



The Voyageur's Companion

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB

April 2002

Spring Newsletter

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Directions to Christ on the Mountain Church

From 6th and Simms (or 6th and Union), go South on Union to W Alameda Pkwy, turn right. Go 1.95 miles, turn left onto W. Utah.

RMCC pool sessions

NO POOL MARCH 31.

April: All Sundays

May: All Sundays

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- Trip Schedules
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Safety Fair and Trip Coordinators meeting

April 20 (Saturday)	5-6 pm	Trip coordinators
	6-7 pm	Pot luck supper
	7-10 pm	Safety fair

Christ on the Mountain Catholic Church
13922 W Utah, Lakewood

basement with entrance from west end of building

April 21 (Sunday)	8:30 am	pool session
Safety Fair continues at George Meyers Pool		

by Greg and Karen Jankowski

First, we must bid farewell to our gracious hosts for many meetings in the past. The officials in the church have determined that St. Judes will no longer rent their facilities to nonreligious organizations. We are grateful to their many years of hospitality and the church expressed its sorrow at losing our club after so many years. Since the notice was short we were forced to come up with a new facility without the club's approval. We have taken it upon ourselves to set this meeting place, due to the short notice given. At the meeting we can come up with a more permanent place if this facility doesn't meet with approval. As always the meeting will be a potluck dinner, with the trip leaders meeting being an hour earlier, the church has a kitchen with microwave and fridge to keep the meals until the meeting later.

Time to pay dues for 2002.

By now, all members should have their dues paid-in-full in order to be current for 2002.

Send in renewal form on page 7.

Praying for snow

Just to show those that we are indeed a religious group, I think some prayers are definitely needed to whatever Snow God or any other God that may have influence over the amount of snow that falls in the mountains. So far the news from the snow pack experts is not good, so I think that prayers are in order. Personally, I'm going to try the car wash law, I suppose now the problem would be how little water can be used to wash a black car.

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Celebrating peace and quiet at last

There's cause for celebration among all those that have spent any time at the Loma boat ramp. The Colo. Div. Of Wildlife has banned jet skis from using the river. I'm sure that this will make the shuttle detainees wait a lot more peaceful. Also it will be a lot easier to tell our kids to wear their PFDs now that the jet skiers are not out there with younger kids and no PFD on either the parent or the child.

Anticipating the litigating

With great anticipation we will wait to find out how the courts will decide what our fate on rivers in Colorado will be in the future. At this time the two case of note are the civil suit filed on the Lake fork of the Gunnison and the suit on the South Platte River. It may be worthy of discussing, at the meeting, how we may be able to help support both of these cases.

Trips needed, no experience necessary

A good healthy dose of pleading is in order, in the good cause of getting trips on the schedule. I know the season is young, but the schedule sure looks empty. I know it's been said before, but here goes again, the trip leader does not have to be, nor should be expected to be the trip outfitter. This

means that you don't have to know every rock on your favorite run to lead a trip. Nor does it mean that you have to provide meals, transportation, instruction or any other 'guide' services. What it does mean, is that you will be a contact person for the trip and will provide the w h e n , where, who, to meet, the trip length and difficulty.

See page 8 for trips currently scheduled for the upcoming season.

Although the water forecast is not very good at this time, it is perfectly acceptable to hope for the best.

Dues are due

More pleadings, it's that time of the year to pay up to continue to receive this fine newsletter and all of the other benefits that come with belonging to such a fine group of canocists. The dues are still \$15.00 per family or person. We've even included a handy form in this issue to send in with your dues, also look into joining the ACA at the same time. The Paddler magazine subscription is worth the cost of the ACA dues, all by it's itself. Not to mention the insurance that covers you on the river.

