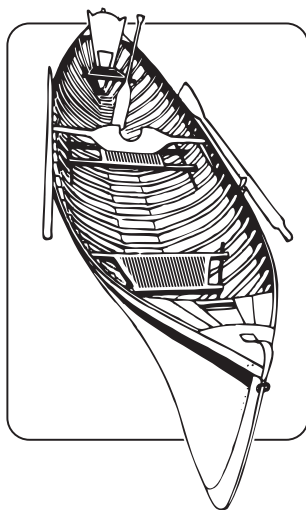




# ***IT'S HANMER TIME***

## **WILLARD HANMER MEMORIAL RACE**

**Guideboats  
Canoes  
Kayaks**



**SARANAC LAKE, NEW YORK**

**JULY 6, 2025**

**Rules/Regulations and Entry Form**

***Perfect for beginners and veterans alike!***



# **Hanmer Guideboat and Canoe Race**

## **Sunday, July 6, 2025**

**8:00-10:00 am**      **Registration**

**10:30 am**              **Flat water races on Lake Flower**

- **Two person Guideboat - men & women**
- **Mixed/Family Guideboat**
- **Junior Guideboat, Canoe & Kayak**

**12:00 pm**              **Down River races to Fish and Game Club**

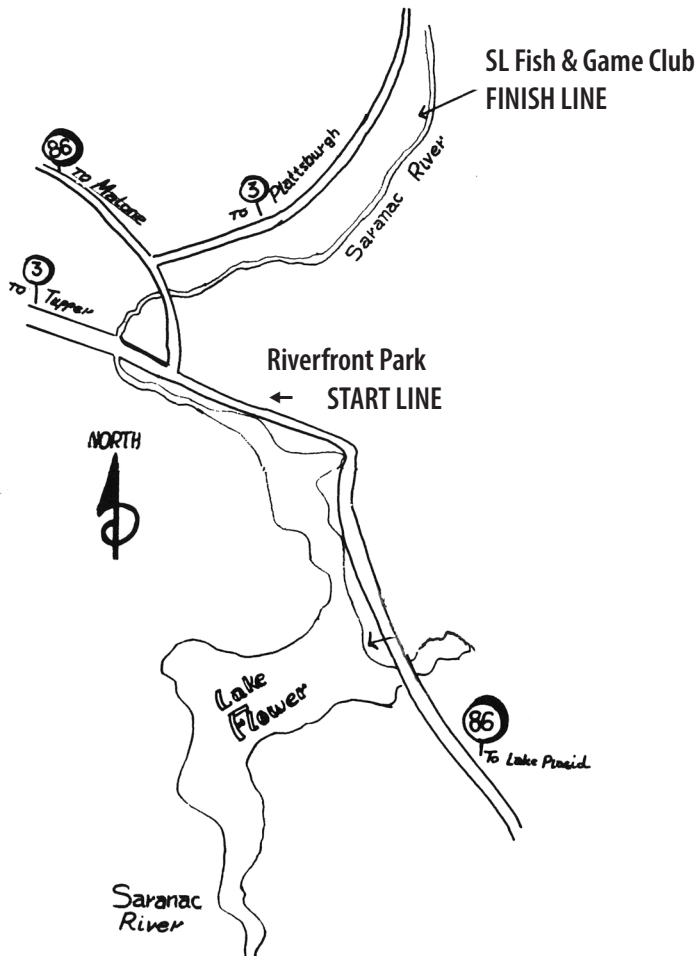
- **One person Guideboat - man & woman**
- **One & Two Canoe Racing - men, women & mixed**
- **One & Two person Kayak**
- **One & Two Canoe Recreational - men, women & mixed**
- **C-4 racing**
- **Rub-a-Dub - recreational**

**All classes will be mass starts EXCEPT one person Guideboat which will be a Le Mans start at two- minute intervals. One person guideboaters will draw for a start position.**

**1:00 - Until**      **Awards, family friendly festivities, vendors, music and a community picnic at the Saranac Lake Fish & Game Club finish line.**



# RACE COURSE MAP



START LINE & RACE COURSE:	The Hanmer starts at Riverfront Park in Saranac Lake, NY. The race follow the traditional course on Lake Flower with certain classes carrying to the river and after a 300+ yard carry, will continue down the river to Saranac Lake Fish & Game Club.
REGISTRATION:	All registrations are due no later than July 3, 2025
RACE DAY REGISTRATION:	8:00 - 10:00 am at Riverside Park which includes a \$5.00 late fee.
ENTRY FEE:	\$20.00 per person (cash, check or money order only)

# **GENERAL RULES**

1. All entries should be in by July 3, 2025.
2. Late entries will be accepted until 10:00 am on race day and charged a \$5.00 penalty charge. Absolutely NO entries will be accepted after 10:00 am.
3. Race numbers must be picked up between 8:00 - 10:00 am on race day.
4. A US Coast Guard approved life-saving device **MUST** be worn by all participants.
5. Any person missing his or her heat must start at the end of the race or class at the discretion of the judges.
6. Any person may enter more than one race; however, races will not be delayed to facilitate double entries.
7. Protests of any race must be lodged within one hour of the completion of the race.
8. All classes, other than One Person Guideboats, will start from an offshore position and will leave the starting line in groups, depending on the total number in the class.
9. Slower boats must give way to the faster boats when requested or will be disqualified.
10. No oarlocks are permitted on Canoes.
11. To enter a junior race, you must be 16 years of age or younger.
12. Each entrant must sign a waiver included on their entry form.
13. All decisions of race officials, including the decision of boat Judges, as to all entrants, will be **FINAL**.
14. All Junior classes will follow a looped lake course. Juniors who have parental permission may go down the river which must be brought to the attention of race officials at registration.
15. To enter a family division, each contestant must be related, with one contestant 16 years of age or younger.

