

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING THE LAKE CUMBERLAND RAFT UP

Question: What is a Raft Up?

Answer: Rafting up or tying up is the term used to describe the anchoring, mooring, tying, fastening, linking or joining of any combination of six or more vessels together in close proximity with one another. A raft up is a great way to enjoy the lake with friends and family. It also usually involves some aspects of a party, as any social gathering might.

Question: Why a lake-wide Raft Up?

Answer: The Lake Cumberland Association (made up of the nine marinas on Lake Cumberland) wants to provide a lake-wide event in which folks from all marinas can **participate** together. The Association also feels Lake Cumberland's boaters are proud enough to break a world record.

Question: Where will the event be located and why?

Answer: The Raft Up will be located about one mile west of Conley Bottom Marina along the southeast beach shoreline. The reason for this location is because it's almost at the mid-point of the lake and the beach shoreline provides an area for houseboaters to stabilize their boats.

Question: What is the current World Record and who holds the record?

Answer: The current record is 1453 boats, set on July 31, 2004, at Lake Norman, North Carolina.

Question: How & where do I register?

Answer: You may register online at www.lakecumberlandraftup.com or at any of the nine marinas on Lake Cumberland.

Question: Why charge a registration fee?

Answer: This event is not a simple boat raft up. In order to break the world record, The Association chose to have Guinness World Records involved in order to make the outcome official. Guinness World Records' involvement includes their associated fees which not only include their registration fees, but also royalties paid "per unit" for the use of their logo on everything including flyers, banners, t-shirts, websites, radio stations, television stations, etc. Guinness' fees also include their adjudication of the event itself, in other words they will be at the Raft Up site to officially make the determination of whether the world record is broken. Also, the Association is required by the Corps of Engineers to have a liability insurance policy for the event. Of course there is substantial cost of printed flyers, banners, website and facebook design, graphic design, online registration, etc. The Association is acquiring sponsorships, but those sponsorships will not completely support the event financially.

Question: What do I get for my \$20 registration fee?

Answer: The \$20 registration fee registers your boat. At the event you may have the maximum capacity your boat allows and the price does not change. You receive a static cling decal which includes your registration number and a Lake Cumberland Raft Up T-Shirt.

Question: What if I want additional T-Shirts?

Answer: You may purchase additional T-Shirts.

Question: Once I register how do I get my registration decal and T-Shirt(s)?

Answer: When registering you may choose to either pick up your registration packet at a marina or it may be shipped to you. If you elect to pick it up at a marina, choose which marina. If you elect to have it shipped, **do not** select a marina for pick up.

Question: I began my registration online and stopped in the middle of it to complete another task, why won't it allow me to continue?

Answer: The online registration program is designed with a "time out" feature. If an extended period of time lapses prior to completing the registration process, this feature will lock you out. It is included for your protection. Simply email us and we will delete the old registration so you may begin the registration process again.

Question: Will the Raft Up Site be in a "NO WAKE" zone?

Answer: Yes, a NO WAKE zone will be established specifically for the event by the KDFWR & the Corps of Engineers. NO WAKE buoys will be installed and the NO WAKE zone will be enforced to ensure safety just prior to, during and immediately following the Raft Up event. The NO WAKE zone established for the Raft Up event will not be enforced the remainder of the weekend.

Question: What time is the Raft Up Event?

Answer: From Noon Eastern, 11:00am Central Time until 5:00pm Eastern, 4:00pm Central Time.

Question: What type of entertainment will be at the Raft Up Event?

Answer: The band "Caught Red Handed" from Lexington will be performing and "Classic Hits Q97" radio station will be broadcasting at the event. Please tune your FM Radio to Classic Hits Q97 for information when arriving and leaving the Raft Up site. This will enable everyone to hear directions when arriving and leaving the site safely. Classic Hits Q97 will also be interviewing boaters, sponsors, Guinness World Records Officials, etc. between song sets. Lake Cumberland Association will be awarding wonderful prizes. The registration number on the cling decals will be the numbers from which prizes are drawn. Watch the website for a listing of the prizes.

Question: Will the event be safe?

Answer: The Wayne County EMS office has coordinated a safety plan for the event. A staffed mobile command communications and first aid unit will be at the site. A houseboat will be anchored with communications to use as a water base station for observation of the event from the water, rehab for emergency personnel, on water crafts and a secondary first-aid location. An ambulance will be stationed at a nearby boat ramp for the sick or injured that need to be transferred from the water for emergency ground transport. The secondary location for the sick or injured will be at Conley Bottom Marina. Three GPS coordinates have been predetermined and filed for MED EVAC helicopter landing sites near the Raft Up site. At the site will be four staffed boats with EMS personnel, one with a SCUBA dive team, six staffed Law Enforcement boats, two staffed rescue boats and the Monticello Fire Department will have one staffed and equipped with fire suppression equipment.

Question: How will the boats be configured to break the world record?

Answer: Guinness World Records requires the boats be in a single file line. They must be connected by a rope, not necessarily tied together. The boats only need to be connected by a rope for a period of 60 seconds. Please see the website for aerial view of the configuration of the boats. The boats will be placed in a series of four parallel lines approximately one and a half miles long. At the time the boats must be counted, each line will connect to the other, forming a series of elongated "S" shapes.

Question: What time will the boats be counted for the world record?

Answer: At 5:00pm Eastern, 4:00pm Central time.

Question: Will a party continue at the Raft Up site following the scheduled event?

Answer: No. The Corps of Engineers has issued the Event Permit until 5:00pm. The event must end at that time. Entertainment will be scheduled at each marina that evening. Shortly following the event, the area will no longer be enforced as a NO WAKE area. If folks wish to stay in the area they do so at their own risk.

Question: What is the safest way to arrive and leave the Raft Up site?

Answer: Tune in to FM Radio Station Classic Hits Q97. Directions will be provided on the air in order to ensure systematic entry and exit.

Question: What's in it for you?

Answer: The pride that you participated in the largest ever event on Lake Cumberland which brings the Guinness World Record for number of boats tied together to our lake. Enjoy live entertainment, the chance to win nice prizes and the camaraderie of the entire lake community coming together as one fleet.