



June GCA Meeting

The June GCA meeting will be on Thursday, June 21 (the third Thursday of the month), at 7:30 PM at the Garden Hills Community Center in Buckhead. The program will feature Margery Diamond doing an interactive, participatory session on outdoor living skills. Attendees will get an opportunity to try their hand at matchless fires, foraging for edibles, trying out some tracking techniques, and learning about night vision. Those who wish can create cordage from a natural fiber. Learn about shelters that can be made from debris and will keep a person safe and dry in the worst of storms. Plant and tree recognition activities will also be included.

Margery Diamond is a professional educator with over 25 years of experience. She has taught both adults and children in classrooms and organizations. The past three summers, Ms. Diamond taught nature and outdoor living skills to over 1,600 campers and counselors at New Jersey Y Camps in Milford, Pennsylvania, and Camp Coleman in Cleveland, Georgia. She has developed a "Torah Point Trail Guide" to influence others to see and understand the coupling of Judaism and nature in an innovative and exciting format. Her love of the outdoors combined with her spirituality results in a master teacher who inspires and motivates her followers.

MS Diamond holds a BS degree in Education from Georgia State University with credentials in Early Childhood and Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages. She trained in wilderness survival skills with Dr. Gabe Goldman of the Jewish Nature Center and with Ray Rentze, a Certified Maine Master Guide. Her outdoor experience includes guided travel on many wilderness waters. A partial list includes the Copper River in Alaska; the New River in West Virginia; the Allagash in northern Maine; the Altamaha, Ocoee, Chattahoochee, Chestatee, Etowah, and Chattooga rivers in Georgia; the Everglades and the Georgia Coast. She has hiked parts of the Appalachian Trail in Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, and Maine. As a published outdoor photographer, she continues to explore and experience the beauty of the natural world.



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A sincere "Thank You" to all our Race Crew volunteers who helped out with the Southeasterns. See the series of race articles and photo displays in the "Race Watch" section beginning on page 7.

Late breaking news on Hiwassee releases for the summer — see page 15.



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Who Ya Gonna Call?

The following list is provided for your convenience:

For general information about the club - Call the club telephone

number, 770.421.9729, and leave a message. Someone will get back to you.

To volunteer to help with club activities - Call President Brannen Proctor at 770.664.7384 or contact the committee chairperson for your area of interest.

For information on payment of dues or membership status - Call Treasurer Ed Schultz at 404.266.3734.

To sign up for a club trip - Call the trip coordinator at the number listed on the activity list.

To sign up to lead a club trip - Call Cruisemaster Jim Griffin at 770.498.3695.

For change of address or for *Eddy Line* subscription

information - Call Ed Schultz at 404.266.3734.

If you didn't receive your *Eddy Line* - Call Ed Schultz at 404.266.3734.

For information on GCA clinics - Call the clinic coordinator listed on the clinic schedule, or call Training Director Gina Johnson at 770.971.1542.

For information on winter roll practice - Call Revel Freeman at 404.261.8572.

For information on placing want ads in *The Eddy Line* - Call Newsletter Editor Allen Hedden at 770.426.4318, or see "To place an ad" in the Want Ad section of *The Eddy Line*.

For information on commercial ads - Call Advertising Director Jim Kautz at 770.321.9826 or Newsletter Editor Allen Hedden at 770.426.4318.

For information on videos and books available from the GCA Library - Call GCA Librarian Denise Colquitt at 770.854.6636. ✂

Board of Directors Meetings

The Georgia Canoeing Association Board of Directors meetings are held on the first Thursday of even months (February, April, etc.) from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Atlanta Botanical Garden, located on Piedmont Road at the Prado, next to Piedmont Park. All members are encouraged to attend. If you have an item for discussion, please call GCA President Brannen Proctor at 770.664.7384 so he can add your item to the agenda. Attending Board meetings is a great way to become more involved with the GCA. ✂

GCA Executive Committee

President	Brannen Proctor
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River Protection Chair	Julia Franks
Training Chair	Gina Johnson

Submitting *Eddy Line* Material

Deadline for material to be submitted for publication in the next *Eddy Line* is the fifth of the month, i.e., for the January issue, material should be submitted no later than December fifth. The editor must receive all articles, trip reports and want ads by the deadline or they MAY NOT be published in the next issue. To submit material via EMAIL, send to gacanoec@mindspring.com. The text of an article can be placed in the body of a message, and photo images can be attached to the message as attached files. To submit material via COMPUTER DISK submit articles or trip reports on a 5-1/4 or 3-1/2 inch IBM/DOS formatted disk as an ASCII text file labeled with a ".txt" file extension, or as a text file on a 3-1/2 inch high density MacIntosh formatted disk, and include a printed copy (Disks returned only if requested). To submit material via U.S. MAIL, send to: **Allen Hedden, 2923 Piedmont Drive, Marietta, GA 30066**. All classified ads will be run for two months unless otherwise requested. Hand-written or phoned in material CANNOT be accepted. Contact Newsletter Editor **Allen Hedden at 770.426.4318** for questions. Thanks for your cooperation. ✂

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES



June			
2	Leader's Choice	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Charles Clark 770.998.9544
2	Exploratory (Note 1)	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Ray Channell 404.636.5944
2	Chattooga Section 3	Class 3-4 Advanced	Clay Noble 770.655.2843
3	Toccoa	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Charles Bruce 770.974.2481
7	Board of Directors Meeting — Members Invited —	Atlanta Botanical Garden	Brannen Proctor 770.664.7384
9	Hiwassee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Paul Lund 770.271.7360
9	Toccoa	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Margo Booth 770.487.8084
9	Nantahala	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Patrick Gourley 770.422.1689
9	Ocoee	Class 3-4 Advanced	Roscoe Sharpe 706.276.4691
9	Wild Card	Class 3-4 Advanced	Mark Levine 770.971.5866
10	Nacoochee Chattahoochee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Tom Martin 770.662.0058
10	Upper Chattahoochee	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Becca Brown 404.634.5612
15	Ocoee (Friday)	Class 3-4 Advanced	Allen Hedden 770.426.4318
16	Hiwassee (Note 2)	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Brannen Proctor 770.664.7384
16	Nantahala	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Mike Huff 706.342.9879
16	Chattooga (Note 3)	Class 3-4 Advanced	Roger Nott 770.536.6923
17	Hiwassee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Jack Taylor 770.998.0350
17	Nacoochee Chattahoochee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Connie Venuso 404.633.8038
19	Nantahala (Tuesday)	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Mike McDonough 770.988.0717
21	Club Meeting — Entertainment — Fun — Garden	Hills Community Center	Kay Redmond 404.237.7242
23	Leader's Choice	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Lois Hogan 770.592.6421
23	Cartecay	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Edward Stockman 770.441.9767
23	Nantahala	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Tony Colquett 770.854.6636
23	Upper Ocoee (Note 4)	Class 3-4 Advanced	Duncan Cottrell 770.720.6269
24	Broad	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Bonnie Semora 706.543.3958
24	Upper Mountaintown Creek	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Terry Newlon 706.276.3552
24	Leader's Choice	Class 3-4 Advanced	Revel Freeman 404.261.8572
24	Metro Chattahoochee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	William Gatling 770.516.0852
30	Hiwassee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Maggie Griffin 770.498.3695
30	Sweet Water Creek	Class 3-4 Advanced	David Holcomb 770.942.0549

