



**New Hartford Land Trust**  
**First Annual Paddle for Preservation**  
*an Informal Kayak & Canoe Race with Awards & After Party*

**Sunday, June 24**

**Registration Form**

This is an approximately 2.5-mile, informal race for solo and tandem kayaks and canoes on the West Branch of the Farmington River with Class I and II rapids. Registration will be in the Pine Meadow section of New Hartford. The starting line will be in Pleasant Valley. The finish line, awards and after party will be in the same area as registration.

Check-in/Registration is at the red barn behind Main Stream Canoe and Kayak, 170 Main Street, New Hartford between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m.

Race classes start at 10:30 a.m. All paddlers must wear a USCG life jacket. Fun Flotilla to follow classes.

We encourage you to register by June 14<sup>th</sup> to receive the discounted, advance fee and to help us plan logistics.

Starting location: Pleasant Valley, Route 181, Barkhamsted (by metal truss bridge). Details on parking and put-in location will be provided to all who register.

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**First Annual Paddle for Preservation Registration Form – Tear form at the line above and fill out both sides.**  
**Return via mail or e-mail by 6/14/18 for advance price. See reverse for addresses.**

Check your event class:

Solo Canoe     Solo Kayak                       Tandem Canoe     Tandem Kayak

Check here if you do not want to race but plan to join the fun flotilla after the race classes. Circle one of the categories above. We ask that fun floaters register and pay the fee to benefit our cause!

Paddler #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Paddler #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town \_\_\_\_\_

Town \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact (Name(s) and Phone(s)) \_\_\_\_\_

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You **must** provide all the information above and on the bottom of the next page. Please read this entire form.

Please check here if you will need shuttle service from the finish line back to the starting point.

**Rules and Regulations**

- Entrants must be over 10 years of age to participate. Entrants between 10-15 years of age MUST paddle with a guardian 21 or older. 16-18 year olds may paddle tandem with another in that age bracket. A legal guardian MUST be available at the starting line and finish line and MUST sign the insurance form for all minors.
- Paddlers must wear a USCG-approved personal flotation device (PFD) at all times on the river. Anyone observed not wearing a PFD during the race will be disqualified.
- Paddlers must provide their own equipment. Main Stream Canoe & Kayak has rentals.
- Boats must be clean before entering the river to prevent the spread of invasives.
- Spotters and safety crews will remove anyone from the race not in safety gear, with alcohol, or viewed as a danger to themselves or others.
- Participants are not allowed to ‘swap’ out paddling partners during a race. If you start with a vessel you must finish in the same vessel and with the same paddling partner.
- Racers should have paddling skills to join this race.
- Racers must remain on the natural course of the river.
- Beware of fallen trees in the river. These can be very difficult to get out of and are potentially dangerous.
- Use caution when approaching blind corners and leave plenty of room between yourself and obstructions.
- NHLE reserves the right to cancel or postpone the Paddle and races at any time due to bad weather, dangerous river flow or any other reason.
- No alcohol is permitted at any time until the awards ceremony and after party where there will be food and beer available to those of legal age. All are welcome to the party!**

For more information or to volunteer, please e-mail [info@nhltpaddle.org](mailto:info@nhltpaddle.org) or call 860-379-7204 (Fran). NHLE is an all-volunteer organization. We will respond to queries as soon as possible but within one day.

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**To get the advance, discounted fee, your registration form must be received no later than June 14<sup>th</sup> via e-mail or mail. If not mailed, you may bring your payment – check or cash - to the check-in tables on the day of the race. Though you will not get the discounted fee if you decide to participate after 6/14, NHLE would appreciate hearing from you by phone or e-mail so we can plan for numbers of entrants. Every entrant will be required to sign an insurance form. Please make sure that your vessel is clean to prevent the spread of invasive plants in our Wild & Scenic West Branch of the Farmington River.**

**Check or cash will be accepted. Make checks payable to New Hartford Land Trust, Inc. and mail with your completed form to:**

**New Hartford Land Trust, Inc.  
P.O. Box 272  
New Hartford, CT 06057**

**If you wish to register via e-mail, attach a scanned copy of your completed registration form and e-mail before 6/14/18 to get the advance price. Bring check or cash with you to the check-in table.**

**Telephone: 860-379-7204**

**E-mail: [register@nhltpaddle.org](mailto:register@nhltpaddle.org)**

**Please check one of the categories below. Fees are the same for canoes or kayaks and for racing or the Fun Flotilla.**

**Register by 6/14/18: \_\_ Single - \$25.00 \_\_ Tandem - \$30.00 After 6/14/18: \_\_ Single - \$35.00 \_\_ Tandem - \$40.00**