

Peachtree City Dragon Boat Race & International Festival

Drake Field, Peachtree City, GA September 27th, 2025

Invitation and Informational

Bulletin #2

Note: Bulletin #2 is a supplement to Bulletin #1. Please refer to both Bulletins when researching answers to your questions.



The Peach State Dragon Boat Academy invites you to attend its inaugural Peachtree City Dragon Boat Race & International Festival that will be held on Saturday September 27, 2025 at Drake Field in Peachtree City, Georgia.

This community fundraising event is open for all Recreational and Competitive teams to compete in 200m small-boat races. We will be hosting Senior (age 50+) and Premier (over age 14) divisions with Women, Mixed, and Open teams. Additional options are available for ACP(All Cancer), BCP (Breast Cancer), and Paradragon entries. Friday, September 26 is available as practice day.

CONTACTS

For any questions please contact festival@psdba.org

COMPETITION FORMAT

The Peachtree City Dragon Boat Race & International Festival will be produced by PanAm Dragon Boat who will supply 8 small (10-paddler) boats including PFDs (flotation jackets) and paddles.

You are welcome to bring your own IDBF Licensed Paddle showing the Spec 202a Manufacturers Mark. Maximum paddle length is 51 inches.

Our Festival insurance requires ALL paddlers, steers, and drummers to wear a US Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device (PFD).

PanAm will also provide all the race officials and professional steers. All Recreational teams are required to use a PanAm steer. Competitive teams are permitted to use their own team steer unless they are causing a race disruption or are deemed to be unsafe by the PanAm staff, in which case, a PanAm steer will be provided at no extra charge to that team.

The racing program will be determined by the makeup of the registered teams. All teams will race 2 qualifying heats and 1 final race. There are further opportunities to register for Fastest Time of the Day trophies. The winner of the Knock-Out race will have their 2026 team fees waived (a \$700 value).

Medals for 1st-3rd place in each race category/group will be awarded at the end of the day after the Knock Out race. Medals for the RCC Special Needs teams will be awarded directly after their lunchtime exhibition race.

Free Agent paddlers are available to help teams who are short paddlers to be able to fill their rosters. In addition, when there are enough Free Agent paddlers registered, the Festival will create a separate team for them to race in the appropriate category.



CURRENT ENTRIES as of 29-JUL-2025

Small Boat Entries (Capped at 48 total teams):	Open	Women	Mixed
Premier			
1 st Pres Paddlers (Recreational)	~		
502 Dragon Fire (Competitive)		~	
Cajun Invasion (Competitive)	~		
Chattanooga Dragon Boat Club (Competitive)			~
GoSeeDoATL.com (Recreational)	~		
Master Shim World Class Tae Kwon Do (Recreational)	~		
Premier Industries (Recreational)	~		
PTC Dragons (Competitive)	~		
Rinnai America Team 1 (Recreational)	~		
Rinnai America Team 2 (Recreational)	~		
St. Brendan the Navigators (Recreational)			~
Swift Snappers (Recreational)	✓		
TDK 1 (Recreational)	✓		
TDK 2 (Recreational)	~		
TDK 3 (Recreational)	~		
Turin Pest Control (Recreational)	~		



S	mall Boat Entries (Capped at 48 total teams):	Open	Women	Mixed
Se	nior (Age 50+)	T	T	T
	Leatherneck Warriors Men (Competitive)	~		
	Leatherneck Warriors Women (Competitive)		~	
A	ACP (All-Cancer)			
BCP (Breast Cancer)				
Pa	radragon			
	RCC Team 1 sponsored by GoSeeDoATL.com (Recreational)	~		
	RCC Team 2 sponsored by GoSeeDoATL.com (Recreational)	~		
	RCC Team 3 sponsored by J&M Pools (Recreational)	~		
	Limb 'n Aiders (Recreational)	~		



MERCHANDISE	The Peach State Dragon Boat Academy has a great line of merchandise available.		
	PREORDER your selections today for delivery in Peachtree City. Visit the		
	online store at:		
	https://stores.inksoft.com/psdba_dragon_boat_festival/shop/home		
	Be sure to check back at the website often!		
TRAVEL INFORMATION	For information on direct flights and airlines serving the Peachtree City area, visit ATL.com		
INIONIATION	For destination information, visit <u>visitpeachtreecity.com</u> and <u>GoSeeDoATL.com</u>		
ACCOMMODATION	The Peachtree City Dragon Boat Race & International Festival has partnered with the Peachtree City Convention and Visitors Bureau to organize accommodation options at two local hotels.		
	Click on the links below to see hotel room block options:		
	Hilton Peachtree City Atlanta Hotel & Conference Center		
	Fairfield Inn & Suites Atlanta Peachtree City		

Handicapped parking is near the Library

Hwy 54

VENUE PARKING

Overflow parking is provided on Willow Bend Rd at either the Peachtree City First Baptist Church, or First Presbyterian Church Peachtree City with a short walk to Drake Field.

Golf Cart parking is available at Drake Field in the grassy area between the parking lot and



OPENING / AWARDS CEREMONIES

The Opening Ceremony will begin with a "Parade of Teams" and sponsor recognition on Race Day at the 12pm lunch hour after the Cancer Flower Ceremony. Teams will be asked to gather with their Team Captain and Drummer for the Parade of Teams at the Pavilion to be recognized and celebrated.

We encourage Drummers to dress in a costume that showcases their team spirit.

The Special Needs ParaDragon Awards ceremony will take place immediately following the Parade of Teams.

Teams are encouraged to get their lunch from the variety of food trucks and other food/drink vendors on site and to enjoy the entertainment options at the Pavilion on Drake Field.

The race schedule of 2 rounds of heats followed by finals resumes at 1pm

There will be an Awards Presentation at the conclusion of the final races.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Each team's registration fees include one on-water practice which will be held at the event site, on Friday, September 26th, 2025.

Team captains should sign up for their on-water practice here: https://psdba.org/dragon-boat-and-international-festival/festival-information/

In addition, the Festival is offering teams local to Peachtree City an opportunity to schedule an off-water paddling technique session with our competition coaches. For more information, please email us at festival@psdba.org

PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES/AIDS (PFD/PFAs) and PADDLES

The Festival insurance requires all paddlers to wear a personal flotation device (PFD). The Festival will supply a PFD to any paddler who needs one. You may wear your own Coast Guardapproved PFD.

NOTE: Only teams registered as "Competitive" are permitted to wear inflatable and/or waist belt PFDs.

Teams may use their own IDBF-approved paddle, or one provided by the Festival.



TEAM / VENDOR / SPONSOR TENT RULES

The City of Peachtree City does not all ANY STAKING on Drake Field due to underground utilities that could be damaged. To ensure compliance with this rule, the Festival will provide each team a tented 10x10 space in the Athlete's Village which is included in the team fees.

Teams should NOT bring their own tents, and are encouraged, instead, to bring their own chairs and to decorate the 10x10 space allocated to them.

All vendor and sponsor tents will be required to use weights to keep their tents secured rather than stakes

FOOD AND BEVERAGE VENDORS

The Festival is proud to provide a variety of food and beverage vendors offering a variety of menu items for your enjoyment. These local small businesses look forward to your enthusiastic support.

Please visit https://psdba.org often to see the list as it grows as we get closer to Race Day.