## CANOES/KAYAKS

**Racing Divisions:** All Carbon fiber, composite and fiberglass Canoes and Canoes of racing design.

**Recreational Divisions:** All metal Canoes, wood or wood with covering.

**Rub-a-Dub Division:** Four persons in any recreational boat, maximum length 16'  
No paddle width limit. **A SPECIAL AWARD WILL BE GIVEN  
FOR BEST COSTUMES.**

1. All adult classes race the traditional Lake Flower course and then down the river with a 300+ yard carry.
2. Entrants may be assisted at the carry by one person. Race manager will discuss this assistance at racer meeting. Assistants must identify themselves to the Chief of the Carry.

## GUIDEBOATS

### TWO MAN / WOMAN / MIXED FAMILY/JUNIOR GUIDEBOAT

1. These classes will follow a looped Lake course only.  
Change of oarsmen must take place in the area of designated buoys. The rear participant must use a paddle not exceeding 8 inches and the length of the oar is not to exceed 8 feet

### ONE MAN / WOMAN GUIDEBOAT

1. One man/woman Guideboat run a looped Lake Flower course with a 300+ yard carry, down the river and finish at the Fish and Game Club.
2. All Guideboats in the one man/woman race will have a Le Man's type start at two minute intervals.

# **GUIDEBOAT SPECIFICATIONS**

## **Traditional /Strip Constuction Guideboats**

1. Length: 11'-24' [16" standard]
2. Beam: 32"-44" [38" standard]
3. Bottom Board, Width, inside 6"-12" [8" standard]
4. Stem Heights: 22"-26" [24" standard]
5. Depth at midship: 10"-14" [12" standard]
6. Construction: 3/16"-1/4" thick Pine or Cedar planking, 7-9 strakes per side, with a beveled overlap, creating a smooth skin. Laps are 1/2"-3/4" [5/8" standard]. Ribs and stems are sawn from the natural crooks of Spruce or Tamarack roots. Rib spacing is 4 1/2"-8" [6" standard]. Planking is screwed to the ribs and the overlap is tacked inside and out. Decks and gunwales are solid wood.
7. Seats: Wooden frames with cane seat. Bow and Stern seats are fixed to the boat; middle seat is removable and may not be sliding or rolling. Bow and stern seat must be in place. Seats may or may not have backrests.
8. Oars: Solid wood oars; max. length 8', max. Width 5 1/2". Oar lock must be fixed to oar (non-feathering). Oars are square shafted, sawn, not turned. May be laminated.
9. Paddle: Solid wood, straight shaft paddle. Max. length 6', max. width 5"-8". May be laminated.
10. Hardware: Brass, bronze or iron straps with 1/2" diameter hole for pin. Hole may be rebored and bushed to 1/2". Brass, bronze or iron pins with 1/2" shafts; may have steel shafts.
11. Carry yoke: Wooden yokes, carved to fit over shoulders.
12. Foot braces: Wooden push plates are allowed; they must be removable - not secured to the boat by screws, nails, or glue. They may be clamped in place.
13. Old traditional boats may be covered by fiberglass or poly resin.
14. Race must be started and finished with full complement of gear; paddle, oars, seats and yoke.
15. Strip construction boats must have ribs, fixed seats, as well as conforming to all of the above traditional boat rules.
16. Minimum weight 65 pounds, length 16 feet;  
Minimum weight 50 pounds, length 14 feet.
17. Wheels are permitted. They must be in the boat from start to finish.

## **Unacceptable for either Traditional/Strip construction Guideboats**

1. Rolling or sliding seats.
2. Outrigger oarlocks.
3. Roller, ball, or needle bearings in hardware.
4. Paddles or oars with bent shafts, cupped or spooned blades.

## **MODERN GUIDEBOATS**

At the discretion of the race organizers, with an interest of three or more boats, a separate class may be added. *Minimum weight 55 pounds.*

## **AWARDS**

*All classes, excluding Craftsmanship and Granddaddy, will be awarded First, Second and Third place.*

## **PERPETUAL TROPHIES**

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#### **JUNIOR GUIDEBOAT**

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### **GRANDDADDY**

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#### **GRANDDADDY AWARD**

*Dates of birth must appear on the entry blank. To be eligible for this award, contestants entered in the Two Man/Woman race must have a combined age of 100 years or more. To determine the winner, officials deduct 5 seconds for every year over 100 from the elapsed time.*

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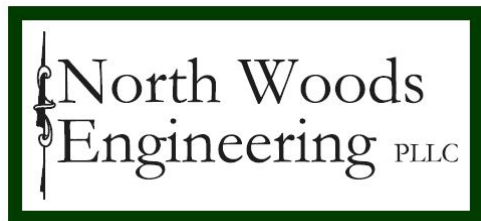
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