July			
1	Tuckasegee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	David Welden 770.985.8883
1	Hiwassee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Maggie Griffin 770.498.3695
5	New River Gorge (WV) (Thursday) (Note 5)	Class 3-4 Advanced	Louis Boulanger 404.373.4775
6	New River Gorge (WV) (Friday) (Note 5)	Class 3-4 Advanced	Louis Boulanger 404.373.4775
7	Hiwassee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Mike Kaplan 770.455.4757
7	Broad	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Nancy Barker 404.874.8897
7	New River Gorge (WV) (Note 5)	Class 3-4 Advanced	Louis Boulanger 404.373.4775
9	Ocoee (Monday)	Class 3-4 Advanced	Allen Hedden 770.426.4318
14	Hiwassee	Class 1-2 Trained Beginner	Ray Channell 404.636.5944
14	Nantahala	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Roger Toebben 770.804.9416
14	Little River Canyon (AL) Chair-lift Section	Class 3-4 Advanced	Clay Noble 770.655.2843
15	Cartecay	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Edward Stockman 770.441.9767
15	Nantahala	Class 2-3 Intermediate	Roger Toebben 770.804.9416
19	Club Meeting — Entertainment — Fun — Garden	Hills Community Center	Kay Redmond 404.237.7242
21	Lake Tugalo (Note 6)	Flat Water	Steve Cramer 706.208.8382
28	Ocoee (Afternoon trip)	Class 3-4 Advanced	Jim Tibbetts/Julia Franks 404.875.8503

Note 1: Upper Chestatee water permitting.

Note 2: Paddle with the Prez.

Note 3: Clean-up trip -- Thrift's Ferry to Highway 76.

Note 4: Will run Upper if water available.

Note 5: Make reservations for camping at Mountain State Park, 800.252.7784.

Note 6: 4 mile flat water paddle.

Signing Up: Call the trip coordinator listed to sign up for trips. Call early in the week to ensure you get a spot on the trip, and in consideration for the coordinators, PLEASE avoid calling late in the evening.

Training Trips are a combination of recreation and training designed to attract those boaters who have completed a formal training clinic and would like some on-the-river time with instructors practicing what you learned in the clinic and expanding your skill level.

To Volunteer To Lead Trips: Call the Cruisemaster, Jim Griffin, at 770.498.3695. As usual, we need trip coordinators for all types of trips, from flat water to class 5 white water. Our excellent trip schedule depends on the efforts of volunteers, so get involved and sign up to coordinate a trip on your favorite river today! The GCA needs YOU!

Chattooga Trips are limited to 12 boats on ANY section on ANY trip, club trip or private (USFS regulation). Your cooperation in protecting this National Wild and Scenic River is appreciated.

Roll Practice: Wednesday evenings from 6:00 until dark May thru October at the lake at Stone Mountain Park. See announcement in this issue of *The Eddy Line*.

GCA Library Items

The GCA Library has many videotapes and books available to any GCA member. All you have to do is call GCA Librarian Denise Colquitt at 770.854.6636 to find out what is available. The cost is \$3.00 per tape or book for postage and handling.

Any / all donations or loans to the library are welcome. (Please, no bootleg video copies.) Send them to:

Denise Colquitt
3794 Glenloch Road
Franklin, GA 30217

The following items are currently available:

Videos:

Canoes by Whitesell
Cold, Wet & Alive
Expedition Earth
Faultline (Will Reeves)
First Descents (North Fork Payette)
Grace Under Pressure (learning the kayak roll)
Introduction to Canoeing
Kayak Handling-The Basic Strokes
Mohawk Canoes (promotional w/detailed boat outfitting instructions)
Mohawk Whitewater Canoes (promotional w/detailed outfitting instructions)
Only Nolan (Promotional, Canoe Technique)
Path of the Paddle: Quiet Water
Path of the Paddle: White Water
Performance Sea Kayaking (the basics & beyond)

Solo Playboating!
The C-1 Challenge
Vortex -- low cost storm water sampler
Waterwalker (Bill Mason)
Whitewater Self Defense

Books:

A Canoeing and Kayaking Guide to the Streams of Florida
A Canoeing & Kayaking Guide to the Streams of Kentucky
A Canoeing and Kayaking Guide to the Streams of Ohio, Vols I & II
A Canoeing & Kayaking Guide to the Streams of Tennessee-Vol I & II
A Hiking Guide to the Trails of Florida
A Paddler's Guide to the Obed Emory Watershed
ACA Canoeing & Kayaking Instructors Guide
Alabama Canoe Rides
AMC White Water Handbook
American Red Cross Canoeing & Kayaking
Arkansas information (assorted)
Basic River Canoeing
Brown's Guide to Georgia
Buyer's Guide 1993 (Canoe Magazine)
Buyer's Guide 1994 (Paddler Magazine)
Buyer's Guide 1996 (Paddler Magazine)
California Whitewater - A Guide to the Rivers
Canoe Racing (Marathon & Down River)
Canoeing Wild Rivers
Carolina Whitewater (Western Carolina)
Endangered Rivers & the Conservation Movement
Florida information (assorted)

Georgia Monintains
Idaho Whitewater
Indiana Canoeing Guide
Kentucky Wild Rivers
Missouri Ozark Waterways
Northern Georgia Canoe Guide
Ohio County Maps & Recreational Guide
Paddle America (Guide to trips & outfitters)
Paddle to the Amazon - The World's Longest Canoe Trip
Paddling SC-Palmetto State River Trails
Path of the Paddle
People Protecting Rivers
Pole, paddle & Portage
River Rescue
River Safety Anthology
River's End (Stories)
Sea Kayaking Canada's West Coast
Song of the Paddle
Southeastern Whitewater
Southern Georgia Canoeing
The Georgia Conservancy Guide to the North
The Lower Canyons of the Rio Grande
The Mighty Mulberry-A Canoeing Guide
They Shoot Canoes, Don't they?
White Water Tales of Terror
WhiteWaterTrips (British Columbia & Washington)
Wildwater (Sierra Club Guide)
WildwaterWestVirginia
Youghiogheny-Appalachian River

Maps:

The Big S. Fork

Announcements

GCA Email List

The member response to the GCA email list has been great. We have at this printing over 300 subscribers. Thanks to Mike Kaplan and our friends at Kaplan Communications (an Internet Access Provider) for providing software and server space for the GCA email list.



Here's how the list works:

By sending an email to "gacanoes@flipper.kapcom.com" you automatically reach all subscribers to the list with the message. Anyone can use the address — it's just another email address — and all subscribers will get the email. The list is an "open list", i.e., anyone can subscribe to it mechanically by sending an email to "majordomo@flipper.kapcom.com" and on the first line of the body of the message type:

subscribe gacanoes

You will receive a verification that you are subscribed and a welcome message with instructions on how

to unsubscribe and various other commands available through the service. Be sure to save this information for future reference.

