

Caroga Lake Winter Carnival - **Outhouse Race**

Sunday, Feb. 1, 2026
Caroga Lake, New York



Registration & Race Time

Pre-registration can happen any time by dropping off completed forms to:

1. Caroga Lakeview Store, 1043 NY 10, Caroga Lake, NY 12032 (518) 604-4088
2. Camper's Corner Store, 3044 NY 29A, Caroga Lake, NY 12032 (518) 604-4055

- Race Day Registration 11 A.M. to noon in downtown Caroga Lake

- Once registered and inspected, please move outhouse to the staging area

- Voting starts at 3:00 pm – In the staging area
- Races begin at 12:15 P.M.

Awards * *Subject to change*

- Best in Show – Most attractive or spectacular looking outhouse.
- "Great Spirit" – Most spirited and/or best organized. Looks don't matter here.
- People's Choice – Which one do you like best?
- Champion – Last one standing

* Judges reserve the right to hand out any additional awards they deem necessary.

Rules for all outhouses:

The first rule of consideration is safety for the racers and the public. Use good common sense based on safety in all construction of outhouse, in dress, and in racing.

Construction

- Outhouse may be built of any solid material, and it must be structurally sound enough not to fall apart during the race. Glass is NOT allowed for any part of the construction. The outhouse must have three walls, a roof, a doorway and a seat with at least one hole (any representation of a typical "outhouse hole") and a roll of toilet paper.
- Outhouses must be a minimum of 2.5' 2.5' at its base, and a minimum height of 5' from the floor to the highest point of the outhouse. The maximum overall width of the outhouse should not exceed 6.5'; this includes the pushing device (push bar). There is no maximum weight requirement.
- The push bar must not be larger than a 2x4 and must not extend more than 24" beyond each side of the outhouse.

- Outhouse must be human powered only – no motors and no steering devices are allowed – and must be mounted on skis. Skis can be any type of material.
- Outhouse must have a name or a theme displayed. All names or themes must be in good taste. No explicit language or pornographic displays are allowed on or in the outhouse.

Participation

- A team shall consist of three (3) people. Two (2) team members to push while one (1) team member must ride inside the outhouse.
- All team members must be at least 16 years of age and able to provide proof of age, upon request. - The rider is not allowed to participate in the propelling process in any way and must stay seated over the hole during the entire race.
- A helmet is recommended for all team members. The rider must wear a helmet. Other safety gear can be worn.
- All team members must complete a registration form prior to the race.
- All team members, as listed at registration, must remain the same throughout the competition, unless a change is requested by a team member and authorized by an official prior to the race.

Race

- On race day, all participants and their outhouses must check in at TBD, prior to race time. Pre-registration would be appreciated.
- Any outhouse deemed unsafe or unsound, by the race committee, will not be allowed to race. Safety is paramount.
- The winner is determined when the front of the outhouse crosses the finish line, not the skis. - Outhouse races will be in heats of two (2) at a time. The winning team will advance to the next round and the losing team will be eliminated.





2026 ENTRY FORM

Please type or print legibly!!

Name of your outhouse: _____

Description of your outhouse: _____

What makes your outhouse special?

Mailing address:

Street _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email address: _____

I, _____, confirm that I have read and understand the
(Signature)

Rules for the Caroga Lake Winter Carnival Outhouse Race and agree to them. I also release the Town of Caroga and all employees and/ or volunteers of above from the responsibility of injury and destruction of property.

Pusher 1 Name: (Signature) _____ : Date: _____

Pusher 2 Name: (Signature) _____ : Date: _____

Rider Name: (Signature) _____ : Date: _____

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

