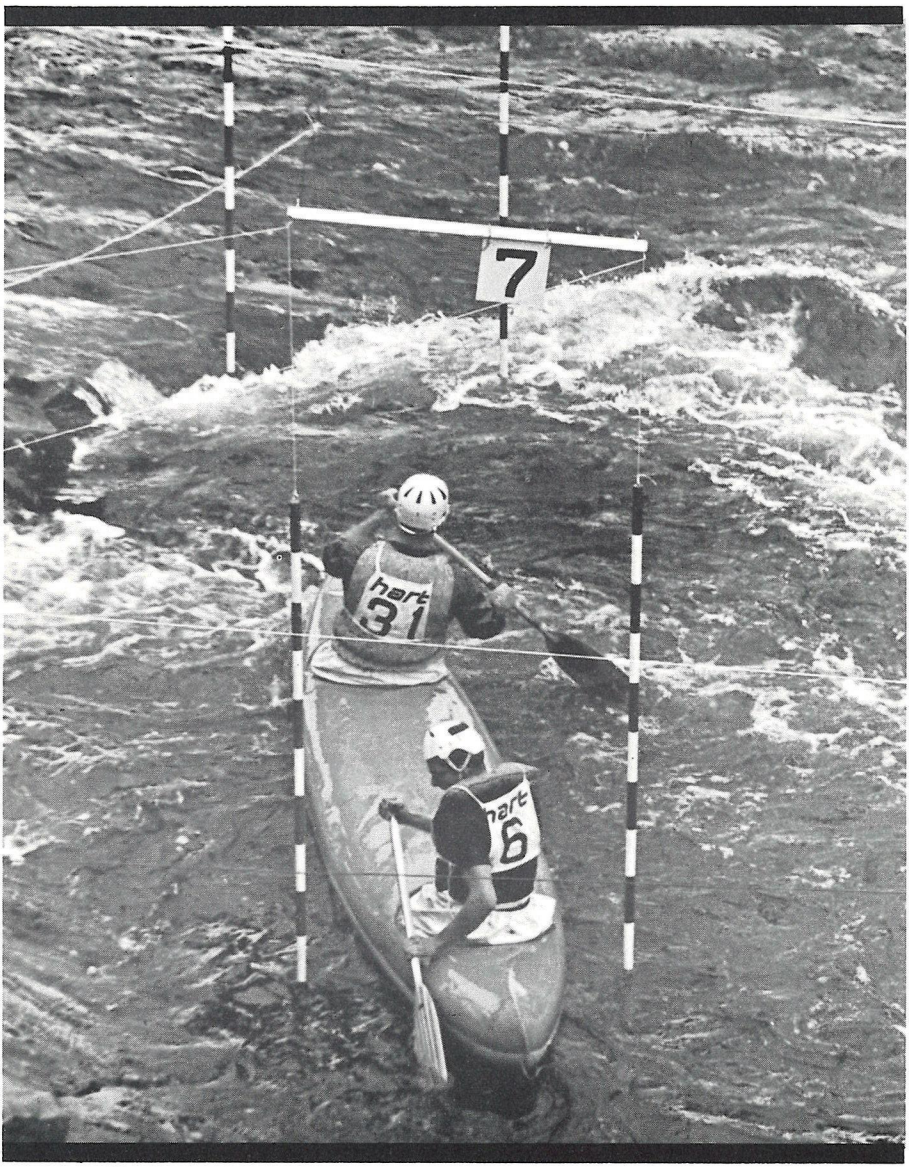
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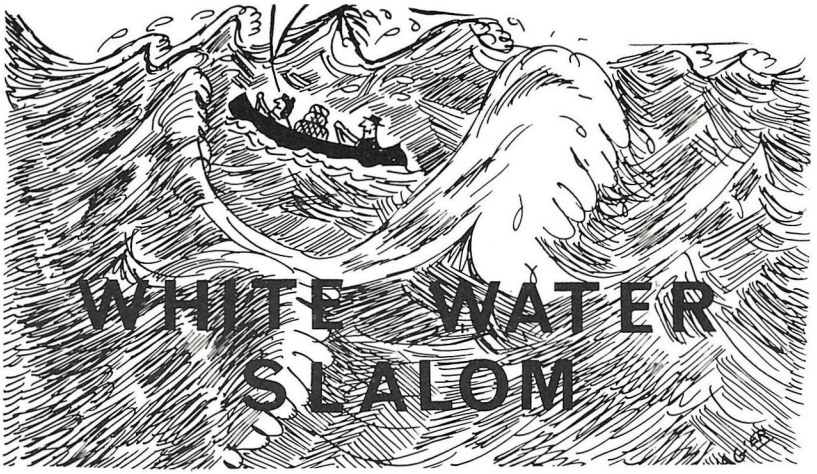
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 13-14	Illinois State Paddling Championship A.C.A. rules; Chairman: B. Wolff, 450 Ridgeland Ave., Elmhurst, Ill. 60126
Sept. 17	Activities Meeting - Season wrap up; movie, slides
Sept. 20-21	U.S.C.A. National Marathon Canoe Championship Write Isaac Walton League, 645 N. Spring St., Wabash, Indiana 46992
Sept. 21	3rd Annual St. Croix Cruise and Canoe Building Contest - Taylor's Falls to O'Brien State Park
Sept. 24	Board Meeting - Georgia Longtin, 1171 Selby Av. St. Paul, Minn.
Sept. 27	Eau Claire Jaycees Canoe Race on Chippewa River - Write Jerrold Schneider, Eau Claire, Wisc. 54701
Sept. 27-28	St. Croix Slalom Races - Taylor's Falls M.C.A. sponsored
Oct. 4-5	Canoe - Camping - Colorama Days - Smith's Landing to Readstown, Wisc.
Oct. 11-12	Steuben Landing to Wauzeka, Wisc. - Cruise on Kickapoo River; Write Bernard Smith, Kickapoo Canoe Trails, LaForge, Wisc. 54639 Phone: 625-2252
Oct. 15	Annual Business Meeting - elections
Oct. 18	Annual Banquet
Oct. 29	Board Meeting

