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SIGN UP FOR CLASSES!

APRIL 15 SWAP MEET, POTLUCK and SPRING MEETING

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Special points

to ponder:

- Call Greg Jankowski or Tuppen Burke to sign up to lead a trip.
- Dig out gear for our Spring swap meet
- Sign up now for classes!
- Volunteer to help with the Eddie Bauer International Series.

In partnership.....



Date and Location for Our Next Meeting and Menu

We will meet again at St Jude's Youth Center on Saturday, April 15, 2000. Come promptly at 5:00 p.m. for the Swap Meet. (map on back page) Our usual potluck dinner and the prelude to the Safety Fair will begin at 6:00 p.m. or so. After the last meeting, I alone voted and picked "our favorite dish" for our April potluck. ["Our favorite dish" is the one that's always gone at the end of the meeting.] Bring whatever you'd like, however.

Swap Meet

Our meeting will be preceded by a Swap Meet,

starting around 5:00 p.m. [Sellers and swappers may want to come at 4:45 to set up their piles.] Bring gear that you or your kiddies have outgrown; bring stuff, even boats, that you want to sell, trade, or give away.

Safety Fair

After dinner, we'll have presentations on what gear and clothing to buy and on

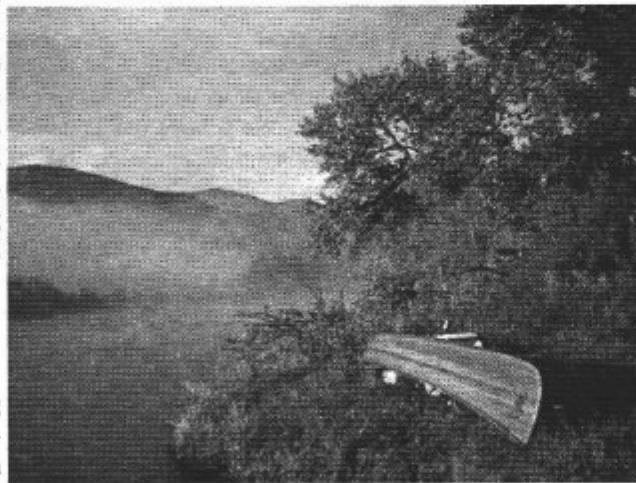
how to rig one's boat. Then, we'll review one or two videos on safety and rescue. Dennis Adams

has again agreed to serve as coordinator for the fair.

On Sunday, April 16 [yes, that's the next day], we'll gather at the Meyers Pool in Arvada [the site of the rolling and practice sessions] at 8:30 a.m., to complete our

review of some essential skills that all paddlers should possess. Unless asked, you need **not** bring your boat, but you will need to dress for swimming. The pool is warm, so **leave your dry suit home. Bring your PFD, paddle, throw rope, and a notepad and pen. If you**

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The White River on a misty spring morning

RACE ANNOUNCEMENTS for 2000

An International USACK Slalom Competition will be held at the

Clear Creek Whitewater Park in Golden on June 3-4, 2000. This weekend event is one of three races collectively known as the "Eddie Bauer International Series." Top level canoe and kayak slalom racers from the USA and from Europe will be competing.

If you are interested in

volunteering to help, contact Bob or Jill Stecke

or call

Or contact Brian Smiley at

or call

Details regarding duties and compensation to volunteers are undecided at this time...we (Bob and

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wear a helmet, bring it too. For those of you who have not been to the pool, please note that the entry fee is around \$3 per person, and there are comfortable locker rooms available for changing and showering.

Remember that by participating, we improve our chances of safe and injury-free voyages for ourselves and our companions. We also enhance our reputation as a serious, safety-conscious group of paddlers. As such, when we meet with river managers and other regulators, we get more respect than if we had been seen instead as a rag-tag assortment of amateur river runners.

Trip Leaders/Coordinators Meeting April 15

We will be listing trips *during the meeting* on April 15. Greg Jankowski or Tuppen Burke will be looking for you, so be prepared to agree to lead a trip. And remember, if you miss the meeting, you can still post a trip using the on-line scheduler at <rockymountaincanocclub.org>. It is also very important to remember to advise the ACA of listed trips before we take them; leaders can just send them a note by e-mail at <acadirect@aol.com>. Doing so preserves insurance coverage for the trip.

