

Firefighter Hose Battle Contest

The Wolf Creek Fire Protection District will host a hose battle competition on Saturday June 3rd during the Farmington Country Days Festival. The primary purpose of this event is to advertise the need for volunteers by drawing attention to all of our departments. Teams are invited to sign up by contacting Tom Robinson by text at 636-541-2066 or email at meteng@charter.net. Entry info should include Organization name and team captain name. All team members will be required to sign a hold harmless release prior to participating. Entry is limited to the first 10 teams to sign up. Sign up is requested by May 1st.

Opposing 3-man teams will attempt to push a pony keg suspended by a pulley on a cable over their opposing teams head to the end of the cable. U-Tube videos of similar events are categorized under waterball.

General rules (subject to modification) are as follows:

1. Hose Battle

- a. Teams shall consist of nozzleman, back up, and hose puller.
- b. Heat time limit shall be 5 minutes.
- c. The contest will begin at approx. 10 AM
- 2. Mandatory Clothing shall consist of:
 - a. NFPA compliant bunker pants, coat, and boots.
 - b. Fire helmet with face shield or separate safety glasses or goggles.
 - c. Gloves are optional.

3. Equipment will consist of:

- a. 200 ft 1-3/4" hose (100 ft for each side) fed thru a 2-1/2" x 1-1/2" gated wye.
- b. 2-1/2" smooth bore nozzles.
- c. Pony keg suspended on a cable by a pulley
- d. Pony keg will be positioned over the starting line mid-way between the two end stops.

4. General Rules

- a. The winner of each heat will advance to the next round.
- b. The final round shall be the best of two out of three.
- c. The heat is won by advancing the pony keg against the "stop" in the opponent's territory.
- d. In the event of time expiring, the winner shall be the team who has the ball in the opponent's territory when time elapses.
- e. The team may stand any distance behind the starting line at the beginning of the
- f. The nozzle men must cross streams over the keg before the signal to start is given.
- g. After the signal to start, the teams may maneuver any place on the playing area.
- h. Team members may change positions at any time during the competition.

5. Disqualification Will Occur If:

- a. The hose stream is directed at the opposing team.
- b. The nozzle is dropped or thrown to the ground during the competition.
- c. In the opinion of the judges, the nozzle man losses control of the nozzle.
- d. There is any interference by a spectator.
- e. Only the team captain shall converse with the judges in the event of a dispute.
- f. Judges' decisions are final.

Hold Harmless Agreement

We, the below signed individuals, in exchange for permission to participate in the Firefighter Hose Battle competition which is occurring on June 3, 2023 during Farmington's Country Days celebration, do waive, relinquish and remit any and all rights which I, my spouse, or heirs or assigns might have to sue or recover from any entity(to include individual person, organization, insurance carrier or carriers, or municipality) involved for any injury to myself or my personality which may occur in connection with or as a result of my participation in the Firefighter Hose Battle competition. In addition, we agree to abide by the rules set out by the organizer for the Firefighter Hose Battle competition.

<u>Organization</u>		
Printed Name	Signature	Date