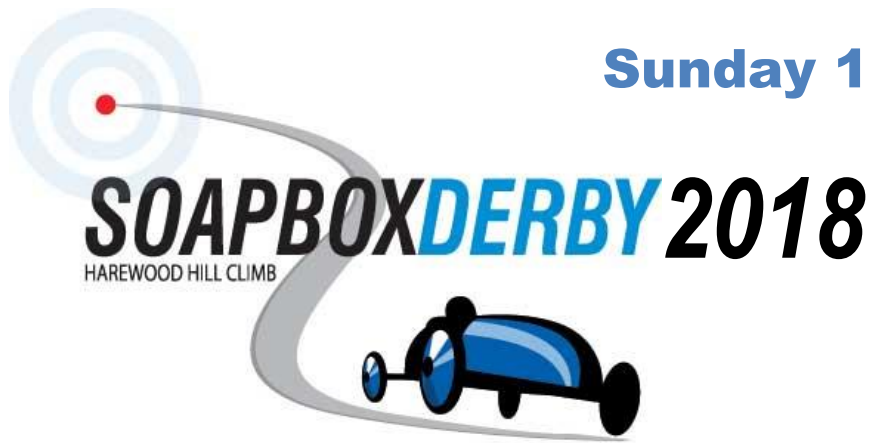


Sunday 19th August 2018



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Introduction

So after the success of 2017, there was absolutely no reason why we wouldn't run the event moving forward. 2017 helped raise over £7,000 for local causes.

The track has proved to be a huge hit with gravity racers from a multitude of disciplines.

Sponsorship

Whilst this is a fun event, it is designed to raise money for local charitable causes so we welcome teams to raise money for their own causes. We request that each team submits the total they have raised to Pickard Events so that we can keep our sponsors informed as to the total amount the event has raised.

There will be a prize for the team raising the most for local causes of:

- 1st Place - £500 to their nominated charity
- 2nd Place - £250 to their nominated charity
- 3rd Place - £100 to their nominated charity

You can raise funds however you see fit, whether it's friends or family, or selling corporate logos on your soap box. You are advised not to be shy when approaching companies; we would recommend a minimum donation of £50 per logo. You may wish to nominate a recipient for a charitable donation out of the proceeds of the event. Should you like more advice on selling sponsorship please feel free to get in touch with Pickard Events.

Please ensure that the figure you have raised is submitted by 12th August 2018 in order to be entered into the fund raisers draw.

Prize Categories

We award prizes to competitors in recognition of their dedication to the day.

The categories are:

1. Pro Class (1st, 2nd & 3rd)
2. Gravity Bikes (Awarded by BGB)
3. Novice Class (1st, 2nd & 3rd)
4. Best Turned Out
5. Best Engineered
6. Best Soap Box Moment
7. Overall Winner
8. Wooden Spoon
9. Fund raiser award:
 - 1st Place
 - 2nd Place
 - 3rd Place

How to enter

1. Read the Rules & Regulations on pages 2 - 5 of this race pack
2. Visit our website www.harewoodsoapboxderby.co.uk and follow the "Enter a team now" button. This will direct you to our Eventbrite page where you can simply select the team entry costing £60 per team of four.
In addition, we have included team camping/hospitality for the Saturday afternoon/evening. This is priced at £10 per person.
3. We will not accept responsibility for any entries which we do not receive, or for any entries which are lost, delayed or become corrupted during electronic transmission. Even if you have proof that you have submitted an entry, this will not constitute proof of receipt by us
4. Places are limited; any unsuccessful applicants will be refunded in full their £60.00 deposit.

Rules & Regulations 2018

Introduction

These Rules and Regulations apply to all entries. They have been designed for your safety and the safety of others around you, based on best practice, common sense and advice received. They enable us to run the event effectively for the maximum benefit of all – please ensure you read them carefully and comply with the details. They will be enforced! Thank You.

The course is a 0.9 mile sprint at the famous Harewood Hill Climb. The route will start at the top of the paddock where all the Soap Boxes will be held. The course then twist and turns down the infamous hill climb track but in reverse (for obvious reasons). Each team will be allowed a practice run to get a feel for the descent and the handling of your soap box. There will be at least four additional runs per soap box which each team member will drive. Each run will be timed, but the winner will be calculated over the total of all four timed runs.

