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CARDBOARD BOAT RACE

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The Cardboard Boat Race

The Bath and Bristol Institution of Mechanical Engineers and the education charity My Future My Choice supported by the Bristol Initiative Charitable Trust are again delighted to offer you the chance to take part in our cardboard boat race at the Bristol Harbour Festival.

This is an opportunity for teams to build a vessel made of cardboard which is capable of getting to the end of our course in Bristol Harbour and back. The fastest boat to complete our circuit will win the race, with special prizes for the most innovative and least seaworthy vessels.

If all that doesn't float your boat, there is the Young Shipwrights Annual Boat Race. This is part of 'Learning Ships' which provides experience for children to explore Bristol's heritage and build functioning models of iconic sailing vessels. Funding and volunteers to help Primary Schools take part comes from business. You can support this event by volunteering, sponsoring or by having fun entering a team into the Cardboard Boat Race.

The event is open to all spectators, but teams wishing to enter must declare their interest by the 8th July 2016.

Saturday 16th July at 12:00

Princes Wharf
Wapping Road
Bristol
BS1 4RN

Visit nearyou.imeche.org/uk/west/RUYWE or email BathBristYMMedia@imechenetwork.org for more information or to declare your interest

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The Rules

You must build a boat capable of carrying at least one person to the end of our course and back.

Your boat and paddles must be made entirely from cardboard held together with reasonable quantities of glue, tape and varnishes (no plastic oars or expanding foam).

You will need to supply your own materials, however we may be able to assist with sourcing. Space on the Quayside will be provided on the day to house your boat in advance of the race.

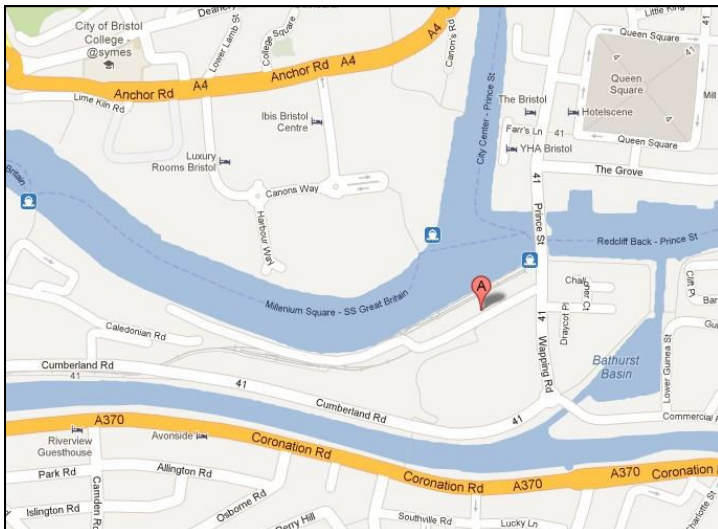
The Awards

The **Pride of the Regatta**, for the race winner

The **Wheel Award**, for most innovative boat

The **Team Spirit Award**, for the nicest team

The **Titanic Award**, because at least you tried



Young Shipwrights

If taking a dunk in the harbour doesn't float your boat then consider volunteering to help the children build their own cardboard boats as part of the Young Shipwrights Annual Boat Race.

Teams of five children will work alongside a volunteer to build a model of a historic Bristol Ship using cardboard, which will be raced prior to the senior cardboard boat race.

It is an opportunity for children to find out about their heritage; meet people with interesting jobs from different backgrounds and give them new ideas about what the future might hold for them through school and beyond.

For more information go to

<http://www.myfuturemychoice.co.uk/>

or email hugh@myfuturemychoice.co.uk

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"Thank you very much for a really enjoyable afternoon with the school childrenVolunteers thoroughly enjoyed the task. It was great to be able to have a sense of achievement at the end, as well as something to look forward to, when they race their boats at the Harbour Festival." . **Angela Parfitt, Recruitment Advisor. Burges Salmon**

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