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Cover:
Danny Withers (31) and Pete Cary (6) tenderly maneuver thru a gate.



Third Annual MCA White-Water Slalom Race
Taylor's Falls on the St. Croix River

Saturday-Sunday, September 27-29

Campers, canoers, and warm-blooded white-water competitors are invited to watch and participate in the MCA's third annual white-water slalom race. Also, bring your canoe and paddle on the river below the race site.

Located about 1½ hours north of the Twin Cities, Taylor's Falls is a beautiful site for a day or weekend outing. Spend a day with family and friends on the bluffs at the rapids and watch canoe and kayak racers struggle through an 18-20 gate slalom course. White-water boaters will have traveled from numerous states to compete in this third annual MCA race.

Trophies and ribbons will be awarded on Sunday afternoon to winners in expert and intermediate race classes.

Race Times:	Saturday, 12:00 - 5:00 Sunday, 11:00 - 3:00
Entry Fees:	$2.00 for MCA members $2.50 for non-members
Campsites:	Beautiful camping at Interstate Park on the Wisconsin and Minnesota banks of the St. Croix at Taylor's Falls.

If you can help in the running of the race (gate judging, timing, scoring, etc.), call Denny Withers at 920-2887 or Al Button at 488-9621.

Come Paddle With Us

ST. CROIX RIVER CRUISE

by Walter B. Jones

Have you ever sat in the deep brown grass upon a hill, or walked along the bank watching the river flow by, then heard a noise like a fish breaking water, but when you looked up you saw ten or twelve canoes go floating by, then on impulse you turned to your companion and said, "Gee, I sure wish we were paddling one of those canoes." Well, wish no more. Come and join us.

You will find that it is not so remarkable that the most interesting canoe trips, whether for one day or several weeks, are the ones you make with good companions, for when a group travels together they are good companions.

