

2013 Soap Box Derby Race Day Information and Rules



(NEW 2013 LOGO)

Dear Racer,

Of course there has to be some rules to keep things moving and keep things fair. This year we have two divisions racing, Children & Adult. You only need be concerned with Timing, General Rules and respective Division rules. The Lions Club cannot be responsible for those that do not follow the rules in the construction of their car, etc. We ask that adults have strong eye hooks in the front and rear of their car for towing up the hill. We have specially designed trailers for the kid cars. Our hill is fast and kids typically reach speeds of 28-35 MPH. There is no uphill at the end of our track, you need brakes to stop. Please review the rules below, prior to August 31st.

Our expected TIMING is:

- We have never offered practice runs in the past, but will try our best to offer at least a single pass practice run to all divisions, time permitting & no guarantees. To qualify for a practice run you need to be on time.
 - Kids are due in their pit by 8AM.
 - Adult racers are due in their pit area by 10AM.
- The expected practice runs for children will be from 8:00 to about 8:30AM. We plan to start the kid race at 8:30AM.
- Expected practice for adults is from roughly 10:30AM to about 11AM, but we may squeak a few adults in as the kids work on their finals. We hope to start the adult division at approximately 11AM.

Fees:

- \$25 non-refundable fee if paid by August 1st, otherwise \$40.
- Send completed Entry form and fee payable to:

Mohnton Lions Club
PO Box 141
Mohnton, PA 19540

Some GENERAL RULES:

- You must fill out and sign the waiver on www.mohntonlions.org .
- By showing up to this race, you acknowledge that the sport can be dangerous and you agree to hold all parties affiliated with the race harmless. Race at your own risk.
- 4 wheels have to touch the ground, you need brakes, and need head protection.
- We have a double yellow line down the center of our track and the road slopes away from the center. For the safety of other racers, any crossing of the yellow line can disqualify you from the heat.
- The finish line uses an optical timer for the children to let us know which lane crossed the finish line first. We may or may not use this for the adult racers.
- Kids start on ramps.
- Adults start with gravity from their brakes. Cars line up at the start line. A starter will ask adults if they are ready and drop a flag to let them start. The anxious driver get's one 'do-over' for a false start provided they stop once the starter yell's stop. If they do not stop and continue down the hill they are disqualified. A second false start gets them eliminated.....Wait for the flag to drop before releasing your brake.
- Lane decision will be made randomly top side.
- Race is rain or shine. Should it rain and the road is wet, the Lions reserve the right to shorten the track by moving the starting line down the hill.
- This is a single pass double elimination. Two cars race down the hill, one wins and the other goes to the loser bracket. Loose two races and you are eliminated.
- Nobody is forcing you to be on time for anything, but if you are late for your heat, you forfeit that heat. If you are late for practice, you obviously don't need a practice run.
- Names for heat sheets will be drawn at the Lions meeting on August ?.
- Awards presented after child race and after adult race.
- Check the map below so you know where your respective pit is located.
- Make sure you check in once you get to the race and pick up your T-Shirt.
- Children racer Families: Each child racer should provide at least 1 adult to help out. Most of the group will be split in half with half top side and the other half at the finish line to unload and load kid cars from the trailers.
- Adult racers: You are responsible for getting your car off the track as soon as possible after a run.
- Poor sportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated and you will be disqualified. Remember, there are lots of kids at our event you use your judgment in how you conduct yourself and what you say.
- Any cheating can disqualify you from the heat or from the race. Depends on the severity of the cheating and the mood of the race directors. This race is for fun, don't cheat.
- Parking is in the rear lot of Gai-tronics.
- Make sure your trash gets in a trash can. Gai-tronics was nice enough to let us use their parking lot and we would very much like to use it next year.
- Our spectator area is a little narrow, bring a chair or blanket if you want to be comfortable.
- Chances are we forgot something here, so the Lions Club reserves to right to add in or clarify items as needed.
- Anyone that can help us with clean up after the race will be greatly appreciated. It will not take long if everyone jumps in.

ADULT CARS - RACERS:

- Must be 17 years old or older
- Prizes
 - 1st Place - \$100 Prize + Trophy
 - 2nd Place - \$50 Prize + Trophy
 - 3rd Place - \$25 Prize + Trophy
 - 4th Place - Trophy
 - Crowd Pleaser - Trophy
 - Best Comic Entry - Trophy
 - Most Original - Trophy
 - Best Engineered/Constructed – Trophy
 - Fastest and Slowest speed of the day
- You must build something, 4 wheels must touch ground, & must have brakes.
- Max size = 5' Wide & 8' Long.
- No adding of additional weight to the vehicle other than the single driver.
- No Fred Flintstone actions or propulsion systems of any type are allowed.
- No AASBD kits, parts or wheels from AASBD
- No Skates, Street Luge and Skate Boards are no allowed.
- Install sturdy eye hooks in front and rear of car for towing.
- Must wear a helmet or head protection.
- No dirty racing or James Bond actions. Must remain in lane assigned.
- This is a gravity only race & will not use a push start.
- Judges decisions are final.

CHILDREN RACERS (STOCK & SUPER STOCK COMBINED):

- Your car will receive a cursory inspection the morning of the race. Racer families are responsible for making sure their car is in good working order and safe to race.
 - If you are racing in a borrowed car and need help, just ask.
 - Privately owned / raced cars are responsible for brake pads and any other maintenance item. The Lions Club may or may not have some limited parts we can sell you if able.
 - Make sure you have a decent brake pad when you arrive to race.
 - The Lions club will supply brake pads to a few of you racing borrowed local cars. You should know who you are, if not, ask.
- All Weights must be removed from the cars. NO ADDED WEIGHT.
- All AASBD (All American Soap Box Derby) Stock and Super Stock Kits with Z-Glass wheels are allowed.
- Any age AASBD Stock or Super Stock car or prior champion may be entered in this division.
- Open to racers 8 to 17 years old.
- Single pass, double elimination race, no wheel swaps.
- Trophies for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Place.



Mohnton Lions Club SOAP BOX DERBY Saturday, August 31, 2013, Mohnton

