

The Haw River Canoe & Kayak Company

POKER PADDLE A FUN AND FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR NON-PROFITS

Event Description:

Non-profit organizations always have a need to raise money to support their programs. Since we at The Haw River Canoe & Kayak Company believe that you can't expect people to care about nature unless they feel some connection with it, we are offering a way for non-profit organizations to raise funds while getting out on the river to have fun paddling.

We will place five 5-gallon buckets, in plain view, along an easy stretch of the Haw River. In each bucket will be a deck of cards. Each deck will have a distinctive design. Within a bucket, each card in the deck will be in a separate, sealed envelope. Poker Paddle participants will paddle to each bucket, withdraw one envelope from each bucket and return to the registration table. At that point, each envelope will be opened and the participant will know her/his poker hand.

The non-profit organization will determine the entrance fee and provide winning prizes.

Logistics:

Participants will meet at 8:00 a.m. at The Haw River Canoe & Kayak Company office in Saxapahaw, NC. Registration for the fundraising paddle will take place any time between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. As soon as an individual registers at the registration table, he/she can then begin their Poker Paddle. All participants will need to be back at the registration table by noon to have her/his five envelopes opened.

What We Provide:

We will provide the cards, envelopes and buckets and place them along the river. Additionally, for those needing them, we will provide a canoe or kayak, PFD (Personal Floatation Device), paddle and at least one safety person on the river while the fundraising event is taking place.

Your Responsibility:

Participants are responsible for paying their entrance fee(s), transportation to and from the meeting location, foot wear that can get dirty and/or wet, dry clothes to leave in your vehicle, appropriate clothing for the season, hat, insect repellent and water.

Rental Fee & Reservations:

The boat rental fee is \$25.00 per person for those participants needing a canoe or kayak. If you bring a canoe or kayak, there is a fee of \$5.00 per person which is separate from the non-profit organization's entrance fee. You must be registered and paid in full before being allowed to participate. You will be required to read and sign a liability waiver and pay attention to the safety briefing presented before the event begins.

To register, please call 336/260-6465. When your registration has been confirmed, send payment to The Haw River Canoe & Kayak Company, P.O. Box 22, Saxapahaw, NC 27340. Registrations are filled on a first come, first serve basis when payment is received.

Your entrance fee in the Poker Paddle will be paid directly to the non-profit organization.

Cancellation Policy:

Cancellations made more than 30 days in advance will receive a full refund less a 15% administration fee. Cancellations made less than 30 days but more than 10 days prior to the trip start date, will not receive a refund – but 50% of the fee may be credited toward a future course or trip, to be used within 1 yr. Cancellations made less than 10 days prior to departure, or "no shows", will receive no refund or credit.

If The Haw River Canoe & Kayak Company cancels the trip, participants are eligible for a full refund, but in no way shall The Haw River Canoe & Kayak Company's liability exceed the cost of the trip, and The Haw River Canoe & Kayak Company is not liable for extra expenses incurred in preparation for the trip. Trips are sold as a package, and credits are not given for services not used.

Dollar-A-Day for Conservation

All of the courses and trips offered by The Haw River Canoe & Kayak Company are intended to raise public awareness to the need to protect our environment. We hope you will consider contributing one dollar per day to support the work of the Haw River Assembly, a local conservation group whose mission it is to protect the river, its tributaries and Jordan Lake. Simply add one dollar per day to The Haw River Canoe & Kayak Company trip fee. We will make sure that your contribution gets to the Haw River Assembly.