

Come one, come all to the first annual Rockport Cardboard Regatta! Put your engineering, building, and seamanship skills to the test on August 9<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM in Rockport Harbor. Each team will construct a cardboard boat to race through a course set up by the harbor master. Participants of all ages are encouraged to enter.

### **Construction Materials and Rules**

The structure of the boat must be constructed from cardboard.

Pre-treated cardboard such as waxed cardboard is allowed.

Boat shall only be held together with tape.

Each boat is permitted one paddle per crewmember

No wood, plastic, rubber, inflatable devices, Styrofoam, fiberglass, or plastic.

No caulking compounds, two-part/mixed adhesives, glues, epoxy mixtures, or coatings.

No electrical, gasoline, benzene, propane or other chemical or electrical propulsion systems are permitted.

The crew compartment cannot be fully enclosed so as to prevent easy escape.

Each boat must have a floatation device attached to it. The floatation device must remain in the boat while racing, and can in no way aid in vessel floatation. The purpose of this floatation device is to easily locate and retrieve sunken boats.

### **Participant Rules**

Every crewmember must wear a personal floatation device (PFD).

Every crewmember must fill out appropriate paper work prior to racing.

During competition, crew must be in the boat, not towing it, pushing it, or anything else weird.

No pets on the boats.

### **Awards**

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish.

Best boat design.

The Titanic Award- given to the boat that sinks in the most spectacular fashion.