



GWN Dragon Boat Challenge

PRICING:

Category	# of Races	Before Jan 1	Before April 1	Before May 1	After May 1
Mixed / Women's / Open / ACP / BCP / Paradrags (w/o Practice, 4 x 500m)	4	\$1,445	\$1,545	\$1,645	\$1,845
Mixed / Women's / Open / ACP / BCP / Paradrags (w/1 Practice, 4 x 500m)	4	\$1,495	\$1,595	\$1,695	\$1,895
Mixed / Women's / Open / ACP / BCP / Paradrags (Out-of-Town)* (4 x 500m)	4	\$1,295		\$1,495	
Combination Unisex Team** (w/o Practice, 4 x 500m)	4	\$845		\$995	
Additional Practice Session (coach not provided)	\$75				
Practice Session Coach/Steersperson	\$75				
Race Weekend Coach (Please note, event day steerspeople will be provided at no additional cost. This option is for teams looking to have a dedicated coach/steers throughout race weekend.)	\$120/day				

Prices are in CAD and do not include applicable tax (13% HST).

Payment Methods: We accept Visa, MasterCard, Cheque or e-Transfer.

Paying by cheque or e-transfer: You will receive a **discount of \$25 CAD**. This discount will be automatically applied during the registration process. e-Transfers are only available for Canadian events and residents.

*Applies to teams at least 100km outside of Toronto. Please contact us before registering)

**Teams must consist of at least 90% of paddlers participating in a primary team. To get this rate, please call the GWN Office: 416-962-8899

For more information (i.e. refund policy, multi-event discount, etc), please visit our [FAQ page](#).

To ensure races run smoothly, smaller divisions may be combined in heats, but will race independently of each other.

Bonus 200m Races

The top 60 Mixed, 12 Women's, 12 Open, and 12 Special Interest (BCP, ACP, PD) crews will compete in a 200m race on Sunday. The 2x500m races on Saturday will seed crews into the 200m race on Sunday.

Industry Cup Races

The first qualifying 500m race will qualify eligible crews into an Industry Cup (top 6 crews) on Saturday. To qualify for a cup race, at least 70% of the crew must be part of the same company or industry.

DBC Race Series Event

We are pleased to announce we have been selected to be a Race Series Event in 2022. DBC teams attending the GWN Dragon Boat Challenge will not only build eligibility for Club Crew Championships but will also earn points for each Race Series Event to be reflected on DBC's Leaderboard.



Registration Add-Ons

Each team registered at the festival will get a 20 x 20 team site (footprint, not tent rental) within the Athletes' Village. Teams have the option to bring their own tent or rent one from GWN. In addition to tents, chairs and tables are also available. For more information, please refer to the Athlete's Village tab below. Teams may also order practice sessions, coaching, and race weekend coaches.

LOCATION:

Address: The event will take place in Marilyn Bell Park. 1059 Lakeshore Blvd West in Toronto, just south of Exhibition Place, east of Jameson Avenue. The closest intersection is Lake Shore Blvd West and British Columbia Drive.

Site Map: The 2022 event site map will be posted 1 week prior to the event.

Directions:

From the West: Exit the Gardiner Expressway at Jameson Avenue and follow Lakeshore Blvd Eastbound to Marilyn Bell Park

From the East: Exit the Gardiner Expressway at Dunn Avenue. Stay right for Jameson Avenue. Make a sharp left onto Jameson Avenue and merge on to Lake Shore Blvd. Marilyn Bell Park is on your right. Alternatively, you can take King Street westbound to Jameson Avenue. Turn left onto Jameson Avenue and then turn left to merge onto Lake Shore Blvd.

Park Rules: We're committed to creating a safe, comfortable, and enjoyable experience for participants and spectators. Before heading out to the races, there are some things you should know:

Pets are welcome at Marilyn Bell Park but should be leashed at all times. No BBQ grills and/or cooking devices are allowed on park grounds. No bottled water will be sold or distributed under the Bottled Water Ban at Marilyn Bell Park.

Teams are responsible for picking up their waste within their team sites. Teams will receive waste bags during check-in and there will be waste bins located throughout the Athletes' Village. Let's all work together to keep Marilyn Bell Park clean and green.

Medical Services: Medical services and first aid will be available on site. If you're in need of medical attention, please report to the medical tent for immediate assistance. Toronto Police officers will also be on-site patrolling the grounds.

SCHEDULE:

The 2022 race schedule will be posted on Monday, September 5th.

Live Results

Get live race results and progressions on race day using your phone.

Visit www.gwnresults.com.

