



The Maritime Republic of Eastport

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Dear Potential MRE Tugger:

War has once again been declared by the fair Maritime Republic of Eastport upon the invasive forces of Annapolis Proper and the plans for victory have begun. **The 11th Annual Tug and Tugfest** will be held on 2nd Street in Eastport on **November 8, 2009 beginning at 11am. The Maritime Republic of Eastport's Tug of War vs. Annapolis and the World**, will begin at the Crack o' Noon.

As a Tugger, there are only a few things you need to know in order to have a successful Tug.

1. You need to be on site (in the Chart House Parking Lot, on 2nd Street between Severn Avenue and Spa Creek) by 10:45 am.
2. You need to bring your \$20 tug registration and a signed waiver (if you haven't already given it to your team captain). Additional waivers will be available on site for late registrations. You can bring more money (it is a tax-deductible donation) if you would like. Getting pledges from friends and family is a good way to raise more money. The tugger who raises the most money in each team will receive a flag or t-shirt – your choice. All forms are available at www.themre.org.
3. You need to wear good-soled shoes. Gloves, rubber palmed ones especially, are very helpful.
4. You need to be and stay in the area of the Chart House Parking Lot starting at 11:30am so that your team can be organized and put on the line with minimal delay
5. You need to remember that this is all in good fun. ☺

The first Tug match-up will begin at Noon and the Tugging should be over by 1:30pm. A huge Tug Fest will precede, accompany and follow, with awards, lots of food, beer and live music. Additional details about the big day will be posted on the website – www.themre.org – so check in often!

Please call or e-mail with any questions – 410-916-5500 or jess@pachler.us. If you plan on tugging and can let me know ahead of time, that would be great! If you have friends who want to tug, please pass this on to them and have them contact me as well. See you then!

Up the Republic!

Jan Cort
MRE Minister of War