

VOYAGEUR'S COMPANION

We are now well into the boating year, with a number of good trips under our belts. Over Memorial Day weekend we ran two trips; one on the North Platte and one on the Dolores. Both were well attended and highlighted by excellent boating conditions. We will surely miss the Dolores if the McPhee Dam is completed in 1984 as scheduled. Our trip through Slickrock Canyon featured spectacular sandstone canyon walls, pleasant side canyon hiking, grassy campsites and enough enjoyable rapids to keep every boater from being mesmerized by the scenery.

The Club would like to welcome a number of new members and to encourage participation in the Club trips. As you will see when we get a roster mailed out, we number over a hundred.

Approximately ten canoes participated in the beginner training session this year. For the first time the Club charged a fee, which was applied towards purchase of a text book and the cost of reproducing some other materials. We felt that the fee would encourage greater commitment on the part of the trainees. We want to especially thank Jeff Keeler and John Mullen for their commitment, enthusiasm and excellent instruction of the two training sessions. Both of us also want to publicly thank Elizabeth, Bob, Carol, Scott, Ray, Jim, Sue, John, Pat, Bob, Gaither and Katy for their help at the two training sessions as well.

TRIP LEADERS: Please send Mike trip reports on trips you have led and the trips you will lead ([redacted] Boulder, CO 80302). Information should identify the river and the stretch run put in location and take-out location, water level, shuttle information, length of trip (both in miles and in time), and a reasonably detailed description of the rapids, the scenery, hiking opportunities, campsites, etc. Mike has all previous trip reports on file. If any of you want information concerning future trips, give Mike a call at [redacted]

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE: June 12, 13: The Yampa Boat-In. Join NORS, CWWA and the rest of the boating community for two days of fun in Steamboat Springs. We will run easy day trips on both Saturday and Sunday (assuming sufficient interest and attendance.) In addition to trips the Club may run, other activities will include:

Saturday: 9/10 A.M. Day trips to depart. Easy day trips for canoe, raft or kayak on the Yampa, advanced kayak trip on the Elk River; 1 P.M. Down river race ending in Steamboat; 5 P.M. Barbeque and music in park; and 8 P.M. Movie/Slides covering area history and river sports.

Sunday: 10 A.M. More trips depart; 11 A.M. Kayak slolum race; and Midafternoon - Cleanup and Adjourn.

For more details call Bob Eaton at 258-3972.

Those of you who are not interested in the Boat-In, don't forget the advanced play/instruction trip on the Colorado with Eric Bader [redacted] on June 12.

Add to your schedules on June 26, 27 a trip on the Gunnison River beginning in Almont with John Mullen [redacted]. Those of you who are not interested in the Gunnison, don't forget Gaither Randall's South Platte trip with socializing at his house afterwards for June 27.

Watch your mail during the next couple of weeks and John will finally send out an up-to-date roster. See you on the river.

Mike and John



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