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R.C. Gustafson at Jordan Dam on Sand Creek

Photo by Grant Friberg

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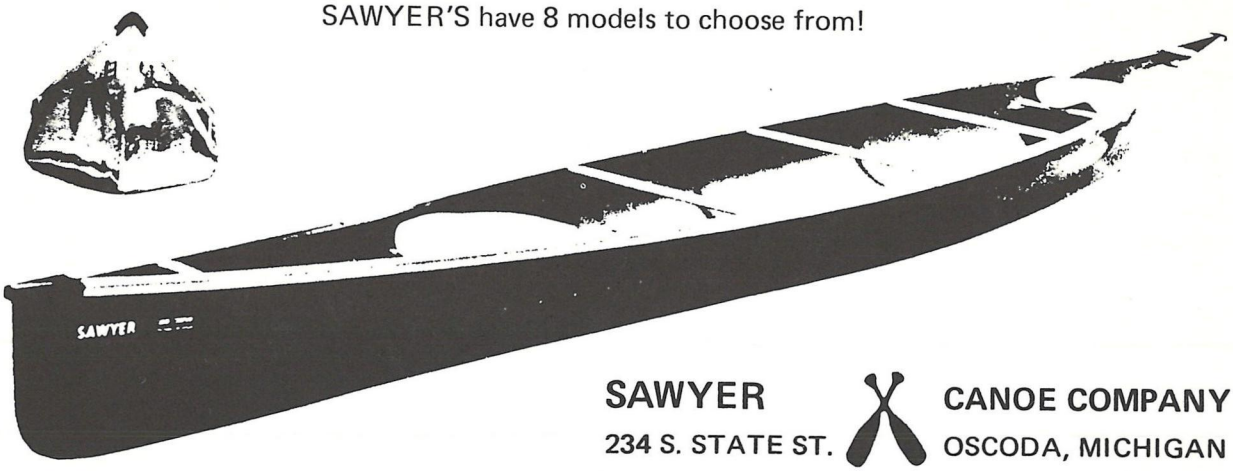
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THE EDITOR SAYS:

The newsletter is dead.

HUT lives - and comes to you every month. All this is the result of June Board action as they tried to determine how our publishing efforts can best serve our members. The goals of our monthly HUT were outlined last month -- to get this publication in your mail box the first week of each month, and to make it something you will anticipate with eagerness.

Some special things to note in this issue. The center pages again focus on the BWCA -- pull out the whole page to help decide where to go when. The articles by Larry Johns and Grant Friberg are the kind that HUT editors always are glad to get. Notice our new office location, the St. Croix Slalom news, and the learning experiences available.

As you go shopping, stop for a visit with our advertisers - tell them you saw their ad in HUT -- and buy.

See you at the July Activity meeting! *L. M.*

Send your news, pictures, letters and articles by the 21st of each month at the latest to Lew Miller at 7500 Lake Drive, Lino Lakes, MN 55014.

NEW MEMBERS

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tues. - Thurs. July 6 - 8

Basic Canoeing I - 6:30 p.m. to dusk. Article follows

Thursday, July 8

Brigade Chapter meeting at Lake of the Isles in Mpls., Chuck Alberg is the host. 529-0779.

Wed. July 14

Board meeting at the new office in St. Paul at 9th and Cedar. Guests are welcome.

Sat. July 17

Mississippi River Trip - Monticello to Elk River led by John Timmers, 935-3829. Article follows.

Sat. - Sun. July 17 - 18

Namekagon River Cruise - Grey Krieger, leader. 735-2666. Article follows.

MCA ACTIVITIES MEETING. Rendevous week-end program at Fort Snelling State Park and float on Mississippi River on Sun. Article follows.

Cascaders sponsored Minn.-Wisc.-Ill. Slalom challenge. Wasau, Wisc. Call Larry Johns, 633-6734.

Tues. - Thurs. July 20 - 22

Basic Canoeing I - 6:30 p.m. to dusk. Article follows

Sat. - Sun. July 24 - 25

Cascaders cruise on upper Wolf and Peshtigo. Contact Dave Blinde, 823-3362.

Tues. - Thurs. July 27 - 29

Singles paddling class. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Joe Conrad, instructor. Article follows.

Sat. - Sun. August 14, 15

Slalom Clinic, Taylors Falls, Mn. Registration at 9:00 a.m. Saturday on North side of bridge on Minnesota side. Al Button 776-4607.

Slalom Clinic, Wausau, Wisconsin. Write William Rypstadt, 909 Ethy St. Wausau, Wis. 54401.

Slalom Clinic, Wolf River Wisconsin. Write Wisconsin Hoofers Outing Club, University of Wisconsin, Memorial Union, 800 Langdon, Madison, Wis. 53706.

Sat. - Sun. August 21-22

St. Croix Slalom Race. Al Button 776-4607.

Wed. August 18

MCA activities meeting 7:00 p.m. at Broadway Bridge on the Mississippi (south of Broadway on W. River Road) Canoe builders contest and canoe try-outs. See seperate article.



NEW HEADQUARTERS FOR MCA

MCA now has an office. It's our first since we formed in 1961. Hopefully it will be the center of our administrative activities and make it easier for people to find us. Members are invited to drop in and have a look. But be forewarned - you may be asked to paint a ceiling, or file records, or help on a display, or make coffee. We will need many members to help answer phones or do other little things that make an office an office.

We are renting a second floor office and work area from Downtown St. Paul UMCA at 9th and Cedar. Our mailing address remains the same and we will give out a phone number just as soon as we have people willing to answer it. The office next to ours is rented by American Youth Hostels (AYH), the bicycle people. We're sure we'll make good friends.

Needed is some office furniture; especially file cabinets and shelves and a large table. Can you help us? Also, if you are now storing anything that belongs to the MCA please make arrangements to bring it in. In 15 years we have spread a lot of records, files, and paraphernalia around, we now have a home for it.

If interested or intrigued in our new office call Karl Ketter 636-8116 for more information. But what he really wants is for people to help make the office a home.

MISSISSIPPI RIVER TRIP

On Saturday, July 17, John Timmers will lead us down the Mississippi River from Monticello to Elk River. This 4 hour family trip is on one of the best stretches of the Mississippi with its clear water and islands. This stretch is part of the proposed wild and scenic river system.

Meet at the Elk River wayside park opposite the old atomic plant on T.H. 10 at 9:30 a.m.

Call trip leader John Timmers, at 935-3829.

NAMEKAGON RIVER CRUISE - JULY 17 & 18

Fun in the sun in a canoe for two(?) or more - Enjoy the excitement the first French voyageur's experienced through this area. Canoe a few easy rapids plus a relaxing glide through the countryside. Wildlife abounds, fishing - excellent (need Wisconsin license), pick a few blueberries, swimming - great.

Meet at Washburn County Road "K" below Trego Lake Dam, on Saturday, July 17, 8:30 a.m. Plan on camping at the Old Howell Bridge Campgrounds. Will have shuttle cars from campground to dam on Saturday and to Hwy. 35 at Riverside on Sunday.

To find the Old Howell Bridge Campgrounds - Go east on Hwy. 77 - pass Namekagon River and it is the first paved road on your right, a sign says Burian Road. Turn right or south till you run out of paved road. That's the campgrounds. Tents only. **No** well water. Primitive facilities. Those with trailers - use campground on Namekagon River, take River Road north.

So as not to leave just a few minutes too early and miss a late arrival, please call the trip leader and let him know your plans. Trip leader is Grey Krieger, 735-2666 (Call before 7 a.m. or after 9 p.m.)

Sunday July 18

ANNUAL FORT SNELLING RENDEZVOUS CRUISE

U. of M. River Flats (near Showboat Landing) to Pikes Island in Fort Snelling State Park (8 river miles) will be our destination, Sunday July 18. Everyone -young and old- is invited to take part in this fun and leisurely paddle! Voyageur canoes (26 to 34 feet long) will be part of the cruise paddled by the Canoe Brigade of the North (M.C.A. Chapter) and the Minnesota Brigade, all in voyageur costume.

Music and song will follow us down river where all paddlers are invited to visit the historic Voyageur Rendezvous camp at Pikes Island and join the fun!! Canoe events, portage and piece carries, musket shoots, music and general hoopla after the cruise. Bring adequate lunch! (Enough for supper too?)

