



The Voyager's Companion

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB
YEAR-END 1991

FALL MEETING REDUX

While lightly attended, and in less than glamorous surroundings, the Fall Meeting was still a cordial and delicious get-together. As in previous RMCC potlucks the festive board almost overwhelmed the members gathered to eat, transact some business and recall the activities of the season past.

Business included a financial report, election (conscription) of officers for '92, and discussion of training issues. Pete Peterson raised the possibility of increasing the number of resident certified instructors in the RMCC to something greater than one, and offered to coordinate a class with Bob Foote, instructor trainer extraordinaire with the ACA. Several expense scenarios were offered by the group based on the notion that it is in the longterm interest of the club to have several certified instructors in residence. (See insert for additional details.)

The Fall Meeting concluded with a magic lantern show of assorted subjects including views of a number of RMCC members in varying positions relative to their canoes. Jill Stoecker's gorgeous slides from desert and Northwoods trips may even have motivated several members to consider cleaning the thumbprints from the lenses of their Instamatics.

AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Lyn Berry, club president for '92, hosted a meeting in mid-November to consider the club's performance during '91 and to define goals for RMCC for 1992. Attending were most of the trip coordinators from the season just past. The group discussed ways to increase the number of scheduled easy and intermediate trips, the possibility of financial support for members taking the instructor training class, and club involvement in community service activities such as river clean-up programs.

REMINDER: WINTER PICNIC

On Saturday, December 14th, starting at 10:00 a.m. there will be a picnic at Echo Lake. Bring your favorite dish to share with others.

Bring ice skates, cross-country skis or showshoes to play on and around the lake. For those of you with hockey sticks, we'll have an easy game of hockey before lunch. Bring the kids and make snowmen.

We'll meet at the west end of the lake and use the shelter for our picnic area. From I-70 take the Mt. Evans turnoff at Idaho Springs. See you winter-lovers at the lake. Terry Owen

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Lakewood, CO 80215



RIVER PERMIT INFORMATION 1992 SEASON

Following is a list of a number of major recreational river segments in the Western U.S. for which paddling permits are required. The paddling season during which permits are required is noted in some cases. Permit applications are typically accepted only during a limited period each year. Subsequently, permits are awarded by means of a lottery (unless otherwise noted), and are issued for specific dates. Individual river segments frequently have unique regulatory requirements and procedures regarding application for and use of paddling permits. If you have an interest in paddling any permitted river segment during the '92 season, call or write **NOW** to the managing agency listed. Request their complete river permit information package with an application form and all pertinent rules and regulations.

RIVER	SEASON	APPLNS	AGENCY	NOTES
Colorado, UT Cataract Canyon		Dec 1+	Canyonlands Natl Park 125 W. 200 S. Moab, UT 84532 801/259-7164	1st come, 1st served; Experience & equipment requirements
Colorado, UT Westwater Canyon	May 1 - Sep 30	Jan-Feb	BLM, Grand Resource Area 885 S. Sand Flats Road Moab, UT 84532 801/259-8193	Call-in for cancellations
Colorado, AZ Grand Canyon		Feb	Grand Canyon Natl Park River Permits Office P.O.Box 129 Grand Canyon, AZ 86023 602/638-7843	Wait list; annual letter reqd. to stay on list; those on list can call-in for cancellations
Green, CO Canyon of Lodore		Dec - mid-Jan	Dinosaur Natl Monument River Office P.O.Box 210 Dinosaur, CO 81610 303/374-2468	SASE for application
Green, UT Gray/Desolation Canyons	May - Sep	Dec-Feb	BLM, Price Resource Area 900 North 700 East Price, UT 84501 801/637-4584	Call-in for cancellations
Rio Chama, NM			BLM, Taos Resource Area River Permits 224 Cruz Alta Road Taos, NM 87571 505/758-8851	
Rio Grande, NM Taos Box			BLM, Taos Resource Area River Permits 224 Cruz Alta Road Taos, NM 87571 505/758-8851	

