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MINNESOTA CANOE ASSOCIATION

JUNE_JULY 1979

CALENDER OF EVENTS

June 23 Saturday — Mississippi River Classic--the major canoe race in Minnesota. $1000 and awards. Betty Ketter 561-2208.

June 24 Sunday — Jensen Handicap--umpteenth annual. Karl Ketter 636-8116.

June 24 Sunday — Spring Race Banquet - awards for Classic and Handicap. Brooklyn Center Rec. Center, 494 & 100. All MCA members and friends welcome! $7.00 per adult. Betty Ketter, 561-2208.

June 26 Tuesday — Cascaders' Chapter Meeting on White Bear Lake near Wendy Nutter's; call 429-0513.

June 30 to July 8 — 1979 Whitewater World Championships on Jonquiene, Des Biens, Quebec, Canada; Slalom and Downriver; your unique chance to see the world's best at the first world championships to be held outside of Europe.

July 1 Sunday — Gold Rush Canoe Derby--Flin Flon Manitoba, 3 days, 80 miles, $3000.

July 4 and thereabouts — Namekan River Trip--small group with some cruising and pre-planning together. Call John Wexler, 612-722-7069.

July 7-8 — **Menominee River Race. Marinette Area Chamber of Commerce.**

July 7 Saturday 11:00 — Robbinsdale Whiz Bang Days Canoe Race at Lakeview Terrace Park, Highway 52 & 36th Ave. North. Registration at 11:30. Std. and Alum. Canoes (1 mile), several classes.

July 13-15 Fri.-Sun. — Wausau Slalom Jr. and Masters Class SL National Championships. George Steed, Wolf River Lodge, Langlade, Wisconsin.

July 17 Tuesday 6:00 PM — After work cruiser on Ol. Mississippi by J, Wexler

Come on down by the riverside to the River Flats located just down stream of the Washington Ave. Bridge on the East Bank of the Mississippi River adjacent to the University, on Tuesday July 17., 6:00PM. Bring paddle, canoes, lifejackets if you have them. If you need equipment , call me at 722-7069 and I will help you make arrangements. I suggest that you eat a meal before you come and bring a snack.

This trip will be paddle up through the two upper locks and back down to the U. of M. Riverflats.

July 20-22 — NORTHWEST COMPANY POST VOYAGEUR RENDEZVOUS - Voyageurs' Chapter and ALL CANOEISTS welcome.

July 28-29 Sat.-Sun. 9:00 AM — Scenic Namekagon River near Danbury, Wisconsin. Drive east from Danbury about 19 miles on Highway 77, to the Namekagon bridge. Go one more mile to Burien Road, turn right, go to the end of Burien to the Old Howell Bridge Campground. Arrive Saturday by 9:00, or camp there Friday night. Call Walt Jones for details. 488-4570.

July 29 Sunday — Wascott Cross Country Run and Canoe Marathon; Men's, Mixed, Women's Doubles; Cash Prizes. (Near Minong on U.S. 53 in Wisconsin.) For info: Wilderness Way, Box 176, Wascott, WI 54890 (Ph. 715-466-2635)

July 28-29 — **Peshtigo River Race. Peshtigo Jaycees, PO Box 1, Peshtigo 54157**

Aug. 18-19 — **Wisconsin River Race. Fritz Hansen, 10922 - 58th Rd, Union Grove 53182**



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TRADING POST--MCA CANOE BUILDING SUPPLIES

For Sale: MCA Resin and Fiberglass cloth.
Polyester resin with catalyst - $7.75/gal.
4 oz. cloth, 50" wide - $1.60 per yard.
7½ oz. cloth, 50" wide - $2.00 per yard.
Rules for purchase: Call ahead and schedule pickup time. Payment by check or money order to Minnesota Canoe Association. No cash. Bring a valid membership card.

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Note: Our depot volunteers are paid a small rent to cover the storage of MCA materials. In no way does it compensate for the time they put in. Treat them with great courtesy. The MCA makes a small profit on these sales to help provide you with many other small services and help keep dues low.

