

# Moose Olympics and Family Activities Day

A guide for  
Lodges and Chapters





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### **MOOSE OLYMPICS & FAMILY ACTIVITIES DAY**

Dear Brothers and Co-Workers:

The strength of our fraternity is highly dependent on the quality of the programs and services we offer our members and their families. It is the desire of Moose International to provide our Lodges and Chapters the tools to accomplish these programs.

Sports and recreation events for our members and their families play an important role in terms of membership interest and development. They provide bonds of common interest, develop enthusiasm among its participants and directly contribute to the fun and fellowship goals of our fraternity. A well-planned program for all ages makes use of the talents, experience and knowledge of our members. It allows them the opportunity to serve and participate in the activities of our Moose community.

We invite the Family Activities and Family Involvement Chairmen and their Committees, as well as the Sports Chairmen and their Committees from both Lodge and Chapter to host a Moose Olympics and Family Activities Day or Weekend during the Spring or Summer months of our new millennium. We encourage you to start making your plans now. The Moose Olympics and Family Activities Day is becoming an event that our members look forward to annually.

Have a great time planning and a fun filled event!

Cordially and Fraternally,

Donald Ross  
Director General

Tonie E. Ewoldt  
Grand Chancellor



## RESPONSIBILITIES OF LODGE OFFICERS

1. Work closely with the Chapter officers in planning and coordinating the activities.
2. Make sure that the appropriate chairmen of the standing committees of the Lodge are involved in their areas of expertise. The Sports Chairman and the Family Activities Chairman should take active leadership roles.
3. Make sure that the event receives proper publicity in the Lodge newsletter and on the Lodge bulletin board.
4. Do a thorough analysis of your membership and make every attempt to have activities which will attract their interest.
5. Limit the invitation to your members and their families. This activity is NOT to be open to the public.
6. Complete a final report of the activity. Included in the report should be a list of the events, the number of participants, and other information which would be pertinent. Please be sure to take photographs and send them in with your report for possible use in the *Moose Magazine*.
7. Make sure that parents sign a parental liability waiver for their under-age children.
8. For additional information contact Moose International at 630/859-2000.



# RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHAPTER OFFICERS AND CO-WORKERS



1. The Officers of the Loyal Order of Moose and Women of the Moose shall **jointly** plan this Moose Olympics and Family Activities Day/Weekend.
2. The Family Involvement Chairman and Sports Chairman of the Chapter may be asked to assist as well as the Loyal Order of Moose Family Activities Chairman and Sports Chairman.
3. After holding the **joint planning meeting** with the Lodge Board of Officers, the Chapter Board of Officers shall hold a Board of Officers meeting including Chapter Officers, Sports Chairman, and Family Involvement Chairman to discuss responsibilities of the Chapter. The Chapter shall be notified of the tentative plans and responsibilities of the Chapter by means of proposals presented in the minutes of the Board of Officers Meeting of the Chapter.
4. Chapter responsibilities may include providing Chapter funds to help offset the cost of prizes/awards or equipment needed to conduct the various games/competitions.
5. Chapter co-workers may also be asked to organize and provide co-workers to volunteer their time, talents, and efforts to conduct, oversee or judge various games/competitions/events as well as to assist with planned food functions.
6. Make your plans early and think through all aspects of the Moose Olympics and Family Activities event making sure that activities have been planned for all age groups and that you will have adequate volunteers to help with various activities.
7. Proper business procedures shall be followed in the disbursement of Chapter funds.
8. Chapters donating Chapter funds to the Lodge for the Moose Olympics and Family Activities Day/Weekend will be granted a blanket dispensation. However, Chapters shall remit dispensation form to International Headquarters giving the amount of Chapter funds given to the Lodge for this event.
9. Chapter to complete final report of weekend giving results of weekend and information on actual activities, along with pictures.
10. More information can be obtained from Women of the Moose at International Headquarters 630/859-2000.





