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IMPORTANT NOTICE CONCERNING THE NANTAHALA RIVER

Those planning trips on the Nantahala should first confirm that there will be water in the river. To confirm, call after 6 p.m. the day before you want to run the river. Call Control Room, Chatuge Dam, Nantahala Power Company (704)-644-5121. The dam sets water flow schedules on a 24-hour basis. Phone ahead to confirm. You may save yourself a wasted trip.

UPPER CHATTAHOOCHEE - Saturday, October 6, 1973

This is a very scenic stretch of the Chattahoochee offering several Class III ledges for excitement and challenge. For a fun filled 4-hour trip, meet us at the Ga. 255 bridge and the river at 10:00 SHARP. Be sure to bring a lunch and life-jacket. Register with Tom Lines - 233-9545.

ALCOVY RIVER - Sunday, October 7, 1973 - See page 2

CHATTOOGA RIVER - Section 3 - Saturday, October 20, 1973

On Saturday, we will run Section 3 from Earl's Ford to US 76. This section is a long 14 miles with Class II, III, and IV rapids and takes about 6-7 hours. Some of the "harder" rapids can be portaged. It should be attempted only by canoeists who have good control on rivers such as the Chestatee and Upper Chattahoochee.

Be sure and bring appropriate clothing for cool weather.

We will meet at US 76 bridge at 9:00 a.m. sharp to set up a shuttle to Earl's Ford.

Register with the Crowley's by Thursday if you plan to go. Phone: 469-2244.

CHATTOOGA RIVER - Section 4 - Sunday, October 21, 1973

We will run the lower section of the Chattooga on Sunday. This stretch is loaded with powerful sluices, twisting cross currents, vicious holes, undercut rocks, submerged logs, and topped with an agonizing 3 miles of flatwater lake paddling. It can be fun however, for decked boaters in good physical shape who have a reliable roll. Meet at the U.S. 76 bridge at 8:30 to unload boats. Shuttle leaves for the alke at 8:45. Pre-registration with the trip leader required. Call Cleve Tedford - 233-7111 or 458-5670.

ALCOVY RIVER FAMILY FLOAT TRIP - Sunday, October 7, 1973

The Alcovy is one of the less taxing streams in the GCA repertory: a fine one for the entire family, including small kids (with lifejackets) and grandma--if she can swing a paddle. If you thought summer was over, come try some Indian summer where the olive waters flow through still, green forests and the air is heavy with the overripe, chaffy scents of autumn. You will have an extra treat: the spectacle of your intrepid leader, Two-Ton Cass, trying to squeeze into, and stay upright in, his newly acquired 32-pound kayak. It's rather like trying to float a pork chop in an eggshell. Don't miss it.

The Alcovy has some Class I rapids on the part all of us will take, with a brief and rousing Class III section just beyond the usual take-out point. Be sure to pull out Grandma before the Class III stretch; otherwise you might lose her prematurely. Or turn her sweet old gray hairs to white. Those who want an extra fillip at the end of the trip may do this last part. I do not promise to join them. I can't afford a helmet yet. Riding in my boat hull-up, while my head is massaging the rocks beneath, is not my idea of a fun way to end the afternoon. Besides, it is bad conservation: the rocks might be damaged. (Thought I'd better say that before someone else did.)

At lunch time, we will be at the Old Mill Restaurant, where we had such a fine meal back in June. The meals are served buffet style: good enough for a gourmet, and ample enough for a gourmand. The price should be \$3.50 for adults and \$2.50 for children, and it is well worth it. I intend to diet for three days, then put them out of business. Those who prefer to picnic may do so on the grassy banks nearby, with the permission of the restaurant's new owners, Don Barber of WQXI-TV and his wife, who treated our group so graciously the last time. Note: If your boating wear is skimpy, be sure to bring along something to bring your appearance down from an R rating to a fairly respectable PG, at least. You may wear shorts, however. On the last trip, your leader forgot his tee shirt, and turned a few stomachs, and one striking young lady stuffed a bikini so well that the proper old ladies of nearby Covington, Ga., fresh from church, became almost too nervous to stuff their faces. Many of us feel that the sight of the smooth--and astonishing--curves of healthy young women is one of the sweeter of the innocent joys of life, but please let us do not shock the giblets out of Covington again. I will personally check out all bikinis at start of trip. And during.

Our leisurely float should take about 5 hours. DIRECTIONS: Take I-20 east from Atlanta to the U.S. 278 exit at Covington. Turn right, go to the downtown courthouse square, then take Georgia 36 south. At the intersection with Ga. 213, take a left and go to the bridge over the river. We plan to meet there at 9:30 a.m., and start shuttling at 10.

