

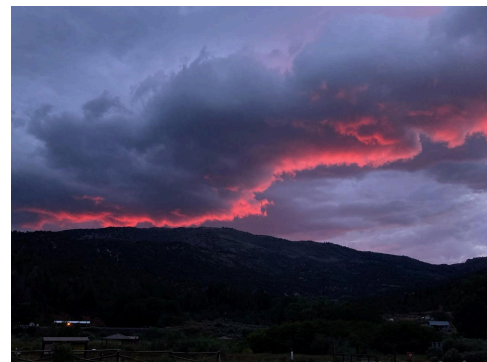
RMCC Rendezvous, 2024 Event Report

We had a wonderful weekend on the Upper Colorado River — August 2 - 5 — with 37 boaters in canoes, kayaks, miscellaneous inflatables, and a McKenzie. Four additional revelers joined us at Radium Campground in group sites A and B plus eight individual campsites. Thanks to all who were willing to share these extra spots and for the group



site folks for cozying up on parking! Groups ran the Colorado on Friday through Monday on fairly constant flows hovering around 935 cfs ([Kremmling gage](#)). Runs ranged from Class I (Two Bridges to Catamount) to Class II+ or III-? (runs with Eye of the Needle and Yarmony rapids). Groups either just ran the river or split into groups to surf every wave and catch every eddy. We all enjoyed lively rock dodging and a few flips, but no major injuries on the water.

Our weather was exceptionally good this year, although hot in the afternoons. Nights cooled to the mid-40s and we had no rain until Sunday night. Sunday evening an



amazing sunset morphed into a wind blast that sent our remaining campers (about a dozen of us) into rescue mode as canoes and the RMCC bug tent (not the big circus tent) started to fly.

Of course, we ate and ate well. We had impromptu happy hours on Friday and Saturday, a sumptuous potluck on Saturday evening, and a pancake breakfast with potluck additions on Sunday morning. Winners of the

Saturday cookoff are from left to right: May Kendzior: Best entree (elk stew); Helen Kretzmann: Best appetizer/side dish (spanakopita); Brookie Gallagher: Best dutch oven dish (vegetarian/gluten free lasagna), and Natalie Mack: Best dessert (Grand Canyon apple cake).

Weekend wildlife sightings included eagles, heron, osprey, vultures, waterfowl of unnamed species, red tail hawk, kingfishers, a marmot, and a sow bear with cub.

Thanks to all who attended and helped to pitch and take down the party tent, collected waivers and ACA fees, wrangled parking, set up handwash/dishwash stations, wrangled trash and recycle, brought firewood or extra equipment for loan, sous-chef'd the Sunday morning breakfast, and helped with the shuttles and runs.

Special thanks to Craig and Nita Flora, who hosted the Sunday breakfast — with lots of volunteer help; to May and Gilbert Kendzior and Nita and Craig Flora for orchestrating the cooking competition; to Brookie Gallagher for hosting a knot tying circle; to Noelle Bernhardt who offered canoe art; and to Leslie Copeland Taylor for doing the lion's share of registration duties. **Thank you! Thank You!**



And finally – **special thanks to our run coordinators** – Karen Amundson, Bill Ashworth, Erik Bernhardt, Dottie Boscamp, Mark Flora, Debbie Hinde, and Karla Tanner. We could not rendezvous without you!

A few photos are imbedded here and on the following pages, but if anyone else has photos to share, please send them out in your preferred format via the GoogleGroup,

or send them to me at gvmutz@gmail.com, or upload them to the [Rendezvous 2024 folder](#) and I will get them uploaded/circulated.

THANKS!!

Kathryn

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