



Crosscurrents

Next Board Meeting

WRPC's next board meeting will be December 9 at 7 p.m. at Gold's Gym, Wenatchee. Everybody is invited.

New Officers, Board Members

Skip Johnson has graciously accepted a second term as WRPC President. Kim George is WRPC's new vice president. Larry Tobiska is the secretary/treasurer (non-board capacity). New board members are David Bentsen and Linda Stephan. Please see the "who ya gonna call" section of this newsletter for a full listing of current positions with WRPC.

Tom Feil was elected a "Knight of the Rack." We'll have more about this in the January newsletter.

Clipper Tripper Canoe

Peter and Joanne Hill donated a canoe to WRPC earlier this year. Here's what Peter had to say about it:

I'm smiling ... the boat replaced our original Alumacraft "indestructible" turned into a crescent-roll by a windstorm and an intervening cherry orchard a number of years ago. Former lake paddlers and flat-landers from Wisconsin, Joanne and I have experienced numerous "baptisms" with this boat on the Wenatchee River (from personal participation and as "loaner" for various Ridge-to-River races, and on friends' and family day trips), and also "in" McLoughlin Falls and Janis Rapids on the Okanogan. As far as river use, it seemed to prefer spending as much or more time under the water as on top! Friends borrowed it for a week on the Bowron Lakes in BC, and had nothing but praise for its performance.

It is a fast, flat water boat, and after repetitive, painful lessons, convinced us it needed more skill and experience in white or turbulent water than we possess. We have repaired it on more than one occasion and put Kevlar skid



plates at bow and stern, as well as D-rings for lashing cargo. It will provide a good fit for use on the Columbia or nearby lakes by couples, families, and competitors that belong to WR&PC. Just stay away from submerged structure and rapids, or you'll know why it deserves a nickname like "Stone Magnet" or "Boo-Boo Canoe." :-)

Note: At the time of this newsletter, the canoe is in Tom Feil's shop for repairs but we'll let everybody know as soon as the canoe is in the Annex and available for use. J

What a Relief

Have you ever found yourself quickly making your way back to the dock, gingerly trotting up the hill to the restroom in mild desperation, giving the door a forceful pull, only to find that it is locked for the winter or for some other unknown reason? Those days are over. Restroom anxiety has been conquered due to the addition of a Sani Can in the annex area. Find it on the northeast side of the building next to the trailer. This popular little hut will be serviced on a regular basis; however, if you notice a problem that needs to be addressed immediately, please contact Kim George at (509) 679-6247 or kgeorge50@charter.net.

New Years Day Paddle/Row

A longstanding tradition for WRPC! Please come down to the Lindstrom Barn and join like-minded rowers/paddlers at 8:30 a.m. on New Years Day. Hot chocolate will be available. A very fine way to start off a brand new year.

Rowing News

A rowing story was on the CBS Evening News late last week. The subject of the story, Aerial Gilbert, is blind. She competed earlier this fall, along with other members of the U.S. Paralympic Team, at Row for the Cure in Seattle. I hope you enjoy the story. Here is the link:

<http://www.cbsnews.com/video/watch/?id=5637224n>

- David Bentsen



And here's a wonderful link Tina Rieman sent that some of you may not have seen:

<http://www.itvtheboatrace.premiumtv.co.uk/page/Video/0,,12539,00.html>

WRPC has very successfully finished its first crew season with our two Vespoli rowing shells, Troy and Evan. On Saturday, November 21, both boats raced against each other from Sellars Bridge to the dock. Troy, coxed by Kathryn Stevens, finished first with a time of 18 minutes, 59 seconds, followed closely by Evan, coxed by David Bentsen. The sixteen crew people who participated in the race included Kathleen Jackson (stroke), Sharon Lunz, Skip Johnson, Dan Garrison, Katie Hershey, Lori Ksander, Dave Hyde, Larry Tobiska, Linda Stephan (stroke), Joe Palmer, Tom Feil, Eric Dilling, Loraine Hohnstein, Terry Peters, Joe Morrison, and Kim George.

Thank you, Kathryn, for such a splendid article in the Wenatchee World and the spectacular video clips you put together! For those of you who haven't seen them, simply go to wenatcheeworld.com and click on "videos" and you'll see Kathryn's beautiful video clips as well as how much fun we've been having with these boats.

