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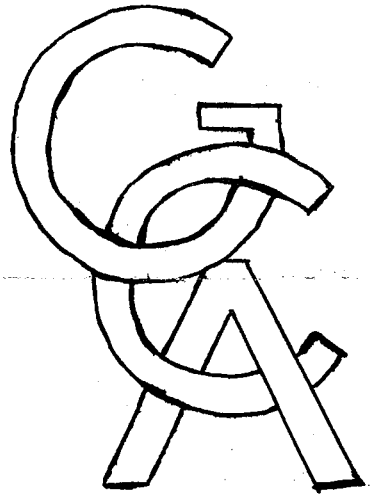

The 1971 canoeing season with the Georgia Canoeing Association promises to be an exciting one, complete with training sessions and all types of rivers. On the separate sheets you'll find a list of officers, a tentative trip schedule, and other information. Please be sure to get your 1971 DUES in before April 1 to George Stephenson, 356 Queen Aliese Lane, Jonesboro, Georgia. Also please be sure CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER are in the Editor's mailbox before the deadline, which will appear in each month's Newsletter. Please mail contributions to Mrs. T.C. Fowlkes, 4682 Dudley Lane NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30327. No phone calls, please. DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER IS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1971.

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LITTLE RIVER - Saturday and Sunday, February 13 and 14, 1971

These trips are sponsored by the Tennessee Valley Canoe Club.

Saturday, February 13: Meet at the East Fork of the Little River in Alabama at 9:00 a.m. Go to I-59 in Alabama. Travel northeast on I-59 to Alabama 117. Turn left onto Alabama 117 (approximately 100 feet from Georgia line). Go 1½ miles (staying to right) to Lahusage Lake. Class II and III rapids.

Sunday, February 14: Little River at Eberhart Point in Alabama at 9:00 a.m. Take Highway 20 out of Rome, Georgia to Alabama 35 (turn right onto Alabama 35). You will cross Little River at bridge. Take the first left after the bridge and go approximately 12 miles to Eberhart Point (sign on left). NOTE: This is up to Class V and wetsiut and considerable experience is recommended.

Trip leader for these trips is John Alden, Chattanooga, Tennessee. Phone Chattanooga 892-7971.

Pre-register with Claude Terry at 874-7494. He can also give any additional information you may need.

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CHESTATEE RIVER - Saturday, February 27, 1971

Meet on the square in Dalonega at 9:00 a.m. The Chestatee is a lovely river offering at least Class III water. We will run 7 or 8 miles. Come prepared for cold with wetsuit or change of clothing, and life jackets.

Pre-register with Margaret Tucker after 6 pm at 355-6207.

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MUCKALEE CREEK - Saturday, March 6

KINCHAFOONEE CREEK - Sunday, March 7

This will be a family foat weekend and an opportunity to enjoy two of the more senic rivers in Southern Georgia. Both rivers have banks lined with moss-hung Cypress, limestone cliffs and the Kinchafoonee has a rather large "blue boiling spring" as an added attraction.

Plan to meet Saturday, March 6, at 11 am at the Muckalee Creek bridge, three miles east of Leesburg, Georgia, on Highway 32. Take-out will be at the camping site, Chehaw State Park, near Albany. For those joining in on Sunday only, the meeting place will be the Courthouse Square in Leesburg, at 10:30 am.

Pre-register with Bill Webb 289-2106 (home), or 355-0462 (office).
John Krickel, Auburn, Alabama, will be the trip leader.

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PLEASE BE SURE TO REGISTER WITH THE TRIP LEADER SO THAT YOU CAN BE CONTACTED IN CASE OF A CHANGE IN PLANS.

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TRAINING SESSIONS BEGIN MARCH 14, 1971

A series of training sessions on white water canoeing will again be offered this spring. This year the training sessions will be a project of Explorer Post 49 which is sponsored by the Georgia Canoeing Association. Any profit from the sessions will be used in helping the Post with their equipment needs. The training sessions will again be directed by Claude Terry with Doug Woodward, Clyde Woolsey, Payson Kennedy and other club members serving as instructors.

There will be three one-day sessions. The first will be Sunday,March 14, and will begin with a classroom session in the morning followed by an afternoon on the Chattahoochee near I-285. The second session will be Saturday, March 20, again on the lower Chattahoochee. This will be followed by a picnic at Camp Chattahoochee. The final session will be Sunday, March 28 on a section of the upper Chattahoochee including numerous rapids of intermediate difficulty.

Tuition for the series of three sessions is $5.00. The course is open to all, with no requirement for Club or Post membership. Basic River Canoeing by Bob McNair will be used as a text for the course and will be supplied free to all registrants in the beginning section.

Training will begin with River Safety, and will cover both basic and white-water strokes, water reading, some dynamics and control of the canoe in various river situations. The first session and part of the second will be concerned with perfecting the strokes, hence the river sections being canoed are only Class I to II (mild rapids). Particular strokes discussed will be the backwater, draw and pryway, high and low brace, various sweeps used in solo white-water canoeing and such techniques as the eddy turn, back and forward ferry, etc. Special sections will be organized for intermediate paddlers and those desiring instruction in kayaks and decked canoes if there is sufficient interest.

Bring or arrange for:

A. Life jacket
B. Knee pads or a kneeling pad.
C. Paddle (plus a spare paddle per canoe).
D. Lunch (in a waterproof bag).
E. Tennis shoes.
F. Change of clothing (preferably in a waterproof bag).
G. A canoe equipped at each end with at least 10' painters.

If you have difficulty in obtaining or can supply A, C, or G, make a note on your application. It is probable that some rental canoes will be available at $3.50 per day per space ($\frac{1}{2}$ canoe). If you have room in your canoe for another student, please note this on your application. Only two students will be allowed per canoe. Persons who are underage should have their parent or guardian sign the application indicating permission for them to attend the session. Children under 10 must be accompanied by a parent. All participants should be swimmers.