For Sale: Cascaders building supplies: 2" ethafoam @ $2.00/ft; neoprene, nylon one side, 40" width @ $5.00/ft; ¼" shockcord @ $.15/ft; neoprene cement with applicator brush @ $2.00/8 oz. can; Yakima footbraces (adjustable) @ $10.00/pr.; instruction for spray skirts, etc., and spray skirt forms available for loan. Call Dan Murphy at 331-8245 Available to current Cascaders members only.

MEMBERS TRADING POST

[Your MCA members' ad for small used items run free here. Send to the MCA mailbox. Keep it brief.]

Wanted: Used Old Town wood canoe, good to excellent condition. Call Jon C. Burns at 612-871-8951.

Ad Canoe supplies for strip canoes. Bill Knutson and Associates--Complete wood pre-cut for a strip-canoe, gunwales, thwarts, seats, etc. - about $80-$100 for sitka or redwood.

Approx. Aug 17	Minnesota State Fair Canoe Building Contest - details in next issue or call Bob Brown 432-7557 or Roger Geis 784-4612
July 11	MCA Board Meeting - HUT! assembly Betty Ketter's - 79th Ave. North and west side of Mississippi River 561-2208
Aug. 8	MCA Board Meeting - HUT! assembly and nominations for elections. Brian Patterson's, 500 Hampton Rd, Golden Valley 521-4804
Sept. 12	MCA Board Meeting John Wexler's, 2923 S. 16th Avenue Minneapolis, MN 722-7069

August	Ausable River Marathon--16 hours non-stop. Grayling to Oscoda, Michigan, $4000.
August	The Pas, Manitoba, Canoe Race. $3000, 3 days.
August 4 Saturday	Old-Timers' Cruise - details later - see article inside.
August 10- August 12 Fri.-Sun.	GRAND PORTAGE RENDEZVOUS. Voyageurs, Trappers, and plain clothes canoeists.
August 24, 25, & 26 Fri.-Sun.	Mt. Lourier Quebec, International Classic - de Canot de la Tiviere, $8000 purse, 3 days.
Sept. 1, 2 & 3 Sat.-Mon.	Shawingen Quebec, International Classic de Canot de la St. Mauricie. $20,000 purse, 3 days.
Sept. 8-9 Sat./Sun.	St. Croix Slalom; Bob Schuetzler, 331-5284.
Sept. 29-30	Last Ditch Slalom; call Bob Obst or Bob Schuetzler, 331-5284.

REPORTERS NEEDED!

C'mon folks, you all like to read about canoeing and kayaking, so chip in and gather some information and write it up for appreciation by all of us. YOUR EDITOR IS NOT A REPORTER! He has enough to do with gathering the info at hand, keeping tabs on your calendar and getting it all together and laid out for the printer.

We need reports such as: a rookie racer's view of a training run (or an old pro's view of the rookies); any of our cruises--are they happening? Who's been there?; future events--who has info on the USCA national championships which are held in Wisconsin this year? Write it up like our calendar notices to make it easy on your editor--especially if you want to keep this editor another year; drownings--we've heard rumors of one on the Kettle, the St. Croix and the Wolf--what are the details such as water conditions, experience, type of craft, type of lifejacket?; Races--who's winning, who's capsizing?; BWCA--water levels, good campsites--controversey--did someone really put an axe through the keel of 20 some canoes lined up at an outfitters landing last year?; Miscellaneous--does someone really have a Minnesota license plate that says CANOE? Would Pete Cary have on that says KAYAK? Is it possible to get others that say "O CANOE", "I CANOE", "CANOE 2", "8 KAYAK" or "KAYAKER"?

We all want the news--put in your ~~two-cents~~ nickel's worth.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The MCA is looking healthier this summer. Membership is up almost one-third. Much of this is past members rejoining. There is some growth in our bank balances. HUT expenditures have been held under $400 per issue which is our major expense and resin is moving quickly through the depots. The current board has done a magnificent job and members have responded with enthusiasm and participation.

We have paced ourselves in this rebuilding, trying not to take on too much too quickly. We are now looking for a director to coordinate our News and Public-relations efforts. It is time for us to achieve a more visible posture. No, that doesn't mean use bigger canoes! We should let the world know what we are doing.