Remember the Rendezvous Date: it's July 22-23, 2000, at Radium. Some of us will get there as early as Friday, July 21. We'll have our Dutch-oven Cook-off Saturday evening and a pancake breakfast Sunday morning. Remember too: the River Clean-up of the "SplatteR" will be held in September, again as part of a larger community effort to enhance the Platte's run through Denver and beyond.

What Are We?

The RMCC remains an "unincorporated nonprofit association." However, we are also a Paddle America Club, affiliated as such with the American Canoe Association. As a Paddle America Club, the RMCC receives a free listing in the American Canoeist [the ACA's newsletter] and is added to the ACA's club directory. The RMCC receives all additional ACA publications [the list is long] and divisional newsletters; and a 10% discount on books from the ACA [quantity discounts available]. Most importantly, the RMCC's paddling events are covered under the ACA's general liability insurance policy.

Each member of the RMCC should join the ACA

or renew their existing membership at reduced rates [\$15 individual; \$20 family]. Those who join or renew will receive Paddler magazine [an \$18 value; \$24 newsstand] and the American Canoeist. For the RMCC to remain a Paddle America Club, at least half of our "active" members must also join the ACA, thereby becoming "Paddle America" members of the ACA. ["Active" members are those who participate in three or more paddling events per year.] If you have any questions about joining [or renewing with] the ACA at the reduced rates, contact me or the Neys. It's a good idea to remind the ACA when you join or renew that you're also a member of the RMCC.

One final note: To preserve our "Paddle America Club" stature and insurance coverage, **trip leaders** have to keep record of those folks who went on their trips. Send your trip sign-up sheets to the Neys. *So-called "inactive" members of the RMCC and any guests of any member may participate in club trips without having to pay the ACA's \$5 event fee. Everyone must sign the waivers, however.* If the RMCC sponsors races or clinics open to the general public, however, then we would have to collect the \$5 fee from non-ACA members. [To avoid having to pay, ACA members who wish to participate in "open" events have to be prepared to provide their membership number.] I repeat, as a Paddle America Club, we **must** use the ACA's waiver on all our trips, in addition to our own. So, trip leaders, if you don't have a copy of the ACA waiver, contact Greg Jankowski or Tuppen Burke, or better yet, download a copy from our website.

Last Meeting

Those of you who missed the last meeting missed some great videos, including proof that too many of us are too competitive. Actually, it was fun to see the video of so many of our members in action at Nationals. Thanks go to Carol Aikin for the "film noir." Thanks go too to Alan Whittern, who again not only brought all the sophisticated equipment we need to show the videos, but who also brought us seven years worth of his greatest hits to enjoy. We watched the condensed version, while Alan donated five hours of video for the club's video library. Thanks go to Bob Cook too, who filled-out the program with selections, among others, on how to exhaust yourself while "sidesurfing."

We also passed the hat and raised \$500 (with \$120

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from the club) to be used "to put our money where our mouth is" in support of substantial improvements to the Confluence Park area in Denver. We did good and deserve to be proud of ourselves.

River Surface Recreation

The club continues to be involved in meetings at the Department of Natural Resources where interested representatives of floaters and landowners, together with a whole bunch of regulators and public land managers, are striving to develop what I'll call protocols on use of rivers by boaters. The process is headed toward trying to find a way to minimize or eliminate chances that boaters and landowners will come into conflict while the former are trying to enjoy runs on Colorado's rivers and creeks. The group has identified

some hot spots, and we're going to try to talk the landowners there to see if we can't persuade them to lighten up, with the understanding that boaters in turn will agree to abide by a code of etiquette. Speaking of the code, it too is being developed by the group as a set of general, statewide suggestions on how boaters should behave. Early discussions have included the idea of creating a code for landowners too. Suggestion number one is that landowners ought to be urged not to shoot at boaters. I voted for that one.

By the time you get this newsletter, I will have been to two more meetings of the group (since our film-fest). I'll give you an update on our progress at the April meeting.