1 – General Conditions

- 1.1. Teams shall be comprised of four persons made up of one team captain and three team members, all of whom must satisfy conditions 3.2 and 3.3. Team captains shall be designated on the entry form and shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with these conditions by their team members. Team captains accept responsibility for any team members under the age of 18 years.
- 1.2. The **closing date** for applications is **12th August 2018**. Since numbers are limited to 60 teams please submit your application as soon as possible to avoid disappointment! Places are allocated on a first come first served basis. Only fully complete applications will be processed.
- 1.3. It is hoped that each team will raise as much additional money as possible, in donations, sponsorship or collections.
- 1.4. Registered charities may enter a team and raise money for their own cause but a £60.00 entry is still applicable. The total figure raised is to be submitted to Pickard Events so that this can be added to the event total.
- 1.5. Notwithstanding condition 1.3, all proceeds of the soap box derby will belong to Pickard Events to be used in its absolute discretion (subject to any agreement made under

- condition 1.4) including (without limitation) covering the costs of running the soap box derby.
- 1.6. Brightly coloured soap boxes, sponsorship and advertising are actively encouraged. We also appreciate it if the team name is painted onto the soap box.
 - 1.7. Every team must comply with these Rules and Regulations in full and any variations which Pickard Events may make in its entire discretion at any time and will notify to you in accordance with condition 1.24..
 - 1.8. Registration will commence at **08:00hrs** on the day of the event, followed by inspection by scrutineers and practice runs (Practice runs (see condition 3.9) will be expected to start at approx **9:00hrs**).
 - 1.9. Any failure to observe and comply with these Rules and Regulations may lead to disqualification or penalties entirely at Pickard Events discretion.
 - 1.10. The organisers reserve the right to reasonably refuse entry to any team without an explanation or any liability arising. Their decision will be final.
 - 1.11. An entry fee of **£60.00** is required with each team entry. Reasonable proceeds net of necessary cost and expenses will be collected by Pickard Events distributed accordingly to local good causes.
 - 1.12. Soap boxes and drivers can be scrutinised by the scrutineers to inspect, test and otherwise satisfy themselves as to the safety of soap boxes, drivers and other equipment in the pits, and prior to each run and at any other time, before being allowed to participate. If any soap box, driver or equipment fails to meet scrutineers required standards the team may be disqualified.
 - 1.13. Notwithstanding condition 1.12, no expressed or implied warranty of safety or guarantee against injury, including (without limitation) to team members, drivers or spectators, shall arise from a soap box having been scrutinised or being allowed to compete.
 - 1.14. The start will be from a small launch ramp at the top of the course. Two team members will assist getting the driver to the top of the ramp. Pushing is not permitted. The starter's decision is final.
 - 1.15. After crossing the finishing line drivers shall enter the designated run off area and apply their brakes and quickly depart from the track under the marshals' instructions.
 - 1.16. Practice runs will not be timed, including by team members.
 - 1.17. Teams will be allocated a "pit area" where you will hold your soap box. You are encouraged to bring your own gazebo or tarpaulin to cover your equipment.
 - 1.18. Team members must be 16 years or older on the day of the event. **We regret that due to the nature of the event children under the age of 16 will not be permitted to run the race route.**
 - 1.19. A trailer train facility will be used to transport soap boxes from the pits to the designated paddock. No other vehicle will be allowed on the track.
 - 1.20. Teams' allocated soap box numbers must be prominently displayed on the soap box on all four faces.
 - 1.21. The organisers reserve the right to disqualify any or all participants that demonstrate or teams whose members (or any of them) demonstrate inappropriate and/or unsafe conduct including (without limitation) intoxication or nuisance.
 - 1.22. All teams must send a photograph or, if still under construction, a diagram of their soap box for the scrutineers and web posting by 31stth July 2018. Structural changes made after this date must be brought to the scrutineers' attention. Any changes deemed unsafe may result in the soap box being withdrawn from the competition at any time.
 - 1.23. This is a public event and all participants agree to their photographs being taken and used in the media without anyone having to make any payment to or seek specific permission from a participant.
 - 1.24. Any revisions to these rules and regulations will be brought to the attention of team members during the drivers briefing and by displaying copies at the venue. Team members shall be responsible for ensuring that they are familiar with the latest version of the rules and regulations.
 - 1.25. All teams accept the risk that unforeseen circumstances, including (without limitation) adverse weather, closure of the venue, discontinuance in the case of an accident or an act of God, may cause the soap box derby to be relocated, delayed, postponed or cancelled without prior notice and without any liability arising as a result.

