

4th Annual Bergen County Parks

EarthFest Overpeck

May 20

Overpeck County Park, 45 Fort Lee Road, Leonia, NJ

11AM - 4PM

- Recycled Regatta
- Vendors
- Food Trucks
- Children's Activities
- Live Music
- Fishing Derby
- Enviro Demonstrations
- Rowing & More!



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EarthFest Overpeck is hosted by Bergen County Parks and Hackensack Riverkeeper Inc.



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2017 Recycled Regatta – EarthFest Overpeck

Hackensack Riverkeeper's fourth annual Recycled Regatta will take place at our EarthFest celebration in Overpeck County Park on Saturday, May 20, 2017 – there is no rain date for the event.

We invite you to come up with imaginative ways to turn common household waste into a life-sized racing vessel! Our goal is to have fun on the Overpeck Creek while encouraging people to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. This event promises to be an exciting, fun-filled experience for people of all ages! Teams are encouraged to raise funds for Hackensack Riverkeeper, by recruiting friends, family or local businesses to sponsor their team.

Proceeds benefit Hackensack Riverkeeper to help support our mission to protect, preserve and restore the Hackensack River.

General Information

- 1) Race begins at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 20, 2017.
- 2) Vessels must be at the Overpeck Park Boat Launch by noon for inspection by judges.
- 3) Entry fee is \$25 per vessel prior to the race, \$30 the day of the event.
- 4) Teams must register online -follow the link from our EarthFestOverpeck.com, and get friends or family to sponsor your team.
- 5) Trophies will be awarded in the following 4 categories:
Clean Water Champion Award presented to the team raising the most money for Hackensack Riverkeeper
Prestigious Boating Award, Show Boat, Floating Van Gogh, and Leaky Buck

Vessel Construction

- 1) All materials must be clean and safe for the environment. No containers that held toxic or petroleum substances.
- 2) At least 80% of the vessel must be made out of used/recycled materials (wood, cardboard, plastic, etc.) No plastic bags or Styrofoam.
- 3) Binding materials (duct tape, wire, twine, rope, straps, etc.) should make up no more than 20% of the vessel and can be new or purchased.
- 4) All vessels must be self-propelled. Bonus points will be awarded for homemade paddles. No commercially manufactured vessels or floatation devices with the exception of provided PFD's. No swimming or towing of the vessel is permitted.
- 5) The design is left to the builder(s). We encourage creativity and imagination.

Racing Regulations

- 1) All crewmembers **MUST** wear supplied U.S. Coast Guard approved life vests at **ALL TIMES** when on or near water.

*****NO EXCEPTIONS*****
- 2) All participants must wear tightly fitting shoes, such as water shoes or sneakers- no boots or waders.
- 3) Each crew must have a designated Crew Captain.
- 4) Each crewmember must be at least 8 years of age, and teams consisting of crewmembers all under the age of 18 must be accompanied on the vessel by an adult.
- 5) Each vessel shall carry a minimum of 2 crewmembers. After launching, all crewmembers must remain on their vessel and cross the finish line with all pieces of their vessel.
- 6) All vessels must be named and also carry event sponsor logos in addition to the team's sponsor if any.
- 7) Each vessel will be provided with a red flag to use as a "vessel in distress" signal, safety boats will be on hand to assist.
- 8) It is the crew's responsibility to leave no trace of their vessel. Practice "carry in, carry out". Materials that fall off must be retrieved; help will be available for safety. Teams are responsible for transporting their vessel to and from the event.
- 9) You may get wet! Be sure that all crewmembers bring a change of clothes.



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