The great cleanup goes on

Even more pleadings,, the South Platte Cleanup will be held on September 28,

please mark your calendars now, it's a great way to give back to the community, make brownie points with the various government agencies that make up the S. Platte corridor. Besides the T shirt is worth the effort, I know that I've worn mine with pride. The only suggestion that I offered to the meeting was what to do with the stuff that's either too small to deal with (shipping peanuts as a good example) or too large to fit in the boats. The Greenway and the city of Denver said they would look into a method to flag this large trash to have a crew come out later with the equipment necessary to remove the offending trash article. As always the Chatfield flow Gods will provide us with enough flow to boat in. However please don't bring your new boat, it is without a doubt the most unceremonious way to break it in that I can imagine.

The great cover-up scandal returns

After a long absence the RMCC T-shirt has reappeared, and will be available at the next meeting. The first batch is the ever popular long sleeve light gray with burgundy imprint of the RMCC logo. The price will be \$12.00 for small through extra large and the XXLG being \$13.00



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No Jets at Loma

*from Jerry Nolan
Mesa State College
Grand Junction, CO*

After a full year of work, Area Wildlife Manager, Steve Yamashita, has been successful in placing a ban on the use of the Loma Boat Ramp by Jet Skis. The Loma Boat Ramp is the gateway to the beautiful Ruby-Horsethief Canyon of the Colorado River in western Colorado, one of the best float trips in the area.

If you appreciate Steve's work then send a letter of appreciation to his boss.

Russell George
Director of the Colorado Division of
Wildlife
6060 Broadway
Denver, Colorado, 80216

on behalf of

Steve Yamashita
Area Wildlife Manager
West Region Service Center
711 Independent
Grand Junction, CO 81505

Thanks to all who joined the letter writing campaign during the period of public comment.

Classes are taught by ACA Whitewater Certified Instructors. All classes teach different skill levels; students may repeat last year's class at a higher skill level if desired. Private instruction is also available, for individuals or small groups.
Head Instructors: Bob & Jill Stecker.

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

BASICS weekend class (16 hrs). May 11-12. Instructor: Jeff Oxenford, [redacted] For beginners through low intermediate, solo and tandem. The first day will be on a lake in Denver; the second day on moving water. Paddlers are divided into groups based on skill level. This class emphasizes beginning strokes, basic river running technique, with discussions about gear, safety, river etiquette, etc. Required equipment: canoe, paddle, life jacket, and helmet. A kneeling setup with glued-down foam pads is strongly recommended.

WHITEWATER weekend class (16 hrs). June 22-23. Instructors: Bob & Jill Stecker [redacted] daytime phone [redacted] For novice through low intermediate, solo and tandem. Prerequisite: the BASICS class or equivalent. 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.

PRIVATE INSTRUCTION. Instructors: Bob & Jill Stecker [BobJillC2@prodigy.net], daytime phone [redacted] Jeff Oxenford [redacted] Please contact us if you can't make the above schedule of weekend classes but are interested in the BASICS or WHITEWATER classes. We teach private classes for individuals or groups for \$25/hr. Advanced and specialty canoe classes are especially welcome. Examples are as follows:

Advanced Whitewater: a step above the RMCC weekend whitewater class. Tandem or solo. Instruction is geared to the student's skill level. Whitewater drills are demonstrated for on-your-own skill development. If desired, emphasis can focus on whitewater slalom racing techniques. Evening instruction or weekday afternoon classes are encouraged.

Quietwater Finesse Paddling: Solo techniques only. For intermediate to advanced paddlers who are interested in Freestyle canoeing techniques that are applicable to whitewater paddling (or to just having fun on flatwater). Emphasis is on very precise boat control. You will need a Sport solo canoe or a suitable tandem canoe that you would like to paddle solo, Canadian style. We have high-performance Sport solo and Sport tandem canoes we can provide for a modest fee. Early morning classes are encouraged to avoid wind.

Classifieds...

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Ron Stokley [redacted]

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Photos

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Register me for the following classes:

	Class Dates	Deadlines for pre-registration*	Cost per boat		Amount enclosed
			tandem	solo	
c BASICS weekend (16 hrs)	May 11-12	April 20	\$80	\$60	_____
c WHITEWATER weekend (16 hrs)	Jun 22-23	June 1	\$80	\$60	_____

(Private instruction available on request. See DESCRIPTION of CLASSES).

