G E O R G I A C A N O E I N G A S S O C I A T I O N

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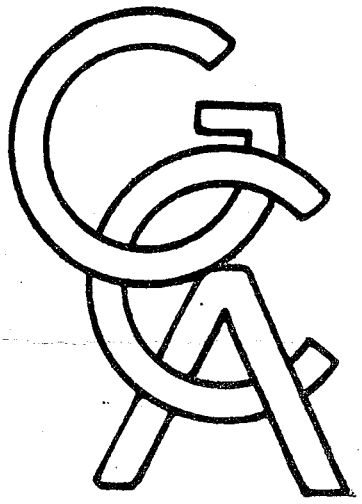
Hope everyone saw the cover of the Magazine section of the Sunday Atlanta Journal and Constitution for September 19 and read the article. Both featured Claude Terry and the Chattooga River, and both were very interesting, as well as being good publicity for canoeists.



Deadline for the November NEWSLETTER will be Monday, October 25. Please send contributions to Mrs. T.C. Fowlkes, 4682 Dudley Lane NW, Atlanta, Ga., 30327. No phone calls, please.

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CHATTOOGA RIVER - October 2 and 3, 1971

The Chattooga is a beautiful, clean, and wild river. It provides challenges for the canoeing novice as well as the expert. On Saturday, October 2, we will run Section 3, and on Sunday, October 3, we will run Sections 2 and 4 (separately).

Section 3 has class III and Iv rapids and should not be attempted by those who are not competent on rivers such as the Upper Chattahoochee, Chestatee, and others of this difficulty. Some of the "harder" rapids can be portaged.

Section 2 is an easy trip with only a few fairly difficult rapids. Section 4 is more difficult than Section 3 and should be run only by those prepared for big drops, powerful currents, and a willingness for upset under difficult conditions.

On Saturday meet where U.S. 76 crosses the river. We will leave promptly at 10:00 am for the put-in. On Sunday, Section 2 canoers will meet at 9:00 am at the river and State Route #28. Section 4 canoers will meet at 9:00 am at U.S. 76 and the river.

Campers will probably stay at Cherry Hill National Campground in South Carolina. Bring your slides and movies. Some of the group plan to meet in Clayton Saturday night to eat at the Dillard House. Ross Wilson will be the leader but PRE-REGISTER with the Collins' at 366-4315 by Thursday, September 30.

CHATTAHOOCHEE RIVER - CANOE CAMPING - OCTOBER 9 and 10

This will be a two-day canoe camping trip on the Chattahoochee River from Buford Dam to Norcross. Most of this stretch is flat water, and the few shoals encountered are only Class I at the most. The entire trip is 24 miles and will be split with a riverbank encampment Saturday night.

We all camp in varying degrees of comfort but for those who will be trying canoe camping for the first time, we suggest you test load your equipment in the backyard prior to the trip.

Plan to meet at the Buford Dam parking lot at 10:00 am Saturday morning, October 9. Don't forget that a Coast Guard approved life jacket or cushion is required for each member of the family in the canoe.

PRE-REGISTER with Bill Webb no later than Thursday, October 7 at 289-2106.

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NANTAHALA and LITTLE TENNESSEE RIVERS - October 23 and 24

On October 23 we will again run the Nantahala, 8 miles of beautiful, easy but cold, water (class II-III). Bring a change of clothes or a wet suit. We will meet at 10:00 am at the Tote 'n Tarry Restaurant on U.S. 19 between Bryson City and Andrews. We will camp overnight at Lost Mine Campground and run the Little Tennessee the next day (if there is more desire and the water is on, we might re-run the Nantahala). If you come for Sunday only, come to Lost Mine Campground (1½ miles behind Tote 'n Tarry) before 9:30 am.

PRE-REGISTER with the Terry's after 4:00 pm at 874-7494.

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TRAINING SESSION - October 16 and 17

A training session for white water canoeing, conducted by Explorer Post 49 of Atlanta, sponsored by GCA, will be held on the weekend of October 16 and 17. Emphasis will be placed upon both basic and intermediate white water skills and strategems. A course in basic and intermediate kayaking will be offered as well, if there are enough interested participants. The course will include two trips on different sections of the Chattahoochee River. There will also be a preliminary lecture discussing equipment and safety aspects and a film demonstration of river paddling techniques. The fee for the entire session is $5.00 per person; this includes the text, Basic River Canoeing. If you would like to participate in this fun-filled and exciting weekend call 457-1362 for registration and further details.

FOR SALE - Old Town Slalom Kayak, with spray skirt and paddle, nearly new. Call Ross Wilson at 255-1012 or 875-1565.

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WANTED - Used 15' or 17' aluminum canoe. Call John Glenn at 378-2561.

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GCA MEETING - OCTOBER 29

A business meeting to elect officers for 1972 will be held on Friday, October 29, 1971 at 7:30 pm at Camp Chattahoochee. To reach the Camp, take Roswell Road to the river. Make a left immediately after crossing the bridge, then another left onto Willeo Road (at a fork). The Camp is two miles (approximately) down the road on the right. The selection of officers presented by the nominating committee appears on page 4.

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 1972

President - Claude Grizzard

Vice-President - Jan Albitz

Secretary - Forrest Cole

Treasurer - Bill Crowley

NEWSLETTER editor - Nancy Collins

Members-at-large of the Executive Committee - Horace Holden
Doug Woodward

In addition, there will be nominations from the floor.