SPECIAL NOTE: All vehicles will require a State Park sticker ($5 annual or $1.50 a day) available at Park headquarters. River maps will be available at put-in spot.

Cruise details:

1. Cars with canoes **must** meet at U. of M. River Flats parking lot at 9 a.m.!

2. Canoes will be unloaded, then drivers and vehicles will drive to Fort Snelling State Park boat landing.

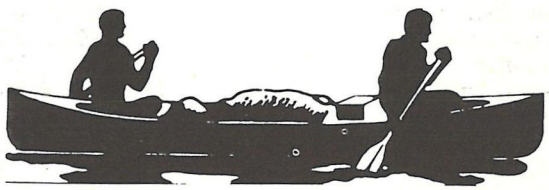
3. M.C.A. sponsored bus will pickup drivers and stray paddlers at **10 a.m. at the park boat landing**, returning them to the River Flats put-in spot.

4. Cruise begins at 10:30 a.m.

5. Lock-through at Ford Dam. Lunch near Minnehaha Creek, or your pleasure. (Hike to falls?)

6. Arrive at Pikes Island for Rendezvous, 3-4 p.m. and reunite with vehicles.

7. Folks missing 10 a.m. bus shuttle must arrange their own shuttle.



Monday, July 19, on Pike Island
at Voyageurs Camp 5 to 9:30 p.m.

5:30 - Rubbaboo
6:45 - La-ronde (circle dance)
7:00 - Standard canoe race
7:30 - Big canoe race
8:00 - Piece carry and tug of war
8:30 - Voyageur music and perhaps a fight.

JENSEN HANDICAP '76

As any paddler knows by now, the rivers in Minnesota have very low water. The course of the Jensen Handicap was no different and some paddlers used this to their advantage as they had many choices as to where to paddle in the river.

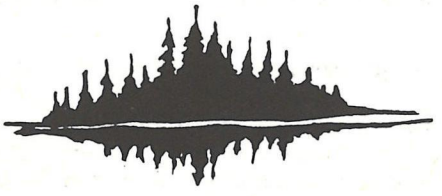
The first team across the finish line was Tom Olson and Richard Thrune in Tom's pro racer. Tom tells me he still has not received his trophy. Seems Bill Pool, one of last year's winners doesn't want to part with it. It is a traveling trophy. Right behind them were Dan Hussel and Peg Bohanon in Dan's Sawyer he uses to camp in. Peg's finish is the highest by a woman in the Handicap's history.

When you consider the different canoes and level of experience of the paddlers, it is amazing only 6 minutes separate 15 canoes. Competition was close all the way down the line. Larry Johns was victorious over his whitewater rivals who decided to give this kind of a canoe race a try.

The only disappointment was that there were just too many eager, beginning paddlers that wanted to race but were unable to because not enough experienced paddlers showed up with canoes. Too bad that when the interest is there that the Marathon Racers cannot accomodate them.

I can say from personal experience that the Jensen Handicap was where I first became interested in racing canoes. Even though I finished well behind the leaders, that didn't matter. I would like to offer an apology to those people who could not paddle. Please don't lose interest as we need all the bodies we can get.

TIME	HOPEFUL BEGINNER	EXPERIENCED PADDLER
47:43	Richard Thrune	Tom Olson
47:48	Peg Bohanon	Dan Hassel
47:57	John Burck	Buzz Peterson
48:09	Gerry Cichanowski	Gene Jensen
48:40	Mark Eidem	Mike Bohanon
49:23	John Glenn	Jeff Howe
49:56	Bob Brown	George Arimond
50:56	Larry Johns	Karl Ketter
51:11	Stu Knappmiller	Mike Cichanowski
51:18	Al Voight	Andy Gryniewski
51:21	Beth Olsen	Greg Holmberg
51:29	Grant Friberg	Dennis Holmberg
52:24	Dave Olson	Greg Peterson
52:36	Linda McCloskey	Frank Wattunen
53:58	Larry Kriesel	Frank Green



MCA OPEN BOAT CANOE I AND II

BASIC CANOEING I and EFFICIENT CANOEING II classes still have openings for those who wish to improve their paddling efficiency. CANOEING I covers safety, paddling a canoe in a straight line and turning. CANOEING II stresses crusing skills and deals with wind and current maneuvers. Sign up for CANOEING I and then take CANOEING II later in the summer. Classes will be held at Lake Phalen, Lake of the Isles and the Broadway Bridge on the Mississippi. Classes are limited to 10 to 15 people. Canoe rental is available. Classes run from 6:30 to dusk.

The dates are June 8-10, June 21-23, July 6-8, July 20-22, Aug. 10-12 and Sept. 8-10 for BASIC CANOEING I. EFFICIENT CANOEING II is offered June 24-26 and Sept. 16-18. Other dates may be scheduled due to demand, so let us know if you are interested and dates you can make it to a class.

Call Stu Knappmiller 777-8993, or Karl Ketter 636-8116, to sign up...$4 MCA members, $6 non-members.

CHALLENGE RACE

After the Jensen Handicap there was a Challenge Race held. Cruisers, C-1's, Voyageurs, etc. against the better paddlers. Either we overestimated ourselves or underestimated the challengers because the head-start we gave was just too much to overcome and the old pros went down in defeat.

PLACE	TEAM
1	Voyageur Canoe
2	John Glennn & Allen Voight
3	The Knappmillers
4	Brian Belisle & Tom Plozary
5	The Kerfoots
6	Bob & Danny Brown
7	George Arimond & Linda Cichanowski
8	Gene Jensen & Andy Gryniewski
9	Karl Ketter & Mike Bohanon
10	Tom Olson & Dan Hassel
11	Buzz Peterson & Jeff Howe

OPEN CANOE WHITEWATER TRAINING SESSION

An open canoe instruction course, intended to introduce the flat water paddler to whitewater techniques, will be offered by the MCA. Training will begin with River Safety and will cover both basic and whitewater strokes, water reading, and control of the canoe in various river situations.

On July 31, the first session, you will be concerned with perfecting strokes. We will held this session on the Mississippi River, at the U of M landing. On Sunday, you will implement your skills at Taylor's Falls or the Kettle River, depending on water levels.

Your equipment check should include:

--Life jackets
--Knee pads
--10' painters (lines) on each end of canoe
--Bailing scoop (plastic bottle with end cut out)
--Spare paddle

The MCA fee will be $4 for members, $6 for non-members. Preregistration is a must as the class will be limited to 10 canoes.

Contact Bill Webb, 612-483-5557.

Brigade to appear at Ft. Snelling Rendezvous

By Larry Johns

By special invitation of Governor Anderson, Col. Josiah Snelling and Debra Dabravalski, the Brigade du Canots du Nord will make an appearance at the Ft. Snelling Rendezvous on July 17 and 18.

The rendezvous, which is an annual event, takes on added importance this Bicentennial year and we fully expect the Brigade to be the hit of the event. Who else will paddle so efficiently, sing so beautifully, dress so colorfully and be so completely historically irreverent?

I've heard that certain of our members are secretly practicing Polish paddling songs such as *Lidal boteskis on da Nortski Seaski*. That should shock and outrage the hell out of the Minnesota Brigade.

Each unit will be expected to add to the gaiety and activities of the rendezvous. Some of the highlights planned by our group include a vocal rendition of *Dans les Prisons de Ste Paulle* by Ettiene Friberg, Pierre Jahnke doing his version of the *Rendezvous Stomp*, exotic dances by our Fille de Joie, a pork-eating exhibition by John Wexler, a wet T-shirt contest is being planned (all gals interested in entering should contact chairman Lew Miller) and Linda Loken will carve paddles with a rusty broadaxe. Other fantastic events will be added.

WANT TO PADDLE A CANOE ALONE?

Are you tired of those marriage counseling sessions...of frazzled from your partner's paddle splash on your back or in your fact? Then drop everything and rush to sign up for Joe Conrad's singles paddling class.

At last, the MCA offers a course for solving the problems of two people trying to steer a canoe. Come on out, just you and your canoe and learn to maneuver **alone**.

