



Ninth Annual BIG Little River Paddle Race







Cancelled due to weather 8 AM, Saturday, April 24, 2021

Proceeds benefit Friends of Reed Bingham State Park (FORB) and WWALS Watershed Coalition, Inc. (WWALS), the Waterkeeper® Alliance member for the Little River as Suwannee Riverkeeper®.

Prizes: Overall winner will get a **\$100 cash prize**. If first place finisher beats previous best time, **an additional \$200 prize**. Also **winners in each category** will receive a special award.

Registration: \$30 *online in advance* at https://wwals.net And \$5 park fee per vehicle.

Boats: Bring your own if you have it. Canoes or kayaks only; NO motors, rowboats, or paddleboards allowed.

Rental: Canoe or kayak advance reservation online (\$10) is available for pick up at Red Roberts Landing.

Heats: At the start you will choose which of four heats of ten paddlers each, fastest heat first.

Gather: 8:00 a.m., Red Roberts Landing, 31.1922, -83.5203, 4727 Rountree Bridge Rd., Adel, GA 31620.

Take I-75 Exit 41 and head west; turn north onto Rountree Bridge Rd. in front of Horse Creek Winery; and go 4.8 miles to Rountree Bridge. The boat ramp is south of the road on the east side of the Little River.

COVID-19: *Distancing and masks required at start and finish.*

Shuttle: *No shuttle provided.* Participants will need to arrange their own shuttle or paddle back to the put in.

Start: *First heat at 9:00 (fastest),* others at 9:15, 9:30, and 9:45, ten paddlers each.

Sponsors: Dr. Bret Wagenhorst, Southwell Medical

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THE COURSE: A scenic three-mile, all downstream stretch of the Little River with winding, flat blackwater and some trees to go around. Alligators, red wasps, or snakes may be present.

Finish: Reed Bingham State Park West Boat Ramp, on the west side of the lake in Colquitt County.

Awards: 11:30 a.m. at Reed Bingham S.P. West Boat Ramp. If you don't have a mask, we will provide one.

Free lunch will be provided at the finish, with individual containers.

Weather: Event will be held rain or shine, but will be delayed or cancelled for severe weather or unsafe conditions. No refunds in case of cancellation.

Safety: Life jackets required (must supply your own).

Children: under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult; be at least 12 years old, and know how to swim.

Contact: Bret Wagenhorst (via text) at 229-392-5513

