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2018 ASNE-Sikaflex Ultimate Build-A-Boat Challenge
Norfolk Harborfest | June 9-10, 2018

The Setting:

Harborfest is Norfolk’s largest annual festival, kicking off the summer season and celebrating the area’s great nautical heritage. Town Point Park on the Elizabeth River will be alive with festival food & drink, live music, tall ships, arts and crafts, evening fireworks, nautical-themed activities, and a fun-seeking audience that loves to interact with our boat builders. This is our 24th year at Harborfest!

The Challenge:

Do you feel intimidated or challenged by the thought of building a boat out three sheets of luan? Would you feel squeamish or thrilled to launch and race your masterpiece in front of hundreds of fans?

If your answers were “challenged” and “thrilled”, then we welcome you to compete in the 2018 ASNE-Sikaflex Ultimate Build-A-Boat Challenge. The “Quick-n-Dirty Boatbuilding” as most people know it, combines design, creativity, craftsmanship and boat handling skills in a unique event that is both challenging and entertaining. Here’s the Quick-n-Dirty summary:

- The **American Society of Naval Engineers** (ASNE) and **Sika Corp** and are the Event Sponsors.
- IT’S FREE… no entry fee for participants. Standard construction material kits will be provided.
- Space is limited. Twenty (20) two-person teams will be accepted, on a first-come basis.
- Teams submit their application and design in advance. Bring hand tools and a great attitude.
- The building & outfitting phases take place on Saturday June 9th. Arrive by 8:30, finish around 5.
- Races (3 heats) take place on Sunday 10th. Plan to arrive at 1 for lunch and finish around 5.
- Awards will be presented for best design, fastest built, 1st-3rd place finish and other fun categories.
- Building time is limited to 4 hours (but we do not enforce this. It’s a guideline… just be safe!).
- Painting the luan is critical to ensure structural integrity during the water born portion of the event, and decorating (outfitting) is encouraged, as it increases spectator appeal. This work can start immediately upon completion of the boat construction. Families, friends and supporters are welcome to help decorate.

**Materials Kits:**

- (3) 4’ X 8’ sheets luan plywood
- (4) 2” X 2” X 8’
- (6) 1” X 2” X 8’
- Sikaflex-291 Marine Adhesive
- Cable (zip) ties
- 2 caulking guns
- 2 sawhorses
- Zip tie cutters
- Citric cleaner sheets
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The Rewards:
Coveted Sikaflex trophies, commemorative plaques for each contestant, event T-shirts, and more!
We’ll also have prizes such as hand tools, power tools and accessories.
And the best rewards are FREE… memories, new friendships, a brief return to childhood, a sense of great accomplishment, and a weekend worth talking about at the water cooler on Monday.

Community Impact:
The American Society of Naval Engineers will commit 100% of net proceeds to funding the mission areas of ASNE, including engineering scholarships and STEM programs.

We also promote awareness of naval engineering, shipbuilding and ship repair professions that are the life blood of the Tidewater region. Teams and Volunteers are encouraged to stop and interact with the crowd at every opportunity.

Learn More:
• View Photos/Videos from past competitions at www.asne-tw.org. This is a great way to get ideas on boat designs and techniques.

• We’ll host an informational meeting about 2-3 weeks before the event for newcomers, and answer any questions you might have.

• Contact event coordinator Mike D’Amato with questions.
  Phone: 757-226-1114 || E-mail: michael.damato@hii-tsd.com.

Low-cost high impact Sponsorship opportunities are available.
TEAM ENTRY FORM

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Entries due by May 25, 2018
Register Early... Event Limited to 20 Teams

Captain’s Name: _________________________ Phone:   _____________ E-mail: _____________
Crew Member’s Name: ____________________ Phone:  _____________ E-Mail: _____________
Boat Name: __________________________________________________________________________
Company/Organization: ________________________________________________________________

Provide your sketches and this entry form to:
Mike D’Amato     michael.damato@hii-tsd.com
AMSEC LLC, 5701 Cleveland St.   757-226-1114 (o)
Virginia Beach, VA  23462    757-641-2877 (cell)

RULES:
1. Two people per team. Both must be on hand for the building and sea trial events.
2. Team members must be at least 18 years old (17 with parent or guardian consent)
3. The boats must be powered using ONLY the build material provided.
4. Boats, oars, paddles or any other propulsion must be constructed from materials provided.
5. Contestants may use their own hand tools/power tools.
6. Use of sketches during construction is encouraged, full size patterns or templates are not permitted.
7. Type III PFDs will be provided and must be worn during races.
8. Safety glasses must be worn when power tools are being used.
9. Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed during the construction portions of the contest.
10. Judges will stop unsafe practices.
11. Failure to comply with these rules may result in immediate disqualification.

We agree to release ASNE, SIKA Corporation, Norfolk FestEvents Ltd. T/a, Harborfest, The City of
Norfolk and their respective boards of directors, executive committees, councils, officers, agents,
employees, and/or volunteers of any and all claims present and future arising from and associated with
this contest and will indemnify and hold such parties harmless from such claims including but not limited
to payment of attorney’s fees and costs.

We have read, understand and agree to all rules regulations and conditions set forth in this entry form and
contest announcement flyer.

Captain’s Signature: ____________________________________________ Date __________
Crew Member’s Signature: _______________________________________ Date __________