

1st Annual Northwest Arena Canoe and Kayak Poker Run

Rules & Regulations

Hosted by Northwest Arena and Evergreen Outfitters

Sponsored by Smith Boys of Chautauqua, Media One Group & Jamestown Cycle Shop

Date: Saturday, July 28th, 2018

Rain Date: Sunday, July 29th, 2018

Registration begins at 9 a.m. at the boat launch at McCrea Point with registration ending at 11 a.m. The run will start at McCrea Point, half way point will be at Celoron Park and return back to McCrea Point to finish. The early registration fee is \$25.00. Register by July 13th to guarantee yourself a commemorative T-Shirt. Please be sure to mail registration forms to the Northwest Arena at 319 W 3rd Street Jamestown, NY 14701 prior to the event date or bring the form and payment the day of the event. Children accompanying an adult with a kayak or canoe are free of charge to paddle but will not receive a game card.

The registration fee includes: entry in the kayak and canoe poker run, a game card and Ziploc bag, small bag for trash, Commemorative Northwest Arena Poker Run T-Shirt (guaranteed to participants who register by July 13th), bottled water, and snacks. The poker run will start at McCrea Point, paddle to Celoron Park, and then back to McCrea Point. **Registration fees are non-refundable.**

BOATING LAWS

All participants must abide by New York Boating Laws. Safety comes first!!

Each person must have a PFD in their boat at-all-times and is strongly encouraged to wear it during the poker run. Children 12 years of age and under must wear a PFD at-all-times while on the water.

We practice Leave No Trace...What you pack in, you pack out.

REGISTRATION

Each participant **must** sign a liability waiver at registration to receive and take “ownership” of their game card. **Parental consent and adult supervision is required for any person under the age of 18.** All participants and volunteers should dress for the weather as the event will be held rain or shine.

In the event of severe weather or high-water conditions a rain date of July 29th has been set. Be sure to check the Northwest Arena webpage www.northwestarena.com the morning of the event to ensure it has not been postponed.

The poker run will begin at 9 am and will end at 3 pm at McCrea Point in Jamestown, NY. Participants must be off the water, signed out on the registration roster and in line to draw their 5th card and any bonus cards by 3 pm.

POKER RULES

The poker game cards will only be provided to individuals who are at least 18 years of age and one hand may be played per person.

This is a 5-Card Draw poker event. Players will receive (5) five cards and will have the option to obtain (2) two additional cards for a maximum of 7 cards drawn by a single player.

SEQUENCE OF PLAY

1. CHECK POINT CARDS (cards 1 - 5)

- Players will draw a single card at each of (4) four designated CHECK POINTS along the Water Trail and upon signing out at McCrea Point. A game card containing a list of the designated stops will be provided at sign-in and is to be used for recording the player's official poker hand.
- The 5th card and any bonus cards will be drawn at McCrea Point in Jamestown, NY. Players must be in line at McCrea Point to sign-out of the event by 3:00 p.m. or forfeit their entry fee and consideration for a winning hand and prizes.
- If at any time you draw a duplicate card of the same suit, you must hand that card back to the dealer and draw another card. You will need to draw another card from the deck until a card is drawn that is not already written on your game card.
- Any evidence of tampering with the game card will result in disqualification and forfeiture of fees.

2. DISCARD

- Before a bonus card can be drawn, the owner of the hand must decide which card/s they wish to "discard" and hand them to the judge before drawing a bonus card/s.

3. BONUS "GARBAGE CARD" (6th card)

- Each participant will be given a small garbage bag at the beginning of the poker run for hauling out their own trash (i.e., lunch wrappers, water bottles, etc.) and for collecting any debris found along the Water Trail during the event. If a player collects at least $\frac{3}{4}$ of a bag full of trash and returns it to McCrea Point, they will be permitted to draw a 6th bonus GARBAGE CARD, which can then be used to better their poker hand.

4. BONUS "DONATION CARD" (7th cards)

- In addition to the (5) CHECK POINT CARDS and the (6th) GARBAGE CARD, each participant will also have an opportunity to purchase one "DONATION CARD" for \$5.00.
- After drawing the 5th card and any bonus cards, players must turn-in their game card (i.e., poker hand) to Northwest Arena officials to be considered in the running for the winning hand.

5. POKER HANDS

- Poker hands will be composed of a player's best (5) five cards (i.e., you may have up to (7) seven cards, but only the (5) five best cards will count as your official poker hand).
- This event, like all casino games, will be played "cards speak" (i.e., the value of your hand is determined solely by your cards and not by what you declare that you have). Northwest Arena officials will be available to assist players in determining their best possible poker hand.
- There are no 'wild' cards and aces are only low when they are used to complete a wheel straight (i.e., A-2-3-4-5).

6. PRIZES

- GRAND PRIZE: awarded to the player with the highest 5-card poker hand. If two or more hands are tied, players will each draw a card(s) to determine the winner.
- TRASHY AWARD: will be presented to the participant who recovers the most interesting piece of trash from the creek.
- DOOR PRIZES: will be awarded and winners must be present to win.
- 50/50 TICKETS: can be purchased at the registration table at McCrea Point. Ticket sales will end at 2:30 pm. All tickets will be combined in one hopper. One ticket will be drawn and the winner will receive half of the money collected. The winner does not need to be present to win as-long-as a legible name and phone number are printed on the ticket stub, otherwise another ticket will be pulled.
- Winners are responsible for picking up their prize from the Northwest Arena located at 319 West 3rd Street, Jamestown, NY 14701, if they leave the event prior to the winner being announced.
- In the interest of integrity and fairness, Northwest Arena will retain final judgment on all matters related to this event and the prizes awarded.

T-SHIRTS

Poker Run T-shirt will be provided to anyone who registers for the event prior to **July 13, 2018**. Extra shirts will be ordered and available during registration on a first-come, first-serve basis.

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Thank you for your participation!