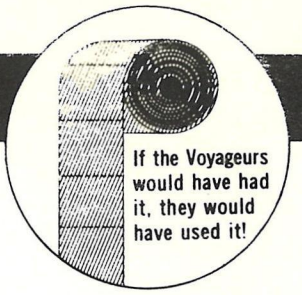
The News and Public Relations Director will compile a media list. Work on this has begun as chapters are passing on their current media contacts. This mailing list will include about 100 names and addresses of newspaper, magazine, radio, and TV contacts, clubs and other outdoor groups, and retail sales and rental concerns. They will be notified when we have an event or project that they might follow up on. This director helps in the publicity efforts for events run by the MCA and its chapters. This director will also help or advise in the mailing of complimentary HUTs as a promotional tool.

Until this position is filled and this work begins our efforts to reach new people will be delayed. Without these "public notices" our only access to new friends and members will continue to be "word of mouth". Work load for this position will be two to four evenings per month. When you are able call 636-8116 (office 373-1212) and ask for Karl.

WANTED A fall MCA and all-chapters banquet-rendezvous-party-testimonial-retirement gathering. We need about 200 enthusiastic, high-spirited participants and a couple of organizers to pick the time, place, and menu, and write it up in time to publicize it. Chapters will supply the entertainment. Cascaders have challenged the Racers to duelling slide shows. Demand exists to see the Desert Chapter send a canoe with high speed polishers. If you feel we should have such a season wrap-up event call Karl 636-8116.

WANTED BY THE MCA BUILDING DIRECTOR FOR 1979-1980

Voyageur Viewpoints



VOYAGEUR VIEWPOINTS
GRAND PORTAGE RENDEZVOUS

It has been rumored along the North Shore and around campfires in the North Woods that two wild and crazy voyageur types did in fact dance at the Regional Indian dance competition held at Grand Portage last year. There also have been rumblings that this will happen again and that one Voyageur is now receiving professional dance instruction from a racing partner. These two will no doubt ace the competition this year and win the grand prize. This prize will not be discussed here.

There has been talk about hiking the Grand Portage without canoe and enjoying the walk. Anyone interested should notify one of the Voyageur members to work out the details.

I understand there will be a cooking contest. Dan will challenge Larry to a bean cookoff, bean soup vs. beanhole beans. Add a little beer and wine and we could eliminate a national energy problem.

This has always been a fun family camping outing with both recreational and historical overtones. Hope to see you there.

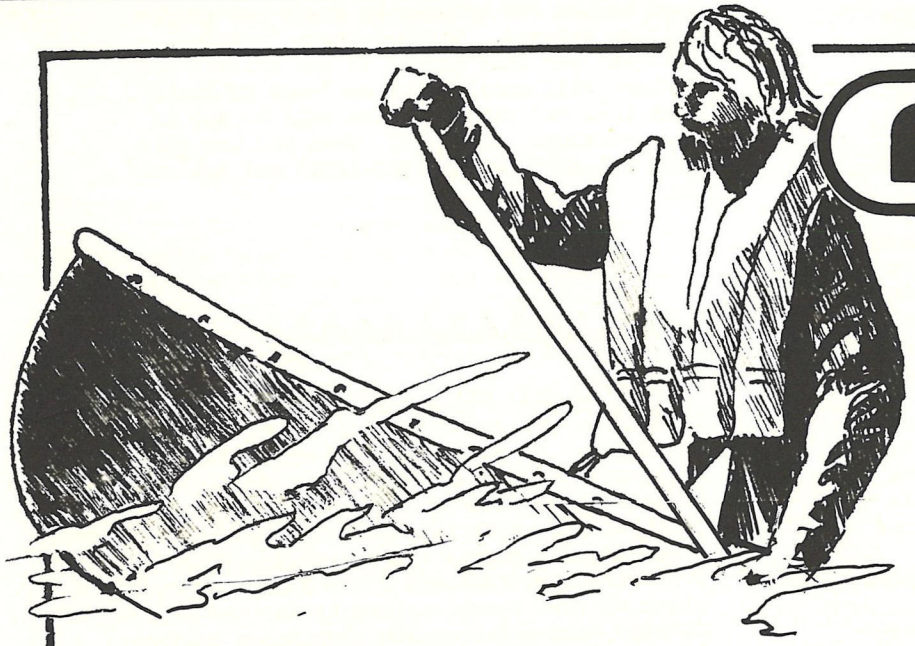
You do not have to be a Voyageur to show up. As a matter of fact, we would like NEW MEMBERS!

