

2023 GUAM DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

Information Bulletin 1

To: **ALL DRAGON BOAT CLUB TEAMS**

The Guam ACES (Athletes, Communities, Educators and Students), Organizing Committee of the 5th Guam Dragon Boat Invitational Thanksgiving Festival, sanctioned by the Guam Dragon Boat Federation (GDBF), cordially invites Dragon Boat Club Teams from other Countries including host Guam, to participate in the festival, which will be held at the Matapang Beach Park, Tumon, Guam from November 24-27, 2023. This event is fully supported by Guam Visitors Bureau and its affiliates.

Competition Regulations and Racing Rules

IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing will be used as a guide, with some discretion of the Organizing Committee. All participating crews are required to submit the Provisionary Entry Form no later than **July 15, 2023**. The purpose is to check the number of interested Club teams since the slot is LIMITED!

ENTRY FEE:

Registration fee per paddler is **\$180.00** with the following provisions:

Airport Transfers (one time only per team), 4 days-3 night's hotel accommodations, November 24 IN (3PM) & November 27 OUT (12noon), Welcome Dinner during the TM meeting, maximum of 2 rep/team (November 24, 2023), Breakfast and Lunch on the 2-Race Day, Bottled Water on Race Day and Celebration Party.

Divisions, Racing & Competition Classes and Distances

The Competition Divisions, Racing and Competition Classes that will be contested are listed below, provided a minimum of 3 entries are received for each competition class.

1. DB12 - 400m Open Small Boat
2. DB12 - 400m Women's Small Boat
3. DB12 - 400m Mixed Small Boat
4. DB12 - 400m SENIOR'S MIXED SMALL BOAT
5. DB12 - 200m Open Small Boat
6. DB12 - 200m Women's Small Boat
7. DB12 - 200m Mixed Small Boat

8. DB12 - 200m SENIOR'S MIXED SMALL BOAT

SENIOR'S – Aged 40 years and above, on or before Dec 31, 2023; except for the drummer

OPEN – no gender restriction on crew composition

WOMEN'S – paddlers including the drummer female only, No gender restriction on the Helm.

DB12 MIXED- minimum of four (4) and Maximum of five (5) paddlers of either gender,
no restrictions on the Drummer and Helm

RACING DISTANCE - 200m and 400m only

TEAM COMPOSITION:

DB12 – 10 paddlers , 1 Drummer, 1 Helm, 2 Reserves , 1 Team Manager, 1 Coach

*Boosters are allowed, for a fee (\$180.00 / person) with same provisions.

OUTLINE PROGRAM: The program is provisional and to assist teams with their planning.

November 24, 2023 (Friday)	Arrival of all Teams Official Practice Team Managers Meeting
November 25, 2023 (Saturday)	Race Day – 400m Straight Course 400m Finals
November 26, 2023 (Sunday)	Race Day – 200m Straight Course 200m Finals Awards Presentation Victory Celebration
November 27, 2023 (Monday)	Departure of all Teams

The above program is provisional and is provided to assist crews with their initial planning. This program is subject to changes. The competition classes by day will be confirmed after all confirmed Entry Forms have been received.



Prizes

Trophies and medals will be awarded to the winners. Every participating team will receive a souvenir as remembrance.

Ground Arrangement Package

The Organizing Committee has made arrangements for the accommodation from Garden Villa Resorts. All the official accommodation locations are 10 – 15 minutes' walk from the race site. Discounted breakfast package are available. Those interested to take up the package, are welcome to write to us for further details.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES:

Submission of Provisional Entry Form	July 15 , 2022(deadline) Limited slots only
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Submission of Nomination Entry Form	July 30, 2023
Dragon Boat Application	July 30, 2023
Team Introduction and Team Photos	August 30,2023
Hotel Accommodations and Rooming List	August 30, 2023

We look forward to receiving your entries and welcoming your teams in Guam!

Maximum of 10 International teams only

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