All GCA announcements and forwarded email from other sources concerning new river access issues, late breaking news items of interest to the paddling community, etc., will be sent out via the GCA email list at gacanoes@flipper.kapcom.com. If you want to receive any of this information, please subscribe to the list using the above instructions. Also, don't be shy about using the list to send out or to request information about paddling related topics, rivers you're interested in, etc.

By the way, should you change or lose your email ID, please take a minute to "unsubscribe" your old ID and/or to "subscribe" your new one. ✂

GCA Web Page

Check it out at <http://www.georgiacanoes.org>. We are continually adding information and links of value to paddlers. Send your ideas for updates to Allen Sinquefeld by using the e-mail link for WebGuy at the site. ✂

OCOEE # 3 FINAL SCHEDULE OF RELEASES FOR 2001

January 2001						
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June 2001						
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September 2001						
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alternative computer training days and years subject to change

with release printing 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. total time

high suspension floors to be determined
 (May event - 1-5, 1-10 trucks and 1-100 Mainwells & Rods)
 (Sept-100 every - Work Cup Championship)

Pigeon River Release Schedule

Memorial Day through Labor Day:

Tuesday: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Thursday: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday: Noon - 6 p.m.

The number for the release schedule recording is 800.899.4435.

Need an Internet Service Provider?

If you plan to sign up with an internet service provider for the first time, or if you plan to change providers, and are considering MindSpring as your choice, you can do your paddling club a big favor. When you call to sign up, tell the MindSpring sales rep you were referred by Georgia Canoeing Association and we will receive a \$20.00 credit toward our monthly ISP subscription cost. You will need to give them the GCA email ID — gacanoec@mindspring.com — for us to receive the proper credit. Thanks for your help!

Get *The Eddy Line* Via Email

The Eddy Line is now available via email as a .pdf (portable document format) file. This format allows subscribers to view formatted text, graphics, page layout — virtually the entire *Eddy Line* — just as it appears in printed form. Plus you can see it at least a couple of weeks before the printed copy arrives via snail mail. You can also print out a paper copy of the .pdf file and it looks just like the snail mail copy (except most of the photos are in living color).

The .pdf version requires only Adobe Acrobat Reader (or some equivalent) software in order to view it. Acrobat Reader is usually present on most PCs running Windows 95 or Windows 98, or can be downloaded for free from the Adobe web site at <http://www.adobe.com>.

To subscribe to the email version of *The Eddy Line*, send a request via snail mail to (& enclose a check for \$5.00 made out to GCA):

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Atlanta, GA 30305

Or on your annual renewal form, just check the block for the *Electronic Eddy Line* and include the extra \$5.00 with your check for your annual dues.

In either case, BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS so we can send *The Eddy Line* to you electronically. ✂

***Electronic Eddy Line* Email Failures**

Not getting your electronic version of *The Eddy Line*? The following email IDs had mail failure notices for the April *Electronic Eddy Line* mailing. Send any corrections or changes to Ed Schultz, 3060 Pharr Court North #315, Atlanta, GA 30305, or call Ed at 404.266.3734, or

you may email him at heloeddy@mindspring.com.

Failed email IDs:

g.burchell@sca-atl.com	Local configuration error
eugene_lev@yahoo.com	Account is over quota
fournaris@mindspring.com	User unknown
umaier@ldek.com	User unknown ✂

Summer Roll Practice

Joint AWC / GCA Summer Roll Practice will be held at Stone Mountain Lake this year beginning in May and running through the end of daylight savings time in October. Sessions are sched-



uled for Wednesdays at 6:00 (or earlier). Admission is free once you enter the park (a season pass is highly recommended if you plan to attend multiple sessions).

To get there, enter the park from the Stone Mountain Freeway (East Entrance) and take the first left. Continue about a mile until the road crosses the dam and take the first right into the parking lot. The boat ramp is on the right.

Use the area around the ramp to load and unload boats only. There is a fair amount of power boat traffic putting in and taking out at the ramp. Once in the water, try to stay clear of the ramp for the same reason.

Note: Park regulations do not allow "swimming" at this location, so if you are in the water spotting for someone, an explanation to the park officials may be in order. So far no one has been cited for a violation there.

Volunteers are needed to help with kayak, canoe and C-1 rolling. Your help is appreciated! ✂

Upcoming Events of Interest

June 1-3 — Lanier Paddlefest 2001 — Lake Lanier, Gainesville, GA, Connie Hagler, 770.287.7888, ConHagler@aol.com.

June 30 — U.S. Junior Olympic Southeast Qualifier Race, Bryson City, NC — Island Park on the Tuckaseegee River, Nantahala Racing Club (NRC) 828.488.2176 ext. 108 or email rhino@main.nc.us.

July 5-6 — Dixie Division Camp Challenge and Mini-Camp, Bryson City, NC — Slalom and Wildwater — A competition specifically for kids from some of the many summer camps here in the mountains, Nantahala Racing Club (NRC) 828.488.2176 ext. 108 or email rhino@main.nc.us.

July 14 — US National Junior Olympics Slalom Race, Bryson City, NC — Island Park on the Tuckasiegee River, Nantahala Racing Club (NRC) 828.488.2176 ext. 108 or email rhino@main.nc.us.

July 21 — Georgia Games State Championships for Canoe / Kayak — Lake Lanier, Gainesville, GA, Connie Hagler, 770.287.7888, ConHagler@aol.com.

July 30 - August 2 — White Water Open Canoe Down River National Championships — Ohiopyle, PA, Mid-Atlantic Paddlers Association, Ed Sharp, 540.752.5400.

August 4-5 — NRC Wild Water National Championships — Pigeon River, TN, Nantahala Racing Club (NRC) 828.488.2176 ext. 108 or email rhino@main.nc.us.

August 7-12 — USCA National Championships — Sprint & Marathon, Lake Lanier, Gainesville, GA, Connie Hagler, 770.287.7888, ConHagler@aol.com.

August 16-19 — Open Canoe Slalom National Championships — Carlton, MN, 218.726.6177, rcarlso6@d.umn.edu.

September 20-23 — Deeked Boat Slalom World Championships — Ocoee River, TN, email media@ocoewhitewater.com.

October 12-14 — Southwestern Canoe Rendezvous — Lake Raven, Huntsville State Park, TX, Jim Null, medislide@earthlink.net.

October 26-28 — NOC Guest Appreciation Festival —

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Nantahala River, NC, NOC Programs Office 888.662.1662, www.noc.com.

December 1 — NRC Jiffy Slalom — Bryson City, NC, Island Park on the Tuckasiegee River, part of Bryson City's holiday time festivities, Nantahala Racing Club (NRC) 828.488.2176 ext. 108 or email rhino@main.nc.us.

December 2 — NRC Wildwater Races — Season Finale on the Tuckaseegee Gorge, NC, Nantahala Racing Club (NRC) 828.488.2176 ext. 108 or email rhino@main.nc.us.

August 6-10 2003 — Lanier Canoe 2003 Sprint World Championships — Lake Lanier, Gainesville, GA, Connie Hagler, 770.287.7888, ConHagler@aol.com. ✂

USCA National Championships

The 2001 USCA National Championships will be held at the Lake Lanier Olympic Venue in Gainesville, Georgia, August 7-12, 2001. This is the first time Lanier has hosted this event. It's a fun combination of Youth and Adult Sprint Races - 500 and 250 M, the USCA Orienteering National Championships, the USCA Outrigger Sprint National Championships, and most importantly, THE Marathon National Championships for both USCA and ICF classifications of boats.