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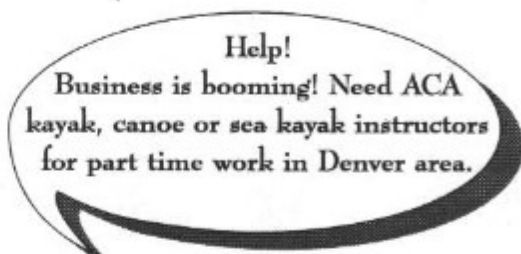
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team, let's
rally
around the
flag!

There seems to be two must do's for our canoe club each year, one is an individual and civic responsibility, the other is that glue that keeps this club together.

That first responsibility is to our mother planet. We have one small thing that, as an organization, we can give back to our planet for all that it has given and provided for us. That's a simple river clean up. It doesn't hurt a one of us to get our hands a little dirty and do something that means so much, as well as sets an example to our family and community. The river clean up is one day that is a "must set" on our calendars each year!

The gluey sticky one is the fun one, and the one time of the year when we can all see and get to know the canoeists who paddle on other grades of rivers throughout the year. We get to paddle together and share experiences from our different lives and teach a little of what we know about river running. We get to talk



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equipment and toys and brag about our stuff as well as show it off. We get to taste and sample how everyone else does it. Our kids get to know one another and keep the future of canoeing alive in their generation. We get to let our hair down a little in a safe environment, and we get to look out for one another. We are all different and we're all individuals, but yet we're all somehow the same in our common interest. That's what makes us a club. Getting together and having a good time is what keeps us a club.

So the River Rendezvous is the other date that is a "must set" on our yearly calendars. See you there!

CLASSIFIEDS

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Old Town Canoe—16 ft Camper. 59 lbs royalex green cane seats. Howard Guenther \$475 obo.

Rocky Mountain Canoe Club CANOE INSTRUCTION 2000 DESCRIPTION of CLASSES

Classes are taught by ACA Certified Instructors. Most classes teach different skill levels; students may repeat last year's class at a higher skill level if desired. Head Instructors: Bob & Jill Stecker

*** Register early. These classes fill up. We take registrations on a first come first serve basis ***

1. BASICS weekend class (16 hrs). May 20-21. For beginners through low intermediate, solo and tandem. Paddlers are divided into groups based on skill level. This class emphasizes beginning strokes, basic river running technique, and includes discussions about gear, safety, river etiquette, etc. Required equipment: canoe, paddle, life jacket. A kneeling setup is strongly recommended.

2. QUIETWATER FINNESSE PADDLING (7 hrs). June 7-8, 5-8:30 PM. For intermediate to advanced paddlers who are interested in Freestyle canoeing techniques that are applicable to whitewater (or to just having fun on flatwater). Emphasis is on precise paddle control, efficiency and grace. We will analyze boat behavior using carefully executed moves. Prepare to be challenged, even if you're an advanced paddler. This course will improve your whitewater skills—guaranteed. Bring solo whitewater canoes, or any recreational canoe that can be paddled solo (we have several high-performance Sport Canoes for demo).

3. WHITEWATER weekend class (16 hrs). July 22-23. Same time and place as the RMCC Rendezvous. For novice through low intermediate, solo and tandem. Prerequisite: the BASICS CLASS, or equivalent (Class No. 2 above is highly recommended). We will be paddling Class II+ water on both Saturday and Sunday. Emphasis is on eddy turns, peelouts, forward ferries, front surfing, and reading the water. Required equipment: canoe, life jacket, helmet, and kneeling setup. Thigh straps are strongly recommended.

REGISTERING—for classes 1, 2, and 3. When we receive payment and your completed Registration Form (other side), you will be mailed a map, time schedule, helpful suggestions pertinent to the class, and a Waiver to fill out and bring with you on the day of the class. Make checks payable to Jill Stecker, [] Boulder, Co. 80302. Your receipt of these materials is your notification that you are enrolled. If you need additional information, or would like to arrange a private or semi-private lesson, contact Bob or Jill Stecker, preferably by e-mail, at [] call between 8AM and 6 PM

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Jim and Karen's BASICS CLASS (16 hrs). June 10-11. This is a second BASIS CLASS for those who cannot attend the May 20-21 class. Class will take a limited number of boats so call early. **To register** call Jim or Karen Baker-Jarvis at []

Tim's WHITEWATER clinic. Private whitewater clinic for tandem or solo whitewater paddlers. Group size is 4 people maximum. Dates can be arranged for either half or full day lessons. **To register** contact Tim Bardsley at []

!! Please note the LATE REGISTRATION FEE we gotta know if you're coming !!

