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New Elliptical Stand-Up Paddleboards now available at Riva Row Boat House

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (September 2, 2020) – The Woodlands Township is now offering pedalboards or “elliptical stand-up paddleboards (SUPs)” as a new and exciting rental option at Riva Row Boat House. Elliptical SUPs are being added to the many rental options already available at Riva Row, including standard/pedal-powered single and tandem (or double) kayaks, standard stand-up paddleboards, swan pedal boats and water bikes.

These unique additions to The Woodlands Waterway will be positioned in the lower level of the waterway along with other kayaks and paddleboards. Riders looking for a new type of stand-up paddleboard adventure will be able to explore The Woodlands Waterway lower canal and Lake Woodlands – now without having to paddle.

The first pedal-powered SUPs offered in the 11-year history of Riva Row Boat House are the “Mirage Eclipse Dura” model elliptical SUPs, manufactured by Hobie, Inc. They are built for one rider with a maximum weight of 200 pounds. The Township currently has four (4) of the new elliptical SUPs.

Each elliptical SUP can be rented for just \$30/hour. Other rental options at Riva Row Boat House will continue to include: standard single kayaks (\$15/hour), standard tandem kayaks (\$20/hour), standard stand-up paddleboards (\$20/hour), single pedal kayaks (\$25/hour), tandem pedal kayaks (\$30/hour), swan pedal boats (\$25/hour), and water bikes (\$25/hour). Prices listed are for the first hour; additional hours for any boat are just \$5 each. Lifejackets are always included in every rental.

Riva Row Boat House is currently open from 9 a.m. until sunset, with the last boat going out one hour before sunset. Both Riva Row Boat House and Lakes Edge Boat House are closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Age limits and rules for use of the elliptical SUPs are similar to all other rentals of the Riva Row Boat House fleet. Ages 10 to 15 can ride with parent or guardian accompanying them out on the water in a nearby boat. Ages 16 and up can venture out alone or with friends if their liability waiver has been previously signed by a parent. Pets are not allowed on the elliptical SUPs unless they are documented service animals.



Elliptical SUPs are easy to navigate and are great for those with limited upper body strength or mobility and those looking for a lower body exercise.

During Phase III of The Governor's Plan to Open Texas, Riva Row Boat House is operating by walk-ups only, although advance reservations can be taken for large groups on weekdays. Certain protective measures have been put in place to allow for safe social distancing and to protect both customers and staff from the spread of COVID-19. These procedures include online completion of liability waivers, increased cleanings of surfaces and equipment before and after each use, physical barriers, credit/debit only for all payments (no cash or checks accepted) and staff are currently not able to physically help customers into the boats. Verbal cues and supervision are provided.

For more information about the recreational offerings at Riva Row Boat House, please visit www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/rivarowboathouse.





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The Riva Row Boat House is now offering elliptical stand-up paddleboard rentals at 2101 Riva Row in The Woodlands, Texas 77380.