



The Gauley takes the Stage!!

The long awaited, greatly anticipated Gauley Season is here! Weather here now is fall like and so nice. The lake is still at summer pool, so we will have 2,800cfs of beautiful green WARM water to play in!

The Race is on- so get pre-registered! Registrations are coming in....

Everything is falling into place! Our site is loaded with a link to active.com for online registration and a printable form for mailing in. With less than 2 weeks until the big day, now is the time to get the registration done! Got to www.gauleyrace.com for more info....!

NEW for 2009!!

This year, **six-person raft teams will compete for the "Gauley Cup"**! This will be a unique and one of a kind trophy that will travel from year to year... unless the same team wins it every year of course! With the cup comes a Gauley sized chunk of bragging rights- so start putting those teams together NOW and get registered. If you work for an outfitter, see if they will sponsor your team! We do have our first R6 team registered... from New York City, with a WV guide. (you know who you are...) The challenge has been raised-

Category and Starting Info

We want to make sure our category and starting info is clear. Class/Category info is available on the site. ALL boat types are welcome and encouraged... **it is a Gauley River Celebration!** For **Raft Teams- ONLY R6 teams are in the R6 class.** Other team sizes are welcome, and will

race in the Raft Open Class. Many folks just want to do a team and have fun with it... and c'mon! Only the R6 class is racing for the "Gauley Cup". We do have prizes of course- and lots of them. But the Gauley Cup is reserved for the R6 class.

Starting will be done in packs – by boat type. Faster boats start first, example: Wildwater, Wavehopper, Slalom, Playboat, etc. There will be a few minute spread between class starts so you will have ample time to get in place. **IF YOU MISS YOU BOAT CLASS START-** your time starts with the class, so the clock is running. WE STRONGLY encourage all teams and participants to be ready to go and make their start time.

Go to the site and visit our Sponsors.... They make it happen. It is a large endeavor to put on the Gauley Race and let them know you appreciate it please!!!!

Well, that is all for now. We will keep you posted on news as we have it come in. Definitely- more to come....

Come on out for ***Gauley Race #17!***

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