Aug. 10-12 Fri-Sun. Grand Portage Rendezvous: Join the Voyageur Chapter to canoe on Lake Superior in the Voyageur canoes, watch the Indians dancing in full costume at the pow-wow - see article inside.

June 9 started clear and calm. People began to show at Cannon Falls at 9:30. We moved our cars to Welsh and got a start down the Cannon at about 10:30.

About eight canoes started towards Welsh as the rain began (warm rain) and nobody minded.

River level was near perfect and we had a pleasant trip. The rain stopped and gave us the time we needed to have lunch on a sand bar. Then we continued on to Welsh. As we tied the canoes down on the cars, the rain began in ernest. We had a pleasant trip so don't let the rain scare you off.



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CLOQUET RIVER PLAN REASONABLE

By Thomas P. Keaveny

Recent actions regarding zoning and designation of Minnesota's Cloquet River have rekindled the fiery debates which commonly surrounds situations of this nature.

Several factions are opposing inclusion of the Cloquet River in the State Wild and Scenic Rivers System. The most notable example, the People's Property Rights Association, alleges membership of some 1,400 people involved with property rights issues. However, critical data have been overstated and represented inaccurately while several key considerations have gone unnoticed.

The designation proposal calls for a description of present zoning and potential impacts of mining, management recommendations and proposed rules and regulations to preserve and protect the river...Land use management or zoning would be implemented by St. Louis and Lake counties and townships along the river.

The proposal recommends that only 80 acres, or a half-mile of the river's 200 shoreline miles be acquired for purposes of legitimate access.

Developed lakeshores on Island, Alden, Side and Hunter lakes are not included in any of the plans, and homes could still be built along the river.

St. Louis County planning data indicate 63 shoreline miles are owned by Minnesota Power and Light Co. The total breakdown shows 35% of the frontage is owned by MP&L, 23% is federal land and 21% is tax-forfeited, 7% is state-held, 7% is undesignated lakeshore and 7% is privately held. Included among the 100 "private" owners are Potlatch Corp, Reserve Mining Co., Kimberly Clarke and several other wood pulp industries.

Quie, on the other hand, pontificates in the nationally heralded DNR Volunteer, January-February 1979 issue. "I commend the many career professionals at the DNR, the Pollution Control Agency, and other state agencies which manage and protect our resources "unfortunately, Quie's "intercession" was a complete surprise to the DNR Rivers Project leaders who were qualifying data on both sides of the issue in preparation for the February hearings when the postponement decision went to press.

The response on the part of lawmakers is clearly inconsistent; supporting two or more county boards trying to establish a plan for the same mile of river is incompatible with a plan of protection. The reaction to a lack of county revenue from state-owned lands is inaccurate, given the plan's call for continued ownership on the part of landowners. Considering only 7% of the land in question is held by individuals, Sen. Doug Johnson and Rep. Joe Begich cannot pretend to act in the interest of this region when sponsoring legislation which is amenable to MP&L and the other monopolistic concerns at hand.

The St. Louis County position is most ironic. County river ownership is clarified in the St. Louis County Department of Planning and Zoning river corridor plan as 49% MP&L's. Campbell admits "development outside the 'more suitable' areas would probably occur if the county plan is adopted."

Time expended on this 25-page alternative plan and the surrounding literature raises a serious question. Several thousands of county tax dollars have been spent on a plan which is admittedly faulty. This plan, which highlights MP&L's preponderant ownership and qualifies the limited amount of privately held shoreline in St. Louis County further implicates these public servants acting prudently in the region's behalf.

The issue is simply cut. Landowners fear control of the river and want to preserve the Cloquet without monopolistic takeover. Opponents of the designation deny the preservation possibilities of the Management Plan. Presently, MP&L can appreciably reduce the Island Lake water table or allow the lower stretches of the Cloquet to "run dry" during the summer months. Any variance which allows "commercial and industrial development in some areas" could only foster more situations of this type on the Cloquet.

