

*Royal Berks Charity Soapbox Challenge 2018

ENTRY FORM

We, the undersigned, have read and agree to all the rules in the rules document. We accept full liability for any damage to our person, equipment and soapbox.

Print and sign below and overleaf: **(If under 18 – a parent / guardian must sign and accept consent and liability – minimum age 12 years - and be in attendance on the day)**

Soapbox Team (max 4)	Print Name	Sign	Medical conditions
Driver			
Co-Driver (if applicable):			
Contact details: address/email address/phone number/ice number - with details.			

Notes: The rules document for this event has been drawn up for the benefit and safety of entrants and spectators and must be strictly adhered to.

1. The *RBC Soapbox Challenge organisers, landowners and sponsors do not accept any responsibility for any damage, loss or injury to the entrants, or to the entrants soapbox, or equipment.
2. No team will be added to the list of entrants without having first completed this entry form in full and submitted it, along with the entry fee. You will then receive a confirmation of your place from the organisers.
3. Where under 18, team members MUST have parental permission, see overleaf, and **the relevant adult must be in attendance.**
4. This is a charity event and you are encouraged to raise as much as possible please for RBC. **Minimum sponsorship required is £50 please.** Thank you.

There will be a prize for the team who raise the most sponsorship.

Please send your completed form to the following address: The Royal Berkshire Charity, RBH, London Road, Reading RG1 5AN

To confirm your place in the race, a **non-refundable** entry fee of £100 per Senior Team, or £50 per Junior Team, is required to be submitted with the completed Entry Form. Cheques should be made payable to 'Royal Berkshire Charity'. Bank details for electronic payments are available on request.

**MANDATORY FOR ALL DRIVERS OVER 12 AND UNDER 18 AS AT 8th SEPTEMBER 2018
PARENT/GUARDIAN DECLARATION FORM**

Driver's name		
Parent/Guardian name		
Home address		
Post code		
Contact name and phone number incase of emergency		
Telephone number		
Email address		
Declaration:	<p>I, the above named, acting in my capacity as parent or guardian to the named driver, give my consent to his/her participation in the RBC Soapbox Challenge 2018.....</p> <p>The *RBC Soapbox Challenge organisers, landowners and sponsors do not accept any responsibility for any damage, loss or injury to the entrants, or to the entrants soapbox, or equipment.</p>	

Rules and Regulations – 2018

Introduction

These Rules and Regulations apply to all entries. They have been designed for your safety and the safety of others around you and they are based on best practice and common sense. They enable us to run the event effectively for the maximum benefit of all – please ensure you read them carefully and comply with the details.

Please note: All soapboxes will be scrutinised to show that they conform to these regulations, however, this is not a guarantee of safety.

The objective is to give Soapboxes the opportunity of two runs and will set off singly at intervals, electronically timed, however, please be aware that the road closure is for a limited amount of time and entrants should be aware that it may not be possible to undertake a second run.

Photography/Video consent

The Organisers and volunteers take seriously their moral and legal responsibilities to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults. Paramount to this commitment is our assurance that all necessary steps are taken to protect children/young people from the inappropriate use of their images in resource and media publications, on the internet and elsewhere.

During the event, group and individual photographs and/or filming will be undertaken by approved personnel and by the spectators. These images may be used for archive and publicity purposes e.g. the official Soapbox Challenge webpage and Facebook Page.

As the parent/guardian/carer of a junior entrant, by signing the entry form you are giving permission for group and individual photos/ video films to be taken during the event and understand that these may be used for archive and publicity purposes.

