanage RNLI Soapbox Derby will be held on The Downs in Swanage just above Broad Road car park for individual time trials.

Each team will be allocated three runs.

At the widest part of the course, the driver will have the option of taking either a short chicane or a jump to test their skills.

Themed Soapbox carts are especially encouraged.

There is an entry fee of £25 per team - £10 deposit on registration (non-refundable) and £15 one month before the race.

How to enter

1. Please read the Rules and Regulations that accompany the Entry Pack
2. Complete the Registration Form on the final page
3. A standard entry deposit of £10 is required (non-refundable) with each team entry (or payment of the full entry fee of £25 which includes VAT), payable to RNLI Fundraising Branches (If only a deposit is paid, the balance of £15 must be paid by 30th June 2020.
4. Detach and send your completed registration form, along with deposit/payment cheque to: Swanage Lifeboat Station, Peveril Point road, Swanage, Dorset, BH19 2AY. The closing date is 30th June 2020, submit your entry as soon as possible to secure your place.



RULES and REGULATIONS

Introduction

These Rules and Regulations apply to all entries. They have been designed for your safety and the safety of others around you, are based on 'best practice', common sense and the experience of other organisers of similar events. They are intended as a helpful guideline, but if you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact us on soapbox@slbw.org.uk.

Your signature on the Team Registration Form confirms that you have read and understood the Rules and Regulations.

The course will start just above the wild flower plantation on the downs with a descent of approximately 1:15 (it should be noted that this is only indicative of the gradient of parts of the course).

At the end of the straight, drivers will have the option of taking either a short chicane or a jump to test their skill. Teams will be given the opportunity of three runs and will set off singly at intervals. All runs will be timed and recorded by independent adjudicators.

1. General Conditions

1.1 The minimum age of a Junior Team Driver is 12 years on the day of the race. The minimum age of a Senior Team Driver is 18 years, also on the day of the race.

1.2 There is a maximum of six persons per team (minimum of one).

1.3 Brightly coloured soapbox carts, sponsorship and advertising are encouraged.

1.4 The Team's Soapbox number (between 1-40) will be issued by the organisers on the day and must be displayed on the Soapbox - Painted/affixed/etched/....

1.5 Registration will take place at Prince Albert Gardens between 9.00am - 10.30am on the day of the event. The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to any team and their decision will be final.

1.6 There will be no practice runs. (Racing is expected to start 12.00am prompt).

1.7 Soapboxes and drivers must report to scrutineering for a safety inspection.

1.8 It is intended that the Broad Road car park will be open solely for the use of team vehicles and trailers and this is where scrutineering will take place .

1.9 The push start area will be clearly marked between two lines at the top of the course, with a maximum of two pushers allowed.

1.10 After crossing the finishing line, drivers will need to apply their brakes and quickly depart from the course under the marshal's instructions.

1.11 The organisers reserve the right to disqualify any or all team participants that demonstrate inappropriate conduct.

2. Technical, Design and Structural Regulations

2.1 Maximum length 2500mm measured from front to rear of soapbox.

2.2 Maximum width 1200mm measured from outside to outside.

2.3 Drivers to remain seated at all times.

2.4 Strictly no protuberances outside these dimensions will be allowed without prior approval.

2.5 There must be a minimum of three wheels, fitted with suitable tyres, (more than two "in line" wheels will not be allowed) and all wheels should be in road contact during normal running. Ground clearance should be sufficient- 50mm minimum is recommended.

2.6 Good brakes and steering are essential. Braking must operate on at least two wheels on the same axle and be effective in holding the vehicle stationary at the start position.

2.7 Seats must be securely bolted to the soap box.

2.8 Soap boxes must be designed to carry one person only, in a feet first direction.

2.9 Any steering column, brake lever or other protrusion must be designed and fitted such that the risk of puncture injuries is minimised.

2.10 Bodywork and controls must not impede the driver in exiting the vehicle unaided.

2.11 Any doors or hatches required for driver access must be readily operated from both inside and outside the vehicle without the use of tools.

2.12 Gravity propulsion only – i.e. no motors, no pedals, rockets and no stored potential energy.

2.13 No loose weights will be allowed inside or outside the soap box.

2.14 Seatbelts are not mandatory but are recommended.

2.15 Steering must not have excessive free play or any characteristic tending to promote instability.

3. Safety Regulations

3.1 The purpose of the event is to have fun, but the safety of the team, supporters and spectators is paramount throughout the day, and accordingly, Swanage Lifeboat Week reserve the right to amend these rules or go above and beyond their guidance.

3.2 Each driver in the team will be required to sign a disclaimer as part of the entry process on the day.

3.3 All soapboxes must be constructed with pedestrian friendly sympathies. Sharp edges will not be permitted.

3.4 No glass or other materials that would shatter or cause injuries to drivers and spectators in the event of a crash should be used in the construction of the soap box.

3.5 Drivers must wear an approved crash helmet (motor cycle helmet or H&S approved cycle helmet or similar).

3.6 All drivers must attend the Drivers' Briefing.

3.7 All drivers are advised to walk the course prior to the start of the race.

3.8 Any three members (from the maximum of six team members) can be drivers on the race day.

3.9 The Scrutineers decision is final. Scrutineers must have full access to the soapbox and component parts as required to carry out their duties.

3.10 Teams are responsible for the ongoing risk assessments on their soapbox during the event and are obliged to report any change in risk to the Scrutineers.

3.11 No expressed or implied warranty of safety shall result from the publication of, or compliance with, these rules and / or regulations. This publication is in no way a guarantee against injury to team members, supporters or spectators.

