

# COUNCIL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PORKCUPINE ENTRY FORM 2017

All porcupines must be in the parade in order to be in the race. There is a \$30.00 fee to do this. (\$10.00 parade entry fee and \$20.00 race entry fee). Please make checks payable to the Council Chamber of Commerce.

Name of Handler #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Handler #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Name of  
Porcupine \_\_\_\_\_

Contact mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that by entering the porcupine in the parade I am eligible to enter the annual porcupine race. My signature also confirms that I have read the porcupine handling guidelines and race rules and my williness to abide by the Porcupine Race rules.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

PORCUPINE RACE RULES - 2017

Entry Fee is \$30.00 - \$10.00 for the parade and \$20.00 to enter the race. The \$20.00 race fee is returned to the winning handlers. 1st place gets 50%, 2<sup>nd</sup> place gets 30% and 3<sup>rd</sup> place gets 20% of the total entry fees.

Porcupine must be shown in the parade prior to the race and racers must check in at the cashiers table at the race.

Porcupines are examined by local vet, Bruce Gardner prior to the race. Any porcupine that is found to be injured, unhealthy in some way, or pregnant will not be allowed to race.

The number of porcupines entered, determines the number of heats. The number of heats will be announced before the race.

Prior to each heat, there will be up to seven starting gates spray painted on the starting line.

You may not use your broom to push, shove or lift the porcupine and the trashcan must remain BEHIND the porcupine at all times. Any violation of these rules will result in a warning; a second offense will result in disqualification. This will be strictly enforced. Gross violations of these rules will result in immediate disqualification.

No chemicals of any type or shock devices may be used. Any complaint of this nature will result in immediate disqualification.

There will be judges at the finish line who will determine the winner of each heat. Their decisions are **FINAL**. Video from the audience will not be reviewed by the judges.

By signing this form I agree that I have read both the rules and the proper handling techniques and agree to follow them. I also release from liability and hold harmless the Council Chamber of Commerce.

Handler #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Handler #2 \_\_\_\_\_

## HUMANE PORCUPINE HANDLING

Racers must agree to keep and treat their porcupines humanely. The following guidelines will ensure the porcupines are treated properly:

Keep your porcupine out of direct sunlight. During the parade find something to cover the top of the cage, while keeping the sides visible for the crowds. A damp towel works very well, and helps keep the porcupines cool.

Keep your porcupines watered and fed at all times. During the parade, make sure that the water and food sources are secure and will not fall off the float. For food, leafy vegetables are encouraged. Porcupines are herbivores. Prior to the race, Dr. Bruce Gardner D.V.M. will inspect each porcupine to determine if they are fit for racing. If the porcupine is injured or pregnant they will not be allowed to race.

Keep the porcupine in its shaded cage with access to food and water for as long as possible before transferring it into the garbage can. After the race get the porcupine back in the cage quickly.

**IMMEDIATELY** following the race, return the porcupine to the same general area to which it was found.

Thank you for following these guidelines to help ensure the World Championship Porcupine Race continues to be a tradition for years to come!