Note: a \$5.00/person insurance fee for each class must be added if you are not an ACA (Am. 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:
 \$5 / person _____
 Late Fee: \$5 _____
 (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 late registration fee. Send this application to the appropriate instructor and address listed below. Make checks payable to the instructor of the class:

BASICS Instructors: Jeff Oxenford, _____ Golden, CO. 80401 _____

WHITEWATER Jill & Bob Stecker _____ Boulder, CO. 80302

Daytime telephone 8AM-6PM _____

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	O		

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

WHEREAS, I (we) intend, or am (are) 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 (are) 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 _____, 20____.

Print Name

Signature

List all children who 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 of parent or guardian: _____

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION for ROCKY MOUNTAIN CANOE CLUB an ACA Paddle America Partner

Member Renewal _____ New Membership _____

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Needs

Preferences

Name (s) _____

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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 \$15.00 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 Laurel Adams [] Denver CO 80222

Questions call: []

Your term of membership and for newsletter issues: Memberships need to be renewed by Feb 28th of every year. If you join on or before August 31, your last Newsletter will be the following Early Winter (Jan or Feb) Issue. If you join after August 31, your last issue will be the second following Early Winter Issue.

RMCC TRIP SCHEDULE 2002

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/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 Assignment of Risk agreement prior to each trip.

Date	Trip Location	Coordinator	Phone	Level	Description
Mar 30	South Platte R. Evans/Kersey/Kuner	Dave Allured		I (B-N)	Joint trip with Rocky Mtn. Sea Kayak Club & Poudre Paddlers. Beginners OK.
Apr 12-14	Gunnison R., Delta to Whitewater	Dave Allured		I-II (N)	Several put-in options available. Delta, Escalante Bridge, Friday/Saturday.
Apr 27	Roaring Fork, Cemetery run	Sammer Elias		III- (Int)	
Apr 28	Colorado R., Shoshone run	Sammer Elias		III+ (A)	
May 4	Eagle River, section 3	Sammer Elias		II+/III (Int)	Class II+ run with one class III. Nice campground at take-out.
May 5	Eagle River, section 2	Sammer Elias		III- (Int)	Class III- run, with optional class IV-.
May 11-12	Canoeing Basics Weekend Class	Jeff Oxenford		(B-Int)	Pre-register by April 20. See class description.
May 11	Eagle River, section 1	Sammer Elias		III (Int)	
May 12	Eagle River, section 4	Sammer Elias		III+ (A)	
May 18	Poudre River, Filter Plant run	Ken Bauer		II+	Possible Bridges (class III run in PM), depends on water.
May 25	Poudre River, Filter Plant run	Ken Bauer		II+	Possible Bridges (class III run in PM), depends on water.
May 25-27	Gunnison R., Escalante to Whitewater	Dick Akins		(B)	Adults only.
May 25-27	White River	Dave Allured		I-II (N)	Rangeley to Gas Well. Mostly class I.
Jun 5-7	Rio Chama	Dave Allured		II/III-	Permit trip, sign up early.
Jun 7-9	North Platte R, Six-mile to Treasure Is.	Ken Bauer		II	Great trip begins in wilderness, ends in ranch country.
Jun 15-16	Arkansas R.	Lyn Berry		II	A fun weekend on the river, in connection with the FIBARK festival. Camping. Pot luck. Featuring a 10 mile intermediate paddle from Salida to Rincon including Bear Creek Rapid.
Jun 22-23	Whitewater Weekend Class	Bob & Jill Stecker		II+ (N- Int)	Pre-register by June 1. See class description.

Be sure to call the Trip Coordinator early to sign up!