We will show you things that you can see only from the river, a fish eye-view so to speak. No place in this world will you see color unmatched by a painters brush in the fall coloring as you will see along the St. Croix River. Here you will see a galaxy of colors, amber, deep gold, greens, and reds as if touched with ochre. There is no other way I can describe these colors when nature puts on this display. This is also the time of year when the MCA puts on its display. There are canoists who are satisfied with any factory made canoe; then there are those who like to put some sweat and blood into a craft of their own design. These canoes will also be on display and if you have any questions they will be glad to answer them.

There will also be things to hear: the call of the loon, the mallard, and the teal; maybe some wild geese will perform, but the one sound I am sure you will hear and enjoy will be the sound of Harvey Anderson and his ocorina with its soft melodic tones. Something happens to them when played out in the open, and as evening approaches maybe you will hear the wolf howling at the moon to a kin long departed.

All these things are yours to see and hear if you but come along, so yearn no more, just come.

ST. CROIX RIVER CRUISE by Walter Jones (cont. from page 4)

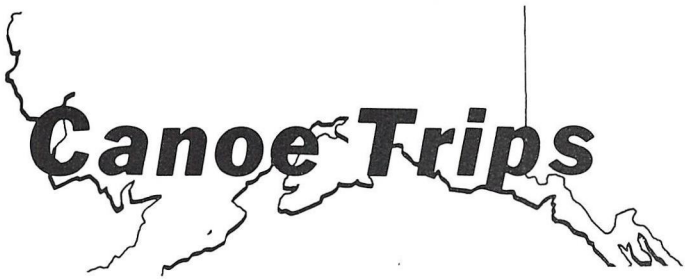
DATE: Sunday, September 21
MEET: Between 11:00 and 12:00 at the Interstate Park at Taylor's Falls - 3 - 5 hours paddling time
PADDLE TO: O'Brien State Park for evening cook-out (bring your own food)
CANOE JUDGING CONTEST: bring your new canoe (built in the past year) and vote for the finest canoe of the year
LIFE PRESERVERS: Wisconsin law requires them
LAZY MAN'S ALTERNATIVE: put in at the Osceola bridge (about 2 to 3 hours paddling time) or just drive to O'Brien and paddle there a bit.
ENTERTAINMENT ALTERNATIVE: watch the white water paddlers at Taylor's Falls, try one of the white water boats, then drive to O'Brien for supper.



For the gala September Activities Meeting, MCAers will be returning from the canoe trails, slalom courses, portages, and race circuits of Europe, the Yukon, Quebec, Antarctica, and the Artic Circle. Meet these world canoers and many more from the Twin Cities; see movies and slides or bring your own; munch the cookies and coffee; and meet the candidates for the October MCA election. The University is not in session, so parking is convenient and free! See you there!

TIME: 7:30 p.m., September 17th
PLACE: Chateau Co-op Dining Club
Fifth Street and 13th Avenue Southeast
Minneapolis

From UPI
Two Minnesota canoeists, John Buettner and James White, both 20 and from Bloomington, are on the verge of completing a 1,717-mile canoe journey that started June 8 in New Orleans and is to end this month in Minneapolis.



Mrs. George Sprenger suggests the Robinson Creek south of Black River Falls for an enjoyable 7½ hour canoe trip. The water conditions she describes were for mid July.

"Take Highway 12 southeast of Black River Falls toward Millston. Just before Millston there is an abandoned Spur station on the left and shortly after this a dirt (sandy) road to the right which is old County Hwy. One. A couple miles south on this is an old iron bridge where we put in. The water in most places in this upper stretch varied between one to two feet deep. Our two friends in a Grumman with a keel scraped a few more times than we did (we do not have a keel). However, I've seen a lot of aluminum paint on the rocks in the Bois Brule. This creek is probably very similar to the Bois Brule in scenery and excitement. There are a few trees to work your way under, over, around or through. Just after we put in we saw a doe and two fawns walking down the middle of the channel close to an abandoned log cabin. Several trout were also sighted."

"There are many series of easy rapids before getting to a dam by an abandoned mill. Portage right. Below this are a few cabins and some suspended foot bridges. One little bridge is made of plands across cement blocks. If the owner is there he's lift the pland of the third section where the channel is so you can float right through. There's an interesting little rapids just below this."