More information will be posted on our web site. The detailed schedule is posted now. On line registration will be coming soon!

For more information contact:

Connie Hagler

Lanier Canoe & Kayak Club

www.lckc.org

770.287.7888 voice

770.287.3444 fax



Race Watch



Scene at the Races — Race photo by ✂ Marvin Cole.

Race Go-ers Get Massage, Donate to Breast Cancer Research

by Elaine Seyman, CMT, CNMT

Saturday, May 5th. It was an evening to delight the senses on the deck of the Nantahala Village. The view of the trees and mountains was beautiful. Warm air (and only a few mosquitoes!) brushed our skin. The food was tasty, the pine/river scent refreshing, and the bluegrass music invigorating. As I set up my massage chair, I gave thanks for the setting and the people.

During the day I'd worked at the scoring table. We helped verify the start list and filled out the scoring sheets. Then throughout the day, we gathered and recorded scores from the gate judges and times from the time-keepers, adding and posting results by category. When the radios at start and finish broke down, it became challenging to pull the correct scoring sheet as the racers came down the course. And since timing sheets now had to be physi-



Scene at the Races — Race photos by Sam Blackwell

cally carried from the start to the timers at the finish line, and timers, while continuing to time racers currently on the course, had to manually convert scores, our ability to record times and post results slowed dramatically. Still, everyone on the crew pulled together to deal with the difficulties in a very positive and mature manner. I am glad to be associated with people like this.

Now it was evening, and we were resting from our labors of the day at the Awards Dinner, just a few miles down river from where the race had taken place. Knowing how good it feels (and how healthy it is!) to get a massage after a stressful day, I set up my massage chair and invited folks to donate to the Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day in exchange for their massage.

I was gratified to find many people eager to donate to this worthy cause and to receive massage! (And I would have had more "massage-ees" if it hadn't been for the lateness of the hour.) Together we raised ninety dollars! That may not sound like much, but in the fight to prevent this disease, every little bit helps.

And it is a fight. According to the American Cancer Society, over 180,000 women in the United States will be

diagnosed with breast cancer this year, and over 40,000 will die. Breast cancer is the most common form of cancer in women in the US and the leading cause of death among women between the ages of 40 and 55. Every woman is at risk and, although not common, breast cancer can strike men too.

We have GCA members who have been affected by this disease, as has my own family. As a crew member on the Massage Team for last year's Atlanta 3-Day, I was privileged to massage many courageous breast cancer survivors and other supporters as they walked 60 miles in 3 days from Lake Lanier to Piedmont Park (much of day 2 in the drenching rain!). It was truly inspirational.

This year's Atlanta 3-Day event is October 5-7th. I am again serving on the Massage Team. If you would like to make a donation to my fundraising, please call me (Elaine Seyman, 404.786.5648) and I can mail or fax you a pledge form. For more information on Avon's breast cancer crusade, visit www.avoncrusade.com on the web. Thank you for your support! I had a great time at the races and I look forward to helping again next year. Stay healthy out there. SYOTR! ✂



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Our Thanks to the Race Crew

by Gabriella Schlidt

Being charged with recruiting volunteers for the Southeasterns Race Crew this year gave me a great opportunity to get acquainted with some new folks. Though I had hoped to meet everyone and be able to put a face with a name by the end of the race, some of you unfortunately remain familiar only on paper. Sorry I didn't get to meet each of you in person.

Some of you were so very responsive and willing to help out that it outright put a warm, fuzzy feeling in my heart. And one person hung up on me twice in a row. This made me so acutely aware of my 'way too tender feelings — I could never make it as a telephone solicitor! Thank goodness this was the rare exception and not the rule.

I wanted to thank each and every one of you for helping out and donating your valuable time, especially in these days when time is something most everyone lacks, with our busy and hectic work and family schedules. Many thanks also to the ACE family members who helped out, and all the others who helped out that aren't even

affiliated with the club.

As you know, this year was a "tuffie". There have been several years in the past when the race was threatened and/or almost didn't happen. This year was almost another of them. As you may be aware, the original 2001 Race Master had to resign early on due to illness. This left Brannen (the Buck Stops Here) Proctor, our President, as impromptu Race Master! Brannen masterfully rose to the occasion and put the race organization together. Then at the race, the rented communication system fell apart, with radios and batteries malfunctioning, causing many of the volunteers lots of grief. I'm sure their number of gray hairs doubled during the race!

I appreciate everyone's patience during the lapses and delays caused by the communications problems, both volunteers and racers. I heard several comments about how good the gate judges were at staying at their posts. So from a racer's standpoint (I'm an addict), I really want to thank you all, because you guys really made it happen.

I just got some great news — we already have a Race Master for next year — Gina Johnson — and she is determined to pursue the race with an organizational



Scene at the Races — Race photos by Marvine Cole

vengeance! She has declared war on the communications system and made it a number one priority to have an infallible system in place for next year's race.

From this year's volunteers, I would like to find out what you thought went well, and more important, what could be improved, and how we could make it easier on the volunteers in the future. We are trying to troubleshoot 'way ahead this time in order to make next year's race a slick one! You can call, or drop me a line via snail mail if you would, with any feedback that you think we could use.

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Or you can email our new Race Master, Gina Johnson, at gwminc@mindspring.com. Your input is crucial to the success of next year's race. Thanks so much for your help!!! ✂

Southeasterns Retrospective

by Brannen Proctor, 2001 Race Master

Thanks to all the volunteers who made this year's Southeastern Championships a success. It was not the smoothest of races, with the radio communications experiencing repeated interruptions, and a number of key positions held by first-timers. But in the end, all competitors had the opportunity to take their runs. And the weather was outstanding.

My special thanks goes out to the committee chairs who worked hard not only on race weekend, but also in the weeks leading up to the race:

Knox Worde, Registrar
Gabriella Schlidt and Virginia Balbona, Volunteer Coordinators
Becca Brown, Hospitality
Marvine Cole, Race T-shirts
Melissa Freeman and Kelly Gregor, Raffle Ticket Sales
Jason Schnurr, Course Construction
Jim Griffin, Scoring
Maggie Griffin, Timing
Steve Cramer, Chief Judge

Thanks to those who came up early to do course construction and headquarters construction on Thursday and Friday. And thanks to those who stayed around and did course take-down and headquarters take-down on Sunday.

Finally, thanks to all the race crew volunteers and race competitors, who endured a long day on Saturday to complete the slalom races in one day as planned.

A very special thanks to Roger Toebben who graciously volunteered to handle the thankless job of grilling the hamburgers and hotdogs for the Awards Dinner on Saturday night. Great job, Roger!

