



Crosscurrents

NEXT WRPC BOARD MEETING

WRPC has made some giant strides this year. As you can imagine, there remains a very substantial amount of work to be done on the Annex. Do you have any time, ideas or special skills you could contribute? Or maybe you'd just like to hear firsthand what is happening at this pivotal point in our club's growth? If so, please plan to attend the next board meeting on June 10 at 7 p.m. It will be held at the Log Cabin, corner of Second and Chelan.

THE NEW BOATHOUSE IS NOW AVAILABLE

Starting June 1, any member wanting to place a boat into the new "Annex" boathouse can send in their payment and then contact Tom Feil, boat slip manager, for a slip assignment!!!

There will be a \$75 charge for the first boat and \$50 for each additional boat. Anyone who is not already a member will also need to join (or rejoin). Send the payment and membership form if needed for membership or renewal to: WRPC, P. O. Box 3925, Wenatchee, WA 98807. Please make a notation on the form that you are making a payment for storage in the Annex , include the color and type of boat, and your name.

After making the payment, contact Tom Feil at 2canoe@charter.net or call 884-3765 for a rack assignment. Any boat needing a large space may require an additional storage fee.

Please remember to sign out each time you use any boat from either boathouse. This will be used for placement priority in 2010.

WRPC Runs Jr. R2R Leg with Great Success

WRPC ran the water leg of the Junior race, using the Junior boats we procured from the race organizers. The event was a great success and plans are already being made to ensure next year runs even more smoothly. I would like to express my deep gratitude to all the people who made the event such a great day for our valley's youth: Skip Johnson, Stacie Hoiland,



Larry Tobiska, Tom Feil, Bob Derry, Loraine Hohnstein, Kim George, Howie Wallace, Rich Buckingham, Mat Lyons, Terry Peters, Scott Kreiter and several other individuals.

While running two practice days and the race day, we heard many requests for more opportunities for youth to have paddling experiences. We'd like to make some offerings this summer. Exposing more youth to paddle sports may eventually lead to having a youth team and coaching.

APPLE CAPITAL CANOE & KAYAK RACE

This year was the 11th year of the Apple Capital Canoe & Kayak Race. Although the attendance isn't huge, all attending find it a challenge. We had 12 paddlers and rowers this year.

In the longer 14-mile course, there were four paddlers in three boats and one solo female rower from Spokane. Despite Shaun Koos giving everyone a four-minute head start, he was able to catch everybody and finish three minutes ahead of Jim and Allison in a tandem canoe with a winning time of 1:36:05.

In the shorter 7-mile course with seven paddlers and one rower, Jason Bartel was the winner in a single rowing shell with a time of 1:07:00. (Jason is new to the club and has been rowing less than a month!) Jason was followed closely with Isak only one minute behind.

Finish times for the short course are: Jason Bartel, 1:07:00; Isak Gasi, 1:08:00; Kevin Hall 1:10:00; Glen Frese, 1:15:36; Kathleen Koos and Susan Valaas, 1:15:24; Kim George, 1:15:59. Jim Heinlein stopped at the boat dock. In the longer course, Shaun Koos, 1:36:05; Jim Bauer and Allison, 1:43:02; Tom Feil, 1:48:10 and Pat Johnson, touring.

A special thank you goes to Jason's mother who graciously agreed to act as timer for this event.

USE OF WRPC BOATS IN OFF-SITE EVENTS

Members sometimes ask whether they can use club boats for the Ridge to River event. Unfortunately, the answer is no. WRPC has a policy that no club boats will be loaned out for the R2R event. As much as we would like to accommodate our members, the risk of damage to our boats is too high.



ANYBODY?

Does anybody have any old paddles they would like to donate to WRPC? The paddles would be used as legs for a coffee table in the Annex loft area. They may possibly be painted, cut, taped, etc. Please contact Kim George at sweetcontent@verizon.net or 782-1193.

LINDSTROM BARN BOAT STORAGE

Following are the number of sign-outs by individual or family memberships as of May 16. Members with less than 10 sign-outs are not included:

Wolf Mueller	109	Mike Kaputa	30	Valaas family	18
Peters family	80	Tom Feil	29	Dave Jaecks	15
Koos family	71	Howie Wallace family	27	Greg Harnish	15
Kim George	55	Ron Snyder	27	Bentley	12
Vitek Siroky	46	Steve Smith family	25	Bob Derry	11
Tobiska family	43	Riggs/Ingles family	23	Milliette	11
Glen Frese	40	Willinsky	21	Sarah Grim	11
Harris family	36	Linda Stephan	18	Jason Bartel	10
Isak Gasi	30			Kathleen Jackson	10

Please contact Tom Feil, boat slip manager, if you have any questions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Hanford Reach. Saturday, June 20 This event has been cancelled.

Spanish Castle. Saturday, July 18 Rendezvous at the boathouse and be ready to leave at 9 a.m. Mark Behler from the Wenatchee Valley Museum accompanies us on a paddle down the Columbia River to the site of an old Spanish castle. We may stop at other points along the way to view pictographs or proceed further downstream than the Spanish castle site. Bring your own food and water. Some club boats may be available for use. Contact Kyle Flick at 662-3333 if interested.

Bridge & Back. Sunday, July 19 Two different events this year! In addition to the annual noncompetitive paddle around the Odebashion Bridge where members give their best guess of their time, WRPC is also doing a competitive "Bridges & Back" where participants will be racing around both



the Odebashion and Sellers Bridge. The competitive team will launch at 9 a.m. and a second launch of the noncompetitive group will follow shortly after. Members and nonmembers welcome. Email Loraine Hohnstein at behemut@aol.com with any questions.

Orondo/Daroga to Lincoln Park. Sunday, August 9 This is a noncompetitive event. Hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, and drinks will be provided. Side dishes are potluck and they can be dropped off at Lincoln Rock State Park prior to proceedings to the 9 a.m. put-in at Orondo River Park (about a mile past Orondo Elementary School off SR97) at 9 a.m. Or if you're interested in a longer paddle, put in at Daroga Park! Plan to rendezvous at 8:45 at Lincoln Rock. Everyone is welcome. Some club boats may be available for use. Call Kim George at 782-1193 or 679-6247 if you have questions.

Rock Island to Vantage. Saturday, September 19 Thirty miles, all downstream, two-day paddle in sea kayaks or canoes with an overnight primitive camp en route. Much of the west bank is in a scenic natural state with basalt cliffs and sagebrush-covered hills unchanged since David Thompson saw it in 1811 as the first European paddler. Call or email Wolf Mueller at 884-3160 or wmueller@dshs.wa.gov if you're interested. Some club boats may be available for use.

Guano Rocks. Sunday, September 27 This annual event begins at Lincoln Rock State Park and goes out around GuanoRocks and back. You may tour the course at your own pace or you may race the course. Members and nonmembers are welcome.

Launch will be at 9 a.m. and snacks will be provided after the event. If you haven't been doing the Guano Rocks event, you may want to consider doing so. The distance is not much more than a Bridge and Back from the boathouse. It is a refreshing experience in that it is a new scene and one of the rare opportunities to take the club boats out of the restricted Wenatchee area.

Usually we have good conditions this time of year, although, of course we can't make guarantees about the weather. Also, you must make arrangements with someone or yourself to provide a safe means of transporting the boat to Lincoln Rock. Mostly this is a congenial club activity which we hope you will enjoy. Greater numbers of participants make the event more interesting for everyone. Please try it out. Wolf Mueller and Larry Tobiska to coordinate. Call Larry with any questions, 662-3209.



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