

GEORGIA CANOEING ASSOCIATION

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NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

November 9-11 - ACA Convention - Friday through Sunday

December 1 - GCA Annual Dinner Meeting

Well, this is your editor's swan song after two years; and I appreciate all the excellent help everyone has given me. I know your next editor will do an even better job, and I hope everybody will cooperate as beautifully as they did with me. See you on the rivers!! - Nancy



IMPORTANT NEWS FROM NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The nominating committee submits the following club members for nomination to club office '73 to '74.

President	Cleve Tedford
Vice-President	Bob Goeke
Secretary	Maureen Maloney
Treasurer	Bill Crowley
CruiseMASTER	Dale Bergen
Editor	Mary Ahlberg
Directors at Large	Anna Belle Close & Ross Wilson

All of the above have agreed to serve if elected. - Clyde Woolsey, Chairman.

CHATTOOGA RIVER - Section 3 - Saturday, November 10, 1973

On Saturday, we will run Section 3 from Earl's Ford to Highway 76 bridge. With sufficient water, this trip is the ultimate for the undecked canoe. The trip is 15 miles of Class 3, 4, and 5 rapids with 3 portages around falls. Trip time runs between 7 to 9 hours on the river. Extra flotation and bailers are desirable. This is definitely not a trip for beginners. White water experience required.

Be sure and bring appropriate clothing or wet suits for cool weather.

We will meet at U. S. 76 bridge at 8:30 A.M. sharp to set up shuttle to Earl's Ford. Pre-registration with the trip leader required. Call Tom Hamby - 981-1499 or 763-2568.

CHATTOOGA RIVER - Section 4 - Sunday, November 11, 1973

For information as to class of rapids, length of trip, where to meet and when, please call the trip leader, Claude Terry - 874-7494.

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND (November 22nd through 25th) - Florida River Trips

Rather than arbitrarily set up a trip or two on Florida rivers, as initially planned, we have decided to leave the matter open for discussion. If you are interested in joining or leading a canoe trip in the North Florida or mid-Florida area between November 21st and 26th (the long Thanksgiving weekend), please contact B. D. Cass, in care of Eileen Lange at 355-5811 or Mr. and Mrs. Close at 373-3945. This should be done no later than November 15th if you wish to affect our plans, since I am leaving for the Gulf Coast the following day. However, to check on late registrants, I can call back to Atlanta if a trip has already been arranged. I should be in the Tallahassee area on the 21st, in the Ocala National Forest a day or two later. I have some material on Florida rivers and would appreciate getting more. If even two or three parties are interested, I am sure we can work up at least one good trip, possibly more. We can meet and discuss meeting plans, etc., prior to my leaving, or else arrange things by phone.

The rivers in that area are almost invariably flat, but many of them are good for swimming and diving. They all have rich sub-tropical vegetation and wild life. Suggested trips: Wacissa River, near Tallahassee or the Juniper Springs or Alexander Springs runs in mid-Florida, which are highly recommended. Please join us, if you can make it down that way.

ANNUAL SOCIAL AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS - December 1, 1973

On Saturday, December 1, 1973 at 6:00 p.m. - come and join us at Camp Chattahoochee in Roswell for our annual officer's election and social. Bring your favorite covered dishes - one meat plus one salad, vegetable, or dessert - and a serving spoon. Everything else (silverware, drinks, bread, etc.) will be furnished. Also, if anyone has any movies, bring them along for our entertainment. We hope everyone will take this opportunity to join us for food, films, and fellowship.

HEARING SCHEDULED IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - Washington, D.C.

A House of Representatives subcommittee held a hearing on HR9492 (Chattooga River) and HR10771 (Nolichucky) on October 29, 1973. They would like anyone who has personal knowledge of these rivers to write a letter in quadruplicate stating any unusual experiences you may have had and a brief description of the river as you know it.

Send three (3) copies to: Honorable Roy A. Taylor
Subcommittee on National Parks and Recreation
Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Send one copy to: American Rivers Conservation Council
324 C Street S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

LATE 1973 - EARLY 1973 TRIPS

Winter canoeing on intermediate rivers is a sport in a class of its own. The Closes, who hate to put down their paddles for long weeks at a time, invite you to register with them if you wish to be notified of trips being run between now and the advent of the spring Newsletters. This list will also be available to anyone wishing to get up a trip in the coming season (either weekends or mid-week). Call Anna Belle & Bill Close: 373-3945.

REPORT OF LABOR DAY WEEKEND SPECIAL - Sunday, September 2

Those meeting at Pleasant Hill Road decided to run the Etowah. (Some may have confused the meeting place with the Waffle Shop on Pleasantdale Road - an unfortunate similarity. If so, it's to be hoped that at least two drivers appeared to help one another with shuttling.) The river was running slow and shallow, but the weather was just right with some clouds and a welcome breeze cooling the air. It was inevitable that the canoes dragged from time to time, and the folboat laden with two passengers had a bottom-scraping go of it. Hopefully, fall rains will raise the level of the river before the late October trip.