## SAMPLE AGENDA OF ACTIVITIES

<b>10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.</b>	Adult/Youth Dart Tournament (13 years and older)
<b>10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.</b>	Basketball Hoops Shooting (13 years and older)
<b>10:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.</b>	Bean Bag Toss (2 to 5 year olds) Various contests such as: Pin the Tail on the Donkey and Drop the Clothes pins
<b>10:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.</b>	Ring Toss (6 to 8 year olds) Various contest such as: Guess the number of jelly beans Basket Relay (See Game Book 96/98)
<b>10:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.</b>	Candy Bingo (9 to 12 year olds) Various Computer games
<b>10:45 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.</b>	Fish Tank (2 to 5 year olds) Marshmellow Spoon Relay
<b>10:45 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.</b>	Nerf Basketball Hoops (6 to 8 year olds) Various Computer games
<b>10:45 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.</b>	Golf Putting Contest (9 to 12 year olds)
<b>11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.</b>	Family Lunch
<b>1:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.</b>	Adult/Youth Pool Tournament (13 years and older)
<b>1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.</b>	Adult/Child Soft-Tip Dart Tournament (9 to 12 year olds)
<b>1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.</b>	Tricycle Race (2 to 5 year olds) Picture Puzzle Race (2 to 5 year olds) Baby Crawl Race (2 to 5 year olds)
<b>1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M.</b>	Obstacle Course (6 to 8 year olds)
<b>2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.</b>	Candy Bingo (6 to 8 year olds)
<b>2:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.</b>	Movies - "Care Bears" (2 to 5 year olds) Movies - "Pocahontas" (6 to 8 year olds) Cookies & Milk
<b>3:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.</b>	Refreshments (9 years and older) Pop, Popcorn
<b>3:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.</b>	Soap Box Derby (6 to 8 year olds) (9 to 12 year olds)
<b>3:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.</b>	Putting Contest (13 years and older) Horseshoe Pitching Contests (13 years and older)
<b>3:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.</b>	Various Races and Contests (2 to 5 year olds)
<b>4:45 PM to 5:15 P.M.</b>	Olympic Ceremony (Awarding Ribbons and Prizes to winner/participants in various events).
<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	Family Cookout



## IDEAS/SUGGESTIONS



The modern world Olympic Games began in 1896 after games of ancient Greece. You can bring some of that excitement, fun and challenge to your own Moose home by scheduling a Moose Olympics and Family Activities Day.

The Chairmen and their committees from the Lodge and Chapter should schedule planning meetings for the purpose of presenting a full calendar of games, contests and events that begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m.

The events can be for individuals or teams and can combine different age groups. For example: grandson/grandfather, mother/daughter, father/son, daughter/father, son/mother, and of course, don't forget baby and/or grandmother. Many events may be running at the same time in different parts of the Moose home or property.

We suggest having a lunch that would consist of hot dogs and/or hamburgers with french fries and soft drink...all for a nominal fee. An awards banquet could be held at 5:00 p.m. with all participants in attendance.

Here are just a few ideas of the events that could be held:

**Baby Crawl**  
**Toddler Race**  
**Ring Toss**  
**Picture Puzzle Race**  
**Sack Races**  
**Jelly Bean/Spoon Race**  
**Softball Throw**  
**Dart Toss**  
**Potato Toss**  
**Golf in a Tin Can**  
**Foot Races**  
**Basketball Free Throws**  
**Little Red Wagon Race**

**Baby Walker Race**  
**Tricycle Race**  
**Bean Bag Throw**  
**Obstacle Course**  
**Three-Legged Race**  
**Long Jump**  
**Jump Rope**  
**Wheelbarrel Race**  
**Pool Skills**  
**Soap Box Derby**  
**Swimming Events**  
**Horseshoe Pitch Contest**  
**Moose Toss**

**Shuffle Board**  
**Badminton**  
**Cards**  
**Juggling**  
**Food Eating Contests**  
**Suitcase Shuffle**  
**Chariot Race**  
**Croquette**  
**Computer Games**  
**Line Dancing**  
**Volleyball**  
**Egg Hop**  
**Socker Kicks**

## WANT SOME MORE IDEAS?

For those of you who have access to the internet, there is a listing of games with instructions, rules, etc. that you can receive.

