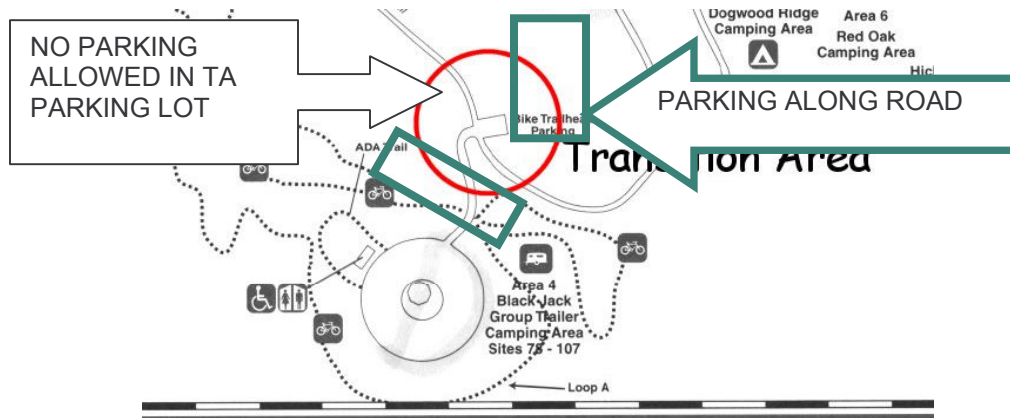




September 4, 2007

Tyler State Park Adventure Sprint Race September 8, 2007

Thank you for choosing to join **SteelSports.net, LLC** for fun in the great outdoors! Adventure racing is a team sport that requires you to negotiate various challenges using teamwork, skill, endurance and a positive attitude.



NO TRAIL ACCESS FOR RACERS FROM WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH, UNTIL RACE START. VIOLATORS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM EVENT.

Friday, September 7, 2007

- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm** Informal Registration packet pick-up at Blackjack Campgrounds. I SHOULD have my travel trailer set up there Friday evening, so if you see me, feel free to stop by and check in. This will save time on Saturday.

Saturday, September 8, 2007:

- 7:00 am **Transition area and Boat Drop area opens at Beach** Mountain Bike Trailhead and parking area;
- 7:30 am **Team Check-in**
- 8:30 am **Pre-race meeting**
- 9:00 am **Race Start**
- 3:00 pm **Race Cut-off**

Boats:

Official Teams:

- Official teams are building their own boats, according to the rules posted on the website;
- Teams will WALK their contraptions (i.e. boats ☺) from the TA to the boat dock to start the paddle leg;
- After the paddle, teams are welcome to leave their boats in the grass, near the boat ramp;
- Boats will be unattended, so you may not want to leave PFDs, paddles or other small items there;

Unofficial Teams:

- Unofficial teams are bringing kayaks/canoes;
- Boats may be staged at the boat dock area, in the grass. Do not block the boat ramp;
- Unofficial teams will WALK with the official teams from the TA, to the boat dock to start the paddle leg;



- After the paddle leg, you may have support crew, if you have them, pick up your boat(s), or you can leave them there, until after the race.
- Boats will be unattended, so you may not want to leave PFDs, paddles or other small items there;

SPRINT Race Information:

This race will include various disciplines in the following estimated distances:

Mountain Biking – 10-12 miles

Paddling – 1 mile;

Trekking/Trail Running/Navigation – 5-8 miles

Special Tests/Mystery Events – May be encountered throughout race to test racers' abilities to work as a team and solve problems.

Required Gear:

Our required gear list is very limited. You should be familiar with your own needs during a race. We provide an additional "Recommended Gear" list, but that is totally up to you.

Mandatory gear for the entire race:

- One (1) compass per team;
- One (1) 1:24000 map grid per team (AREquip.com is providing this!!!);
- One (1) Team First Aid kit – YOUR DISCRETION
- One (1) hydration system per person -- NO ASSISTANCE ON THE COURSE IS ALLOWED, WITHOUT DISQUALIFICATION;

Mountain Bike Leg:

- One (1) mountain bike helmet per person properly worn --;
- One (1) mountain bike per person --;

Paddle Leg:

- One (1) Type II or III PFD properly worn per person --;
- 1-2 self-made boats/kayak(s)/Canoe(s) per team as needed --;
- RECOMMEND: Dry bag for gear on paddle;

Recommended Gear:

- Changes of clothes. Whether it rains or not, you may get wet on the mountain bike and probably the trekking legs;
- Tow system for your teammates – assist one another when/if one of you is having a tough time;
- Waterproof Map Case;
- Map pencils/pens;
- Vaseline for blister protection;
- Moleskin for blisters;
- Duct Tape for everything;
- Hat to block sun;

Weather Conditions:

In the event of significant rainfall, the race will continue, but may have a change in race routes.



In the event of local lightening/thunderstorms, tornados, the race may be delayed or postponed to protect participants.

RESTROOMS are located at the Blackjack parking lot

The STEEL SPORTS TA TENT will be off-limits during the race, as we will have race course maps and discussions.

What is included in your Race Fee:

- Race Entry;
- Park Entry
- Race T-shirt, (Only guaranteed IF you registered before the pre-registration deadline);
- Maps;
- Swag;
- Refreshments after the race;

If you need anything, please feel free to email rodney@SteelSports.net, or call (903) 871-8466.

Maps and Passports:

Racers will stay together throughout the race, unless instructed otherwise. Teammates must be within 30 seconds or eyesight of each other, whichever is closer. Steel Sports uses a passport system to insure team travel together to each CP.

All CPs should be punched or initialed by staff on your all-weather, paper passport.

- GPS units prohibited, unless provided by Race Director;
- 2-way radios are allowed to communicate with your support crew; however, no CP location help is allowed. Please honor the Adventure Race spirit in allowing your team to negotiate the race course unassisted. All safety communication should be shared with Race Directors ASAP;
- Parking areas will be arranged to provide maximum enjoyment and safety to race participants. Please comply with Staff instructions to relocate if necessary;
- **Fair Warning:** Any team member or crew in violation of race rules or staff instructions will be subject to disqualification without refund. Disqualification will depend on severity; however, please understand that the Rules or instructions may be for YOUR SAFETY, the safety of other participants, or our COMPLIANCE with the HOST SITE GUIDELINES.
 - If a team is disqualified for a safety or compliance violation, no Steel Sports series points will be awarded for the race;

NOTE: Please be nice to the race staff and any visitors you may see. We couldn't have a race, if we didn't have the staff, and the visitors you encounter, MAY be the people who gave us permission to use their land.

- Maps are expensive – If you lose your map, you do not receive another. You will have to tag along with another nice team, or bring your own back-up map, that can be purchased by following the “MyTopo” link on this race's page;

Lodging Options:

- a. **Camping** at the state park can be reserved by calling **512-389-8900**. They have shelters and cabins with A/Cs
- b. **Hotels** If you chose to reserve a hotel room, please follow the hotel links from the www.SteelSports.net to reserve your hotel.



Tyler Adventure Sprint Racer

September 8, 2007

Please Admit ONE Racer for the event. SteelSports.net will
reimburse Tyler State Park

Racer Name: _____

Team Name: _____