



NEW

BAYFEST TUG OF WAR TOURNAMENT

We are hosting a NEW Tournament for this our 25th BAYFEST Anniversary Year.

Tug of War is a classic team-based outdoor game that tests strength, teamwork, and determination. Two teams of players compete against each other, each trying to pull the opposing team across a designated line or marker.

The game is simple: each team grabs one end of a rope, and with a combination of strength and strategy, they pull the other team toward their side. It's a great way to have fun and build camaraderie.

REGISTER YOUR TEAM

First Place Team \$400 cash prize

Second Place Team \$120 cash prize

Third Place Team \$80 cash prize



REGISTRATION

Your Team **MUST** consist of a minimum of **8 people**, with a **minimum of 2 females** on a team
You may have more players on your team for substitutions (up to 12 people TOTAL on the team)
Team entry **FEE is \$80**, regardless of number of players.

TEAM REGISTRATION FORM BELOW

Email or bring registration form & \$80 fee to:

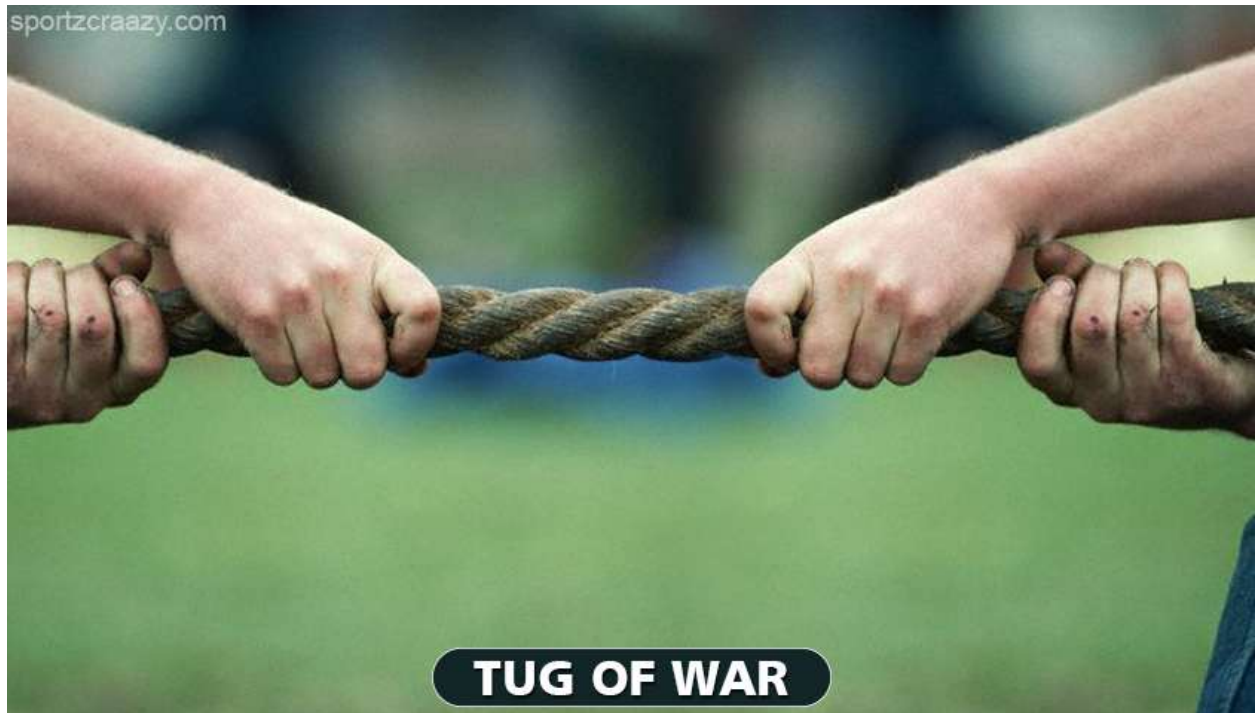
cheshiresonbay@gmail.com

or 1016 Bay Street, Port Rowan during business hours (10am-4pm)

Team Captain needs to be recorded when registering. Team Captain is responsible for their team.
Registration is required at least 1 (one) week before Bayfest (Saturday, August 29th)
First 8 teams to register will be accepted.