The Wild and Scenic River designation of the Cloquet is in the best interests of this region. The arguments range far beyond the preservation of this unique eco-system, which is 15 minutes from Duluth's back door. The rights of those few who own the 7% of truly privately held land along the Cloquet River deserve all the protection this plan will afford.

The credibility of the People's Property Rights Association is questionable in view of these statistics. The association's spokesperson is Norman Poupore, a former MP&L employee.

An MP&L dam controls the water level of the 28.5 mile lower stretch of the Cloquet, and the shoreline levels of Island Lake. The county plat maps designate about 6,000 acres of land in the Alden Lake Basin as "Proposed Thompson Reservoir." There is no questioning who is in literal command of the river at present.

Some of the landowners serving on the Cloquet River Citizens Advisory Council have supported the Department of Natural Resources management plan.

Several recent political maneuvers take a new twist when these facts are weighed against the timely response of a variety of public servants.

Most notable examples include (1) action on the part of Gov. Albert Quie to postpone scheduled hearings previously and currently required by legislation of which some of them were involved, and (3)action on the part of St. Louis County commissioners to oust the designation with a county plan which embraces philosophies such as "the remainder, however, would probably be zoned for intense development, including some commercial and industrial uses", as stated by Thomas Campbell, senior county planner.

Poupore publically praised the decision to postpone hearings regarding the Cloquet, stating in the Feb. 3 News-Tribune "I think it is very good and very fair on their part.

PUBIC HEARING ON THE CANNON

by Jane Harper & John Wexler

The Cannon River at one time was part of a bustling transportation system which took fur traders up it"s banks to trade with the Indians and carried the early Americans settlers to the fertile lands surrounding it.

Soon after the traders and settlers saw the land railroads were developed, forest fell and sawmills grew along the river. As the annual grouth of the lumber industry quickly owindled the existing hardwood, the wheat fields began to grow.

Today the Cannon River valley provides an ideal setting for a variety of other recreational pursuits. Hunters may encounter many different game species, including white-tailed deer, mink, muskrat, red and gray fox and beaver.

The Cannon's murky waters harbor walleyes, rock bass, pumpkinseeds and smallmouth bass and the valley's scenic beauty also attracts canoeists and hikers, as well as photographers.

Due to its natural beauty and its proximinty to the Twin Cities, the Cannon River vally has great potential for development and for recreation. To minimize the harm caused by excessive develo-ment and oceruse of this important resource and to help maintain the river in its natural state. The DNR has determined that it needs protection under the wild and scenic rivers program.

Under the proposed managemrnt plan for the Cannon River, single-family residences, essential services, farming and pasturing livestock would be allowed. Industrial and commercial development would be restricted to municipalities. New lots and structures would be affected by minimum lot sizes and setbacks. Vegetative cutting restrictions would apply to all riverfront lands. Zoning alone cannot protect a river forever. With only zoning protecting land, areas that can be developed eventually will be developed. For that reason, scenic easement acquisition is necessary. A scenic easement is simply an agreement whereby a landowner is paid for his promise not to alter selected parts of his riverside lands. Scenis easement agreements generally incudes promises not to build, to cut timber, to dump trash, or to grade, fill or drain property.

We are therefore requesting that you attend the public hearing on the Cannon River to be

held	July 17,	8;00 PM	Red Wing library 225 Brandy Red Wing,Mn.
held	July 18,	8:00 Pm	Dakato COunty Gov.Center Board Room 1560 Hy 55 Hasting, Mn
held	July 19,	8:00 PM	Fairbault Jr. High Aud 315 N.W. 4th Ave. Fairbault, Mn.

Copies of the DNR's management proposal is explained in "A Management Proposal for the Cannon River" and "Cannor River Resource Analysis." A copy of the plan may be obtained by writing or calling the DNR Office of Planning, Rivers Section, Box 10 Centennial Building, St. Paul,MN 55155 (612-296-6784)

BWCA STRANGEHOLD COMMITTEE PASSES

Fellow paddlers, we've been had. While we all sat still sure in our thoughts that it just couldn't happen, our wise and fair legislators established the BWCA "Citizen's Advisory Committee" and funded it with our tax money to the tune of $60,000. This committee will be composed of nine members from Cook, Lake and St. Louis counties and only eight members from the rest of the state. All will be appointed by Governor Al Quie.

