

Village of Island Lake 2023 Inaugural Cardboard Sled Race

Welcome to the Village of Island Lake Inaugural Cardboard Sled Race!

We're excited to have you join us for this fun and creative event on Saturday, **February 18, 2023** at Converse Park in Island Lake, IL. If there is no snow on this date, the backup race date will be held on Saturday, **February 25**.

Meet your neighbors while enjoying hot chocolate and treats. Bring your own sled for sledding *after* the Inaugural Cardboard Sled Race AND start thinking about next year! Drink hot chocolate at your own risk

This new event is run by Village of Island Lake and Parks/Lake Commission volunteers. We are starting out with the basics but this event has the potential to be an annual event. We look forward to positive feedback and welcome your ideas for a bigger and better race in 2024. We will have a form available for ideas, suggestions and concerns.

Event Details:

- Saturday, February 18, 2023 (alternate date: February 25)
- **Registration** at 1:00pm; **Races begin** immediately after registration
- Converse Park 28532 W IL Route 176, Island Lake, IL

Participation:

To participate, design and build a one of a kind cardboard sled with a team of friends, family, or co-workers using only corrugated cardboard, tape and glue, then race down the Converse Park sled hill. Be creative. Read and follow the rules for CONSTRUCTION and PARTICIPATION carefully. Search the internet for ideas! Come out and join the fun!

Rider Classes (Check ONE only)

Class I: Ages 12 and Under

Class II: 1 (one) Adult + Under 12 Rider/s

Class III: Ages 13 – 17

Class IV: Ages 18+

Award Categories: Sleds will be judged on creativity, sturdiness, and speed

- Most Creative Sled
- Best Children's Themed Sled
- Fastest Sled (in each age category)
- Team Spirit Award

RACE PARTICIPATION RULES

All participants must read, understand and agree to the rules before registering their sled.

1. All Participants must sign a liability waiver to participate, see attached.
2. *All sleds must pass inspection* before being allowed on the hill.
3. *Sleds must be launched solely 1 or 2 people* pushing or pulling (launching) them past the starting line.
4. *No motorized or external power sources* are allowed.
5. *All participants **must wear protective head gear***, such as a bike or ski helmet. A limited number of helmets will be provided by Advocate Health Care on a first-come, first-served basis.
6. *Participants must report to First Aid* if injured.
7. Sleds must launch *only at the assigned time* (4 sleds at a time). If heats are needed, the winners will race again.
 - a. Ages 12 and Under will compete first – youngest to oldest.
 - b. Maximum # of riders: 4.
 - c. Maximum # of pushers/pullers for launch: 2.
 - d. Sled must cross the marked finish line on its own momentum.
 - e. Awards will be given at the end of each heat or race.

SLED CONSTRUCTION RULES

- *Sleds must be made entirely and only out of corrugated cardboard, tape and glue. They cannot be wrapped in plastic, tape, shrink wrap, or any other material*
- Prohibited construction materials include:
 - Corrugated plastic or other materials
 - Non-corrugated cardboard such as carpet tubes
 - Cardboard bonded to other materials
 - Epoxy glue or Epoxy-reinforced cardboard.
- No motorized or external power sources are allowed.
- Sleds must be able to stop safely at the bottom of the hill.
- Sleds must be free of sharp edges and pointy objects.
- Sleds cannot be built on top of existing non-cardboard sleds.
- Only seams and joints may be taped, not the entire sled.
- The underside of the sled may be waxed, but at least 50% of the portion that touches the snow must be left exposed. No tape, paint, shrink wrap, wax, or other material is allowed on this exposed portion.
 - Glues that harden into solids
 - Tar-based substances
 - Fiberglass resin
 - Two-part varnish or any other two-part substances
 - Screws, nails, staples or other hardware
 - Mechanical fasteners

Cardboard **donated by Graph-Pak** will be available on a first come-first served basis at the Village Hall only at the times listed below. Go to the gym door at the side of the building.

- Thurs., Jan 26: 4:30 – 6:30pm
- Sat., Jan 28: 10:00am – noon
- Mon., Feb. 6: 4:30 – 6:30pm

Village of Island Lake Cardboard Sled Race Entry Form

Registration form must be brought to the event. A waiver for each participant must be included.

Registration and sled inspections begin at 1:00pm. Races will follow immediately.

Category

- ___ Class I: Ages 12 and Under
- ___ Class II: 1 (one) Adult + Under 12 Rider/s
- ___ Class III: Ages 13 – 17
- ___ Class IV: Ages 18+

Team Leader Name _____

Sled Name _____

Team Leader Address _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

Team Members

1. Pilot _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

All participants or their parent/legal guardian (for participants under age 18) must sign the Waiver of Liability and Photography Consent form on the attached page.

**Village of Island Lake 2023
Cardboard Sled Race
Waiver of Liability Agreement
and Photography Consent**

In consideration of being permitted to participate in the Village of Island Lake's 2023 Cardboard Sled Race, this Waiver of Liability Agreement and Photography Consent is being signed. The undersigned recognizes and acknowledges that there are certain risks of physical injury due to participation in this race and associated activities. With this knowledge, the undersigned for himself/herself, and for the undersigned minor child/children, hereby assumes all risks and releases the Village of Island Lake, and all of its employees and officials, from any and all liability and claims for any and all injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity, including death, which I or the referenced child/children may sustain as a result of participating in the race or any activities associated with the race.

In addition, the undersigned understands that there may be times when the undersigned or the referenced child or children will be photographed. These photographs may be used for decorating bulletin boards or other publicity purposes, as well as appear in the Village newsletter, Facebook or Website and I give my permission for this use.

I have read and fully understand this Agreement, I have the legal authority to sign this agreement on behalf of the referenced child or children and by signing this form I also agree to pay court costs and attorney fees incurred by the Village of Island Lake in enforcing any terms of this Agreement.

Printed Name of Adult Participant and
Relationship to Minor Child/Children, if applicable

Print Name of Minor Child/Children, if any

Signature

Date