



# TrashFest

## Rules and Regulations



1. Team Requirements: Up to 8 people per team – divers & non-divers are welcome. Team members may rotate between diving & grounds crew, as long as at least 2 members are out of the water at all times. All individual entrants will be assigned to a team if they do not already have one. Any team with less than eight people may be assigned more people as individuals register. All divers **MUST** present certification cards at registration.
  2. Everything collected must come out of the Comal River during the hours of competition. The grounds crew's primary responsibility is to assist divers, but they may collect trash from along the river bank.
  3. We will provide mesh onion sacks & plastic garbage bags. Teams are encouraged to bring their own bags, as well.
  4. While we wish we could, TrashFest can't provide a way to transport the trash from the river to the weigh-in site. Teams are encouraged to recruit at least one person with a pickup truck to transport their trash.
  5. Category of Entries:
    - Team Categories:
      - Either*
      - Aggregate weight: anything man-made in the river **OR**
      - Most Bottles, Cans, Cups: must be counted with judges' supervision.  
**(You may enter by weight or count, but not both. Teams must choose at the weigh-in station which category they wish to enter. )**
    - Plus
      - Shoes & Sunglasses: must be counted with the judges' supervision.
    - Individual Categories:
      - Most Unusual Item (Adult): Age eighteen (18) years and older.
      - Most Unusual Item (Youth): under age eighteen (18) years.
- TGCC reserves the right to alter these categories and the number of places awarded in each.
6. Treasure Hunt: Items will be hidden in each section of the river. Participants will turn these items in at weigh-in for door prizes. Limit 1 item per participant. Details will be provided at check-in.
  7. There may be more than one team assigned to a section. Please be aware that you may be diving with other teams.
  8. Multiple teams (up to 3 teams, with a maximum of 24 people) may elect to draw one area of the river as a group:
    - a. Multiples must inform the judges in advance
    - b. ALL team members for ALL teams that are drawing together must be present at registration before the teams can draw their area.
    - c. Multiples can only draw their own area as long as there is an available river section that has not already been assigned to another team. Once all river sections have a team assigned to them, we cannot guarantee multiples will be placed together.
    - d. Only one captain draws for the designated area for the entire group
    - e. Individual teams must not share or trade trash for the purpose of winning "Super Scooper" t-shirts. It is up to the captain of each team to see that trash is turned in separately for each team in the group.
  7. Team captains will be given wristbands for each person on their team. They do not need to be worn while diving, but *are* required to be worn at the dinner/awards ceremony. These serve as both the meal ticket and the door prize ticket. (Be sure you can see the numbers on the end.) **Lost wristbands will cost \$10 to replace.**
  8. Please respect private property. Make sure you have the property owner's permission before entering.
  9. Any un-sportsmanlike conduct will result in disqualification. The decision of the judges is final.
  10. Schedule of activities:

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Registration at Comal County Fairgrounds
10:00 AM - Noon	Diving in assigned areas of the Comal River
Noon - 3:00 PM	Diving in any part of the Comal River
Noon - 4:00 PM	Air fills <i>may</i> be available at NB Fire Dept (see map)
<b>**3:00 PM**</b>	<b>All Trash **DUE** at Weigh-In Site (Prince Solms Park)</b>
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM	BBQ followed by Awards and Door Prizes