

WELCOME TO THE 12th Annual
2018 THUNDER IN THE CITY
POWERBOAT POKER RUN, JULY 20 - 21
CHESAPEAKE INN, CHESAPEAKE CITY, MD

First and foremost Safety is our first priority, but having fun is our main goal. We adhere to Poker Run America Assoc. rules and regulations. You will find all rules in the packet. They are for your safety, the safety of other participants, and the safety of your crew.

THUNDER IN THE CITY POKER RUN ENFORCES A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY FOR ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION DURING THE RUN OR AT LUNCH BY THE CAPTAIN & CREW. If you are found to be drinking alcohol at any time during the event until designated location of event official termination (2:30pm 7/21/18 termination Card Stop 4 Tolchester Marina) of event your sticker will be removed, and you will be disqualified and ejected from the run. No refunds, no dinner, and no card – no exceptions will be made.

START will be as follows: First wave for boats 80 mph and under and second wave 80 mph and over.

Wave 1 will depart at Approx 10:15
Wave 2 will depart at Approx 10:30

Official Pace boats for the 1st wave 80 and under, and Second Pace boat will take out the 2nd wave 80 and over. NOTE: (Boat or Boats will be equipped with flags leaving the docks.) NOTE: One wave may be implemented given the size of fleet.

WE WILL PROCEED NORTH ON THE CANAL AT APPROX 55 MPH PACE IN DOUBLE SINGLE FILE WITH A SAFE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE BOAT NEXT TO YOU, UNTIL WE PASS GREEN MARKER 21 JUST OUTSIDE THE CANAL. DO NOT PASS THE PACE BOAT UNTIL THE PASSENGER WAVES AND DROPS THE ORANGE FLAG. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE START OF THE RUN IS ALWAYS THE MOST CRITICAL, SO ESTABLISH A LANE AND STICK TO IT. MOST OF ALL STAY ALERT TO YOUR SURROUNDINGS.

In addition This is critical!! Please ensure that your passengers raise their arms and hands over their head when coming off plane to let following boats know of your decrease in speeds.

All participants are required to wear PFDs at all times when on the water. In addition, captains must wear safety lanyards to their engine kill switches when running.

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2018 THUNDER IN THE CITY SCHEDULE

07/20/18 Friday Powerboats Arrive

Friday Captain & Crew Registration 12pm to 5pm

Friday afternoon dock party 12:00 noon on.....

Friday 7:30PM Cocktail Party on the CP Inn Veranda Upper Deck for all Thunder in the City package 1, 2, & 3 advertisers & sponsors.

7/21/18 Saturday 7:30 – 10:00 BUFFET BREAKFAST AT BALL ROOM

8:00am – 9:30 am FINAL REGISTRATION

9:30 – 10:00 DRIVERS MEETING (MANDATORY)

10:30 - DRIVERS DEPART START YOUR ENGINES

10:30 - 1ST WAVE 80 MPH & UNDER DEPARTS, PRECEDE SOUTH C&D CANAL BEHIND FLAG BOAT

10:45 – 2ND WAVE 80 mph & OVER DEPART, PRECEDE SOUTH C&D CANAL BEHIND FLAG BOAT

CARD STOPS AND GPS LATITUDE & LONGITUDE

**1st Stop: STILL POND / Card boat center mouth of Still Pond
39'20.069 N - 076'08.485 W**

**2nd Stop: Pooles Island – North side corner of island
39.2906° N, 76.2665° W**

3rd TBD (Lunch Stop)

**4th Stop: Tolchester Marina - The Shanty Beach Bar
39'16.442N - 076'16.479W**

Thunder in the City Poker Run Officially Terminates At This Location @ 3:00pm

**5th Stop: CHESAPEAKE INN / BACK BY 5
5:30 39'31.557 N - 075'48.**

DINNER PARTY:

7:00 PM **Hors d'oeuvres served**

8:00 PM **Dinner served**

9:00 PM Approx **Card opening**

10:00 PM **Awards & Prize Presentation**

PARTY ENDS APPROX 1:00 AM

Poker Hand Rules: You can purchase cards if you are not happy with your hand. You can purchase additional cards **ONE TIME** for a hand after all five cards are opened. You can purchase 1, 2 or 3 cards for \$20.00, \$30.00 and \$50.00 respectively after discarding the same number of cards from your hand. You may also purchase additional hands for \$75.00 at any time prior to the card table closing.