Where: Showboat Landing - U. of M.
When: July 27, 28, 29 (Tues., Wed., Thurs.) 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
What: bring your canoe...aluminum boats, bring at least a 60 inch paddle. Everyone bring a life jacket.
How much: $4 MCA member, $6 non-member.
Basic Canoeing II required (Possible instructor approval from Joe Conrad). 15 canoes and 15 people maximum!

Contact Joe Conrad, 715-425-2818, or Stu Knappmiller, 612-777-8993 to pre-register for the course.

CASCADERS TO SPONSOR $10,000 RACE

Due to a shortage (or lack) of water in our rivers, the Cascader's monthly activity meeting for July will be a short open canoe race.

Any Cascader who is listed in the WW Kayak Registry and has competed as a professional in at least 6 slalom races on approved rivers this year is eligible for the $10,000 prize providing his (her) canoe is homemade and her (his) partner is older than 43, younger than 17 and was born in Southern Iowa between 1934 and 1958.

The race will be held at Lake Johanna in Roseville at 7 p.m sharp on Wednesday, July 21. The course will be approximately 3 miles (30 minutes) roughly following the perimeter of the lake and will be marked by buoys.

There will be one class only (mixed) and only commercial aluminum canoes will be allowed. A suitable prize will be awarded the winners if they are not eligible for the $10,000. There will be no entry fee, but we urge you to indicate your intention to race by July 19. Please call George Jensen at 729-1837 to make reservations. Meet at the picnic area (north side of lake) at 6:30 or come earlier and enjoy a picnic. There will be a beverage, brag and bluster session after the race. Non-Cascaders may enter at the discretion of the race chairman.



Apple River Slalom 1974. **Photo by Ken Kozar.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need help and the best kind of help comes from our members. There is lots to be done. We invite all members to join those who are already active in running the MCA. We specifically need people to:

1. Take memberships at activities meetings.

2. Spend time at our new office answering phone etc.

3. Process new and renewed membership applicatons.

4. Lead canoe trips especially one day trips.

5. Help to distribute fiberglass and resin to members.

6. Mail newsletters

7. Serve on the board of directors beginning in October in any one of many interesting and challenging areas.

8. Attend public hearings on conservation and legal question.

9. Send in interesting and helpful information to our newsletter.

If you are willing to help, give Karl Ketter a call at 636-8116 or if you would rather talk to someone much prettier, call Barb Babcock 633-9323.

mississippi mud

Marathon Racing News

2ND ANNUAL FARIBAULT CANOE RACE

Low water and a cloudy, ominous sky apparently kept many of the local Faribault people home, but didn't deter many of the Marathon Racers May 29.

Near record low water levels made for very difficult paddling on the river positions, while the wind was kicking up a few waves on Cannon Lake. Many teams were using recently legalized covers, mostly plastic sheeting.

Eight mixed teams and 10 men's teams along with several men's traditional teams raced down the already shortened course. Beginning at the Highway 60 bridge, each heat kicked up a huge mudbath at the gun. The lake provided a different challenge, going directly into a 15 mph wind for about 3 miles. While not hazardous, the waves were a problem for the faint-of-heart.

At the portage, some confusion developed over where the river channel was. There wasn't enough flow over the dam to provide adequate canoeability, and the teams were forced to run down the riverbed.

Upon reaching the water and paddling down to Alexander Park, one final maneuver was required. A bouy was set about ¼ mile past the finish, and teams had to go around it, then back to the finish.

At the line, it was Frank Wattunen teamed with Ron Burley that proved to be the right combination in 4-32 canoes.

In the 3-27 hulls a team from Ontario, Canada finished ahead of the other entrant, a disappointing turnout in that class.

The mixed couples class is looking good this year, with 8 teams, competing. Mike and Linda Chickanowski won, using a new Kevelar Jensen that Mike was still putting the finishing touches on as the race started.

The Hiawatha canoe club is to be congratulated on their first race, and we're already looking forward to next year.

SANCTIONED RACE SCHEDULE

The following sanctioned points races will all include classes for: International Men's (18'6", 3/27 canoes), Men's (18'6", 4/32), Women's (18'6", 4/32), Mixed couples (18'6", 4/32) and Juniors under 18 (18'6", 4/32). Most races will also include many "fun" classes for standard 17' canoes. Racers are discouraged from entering these classes so beginners and occasional paddlers may compete on an even basis.

July 10-11	Grand Rapids
July 24	Glenwood
July 25	Hoyt Lakes
Aug. 14	Shakopee
Aug. 15	Elk River

1976 RACE SCHEDULE
MARATHON RACE DATES

July 4

Bemidji
Robbinsdale - Crystal Lake - Shiz Band Days Sprint
Contact Tom Mullin, 4221 Lake Road, Robbinsdale, MN 55422

July 10-11

Grand Rapids* Mississippi River
Contact Don Carlson, 708 9th St. N.W., Grand Rapids, MN 55744

July 10

Sauk Rapids - Mississippi River - Indian Days
Contact Robert Morey, 3 North 2nd Ave., Sauk Rapids, MN 56379

Litchfield - Crow River - Watercade
Contact - Wm. R. Huhner, 531 E. 4th St. Litchfield, MN 55355

July 16-17

State VFW Canoe Derby
Contact Norman Swanson, Rt. 2, Cambridge, MN 55008

July 24

Glenwood* - Lake Minnewaska - Waterama
Contact Dr. James Gilman, 16 S.E. 1st St., Glenwood, MN 56334

July 25

Hoyt Lakes*
Contact Clyde Keith, 508 Hampshire Dr., Hoyt Lake, MN 55750

*Indicates sanctioned points race.

2ND BIANNUAL CROSS COUNTRY SKI CHALLENGE

Marathon Racers were surprised to learn in a recent Newsletter of the cunning victory the Cascaders had engineered in last winter's cross country ski race. Not wanting to gain a reputation as good losers, the Marathon Racers offer a "2nd Bi-annual Cross Country Ski Challenge" to be held on the LaGabelle Portage in Shawinningan, Quebec, September 5. Cascaders attempting to defend their dubious title should be at the top of the staircase at 2 p.m. (Waxless skis are recommended.)

Mississippi Mud is available to answer any questions about racing and canoes you may have. Any Newsletter reader may ask a question or seek advice by writing it down and sending it to: "Mississippi Mud" c/o Frank Green, 7620 49th Ave. N., Mpls., MN 55428. Then just sit back and wait for "Mud" to come up with an answer.

North Canoe named

By Larry Johns

After 94 sheets of sandpaper, 738 bottles of beer, countless obscenities, many gallons of sweat, 4 reams of paper for plans, 394 man hours and 79 woman hours, our voyageur canoe is about ready to launch, but how can we have a proper christening for an unnamed craft?

With this in mind, I did a mini-survey of some of our members and came up with the following suggestions. I asked Linda what she thought would be a suitable name. Without hesitation, she answered "Manhattan", but I wasn't sure if she was suggesting a name or ordering a drink.

I told Grant that perhaps he would like to name the canoe after some girl that thought he was "cool". "Fine," said Grant, but two hours later, he still hadn't thought of a girl who considered him OK.

John Wexler thought "Pork Chop" would be appropriate, but I vetoed that. Jim (Pierre) Jahnke stated that he was the best builder in the group accordingly, the canoe should be named after him. I was seriously considering the possibility until I checked with such notables as Dan Busch, Chuck Alberg, John Wheeler and Jim Caddy and discovered that each of them considered themselves "Best Builder". Come to think of it, I'm not so damn bad myself. At any rate, to keep peace in the organization, I had to scrap that idea.

Walt Jones was sure his age entitled him to respect and recognition and we should name the canoe after him.

Lew Miller thought the name should have a religious connotation, but he frowned on "Lucifer's Legacy" and "Alberg's Ark".

Not being at all satisfied with any of these suggestions and having one small advantage over the other members of the brigade (I get to paint the name on the canoe), I've decided to name our craft "FLOTSAM". This has a delightful definition in Webster's good book. (Flotsam - assorted nondescript debris floating aimlessly on the sea of life.) This may be more descriptive of our members than our canoe, but unless someone comes us with a more appropriate name, we could be paddling "Flotsam" this summer.



"Flotsam" crew wins challenge race.