There are a lot of people keeping an eye open for a men's midweight "4" crew boat. It would be fantastic to get one of these. Please keep looking!

Sharon Lunz has volunteered to create a Google docs web site for crew people. This will allow rowers to go to a web site and sign up for rowing on established dates. Thank you, Sharon. Adult rowing will probably start up again on a regular basis in March. Because of higher expenses associated with rowing, an additional surcharge for people who participate in crew rowing may be put in place next year.

A committee, comprised of Loraine Hohnstein, Jim Dahl, Larry Tobiska, and David Bentsen, is working on developing a youth rowing program. Some of the things being discussed are having a "Learn to Row" day or two in which any youth between the ages of 14 and 18 may receive training and orientation about 8s. This might be followed by a "camp" of at least one week, and finally a regular fall program of rowing. Jim Dahl will provide a launch and coaching for safety.

Drifting . . .

Estimated costs for landscaping/building improvements to the Annex next year could potentially run three to four times what WRPC currently has



available in its treasury. WRPC's first priority of spending for 2010 will be Annex improvements and secondarily for boat improvements and acquisition.

Member Outings

These are the current tallies, as of November 15, for members with 24 or more outings:

Feil, D 24	Snyder 38	Frese 91
Gorham 24	Hohnstein 44	Gasi 96
Garrison 25	Smith, S 45	Kaputa 99
Ockinga 27	Bartel 47	Feil, T 112
Rieman 27	Jackson 52	Siroky 112
Lunz 31	Jaecks 53	Willinsky 114
Ranne 32	Riggs/Ingle 62	George 130
Derry 34	Wallace 77	Tobiska 138
McClune 36	Harris 82	Koos 176
Grim 37	Stephan 83	Peters 193
Valaas 37	Heinlein 84	Mueller 248
Keller 38	Koch 87	

Please note that tallying will continue through the end of this year. However, beginning in 2010 and in all subsequent years, the tallying period will run from October 15 to October 15. So, tallying for 2010 will be tabulated starting with October 15, 2009, and will end October 15, 2010.

Membership Renewals

Please be sure to mail in your membership renewal before January 31, 2010. The renewal form is included in this newsletter and can be mailed to WRPC,



P. O. Box 3925, Wenatchee, WA 98807. Renewal applications are also available on the WRPC web site.

WENATCHEE ROW AND PADDLE CLUB
2010 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL AND AGREEMENT

Revised December 2009

The Wenatchee Row & Paddle Club is a volunteer, nonprofit, incorporated organization. A person becomes a member of this club by paying the initial membership fee and the annual dues as established by the Board of Directors. Membership is for one year running from the beginning to the end of each calendar year. Membership and participation in the club activities are open to all persons otherwise qualified regardless of race, creed, sex, age, or national origin. (Subject to safety considerations for age and experience.)

The club provides liability insurance with respect to nonmembers, but not insurance for damage to the boats. All members agree that the activities associated with the club are hazardous and may result in injury or death. As a condition of being allowed to join the club, EACH MEMBER, FOR HIM/HERSELF, HIS/HER HEIRS AND ASSIGNS, ASSUMES ALL RISK TO PERSON AND PROPERTY AND WAIVES AND RELEASES ANY RIGHT TO BRING A LEGAL CLAIM FOR INJURY OR DAMAGES AND FURTHER AGREES NOT TO BRING ANY SUCH CLAIM AND TO HOLD THE CLUB AND PUD HARMLESS FROM ANY HARM that may result from participation in club activities or use of club property. This assumption, release and waiver applies to the club, its officers, directors, and members, and PUD #1 of Chelan County, regardless of their negligence. If a club boat is damaged, the person responsible shall pay for one-half of either the repair or replacement cost, whichever is less. Novices paddling or taking a lesson under the supervision of a club member are excluded from this policy. If a member fails to pay or otherwise violates club policy, they will receive a warning and will come under discussion by the board for exclusion from the club.

MEMBERSHIP New members shall pay an initial, one-time membership fee of \$100. Thereafter, all members shall pay a yearly membership fee of \$75 for an individual membership or \$100 for a family membership Any individual or family who joins WRPC on October 1 or later will pay one-half of the yearly membership fee for that year.