Register me for the following classes:

	Class Dates	Deadlines for pre-registration	Cost per boat		Amount enclosed
			tandem	solo	
<input type="checkbox"/> BASICS weekend (16 hrs)	May 20-21	April 28	\$80	\$60	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> QUIETWATER evenings (7 hrs)	June 7-8	May 17	n/a	\$25	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> WHITEWATER weekend (16 hrs)	July 22-23	June 30	\$80	\$60	_____
* BASICS by Jim/ Karen (16 hrs)	June 10-11	May 19	\$80	\$60	_____
* WHITEWATER by Tim (4 or 8 hrs)	Dates can be arranged (cost is per clinic: 4hrs=\$60; 8hrs=\$100)				

* Register for these classes by phone. See "Description of Classes", next page.

Note: a \$5.00/person insurance fee for each class must be added if you are not an Canoe Assoc.) member (Membership is \$25/person & includes 1 yr. of Paddler Mag. If you are a RMCC member, ACA membership is \$15/person or \$20/family)

Insurance fees: **ACA (Am.** _____
 Late Fee: \$5/person _____
(one class) Total = _____

Please send ONE registration form and ONE payment check per class.

Name _____ Tandem partner's name (if applicable) _____

Address: _____ City/zip _____

Phone: (h) _____ (w) _____ fax _____ e-mail _____

I will be canoeing: Solo _____ Tandem _____ Skill level (see Evaluation below): _____

If you are under 18 years old, your age _____ If you are an ACA member, your ACA #: _____

Do you have any physical disability or medical problem we need to be aware of? No _____; Yes _____ Explain: _____

Fees: Due 3 wks. before class. If late add \$5 per person late registration fee.

When payment is received you will be notified that you are enrolled and given all necessary materials (you will be contacted if there are changes in schedule or location). You must have your own canoeing equipment, and you will need to sign a waiver.

Self Evaluation: Please complete the following, blackening all appropriate circles. A blackened circle means you can execute the maneuver with proficiency. (Tandem couples: each should rate their preferred bow/stern location).

	solo	bow	stern	
High Intermediate Skill Level:				
Consistent eddy turns on Class III water	O	O	O	
Back ferry using reverse J and reverse sweep		O	O	n/a
Effective onside and offside duffeks (with pronounced leans)	O	O	n/a	
Low brace (as a knee-jerk reaction)	O	O	O	
Low Intermediate Skill Level:				
Consistent eddy turns on Class II water	O	O	O	
Effective "pop pry"	O	n/a	O	
Sculling draw (lateral and diagonal movement)	O	O	O	
Forward ferry in moderate current	O	O	O	
Novice Skill Level:				
High and low brace on Class I water	O	O	O	
Draw, cross bow draw, sweep, on Class I water	O	O	O	
Forward stroke with correction	O	n/a	O	
Check this box if you are a BEGINNER <input type="checkbox"/>				

!! Please note the LATE REGISTRATION FEE of \$5--we gotta know you're coming !!



R.Schmidt Photo

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Jill) will keep you posted. This is a world-class event—Olympic caliber racers!—and, as always at slalom races, there is need for lots and lots of volunteers to help out.

Also, the School of Mines Kayak Club is putting on their annual "Spring Ice Breaker" intercollegiate races the weekend of April 22, 2000 at Clear Creek Whitewater Park. The event will include a slalom race, water polo race, and kayak rodeo. If you would like to watch college and high

school kids race or perhaps help with the event contact Jason Butters at 303-215-6355 or [jbutters@mines.edu].

