

NASHY'S 500 BILLY CART CHALLENGE



EVENT & REGISTRATION DETAILS

Event Name: Nashy's 500 Billy Cart Challenge

Event Date: 13 October 2018

Time: 2.30pm

Location: Mellor Street, Gympie

Cost: FREE

Registrations are online at www.rushfestival.com.au



ABOUT

Beginning in the early 1990s, the Gympie community crowded the banks of Gympie streets to watch billy carts of all shapes and sizes. This old tradition has been re-born for Rush Festival 2018, with Nashy's 500 Billy Cart Challenge!

All billy carts entries are encouraged to be weird, wacky, or themed, with prizes given to the fastest and most creative entries. Drivers and Pit Crew must also be dressed in theme with all billy carts competing in a time trial.

This is a perfect chance for community groups, schools, clubs, organisations, individuals, friends, families, and businesses to get involved with this wacky and fun community event. Nashy's 500 is held on the first Saturday of the 2018 Rush Festival, Saturday 13 October at 2.30pm, and will start from the top of Mellor Street, and finish near at the carpark opposite Gympie Library. The Marshalling & Scrutineering area is along Lady Mary Terrace, accessed via Caledonian Hill, Apollonian Vale, Red Hill Road.

There is no cost for participating in this year's Nashy's 500 and is FREE to all entry types. **Registrations close 3 October 2018.**

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PRIZES

All Entries are eligible to win:

First Prize: \$1,000

Second Prize: \$500

Third Prize: \$250



The Judges will assess all Entrants on the following three criteria:

- The fastest time
- Creativity and overall quality of the presentation
- Enthusiasm and spirit of participants

It's not enough that it actually moves and is fastest over the line. What we're looking for is the creative, outrageous, funny, weird, or wacky! Be wild.

Be crazy. Be anything you want.

Just don't be ordinary!

CHALLENGE RULES & REGULATIONS

Participants acknowledge that any failure on their part to comply with Nashy's 500 Billy Cart Challenge Rules and Regulations may result in their exclusion from participation in the event.

1. Groups, organisations, businesses, and schools are invited to participate in Nashy's 500 Billy Cart Challenge with the driver and associated participants (Pit Crew) agreeing upon the Challenge Rules set down in this agreement.
2. The Entrant accepts Council's invitation as expressed in the clauses of this agreement and in consideration of the right to participate in the Challenge agrees to the Challenge Rules.
3. The Entrant must ensure that all participants associated with the Pit Crew and parents or guardians of participants aged under 18 years, are made aware of the Challenge rules to this agreement.
4. Each team must consist of FOUR people, including driver.
5. No more than 2 people can be in the Cart for the race.
6. Driver must be 7 years and over and able to competently use Cart brake system to bring the cart to a complete stop in short distances.
7. All ages are welcome to participate however Entrant must be 18 or over and have the authority to act on behalf of any team member including the driver that is under 18.
8. **All participants enter at their own risk.**
9. Council public liability insurance will cover all aspects of the track and public space, however any injury obtained due to the building or fault of the individual's cart will not be covered by Council. Entrants can obtain their own public liability insurance to cover this if they wish.
10. The Entrant must ensure that all participants comply with the Challenge rules and with all laws.
11. The Entrant agrees to attend a meeting with the Race Coordinator or other Council officers as requested by Council on either: **7pm, Tuesday 25 September 2018 at Gympie Civic Centre or: 7pm, Tuesday 9 October 2018 at Gympie Civic Centre.**
12. Each member of your Nashy's 500 Billy Cart Challenge team must individually sign participant disclaimer in order to be able to compete in the event. Disclaimers must be handed in at one of the meetings listed above.

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13. The Entrant agrees to comply with all reasonable instructions concerning the Cart and the conduct of the Challenge, including the removal of any participant, from the Challenge at any time prior to or during the Challenge.
14. The Entrant must ensure compliance with all safety requirements as prescribed by the Challenge rules or as instructed by the Race Coordinator or by Race marshals. The Cart must be equipped with suitable safety features so as to prevent the risk of associated participants suffering harm.
15. The Entrant and accompanying team (Pit Crew) releases and discharges and agrees to indemnify Council from any cost borne of harm resulting from participation in the Challenge as provided for in this agreement.
16. The Entrant accepts full responsibility for all participants travelling on or around their Cart, the Cart itself, and any injuries or damages occurred as a result of participation in the Challenge.
17. All required safety equipment on the Cart must be complete and operational at all times during the Challenge.
18. Billy cart must have no form of propulsion in any way (only GRAVITY) i.e. UN-MOTORISED and UN-FUELED.
19. Each Billy Cart must pass scrutineering by the organisers of the event. Carts deemed unsafe will not be permitted.
20. All bilycarts and drivers must be available for scrutineering between 10am and 12pm at the top of Mellor Street. Late entries will not be accepted.
21. The same Billy Cart cannot be used more than once on the day of the event.
22. A separate entry form is required for each Billy Cart.
23. All Entrants must provide at their own cost approved safety equipment, including knee and elbow pads and an Australian Standards Approved pushbike or motorbike helmet. Adequate eye protection is recommended.
24. Only the nominated driver, passengers and pit crew is allowed in the pit area at the time of their race. Other people will be asked to leave the area for their own safety and the safety of others.
25. Drivers, passengers, and their pit crew must wear their wrist bands at all times to identify them.
26. Only one cart will be allowed on the track at a time.
27. Pit crew can only push as far as the start line.
28. Bilycarts must proceed under their own weight but rocking is permitted.
29. Brakes must be used to stop after crossing the finish line.