This committee is certain to be stacked with anti-wilderness people just as the existing Voyageur's National Park Citizens Committee is stacked with anti-park people. (The Voyageur Committee was funded to $100,000.) As a result of the legislature and the governor's action northern wilderness will now be saddled with two state "Citizens' Committees", neither of which is truly representative of the state's citizens, each with the unwritten purpose of imposing narrowly defined local interests on nationally valued and publicly owned wilderness and national areas.

It appears that Governor Quie believes that he owes his election more to the anti-wilderness northerners rather than to the anti-Short backlash of Twin Cities voters who favor wilderness preservation. Write to the Governor and tell him your opinions about the BWCA and this so-called "Citizens Advisory Committee". Urge him at the least to appoint a balanced committee including pro-wilderness people from the northern counties. (They're up there even if threats of violence have kept them quiet.)

Mr. Steve Thorne Deputy Commissionery of Natural Resourse (DNR) wll present DNR position on the suit recently iniated against the US dept of Arigiculture. The purpose of this suit is to demenonstrate weather the state or the federal goverment has sovereignity over the state surface waters in the BWCA. Mr. Thorn's presentation will be held on
July 25, 1979 at the Minneapolis Public library
300 Nicolett Mall
Downtown Minneapolis.
Room 300 Refreshments will be served.

CONSERVATION DIRECTOR NOTE, by John Wexler

I recently attended a subcomittee hearing on the Wild & Scenic Rivers at the State Legislature, and a public Hearing on the Cloquet River in Duluth. Bills of these hearings were very much lacking support for the Wild & Scenic River System. We need your body at these hearings, especially at the upcomming Cannon River hearing. Call me at 722-7069 (h) or at work 296-7254 or call Jane Harper of the DNR 296-4784 if you wish to participate or just bring your bod to these hearings.

RAPID REVIEW

RACE RESULTS

Results from Saturday, April 14, 1979, on the Wolf River, from Hermann Farm to the Wolf River Lodge, 2½ miles, Grade II, water level 15 to 16.

K-1 WW	Brett Sorensen
K-1 Cruising	Bob Obst
C-1 WW	Steve Parsons
C-1 Cruising	Bob Schuetzler
C-2 WW	Parsons/Drobnick
C-2 Cruising	Connet/Sorensen
C-2 Open Cruising	Peters/Steed

Results from Sunday, April 15th, 1979, on the Wolf River from Boy Scout Rapids to Gilmores Mistake Rapids, about 4 miles, water level 15 to 16.

K-1 WW	Brett Sorensen
K-1 Cruising	John Gastineau
C-1 Cruising	Bob Obst
C-2 WW	Parsons/Drobnick
C-2 Cruising	Connet/Sorensen
C-2 Open Cruising	Peters/Steed

MIDWEST DIVISION WAUSAU SLALOM RESULTS
MAY 5-6, 1979

K-1	Dave Koeppen	152.6
	Brett Sorensen	153.8
	Pete Cary	155.6
K-1W	Dana Chladek	211.6
	Brenda Sorensen	222.0
	Donna Berglund	230.6
C-1	Brett Sorensen	167.2
	Steve Drobnick	184.2
	John Amren	185.4
C-2	Sorensen/Schuetzler	195.2
	Parsons/Drobnick	215.2
	Sorensen/Connet	220.0
C-2M	Sorensen/Sorensen	268.8
	Obst/Berglund	293.0
	Chladek/Chladek	309.8

APPLE RIVER SLALOM RESULTS
MAY 13, 1979

K-1	Brett Sorensen	148.7
	Tom Johns	181.1
	Rick Reinhart	191.5
K-1NOV	Jim Oberg	133.7
	Mary Ann Beardsley	181.9
	Tom Koeppl	243.2
K-1JR.NOV		
	Eric Schuetzler	189.9
	Roger Connet	230.0
	Barry Schuetzler	
K-1W	Brenda Sorensen	261.0
	Maggie Fauchier	285.6
	Karen Marte	439.6
C-1	Steve Drobnick	200.7
	Brett Sorensen	201.0
	John Amren	203.8
C-2	Sorensen/Schuetzler	226.1
	Parsons/Drobnick	280.1
	Sorensen/Connet	332.9
C-2M	Sorensen/Marte	329.8
	Sorensen/Sorensen	338.1
(C-3)	Anderson/Anderson(NOV)	169.5