3.12 Insurance is the responsibility of the individual team. Disclaimers must be signed prior to racing.

Prize Categories

Categories for 2020 are:

- Fastest single Junior time on the day
- Fastest single Senior time on the day
- Best Turned Out Soapbox and Crew
- Overall Fastest Team (an average of the fastest two runs of three - slowest run is excluded)

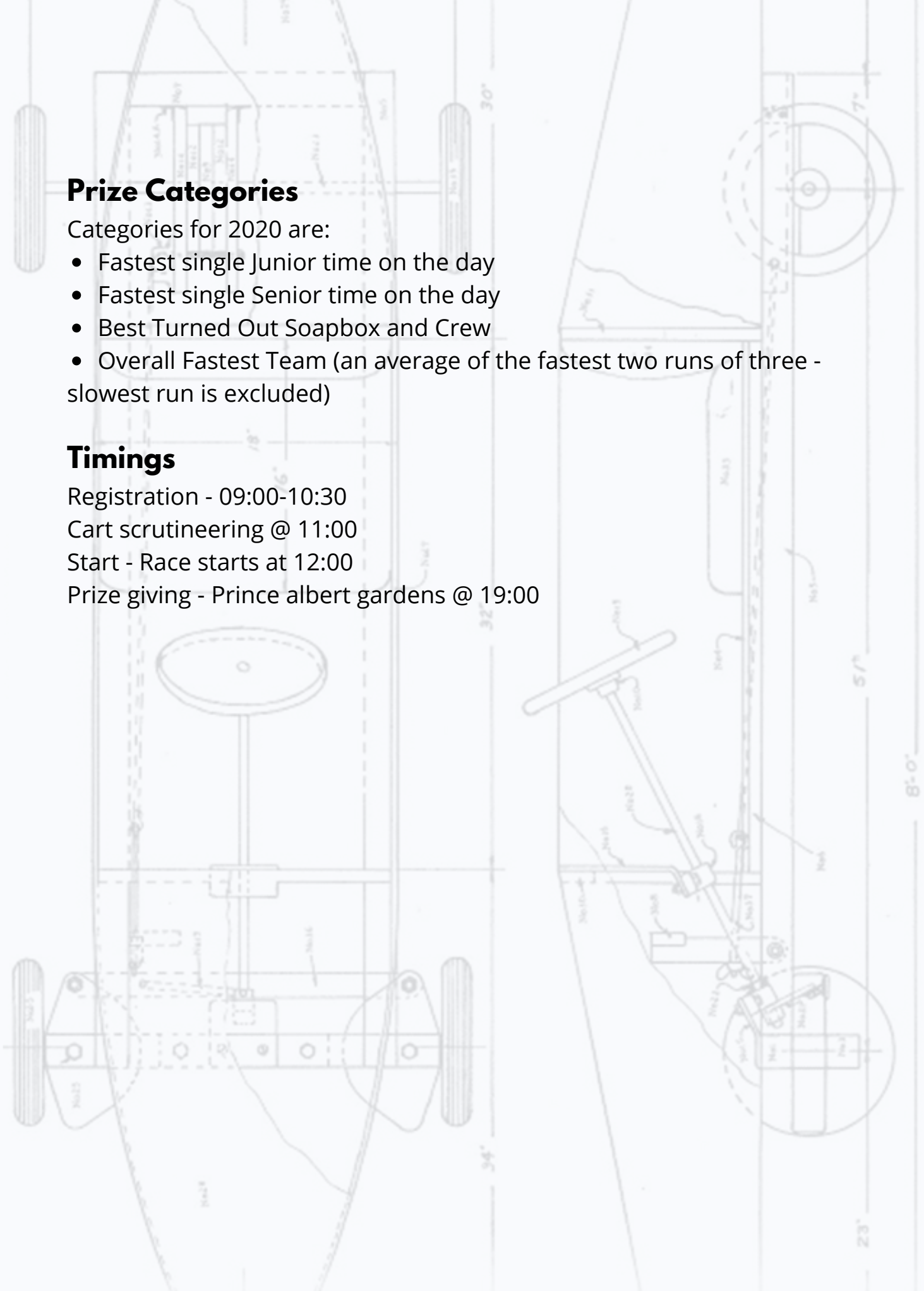
Timings

Registration - 09:00-10:30

Cart scrutineering @ 11:00

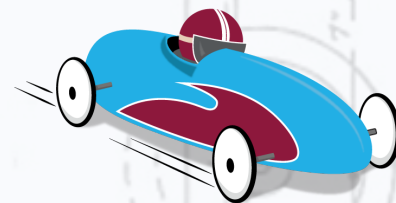
Start - Race starts at 12:00

Prize giving - Prince albert gardens @ 19:00



TEAM REGISTRATION FORM

(PLEASE PRINT)



Team Name:.....

Name of Team Leader:.....

Address:.....

Post Code:.....

Telephone
Number:.....

E-mail
address:.....

We are entering a:

Junior Team (Team on the day must be 12-17 years)

Senior Team (Team on the day must be 18+ years)

How many members in your team:(MAX 6)

How many drivers:..... (MAX 3)

We, the undersigned, enter this competition having read and understood the Rules and Regulations as set out in this Race Pack. We accept full responsibility for any damage to our person or soap box and equipment

Signed:.....Date:.....

Print Name:.....

Please detach and send this form, along with the deposit cheque of £10.00 (or the full amount of £25) payable to: RNLI FUNDRAISING BRANCHES
The closing date is 30th June 2020 by which time the full £25 entry fee must be paid please.

Course

Total Distance 240 metres

Gradient 1:15

Start Position: $50^{\circ}36'18.7''\text{N } 1^{\circ}57'04.2''\text{W}$
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