WOK it

By Grant Friberg

Interesting and versatile, the WOK can be used for anything from boiling water, to stir frying the most exotic dish in the forest.

In stir frying, all you're doing is using the concentrated heat in the center of the pan to "flash' fry the vegetables or whatever you put in the pan.

This gives you the opportunity to cook vegetables without making them soft and gushy and save the flavor and vitamins at the same time.

My favorite catch all recipe follows with some instructions on the how of WOK cooking.

FOR **ABOUT** 1 SERVING (And I'm a big eater)

¼ lb. pork (pork chop)
¼ lb beef (Cheap steak)
1 or 2 carrots
1 or 2 celery stalks
2 or 3 green onions or a small onion (to taste)
½ green pepper
and half a ton of mushrooms (fresh)

Cut everything up

Meat: small ½ in.
Carrots & Celery: fairly thin
Onion: Small
Green Pepper: Just slice don't chop
Mushrooms: Only in half (please)

To start, you may need a little oil in the pan, heat it up, drop in the meat and stir!

When the meat is done, push it up the sides of the pan to make room for the carrots in the hot center of the pan.

Just continue down the list until you get to the mushrooms, before you add them put in a gob of butter, let it melt, and stir in the mushrooms.

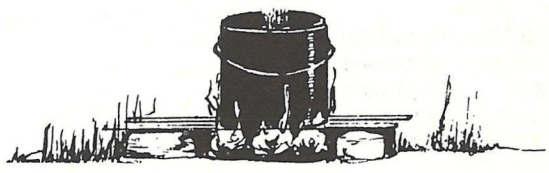
Done!

Season to your taste with soy sauce (salt if you wish) and enjoy.

Don't be afraid to alter this recipe, use hamburger or lamb for the meat, or use no meat at all. Add or subtract, but try it!

For the pan, you can pay $6 to $30 depending on what you want. Try to get one that's well built, you don't really need anything fancy, big handles would help if you use the pan over the camp fire.

Next issue, salads - potato and other.



BWCA TRAVEL ZONES

Refer to Map on page 9

HEAVILY USED TRAVEL ZONES:

Travel Zone 3

This is heavily used as an access route to adjoining areas.

Travel Zone 5

This is heavily used as both an access route to adjoining areas and as a destination in itself. Moose River provides little parking space and is generally crowded.

Travel Zone 8

This is a heavily used area, with a large proportion of the use being day use. Camping use is heavy during the weekends of the opening of fishing season, Memorial Day, and Labor Day.

Travel Zones 11 and 12

Campsites will be difficult to find in both travel zones during August and in travel zone 11 during the weekends covering the opening of fishing season and Memorial Day. The areas directly below Pipestone Falls and above Basswood Falls are crowded throughout the summer, as is Fall Lake. Zone 12 is less crowded in July. The primary access points to the travel zones are Moose Lake and Fall Lake -- the two most highly used entrance points to the BWCA.



Travel Zones 13 and 14

The primary access point for these travel zones is Moose Lake, the most heavily used entrance point to the BWCA. Nearly a quarter of all visitors to the BWCA enter here.

The campsites in these zones have the highest occupancy rates of all travel zones. The main travel routes are severely crowded from late July through Labor Day. Overcrowding occurs during the weekends of the opening of fishing season and Memorial Day.

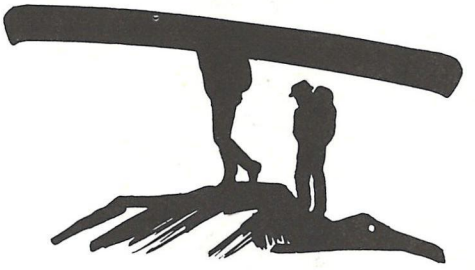
Ensign Lake, Vera Lake, and the west of Knife Lake are severely crowded from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day. If it is necessary to camp in travel zone 14, a better chance of finding unoccupied campsites exists on weekends and in bays off the main travel route.

Problems with bears raiding food packs and campsites are common throughout the summer.

Camping is limited to one night on the Moose Lake chain of lakes.

Travel Zone 19

This zone is severly crowded during Memorial Day weekend. Early June, late July, and the first three weeks in August receive heavy use, with the remainder of the season receiving moderate use. Lake One, Lake Two, the north half of Lake Three, Lake Four, Hudson Lake, and the west end of Lake Insula receive heavy use throughout the season. Campsites are more likely available on bays or lakes away from the main travel routes. Plan your route carefully -- motors are not permitted on many of the lakes.



Travel Zone 26

This travel zone has the third highest campsite occupancy rate of all travel zones. It is severely overcrowded for the first three weeks of August. June, July, and the last week of August receive heavy use with occasional periods of moderate use. Campsites are more crowded in the western end of the travel zone. Problems with bears raiding food packs and campsites are common throughout the summer. Use is generally light during May and September.

Travel Zone 27

Travel zone 27 receives heavy use in early June and from late July until late August. Ogishkemuncie is severely overcrowded. Hanson and Ester Lakes are less crowded on weekends. Lakes other than these three tend to be lightly used. Weekdays tend to receive heavier use than weekends. Sea Gull Lake is the most heavily used access point to this travel zone, providing nearly half of the groups.

Travel Zone 28

Saganaga and Sea Gull Lakes receive heavy use from mid-May through Labor Day. Much of this is day use by large motorboats. Many of the campsites along the main route are overused. Fishing pressure is heavy in the spring and early summer. Saganaga is severely overcrowded on the opening weekend of fishing season. Alpine Lake has moderate to heavy overnight camping during July and August. There is considerable through-travel between Sea Gull and lakes to the southwest.



MODERATELY USED TRAVEL ZONES:

Travel Zone 1

The International Boundary is well used by motorboats. Little Vermilion Lake receives light overnight camper use, while Loon Lake receives moderate to heavy overnight use.

Travel Zone 2

This is Lac La Croix. Early season use concentrates near the east end. Mid-summer use is fairly heavy on each end and somewhat lighter in mid-lake. Due to the size, configuration, and number of islands, a secluded campsite is usually available.



Painted Rocks Lac La Croix

Travel Zone 7

The Basswood River area (from Basswood Lake to the Pictured Rocks on Crooked Lake) is crowded from the opening of fishing season to early September. The area from Pictured Rocks to Wednesday Bay is crowded on the weekends of the opening of fishing season and Memorial Day. Use of the travel zone during the last week of July and first two weeks of August is heavy and unoccupied campsites may be difficult to find. The bays of Crooked Lake offer seclusion for those willing to travel off the main route.

Travel Zone 10

Fourtown and Horse Lakes receive heavy use from the opening of fishing season to Labor Day.

There is a great deal of airplane noise in the vicinity of these lakes due to airplane landings just outside the BWCA boundary. Motors are allowed only on Fourtown Lake.

Travel Zone 15

Use during mid-August is very heavy and is moderate during the remainder of the season. Kekekabic Lake and the west end of Spoon Lake receive very heavy use from mid-July through August. The smaller lakes tend to be more lightly used than Kekekabic Lake. Mid-week use of this travel zone tends to be higher than weekend use. Moose Lake provides most of the entries to this travel zone.



RED (NORWAY) PINE
(Pinus Resinosa)
2 long needles



WHITE PINE
(Pinus Strobus)
5 medium length needles



JACK PINE
(Pinus Banksiana)
2 short, curved needles; closed cones

Travel Zone 20

Memorial Day weekend, mid-June, mid to late July, and mid-August are the heavy use periods in this zone. A State of Minnesota public access and parking area on Snowbank Lake opened in 1974.

Travel Zone 23

This zone receives light to moderate use throughout the summer.

Travel Zone 24

This is a large zone with relatively small amount of development (21 campsites). Campsites receive moderate to heavy use during late July and August. Portages are long and numerous.

Travel Zone 25

This travel zone receives moderate use from mid-July to early August and then heavy use until late August. The remainder of the year has light to moderate use. Weekday use is generally heavier than weekend use.

Travel Zone 29

Little Saganaga and Gabimichigami Lakes are overcrowded during much of the summer season. Similar, but smaller lakes to the east receive little use. Most feature fine lake trout fishing.

Travel Zone 30

The portages to Tuscarora from Round Lake are rugged but worth the effort. Tuscarora is on a motor route, but outboard motors are rarely seen on the lake.

