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2023 ASNE-Sika Ultimate Build-A-Boat Challenge

**Norfolk Harborfest | June 10-11, 2023**

**The Setting:**

Harborfest is Norfolk’s largest annual festival, kicking off the summer season and celebrating the area’s great maritime heritage. Town Point Park and the Elizabeth River will be alive!... with festival food & drink, live music, tall sailing ships, arts and crafts, fireworks, nautical-themed activities, and a fun-seeking audience that loves to interact with our boat builders. Best yet, the Ultimate Build-A-Boat Challenge will be showcased prominently as we celebrate the 27th Anniversary of this great event!

**The Challenge:**

Would you feel intimidated or challenged by the thought of building a boat out three sheets of 4x8ft luan?

Would you feel squeamish or thrilled to launch and race your masterpiece in front of hundreds of fans?

If your answers were **“challenged”** and **“thrilled”**, then we welcome you to compete in the ***2023 ASNE-Sikaflex Ultimate Build-A-Boat Challenge*.** To many, this event is still affectionately called by its original name, the ***“Quick-n-Dirty” Boatbuilding***. This competition combines creativity, craftsmanship and boat handling skills in a unique event that is challenging, entertaining and loads of fun. Here’s the Quick-n-Dirty low-down on the event:

* The ***American Society of Naval Engineers*** Tidewater Section and ***Sika Corp*** are Co-Sponsors.
* **It’s FREE**… no entry fee for teams / participants.
* Construction material kits are pre-defined and provided to teams at no cost.
* Space is limited. Twenty-five (25) two-person teams will be accepted, on a first-come basis.
* Teams submit application early to secure a spot, and later submit their design 2 weeks in advance.
* Bring your own power tools, hand tools, a smile, family and friends and a great attitude.
* The building & outfitting phases take place on Saturday. Arrive by 8:30, finish around 5. Stay for the evening concerts and fireworks if you can… it’s a blast.
* Races (3 heats) take place on Sunday. Plan to arrive at 1 for a catered lunch and finish around 5.
* Awards will be presented for Best Design, Fastest Built, Top Three races finishers, Most Whimsical, and Fan Favorite. We reserve the right to create other categories as we feel inspired.
* Prizes include the coveted Sikaflex Trophies, commemorative medals, event shirts, and more.
* Building time is limited to 4 hours (but we do not enforce this. It’s a guideline… just be safe!).
* Painting the boat is critical to ensure structural integrity during the water-born portion of the event. And beyond a basic coat of paint, creative decorating (outfitting) is absolutely encouraged. Decorating can start immediately upon completing structural construction. Families, friends and supporters are welcome to help decorate after your power tools are safely put away.

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**Materials Kits:**

(3) 4’ X 8’ sheets luan plywood Sikaflex-291 Marine Adhesive

# (4) 2” X 2” X 8’ Cable (zip) ties

# (6) 1” X 2” X 8’ 2 sawhorses

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**The Rewards:**

Coveted Sikaflex trophies, commemorative medals for each contestant, event T-shirts, and more!

We’ll also have prizes such as hand tools, power tools and accessories.

And the best rewards are FREE… memories, new friendships, a brief return to childhood, a sense of great accomplishment, and a weekend worth talking about at the water cooler on Monday.

**Community Impact:**

*The American Society of Naval Engineers will commit 100% of net proceeds to funding the mission areas of ASNE, including $4,000 engineering scholarships and STEM programs.*

*For ASNE this is not JUST fun, but also a community outreach and education program. We promote awareness of naval engineering, shipbuilding and ship repair professions that are the life blood of the Tidewater region. Builders and Volunteers are encouraged to stop and interact with the crowd at every opportunity.*

**Learn More:**

* View Photos/Videos from past competitions at [www.asne-tw.org](http://www.asne-tw.org). This is a great way to get ideas on boat designs and techniques.
* We’ll host an informational meeting about 2-3 weeks before the event for newcomers, and answer any questions you might have.
* Contact event coordinator Mike D’Amato with questions.

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**Low-Cost, High Impact sponsorship opportunities are available.**

**Team Entry Form**

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**Register Early… Event Limited to 25 Teams**

Captain’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Crew Member’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Provide this entry form to:

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**RULES:**

1. Two people per team. The same pair must participate together in the building and race events.
2. Team members must be at least 18. (Age waiver @16 may be approved with guardian consent).
3. The boats must be powered using ONLY the build material provided.
4. Boats, oars, paddles or any other propulsion must be constructed from materials provided.
5. Contestants use their own power tools and hand tools. NO TABLE Tools allowed.
6. Use of sketches during construction is encouraged, full size patterns or templates are not permitted.
7. Type III PFDs will be provided and must be worn during the race events.
8. Safety glasses must be worn when power tools are being used.
9. Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed during the construction portions of the contest.
10. Judges will stop unsafe practices.
11. Failure to comply with these rules may result in immediate disqualification.

**We agree to release ASNE, SIKA Corporation, Norfolk Festevents Ltd. T/a, Harborfest, The City of Norfolk and their respective boards of directors, executive committees, councils, officers, agents, employees, and/or volunteers of any and all claims present and future arising from and associated with this contest and will indemnify and hold such parties harmless from such claims including but not limited to payment of attorney’s fees and costs.**

**We have read, understand and agree to all rules regulations and conditions set forth in this entry form and contest announcement flyer.**

Captain’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Crew Member’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsorship & Donation Form**

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| **ORGANIZATION INFORMATION** | | | | |
| **Organization’s Name:**  *(as it will appear on program materials)* |  | | | |
| **Primary Contact:** | | | **Email / Phone:** | |
| **SPONSORSHIP & PERSONAL DONATION OPPORTUNITIES** | | | | |
| ***100% of net proceeds to funding the Mission Areas of ASNE, including Engineering Scholarships, STEM and Professional Development programs.*** | | | | |
| **❑ Platinum Sponsor | $1,500.00**  ❑ Academic Sponsor  ❑ Boatbuilding Materials Sponsor    Platinum Package company logo usage:   * Co-Sponsor of the Pre-Race Lunch Reception * Table-Top Materials at the Reception Tent * Top Line on Banners & Signage * P/A announcements recognizing sponsors during build, parade of boats and race events.   **❑ Gold Sponsor Package at $1,000.00**  Gold Package company logo usage:   * 2nd Line on event banners & signage * P/A announcements recognizing sponsors during build, parade of boats and race events | | | **❑ Silver Sponsor Package at $500.00**  Silver Package company logo usage:   * 3rd Line on event banners & signage * P/A announcements recognizing sponsors during build, parade of boats and race events.   **❑ Bronze Sponsor Package at $250.00**  Bronze Package company logo usage:   * 4th Line on event banners and signage * P/A announcements recognizing sponsors during build, parade of boats and race events.   **❑ Personal Donation $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **There is no entry fee for the teams, but personal donations to help cover the cost for this event, and support the ASNE mission are encouraged.** | |
| **ACCOUNTING INFORMATION** | | | | |
| **A/P Contact:** | | **Email:** | | **Phone:** |
| **PAYMENT INFORMATION** | | | | |
| **Please select one of the following payment methods:** | | | | |
| **❑ Enclosed Check / Money Order** (payable to “**ASNE Tidewater Section**”)  **❑ Purchase Order** (enclose with application)  **❑ Online Credit Card –** [**www.asne-tw.org**](http://www.asne-tw.org) | | | | |

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