And I was particularly heartened by those who, last Sunday morning, were already talking about next year's race: how to encourage more volunteers and how to make the race better than ever in 2002! ✂

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A Trip Away from the Geezers!!!

by **Melissa Freeman**

On Sunday, April 22, we had our first teen paddle. We had 8 teenagers and 1 adult. Our trip leader was Steven Shoaff, who is an excellent boater as we all saw that day. Then there was Ike Roy who had a few flips on the Ocoee — wait.... I mean the Cartecay. There was only one swim and that was by Charlie Mix. He seemed to be having a fun time in the water. Kelly Gregor and I had a great time as the only girls. But where are the GIRLS!!!! Although the boys were better [boaters] than us, we didn't care. We were all to have a fun time. We will probably have another teen paddle in June. So give me a call at 404.261.8572.

P.S. No Canoes or Geezers!



and Frank Bell rapids, the last of which is a class four. This section of river (Bernard to Stack House) is a step up from the Nantahala river, and if you have run the Nantahala lots, I recommend trying out this river.

The next day, I headed a GCA trip to the Big Pigeon River from Waterville to Hartford, Tennessee. Oreon Mann, Bill Morrison, Bill Calhoun, (all OC-1s) Tim Branscomb and I (both K-1s) got there at 11 AM, and the river was very low indeed. It was running under 500 cfs, and I have heard

that 500 is about minimum. I have run it down to 800 cfs, and it was fine. But the constable at the guard house said that the power plant would release 1,200 cfs starting at 1:00 PM, and this is the normal summer release.

So, we all went up to Big Creek to check that out and kill some time (it is a class 4/5 run, and only runs after it rains a lot — is 5 miles from the Big Pigeon put-in), then we headed back to the put-in and ran our shuttle. We picked up another boater during shuttle who told us that LOTS of water was coming down the riverbed (over the dam) through the Pigeon Dries. He said 2,000 cfs was headed our way. And it was there before we even got to the put-in.

"LO Water/HI Water/Any Water Is Good Water"

by **Susan Oehler**

We had a wonderful day on the river on May 11, 2001, when Susan Boyd, Britton Boyd, Tim Branscomb and I (all K-1s) went down Section 9 of the French Broad at 1000 cfs (Marshall gauge). This is somewhat low water, and was 6 inches under the platform at the put-in. Boy, we had a terrific day on the river.

The weather was beautiful, the scenery was beautiful, almost no one was there, and everyone ran everything very well. It was the first time for my three trip participants, and they really liked the river. We only went down as far as Stack House, due to the low water mainly. The section of the river known as "windy flats" (below Stack House) is rather a pain when the water is low, because of the wind and the fact that it gets very shallow.

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The water looked like weak coffee or milk chocolate, which is very different for the Big Pigeon River. Normally, during a summer release from the power plant, the water is very dark and smelly. This water comes from the bottom of the dam, and reportedly has dioxins in it. During the last six months, water has come over the top of the dam, since they were working on the power plant (no sign of that now, btw). This water is very clear, and smells great.

Well, this high water made me, the trip leader, rather nervous. I had three first timers with me, and three OC-1s... plus, I did not know if there would be more water or not from the power plant. Plus, I had only run it once, years ago, at a higher than normal release.... yikes. Those open canoes can go quite far when they are full of water, have no operator, and have a good current.... and the current was quite good at this time on the Pigeon.

Razor rock was nearly buried, Snapdragon almost washed out.... but on the whole, the rapids are easier with more water, just got bigger holes and waves. The big hole on river left at the bridge rapid was also washed out. I felt more like a probe boat (which I like) than a trip leader (but not in this situation).

I had everyone head left to the sneak route at Lost Guide, to avoid the big hole in the middle, I told them

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about the undercut rock on river left, but said there is no current there to speak of.... well, I was wrong.

At this level there is current there, but everyone had enough boat control to catch the eddy above this current and ferry over to the side of the big hole and go on down the rest of the drop. Normally the rest of the drop is nothing, just a hole to play in at the very bottom. Today, there is a wave on river right here, and a hole on river left.

There was a play boater surfing on the wave on the right side of this part of the rapid, so I decided to be nice and totally avoid him and go left..... I won't be doing that again. That is the last time this year I change my line to avoid some kayaker playing, I can tell you that. I went left, nearly cleared the hole, and then got sucked back in and flipped. I bailed, knowing there was just a pool here, and Tim got my boat over, I lost a bootie, but all was well (except that the trip leader should not swim!).

We ate lunch, then all went back up to this wave to surf and play some more. Bill C. was surfing the wave, and then got sucked into the same hole that flipped me, and then it flipped him. He came up beside his canoe, then went under his canoe, and then was gone from sight for a very long time. A rope had been set, but the rope person could not throw a rope to someone he could not even see.

Bill finally came up (gulping air) on the upstream side of his canoe, and then he had to work his way to the end of his canoe. As he reached the end of the canoe, his feet caught the green water (he is very tall), and he and his canoe finally came out. It caused a few anxious moments, but things turned out okay. I think it is very odd that a hole which spit me right out kept him down for so long. So, all was well..... until Double Reactionary.

I thought we should scout from the river right rocks, except the rocks turned out to be under water. So I said we should run it on the left side, and proceeded to head over that way. I almost made it left, then the river pushed me center, then I had to decide between the hole in the center of the river or the hole/wave on the right at Double Reactionary.

I went for the hole/wave, and it flipped me, and I was thinking, "If I swim here, my boat will run Accelerator without me, and it is a heck of a hike." I rolled. My trip participants cheered (thanks, guys!). After showing them how not to run it, they all had good runs, except that Bill C. went right where I went, but stayed upright. I was sitting in an eddy thinking: "If Bill C. and I were on a real difficult river together, things could get real interesting really fast."

Everyone ran Accelerator really well. (And, after worrying about chasing down a canoe, I was the first to swim!). It was an exciting run. We will probably not see

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it that high again this year.

The levels on the Pigeon can be checked on-line (Waterville gauge under NC streams). Reportedly, they will be releasing on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturdays from now to Labor Day. I would check the gauge or call

NOC to be sure, however. The put-in is at exit 451 off of I-40 (cross the bridge and head upstream), and the take-out is at exit 447 (head towards the gas station).

Thanks to Susan, Britton, Tim, Oreon, Bill and Bill for making my weekend so much fun. ✂

Salt Water Kayak Surfing

by Tom Womble

This is for the surfer dudes. I've tried to keep this discussion organized.

I've been paddling for 11 years and I can honestly say that most of it has been in salt water. The surf zone is probably one of the best places to sharpen your skills in a white water kayak. First, several rules and cautions.

1. Watch out for the swimmers and surfers. Nothing makes us look worse than a broached kayaker wiping out the happy family. Stay well clear of swimmers and on the fringe of the surfers. The surfers will let you know if you're welcome or not. If you become a regular somewhere, the surfers will warm up to you.

2. Choose your break carefully. There are generally 3 types. (very general) The first type is the spilling wave

characterized by a gently sloping bottom. The wave builds up, starts to break, and releases its energy over its entire trip to shore. These are great fun, produce long rides, are easy to pull off of, and are easy to get back outside.

The second type is the plunging or dumping wave, characterized by an abrupt change in water depth, created by a reef or sandbar. These waves are easily identified from the shore by the distinct crashing sound. A dead give away, also helpful from seaward is the "white rockets" that shoot up from the foam immediately after the wave collapses. These are created by the trapped air escaping. Plunging waves are not a lot of fun for beginners unless you like violent enders and have a good roll.