Travel Zone 32

This zone receives moderate use overall. Sawbill, Alton, and Cherokee Lakes are heavily used, often by large groups. Most campsites are full during the latter part of July and most of August. Bear problems are common. Access is primarily from Sawbill and Baker Lakes. Entry rates at Sawbill are moderate to heavy while being light at Baker.



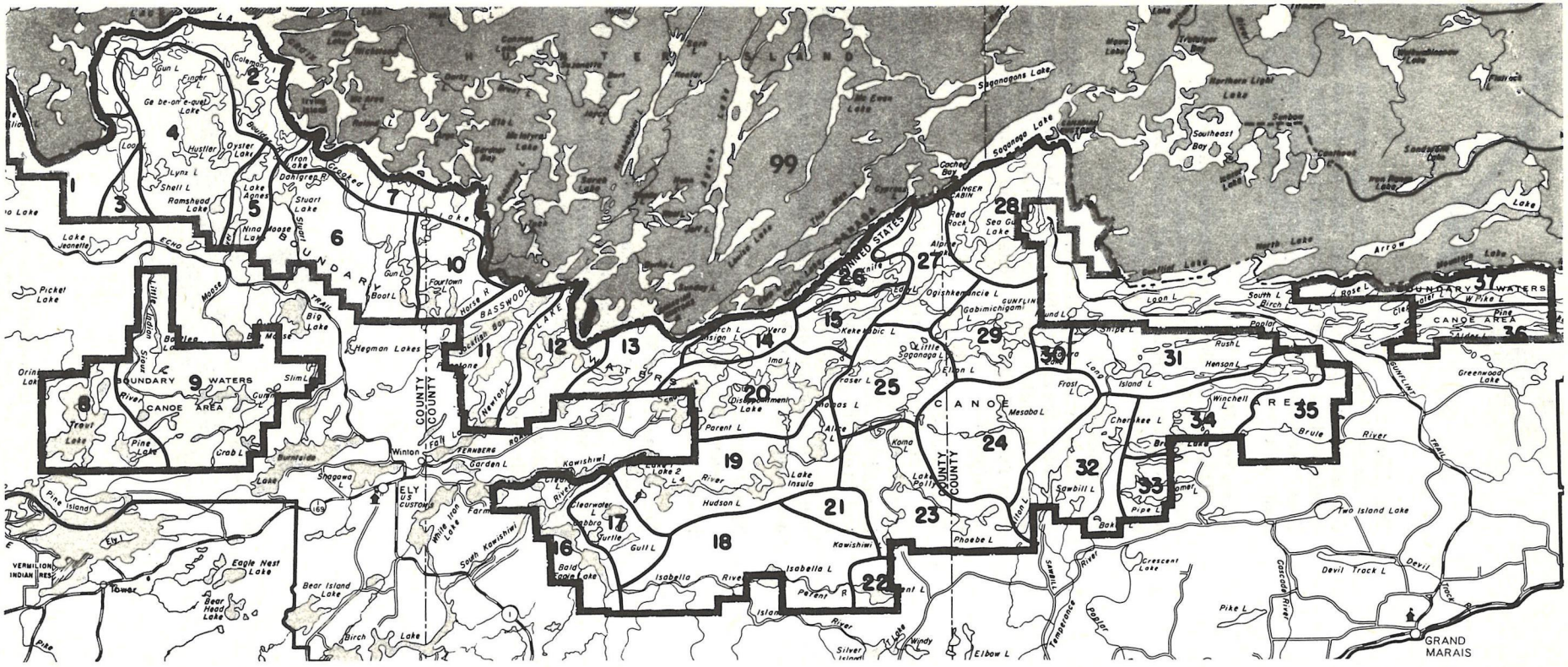
SPRUCES

White — Twigs not hairy — (Use magnifier) — Needles square in cross section, pointed
Black — twigs hairy
Short single needles (less than 1¼ inch)



BALSAM FIR

Needles, flat, blunt or notched at end-two ranked on twig except vigorous new growth



BWCA ENTRANCE POINTS

(Numbered West to East)

1. Trout Lake (from Vermilion)
2. Phantom Lake
3. Clark Lake
4. Crab Lake (from Burntside)
5. Cummings Lake Trail 163 (and Coxey Pond)
6. Slim Lake
7. Big Lake
8. Big Moose Lake
9. Little Indian Sioux River (south of Echo Trail)
10. Norway Trail 167
11. Oriniack Lake
12. Little Vermilion Lake (Crane Lake)
13. Little Vermilion Trail 168
14. Little Indian Sioux River (North of Echo Trail)
15. Sioux-Hustler Trail 166 165
16. Moose River
17. Portage River
18. La Croix Trail 162
19. Stuart River
20. Angleworm Trail 159
21. Fourtown Lake
22. Horse Lake
23. Range River
24. Fall Lake
25. Moose Lake (Fernberg Road)
26. Wood Lake
27. Snowbank Lake
28. Kekakabic Trail
29. North Kawishiwi River (Triangle Lake)
30. Lake One
31. Farm Lake
32. South Kawishiwi River
33. Nickel Creek
34. Island River
35. Isabella Lake
36. Hog Creek (Perent Lake)
37. Kawishiwi Lake
38. Sawbill Lake (and Alton Lake)
39. Baker Lake
40. Homer Lake
41. Brule Lake (and Juno Lake)
42. Ball Club Lake
43. Bower Trout Lake (Lower Trout Lake)
44. Dislocation Lake (and Ram Lake, Rum Lake)
45. Morgan Lake
46. Swamp Lake
47. Lizz Lake (from Poplar Lake)
48. Meeds Lake (from Poplar Lake)
49. Skipper Lake (from Poplar Lake)
50. Rib Lake Trail 143 (and East Dawkins Lake)
51. Ham Lake
52. Round Lake (and Missing Link Lake, Tuscarora Lake)
53. Brant Lake
54. Seagull Lake
55. Saganaga Lake
56. Gneiss Trail 145
57. Magnetic Lake (from Gunflint Lake)
58. South Lake
59. Partridge Lake (and South Lake Trail 128)
60. Duncan Lake
61. Daniels Lake
62. Clearwater Lake
63. Caribou Lake (and Deer Lake, Moon Lake)
64. East Bearskin Lake
65. Trap Lake
66. Crocodile River
67. Stump Lake (and Stump Lake Trail 121)
68. Pine Lake (from McFarland Lake)
69. East Pike Lake
70. Moose Lake (and Lilly Lake to Mountain Lake)
71. Canada

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BOUNDARY WATERS CANOE AREA
SUPERIOR NATIONAL FOREST

MINNESOTA

JANUARY 1973

SCALE

5 0 5 10 15 Miles

LEGEND

- Boundary Waters Canoe Area Boundary
- National Forest Boundary
- Main Highway
- Good Road
- 61 U. S. Route
- 37 State Route
- Ranger Station
- Travel Zone Boundary
- 18 Travel Zone Number

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LIGHTLY USED TRAVEL ZONES:

Travel Zone 4

The Shell to Oyster Lake route, Ramshead Lake, and Heritage Lake are heavily used. The remaining portions of the zone are lightly used.

Travel Zone 6

A lightly used travel zone where motors are not permitted. The Stuart River portage and Angleworm Trail are long (1½-2 miles) portages, but provide direct access to this travel zone.

There is a great deal of airplane noise for the lakes near Fourtown Lake.

Travel Zone 9

This is a lightly used area with only the Crab-Cummings area getting moderately heavy use.

Travel Zones 16 and 17

Use is light to moderate, except in travel zone 16 during Memorial Day weekend. Campsites in bays and off main travel routes are more likely to be available than those close to portages or adjacent to main travel routes.

Lake One, Farm Lake, and South Kawishiwi River are the main entrance points. The public landing on Farm Lake is a very lightly used access point but provides excellent launching and parking facilities.

Zone 17 is a no-motor zone.



Branchlet

WHITE CEDAR

White cedars vary greatly in appearance from twisted veterans leaning over the water to straight and stately trees on moist hillsides.



TAMARACK

Clusters of many needles. Needles turn yellow and drop in fall. Usually found in bogs.

