

ANNUAL MAYSVILLE OKTOBERFEST TUG-OF-WAR COMPETITION

Sponsored by Stober Drives of Maysville

WHEN: Saturday

WHERE: Rotary Park (204 Bridge Street in downtown Maysville)

TIME: Pull begins at 1:00 p.m.

CHECK-IN: 12 pm Rotary Park-Have your team registered by 12:45 pm

Gold - Silver - and Bronze medals will be awarded!

THE RULES:

Teams-8 person pull, with each team allotted a maximum of 12 members.

Men's Unlimited – Limited to men only

Women's Unlimited – Limited to women only

Co-Ed Unlimited – Combination of four men and four women.

Junior Division – 7th thru 12th grades and **Tiny Tuggers** – 3rd thru 6th grades

Weigh In – NO weigh in! UNLIMITED

Field and Marking

The games will be played on the grass at Rotary Park. A line referred to as a centerline is marked on the playing zone and the rope is placed so that its center mark will align with the center marked on the ground. The rope will be marked 15 feet from the center, on both sides, showing the participants where the first member of each team will stand.

The Line-Up

It is suggested that the strongest member be at the back. Alternate the players so one player is standing to the right of the rope, and the next is standing to the left. The first player in each line must have his/her hand behind the 15' tape mark. If his/her hand goes beyond that mark toward the rope's center, his/her team will be disqualified. The players should be evenly spaced along the length of the rope.

How to Play

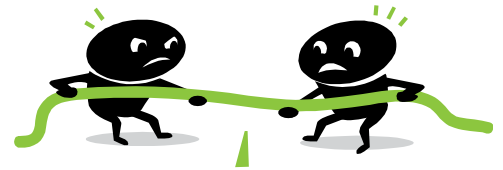
The center of the rope will align with the center marked on the ground. As soon as the judge calls "PULL," each team can start pulling the rope into their territory. The first team to pull their opponents 15' mark across the centerline into their territory wins the game. 15 minute time limit for each game.

The Competition

There are 3 different commands that the centerline judge gives to the players. The judge first announces "Pick up the rope", he then says "Take the strain" (tighten the rope), and finally he tells the players to "Pull". Once the pull command is given, the teams start pulling the rope. If a member of the team falls down, that member is given a caution. Each team is allowed two cautions before being disqualified.

Fouls and Disqualifications

The judges are responsible for enforcing the rules. Participants are not allowed to wear cleated shoes or boots with metal soles. Players should not put tape or glue on their hands. Sitting down while pulling is against the rules, and if participants fall they should immediately stand back up and continue pulling. There is a particular technique that needs to be applied while playing this game. If it is not there will be a foul, which can result in disqualifications. Your team will automatically lose and forfeit the game if you break the rules.



www.MaysvilleOktoberfest.org for registration form!