Winter Paddling and Biking in Florida

by Jill Stecker

Bob & I had a great 2 months training (canoeing and mt. biking) this winter in warm, sunny Florida. The weather was just about ideal-relatively dry and not too hot. We paddled about 3 hrs. every day and peddled 1-2 hrs. in the late afternoons. This routine was a nice complementary mix of exercise. We typically paddled 2 hours up river then raced back in about an hour, depending on current. We also got a chance to practice solo Freestyle paddling on quiet ponds and work on our Canoe Dance routine where we do synchronized finesse paddling moves that form a "dance".

Most of our travels were in the heavily forested sections of inland Florida. We paddled many new rivers and new sections of previously paddled rivers. And once again saw plenty of alligators, turtles, and beautiful water birds. Also, it was nice we able to team up with several canoeing acquaintances and paddled together.

Besides their warmth in winter, what makes so many of Florida waters so special to paddle is their crystal clear nature. Runs that flow from natural springs (like the one in the photo) are especially interesting in that you get the added bonus of getting to watch what's swimming beneath you. We were lucky enough to see one huge manatee swimming right under our canoe and on other occasion we saw an alligator which was equally exciting.

This year we discovered many of the numerous single-track technical mountain bike trails that Florida has to offer. We found twisty, bumpy tracks where we slalomed our bikes through tight forests. Many times there were only a couple of inches of clearance between



the handlebars and the tree trunks. We found this immensely challenging and a lot of fun. It very much simulated our slalom canoe racing where we have to slip our canoe between 2 gates poles without hitting them. We also found our 18-year old bikes are a bit outdated since they don't have shock absorbers, so now we need to invest in new equipment-which will be very

expensive (even more than a canoe).

Living the simple life in a camper was quite enjoyable and we were in no rush to get home at the end of our 2-month stay. We returned to a Colorado winter storm of zero degrees and 1 foot of snow.

Labyrinth Canyon

A Chilly (cold!) start to paddling season

By Jeanne Younghaus

The night of March 16 turned quite cold all across the western states, and even in the desert along the Green River in Utah. Cold enough the freeze the water in the water jugs. Most of the next day was spent paddling into the frigid winds of the late winter weather disturbance. Fortunately no rain, or snow, accompanied these unexpected cold encounters.

Such was the beginning of the canoe trip for 6 hearty RMCCers: Jim & Janis Hollaway, Phil & Mary Lyle, and Lyn Berry & Jeanne Younghaus.

The 45 miles of the Green River from Ruby Ranch to Mineral Bottom, consisting of all of a 50 foot elevation drop, was efficiently accomplished in

7 days. No record here for speedy river travel. Along the way 2 golden eagles were spotted as well as 3 red tail hawks. Instead of lots of paddling, plenty of side hikes were finished. One of them, up the sandy creek bed in Horseshoe Canyon, took about 6 hours and caused more tired muscles than an all day paddle. The hike up Keg Spring was with the intention of finding water, but alas, the water was not there. Instead, that evening in camp the alum-settling-filtration method was employed to obtain sufficient clean water.

The astronomical feature of the week was the observation of the **Ikeya-Zhang comet**. It was seen each night, shortly before dark, in the western sky, far below and to the right of Mars. Using binoculars, the tail was seen to be about 7 moon diameters long!

Wonderful trip, and by the time we got back into Moab the temperature was in the high 60s, the warmest all week.

The Plants Along the Rivers Edge

Sandbar Willow

by Terry Owen

One of the plants that is found in abundance along the rivers edge is the sandbar willow. It is said that the willows are a difficult family to identify from species to species because the important characteristics are so short lived. But if one takes the time to identify characteristics over the season, it becomes relatively easy to identify the various species, of which there are 34 different ones in Colorado.

The willows are divided into 2 groups. Each group is identifiable partially in the way the cylindrical group of flowers, called catkins, emerge. In the group called *Populus* are the poplar, cottonwood and aspen trees. This group has the catkins as a drooping cluster of flowers. In the group called *Salix* the catkins are usually erect and grow in an upward fashion.

The male and female flowers occur on separate plants.

Sandbar willow flowering in Colorado begins in May and ends in July. G. K. Guennel, in his book *Guide to Colorado Wildflowers, Volume 1*, writes that the male flowers of the sandbar willow are erect and the female flowers are found drooping.