"A little ways farther on the river bends sharply to the right. Portage over the rocks straight ahead on the left. (This is a good spot for a picnic, or maybe a short swim.)"

"We lined the canoes down a steep drop under another iron bridge. Then there's a little 6 to 8 foot falls before you reach the Hwy. 27 bridge. There's a retaining wall and cabin on the left, so it's easier to work the canoes down on the right."

CANOE TRIPS by Mrs. George Sprenger (continued from page 6)

"After the Hwy. 27 bridge the scenery changed from low brush and alder to tall red pine. There was a tent on the right bank from a boy's camp where we found two small falls close together. We worked down the left side at the first falls and right on the second.?

"Robinson Creek empties into the Black River between Black River Falls and Melrose. We left one car at the bridge in Irving on Hwy. 54 for our take-out spot. We had planned to work our way up this sandy little creek to the bridge, about 50 yards, when I almost lost my paddle when I pushed against the sand. Instead of testing the depth of the quicksand we took out just above this creek on a good, solid dirt bank, mosquitoes and all."

"This isn't a trip for beginning canoeists, but I do hope some M.C.A. members will try it if they like beaufiful scenery, exciting rapids, and a good workout. Perhaps a hatchet in the lead canoe would help in getting through some fallen pines. Don't forget the insect repellent."

Your membership in MCA entitles you to participate in American Youth Hostel sponsored trips. Upcoming AYH trips include canoing the Rum and Mississippi and numerous bicycle tours and races. More information on this outing group can be obtained from:

AMERICAN YOUTH HOSTELS, INC.

Minnesota Council
P. O. Box 9511
Minneapolis, Minnesota
55440



BIKINIS OVER CEDAR RAPIDS

by Roy D. Conradi

A French girl in a bikini floating over Cedar Rapids? Oui! It really did happen August 15th.

Eight 3M Canoe clubbers and 35 foreign guests paddled 20 miles down the Flambeau River on a sunny, August Friday. Despite several language barriers, the 3M'ers managed to guide the guests safely down the river.

With canoes rented from Big Bear Lodge, the group put in at the Camp 41 landing. Eight hours later they put ashore at Flambeau Lodge.

Two events highlighted the day-long adventure. No lunch! Only the 3M Club could do it. A car with all the lunches was to meet the group at Cedar Rapids. They got lost and never made it. Foreigners eat their big meal at noon - usually. They had to wait until six. No one complained - except Al Button.

Despite empty stomachs, Cedar Rapids was a fun stop for the guests. They would clap and cheer each other as they tipped over and floated through the rapids. Many even tried it twice - and tipped twice.

"They were quite the canoers," one 3M clubber commented. "Most had never been in a canoe, but they paddled hard all day. They think our sport is the greatest."

CONSERVATION

VOYAGEURS NATIONAL PARK - YOUR LETTERS NEEDED

Re-introduction of the park bills in the House and Senate this April means we could have a national park approval for Minnesota in '69. Write a short letter to your Congressman and important officials giving them your opinion of this proposed park.

Write your own congressman; and Hon. John A. Blatnik, 2449 House Office Bldg., Wash. D.C. 20515; Hon. Wayne Aspinall, House of Rep., Washington D.C. 20515; Sec. of Interior, Walter J. Hickel, U. S.. Department of Interior, 18th & C Street N.W., Wash. D.C. 20240; Sen. Henry Jackson, Chairman, Senate Comm. for Interior and Insular Affairs, Senate Office Building, Wash. D.C.

Ask your friends and neighbors to help by writing about our country's need for this national park.

...from Sierra North Star, North Star Chapter, Sierra Club, Volume III, No. 5, August 1969

INTERESTED IN SAVING OUR WILDERNESS AREA?