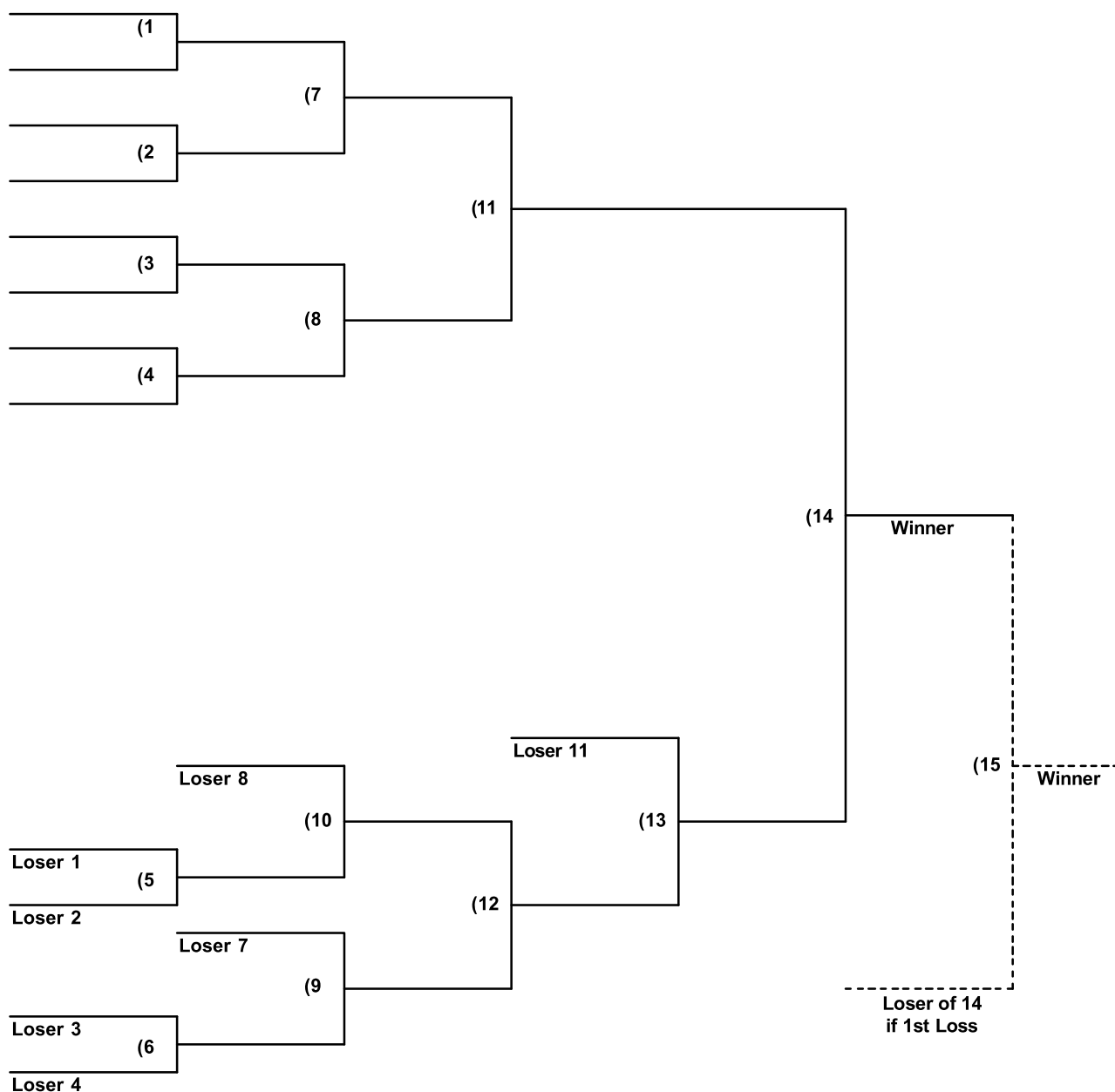
Access Is:

[Http://family.starwave.com/funstuff/index.html](http://family.starwave.com/funstuff/index.html)





# BRACKET



This is a sample bracket.  
For additional information on competition brackets contact  
Moose International at 630/859-2000.

