

SCOTIABANK WOMEN AGAINST BREAST CANCER AND UNITED WAY TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO CHARITY DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL 2007

F.A.Q.

General

When is this event happening?

Sunday March 18th 2007 from 8.00a.m to 4.00 p.m.

Where is it happening?

The Kayak Centre, Chaguaramas.

Is there an admission fee?

Yes, tickets are available from any Scotiabank branch at \$10.00 each. Proceeds will be shared between the Scotiabank Women Against Breast Cancer Fund and United Way Trinidad & Tobago.

Will there be entertainment?

Yes, 2 pan sides - Excellent Stores Silver Stars, St. James Tripolians and DJ music.

Will food and drink be available?

Yes, food of different types and a well stocked bar will be available for your purchase. N.B. No consumption of alcohol by participants as this will result in disqualification of your team.

Where can I park?

Limited parking will be available on the grassy area near the Kayak Centre at a cost of \$20.00 per day. Additional parking is available at Pier 2 car park with a shuttle service to and from the event.

Participants

What is the cost to participate?

There is a registration fee of \$5,000 per team and a minimum pledge of \$5,000 per team. There is a prize for the team with the highest pledge and special VIP tents for the 5 companies with highest pledges.

When is the deadline for Registration?

While we want to encourage early registration we have set our deadline for registration as March 1st.

When is the deadline for pledges?

March 12th 2007

How is a team made up?

A full team is made up 26 persons consisting of 1 drummer, 1 helmsperson, 20 paddlers and 4 reserves, having a minimum of 8 female paddlers.

In the event that you do not have 26 persons, the minimum team is 18 persons with at least 6 female paddlers included (in accordance with International Rules and Regulations).

For this event we have included a special prize for an All Female Team, which means that **all paddlers** must be female with the helmsperson and drummer being either male or female.

How long is the race?

The distance of the race is 500 m. Boats normally take an average of 2.5 minutes to complete the course.

How many races are there per team?

Each team participates in two (2) heats to qualify in the grand final.

Will there be a final race (overall race)?

Yes, the three teams with the most points overall will compete in a grand final race.

What are the rules for the race?

The rules will be distributed at the first briefing to be held on March 1st 2007.

Where are the start and finish lines?

The race starts inside Williams Bay and runs 500m out towards Alcoa.

Is there a website with further information?

Information on this event is available on Scotiabank's website www.tt.scotiabank.com and you can also find useful information on Dragon boat racing on the Chinese Arrival T&T website: www.chinesearrivaltt.org.

Is training included in the registration fee?

Only new teams will be afforded 2 hours of coaching for the entire team and 2 one-hour practice sessions with the boat **free of charge**. Training for new teams should start by February 24th to ensure enough practice prior to the event.

For NEW Teams, it is mandatory to have 2 hours of coaching before scheduling any practices.

Teams that have competed before will be afforded training at the regular rates as follows and sessions should be booked through Margaret Wong Chong at 685-7294 or Mtetwa (pronounced Tetwa) at 633-7871(The Kayak Centre). N.B. Cheques are to be made payable to the Kayak Centre Limited BEFORE the first session.

What are the rates for training and rental of boats?

Description	Weekdays Rate per hour	Weekends (Sat/Sun) Rate per hour	Additional per hour With package
Single Practice	\$300.00	\$500.00	N/A
Package – 5 sessions	\$1200.00	\$2000.00	\$250.00
Package- sessions 10	\$2,000.00	\$3,300.00	\$200.00

Additional coaching and helmsperson coaching can also be scheduled, at a rate of \$250 an hour - payment to be made to Kayak Centre Limited. Cancellation policy applies.

The kayak with the steering rig attached that is used for helmsperson training will be available at \$40 per hour payable to the Kayak Centre.

Cancellation Policy:

Rescheduling permitted with at least 24-hour notice.

Should the water be considered unsafe for paddling, bookings will be rescheduled at no additional cost.

At what time is training/practice available?

Boats and coaching are available from 7am to 5pm (i.e. the first practice session is from 7-8am and the last practice session is from 4-5pm)

When will the teams meet for briefing?

First team briefing will be held at Scotiabank Richmond Street Cafeteria on Thursday March 1st at 6.30pm. Team captain and helmsperson should attend. A second pre-race briefing will be held on Thursday March 15th at the same venue.

What are the requirements for participation?

All teams must submit Registration forms and cheques along with Team Manifest and accompanying Liability Release and Waiver Agreements signed by all participants by March 1st 2007.

Where do we submit our Registration documents?

All submissions should be addressed to Mrs. Reena Panchorie, Assistant Manager, Public and Corporate Affairs, Scotiabank, 56-58 Richmond Street, POS. Fax: 624-2179, Email: reena.panchorie@scotiabank.com, Tel: 625-3566 x2202.

How do we make payments?

Cheques are to be made payable to Scotiabank Women Against Breast Cancer Fund and may be deposited at any branch of Scotiabank ac#131247(Scotia Centre Branch).

What categories/prizes are there?

Trophies will be awarded to the teams that place 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the final race (details in the rules and regulations) and the All Women's Team with the best finishing position/most points. A special prize will be given to the team with the highest pledge. Further details on point system will be provided at the first team briefing.

What branding opportunities exist for teams?

Your 10x10 Team tent, our thank you ad that will include your logo, any press releases, branding opportunity at briefings

What facilities will there be for teams?

10x10 Team tents, showers, changing rooms