Our neighbors to the North have before their public representatives a bill to ban the use of motorized vehicles in the Quetico-Provincial Park (just over the border of BWCA). If you have ever used and appreciated this beautiful natural setting, your support is needed. Please make your feelings known, and write:

Peter Addison
Department of Lands and Forests
Department Building
Toronto, Ontario, CANADA

CANOEISTS ARE BIRD LOVERS

Minneapolis Bird Club
Post Office Box 566
Minneapolis, Mn. 55440

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Editors,

Sharon and I are heading up to Ely soon; we will be paddling up to the end of Canadian Agnes and probably into Lake MacKenzie. If we don't get lost too bad, we'll try to journey back through Kahshahpiwi. We're both in great shape, working out in the basement and running regularly, so we should handle the portages real well, and I'll let Sharon wrestle the bears if need be. We have to be out by August 30th even if its by sea plane, because the Vikings and the Jets are playing, and I won't miss that for anything.

Good Ol' Nels

Dear Mr. Ketter,

Your article in Mr. Fixit's column on July 30, 1969, was of much interest to us at the Rum River Country Club here at Isanti, Minn.

Our club grounds are adjacent to the Rum River and our canoe landing is within walking distance of the club. We have 17 foot Areo Craft aluminum canoes that we rent to groups or individuals on a day to day basis, depending on the length of trip desired - one, two, three day trips or longer. We transport the canoes and people upstream to various points . Then all canoeing is downstream to the club landing.

We invite you and all members of the M.C.A. to come out for your next meeting and use our facilities and we would appreciate any information or recommendations.

Sincerely,

Gary Menzel, Manager
Rum River Country Club

Do you have.....An interesting story?.....A bit of news?.....A letter to the Editor for the oracle?..... Then....Become a contributor to HUT!.....TODAY!..... Looking through back issues, we had many contributions from all areas of membership. Join the parade and send in your contributions NOW!.....

Dear Editor:

We came into Menagha from Mankato after closing hours and after several inquiries got a line on how to find Shell City, starting point of the Shell and Crow Wing Rivers canoe trip. Lost, we parked at a lighted R.E.A. sub-station at a cross-roads, hoping to flag down an on-coming car for directions.

The car was full of elderly women, and we thought that we heard shouts of "Oh Mercy, don't stop!", and they poured it on.

One of our four got out the map, and, by the lighted corner, we figured out our way. We reached a nice campground at 11:30 p.m., set up camp and were ready for bed by 1:00 a.m. when another group pulled in. We helped them set up and arose at 7:00 a.m. to find we were located in a beautiful setting on a beautiful stream with sandy shores and water so clear one could see the bottom in four feet of water. Free of snags and rapids, the stream could be crossed on the darkest night without the fear of hitting anything, except perhaps a wandering deer or bear.

Blue lillies, astors, wild roses and other flowers lined the shores in many places. So abundant were the roses that their fragrance perfumed the air.

For the first time in 60 years I did not paddle. Gregg, my grandson, did all the work while I rode the cushions playing "Down by the Old Mill Stream" on the duddlesack. Hardly a fly or mosquito appeared in the two days to bother anyone.

Fishing was good on the stream. We caught walleye, pickerel and bass.

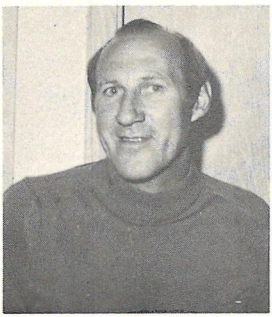
It's really great the way the campsites are marked for distance by signs along the river. Our hats off to those communities responsible for all the work involved. Thanks from the Mankato Canoers.

Sincerely,

Harvey L. Andersen, Mankato

RIVERMAN'S PLEDGE

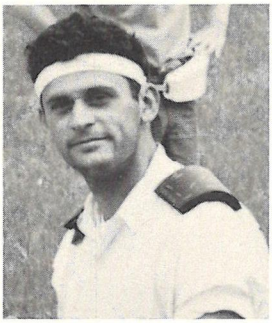
I will take or leave nothing that might diminish the enjoyment of others who follow the same trails.