TREES WITH LIGHT BARK

BARK:

Papery, white — PAPER BIRCH or HEART - LEAVED BIRCH

Smooth, greenish - white to gray-green, becoming dark and furrowed with age — QUAKING ASPEN (ASPEN) or LARGE-TOOTHED ASPEN

LEAVES:



Travel Zone 18

Zone 18 is a large block of land containing many isolated lakes but only two canoe routes -- both rivers. The Isabella River is the best known and provides a high quality trip with a good opportunity to see moose. Entry is at Forest Center or the Island River, and most trips are down river through Bald Eagle Lake to the South Kawishiwi River.

The second route is the Parent River. Low water is often a problem, but worth the effort if you want to be alone.

Lakes in this zone are good for walleye and northern.

Total use of the zone is light.



Travel Zone 22

Access is by Hog Creek, a two-mile trip that may be difficult during low water. The light use of this zone is equally divided between motorcraft and paddle canoes. Heavy use occurs during the opening of fishing season and major holidays. Weekday use during the summer is light.

Travel Zone 31

This zone is entirely non-motorized and features many remote lakes. Several of the portages are rugged. Use is light with the exception of Long Island Lake which has moderate use in July and August.

Travel Zone 33

This is a small zone suited for two or three day trips. It is located on the external boundary of the BWCA. Primary access is by either Homer or Brule Lakes. Homer Lake entry receives light use while Brule is moderately to heavily used.

Travel Zone 34

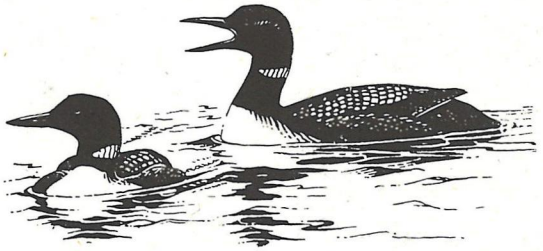
A very desirable route for both scenic and fishing purposes. This zone receives relatively low use considering its qualities. Most portages are easy. Gaskin, Horseshoe, and Brule are good walleye lakes while Winchell and Gaskin have northerns. Brule is the only lake which receives much motor use. Caribou Lake does receive fairly heavy use throughout the season.

Travel Zone 35

Several portages in this zone are difficult and most lakes are small. Fishing is unpredictable.

Travel Zones 36 and 37

Motors are common on East Bearskin, Clearwater, and Pine Lakes. Use is heavy on Mountain Lake during late May and early June. The remaining lakes experience light use. Both zones are very scenic with several large rock outcrops. Fishing for walleye and lake trout is generally good.



Loons—Night Voices of the Wilderness
W.J. Breckenridge—Reprinted from THE NATURALIST

1976 St. Croix Slalom

The St. Croix Slalom will be held on August 21 and 22, 1976, at Taylors Falls, Minnesota-St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin on Grade II-III water. There will be expert, intermediate (never placed in expert competition or ranked no higher than D paddler by current ACA rankings), and novice (never competed in a race before) classes.

The race is sanctioned by the American Canoe Association and sponsored and run by the Cascaders Canoe and Kayak Club.

FEES AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The basic entry fee for the race is $6.00. There is a $2.00 *discount* to early registrants. *Registrations should be postmarked no later than August 13, 1976, in order to qualify for the discount entry fee.*

The basic entry fee entitles the competitor to enter two classes. Team races are free to registered competitors. Competitors may enter any number of classes, but the race organizers reserve the right to limit this to three classes. If you wish to enter four classes, please designate with an asterisk (*) the class that you are willing to give up in the event that the organizers are forced to limit classes. Payment of the $1.00 fee above and beyond the entry fee allows the competitor to enter as many classes as possible.

PARTIAL OR RESERVED REGISTRATION. In our efforts to accomodate paddlers who wish to avoid late fees but are also not sure that they will be able to attend this year's St. Croix Slalom, we are introducing the concept of registration reservations. For those persons who send in a completed entry form along with a non-refundable $1.00 deposit, the race committee will grant a $1.00 discount if the registrant actually enters the race.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, August 21:

8:00 - 10:00	Registration
10:00 a.m.	Competitors meeting
11:00 a.m.	Beginning of competition
7:30 p.m.	Group dinner - Wild Wood Park
9:00 p.m.	Films - Wild Wood Park

Sunday, August 22:

9:30 a.m.	Team runs
11:30 a.m.	Regular competition

WHAT ARE WE DOING WITH YOUR MONEY?

One dollar of each entry fee will be paid to the United States International Slalom Canoe Association (USISCA) to aid in the support of the United States Whitewater Team in international competition. Fifty cents will be donated to the American Rivers Conservation Council. Fifty cents will be donated to the National Slalom/Wildwater Committee of the American Canoe Association, the organization which has sanctioned the race and listed it in its national schedule and the 1976 *Whitewater Program* which publishes the event nationally. The remaining portion of your entry fee will go into the hot fist of the Cascaders Canoe and Kayak Club to pay for race expenses and further the development of whitewater sport and the environment in which we play.

CAMPING FACILITIES

Because this year's St. Croix Slalom is in August in order to take advantage of warm weather, the camping facilities will be proportionately more crowded than on our former September date. Participants and spectators are advised to make reservations at local campgrounds in order to be insured of a place to stay.

Wild Wood Park will be the resting place of the race committee. This campground is located exactly 4 miles west of Taylors Falls on U.S. Highway 8. The owners of Wild Wood Park (Box 415, Center City, Minnesota 55012) will take reservations ($3.50 deposit). Wild Wood Park will be the scene of the Saturday night group meal (see below). They are also hospitable to late arrivals. Camping fee is $3.50 per night for 2 persons and 25 cents extra for each additional person. Camp sites with electricity cost 75 cents per night. Wild Wood will guarantee you a camp site contiguous to other boaters if they receive your reservation and deposit by August 10.

Destination Campground in St. Croix Falls is also available, but it does not take reservations and does not welcome late arrivals. The phone number of Destination Campground is 715-483-3764 (Verne Jenson, owner).

The "other" camping facilities in the area are Interstate Park in Minnesota and Wisconsin. You should be aware that they are *separate* parks. Campers are required to have an appropriate state park sticker for the Wisconsin or Minnesota park. The Minnesota park generally has better facilities than the Wisconsin park. The camping fee is approximately the same as the private campgrounds as well as requiring state park sticker. The Interstate Park campgrounds also fill up before the private campgrounds. You should not count on getting a spot in Interstate-Minnesota after 5:30 p.m. on Friday.

SATURDAY NIGHT GROUP MEAL: Larry Johns will most likely do his famous bratwurst dinner on Saturday night. We plan to have more beer than last year and have it on time (!) If Larry doesn't do his feed, we'll have barbequed chicken a la Parz with a humongous salad. (Shades of Kettle Wildwater). If you wish to take part in this dinner, please send the enclosed dinner registration form along with a check in the amount of $2.75 payable to "Slalom Dinner" to the race chairman no later than August 13.



GROUP MEAL RESERVATION

YES, I wish to attend the group meal on Saturday night at Wild Wood Park. I enclose $2.75 times
no. of persons

NAME:----------

RETURN BY AUGUST 13

ENTRY FORM

1976 ST. CROIX SLALOM
St. Croix River
Taylors Falls, Minn. - St. Croix Falls, Wis.
August 21 and 22, 1976

NAME_____AGE (Under 17____ Over 40____)

ADDRESS_____City_____State_____Zip___

PHONE NUMBER(____)_____Club Affiliation_____

ACA NO._____ Paddler Registration No._____

CLASSES ENTERED: If entering a class as junior (under 17) or master (over 40), so indicate by marking "Jr." or "M" by classes marked.

