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Happenings

Ramblin' Raft Race

The usually tranquil waters of the Potomac River will explode into a crescendo of sound, color and fury when the fourth annual WPGC/Budweiser "Ramblin' Raft Race" gets underway at West Potomac Park on Saturday, August 22, beginning at 10 a.m.

Sponsored by radio station WPGC, Budweiser and the American Rafting Association (ARA) in cooperation with the National Capital Parks, the "Ramblin' Raft Race" — over the years — has blossomed into one of THE fun events of the summer, one which also awakens and alerts the participating public to the need for conservation and appreciation of our nation's waterways.

The main focus of the "Ramblin' Raft Race" is fun — lots of it. For the past three years, tens of thousands of frolicking partiers have piled into hundreds of self-styled sea-worthy contraptions to take part in this nautical extravaganza, which engages homemade and rubber rafts in a number of competitive categories in a race against the clock. Many of the participants, in fact, take the competitive aspect seriously.