

# THE GEORGIA CANOEING LETTER

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Anna Belle: Attached list of approx. 106 names are all paid up members except as noted. When enclosed 20-address list is added, all paid members on file are accounted for.

## REMAINING TRIPS AND EVENTS

GCA - Saturday, September 20, 1969, Etowah River.

South Carolina Sierra Club, September 28, 1969, upper Chattooga training session.

GCA - Appalachian Trail Club (Joint) November 27-30, 1969  
Okefenokee Swamp

## TRIP AND MEETING REPORTS

CHATTOOGA TRIP, LOWER SECTION, August 23rd --- Ross Wilson, Reporting

Because of the heavy rains and consequent danger, the planned trip on section four (as classified in Randy Carter's book) of the Chattooga was scratched and the cruise was on section three. This very interesting section was made much more so by the swollen waters, and somewhat resembled the Nantahala, with waves two or three feet high. It is enough to say that even some of the youngest and strongest were weary at the end.

Things being that way, all went solo, eight canoes, eight persons. Those attending were Bill Crawford, Bill Dunlap, Payson Kennedy, Aurelia Kennedy, Frank Hatfield, Claude Terry, Clyde Woolsey, and Ross Wilson.

## ~~GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING, SEPTEMBER 5TH~~

A general business meeting and a session of canoeing movies and slides was held September 5, 1969, at the Atlanta Federal Savings & Loan Building.

Following the treasurer's report, Horace Holden reported on the Nantahala Race and presented a check for \$235.00, representing entrance fees, to the treasury.

A nominating committee, Bill Close, Don Shedd, and Ross Wilson ~~was~~ named for the November meeting.

GCA's fine showing in the Hiwassee River Race was reported and Payson Kennedy mentioned various other races coming up this fall.

Members were pleased to learn from, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation representative Don Shedd of efforts by government agencies to acquire the land around the Nantahala River Slalom Course for a permanent Slalom.

Two items of business carried were obtaining a P. O. Box for the club and the purchase or assembly of a first aid kit at a cost not to exceed \$50.00.

#### REMAINING TRIPS

*Chattahoochee* ETOWAH, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1969. Eight Miles, leader; A. B. Close, Co-Leader: Bill Close.

Picture a river--cool and clear. Picture it's banks--verdant and lush. Picture it's waters--frothy and brisk, and you've pictured the Etowah tumbling in wait for your paddle to dip in it's autumnal call. Here is a river to match everyone's need--not too rough and yet with a challenge that gathers together the GCA tribe, from expert to novice, in large numbers whenever we run.

Meet on it's banks where highway 52 bridges it's course in  
*255 Bridges the Chattahoochee @ 11:00 A.M*

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Lumpkin County (just out of Dahlonega) at ~~10:30~~ a. m. But register first with one of the Closes (Telephone: 373-3945) in case there develops a forced change of plans. You'll need lunch, of course, and life preserver (in main, to comply with Georgia law, as it's pleasure, not danger, that awaits you); and perhaps bring bug repellent, for summer's practically over.

The Etowah can be reached by going to Dahlonega and coming west on 19 to 52 and taking 52 to where it crosses the Etowah. --OR--Go to Cumming by the most convenient method and take Highway 19 North to Highway 52. Turn left and go to where the River crosses the highway.

#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Roger Losier announced a trip. Thanksgiving weekend, November 27, 28, 29 and 30, in the Okefenokee Swamps, in connection with the Appalachian Trail Club. Contact Roger for more information or to sign up. (451-5133)

For those interested, the TUA is reproducing the film of the Nantahala Race. It may be obtained from the Chattanooga chapter, American Red Cross.

Anyone wishing to attend a training session sponsored by the South Carolina Sierra Club on the easy Upper Chatooga run, September 28th, please contact Claude Terry (874-7494).

We were pleased to have with us several members of the Atlanta Ski Club and hope to see more of them next Spring.