2. – Technical, Design and Structural Regulations

- 2.1. Maximum length of soap boxes must be **2500mm** measured from front to rear of soap box.
- 2.2. Maximum width of soap boxes must be **1600mm** measured from outside to outside.
- 2.3. No protuberances outside these dimensions will be allowed.
- 2.4. Drivers must remain seated in their soap box at all times and shall not (unless in the case of an emergency) disembark from their soap box until it has come to rest.
- 2.5. There must be four wheels, fitted with pneumatic tyres or solid tyres, one on each corner; all wheels should be in road contact during normal running. Ground clearance should be sufficient to clear the uneven road surfaces – **50mm minimum is recommended.**
- 2.6. **Good** brakes are essential (**disc brakes are recommended**) and will be checked. Braking must operate on at least two wheels on the same axle and be effective to hold stationary on the start line and bring the soap box to a halt from speed. Seats must be securely bolted or welded to soap boxes.
- 2.7. Soap boxes must be designed to carry one person only, in a feet first direction.
- 2.8. Any steering column, brake lever or other protrusion must be designed and fitted such that the risk of puncture injuries is minimised. **A padded steering wheel is recommended.**
- 2.9. Bodywork and controls must not impede the drivers in exiting the vehicle unaided.
- 2.10. Any doors or hatches required for driver access must be readily operated from both inside and outside the vehicle without the use of tools.
- 2.11. Other than initial push out of the push zone only propulsion by gravity shall be used – i.e. no motors, no pedals & no stored potential energy. See condition 1.14
- 2.12. No loose weights will be allowed inside or outside soap boxes.
- 2.13. Seatbelts are not mandatory, **but are strongly recommended.**
- 2.14. It is **recommended that soap boxes are fitted with a substantial roll bar and all welding and general construction should be of a good standard.** The roll bar should be at least 35mm above the driver's helmet when the driver is seated normally in the vehicle.
- 2.15. Steering must not have excessive free play or any characteristic tending to promote instability.
- 2.16. All soap boxes must be fitted with a towing eye to enable towing in tandem with other carts up hill. i.e. mounted centrally front and rear of the soap box. Failure to include will mean that you will not be allowed to compete.
- 2.17. All soap box parts must be securely fixed to soap boxes at all times. Any soap box seen to be losing parts will be removed from the competition. Should any parts detach from the soap box you must inform a marshal as soon as it is safe to do so.
- 2.18. Soap boxes may fail scrutiny on any of these regulations or any other matter at the scrutineers' sole discretion, leading to disqualification at any time and without any liability arising from such disqualification.

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, the organisers of the Harewood Soap Box Derby reserve the right to amend these rules or go above and beyond their guidance. **Please note that participants are not specifically covered by the organiser's insurance. Every effort has been made to make the competition safe but it should be recognised that the competition is physically challenging for participants and is undertaken entirely at each participants own risk. Your own insurance policy can be taken out at:**
www.sportscoverdirect.com/insurance/soap-box-racing-insurance/
- 3.2. All team members must sign a disclaimer as part of the entry form and these will be checked to ensure all team members present on the race day have signed.
- 3.3. Team members under the age of 18 must complete the parental consent form as part of the entry form.
- 3.4. All soap boxes must be constructed with pedestrian friendly sympathies. Sharp edges will not be permitted.

- 3.5. 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.
- 3.6. All drivers must wear a crash helmet approved to BS 6658 standard (motor cycle helmet) or higher and appropriate gloves. Clothing must be capable of withstanding a spill on tarmac or concrete therefore long sleeves and long trousers are compulsory and knee and elbow pads are optional but recommended. **No bare limbs will be allowed. We would highly recommend motorbike leathers or motorcycle jacket and trousers.**
- 3.7. All drivers must attend the drivers briefing.
- 3.8. It is recommended that all drivers walk the course.
- 3.9. **ALL FOUR team members are permitted to be drivers on the race day.** The purpose of this run is to enable the drivers to get the feel of the course and their soap box. The run will not count in the timing competition.
- 3.10. Team members can opt out of a run. A minimum of three timed runs by three team members must be completed by each team to post a final team aggregate. In the case of a team member opting out of their run, the final team aggregate will be calculated by applying the slowest run time achieved by the other three team members as the fourth team member's run time.
- 3.11. The organiser's and scrutineer's decision is final. Scrutineers will have full access to the soap box and component parts as required to carry out their duties.
- 3.12. In the event of a driver failing to complete a run for any reason the organisers can use their absolute discretion to calculate a final result for the team, which may include (without limitation) disqualification or application of a hypothetical time.
- 3.13. Teams are responsible for the ongoing risk assessments on their soap box during the event and are obliged to report any change in risk to the scrutineers.
- 3.14. In the event of an accident the organisers shall use their absolute discretion in relation to the management and ongoing progress of the event. Teams will accept and comply with any directions or requests made by the organisers (acting reasonably).
- 3.15. 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.

Scrutineering will be available from Saturday afternoon and you are encouraged to camp and join the drivers party.

On the day registration, scrutineering, and inspection will start 8.00am