THUNDER IN THE CITY
JULY 20 thru 21 2018
PRA RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1. A POKER RUN IS NOT A RACE**
- 2. PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES MUST BE WORN BY ALL PARTICIPANTS AT ALLTIMES. PFDs MUST BE COAST GUARD APPROVED AND CONFORM TO AN INDIVIDUAL'S SIZE AND WEIGHT.**
- 3. PACE BOATS ARE OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE AND ALL DRIVERS MUST COMPLY WITH AND FOLLOW THE LEAD BEHIND THE PACE BOAT. A MINIMUM DISTANCE OF 300 FEET MUST BE MAINTAINED.**
- 4. PASSING THE PACE BOAT RESULTS IN IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION.**
- 5. IDENTIFICATION STICKERS MUST BE TEMPORARILY AFFIXED TO THE BOAT IN A VISIBLE POSITION NEAR THE HELM.**
- 6. ALCOHOL MUST NOT BE CONSUMED DURING THE COURSE OF THE DAY BY THE CAPTIAN & CREW MEMBERS**
- 7. ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ISSUED WRIST BANDS WHICH MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES. NO WRIST BAND- NO ACCESS**

8. DRIVERS MUST WEAR IGNITION SAFETY TETHER FOR THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE ON BOARD.
9. PARTICIPANTS MUST LOOK BEHIND TO SIGNAL A SPEED REDUCTION OR COME OFF PLANE BY ALL ON BOARD WAVING THEIR ARMS OVER THEIR HEADS AND SHOULD ALWAYS OBEY NO WAKE, AND SPEED RESTRICTIONS.
10. IN CASE OF A BREAKDOWN OR ACCIDENT, PARTICIPANTS MUST HOLD THEIR POSITION AS BEST AS POSSIBLE AND AS A COURTESY TO ONCOMING BOATERS YOU SHOULD SLOW DOWN AND CHECK ON DISABLED BOATER.
11. FOR THE SAFETY OF THE CREW AND OTHER BOATERS, PARTICIPANTS MUST PICK A LANE AND STICK TO IT. A SAFETY ZONE OF ATLEAST 200 FEET ON ALL SIDES IS RECOMMENDED. LANE CHANGES MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED IN A SAFE MANNER. ALWAYS CHECK!!!
12. PARTICIPANTS MUST ENSURE THAT THEIR BOAT CARRIES SUFFICIENT FUEL TO REACH THE NEXT SCHEDULED STOP.
13. ALL BOATS MUST CARRY A SAFETY KIT THAT CONFORMS TO LOCAL REGULATIONS, ITEMS AS FOLLOWS:
 - a. FIRST AID KIT
 - b. VHF
 - c. CELLUAR PHONE
 - d. FLARES
 - e. BOTTLED WATER
 - f. ADDITIONAL CLOTHING
 - g. ANCHORS AND LINES
14. NON-COMPLIANCE OF ANY OF THESE RULE AND REGULATION WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.
15. A DISQUALIFICATION MAY RESULT FROM:
 1. DANGEROUS OPERATION OF A BOAT AS MAY BE VERIFIED BY WITNESSES
 2. FAILURE TO ATTEND THE RIDERS MEETING
 3. THE OPERATION OF A BOAT THAT FAILS AN ON DEMAND SAFETY CHECK BY A POKER RUN SAFETY OFFICAL.
 4. ABUSIVE ACTION OF LANGUAGE, DEEMED INAPPROPRIATE TO THE SPIRIT OF THE EVENT
 5. DRINKING OF ALCOHOL DURING THE RUN
 6. PFDs NOT WORN

16. ALL BOATS MUST FOLLOW COAST GUARD REGULATIONS AS WELL AS FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS
17. THE DECISION OF THE SAFETY OFFICIAL AND OR SAFETY COMMITTEE WILL BE FINAL.

THUNDER IN THE CITY

**WE TAKE YOUR SAFETY SERIOUSLY
BE SAFE.....AND ENJOY THE EVENT!!**

*** EMERGENCY NUMBERS AND INFORMATION ***

1. VICTOR / GENERAL NUMBER: 302 -218- 7390
2. SEA TOW : 410-335-6818
3. US COAST GUARD SEARCH AND RESCUE: 800-418-7314
4. UNION HOSPITAL ELKTON MD: 410- 398-4000
5. MARYLAND DNR MARINE POLICE: 410-260-8888
6. US COAST GUARD STILL POND: 410-778-2201 OR CHANNEL 16
7. EMERGENCY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE: CHANNEL 16
8. VESSEL ASSIST TOWING: 800-207-5651
9. ANCHOR BOATS: 410-287-6000
10. CHESAPEAKE INN: 410-885-2040
11. (Randy Nuzzo) Heli photographer: 804-339-8039