1. General Conditions

- 1.1. The closing date for applications is 31st August 2018 or whenever the maximum number of entrants (30) is reached. Entries will be logged in the order that they are received so please submit your entry as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.
- 1.2. It is hoped that each team will raise as much additional money as possible, in donations, sponsorship or collections for RBC. (A prize will be awarded for the highest amount raised), **a minimum of £50 in sponsorship is requested please.**
- 1.3. Brightly coloured soap boxes, sponsorship and advertising are encouraged. It would also be appreciated if the team name is painted onto the soap box.
- 1.4. Every team must accept these Rules and Regulations in full.
- 1.5. Registration will commence at 08.00 a.m. on the day of the event. Following scrutineering, racing will be expected to start at 11:00. Juniors will go first. Please do not be late.
- 1.6. Any contravention of the Rules and Regulations may lead to disqualification from the race. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to any team if the rules are not complied with. The Organisers decision will be final.
- 1.7. A standard entry fee of **£100, or £50 Junior**, is required with each team entry. Each team will have its own cart.
- 1.8. Soap boxes and drivers will be scrutinised before being allowed to participate.
- 1.9. The start: Pushing will be allowed. The Starters decision is final.
- 1.10. After crossing the finishing line drivers will need to apply their brakes, slow down and quickly depart from the track under the Marshal's instructions.
- 1.11. The organisers reserve the right to disqualify any or all participants that demonstrate inappropriate conduct.

1.12. The speed prize will be awarded on the fastest of the runs completed by the Soapbox. In the event of a tie, the second time will also be taken into account.

2. Technical , Design and Structural Regulations

- 2.1. Maximum length 12 feet - measured from front to rear of soapbox.
- 2.2. Maximum width 6 feet measured from outside to outside.
- 2.3. No protuberances outside these dimensions will be allowed.
- 2.4. There must be four wheels, fitted with tyres, (more than two "in line" wheels will not be allowed) and all wheels should be in road contact during normal running. Ground clearance should be 50mm minimum.
- 2.5. Good brakes are essential and will be checked. Braking must operate on at least two wheels and be effective to hold to cart stationary on the starting ramp.
- 2.6. Seats must be securely bolted to the soap box.
- 2.7. Soap boxes must be designed to carry one or two people only, feet first is recommended.
- 2.8. Any steering column, brake lever or other protrusion must be designed and fitted such that the risk of puncture injuries is minimised. A padded steering wheel is recommended.
- 2.9. Bodywork and controls must not impede the driver in exiting the vehicle unaided.
- 2.10. Any doors or hatches required for driver access must be readily operated from both inside and outside the vehicle without the use of tools.
- 2.11. Gravity propulsion only – i.e. no motors, no pedals & no stored potential energy.
- 2.12. No loose weights will be allowed inside or outside the soap box.
- 2.13. Seatbelts are not mandatory, but are recommended.
- 2.14. Steering must not have excessive free play or any characteristic tending to promote instability.

3. Safety Regulations

- 3.1. The purpose of the event is to have fun, but the safety of the team, supporters and spectators is paramount throughout the day, and accordingly, the Committee reserve the right to amend these rules or go above and beyond their guidance.
- 3.2. All members of the racing teams will be required to sign a disclaimer as part of the entry form and these will be checked as part of the scrutineering process to ensure all team members present on the race day have signed.
- 3.3. All soapboxes must be constructed with pedestrian friendly sympathies. Sharp edges will not be permitted.
- 3.4. No glass or other materials that would shatter or cause injuries to drivers/spectators in the event of a crash should be used in the construction of the soap box.
- 3.5. Drivers must wear a crash helmet. Entry will be refused if you fail to wear one.
- 3.6. Drivers should wear appropriate gloves. All clothing must be capable of withstanding a spill on tarmac or concrete and must be done up at all times when in the soap box. No bare limbs will be allowed.
- 3.7. All drivers must attend the Drivers Briefing to be held after scrutineering.
- 3.8. All drivers should walk the course prior to their first run to familiarise themselves with the course and the obstacles.
- 3.9. The scrutineer's decision is final. Scrutineers will have full access to the soap box and component parts as required to carry out their duties.
- 3.10. Teams are responsible for the ongoing risk assessments on their soap box during the event and are obliged to report any change in risk to the scrutineers.
- 3.11. For the safety of participants and others, anyone taking part should not be under the influence of alcohol or any other substance. Organisers reserve the right to disqualify any participant who they feel is incapable of driving their cart safely
- 3.12. No expressed or implied warranty of safety shall result from the publication of or compliance with these rules and/or regulations. This publication is in no way a guarantee against injury to team members, supporters or spectators.

PLEASE NOTE – NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED ON SITE – DUE TO THIS BEING A DEER PARK