GAMES

Games will be held on the Saturday and Sunday of Bayfest (see schedule attached)



Rope and Marker equipment will be supplied

RULES and PLAY

Grip the Rope:

- Each team grips the rope firmly, with hands spaced evenly along the length of the rope.
- Players may use various gripping techniques, such as wrapping the rope around their hands or using specific handholds.
- Gloves are allowed and optional for players to protect their hands while gripping the rope.
- Gloves are not supplied

Gameplay:

- **Start the Pull:**
 - On the signal of the referee to start, both teams begin pulling on the rope, aiming to drag the opposing team across the marker.
- **Pulling Technique:**
 - Players use their strength and coordination to pull the rope steadily and forcefully in their team's direction.
 - Teams may adjust their grip and strategy during the pull to gain leverage and advantage over the opposing team.
- **Winning the Game:**
 - The game ends when one team successfully pulls the other team across the marker or line.
 - The team that crosses the marker first is declared the winner of the round.
 - Rounds:
 - In the first two rounds of play, teams will play a best 2 out of 3 matches to determine the winners.
 - In the 3rd place final round and the Championship Final Round, there will only be one game to determine the winners.
- **Fair Play:**
 - Players must abide by the rules and maintain good sportsmanship throughout the game.
 - Avoiding dangerous or aggressive tactics, such as jerking the rope or pulling excessively hard, is essential to prevent injuries.

Additional Rules and Tips:

- **Even Teams:** To ensure teams are evenly matched in terms of size and strength to maintain fairness. If one team has less than 8 team members, the team with more player will have to sit member or members. It is at the discretion of the team with more players who they sit. No rules on strength or gender.
- **Footwear:** Wearing appropriate footwear with good traction to prevent slipping during the pull is required. No Flip Flops allowed! Referees have the right to refuse a player's footwear and deny play.

Bayfest Tug of War Tournament

Team Registration Form

Event: Bayfest Tug of War Tournament

Location: Harbour Park Dock Area, Port Rowan, Ontario

Date: Bayfest Weekend (Saturday Sept 5th and Sunday Sept 6th)

Team Information

Team Name: _____

Team Captain: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Team Category: ☐ Adults ONLY (Participants must be at least 16 years old)

Registration Fees

- **\$80 per team** (flat rate)

Payment Method: ☐ Cash ☐ E-Transfer (cheshiresonbay@gmail.com)

No password required but please put in the email note, your teams name and “tug of war tournament”

Total Amount Paid: \$_____ Date Received: _____

Received By: _____



TEAM NAME: _____

Participant Name	Phone	Email	Age (if under 18)	Fee Paid (\$10)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
Additional Alternates (Optional)				
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐
12. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐

Liability Waiver Requirement



All participants **must** sign the official **Bayfest Tug of War Liability Waiver** before competing.

Team Captain Initials (confirming all team members will sign): _____

Emergency Contact (Team Captain or other)

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Team Captain Acknowledgment

I certify that the information provided is accurate and that all team members understand the rules, fees, and waiver requirements for participation in the Bayfest Tug of War Tournament.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Bayfest Tug of War Tournament – Participant Liability Waiver



Event: Bayfest Tug of War Tournament

Location: Port Rowan, Norfolk County, Ontario

Date: Bayfest Weekend (September 5th & 6th)

Participant Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Team Name: _____

Assumption of Risk & Release of Liability

I, the undersigned participant, acknowledge and agree to the following:

1. **Voluntary Participation** I am voluntarily participating in the Bayfest Tug of War Tournament. I understand that tug of war is a physically demanding activity that involves significant exertion and may include risks such as muscle strain, sprains, falls, rope burns, collisions, and other potential injuries.
2. **Assumption of Risk** I understand and accept that participation in this event involves inherent risks, including the risk of serious injury. I freely and voluntarily assume all such risks, both known and unknown.
3. **Release of Liability** In consideration of being permitted to participate, I hereby release, waive, and forever discharge **Bayfest**, the **Bayfest Committee**, **Norfolk County**, their officers, employees, volunteers, sponsors, and representatives from any and all liability for injuries, losses, damages, or claims arising from or related to my participation in the Tug of War Tournament.
4. **No Legal Liability** I acknowledge that **Bayfest and Norfolk County are not legally liable** for any injuries sustained during my participation in the Tug of War Tournament.
5. **Fitness to Participate** I certify that I am physically fit to participate in this event and have not been advised otherwise by a medical professional.
6. **Medical Treatment** I consent to receive basic first aid or emergency medical treatment if necessary. I understand that I am responsible for any medical costs incurred.
7. **Photography & Media Release (Optional)** I grant permission for Bayfest to use photographs or video of the event that may include my image for promotional or reporting purposes. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Participant Acknowledgment

I have read and fully understand this waiver. I am signing it freely and voluntarily.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Consent (if participant is under 18, Participant must be 16+)

I, the parent/guardian of the above-named minor, consent to their participation and agree to all terms of this waiver.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____