

Rotary Club of Clifton Park

2026 Winter Outhouse Races

Official Race Rules

TEAM RULES

1. Have fun! Team themes and costumes are encouraged. Each outhouse/team must have a name/theme which can be displayed on the outhouse. Team Sponsorships may be obtained and displayed on the outhouse as well.
2. Each Outhouse Team must consist of 5 people. 2 pushers, 2 pullers, and a rider.
3. Helmet are recommended for all team members. A HELMET IS REQUIRED FOR THE RIDER.
4. No participants under 12 years of age allowed.
5. Each team member participates at their own risk.

OUTHOUSE STRUCTURE

1. Outhouse must have at least 3 walls (2 side walls and a back wall), a roof, a doorway (no door*), a seat(or bench) with a hole, and a roll of toilet paper. Structure will be made out of sturdy material such as wood, tin, plexi-glass. (No cardboard, plastic wrapping, tarp or tarp like structures. Cut outs in the side and rear walls are permitted.

*A door may exist for display but must be removed for racing.

2. Outhouse must be a minimum of 2.5' x 2.5' and a maximum of 4'x4' at the base.

Maximum overall width, including push and pull bars may not exceed 7'.

Minimum height is 5' from bottom to top of outhouse excluding skis.

The outhouse will have up to 2 persons pulling with a maximum 20' rope.

3. Outhouse must be on skis. Any number/size of skis is fine. Skis can be made of any material.

4. Any device for grasping to move the outhouse may be used. All such devices must be secured firmly and safely.

5. A grasping device for the rider to hold on to is recommended/permitted.

6. No glass may be used.

7. No weight minimum or maximum.

8. All outhouses must race upright.

9. All outhouses must be solely human-powered. No motors, animals, bicycles, etc. allowed.

RACES RULES

1. All outhouses must report to and be inspected by race officials prior to racing.

2. Bracket format, single elimination. Two teams at a time. Winner advances.

3. Course will be divided into two lanes. Length of race to be determined. Will include navigating around cones in a "down and back" fashion.

4. No outhouse may cross into another racer's lane. Each outhouse must stay in its designated lane for the entire race. Lane encroachment will cause a heat disqualification if it interferes with any competitor's ability to race.

5. Match ups will be determined by random drawing.

6. During initial races, in the event of a tie both teams advance. In the finals, if the race is close, a team of 3 judges will make the final decision.

ENTRY FEE AND PRIZES

1. Each team must pay an entrance fee of \$50.00.

2. Outhouse Rental Fee \$50.00

3. Cash Prizes awarded to First, Second and Third Place winners

4. Cash Prize for "Best Themed Team"