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THE APPLE SLALOM
by Wendy Nutter

The Apple River Beginners Slalom attracted twenty-six racers to the site this year of which three were 100% true and untried novices. Each was destined to win a prize ribbon and all succeeded. The scores proved that the judges' stations were passed by the racers in order to accumulate penalty points.

In all actuality, the Apple Slalom was a fun learning experience and the novice participants are to be commended for their bravados. Congratulations Tom Koeppl, Mary Ann Beardsley and Jim Oberg. (Ed Note: Hey, let's not forget all those Jr. Novices. Congratulations, too!!!!)

APPLE RIVER SLALOM
by Tom Koeppl

There were three paddlers and three prize ribbons so what did it prove? The scores prove that the novice racers got to the gates. They could only get to most novice gates by learning to back ferry. The slalom was a learning experience. An instructor can yell at a student to paddle aggressively out of an eddy, but can't force him to, like up stream gates do. At gate 13 you could chicken the gate, you'd loose points. But more than that the red pole would do a number on your body. Nothing like a little pain to make you do things right. Truly the novice paddlers who did not enter the slalom missed an important learning experience.

RACING NEWS

The Midwest Division Championship and Jr.-Masters National Championships are now scheduled for August 4-5 at Wausau, Wis. At a meeting held at the last Wausau race on May 6, the major plans for the race were finalized. There will be major changes in the course, and plans were discussed on using the $200,000 fine of the Wausau Paper Co. It looks like a permanent slalom course will be developed there within the next year.



CASCADERS CLASSIFIEDS:

Wanted: Electric typewriter with wide carriage (11" minimum), pica type. This is for semi-permanent loan to Rapid Review Newsletter staff. Prefer Smith-Corona with pink cover & olive drab cord. Must not be concerned if machine is returned with wine stains. Contact the Fauchiers at 537-4907.

Wanted: Kayak - any type, any construction, at any price. Call Robbie Murray at 439-0000.

For Sale: 16.5 ft. whitewater canoe, fiberglass construction. Becky Rockwell will consider any offer. Call 331-5284.

For Sale: Former National K-1 W wildwater champion Donna Berglund is clearing out her living room & would like to sell the following boats as she now has a couch to replace them: Phantom Sprint - $125 and '72 Prijon Slalom - $125. Contact Donna in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

For Sale: Hahn Munich slalom C-1. Like new, Priced to move at $200 (Firm). Call Ted Halpern's dad at 721-1434 or talk to Bob Scheutzler at 331-5284.

For Sale: Old Town Snapper high volume slalom kayak. Wendy Quarnstrom is asking $350. This is an excellent boat for a new paddler. Call 724-6532.

For Sale: Fiberglass slalom kayak. Parentage uncertain but craft is high volume and has built-in flotation. Asking a mere $200 as boat has seen little use. Call Steve Stoddard at 823-9117.

For Sale: Outrage(ous) kayak. Low volume slalom design with kevlar-S-glass construction. Boat is pillared and has only been used twice by an old lady named Jim Pedginski. Call Ms. Pedginski at 439-4548(H) or 733-6901(W).

Wanted: Club president for small whitewater oriented organization. Pay is low but the rewards are nil. Hours are variable but working conditions are excellent; free wine and meal at board meetings. Qualifications based on incumbent: warm body - cold hands - semi-reliable individual that smiles a lot. Contact Cascaders board.

