



Crosscurrents

UPDATE ON THE ANNEX

A lot of hard-working individuals have invested a huge amount of time into sprucing up the Annex and making it ready for occupancy. The floor of the Annex has been sealed. What an improvement! Three doors are in the process of being installed on one side of the Annex boathouse. These will be slide-up doors much like you see on storage rental units. A preliminary site plan has been completed by Erlandsen, and Rich Congdon and Skip Johnson can now start working on ideas for exterior renovation of the Annex. The primary focus will be the landscaping but changes to the Annex building itself could include gables, overhangs on the doors, lighting during the evening,

Kim George and Loraine Hohnstein have been working on converting the loft area of the Annex into an office/sitting area. The beautiful area rug in the loft area was donated by Kim! Kim is still hoping for kayak paddles (three, similar in size/shape) that could be used as legs for a coffee table. If you have any surplus paddles to donate, please contact her at 782-1193 or sweetcontent@verizon.net.

There's been a steady trickle of boats into the Annex but ample room remains for more boats. There will be a \$75 charge for the first boat and \$50 for each additional boat. Please visit the WRPC web site or contact the boat slip manager, Tom Feil, at 2canoe@charter.net or 884-3765 if you need further information.

NEXT WRPC BOARD MEETING

WRPC's next board meeting will occur on July 15 at 7 p.m. in the log cabin on Second and Chelan. Everybody is welcome.

GREEN POWER

WRPC member Jay Bender has purchased a 15' Bayliner outboard boat hull in good condition, along with a trailer. To learn more about electric boat design, he will be donating these items initially to the AVI Tech Group. The AVI Tech Group might take this project on as a demonstration of the possibilities for



electric boats. The proposal is to build an electric boat capable of several hours of slow speed use and idling with an additional capability of higher speed (25 mph or so) for a shorter period, perhaps 10 to 15 minutes. A DC electric motor (perhaps two) may be installed. Ultimately this boat could be donated to WRPC for possible use as an electric rescue boat. WRPC supports development of an electric rescue boat.

LINDSTROM SIGN-OUTS

Following are the number of sign-outs as of June 24 by individual or family memberships with at least 15 sign-outs:

Wolf Mueller	145	Willinsky	49	Dave Jaecks	23
Peters family	105	Harris family	45	Valaas family	22
Koos family	97	Tom Feil	38	Burt Koch family	20
Kim George	72	Riggs/Ingles family	36	Jim Heinlein	18
Tobiska family	65	Howie Wallace family	35	Bob Derry	17
Vitek Siroky	64	Ron Snyder	33	Kathleen Jackson	17
Glen Frese	50	Linda Stephan	29	Greg Harnish	17
Isak Gasi	49	Steve Smith family	26	Judy Milliette family	16
Mike Kaputa	49	Jason Bartel	25	Freeman Keller	15

Please:

- Remember to sign out each time you use any boat from either boathouse. These sign-outs will be used for placement priority in 2010.
- Remember to sign out on the day that you take a boat out rather than signing out retroactively.
- Remember to use your full name when signing out. Several members have identical last names and at least a first initial is needed so that credit can be given for the sign-out.

WESTERN CANADA GOOSE CAPTURE

Many of you probably read the recent article in the Wenatchee World entitled, "Stealthy volunteers catch grounded geese." The article described "20 volunteers who converged on Rock Island Golf Course ready to catch, tag and release as many wild geese as possible. The group fanned out around the shore waiting for the geese to get on land."



Well, guess who the kayakers were who were out in the water herding the geese to land! Tom Feil, Wolf Mueller, and Mike Bills! David P. Volsen, District Wildlife Biologist for the Department of Fish and Wildlife, wrote a letter to WRPC President Skip Johnson expressing his gratitude for WRPC's help with the goose capture on June 18. "We are especially indebted to your paddlers for their help in corralling geese and pushing them onshore for the capture. Literally, we could not have done it without them. Not only did they work hard in the water, they were also willing to grab a goose and assist in processing the birds."

Way to go, Tom, Wolf, and Mike!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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.



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