The third type is a combination of the above and provides the best of both worlds. These conditions can occur on the same stretch of beach depending on the tide and local weather conditions.

3. Wear all your safety gear. I always wear my life jacket, helmet, and clothing suitable for swimming in the surf where I'm paddling. Leave the knife in the car unless you're in Santa Cruz and want protection from hostile surfers (no kidding). Your whistle is also a good thing to have and nose clips are a must. Leave the carabiners, prussics and other stuff in the car.

Quick story. I paddled with some Navy SEALs a couple of years ago at Virginia Beach in February. They kidded me at first about wearing the lifejacket and helmet, but after they got slammed in the chest by waves a few times and had waves crashing on their heads, they changed their tune.

Although the life vest is primarily designed to keep you afloat, it does a terrific job in absorbing the impact of incoming waves as you go out. Same goes for the helmet. Also, when paddling in groups, they provide additional protection from collisions and loose gear in a wipeout.

Wear sunscreen and cover up. You get a lot of sun, especially on your face, when you are paddling at the beach. A small camel back is nice for drinking water and keeps you from having to open your skirt to get to a water bottle. I wear mine on the outside of my life jacket.

4. Check the weather forecast and be prepared for good or bad. I've paddled in every condition imaginable. Some days, it's just best to stay at home. I have a broken paddle and cracked helmet to attest to that.

Going out

Before you get in your boat, definitely stretch like you never have, because, unlike a river, you are working hard within seconds of starting. It's nice to have someone help pull you off the beach, but it's easy alone.

Study the surf before you get in. There may be a rip somewhere that will get you through the breaker much quicker. Rips are generally discolored and look like a river among the breaking waves. Surfers know where these are, so watch where they go out.

Get in your boat about midway where the swash comes in. Be sure to bang your feet on the sides or wash them as the water comes in. (If you take a swim, you're going to get a lot of sand in your boat, but it's nice to minimize if possible.)

You may sit there on the beach for a while as the waves come and go. I use my fists to walk myself closer to the water. When you do finally take off, things happen very fast. If the weather is nice, it's usually just a quick sprint to get outside, but on bad days you could be working for several minutes to get out.

For beginners and veterans alike, the worst part about going out is getting caught inside as a set comes in. Suddenly you are face to face with a big green monster and

you have to decide, should I stay or should I go? (The song is appropriate here). Sometimes it is best to let the wave break in front of you and release its energy (Dumping waves) rather than to try to power through.

If you wait, the worst case scenario you get clobbered by the wave, driven backwards, your stern dives, and you do a back ender and lose all the ground you have made. Best case, the wave breaks and you lean back and ride over the advancing foam pile and lose a little ground. But beware! Leaning back too far with a large, rapidly advancing foam pile can produce spectacular back enders as well. It's a humbly cool feeling to know that you and your boat are being tossed end over end.

So, what if you decide to go for it, paddling hard forward? Worst case, the wave crashes down on you and pushes you backwards. Best case, you power up and over the wave, catching air as you launch off the crest. This is a lot of fun, but sometimes the excitement is short lived because the big brother of the wave you just crossed is now staring you in the face.

The bottom line on getting out. I find that it is usually best to paddle hard and lean forward into breaking waves. I deflect face level water with my forearm and tuck my head. If you know you are going to get clobbered, (it's a sinking feeling), make yourself small, relax, and set up for your roll, or just go ahead and roll over.

Catching Rides

If you are in an area with surfers, don't be a wave hog. It is much easier for you to catch a wave than them, so be patient and courteous. I usually let them take the first couple of waves in a set and then choose one of the last ones. If among other kayakers, communicate your intentions and don't turn towards one another unless you are good friends and know what you are doing. As your wave approaches, paddle forward until you feel yourself being lifted and moved forward by the wave.

This is the critical point of the ride as you must decide your route, left, right, or straight. With time, you figure out your preferred path. I have found that, as I pick up speed, I like to cut across the wave and stay in the pocket by edging the kayak into the wave and using a stern draw/rudder on the beach side to turn down the face to pick up speed. This technique works well and allows you to maneuver fairly easily.

At some point the wave will either break or you'll want to pull off. Shift from the draw/rudder position to a low brace into the wave. This is something many beginners have trouble with. They lean into the wave because it works in holding them up, but once the wave is gone, so is the support and they fall over. Edge the boat by raising the beach side knee and driving the seaward foot forward.

Keep your weight over the center of the kayak. It takes a lot of practice, but is one of the most important things I've found in paddling; edging the kayak.

Some people like to just ride straight down the wave and have it break behind them. This is okay, but I only do that when I can't pull off the back side. If you have a decent roll, the ocean will give you plenty of practice. If your roll is weak, you'll either get a lot better or give up paddling. For safety's sake, if you are going over, don't fight it with a brace, especially if a wave is turning you over. Just tuck and roll with it. You'll be surprised how quickly you roll up, sometimes without even trying.

Beginners tend to want to plant the paddle on the shoreward side, which can have terrible consequences on the shoulders. If/when you get sideways on the foam pile, and you will, you are pretty much out of control and pose the greatest danger to swimmers. Try big sweep strokes on the pile to straighten yourself out.

I have surfed both coasts and prefer northwest Washington (La Push) to everywhere else. The waves are consistently large and varied and the water is nice and cold which means few surfers and no swimmers. The closest experience that compares to those conditions (except for the cold) was Croatan, at Virginia Beach (south side of Rudee Inlet), about two days before a hurricane

arrived. This was the storm that hit NC a couple of years ago. The waves were nice and large with light winds. I distinctly remember watching the Navy ships sortie and disappear over the horizon.

Kayak surfing is a lot of fun, especially when you get comfortable with large waves and are able to begin experimenting. The new hull designs in kayak manufacturing promise even more fun. I have a Cruise Control and love it in the surf. In big conditions, I get in my trusty "old" Response. I have not tried a planing hull kayak yet, but my friends have and say that they are a lot of fun. The serious surf competitors use planing hull kayaks that look similar to slalom boats.

The video "Performance Sea Kayaking" has a good segment on "the surf zone." It is aimed at sea kayakers, hence the title, but the information is applicable to everyone. The hand signals are a little cheesy, but the wipeouts are awesome.

Happy Paddling. Have fun, be careful, talk to strangers in eddies!

- From the CCC email list.



Late News on the Hiwassee

by Jan Stewart

Note: this is from the owner of Creek Side Campground the private campground across from Gee Creek on the Hiwassee.

Monday, May 14, 2001. Greetings Friends and Neighbors.... A belated Happy Mothers Day to all, and I do hope that everyone is doing well.

For those of you that haven't already heard, here's the latest on the water problems for the Hiwassee River: TVA will release water, 2 generators on Sat. Sun. and Monday of Memorial Day weekend. The hours will be either 12 noon till 4, or 1 to 5 PM.... and this will be the only weekend release until August. During the week, there will be daily brief releases with one generator when the demand for electricity warrants it. The reservoir is very low, even though for this year the rainfall is only slightly below normal. However, in their infinite lack of wisdom, TVA released a lot of water in January, and now there just isn't enough water in the reservoir to release.