Mr. Karl Ketter
President



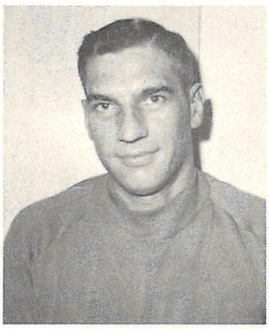
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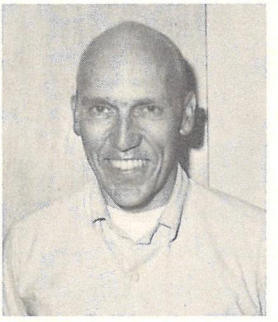


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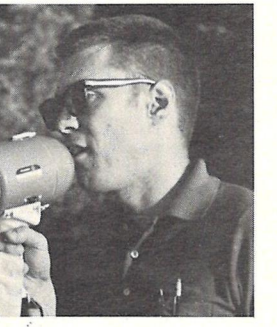


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Treasurer

1969 ELECTION OF OFFICERS



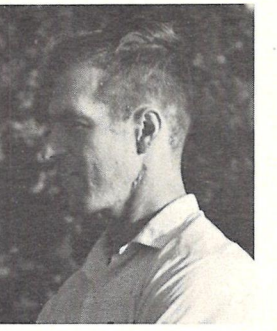
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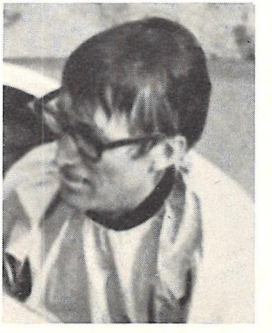
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Mr. Al Button
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Treasurer

90 MILE VFW-SPONSORED CANOE DERBY - Snake River - St. Croix River to Stillwater
First Place - a team from Pine City: Chuck Kessler, Boyd Carlson, Del Gross, Doug Berglund, Tom Ellig, Jim Hawley, Jerry Schumacher, Steve Lauer

Second Place team - VFW Post #217, Mpls.: Mike Digatons, Tim Clements, Doug Eidem, Dan Wisniak, John Btalzheim, Craig Freigaard, Terry Sather, Greg Peterson

Third Place - Ballentine Post #246
Fourth Place - Russel Gaylord Post #159
Fifth Place - Woodrow Wilson Post #1491
Sixth Place - St. Louis Park Post #5632

INDIAN DAY CANOE RACE - Sauk Rapids (25 entered)

Pro Results:

Eugene Jenson - Gary Neddermeyer	59:20
Buzz Peterson - Greg Peterson	1:00:15
Walt Hutari - Robin Baker	1:02:15
Karl L. Ketter - Steve Peterson	1:05:35
Jeff Howe - Mike Flannery	1:06:30
Joel & Lee Weinhold	1:09:20
Larry Wolfe - Wayne Smelnick	1:18:40

Amateur Results:

Larry Curtis - Earl Burnson	1:06:50
Glen Bennington - Lorrie Anderson	1:07:45
Kenny Burmson - Jaeger	1:08:20
Bill Parish - Gary Jenson	1:11;00

LIONS CLUB CANOE DERBY - Rum River

G. Neddermeyer - E. Jenson	1:55:50	Long Lk-Mpls	$60.00
Joel - Lee Weinhold		Anoka	40.00
Dick Reiman - Don Drussen		Pine City	30.00
Bruce - Lloyd Reiman		Pine City	30.00

ELK RIVER TO CHAMPLIN CANOE RACE RESULTS

Denny Withers - Glen Bennington	3:55:00
Ken Ketter - Eugene Jenson	3:55:30
Tom Olsen - Daniel Chandler	4:00:00
Jerry Hiddle - Ron Burley	4:10:00
Dennis Anderson - Norm Kastendick	4:13:00



GLENWOOD WATERAMA

Pro Results 16 ft., 3 & 27	Prizes	Times
1. Eugene Jenson & Gary Neddermeyer	$50.00	46:16
2. Keith Canny & Larry Peterson	40.00	1:00:20
3. Joel & Lee Weinhold	30.00	1:01:20
4. Robin Baker & Jerry Hoffman	20.00	1:06:14