If you plan to share the meal at the Old Mill, please notify us no later than Thursday night, Oct. 4th, so we can make reservations in time. And if possible, please let us know before Sunday if you plan on taking the trip. You may notify through Eileen Lange at 355-5811; if she is not in, call Judy Harvell at 288-1803. Hope to see you then.

FOR SALE

Vans - Fords and Chevys, 1964 through 1968 - call Ron Johnson - 436-0359.

ETOWAH RIVER - Saturday, October 27, 1973

The Etowah is a beautiful little river just north of Atlanta in the vicinity of Dahlonega. It is considered a Class I river, but some experience is desirable - it's not for novices in tandem especially if it's cold. There is an 8-foot waterfall which we portage.

We'll meet Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. where Highway 19 crosses the Etowah about 7 miles south of Dahlonega (allow about 1½ hours from Atlanta). Please register with Bronwyn Fowlkes at 255-4110. It is imperative that you register because the temperature may cause cancellation.

TOCCOA RIVER - Sunday, October 28, 1973

This is a very good practice river for the amateur paddler--lots of maneuvering required in gentle waters. All on trip must be able to swim, however, as there is a rough spot on each section where someone almost always "gets wet." We will run just one section this day; which one will depend on whether Deep Hole Park will be available for our use as a launching spot. Hopefully, we will begin at Deep Hole and come back to it at the end of the trip for a fall wiener roast.

Allow 2-plus hours from the Perimeter Road I-285 to Deep Hole. Pick up Highway 60 North out of Dahlonega. Stay with 60 (don't turn off at Princess Tralita's grave) and meet at the riverside in the Park (or at the entrance to the Park if it is closed for the season). From there we will firm up plans and run the necessary shuttle.

Bring water, lunch and dry clothing in a water-proof container for the river trip. The fire, potato chips, onions, ketchup and mustard will be furnished by the leaders for the evening supper; bring your own supply of hot dogs, rolls, marshmallows and coat-hanger stakes and other fixin's.

Register by Thursday, October 25 with trip leaders, Bill and Anna Belle Close; 373-3945.

CHATTOOGA RIVER REPORT - Saturday, August 18th, Section III

The trip was composed of 7 kayaks, 1 C-2, 1 C-1, and 4 canoes. Those making the trip were Rod Edelman who made a beautiful run of a very high Bull Sluice. At one point, Rod was buried under water up to his chin even though it was a clear run. Also in kayaks were Jerry Davy, Ross Wilson, Jerry Wood, Hugh Hilliard, and a pair of kayaks from New Orleans. Ed Saratt and his wife came from Philadelphia and ran a C-2, and Bill Crowley ran a C-1. Bronwyn Fowlkes and Polly Heyward, Jim and Mary Fletcher, Rod Wilburn and Major Snow, and myself composed the four canoes.

