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Deal Yourself In for Harford Streams “Poker Run” May 22; Harford Streams Summer Adventure Begins May 28

BEL AIR Md., (May 13, 2021) - Back by popular demand, Harford County’s annual Harford Streams Poker Run will be held on Saturday, May 22, 2021. The free program is open to all ages and raises awareness and support for protecting local waterways.

Poker run participants take selfies and collect playing cards from an attendant at designated locations to be eligible for exciting prizes. Harford County’s poker run is presented in partnership with the nonprofit Visit Harford, the county’s destination tourism marketing organization.

Poker run participants should register between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m. at [Frank J. Hutchins Memorial Park](#), 100 Congress Avenue in Havre de Grace, and return by 4:00 p.m. to be eligible for prizes. In between they’ll visit the following locations: Lock House Museum; Pollinator Garden at Moore Family Homestead property; Concord Point Park Pond Retrofit and Landscape Infiltration, and Millard Tydings Memorial Park.

Participants who collect the top two poker hands will win prizes. Adult prizes include a YETI Roadie 24 cooler and a Sougayilang fishing rod and reel combo with carrier bag and accessories. Youth prizes include a two-pack of Intex River Run floating water lounge rafts and a life-size Giant Tumbling Timber Toy wooden blocks game. The lowest-hand winner for adults and youth will receive a YETI Rambler 26-ounce bottle with chug cap with Harford Streams logo.

Kona Ice will be on site and all participants will get a coupon for a free shaved ice during registration; all furry friends will receive a dog bandana.

Exhibitors at Frank J. Hutchins Memorial Park will include Harford Soil Conservation District, Harford County Office of Drug Control Policy, Watershed Stewards Academy, Harford Land Trust, Visit Harford, Susquehannock Wildlife Society, Gunpowder Riverkeeper, University of Maryland, Maryland Environmental Service, and a critter talk with Marshy Point Nature Center.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19, exhibitors at Frank J. Hutchins Memorial Park will be separated by at least six feet and all attendees should follow applicable safety guidelines.

More information about the poker run is posted on the county website at bit.ly/HSPokerrun.

The poker run kicks off Harford Streams Summer Adventure, a summer-long event inviting citizens to explore local streams, take selfies at their favorite locations, and send in their photos to earn a free T-Shirt and be eligible to win prizes. Pre-registration is required for the program, which will run from Friday, May 28 through Monday, September 6, 2021. Some restrictions apply. Details are on the county website at bit.ly/HSSummerAdventure.


“This award-winning program is fun for all ages, and we look forward to bringing it back this summer,” County Executive Barry Glassman said. “I’ll be kayaking on Deer Creek, but visitors to any of our local streams will see why it’s important to protect these natural resources.”

Harford Streams Summer Adventure and the poker run were developed by Harford County Department of Public Works’ Office of Watershed Protection and Restoration. For more information, contact Laura Coste' at lmcoste@harfordcountymd.gov or 410-638-3217 x2448.



County Executive Glassman at Deer Creek wearing the 2021 Harford Streams Summer Adventure T-shirt.

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