Amateur Results Standard Canoe		
1. Bill & Bob O'Fallon	Trophy	25:55
2. Joe Conrad & Denny Withers	Trophy	25:57
3. Larry Curtis & Earl Burnson	Trophy	30:45
4. Bob Rosin & John Doe		34:50

(seven teams entered--all others tipped)

Pee Wee Results

1. Zittlow & McDougall
2. O'Fallon & Schaman
3. Baker & Baker
4. Lea & Gremells
5. Gremells & Matli
6. Hoffman & Baker

Mixed Double Results

1. Clint Waddel & Bev Renko
2. Larry Peterson & Betty Ketter
3. Robin & Brenda Baker
4. Keith & Pat Canny
5. Joe Conrad & Marsha Gravich
6. Jim & Ann Kerfoot
7. Denny Withers & Smith
8. Ken Ketter & Linda Jones

LE SUEUR CORN-ON-THE-CURB DAYS CANOE RACE RESULTS

1.	Canny & Ketter	9.	Bjork & Schulter
2.	Anderson & Bennington	10.	Mason & Mason
3.	Anderson & Montive	11.	King & Cameron
4.	James & Runyon	12.	Reding & Rahrs
5.	Strube & Strube	13.	Christian & Christian
6.	Caster & Bachaus	14.	Schaeffler & Hammer
7.	Hammel & Michael	15.	Rogashe & Lyisfer
8.	Flannery & Flannery	16.	Lipp & Froast

Times for the first four teams were: 1) 47:44, 2) 47:46, 3) 50:50, 4) 51:04. The first through third place teams received trophies and merchandise; the fourth through 16th place teams received merchandise. All contestants received Green Giant sweatshirts. Special trophies were awarded to the fourth and ninth place teams for being the fastest two teams from the Le Sueur area. After the race the paddlers and the friendly people of Le Sueur ate 20 tons of corn on the cob flavored with 600 pounds of butter!





The Oxelson team hunts for clues during Treasure Hunt as sun sets behind Round Lake. (Conradi Photo)

1969 TREASURE HUNT

by Roy D. Conradi

Eight pirates were no match for the Ketters as they paddled their way to first place in the second annual MCA/3M Treasure Hunt on Lake Phalen, August 13.

Karl and Betty Ketter picked up the eight clues and returned to the start in 54 minutes, beating the second place finishers (Erick, Maureen and Eva Oxelson) by five minutes. Both first and second place winners won a Revere automatic camera.

Whisking their way through Lake Phalen, Round Lake and the adjoining canals were 19 teams. Several 3M foreign guests joined in the evening affair.

Al Button, who set up the event, suggested next year it be held in a different location to put everyone on equal footing. Twice in the same place gives the returnees an advantage, commented Button.

Following the Ketters and Oxelsons were Janet & Janice Robidoux (3rd), Keith & Pat Canny (4th), Bob Haug and Georgia Longtin (5th), and Jim Vickerson and Clyde Manion (6th).

CONSERVATION

The following article appeared in a high school news sheet in Lansing, Michigan:

"One of the things of which Michigan is proud is our great system of waterways, particularly the mighty Grand River. Despite geologists findings, lefend has it that the river isn't really flowing and that in actuality it is the skinniest lake in the world. Determining the direction of flow would seem an easy task, toss in a stick and see which way it moves. After trying this several times I have found that it flows in the same direction that the wind blows.

Many Michigan residents enjoy spending a Sunday afternoon on the river's tranquil banks or playing by its magnificent hydro-electric dams listening to the roar of its waters: drip, drip, drip.. The activities carried on these afternoons are many and varied. A favorite is carp fishing. This can be done either with the hook in the water, or up on the banks where most of the fish are. Another popular pasttime is plugging your nose and throwing rotted fish at the idiots who sometimes ski on the Grand, or simply sitting around catching hepatitis.

Many people believe that the Grand River is completely polluted. This is not true. At last analysis only 70% of the stuff in the river was pollutants with the remaining 30% actually being water.

