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27th Annual Duck Derby was a "Quacking" Good Time, Raising Funds for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier

Gainesville, GA – May 12, 2025 — The 27th Annual Duck Derby helped to raise thousands of dollars for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier, offering support to its ongoing mission of providing lifechanging programs to the children of Hall, Habersham and Forsyth counties. On May 3, 2025, the community gathered at Lake Lanier Olympic Park to watch 25,000 rubber ducks race down the lake to the finish line, for a chance to win \$10,000 and other prizes.

"We are truly grateful to the community for all the support of our efforts and for attending one of our largest events of the year, even with rain in the forecast," said Chief Executive Officer of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier Steve Mickens. "The turnout was beyond amazing, and we appreciate everyone that bought a duck, our sponsors, vendors and anyone who donated to our cause. Without you, none of this would be possible."

Fun games, food trucks, a petting zoo, face painting, vendors and live entertainment helped to create a thrilling experience for everyone in attendance no matter their age. And of course, we can't forget the unforgettable moment of watching thousands of ducks dumped into Lake Lanier and all the anticipation. To learn more about the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier, become a partner or make a donation, visit www.boysgirlsclubs.com or email media@bgclanier.org.

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Created in 1954, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier's mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier provide a safe, positive environment for youth in the community, offering programs that help children and teens succeed academically, build character, and lead healthy lives. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier serves more than 4,200 children in the Hall, Habersham and Forsyth counties each year. Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier is recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.