



# LIVINGSTON SOAPBOX RACE

## SUNDAY, 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 2019

## RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Four crew members per team (one must be captain). One of your Crew Members must be nominated to assist Livingston Round Table with the Marshalling of the Soapbox Race. Teams may nominate a Fifth Team Member for this purpose only.
2. Maximum of two people in a soapbox at a time (one driver and one passenger)
3. Every driver and passenger must wear a helmet and gloves (We highly recommend wearing trousers, long sleeved top and protective footwear).
4. The racing number assigned by the organisers must be fixed to both sides of your soapbox, visible for all to see.
5. No team will be allowed to compete under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medication.
6. Teams must follow the instructions of the safety officials, marshals and race committee.
7. All members of the team must sign, at scrutiny, a declaration absolving the organisers from any and all responsibility.
8. All 16-17 years old (inclusive) must be accompanied at all times by a parent or guardian at scrutiny, practice and racing (see disclaimer).
9. It is the responsibility of each team captain to ensure the safety of his/her team. Team captains will be required to sign a declaration to this effect.
10. In all matters relating to the Soapbox Race, the committee's/Judges'/Time Keeper's ruling is final.

11. Entries are limited to three categories listed above (see categories).
12. All categories will be scored on Team Performance, Soapbox Design and Race Time.
  - Team Performance = 10 second act prior to race.
  - Soapbox Design = Soapbox appearance.
  - Race Time = Time to complete race.
13. All drivers must be fit and well/healthy with no medical conditions and must not be pregnant. A disclaimer must be signed at scrutineering.

## SOAPBOX BUILD SPECIFICATIONS

1. Should not exceed 100kg in weight (not including driver).
2. Should not exceed 1.5m in width.
3. Chassis clearance should not be higher than 30cm from the ground.
4. Wheelbase from front axle to back axle should not exceed 2.5m.
5. Wheel's diameter should not exceed 67cm.
6. Should not have any mechanical parts to increase its speed (no catapults, pedals, jet or any other engines).
7. Must have a rigid steering system (no ropes).
8. Must have a rear wheel(s) braking system as a minimum.
9. Must have a minimum of three wheels.
10. Must not have any design elements to endanger themselves or the public (i.e. no sharp metal objects, mirrors or glass).
11. The soapbox must have a solid floor.
12. No part of the soapbox must extend beyond the width of the soapbox (no dangerous projections).
13. A soapbox derived from an existing chassis is permitted provided that it complies with the rules.
14. A soapbox not complying with the above specifications may be allowed to run if it complies with the safety regulations, but it will not be eligible for any of the prizes.

## SOAPBOX RACE INFORMATION

- A. Scrutineering will also take place on the morning of the event. **Please note, if your Soapbox is deemed to be dangerous then you will not be allowed to race. This is for your own**

**safety and that of the marshals and spectators. The Scrutineers decision is absolute and final in this regard.**

- B. The Soapbox runs will start at the top of Howden East Road, Livingston at 11.00am on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August.
- C. Timing will be stopwatch with penalties of 5 seconds for each jump missed.
- D. Teams must assemble in the pits at the top of Howden East Road (See Site Map) by 09:30am. This will be followed by the Drivers' Briefing at 10:00am.
- E. The race is open to all homemade soapboxes, all of which will race against the clock, one at a time. A start ramp will be in use. Once the soapbox has been removed from the circuit the next soapbox competitor will start.
- F. The fastest overall soapbox in the timed runs will win an additional £200 cash prize & trophy.
- G. All racers will be scored on overall spectacle and performance in their category.
- H. The soapbox and all remains must be removed immediately after the soapbox run. Your fastest time will be your result.

By taking part in the Livingston Soap Box Race you will be required to comply with, and be bound by the rules and regulations of the event at all times (rules are available to download from the website), and in particular:

- Ensure that your soapbox is in good working order before attending the event (even if it isn't by the finish!).
- You will accept that by taking part in the event you will understand that soapbox racing can contain certain inherent risks. You will participate entirely at your own risk and accept that the event organisers are not liable for any loss, damage, claim, expense, injury or accidents which may arise as a consequence of negligence. You will remain responsible for your own property and actions.

Livingston Round Table recommends that participants have appropriate sports insurance cover in place. If you do happen to hurt yourself personal sports cover will help cover medical costs and associated costs.