Gazing at the Grand River one cannot doubt Michigan's economic progress; there is the physical evidence of it. The disgorgings of Consumer's Power Co., the excretions of Oldsmobile and Fisher Body, and the light green scum which thrives on the other forms of sewage and waste matter. The Grand River serves the needs of industry and recreation of Michigan and, partly because it does, Michigan is known as the land of light green water."

Mark Waterbury

(Let's hope it doesn't happen here, if it hasn't already happened.)

NEWS 'N' NOTES

"Look for your God not in the confusion of battle, or behind the smoke of human sacrifices, but amidst the flowers and trees, the wild duck and the fishes." Written by Akh-naton, the father-in-law of King Tut-Ankh-Amen, 1375 B.C.

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The United States Supreme Court recently ruled that a man with a criminal record cannot be required to register a firearm because it would be self-incriminating.

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Do you know all there is to know about camping? If not, you might get an assist from Camping Tips From Sir Edmund Hillary, a 20-page booklet available from Sears Roebuck, Department 139, 3625 Truman Road, Kansas City, Missouri 64127. If you know all there is to know, the booklet still makes nice browsing.

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NEIGHBORING ORGANIZATIONS:

Ill.: Illinois Paddling Council
4019 Narragansett
Chicago, Il. 60634

Mo.: Meramec Canoe Club
3636 Oxford Blvd.
Maplewood, Mo. 63143

Mich: Michigan Canoe Race Association
Box 452
Oscoda, Mi. 48750

Wisc: Huffers Outing Club
Attn. Canoeing Chairman
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wi. 53706

CANOE TRAILS PUBLICATIONS:

Minn: MINNESOTA VOYAGEUR TRAILS ($2.00)
State of Minnesota Document Section
140 Centennial Bldg.
St. Paul, Mn. 55107

CANOE TRAILS PUBLICATIONS (continued)

Wisc: WISCONSIN WATER TRAILS
Wisconsin Conservation Dept.
Madison, Wisconsin

WISCONSIN NORTH CENTRAL CANOE TRAILS, ($3.00)
Northwest Wisconsin Canoe Trails, Inc.
Gordon, Wisconsin 54838

CANOEING THE WILD RIVERS OF NORTHWESTERN WISCONSIN ($3.00)

Mich: CANOE TRAILS OF MICHIGAN
Michigan Tourist Council
Lansing, Mi.

Ill: CANOE GUIDE
Ill. Dept. of Tourism
Springfield, Ill.

Mo: MISSOURI OZARK WATERWAYS
Missouri Conservation Comm.
Jerrerson City, Mo.

BUILDING

Donald Manion of Excelsior Wins Blue Ribbon

M.C.A. members can be proud!! of their win at the Minnesota State Fair Handcrafts.

Six members of the M.C.A. entered canoes in the State Fair handcrafts division for the first time and Donald Manion earned the coveted Blue ribbon for the whole show, with his workmanship on his 17 foot Guide model which was assembled with Sitka spruce strips, walnut trim and hand woven caned seats. Though not polished to as high a luster as the other canoes, the judgeing was strictly on the wood working craftsmanship.

Other entrys submitted were by Neil Christian-Al Buchholz Vernon Skrivseth-Jerome Kress-Karl Neal Ketter. Canoes were judged on design,(beauty,suitability color), originality, workmanship, usefulness, value in point of interest, value of article in relation to work done and material used, and difficulty of project.

REVIEW

Book Review by Darwin Gilbert

THE OLD AU SABLE, by Hazen L. Miller; William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., Grand Rapids, Michigan. 178 pages, reproduced old maps, sketches and old pictures. Hard cover for $4.95.

Several Minnesota teams have competed in the past twenty-two consecutive Au Sable River Marathons and they along with others in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota may be interested in the lumbering era, fires, early settlers and other events.

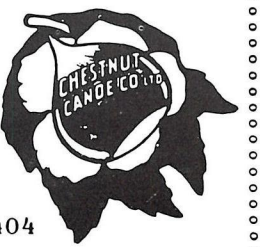
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