I've received several emails requesting that folks write to their state reps and senators about the impact of this decision, but only rain, and more rain can really make a difference. I think that this is a wake up call that we better pay attention to Mother Earth and our relationship with her. So if we start praying now, maybe the drought that has hit this area will cycle on out....

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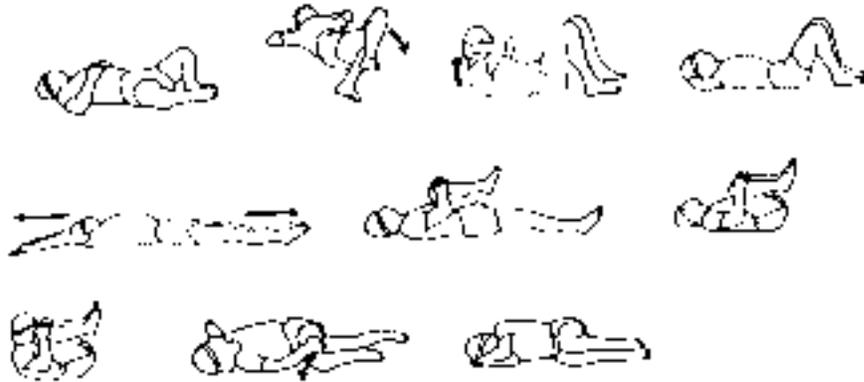
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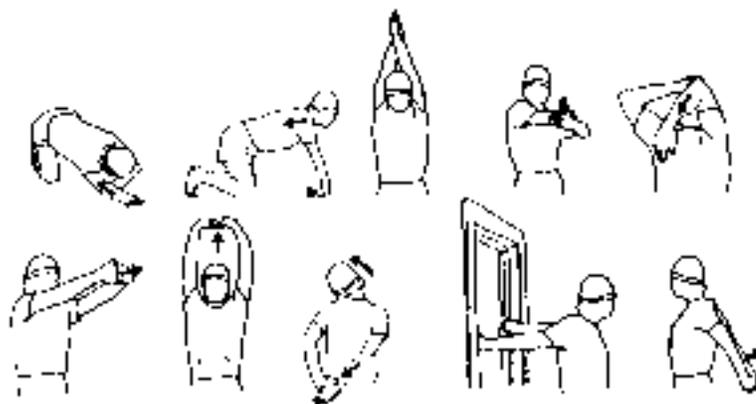
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BEGINNING FLAT/MOVING WATER:

For people who have never had a boat on moving water or want to improve their skills in a basic course. Full day Saturday flat water session emphasizing strokes, safety, self-rescues. Full day Sunday session on moving water river. No white water.

BEGINNING WHITE WATER:

For people who have never had a boat on moving water. Three-hour evening classroom session with videos and lectures covering equipment, safety, river features and paddling techniques for tandem and solo boaters. You must attend both the dry and flat water sessions to participate in the white water river portions of the course.

BEGINNING YOUTH WHITE WATER:

Same course as above, but designed for youths ages 16 and under.

TRAINED BEGINNER WHITE WATER:

Participants should have had recent beginner level instruction or 5 days of white water experience. Polish-up beginner skills, plus bracing and rolling (kayaks).

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Intermediate clinic participants should be comfortable paddling class II-III white water such as the Nantahala, wish to master the roll in rapids (kayaks), and learn how to play confidently in Nantahala-type waves and holes. Intermediate kayakers should have a 100% flat water roll and a 50% reliable combat roll in class II rapids. Saturday morning lake session working on strokes and rolls (kayaks) and an afternoon session on the Nantahala working on turns, surfing, eddy hopping, etc. Full day Sunday trip on a class II-III river.

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REGISTRATION:

Call the coordinator of the clinic you want to take for more information. You will NOT be registered, however, until the coordinator receives a check for \$50.00 per person payable to GCA. Call early, clinics fill quickly.

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AGE:

If you are under 18, all liability releases must be signed by a parent or guardian, who must also provide suitable power-of-attorney for medical care. Except for youth clinics, pre-teens will not be enrolled unless they have had suitable paddling experience in the Training Director's judgment.

SWIMMING ABILITY:

You must be able to swim and should not panic with your head under water. Beginning kayak clinic participants will spend a lot of time upside down inside their kayaks on the lake. All students will practice swimming & self-rescue skills in rapids.

PHYSICAL CONDITION:

White water paddling is a physically and mentally challenging activity that requires fitness, flexibility, and a positive attitude in stressful situations. Kayaking is a high-risk activity for individuals with a history of shoulder dislocations. Applicants should discuss potential physical limitations with the Coordinator before signing up.

EQUIPMENT:

You must furnish all of your own equipment. You will receive a detailed list of required and recommended equipment well in advance of the clinic.

GCA INSTRUCTION

SPRING AND EARLY SUMMER 2001

Canoe

Coordinator: Marvine Cole
625 Glendalough Court
Alpharetta, GA 30004
770.475.3022

Flat/Moving Water Canoe

- + Beginner Family (children welcome)
June 30, July 1
- + Beginner
July 28, 29

White Water Canoe

- + Beginner
June 12 (evening), June 16, 17
- + Trained Beginner
June 2, 3
June 23, 24
- + Intermediate
May 19, 20
July 14, 15

Ducky/Sit-On-Top

Coordinator: Gina Johnson
340 Clear Springs Court
Marietta, GA 30068
770.971.1542

- + June 9 (\$25)

Safety

Coordinator: Gina Johnson

340 Clear Springs Court
Marietta, GA 30068
770.971.1542

- + River Rescue (1st Three Minutes)
July 28 (clinic) July 29 (practice day on the
Tuckasegee) (\$25 fee)

Sea Kayak

Coordinator: Steve Cramer
190 Deer Ridge
Athens, GA 30605
706.208.8382

- + May 26, 27 (call for class fees)
Charleston, SC
- + Skills Clinic (call for class fees)
1-Day July TBA (local)

White Water Kayak

Coordinator: Knox Worde
625 Glendalough Court
Alpharetta, GA 30004
770.475.3022

- + Beginner
June 19 (evening), 23, 24
August TBA
- + Trained Beginner
June 2, 3
August TBA
- + Intermediate
July 14, 15

Registration: to register for one of these clinics you must be a member of the Georgia Canoeing Association. To join the GCA or for an application call 404.421.9729. Dues are \$25. To register for a clinic, call the coordinator of the clinic for more information. You will NOT be registered until the coordinator receives this completed form and a check for \$50.00 per person. Call early because the clinics fill quickly.

CLINIC _____

NAME _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

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CLASSIFIED ADS

TO PLACE AN AD - Want ads of a non-business nature are free to dues-paid GCA members. Business-related ads are \$5.00 for up to 50 words, \$10.00 for larger. Send your type-written ad to: Allen Hedden, 2923 Piedmont Dr., Marietta, Ga. 30066, or email to gacanoe@mindspring.com. PLEASE, NO PHONED-IN OR HAND-WRITTEN ADS. All ads will be run for two issues unless otherwise requested.

