

HATCHET CREEK FESTIVAL



Central Alabama
Electric Cooperative

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MAY 19-20, 2018

Two day float down beautiful Hatchet Creek in Coosa County. Trip registration fee includes camping gear shuttled to the campsite, driver's shuttle from the take out location, supper and breakfast at the campsite, and participant T-shirt. For ages 12 years old and up.



Registration Fee - \$40 (non-refundable) due on or before April 30

Limited capacity—registration will be closed when full (maximum 100)



Make checks payable to: Hatchet Creek Festival/ASRT

Mail to Beverly Bass, PO Box 1346, Sylacauga, AL 35150

Registrations not accepted by phone or e-mail



Event is sponsored by Alabama Scenic River Trail and Central Alabama Electric Cooperative in partnership with landowners Tommy & Beverly Bass & Sally Holland, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Coosa County Ext. Office, Coosa County Sheriff's Office, Chuck Browne's- Off the Beaten Path Alabama, Coosa County Chamber of Commerce

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____

Emergency Contact and Phone: _____

I have read, understand, and agree to all the information on the attached Guidelines for Participation.

Participant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

**VOLUNTARY RELEASE OF LIABILITY, HOLD HARMLESS, INDEMNIFICATION,
ASSUMPTION OF RISKS, AND INFORMED CONSENT**

Program Information

Program: Hatchet Creek Festival
Dates: May 19-20, 2018
Location: Hatchet Creek/Coosa County, AL

Participant Information

Name _____ Email Address: _____
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Additional Phone _____
Date of Birth _____ Gender _____ **PLEASE SIGN AT BOTTOM OF FORM**

PLEASE READ THIS "RELEASE" CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING. THIS IS A LEGALLY BINDING DOCUMENT. THIS FULLY SIGNED FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED BEFORE ANY PERSON IS ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE.

I, the undersigned, wish to participate in the above referenced event (hereafter "Event") on the date(s) and location as indicated above and, in consideration for my participation, I hereby agree as follows:

1. Assumption of Risks

I acknowledge, understand and appreciate that as part of my participation in the Event there are *dangers, hazards and inherent risks to which I may be exposed, including the risk of serious physical injury, temporary or permanent disability, and death, as well as economic and property loss*. I further realize that participating in the Event may involve risks and dangers, both known and unknown, and have elected to take part in the Event. To a large extent, these risks, dangers and hazards derive from the nature of the activities and the environment in which they take place. I agree that if I am not knowledgeable of the risks associated with Event activities I will obtain proper instruction in order to gain a full appreciation of the risks, dangers and hazards associated with these activities.

I am aware of injuries, death and property damage which can result from paddle sports and watercraft activities including, but not limited to: falling, capsizing or being flipped into the water (either intentionally or unintentionally); tidal conditions and currents; travel in remote areas; collisions with objects in or underneath the surface or other watercraft; prolonged exposure to cold water; hypothermia; hyperthermia; death by drowning; mental anguish or trauma; unavailability of life saving services or immediate medical attention in the case of injury; adverse weather conditions - exposure to cold, sun, wind, storms, waves and lightning; quickly changing weather conditions; quickly changing water conditions; contact with aquatic and land animals, including insects and wildlife, in the water, along the shore or in camp; rocks or other debris falling from overhanging shore areas; difficult terrain or walking conditions along the shore, including mud, rocks, steep slopes, and marine life; entrapment or being crushed while in a kayak; my own and other participants' attempts to exceed kayaking skills and/or kayaking in a reckless manner; my own failure or that of other participants to follow the safety guidelines and other instructions of trip initiators, including always wearing shoes and a personal flotation device; improper use of equipment; vehicular or pedestrian accident while being transported or walking to or from activity sites.

I am aware that Event activities may involve strenuous exertion of strength using various muscle groups, athletic movements and change of direction, and sustained physical activity which places stress on the musculoskeletal and cardiovascular system. Risks from each of these activities include: minor injuries such as scratches, bruises and sprains/strains; major injuries such as bone fractures, joint or back injuries, eye injuries, concussions and heart attacks; and catastrophic injuries such as paralysis or death. I declare and affirm that my medical and physical condition allows me to participate in physical activities and do not pose any danger to my health.

Therefore I voluntarily accept and assume all risk of injury, loss of life or damage to property arising out of training, preparing, participating and traveling to or from the Event. I understand that I am responsible for my own insurance.

2. Waiver of Claims
I hereby release the Alabama Scenic River Trail, Hatchet Creek Festival Committee, Volunteers, Landowners, Partners, and Sponsors from any and all liability as to any right of action that may accrue to my heirs or representatives for any injury or loss that I may suffer while training, preparing, participating and/or traveling to or from the Event. This agreement is binding on my heirs and assigns.

