

PRESS RELEASE19th March 2014*Race Against Fire 2014*

Ya'axché Conservation Trust is pleased to announce that Race Against Fire 2014 will be held in Silver Creek, Toledo district on the 19th April.

The purpose of this event is to raise awareness about the risks and impacts associated with burning of agricultural land and escaped fires. Race Against Fire is an annual event that was initiated by Ya'axché back in 2003 after a huge forest fire occurred along the foothills of the Maya Mountains. The fire burnt a large tract of forest that started from Medina Bank and ended all the way into Silver Creek areas.

Every year, the communities of the Maya Golden Landscape in Toledo district meet at Race Against Fire to participate in fun and educational activities. During the day, Ya'axché, TIDE, Department of Agriculture and Forestry Department will hold presentations. The main event of the day is the Beach Cruiser bicycle race with great prizes for the winners. More information about the competitions is available in the official Race Against Fire invitation.

The event starts at 8:30 a.m., 19th of April, at Silver Creek football field with registration between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. for bicycle race, the main event. Please contact Julio Chub, Outreach and Education Coordinator at Ya'axché for further information, phone 722-0108 or 667-0864.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Official invitation: http://yaaxche.org/files/raceagainst_2014.pdf

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