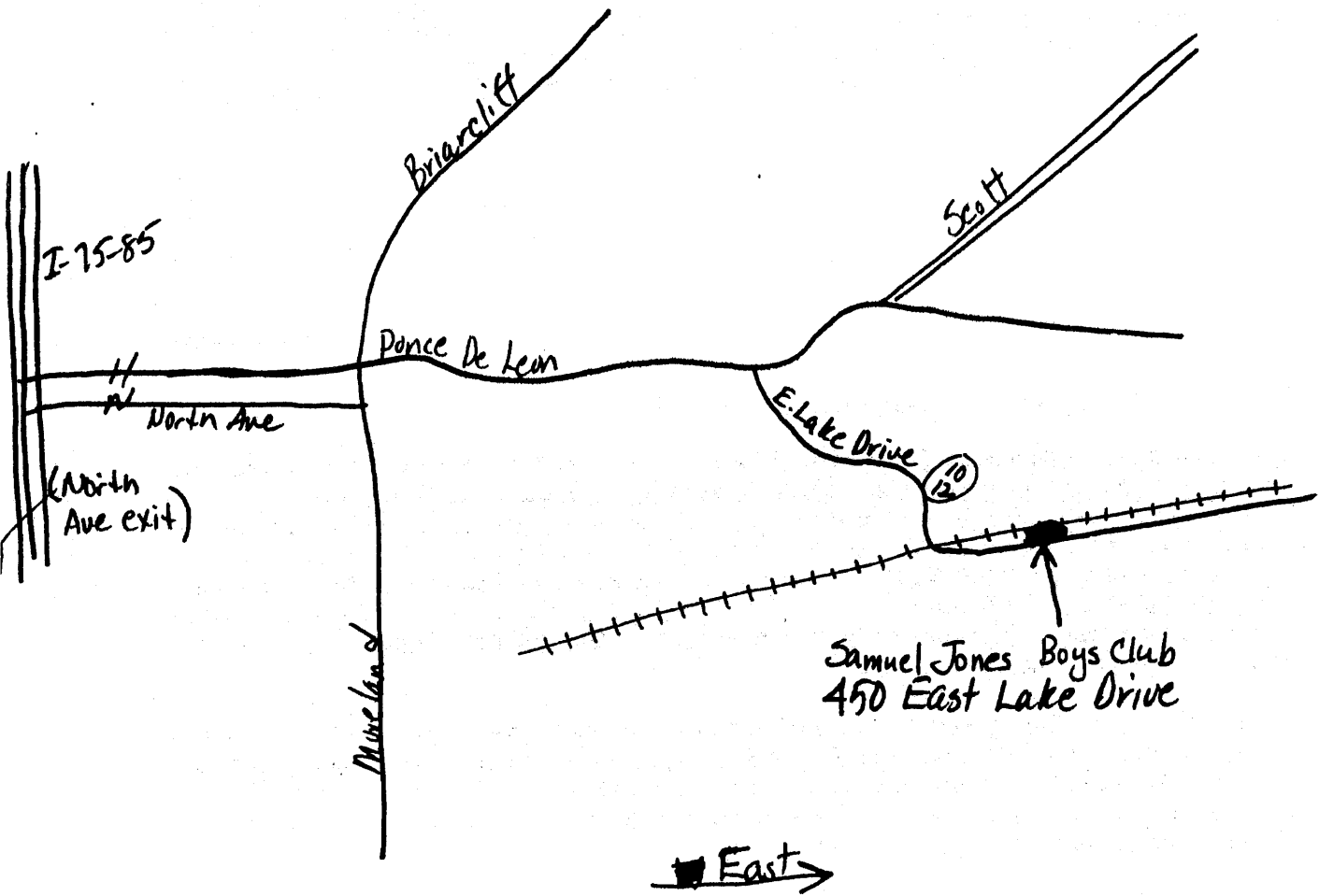
Since the water level was high and because the experience level was reasonably high, it was a very smooth and fun trip. The only really spectacular event was the rescue of a submerged canoe from another party from the rock in the middle of the Narrows. A Herculean effort amazingly retrieved the canoe relatively undamaged. --R. Winger

CHATTOOGA RIVER REPORT - Section II - September 16, 1973 - Hale Sanders

The trip was undertaken on a cloudy Sunday with river at an all-time low (gauge at #28 bridge read .4 feet). Although the turnout was rather large (11 open canoes, 6 kayaks, and 1 c-1), the trip ran smoothly. The trip lasted 4½ hours although an hour was spent at Big Shoals, also known as the five-foot falls. At the Shoals, all boats negotiated the shoot on the right without anyone swamping. In the shallower rapids, the canoes hung up on rocks while the kayaks seemed to have little trouble.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN LEARNING TO ROLL A KAYAK - READ ON

NOTICE: The Samuel Jones Boys Club pool is again open to all GCA and Post 49 members who want to work on their kayak and C-1 rolls. As last year the pool will be open Friday nights between 6 and 9 p.m. - we must be out of the building by 9 p.m. so plan to be out of the pool around 8:45. There is no charge for the use of the pool but because the Boys Club has been so kind to let us use it we have agreed to set aside the half hour between 8:00 and 8:30 p.m. to allow any interested boys to use our boats and our personal attention and instruction. If you plan to use the pool please plan to be there between 8 and 8:30 to help out with the boys. The address is 450 East Lake Drive, Dec. Map below:



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Additional Change of Address

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FOR SALE

One (1) 17-foot Onachita aluminum canoe with shoe keel. Call Hale Sanders after 5:00 p.m. at 432-1606.

Slightly used translucent green Hahn C-1. For you tough, die-hard open canoe paddlers who would rather fight than sit on their rear in a kayak. \$135 cheap. Call Cleve Tedford - 233-7111.

WANTED

One (1) junior kayak. If anyone has one they would like to sell, please call Eileen Lange at 355-5811.

NOTE OF IMPORTANCE TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS

The S. E. U. S. Slalom and Wildwater Championships and National Open Canoe Championships will be held on the Nantahala River on June 15 & 16, 1974 and August 10 & 11, 1974, respectively.

For those who helped in '73, we want to say thank you. For those who didn't, we have nothing to say. As you can imagine, it takes a lot of people to make sure that a race of this size is a success and runs smoothly. Please look over the following duties and pick out a job you can do. If you are not sure what it entails, call Tom Lines, 233-9545, or write him at 1185 Paces Forest Dr. N. W., Atlanta, Ga. 30327, and he will explain the duties to you. When you decide on a job, please drop Tom a card telling him of the position you wish.