3. Hold Harmless

I furthermore release, indemnify and hold harmless the Alabama Scenic River Trail, Hatchet Creek Festival Committee, Volunteers, Landowners, Partners, and Sponsors from and against any and all liability, actions, debts, claims and demands of every kind whatsoever, specifically including, but not limited to, any claim for negligence or negligent acts or omissions and any present or future claim, loss or liability for injury to person or property that I may suffer, for which I may be liable to any other person, that may or does arise out of my participation in the Event. I understand that the Alabama Scenic River Trail, Hatchet Creek Festival Committee, Volunteers, Landowners, Partners, and Sponsors accept no responsibility for my personal property.

4. Authorization for Medical Care

In the event of an accident or serious illness, I hereby authorize representatives of the Hatchet Creek Committee to obtain medical treatment for me and on my behalf. I hereby hold harmless and agree to indemnify the Hatchet Creek Committee from any claims, causes of action, damages and/or liabilities, arising out of or resulting from said medical treatment. I further agree to accept full responsibility for any and all expenses, including medical expenses that may derive from any injuries that may occur during my participation in the Event.

This RELEASE contains the entire agreement between the parties to this agreement and the terms of this RELEASE are contractual and not a mere recital. The information I have provided is disclosed accurately and truthfully. I have been given ample time to read this document and I understand and agree to all of its terms and conditions. I understand that I am giving up substantial rights (including my right to sue), and acknowledge that I am signing this document freely and voluntarily, and intend by my signature to provide a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law. My signature on this document is intended to bind not only myself but also my successors, heirs, representatives, administrators, and assigns.

Participant Name _____

Participant Signature _____

Date _____

A PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST SIGN THIS FORM FOR A MINOR UNDER THE AGE OF 19

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Guidelines for Participation:

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- Participants assume personal liability and must sign liability waiver statement
- No alcohol, firearms or pets
- Must wear an approved personal flotation device
- Everyone must wear closed toe shoes -no flip flops or bare feet
- All trash must be packed out (trash cans available at campsite)
- The event will proceed rain or shine with no registration refunds
- Only supper and breakfast will be provided –participants must provide their own snacks and drinks during the float on Saturday and Sunday. No special dietary meals provided.
- Campsite is on gated property, accessible only by water -no drive in visitors allowed
- Risks and Hazards (include but not limited to the following) Drowning, sunburn, dehydration, slippery rocks, snakes, stinging insects, poisonous plants, overhanging limbs, cuts, abrasions, bumps, head injuries, difficult access for rescue vehicles, and other risks associated with outdoor activities in remote inaccessible areas. If you are allergic to stinging insects, please bring your antidote.
- Experienced "safety paddlers" will be available to provide assistance along the float but they are not responsible for your safety
- All participants must read and sign a liability release statement (attached) and agree to hold harmless all the event planners and landowners.

Suggested Items to Bring

Canoe or kayak (no flat bottom boats, inner tubes, etc.)

Drop cloth, tarp, small tent, mattress pad, and sleeping bag

Flashlight or headlamp, camera, waterproof box

Small ice chest with plenty of drinks and snacks and a folding chair

Change of clothes, towel, hat, long sleeve shirt, suntan lotion, sunglasses

PLEASE LABEL ALL CAMPING GEAR WITH NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION (EVERYTHING).

PLEASE STORE ALL CAMPING GEAR IN WATER PROOF (RAIN PROOF) CONTAINERS.

Activities

Horseshoes, fishing, swimming, card games, music

Schedule

- + Arrive at Highway 280 Hatchet Creek Bridge at 8:00am on May 19
- + Unload camping gear, sign in at registration table and unload canoes/kayaks.
- + Camping gear will be loaded on trailers and transported to the campsite
- + Drivers will drive their vehicle to the take out location at Highway 231
- + Transportation will be provided to shuttle drivers back to Highway 280
- + Boats will launch before 10:00 am and arrive at campsite mid-afternoon
- + Dunnam's Halfway Campsite will be well marked
- + At the campsite, participants will set up tents
- + An evening meal and live music will be provided
- + Sunday morning - load camping gear back on trailers
- + Breakfast will be provided followed by a short (optional) morning devotion program

Other details

The Coosa County Sheriff's Office will provide deputies for traffic control and security.

Tents with tables and chairs will be available for meals and socializing.

No campfires except for one large campfire which will be provided.

Porta-potties will be available at the campsite, launch, and take out.

Handwashing stations will be available at the campsite.