BOAT STORAGE \$75 per boat per year in addition to the yearly membership fee, subject to availability of space. No membership may have more than one rack assignment in the Lindstrom Barn. No rack assignment changes can be made in either the Lindstrom Barn or the Annex without notice to and consent of the club.

MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES Club activities, access to the boathouses, use of club floating dock, use of club boats, and club mailings.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND ACCEPT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE FRONT AND BACK OF THIS APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT, AND I AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE DUES AND FEES POLICIES OF THE WENATCHEE ROW AND PADDLE CLUB.

Make checks payable to "WRPC" and mail to WRPC, P.O. Box 3925, Wenatchee, WA 98807

SIGNATURE

DATE

PRINTED NAME

ADDRESS

CITY/STATE/ZIP

PHONE (home)

PHONE (work)

EMAIL

If a family membership, please print the names of your family members:

CATEGORY OF MEMBERSHIP:

Individual

Family

TOTAL ENCLOSED:\$

TOTAL ENCLOSED INCLUDES PAYMENT FOR BOAT STORAGE FOR SPACE #:

PLEASE CHECK THIS BOX IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN CREW.



WENATCHEE ROW AND PADDLE CLUB DUES AND FEES POLICY

Revised December 2009

1. **DUES** Dues for membership in the Club are \$75 per year for individual membership and \$100 per year for family membership. New members pay a one-time initial fee of \$100 in addition to the annual fee. The membership and boat storage year runs from January 1 to December 31. Dues statements go out in December and must be paid by January 31 to maintain continuous membership. New members joining on October 1 or later will pay one-half of the yearly membership fee for that year.

2. **STORAGE** Upon entering or vacating a boat storage space (slip) in the boathouse, yearly storage fees will be prorated on a monthly basis. Slips must be active on the sign-out sheet a minimum of 24 times per year in order to maintain the \$75 storage fee. Slip storage fees shall be paid by the membership assigned to the slip. The Slip Supervisor shall have the power to make immediate decisions about the manner in which boats are stored to avoid hazardous or troublesome conditions in the boathouse and these decisions shall be accepted as a condition of storage.

3. **FAILURE TO PAY DUES/STORAGE** In the event a person fails to pay dues for membership, his/her name will be taken off the mailing list and he/she loses all rights of membership. Membership dues must be paid to qualify a person for a boat space. Any money paid goes first to membership dues and then to fees for space.

Any member may permit an individual guest to accompany him/her in use of club facilities, including boats, not more than three times per year as to any one guest; provided, the guest is signed out and supervised by the member.

If a person who has a slip in the boat house fails to timely renew their membership and pay their storage fees, he/she shall be given one reminder notice, entitled "Notice of Forfeiture of Space", mailed to them, certified mail, at the address they have provided on their last membership application form or change of address given by them to the Secretary. The reminder notice will state, among other things, the amount owed plus a \$10 late fee and that if the defaulting person does not make full payment of the amount owed and late fee by 15 days from the date of the notice, their space rights will be automatically forfeited. If the default is not cured in full by the time specified in the Notice of Forfeiture of Space the boat of the defaulting person will be removed by the Club from the slip it has occupied and the next person qualified for that space will have the right to occupy the space forfeited.



After a boat has been removed by the Club from its slip because of nonpayment, the Club will store the boat in question and give the owner notice to remove the boat and provide access at a reasonable time to do so. If the owner fails to remove the boat from the boat house within thirty days of the date of the notice to remove the boat, (and it shall be the burden of the defaulting person to make reasonable arrangements with the Slip Supervisor to remove the boat) the Club shall have a storage lien against the boat for twice the normal amount of space rent, i.e. \$6.25 per month calculated from the 1st of the year in which there was failure of payment plus any costs of sale. The boat may then be sold and this lien may be foreclosed according to the procedure set out in Chapter 60.10 RCW Personal Property Liens--Summary Foreclosure.

4. WHERE BOATS MAY BE USED Club boats shall not be transported away from the immediate vicinity of the boathouse, i.e. they shall not be carried by vehicle to some other location, without the prior approval of the Board. Club boats may be paddled/rowed to any place attainable from the boathouse but may only be used in other waters with prior approval of the Board for use in club sponsored regattas, for example.

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