We picknicked and swam a long time; with the problems on the river, it took us almost 4½ hours for a run that can be done with a large group in 2¼. As tiring as it was, though, it was still fun. Those enjoying the day, the trip, and each other's company were: Bob & Lisa Milledge, Julie Theos; Kirk Roberts; Scott Wilson, Doyle Roberts, Jackie Binion, Bob Milton, Hoppy & Mary Eager, Bill & Boots Schoonover, Marsha Smith & Joe Carini; and Anna Belle & Bill Close.

1973 GCA FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount in treasury on November 1, 1972 \$1447.15

INCOME

Membership Dues	2150.00	
1973 Nantahala Race	1765.00	
Decals & Books	78.98	
Books sold at training session	<u>153.00</u>	
		4146.98

EXPENDITURES

Printing & mailing Newsletters	1598.51	
"Introduction to GCA" Phamphlets	147.66	
1973 Nantahala Race	1234.64	
1973 GCA telephone directory	94.62	
Canoeing and kayaking books	216.15	
Contribution to American Rivers Conservation Council	100.00	
Charlie Patton Commemoration sign	99.19	
Dues to American Canoeing Association	35.00	
Dues to American Whitewater Affiliation	8.00	
Club first aid kits and throw ropes	65.49	
GCA post office box	14.40	
1972 annual social	58.00	
Miscellaneous supplies, etc.	<u>32.02</u>	
		3703.68

Balance in treasury on October 15, 1973 \$1890.45

SECOND ANNUAL WP.P. SOUTHEASTERN INTERCOLLEGIATE CANOE RACE REPORT - Saturday, Oct. 6

This race was held near Morganton, N. C. on the Catawaba river just below Lake James. The race course was only slightly more difficult than the section of the Chattahoochee used for the Dogwood Festival Race. This year the race course was 2½ miles long for all events and was limited to open canoes. Individual events were run in the morning and tandem events in the afternoon. There were two basic divisions, open and intercollegiate.

Hugh Caldwell (of the GCA) and Suwanee University had the largest turnout with between 20 and 30 people complete with "warm-up" suits. Madison College from Virginia had about 10 people in their group. Clemson University had seven people. GCA had three, and I don't know the distribution of the rest. In all, about 90 people registered. Tech was not represented for some reason since they should have done well.

Race results:

C1		TEAM	
Intercollegiate	Open	Intercollegiate	Open
1. Hugh Caldwell	Dave Benson, GCA	Suwanee 222 points	Carolina Canoe Club 42
2. ? Suwanee	?	Clemson 32 "	GCA 39
3. Bob Goeke, GCA	?	Madison 31 "	?

Bob Goeke didn't know the two boys from GCA that were at the race, but he has their medals and will bring them to the annual meeting.

ALCOVY FLOAT TRIP REPORT - Bronston Cass

My thanks to Bob Milton and Ann Jackson who acted as leader and sweep for this trip. Having just heard of the latest episode in a series of tragic family events, I was not up to joining the group that morning and did not have time to locate a new leader by phone.

The river was low, which made the few rapids more difficult than usual. But Bob and an efficient group of assistants helped to prevent any mishaps. The real annoyance was the mazelike log jam toward the end, which slowed down the group considerably, just when they were really getting tired.

Suggestion: May we not rent or borrow a gasoline saw to take along next time to slice through this tangle? The same could be used on the Toccoa which has a single log that rides at exactly the proper level to cause trouble - and in fairly deep water which makes it worse. Surely the neighboring landowners could make no valid objection, and it would prevent possible damming by the accumulation of more debris.

In our group were: Sarah and Allison Wood, Bob and Betty Alden, Bronwyn, Carter, and Tommy Fowlkes, Stuart, Tom, and Elizabeth Kingma, Milton and Judy Nickaman, Lee and Bonnie Kaufman, Bob and Mildred Jacobs, Steve Francis, Rita O'Neal, Ruth Skaggs, Carl Lieberman, Mike Lynberg, James Wilkins, Charlotte Little, Ann Jackson, Alvin and Sherrie Mathews, Gene, Connie, Craig, and Bob Milton, Mary Ann Orr and Adrienne, Sam, John, and Katy Ammerman, and Ernest and Connie Dunbar.

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FOR SALE

Downriver kayak - \$200 - breaks my heart to sell, but Western Fork of River of Life and economic conditions deem it necessary. David Truran - 874-9038. (Area code 404).

Almost new Hahn C-1 MOLD - \$250. Contact Martin Begun at home phone or by mail. P. O. Box 285, Decherd, Tenn. 37324. Phone - 615-649-5195.

One Femat Kayak in good condition (no patches) approximately one year in age for \$175. Contact Donald Downing at 588-7454 or 875-1743 (home).

One (1) new Norse 81", right hand control, spoon blade kayak paddle - \$30. Call Harry Collins - 366-4315 after 6:00.

Sam (Woody) Norwood has arranged for a 20% discount for GCA members on the purchase of expedition-quality goose down sleeping bags and clothing as well as backpacking tents. Sam and Julie have used this equipment on trips to Colorado and the Georgia mountains. For information, call Woody or Julie at 252-8213 or 256-9536.