EXPERT:	K-1M	K-1W	C-1M	C-1W	C-2M	C-2W	C-2Mixed
INTERMEDIATE:	K-1M	K-1W	C-1M	C-1W	C-2M	C-2W	C-2Mixed
NOVICE:	K-1M	K-1W	C-1M	C-1W	C-2M	C-2W	C-2Mixed

FEES:

Entry fee (up to 2 classes)	$6.00
Additional classes add $1	____
Subtotal	_____
Race Number Deposit	1.00
Less $2 discount for early registration if applicable)	_____
TOTAL	$_____

SEND TO:

Stephen H. Parsons
3128 W. Calhoun Blvd.
Minneapolis, MN 55416
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612-377-2564
(Checks payable to: Cascaders Canoe & Kayak Club)

AGREEMENT: I hereby agree and certify that I am an amateur paddler according to current ACA by-laws and understand the hazards of paddling in cold, turbulent and rocky water where upsets are frequent and are an able swimmer. I agree to abide by the ACA rules for slalom racing and other rules which may be imposed upon the race by the St. Croix Slalom Race Committee. In consideration of the efforts of the sponsoring organizations and their officers and members and cooperating organizations and individuals in organizing and operating the race, I waive against said individuals and organizations and their officers and members, the Departments of Natural Resources of the State of Minnesota and Wisconsin and the Northern States Power Company any and all claims which may accrue either to me, my parents or guardian, heirs or personal representative for injury, loss of life, loss or damage to property which I may suffer in such race from any cause whatsoever and assume the risk thereof.
(Entrants under 18 years of age must have the waiver agreement signed by themself and their parent or guardian)

_____ _____
Contestant Signature Date Parent/guardian Date

August Activities Meeting

CANOE BUILDERS CONTEST & CANOE TRY-OUTS

The builders of the MCA will again display their handiwork for fellow members to judge on Wednesday August 18, 7:00 p.m. at Broadway Bridge on the Mississippi.

Come and enter or vote for your favorite canoe in any of the following five classes:

1. The classic wood strip - any design of cruising canoe.
2. Long distance racing canoe - any design and/or construction method.
3. Fiberglass hull - any cruising design.
4. Fiberglass hull - any whitewater design canoe or kayak.
5. Restored classic - any canoe of sufficient age and heritage that has been restored to useable condition.

Canoes are judged by all MCA members present. Silver cups go to all winners of classes with 5 or more entries. Certificates to all winners. No entry fee or other red tape required.

There are no restrictions on entries as to year of building or renovating. Judgement will be on appearance, construction techniques, weight, quality of construction, etc. Have your canoe there at 7:00 p.m. If you can't make it have a friend bring your canoe and enter it for you.

Come and see how your boat stacks up against all boats ever built by MCA members. This is your best chance to meet fellow builders and see the latest designs and building techniques.

NOTES:

1. Canoes 30 ft. and larger are not eligible to compete.

2. There is to be a follow-up contest to be in conjunction with the Minnesota State Fair. Space is limited for display at the Fair Grounds, so our contest will serve as a preliminary screening for entries. Two categories will be scheduled:
   A. Wood strip canoe (cruising or racing)
   B. Fiberglass Hull (open cruising or racing, whitewater canoe or kayak)

CANOE TRY-OUTS

A variety of commercially made canoes will be on hand for try-out. Also, if you have a model that you are willing to offer for try-out, please bring it to the meeting. It is suggested that everyone provide their own paddle and life preserver.

ATTENTION!

PLEASE NOTIFY THE MCA OF YOUR ADDRESS CHANGES SO THAT THE NEWSLETTER CAN REACH YOU UNINTERRUPTED. IT WILL ALSO SAVE US ADDITIONAL TIME AND POSTAGE. SEND CHANGES TO: MCA BOX 14117, UNIVERSITY STATION, MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55414.

THE BEST OF HUT!

Take Time to Learn Offside Lean

by Karl N. Ketter

Once the turn is accomplished by sliding the stern around rather than drawing the bow directly over (see June issue of HUT!, "Turn Canoe After It Has Proper Trim"), it is possible to control the sliding and the turn by the amount of lean. The keel or stem point of the canoe interferes with the swing of the stern. By leaning the canoe just an inch or two, the water more easily passes under the canoe, and the stern swings easily to change direction of the canoe and complete the turn.

The lean, of course, is in the direction opposite to the turn. A left turn requires that the right gunnel be dipped an inch or two.

This little procedure takes practice. It is well worth all the time it takes to master and perfect the *offside lean.* Its major use is to improve and smooth our sharp turns and to help counteract those stubborn, arm-stretching sidewinds. Many of the races in Michigan require a large amount of turning to navigate the small twisting streams. In this type of race, *some of the better teams can make corners entirely by leaning.* It is possible to make a very tight, smooth corner to the right with the bowman on the left side and sternman on the right – think about it.

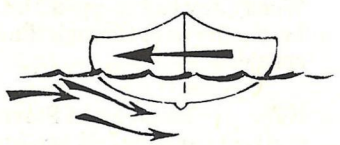


Figure 1. *No lean.* Swing of stern is impeded by water catching the keel and point of canoe.

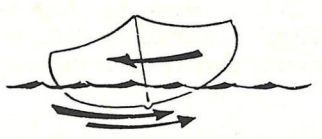


Figure 2. *Offside lean.* An offside lean of an inch or two allows the water to pass keel and stem.

May 18, 1979

In the past few years, canoeing has become increasingly controlled with further legislation constantly being discussed and proposed. Some regulation is beneficial, some seems unnecessary and some is ridiculous. More restriction and regulation is inevitable, but we hope it will never come to the situation described here.

It was May 18, 1979 0600 hours. There had been many reports that kayakists had been carrying on at Conrad's Glen (formerly known as the Hell's Gate section of the Kettle River). I'm "Stickem" Stocking, paddling policeman, first class. I carry a badge. I've been covering this beat for over a year, (ever since "Hang 'em High" Friberg was disqualified for being overweight and was appointed Banning J.P.). My partner is probationary paddling policeman "Fleece 'em" Lamb. Wendy Joy rides the bow of his kayak (he felt it necessary to have a siren on his boat).

I'm hiding in a tree near the landing, "Fleece-'em" is just below Blueberry Slide. A deputy from the sheriff's department, "Tickets" Fahey is lurking behind a rock near Mother's Delight and "Smokey, the Bear" Kurtz is hovering her chopper over Hell's Gate. Those damn kayakers won't get by with anything today.

0650. Tom Rice drives up with his C-Snake C-1. Tom is known to be a bad actor, so I hand signal "Fleece'em" to be alert. I didn't want to use the radio as Tom has a CB in his boat and has been intercepting police calls. Tom put his boat in the water facing downstream, a 143 violation, but I didn't nail him on that count. I'm hoping to get him on a more serious charge - like a 418 (passing a buoy on the wrong side).

Tom enters his boat legally (left leg first) pulls out and surprisingly passes the buoy correctly. However, he proceeded to run Blueberry Slide at a 15 degree angel, so "Fleece 'em" nailed him on a 206. "Hang 'em High doesn't open his court until 0800, so we read Tom his rights, confiscated his car and boat and put him in a cell at Banning.

0750 Olga Jensen and Dave Blinde arrived. They are normally law-abiding, but we remain vigilant. They stop their car the proper distance from the river, remove the boats and put them in the river correctly, don their gear and enter their boats in the prescribed manner, cross the river and run Blueberry at the correct angle and in the channel marked by the buoys and were doing disgustingly well until they reached Mother's Delight where Olga hit a rock, swung broadside, tipped over and had to roll.

However, he came up at a slight upstream angle, so "Tickets" had him on a 295. Dave also received a citation for paddling with someone who rolled incorrectly - a minor charge. Assuming that "Hang 'em High" had opened his court by now, we took the prisoners to Banning. Unfortunately "Hang 'em High" had been drinking the previous night and we had to wait until 0860 for the court to open.

"Hang 'em High" is noted for dispensing prompt justice, so the court appearance didn't take long. Tom was fined $75.00 and his paddling license was revoked for 7 days. Because his offense was minor, Dave was merely fined $250.00. The minimum fine on his charge was $50.00, but this was his 13th offense within a month. Olga was sentenced to wear a wetsuit for 2 full days (July 20, 21).

0925. We hurried back to the river, concerned we may have missed someone. Sure enough, far down the river, we saw a boat disappearing around the bend. We alerted "Smokey" who, thanks to the 15 registration numbers on the deck of the kayak, was able to identify the paddler as the notorious "Dirty Mary" who didn't paddle often but was known to flaunt the law.

