

February 2022

Greetings MWA Members & Friends:

Missouri Whitewater Association (MWA) is looking forward to hosting a full complement of racing at the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual MWC next month. As always, we can't do this without your support.

The race will be held the weekend of March 18-20, 2022, on the St. Francis River near Fredericktown, MO. We'll maintain our long tradition of downriver and whitewater slalom racing for canoes and kayaks, and continue with our recent innovations of adding Stand Up Paddleboards (SUPs) and Boatercross racing. The annual races at the Millstream Gardens shut-ins attract competitors from ten states and hundreds of spectators. We spend three months planning the races, two weeks designing and setting up the course, and three awesome days racing. We usually have 60-75 racers, and 100 volunteers to run the event.

We like to reward our volunteers and racers (who also pull double-duty as volunteers) with a well-deserved "thank you!" after they have spent so much of their time making this event great. As a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt not-for-profit organization, we rely on the generosity of volunteers, members, and donors.

In addition to [volunteering for the race](#), our members and friends can also help us this year by donating new or barely used gear items, apparel, outdoor store gift certificates, or anything similar that we can use to reward our volunteers and racers. If you are a volunteer as well, you'll have the opportunity to get back your own donation, or swap it for something else!

We appreciate your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please call or email me. Thank you for your generosity.

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Remember, as a 501(c)(3) organization, all donations to the MWA are also tax-deductible, tax ID #43-1868602 - DLN #502340044 (2/14/2003) – determination letter is on our website.