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Rogue, OR		Jan - mid-Feb	River Permits & Information Siskiyou Natl Forest 14335 Galice Road Merlin, OR 97532 503/479-3735	
Salmon, ID Main		Dec - Jan	U S Forest Service Middle Fork Ranger District P.O.Box 750 Challis, ID 83226 208/865-2383	One application for all: Main & Middle Forks, Selway and Snake (Hell's Canyon)
Salmon, ID Middle Fork		Dec - Jan	U S Forest Service Middle Fork Ranger District P.O.Box 750 Challis, ID 83226 208/879-5204	One application for all: Main & Middle Forks, Selway and Snake (Hell's Canyon)
San Juan, UT	May - Sep	Dec - Feb	BLM, San Juan Resource Area 435 N. Main Monticello, UT 84535 801/587-2141	Call-in for cancellations
Selway, MT		Dec - Jan	U S Forest Service 6735 West Fork Road Darby, MT 59829 406/821-3269	One application for all: Main & Middle Forks, Selway and Snake (Hell's Canyon)
Snake, ID Hell's Canyon		Dec - Jan	Hell's Canyon Natl Recreation Area P.O.Box 699 Clarkston, WA 99403 509/758-1957	One application for all: Main & Middle Forks, Selway and Snake (Hell's Canyon)
Tuolumne, CA	May 1 - Oct 15	Jan 1+	U S Forest Service Groveland Ranger District P.O.Box 709 Groveland, CA 95321 209/962-7825	
Yampa, CO Split Mountain Canyon		Dec - mid-Jan	Dinosaur Natl Monument River Office P.O.Box 210 Dinosaur, CO 81610 303/374-2468	SASE for application 1-day trips 1st come, 1st served beginning Mar 1

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB

1992 OFFICERS AND COORDINATORS

PRESIDENT

Lyn Berry

TREASURER/MEMBERSHIP

Sheila Cox

TRAINING

Pete Petersen

1992 SUMMER TRIP SCHEDULE COORDINATOR

John Licht

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Paul Priest

IMPORTANT DATES 1992

FRIDAY, MARCH 1 WINTER FILM FEST

FRIDAY, MARCH 13 TRIP SCHEDULING MEETING

FRIDAY, APRIL 10 SPRING MEETING

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15 NAIL SOUP

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23 FALL MEETING

RMCC trips are cooperative adventures shared by members and their guests. The entire group is collectively responsible for the trip, and each participant is individually responsible for judging his or her own qualifications, skill level and safety on the river being run. The trip coordinator may refuse to allow a participant on a trip, but the responsibility for judging one's own qualifications lies solely with each trip member. Trips are open only to RMCC members and their guests. All trip participants must sign the RMCC Waiver and Assumption of Risk agreement prior to each trip.

MEMBERSHIP \$10 PER HOUSEHOLD PER YEAR. CONTACT SHEILA COX

ATTENTION EXPERIENCED PADDLERS AND ASPIRING INSTRUCTORS

Here's your opportunity to provide a service to RMCC and, potentially, receive compensation in the process. Pete Peterson, RMCC Training Officer and paddling instructor of considerable ability has arranged for Bob Foote of the ACA to offer an Instructor Training Class. To complete the course, individual paddlers will be expected to demonstrate competency in both solo and tandem canoes (in both positions) as well as good communication skills. Graduates of this class will be designated ACA Certificatied Instructors in the following categories: Flatwater (lakes), Moving

Water (easy rivers) and Whitewater (classified rivers).

Class will be held June 10 - June 14 in the Salida area and will utilize segments of the Arkansas for the river classes. Rocky Mountain Outdoor Center, a major outfitter based in Howard will provide a base of operations as well as supplying additional craft where necessary.

At this time two positions remain open in the class of ten. For additional details including information on class fee and how you can recover your costs, please call Pete Peterson at

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Bank Balance January 1, 1991		\$1763.67
Income:		
Memberships	1935.00	
Advertisements	120.00	
Bank Interest	62.76	
		Income Total 2117.76
Expenses:		
Newsletters	1665.01	
Contributions*	175.00	
Videos	63.41	
Winter Meeting	95.37	
Spring Meeting	34.35	
Nail Soup Picnic	155.75	
Miscellaneous	24.84	
		Expenses Total (2213.73)
		<u>1667.72</u>
Bank Balance September 27, 1991		\$1667.72

*ACA and American Rivers

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LYN BERRY, PRESIDENT
ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB

Littleton, CO 80122

IT DOESN'T GET MUCH EASIER...

Here's your chance! For 29 cents and a few moments of your time you can tell us what you do/don't like about RMCC. You can tell us what we ought to be doing, where we ought to be doing it, and if we're not doing it right. You could also tell us what we are doing right, but not enough of. Is RMCC meeting your paddling needs? The club functions rather like a canoe in a stream - we go with the flow, following the current lines. If you have some ideas for a better course, put your paddle in the water and your pen to the paper; space is provided below. (Signature optional.)

Fold and staple