FOR RENT - Cottage on secluded mountain lake (Appalachia Lake). Surrounded by National Forest. Two bedrooms/two bath, with sun room/den could be third bedroom. Completely furnished/all amenities (gas grill, washer/dryer, dishwasher, phone, satellite TV/VCR, microwave, phone, etc.). Lots of decks, gentle slope to Lake with swimming/boating area. Close to waterfalls, miles of hiking trails, white water boating/rafting on the Ocoee, Hiwassee, & Tellico Rivers, quite water boating on the lake. Located northwest of Murphy, NC. Call Liz Carter & Butch Horn, 770.967.0318 or e-mail, mohorn@mindspring.com for brochure & maps.

FOR SALE - Canoe, Wenonah Advantage solo tripping canoe - 16' 6" - kevlar - 33# - very fast and stable. Volume for 200 pound paddler + gear for a week. Perfect canoe for Okefenokee, Everglades, BWCA. Excellent condition - \$1350. Contact Russ Koester, 404.233.4093 or email koester@buckhead.net.

FOR SALE - Canoe, Dagger Phantom. Short open boat. Yellow with vinyl trim; pedestal w/ Yakima foot pegs; knee boots, air bags, in good shape, 1 year old. Great play boat. \$850. Will deliver to Ocoee area. Contact jblfield@home.com or call 478.745.3823.

FOR SALE - Canoe, Mohawk Probe 11. '97

FOR SALE - House and land - by owner. Secluded mountain home near Franklin, NC - cascading waterfall, beautiful mountain creek, swimming pond (great for roll practice, too!), meadows, garden, gorgeous mountain views are just a few of the natural features of this 20-acre property. Spacious owner-built cypress home with over 3000 sq. ft. of living space - 17 ft. cathedral ceilings in great room, darkroom, 5 bedrooms, 3 baths, family room, office, greenhouse, separate workshop, many skylights and windows - surrounded by 140 land-trust acres. Proximity to many mountain rivers make this a paddler's dream - 2-1/2 hours from Atlanta, 30 minutes from Nantahala Outdoor Center. Call 828.524.2611 or 828.369.6491 for more details.



model, green, used 5 times. Excellent condition, fully outfitted, with 2 paddles, \$650. Call 770.562.5381.

FOR SALE - Kayak, Dagger Crossfire, blue -- \$250 (not negotiable). Includes airbags. Has surface scratches but bottom is very sound. This is one of the models of boat that GA State Univ. uses for its beginner classes. It is a very stable white water boat. Lois Hogan, Woodstock, 770.592.6421, loish@peoplepc.com.

FOR SALE - Kayak, Dagger Blast (in near perfect condition) with long foot pegs so it can be paddled by anyone from a small child to an adult (this is widely regarded as a perfect boat for kids and is fun for adults who can squirt). Includes Headwaters nylon air bags. \$400. I can make this a complete package with a Headwaters 102 cm RHC kayak paddle and a River Roni large, or a River Roni medium kayak spray skirt for \$60 each and will throw in a helmet and life jacket. I also still have several canoe paddles that I used for wild water racing over the years that I'm selling for \$50 - \$75 each. John Pinyerd 770.977.7603 jpinyerd@cs.com.

FOR SALE - Kayak, Old Town Loon 160T. North Atlanta. Granite color, few minor scrapes on keel. Great for family outings, can be fitted with 3rd seat for a child. Designed for tandem paddling, it can easily switch to a solo simply by sliding the bow seat back. High back folding seats with seat back adjustment straps. Good for flat water, class I and II. Great for long family day trips. With 2 paddles to get you started \$545 or w/trailer \$725. Paul 770.216.8600, britman45@mindspring.com.

FOR SALE - Kayak, Wave Sport Frankenstein in Atlanta area. Great condition, paddled two

summers. Deep green/white swirl - superb outfitting. \$375. Britton Boyd, paddler@netdoor.com 770.801.8060.

FOR SALE - Kayak, Dagger Atlantis touring kayak. Yellow, paddled 1-1/2 seasons (maybe 15 times), excellent condition, always stored inside. Retail for \$1,350 plus approximately \$100 sales tax totaling \$1,450. Will sacrifice for \$1,150 or best offer. Can deliver a reasonable distance. Call 423.344.5772 and leave a message and I will call you back.

FOR SALE - Kayak. Perception Spirit white water kayak with paddle, skirt and helmet. \$200. 678.947.1081.

FOR SALE - Kayaks, Perception Shock, \$625; Dagger Showdown, \$625; Dagger Gradient with nose cover, \$425. Chuck Creekmore 770.995.5788 or chuckcreekmore@juno.com.

FOR SALE - Kayaks. Perception Pirouette - \$325. Dagger Transition - \$425. Both have been stored inside and well cared for, and come with air bags, paddles and spray skirts. Call Hank Baudet - 706.492.4318 or E-mail: Geezer95@tds.net.

FOR SALE - Kayak, Riot Glide. '99 model, orange / yellow, excellent condition. Boat alone \$400, or with Prijon spray skirt and Riot paddle \$500. Call 770.562.5381.

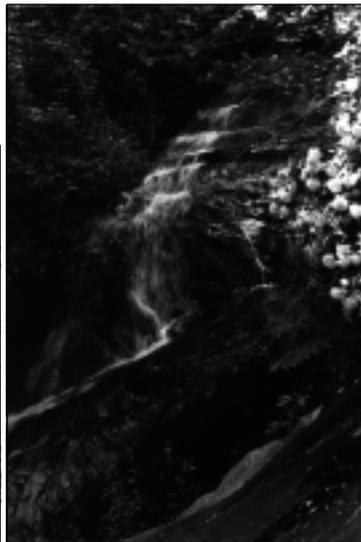
FOR SALE - Rafts, commercial grade: Riken and Momentum Rafts. Chattahoochee Canoe and Raft Rental is releasing its entire rental fleet of 23 rafts for sale. The rafts are high quality, commercial grade 4-, 6-, 8-man Hypalon Riken and Momentums. This is the good stuff; the Rikens have 840 denier nylon on the floors and tubes. Our wholesale prices for these rafts were: 4-Man \$1,183, 6-Man \$1,507, 8-Man \$1,679. Sale prices for our rafts are: 4-Man \$625 - \$850, 6-Man \$650 - \$1,130, 8-Man \$650 - \$1,200. Prices reflect wear and condition. Carlisle paddles and Mae West life jackets are also available at \$25 for 2 paddles and 2 life jackets. A complete list of available rafts and individual pricing can be sent by fax on your request. Package price for the entire fleet is available upon request. For information please contact Chuck Gregory at 770.971.0779 (home) or 404.656.6539 (day).

FOR SALE - White water sit-on-top, Dagger Pegasus. Excellent condition, paddled four times. Paddle included, only \$350. Yellow with black swirl. Atlanta, GA. Contact Susan at paddler@netdoor.com or 770.801.8060.

FOR TRADE - Kayak, Perception Corsica S with air bags and bulk head kit. Stored indoors and in great condition. Will trade for sit on top kayak. Contact Eric Plants 706.235.6941 eplants@hotmail.com.

HELP WANTED - Yes, the GCA needs your help. We need volunteers to serve on committees, label and mail newsletters, etc. Call 770.421.9729 and leave a message.

WANTED - Sit-on-Top kayak, Buzz by New Wave (or Hurricane). Call Jim at 404.370.1233.



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