And, finally, there are a number of slalom and downriver races in the region. This year's dates will be finalized soon. Jill and I are sure there are club members who would enjoy entering some of these events if they would just give them a try. Most races are not on difficult water, and all of these races welcome newcomers (believe me). If you'd like

to try a fun (not difficult) downriver race, consider the "Dotsero to Hanging Lake Race." It's 10 miles long, open to recreational canoes of any description, has lots of prizes, and is enjoyed each year by many enthusiastic racers—all of whom are ordinary and nice people, just like you. None of the competitors are eight feet tall and have fangs, so don't be afraid to come. This race will be on Sunday, August 20. For more details, contact Jerry Nyre at (303) 344-2813. (See following article)

Eddie Bauer International Whitewater Series Comes to the Front Range

You say you can't make it to Sydney for the 2000 Olympics? Don't worry, 'cuz the Olympics are coming to you ... well, sort of!!

May 20 - June 4 the Front Range will host the Eddie Bauer International Whitewater Series. It will run as a three-race slalom series to be held on May 20 at Boulder Creek, May 27 at Confluence Park, and June 4 at Clear Creek Whitewater Park. Fifty-three thousand dollars in prize money is up for grabs between the three events! This series is similar to the former Champion International Races that Colorado used to host, except that the Eddie Bauer races are open to both elite and citizen racers.

The races will feature top international competitors, along with US National Team members including: Scott Shipley - two-time Olympian, and three-time overall World Cup Champion Joe Jacobi - 1992 Olympic Gold Medalist in C-2
Cathy Hearn - two-time Olympian and World Champion
David Hearn - two-time Olympian and two-time World Champion
Lecky Haller - 1992 Olympian and World Champion with C-2 partner
Matt Taylor
Kevin Michelson - 1999 National Team Member.

The Boulder Creek and Clear Creek races will be conducted as standard ICF (International Canoe Federation) races, but the Confluence race will be a "stock boat" (plastic only) race (... think Scott Shipley will have much of a handicap racing in a

Centrifuge???) . Citizen classes at each race are open to plastic boats and open canoes, letting them race on the same course as the elite competitors.

All three races will be held in conjunction with established, local events and will also include rodeos. The rodeos will be held as follows: Boulder Creek rodeo will be held Sunday, May 21; a new event, the confluence rodeo, will be at 4:00 on Saturday May 27; and the 3rd annual Clear Creek Whitewater Festival rodeo will be Saturday, June 3. See the 2000 Schedule/Roster or the USA Canoe & Kayak website (usacanockayak.org) for details.

Additionally, we're looking for volunteers to help with the Confluence and Clear Creek events. Help is needed in the areas of safety boaters, gate judges, registration, site setup and maintenance, etc., etc. Don't know how to be a gate judge? Don't worry, we'll train you! All volunteers will receive a t-shirt and/or hat, lunch, and free admission to the party following the event. If you're interested in helping out please contact Stacey Johnsen at

Don't miss this opportunity to come out and see the most impressive collection of international slalom racers that Colorado has ever had!

"All three races will be held in conjunction with established, local events and will also include rodeos."

Pack Boots *By Ron Schmidt*



What ever happens to pack boots? You know which boots I am talking about, those L. L. Bean boots, the ones that are rubber on the bottom and leather on the top. I'll bet if we lived in the east or in the upper Midwest or Canada we'd see a lot more of them. My particular love for them started when I started to canoe. I never lace them up (almost never) so they're easy to slip on and off. They have to be about the most perfect canoeing shoe ever made. They allow one to step in and out of the canoe in shallow water without getting one's feet soaked, and if a little does run over the top they dry quickly. I can go for semi long hikes and be comfortable while keeping those pesky grass seeds, burs, and nettles off my ankles and

socks. My feet stay cleaner because there is no river water or trail dust on them. A couple of pairs of wool socks inside keep my feet warm on those cold mornings and days. And what about that morning dew which seems to soak your feet before you even get down to the water, pack boots are great for those mornings. You don't have to worry as much about critters like small snakes or scorpions or being stabbed by Yuccas and Cactus. Even when I go on a trip where I might want my

feet to stay wet and cool during the day I'll usually take a pair of pack boots along for camp chores and most of all, something that I can easily slip on in the middle of the night if nature calls. I have streaked many a camp in the wee hours with nothing but my pack boots on. So what ever happened to pack boots, why doesn't everyone on the river have a pair?

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Y2k Trip Schedule Page

To join the RMCC on any trip, you *must* be a member, or the guest of a member, and sign the Rocky Mountain Canoe Club & American Canoe Association Waivers.

