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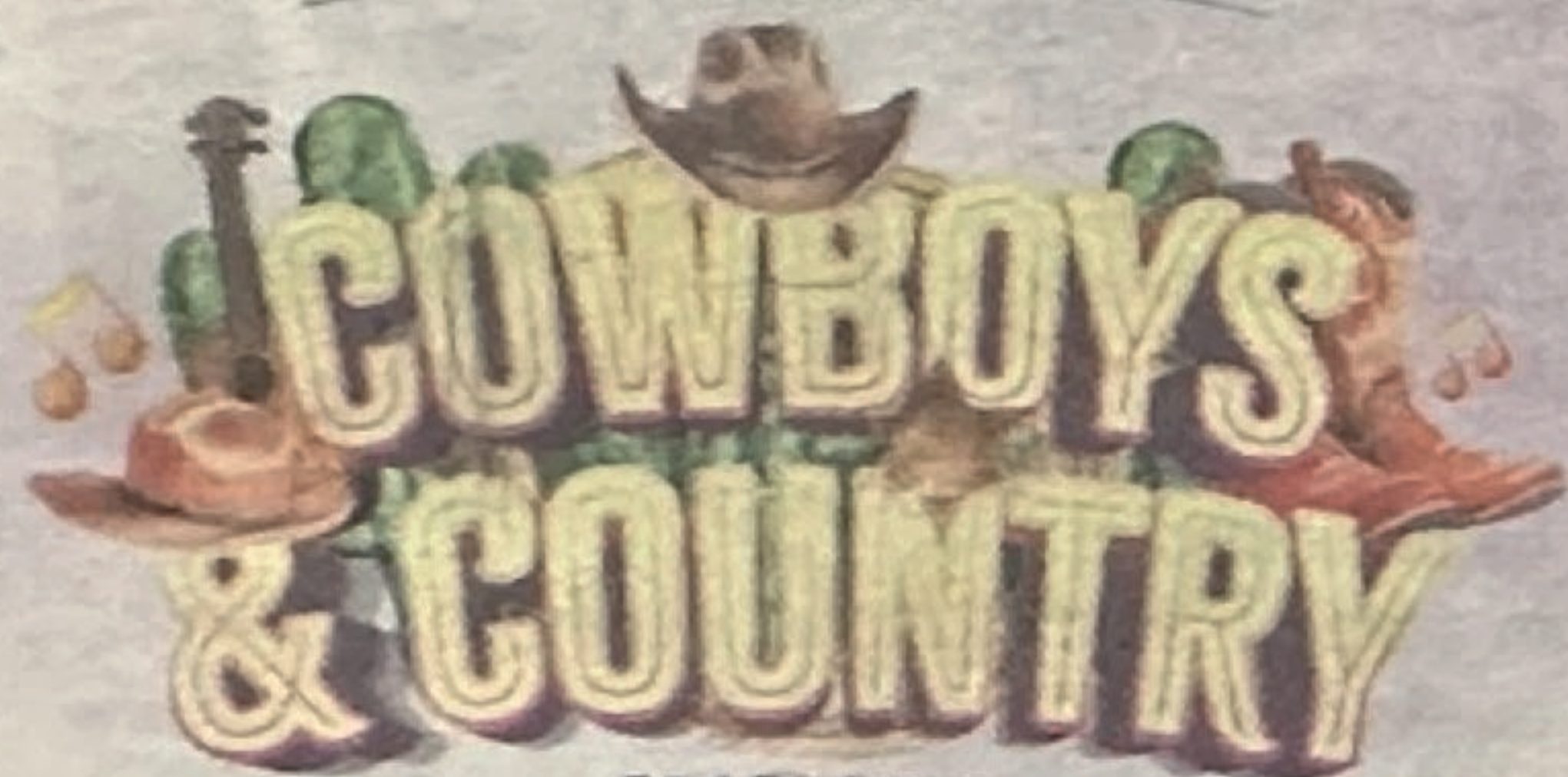
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## Bluebell Wood's Dragon Boat Race returns for 2025

Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice has officially announced the return of its popular Dragon Boat Race for 2025, inviting teams to go head-to-head at Manvers Lake in Rotherham this July while raising vital funds for the charity.

The race, sponsored by E.ON, is set to take place on Saturday, 12 July, 2025.

Now in its eighth year, the event sees teams from local businesses and the community take part in an exhilarating, fast-paced series of rowing races in dragon boats, led by a drummer at each boat's helm keeping rhythm.

Running from 10am to 6pm, the day's events will also feature family-friendly activities and entertainment, including fun activities led by the Army, as well as a variety of food vendors.

The event is proudly sponsored by E.ON as part of its commitment to supporting the communities around its Blackburn Meadows biomass plant in Sheffield and its ongoing support for Bluebell Wood. The charity is also entering its own team into the



Last year, the event raised more than £33,000 for Bluebell Wood. This year, the charity hopes to top that number with a number of initiatives in place in the run-up to the event such as a team raffle, with prizes including festival tickets, a Ninja CREAMi, holiday vouchers, and more.

Dragon Boat teams can be made up of 16 to 18 paddlers, plus one drummer, with 24 team slots

available. On the day each team will take part in timed heats, with the three fastest teams going head-to-head in a dramatic finale.

All team participants must be over 18-years-old with a minimum height of 130cm. Team entry is £350 per boat.

To enter a team, please visit <https://www.bluebellwood.org/Event/dragon-boat-race-2025>