Please help with both races, and by all means participate. Let's strive to continue our success record. --Tom Lines and Scott Price

*Volunteers
10/11/73*

Chairmen -- Tom Lines & Scott Price

S. E. U. S. Championship Race -- June 15 & 16, 1974

National Open Canoe Race -- Aug. 10 & 11, 1974

Chairmen are needed to coordinate the following activities:
(If we cannot find volunteers, these duties will be randomly
assigned to participants.) WE NEED YOUR HELP !!!!

1. Trash Collection & Disposal

- a. Get trash bags or barrels
- b. See that these are picked up after each day
- c. Check on demster dumpster
- d. Job Jonnies (Start & Finish)
- e. ~~Get adequate tables & chairs~~

2. Gate Committee

- a. Procure stakes
- b. Procure wire (any left from last year)
- c. Procure twine
- d. Check all gates for working conditions
- e. Have flagging to put on wires on bank
- f. Take down gates at end of race

3. Number Committee

- a. See that we have # 1 - 350
- b. Issue the numbers
- c. Collect the numbers
- d. Be sure all numbers in good order

4. Timers

- a. Check on watches
- b. Check on walkie talkie
- c. Write about electric timers
- d. Erect rope around time truck
- e. Check for canopy
- f. Clean score board
- g. Have starting time sheets posted

5. Starters

- a. Check on canopy
- b. Post starting times nearby
- c. Those who are late for start are scratched
- d. Make sure no one talks to starter

6. Gate Judges

- a. Have practice session for all judges
- b. When replacement arrives, work together for 10 minutes
- c. Have someone take food, water & Cokes
- d. Have enough sheets
- e. Discuss rules & whistle with everyone
- f. No more than 4 gates per judge
- g. Complete set of rules, and pass out to helpers and post

7. Traffic Control

- a. Roped-off take out area (10 min. parking)
- b. Rope off highway
- c. Keep traffic moving
- d. Check N. O. C. for their cooperation
- e. No one can park or stop along the road
- f. Get signs from N. C. Highway Patrol

8. Safety Committee

- a. Ropes at at least 4 points on Slalom course
- b. Ropes on 5 places on downriver
- c. Check on raft for rescue
- d. Inner-tubes on end of ropes
- e. Get Safety Patrol & make sure someone always at truck

9. Protest Committee

- a. Be at a specific place all the time
- b. Has complete final say
- c. Have every protestant fill out form & pay then

10. Protocal Committee

- a. Notify county sheriff of dates
- b. Notify State Patrol of dates
- c. Notify Natahala Power Co. of dates
- d. Notify N. O. C. of dates
- e. Notify State Highway Dept. of dates
- f. Notify N. C. Dept. of Parks of dates
- g. Notify U.S. Dept. of Interior
- h. Notify local hospital for stand-by help
- i. Notify American White Water Association
- j. Notify 'all white water clubs in the U. S.
- k. Send thank you letters to all of the above for their cooperation

11. Publicity Committee

- a. Get announcer
- b. Check on Poster (Review black & white slides)
- c. Distribution of entry forms
- d. Find someone to answer questions by applicants
- e. Notify local newspapers and get a reporter there from Atlanta Magazine, Georgia Magazine, Brown's Guide, etc., TV coverage

12. Printing Committee

- a. See about patches
- b. Get brochure reprinted (2 forms this year)
- c. Get posters
- d. Check with lawyer on liability wavier
- e. Get slides for new pictures
- f. Check on sale of posters, etc.

13. Boat Measure and Inspection

- a. All decked boat participants must wear helmet & jacket
- b. Grab loops and painters required

14. Registration

- a. See that all of last year's race people are notified
- b. Have forms printed for mistakes
- c. Have modified random drawings
- d. Make sure no conflict on starting times
- e. Give distant people early starting time
- f. Notify all participants they will have to work
- g. Those who made errors on entry form must be cleared up before June 5, 1974 and by mail, each participant will be notified by mail if there is trouble and must be cleared up by June 1, if the race is to be run
- h. All participants must include a self-addressed and stamped envelope
- i. In case of a closed race, the S.E. people come first

15. Communications

- a. Set up and check public address system for starters (slalom & white water)
- b. Work with Southern Bell and Explorers

16. Award Chairman

- a. Pre-race meeting with contestants
- b. Race awards
- c. Get awards
- d. Get someone from T.V.A.

17. Results Committee

- a. Verify times
- b. Type and print results
- c. Mail out results