Trip Coordinators:

B-N-1 Greg Jankowski

I-A Tuppen Burke

Call in advance! Trips can fill up.

Date	Trip Location	Coordinator	Phone	Skill Level	Day Trip or Camp	Group size limit?	Trip Permit Req'd?	Comments
Apr 7-9	Gunnison River, Escalante Bridge to Whitewater	Dave Allured		B,N	Camp	no	no	Mostly class I flat water, two class II rapids. Canyon hiking on Saturday. Second launch on Saturday AM is available.
Apr 15	Spring Meeting/ Swap Meet/ Safety Fair Part 1 St. Jude's Church	Meeting/ Swap Meet: Jim Holloway Safety Fair: Dennis Adams		all		no		5 pm: Swap Meet 6 pm: Pot Luck Dinner 7-ish: Safety Demos & Videos
Apr 16	Safety Fair Part 2 Meyers Pool in Arvada	Dennis Adams		all		no		8:30 am to Noon: Pool Session Instruction and Practice
Apr 21-23	Snow date for Apr 7-9 Gunnison trip	Dave Allured		B,N	Camp	no	no	Paddle on these dates only if the April 7 trip is postponed. See previous description.
Apr 29-30	Colorado River, Loma to Westwater	Mark Zen		I	Camp		no	Annual high water trip, not for beginners. Cold water.
May 27-29	Dolores River, Slick Rock to Bedrock	Dennis Adams		N,I	Camp	no	yes	Music, dancing, & stargazing. Cold water gear necessary.
May 27-29	Gunnison River Dominguez Canyon: Escalante Canyon to Whitewater	Dick Akims		N	Camp		no	Class 1+
Jun 30-Jul 3	North Platte, 6 Mile Gap	Lyn Berry		I	Camp	12	no	Starting Friday before the weekend from 6 Mile Gap, camp in canyon first night, BLM land near Bennett Pk second night. Rapids mostly on first day, class 2 unless water is still high. Home before busy July 4 holiday.
Jul 22-23	Annual River Rendezvous at Radium			all		no		Day Trips Sat eve: Dutch Oven Cookoffs Sun morning: Pancake Breakfast
Sep 2-4	Colorado River Horseshoe/Ruby Canyon Loma to Westwater	Dick Akims		B,N	Camp		no	Class 1



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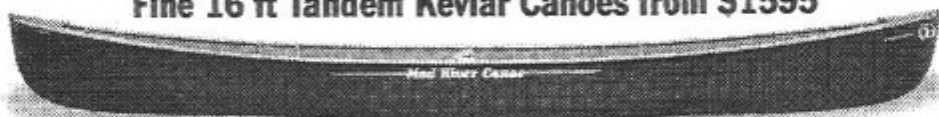
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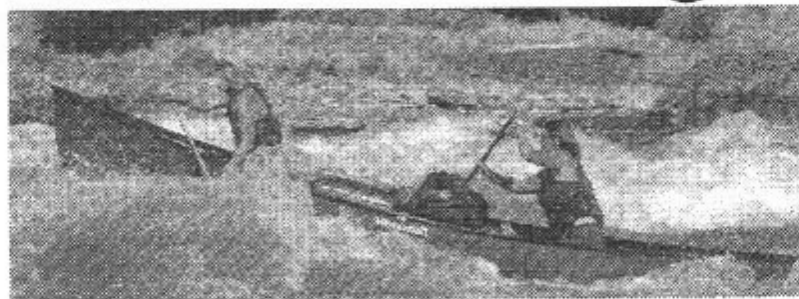


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This waiver / release a LEGAL INSTRUMENT. If you do not understand it, consult your attorney.