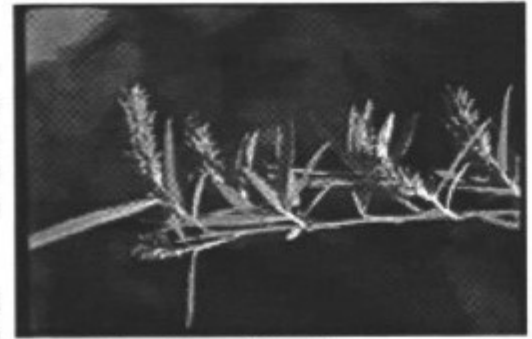
All willows produce salicin, which chemically is closely related to acetylsalicylic acid, commonly known as aspirin. Native Americans used various preparations from willows to treat toothache, stomach ache, diarrhea, dysentery, and dandruff. They also used the stems for basketry and

bow making, and the bark for tea and fabric making.

The sandbar willow is the common name for *Salix exigua*. *Salix* is the old Latin name for the willows; *exigua* (short) refers to the usually relatively small size of the plant.

Salix exigua is a shrub or small tree up to about 12 ft tall with many trunks (thicket-forming). The twigs are upright, thin, brown or gray. The leaves are yellow-green to gray-green, linear, 1.5-4 in long and about 0.25 in wide, tapering gradually to a sharp point, with a few small teeth or sometimes no teeth at all. The catkins

central Alaska, south through British

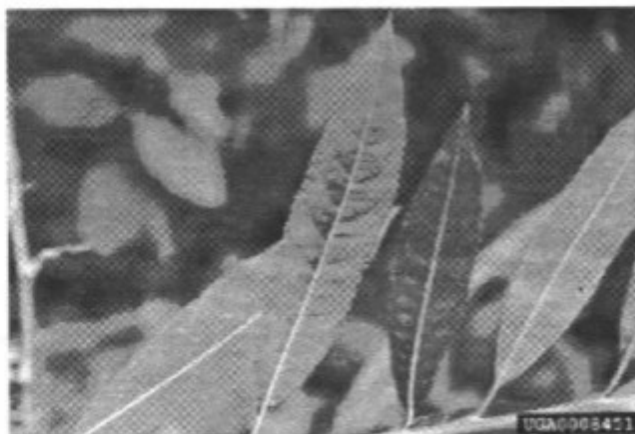


Columbia and Washington to southern California, and southeast to southern Texas, southern Louisiana, western Tennessee, Kentucky, and Virginia. In Colorado and Utah the sandbar willow typically occurs from 2700 to 9000 feet elevation.



are 1-2.4 inches long at the ends of the branchlets. The flowers are very small, numerous, and are pale yellow. The sandbar willow is found almost exclusively in riparian habitats, occupying banks of rivers and streams.

Sandbar willow distribution occurs from eastern Quebec and New Brunswick west across Canada to central Manitoba, Yukon Territory, and



FIBARK: This weekend festival is more than just whitewater racing, featuring experts from all over the country! RMCC Members participating in the June 15 - 16 weekend on the Arkansas will enjoy a fun intermediate paddle on the Arkansas River, as well as group camping and pot-luck.

FIBARK stands for First In Boating the ARKansas!

See RMCC Trip Schedule, page 7.

Sorry, this page is blank. Please send me information about your favorite and most exciting canoe trips. Photos too!

The *Voyageur's Companion* is a periodic publication of the Rocky Mountain Canoe Club. It is primarily the venue for the RMCC to post trip schedules, classified ads, and related material, enabling members to share and enhance their canoeing interests. Members are invited to contribute articles on canoe trips as well as informative articles on subjects such as: Paddling techniques, Equipment, Rigging the canoe, Environmental issues, River safety, Camping techniques, Canoe history. The editorial staff appreciates your efforts to limit wordiness or superfluous details, and to restrict an article to under 1200 words (about 2 pages).

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