Schedule Advancement

500m Races: For all crews, Saturday will consist of 2 x 500m time trials. These two races will seed teams into a 500m Semi-Final. The Semi-Final will seed teams into a 500m Final. Semi-Finals and Finals are held on Sunday.

200m Races: The qualifying 500m races on Saturday will seed crews into the 200m Final on Sunday. Only the top 60 Mixed, 12 Women, 12 Open, and 12 Special Interest (BCP, ACP, Paradrasons) teams will qualify.

Industry Cups: The first qualifying 500m race will qualify eligible crews into an Industry Cup (top 6 crews). To qualify for a Cup race, at least 70% of the crew must be part of the same company or industry.

Race Marshaling

Marshaling for races will begin promptly half an hour before the first race of the day. Teams must be in the Marshaling area 30 minutes before their scheduled race throughout the day.

Race Day Check-In

Every Team Captain must check-in their team at Race Headquarters on race day. Registration will be open at **7:00AM**. All waivers must be completed prior to check-in. Please visit the [FAQ](#) section for more information on how to check in on race day.

For a speedy check-in, ensure that all waivers for your team are completed. The electronic waiver deadline is **11:59AM EST on Wednesday, September 7th**. Online access to waivers will be restricted after the deadline, after which only paper copies will be accepted on Saturday morning.

Team Captain's Meeting

There will be a Team Captain's meeting on Saturday morning, 1 hour before the first race at the Main Stage in the Beer Garden to discuss race day rules and address any questions.

AWARDS:

Industry Cup Races: First-place teams will receive a trophy and gold medals.

Grand Finals: Third and second-place teams will receive bronze and silver medals, respectively. First-place teams will receive a trophy and gold medals.

Consolation Finals: First-place teams will receive a trophy and gold medals.

200m Finals: The first-place team in each Grand and Consolation final will receive a medal.

Awards Ceremonies

Ceremonies will take place after each Industry Cup, Consolation Race, and Grand Final Race. Volunteers will gather the gold medal-winning team as they come off the water. They will be escorted directly to the stage in the Beer Garden. Bronze and silver medal-winning teams will receive their medals in the dock area.

ENTERTAINMENT:

Rock the Boat was first introduced as a part of a Friday night competition at the Tim Hortons GWN Dragon Boat Challenge in 2010. After attracting a huge crowd to watch Montreal's The Stills perform, Rock The Boat returned in 2011 with headliners Spirit of the West. In 2014, Toronto's Dwayne Gretzky and Two for the Show rocked the house! In 2015 and 2016, Two for the Show and Saturday Night Superstars took to the stage over the weekend for amazing performances.

The Main Stage: Stay tuned for 2022 performances!

Family Fun Zone

A key festival element of the Tim Hortons GWN Dragon Boat Challenge is the Family Fun Zone. Come and enjoy fun-filled activities including sports, interactive children's entertainment, and lots of games at the Family Fun Zone located near the Expo Area. For children visiting the festival, a trip to the Family Fun Zone is a must-see.

VENDORS:

Health and Wellness Village

The Health and Wellness Village brings together health organizations and the community to promote health education.

Beer Garden

Join the party at the Beer Garden! Positioned along the racecourse right at the finish line, it's the perfect place to sit back, relax, and watch the races with a cold beer. Beer will be flowing from 11:00AM until close.

Marketplace

GWN Pro Shop

Stay tuned for additional 2022 vendors!

Artisan Village

Stay tuned for 2022 vendors!

Food Truck Bazaar

Stay tuned for 2022 vendors!

Interested in being a vendor? Email us at info@gwnevents.com to find out more.

PARKING:

There is no parking allowed on Marilyn Bell Park property and all unauthorized vehicles will be towed. Parking is available at Lot 6 near the CNE Grounds, Exhibition Place. Overflow parking will be available at Lot 4 and then near the bandshell, once Lot 6 is full.

Directions to Lot 6, Exhibition Place

From the East (Gardiner Westbound)

Exit at Dunn Avenue

Turn left on Jameson Avenue

Turn left onto Lake Shore Blvd (heading eastbound)

Stay in the farthest lane, turn slight left onto British Columbia Drive
Turn left into Parking Lot 6

From the West (Gardiner Eastbound)

Exit at Lake Shore Blvd West

Stay in the furthest left lane, turn slight left onto British Columbia Drive
Turn left into Parking Lot 6

VOLUNTEERS:

Looking to have some fun on the docks? Be the first to know the official results? GWN is always looking for fantastic volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, we can promise some food, drinks, and a cool shirt, so please complete this [Volunteer Form](#) to join our team! To get more info or ask any questions, feel free to send us an email at volunteers@gwnevents.com.