WHEREAS, I (we) intend, or am about, to engage in canoeing activities upon rivers, lakes, and/or other waterways, which activities have been organized by the ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB (RMCC) of Denver, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, I (we) am (are) doing so entirely upon my (our) own initiative, risk, and responsibility, and am duly aware that risks and hazards are, or may be, inherent in such canoeing activities; and

WHEREAS, I (we) elect voluntarily to engage in such activities having only limited knowledge of conditions and understanding that conditions may be more hazardous and dangerous than I (we) presently believe; I (we) further understand and expect that my (our) conduct during such activities shall be dictated by my (our) own decisions as to if and how to deal with any particular stretch of river, lake or other waterway; and

WHEREAS, I (we) understand that the ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB, its officers, directors, and trip leaders in particular and its members in general organize such activities solely for the pleasure and enjoyment of the participants; and

WHEREAS, I (we) am (are) supplying for my (our) own use such first aid, safety and medical supplies as I (we) deem necessary and I am (we are) not relying upon the members or leaders for such items; and

WHEREAS, I (we) recognize that neither the ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB, nor its several officers, directors, members and leaders are responsible for my (our) participation in any particular activity nor for the participation of other people and that in no event is the Club or its officers, directors, members or leaders responsible for my (our) conduct or the conduct of others sharing such participation; and

WHEREAS, my (our) participation is in no way based upon any representations made by any members, officers, directors or leaders as to the difficulty, danger or hazard of such activities, but rather because of my (our) independent desire to participate in such activities with other people with similar interests;

NOW, THEREFORE, I (we) do hereby, for myself (ourselves), my (our) heirs, executors, assigns, and administrators, release, and forever discharge the ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB of Denver, Colorado, and all of its officers, directors, agents, leaders, and members individually and collectively, from any and all claims, demands, actions or causes of actions now or hereafter arising on account of my (our) death or on account of any injury to me (us) or damage to my (our) property, or on account of the injury or death suffered by any other person which may occur from any cause while I (we), or any other person, may be engaged in activities of the ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB, including therein all ground and transportation operations incident thereto unless such death, injury, or harm results from gross negligence or willful misconduct.

This WAIVER / RELEASE shall be binding in all its terms for all activities of the ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB.

I (WE) HEREBY CERTIFY that I (we) have read the foregoing WAIVER / RELEASE, understand it in all its terms and conditions and sign it voluntarily and intelligently, this ____ day of _____, 199__.

Print Name _____ Signature _____ List all children who will engage in RMCC activities: _____

As the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the aforesaid minor(s), I (we) have signed the foregoing Waiver/Release and approve of my (our) child's (children's) or ward(s)'s participation in the activities. I am (we are) aware that the attendant risks, hazards, potential for injuries, loss or death stated in the Waiver/Release may well be greater for a minor's participation, but I (we) assume these risks as parent(s) or guardian(s) of the above named and herewith forever release, remise and discharge the ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB as specified in the foregoing Waiver/Release.

Signature parent or guardian: _____

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Member Renewal _____	PLEASE PRINT	New Membership _____	Needs:	Preferences:
Name _____			Need a partner _____	Lakes _____
Address _____			Need a boat _____	Moving water _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____			Need instruction _____	Whitewater _____
Home phone _____ work phone _____			Want to volunteer _____	Tripping _____
FAX _____ E-mail _____			Want to lead a trip _____	Racing _____

Dues are \$15 per household per calendar year (all memberships expire Feb 28th). Make checks payable to the ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB. Mail this completed Waiver/Membership form together with your check or money order to:

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB
 c/o Dave & Jeannie Ney

Term of Membership: If you join after August 31, your last newsletter will be the second February issue (as much as 18 months). If you join on or before August 31, your last issue will be the next February issue (no fewer than six months).

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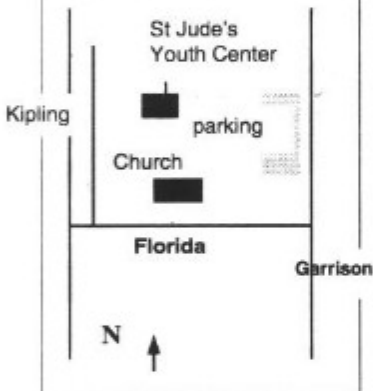


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**UPCOMING DATES
OF NOTE:**

May 20 Deadline for June
Newsletter
April 15 Spring Meeting
and Swap meet
April 16 Safety Fair
Remember April 9th Pool
closed

Map to Spring Meeting



Club Officers:

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Jim Hollaway

New Vice President
Ron Schmidt

Conservation
Doug Ellis

Instruction
Bob & Jill Stecker

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Joanne Brown

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Tuppen Burke (Int, Adv)

Greg Jankowski (Begin, Int)

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