The National Raft Race

Dear Scout/Scouter,
This Information Pack provides all of the details about the National Raft Race. This event is for Patrols of 6-8 Scouts.

Event Details

The National Raft Race will take place on Saturday 3rd June 2017 in Lough Dan Scout Centre, Co. Wicklow. This fun event will require your Patrol to build a raft of your own design and race it around our course on the water.

Check-in for the event will run from 10:30am-11am in the Lake Field of Lough Dan. We would ask all Accompanying Scouters to ensure that they bring with them an Activities Consent Form for each participant. This form is available to download using the below link:
http://scouts.ptools.net/Scouter/Management-Resources/Policies-Procedures/All-Official-Forms/SIF-11-05-Scouting-Ireland-Activities-Consent-Form.pdf

The event involves a Time Trial race. As such, the Patrol who can complete the course in the fastest time will be deemed the winners! The event will finish with a BBQ and Awards Presentation for all Scouts and their Accompanying Scouters at 4pm.

Equipment Required

Helmets, PFDs, paddles and blue barrels will be provided to all Patrols. However, if any Patrols would like to bring any of the above equipment with them, we welcome them to do so.

Patrols should bring with them their own supply of:

- Rope/Sisal
- Old Clothes for the Water
- Wetsuits (if desired)
- Old Shoes/Booties

A limited supply of pioneering wood is available in Lough Dan which Patrols are welcome to use. Alternatively, Patrols may supply their own pioneering wood.

For tips on how to build a raft (including sample design plans), take a look at the resource below:
http://www.scouts.ie/pdfJS/pdfViewer.aspx?n=/Scout/Weekly-Resources/05S-Raft-Building-Resource.pdf

Event Theme

The theme for this event is **Pirates of the Caribbean.** There will be prizes for the Patrols who best incorporate this theme into their raft!

Booking Details

The cost of the event is €40 per Patrol. This covers the cost of the event programme, BBQ and awards and badges. All payments should be to National Office made by **Thursday 1st June at 5pm**. Patrols may book in using the link **HERE.**

We would encourage Patrols attending the event to make an overnight or weekend out of it by booking in to Lough Dan Scout Centre through their website:
http://www.loughdan.com/