30. If the cart crashes along the track and comes to a complete stand-still, and is in good working condition, the track Marshall closest to the track will push the cart to get it going again. If the driver has already started the cart rolling before the Marshall arrives at the cart, the Marshall can still push it to assist the driver (length & strength of the push will be decided by the Marshall).
31. If the cart crashes and is damaged, the closest track Marshall will assess whether the cart can continue down the track. The decision of the Marshall will be final. If the cart cannot continue, the Marshall will assist in clearing it from the track. The cart cannot race again.
32. When the red flag is waving the course is not clear.
33. All judges' decisions will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
34. A billycart or driver may be disqualified at any time at the discretion of the Race Coordinator.
35. Gympie Regional Council reserves the right to change or cancel events.

CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Nashy's 500 is designed primarily for the thrills and laughter and is not to be used to promote any political agenda or as a ground for protest.
2. Nashy's 500 is a fun family event and no discriminating, insulting, offensive or vulgar comments or displays may be presented. Participants that give offence will not be accepted and risk expulsion from future events.
3. Gympie Regional Council reserves the right not to accept any entries that could be damaging to the spirit of the race.

PARTICIPANT & AUDIENCE SAFETY

1. Participants must at all times promptly comply with instructions given by the Race Coordinator, by race marshals appointed by Council and by members of the Queensland Police Service.
2. Unsafe billycart, dangerous driving or bad conduct by participants will not be tolerated and may result in immediate expulsion or disqualification from the event. The Race Coordinators' decision (or that of their delegate) will be final and binding.
3. Whilst it is a time trial event, competitors need to navigate safely along residential streets with the public lining the road. Carts therefore need to be easy to manoeuvre with a safe and competent driver with an unobstructed view of the road.

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4. The driver of a billy cart must be aged 7 or over and be capable of operating the brake system effectively.
5. Billy Carts must be driven safely as possible at all times.
6. Drivers and passengers must remain seated whilst travelling in the cart.
7. Drivers and participants must not attempt or exit the cart whilst in motion.
8. Participants must take care when travelling as passengers on a Cart to avoid all risk of harm and acknowledge that they travel on the Cart at their own risk.
9. All signage, decorations, furniture and other items on the Cart must be securely attached to the Cart.
10. Once the cart is in motion pit crews are required to move to a side to allow the next cart be positioned
11. All entrants must follow any instructions given by the Event Officials or Emergency Services during the course of the event
12. The following activities are prohibited by Entrants during the race:
 - Use of a naked flame;
 - Spraying or squirting water;
 - Throwing any object;
 - Consumption of alcoholic beverages;
 - Use of any items made of glass;
 - Alighting from or embarking onto the Cart while it is in motion.
 - Fliers and other handouts cannot be thrown from the Cart.
 - For the protection of children in the audience no lollies are to be handed out along the race route.



CART THEMING AND DECORATION

1. Billy Carts must be creative. The aim of Nashy's 500 is to entertain! Let's wow the crowd. Great carts are remembered and enjoyed by all who attend. Make your cart artistic, weird and wacky and most of all, unique! Carts can be a representation of virtually anything (with the exception of those that breach any of the rules).
2. Billy Carts can address/reflect any theme but drivers and race team must also be in theme as well.
3. Billy Cart Standard: whether you are trying to win a prize or just promote your group or business, a Cart with a sign on it and some balloons is not memorable and therefore not encouraged. Think about how you can adapt or add to a uniform to make it more fun and colourful. If you're having trouble developing your idea, please contact our Events Team for advice — 1300 307 800 or email events@gympie.qld.gov.au.

Stuck for ideas? Jump online for inspiration!



BILLY CART CONSTRUCTION

1. Maximum dimensions for a Cart are 2m (H) x 2m (W) x 3m (L).
2. Carts can be constructed from any material provided it is sturdy and safe and cannot exceed 50kg (without driver)
3. Cart must have adequate brakes on both rear wheels. Brakes must be capable of reasonable short safe stops.
4. All steering must be safe and adequate
5. Seating can be adjustable but must be secured to main frame
6. Wheels are required to be less than 500mm in diameter and can be either solid or pneumatic
7. If rear wheels have spokes, they must have inner guards for protection
8. No sharp edges or protrusions



Want to know more or need help with your ideas?

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