



DRAGON'S BREATH BULLETIN

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Special Edition - Montgomery Race

Tellico Heat faced tough competition in Montgomery, including club teams, teams with much younger average age and a Fire/Rescue team that had youth and strength and good teamwork!

Tellico Heat was never far off the pace and always in the mix, winning or placing second in a couple of heats. So though we did not place for a medal, every team member would agree that the Festival was a great experience!

There were a couple of firsts: (1) this was our first time competing in a 10-person boat and (2) our first time at this venue which great with lots of room for the team tents and viewing, and real bathrooms!

We used steerers provided by Dynamic including Chris, the owner who has helped with THDBC sweep clinics. All commented how straight and balanced we were; the boat ran true and though they had to contend with the river current [which worsened along with the chop during the course of the day], they were able to lift the oar up a bit. High praise!

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Many thanks to all who made it a wonderful day!

Festival Captain	Virginia encountered a series of frustrations with late or erroneous information. But she persevered and it came together beautifully. She went above and beyond organizing dinner on Friday night and ballgame tickets for Saturday night. Thank you!
Coaches	Dee chose to forego a spot as paddler to coach and drum. She and Cat put together a race strategy and thoughtful and disciplined training schedule that was instrumental in our feeling strong and posting good times. Thank you, ladies!
Team Members	Everyone worked hard and gave it their all on a hot and humid day! There was lots of encouragement and good cheer.
Family & Friends	It's always great to have the support of family and friends! Many took pictures and videos. Many thanks to Mary Pat's husband for taking and posting lots of good shots and video.

Race Results

First Two Heats and Ranking Going Into Third and Final Heat

Rank	Team Name	Boat	Race #1	Race #2	Average Time
1	Montgomery Fire/Rescue	Standard Boat	01:06.217	01:00.928	01:03.572
2	Leatherneck Warriors	Standard Boat	01:07.080	01:05.518	01:06.299
3	Lanier Super Dragons	Standard Boat	01:06.280	01:07.739	01:07.010
4	Tellico Heat	Standard Boat	01:08.188	01:09.655	01:08.921
5	Kickball Warriors	Standard Boat	01:11.849	01:08.506	01:10.177
6	Paddle Star Galactica - MGM Runs	Standard Boat	01:12.519	01:09.905	01:11.212
7	2L2Q Fitness	Standard Boat	01:12.059	01:11.253	01:11.656
8	Warhawk Wave Crushers	Standard Boat	01:17.132	01:11.105	01:14.119
9	BLUE DRAGONS	Standard Boat	01:20.206	01:20.962	01:20.584
10	Blazing Paddles Part Deux	Standard Boat	01:28.646	01:19.344	01:23.995
1	Leatherneck Warriors 10	Small Boat	01:16.217	01:18.302	01:17.260
2	Lanier Super Dragons 10	Small Boat	01:17.189	01:19.741	01:18.465
3	2L2Q Fitness	Small Boat	01:19.112	01:18.527	01:18.820
4	Tellico Heat 10	Small Boat	01:21.887	01:22.508	01:22.198
5	Chattanooga Dragon Boat Club	Small Boat	01:22.878	01:23.514	01:23.196
6	Baptist South	Small Boat	01:23.680	01:23.803	01:23.742
7	Montgomery Yellowhammers RFC	Small Boat	01:23.791	01:31.652	01:27.721
8	Baptist East	Small Boat	01:31.762	01:34.665	01:33.214
9	GMC	Small Boat	01:34.808	01:32.358	01:33.583
10	Montgomery Row'ler Derby	Small Boat	01:46.013	01:53.412	01:49.713

Final Heat and Final Ranking

Rank	Team Name	Boat	Final Race Time
1	Montgomery Fire/Rescue	Standard Boat	01:03.250
2	Leatherneck Warriors	Standard Boat	01:06.665
3	Kickball Warriors	Standard Boat	01:08.314
4	Lanier Super Dragons	Standard Boat	01:08.767
5	Tellico Heat	Standard Boat	01:09.667
6	Paddle Star Galactica - MGM Runs	Standard Boat	01:11.527
7	Warhawk Wave Crushers	Standard Boat	01:12.780
8	2L2Q Fitness	Standard Boat	01:14.487
9	Blazing Paddles Part Deux	Standard Boat	01:17.045
10	BLUE DRAGONS	Standard Boat	01:18.591
Rank	Team Name	Boat	Final Race Time
1	Lanier Super Dragons 10	Small Boat	01:14.915
2	Leatherneck Warriors 10	Small Boat	01:16.486
3	2L2Q Fitness	Small Boat	01:18.338
4	Tellico Heat 10	Small Boat	01:23.504
5	Baptist South	Small Boat	01:24.446
6	Chattanooga Dragon Boat Club	Small Boat	01:24.607
7	Montgomery Yellowhammers RFC	Small Boat	01:29.897
8	Baptist East	Small Boat	01:31.359
9	GMC	Small Boat	01:34.719
10	Montgomery Row'ler Derby	Small Boat	01:57.430