She had already paddled the entire stretch with the exception of Hell's Gate, but we felt confident we could apprehend her on some charge. She attempted to sneak through without paying the required 50 cents toll, so "Smokey" landed her chopper on the river below Hell's Gate and arrested "Dirty Mary" on a 437 charge for which "Hang 'em High" subsequently fined her $35.00. "Dirty" was indignant, claimed Judicial Prejudice ("Hang 'em High's" improper advances had once been scorned by "Dirty Mary") and appealed to Andrew Westerhaus, a kindly old judge, whose head could still be turned by an attractive older woman.

Judge Westerhaus, a one-time paddler himself, who had quit when the laws became unjust, listened sympathetically and dismissed the charges, but sternly lectured "Dirty Mary" on the need to mend her wicked ways.

0950. Margie "Rowdy" Johns was cited for a 337 violation (wearing a black wetsuit). She was fined $42.50 plus $15.00 more for trying to bribe the judge with some reject ceramics.

1005. Becky Rockwell was ticketed on a 947 charge (paddling a boat less than 5.9 m. long and 1.37 m. wide). We explained the new minimum size was signed into law to make it possible to use large registration numbers and suggested that she donate her old 5.1 m. kayak to the Barge Carp Whitewater Museum.

1025. We apprehended Terry Quam on a 243 (paddling after revocation of license) a 691 (putting in the river at a non-supervised location), and a 285 (paddling a red boat - a forbidden color).

Terry, however, claimed police brutality because Wendy Joy had stopped him by dropping a big rock on his head as he went through Blueberry Slide. His case is being appealed.

1075. We arrested Steve Drobnick on a 789 (paddling at a rate exceeding 40 strokes per minute). This being his first offense, "Hang 'em High" fined him $20.00 and suspended the fine with the stipulation that he watch his speeding.

1125. The Cold Wave Kayak Club arrived from Albert Lea. They had not applied for a permit in time, but I was sympathetic and gave them one, however, I felt it obligatory to charge them quadruple.

We found it necessary to charge Charlie Miller with a 433 violation (turning without a proper signal) and Brenda Sorenski on a 268 (obsenity while paddling). They were each fined $25.00 and their paddling permits were revoked for 10 days.

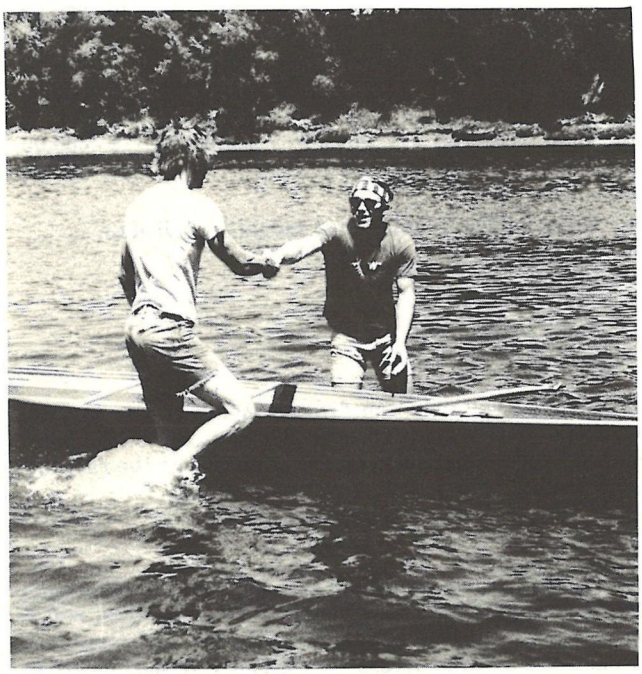
1140. The 3M C-1 Club showed up 10 minutes early. They were fined $35.00 and had to give up their next scheduled paddling trip. This was also the occasion of their annual picnic. We forbade the picnic because they hadn't submitted a menu for approval.

In disgust, they packed their gear and went home. They were fined another $35.00 for being disgusted.

1165. Kim Gutshick was apprehended for paddling with an invalid quota card. Her card had already been punched her allotted 4 times, but she had attempted to fill in one of the holes. Her subterfuge was obvious and she was issued a 229 (paddling in excess of allotment) and a 413 (attempting to falsify her quota card). She was fined $50.00 and sentenced to 5 days in the Banning jail.

1180. Barb "Hot Wheels" Wonson was issued a 271 (paddling a C-2 with a non-certified partner - a friend from her outlaw motorcycle gang). She was fined $125.00 and deported to Poland.

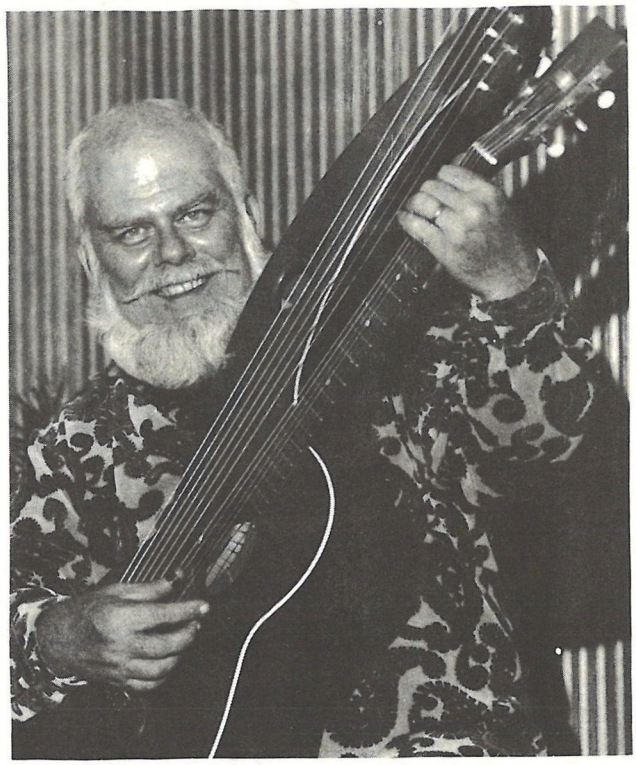
1200. We called Rick Gustafson of the Army Corps of Engineers and informed them they could turn off the water at the dam near the highway 23 bridge. The paddlers had had their half day and the river bed would be used by hikers and rock climbers the balance of the week.



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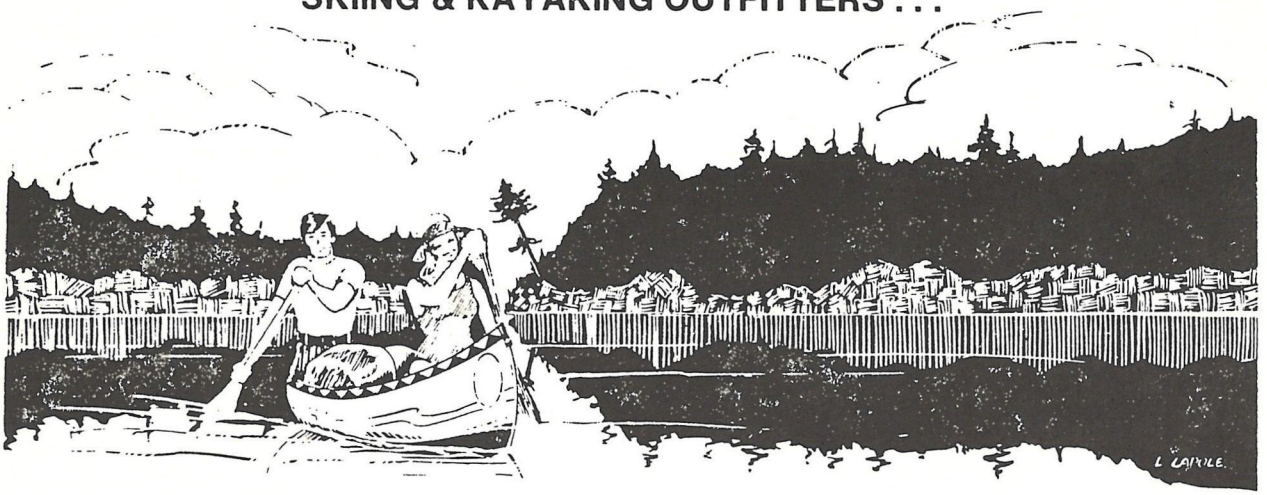
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