

## **Captain's Update #6 – August 2, 2018**

Hope your summer has gone well!

We are getting close, and there are major housekeeping items to take care of:

**IMPORTANT: TEAM TIME ESTIMATES - DUE AUGUST 15**

As mentioned in the last two updates, for 2018, you, as Captain, must provide The Bourbon Chase with your team's total estimated time for the relay. This means that the individual paces entered into the Ragnar registration system are irrelevant. It is up to YOU to enter your team's time on the link provided below.

Please note: I cannot assign your team a starting time until I get the time estimate from you, no exceptions.

To submit your estimated time, use this link: [TEAM TIME ESTIMATE](#)

**IMPORTANT: TEAM NAME - DUE AUGUST 15**

Many of you have asked about changing your team name – you can certainly do that, but no changes after August 15, 2018! Just remember that we run through small towns, past schools, and churches, so we don't want to sound like prudes, but let's keep it "PG"! If we feel like the name is over the line, we will let you know. As far as duplicates, we give first priority to teams that have used the name in the past, and then it is a "first come, first served" scenario. We will get back to everyone in late August if there are any problems. Use this simple form to make your change: [TEAM NAME CHANGE](#)

**VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION – DUE SEPT. 7**

Each team that has any team member residing within 100 miles of the course is required to provide two (2) volunteers or pay a fee of \$120.00 for each "unfilled" volunteer spot. Your deadline for supplying volunteers is September 7. On your Ragnar team page, you can "invite" your volunteers in the same way as you invite runners. By doing this, your volunteers are automatically associated with your team.

So – what if you do not have any runners within that 100 mile radius? You can get an exemption, as follows:

- 1) teams must have all runners registered before applying for an exemption
- 2) after all runners are registered, e-mail [bourbonchasevolunteers@ragnarrelay.com](mailto:bourbonchasevolunteers@ragnarrelay.com) with team name, number and state you are asking for a volunteer exemption.

**DRIVER REGISTRATION**

**ALL DRIVERS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER.** Unfortunately, the current team registration system we use is not designed to accommodate drivers – so we are using a different system. Please ask your drivers to register using this link: [Bourbon Chase Driver Registration](#)

They will need to know the following: 1. Team Number - 2. Captain Name - 3. Team Name.

It's easy, free, and only takes about 2 minutes – just make sure your driver(s) complete the registration process all the way through the “check-out” process.

My surgery went well and was a “success”. Many of you sent me “well wishes” e-mails – I appreciated all the support. THANK YOU! However, I had a complication that required a SECOND surgery just a week ago, but all should be good going forward. The cool thing is that I found out some folks on the surgical team that worked on me last week include members of a Bourbon Chase team. Much love to them!

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