# AWARDS



At the conclusion of the activities, the committee should award the first, second and third place winners. What could be more appropriate than using the same format as is used in the world Olympics?

The Lodge/Chapter could have a platform and/or three elevated stands. Invest the first, second and third place winners with Olympic-style medallions. In addition, ask all participants in that event to take a place in front of the platform or on either side so that they may also receive ribbons of a similar color in recognition of their efforts.

A sports banquet could be scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. We suggest a modest meal that would appeal to all ages and which would be reasonably priced. At the conclusion of the meal, announce the names of all participants in each event and have certificates ready to award each child and adult.

Before you close your program, please remember to:

1. Recognize everyone's efforts;
2. Thank your membership and their families for their participation;
3. Announce the dates for the next annual Moose Olympics & Family Activities Day.

**WE THANK YOU FOR SPONSORING THE  
MOOSE OLYMPICS & FAMILY ACTIVITIES DAY.  
CONGRATULATIONS!**







## MOOSE ASSOCIATION RELEASE/PERMISSION FORM

\_\_\_\_\_  
EVENT

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

IN CONSIDERATION of the acceptance of my son/daughter to participate in the above stated event, I hereby waive, release, and discharge any and all claims for damages, death, personal injury, or property damage which I may have, or which may subsequently occur to my son/daughter as a result of his/her participation in this event.

THIS Release is intended to discharge Moose International, Inc. an Indiana Corporation, the \_\_\_\_\_ Moose Association, a \_\_\_\_\_ Corporation, and/or any sponsoring Lodge(s), their respective agent(s) and employee(s) from and against any and all liability even though liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the person(s) or entity(s) mentioned above.

THE terms hereof shall serve as a release and assumption of risk for my heirs, executors, successors, administrators and assigns in exchange for his/her participation in this event.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I am the parent/legal guardian of the participant and that my son/daughter is under no physical disability that would prohibit his/her involvement in this event.

My signature indicates that my son/daughter has my permission to participate in this event.

My signature also indicates that should it become necessary for my son/daughter to be transported to and from this event, my permission is granted.

I, the undersigned, attest and affirm that I have read this document and that the statements for the above are true and agreed to.

Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print/Type Name)

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian

*This page is a reduced copy of the Release/Permission Form.  
Please use the full-sized master copy included with this booklet.*

# RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHAPTER OFFICERS AND CO-WORKERS



EVENT

DATE

THE undersigned, herein referenced, make application to enter the event above indicated.

IN CONSIDERATION of the acceptance of my application to enter this event, I hereby waive, release, and discharge any and all claims for damages, death, personal injury, or property damage, which I may have, or which may subsequently occur to me as a result of my participation in this event. This Release is intended to discharge MOOSE INTERNATIONAL, INCORPORATED, any State or Provincial Moose Association and/or any sponsoring Lodge(s), their respective agent(s) and employee(s) from and against any and all liability arising out of, or connected in any way with my participation in this event, even though liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the person(s) or entity(s) mentioned above.

THE terms hereof shall serve as a release and assumption of risk for my heirs, executors, successors, administrators and assigns in exchange for my participation in this event.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I am twenty one (21) years of age or older and under no physical disability that would prohibit my involvement in this event.

I, the undersigned, attest and affirm that I have read the rules of this event and agree to abide by said rules. I also affirm that the statements set forth above are true and correct.

I have read and agreed to the conditions stated above.

Participant's Signature:

Participant's Lodge/Chapter & No.

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**Sports and Recreation Programs provide bonds of common interest, develop the enthusiasm necessary for effective action to achieve other organization purposes and directly contribute to the fellowship aims of the fraternity.**