WAYS TO ENJOY YOUR PADDLE TRIP

Four Seasons: Pick one river instead of several. Your summer trip will have heavy foliage hiding the birds, painted turtles sunning on logs, and mosquitos buzzing in your ears. You can splash around in the water and swim comfortably. Try it again in late summer. Notice how the plants have matured and gone to seed. Compare pine cones or acorns of different trees. Go back again in the late fall after the leaves are down. Check out all the rock outcrops previously hidden on the bank. Look for animal trails now more visible. Return in the winter to hike, snowshoe or ski the bank. Then you'll see even more of the lay of the land, but also note which parts of the river freeze over first or which stay open all year. Where are the animal "water holes" along the edge? Finally take a couple of trips in the spring. One very early (prepare for high and cold water) and one later. Note the first green plants and flowers, watch as the whole earth comes alive again. This way of visiting with a river year-round will gain you a friend for life.

Wild Flowers: Most of you would know a Blue Flag (Wild Iris) if you saw it, but have you ever seen a Periwinkle? In the early spring have you walked right by a little Blood Root? You all know the common large-flowered Trilium, but there is the more delicate nodding Trilium also. To really appreciate this sport you need to get up on the river bank from time to time and hike away from along the river bank. Also take along a good ID book such as Field Guide to Wild Flowers by R. T. Peterson and M. McKenny, paperback from Houghton Mifflin Co. (Boston). From this you can make the acquaintance of the Wild Lupine and its many-lobed palmate leaves or the cheerful yellow Hoary Puccoon, which is just a bit less hirsute than its cousin, the Hairy Puccoon.

Trip Logs: Now wait a minute--I don't mean dragging home all that nicely weathered driftwood you find on the river. No, just buy a small bound notebook and write up your day on the river, time of year, the weather, unusual sights and places, who went along, the best of the conversation or day's activities. Even where to put in and take out and possible alternates you might find. It makes great reading a year later and is a great source of material to write up and submit to your "HUT!" editor. Its a personal item of course so you can even sketch pictures of birds, fishermen or mermaids that you meet on the river. I still cherish a twenty-year old diary of an early BWCA trip written in ball point pen on old fallen scraps of birch bark.

We hope to have more these "Enjoy" tips. Please send me your favorite methods.

--Joe Conrad

TRIP REPORT – THANK YOU TO ABNER JONES

by Kwanwrh J. Espersen

On the 21st of April we awoke to horizon to horizon of sunshine. The 9th annual father-son trip down Rice Creek would turn out to be a beautiful ingress to summer.

Seven canoes would depart from Hwy. 10 and County Rd. H, where I was introduced to Rice Creek nine years ago with the help of the MCA and Abner Jones.

Two phone calls and two trips over to McDonalds, we were ready to go. After life jackets were in place, the jelly bean bowl in canoe and much prodding from my 9-year old son, Steven - we waved good-bye to Mom who would enjoy her brunch at Perkins. We would meet her at Locke Park two hours later.

The water was high and moving quite fast. Two canoes led the way, they made it to Locke Park in 1½ hours. Two other canoes would be visible to our three on some of the many hairpin turns on the creek. The five of us would finally join each other again at a "hairpin" somewhere below Long Lake.

My sixteen year-old son and his friend would make it to Locke Park before everyone else because of his many experiences on other father-son trips on Rice Creek in the Spring. My 15 year-old daughter and her friend arrived just before us, also because of her experience on father-daughter trips in past years. One of those trips whe could write a story about because I know she will always remember it.

Steven did not see the flock of honkers taking off from Long Lake which we had seen on other trips but the ducks, loons, birds, muskra and woodchucks more than made up for it. Steve did not get wet but he did see and hear what it was like to dump your canoe. He also found out what a portage was, having heard of them for years from Dad and brother and sister. His favorite word now after hearing it and feeling it, is - negotiate.

Amid waves and hellos we arrived at Locke Park in Fridley - one of the reasons everyone should float down Rice Creek. After cheese, sausage and crackers we were all satisfied that we were finally into the summer of 1979.

YOUNG CANOERS NEED HELP

A good turnout of teenagers means we need adults to work with a youth group (South Minneapolis) active in canoeing. They have weekly paddling sessions, weekend trips, BWCA, and a few races. Flexible hours and days--all help appreciated by current leaders and kids who want to learn canoeing. Call Ralph Cornelius, 926-8377.

We have heard that ol' Jack Sharp (612-629-2950) has a new crop of boys and girls in the Pine City area. They'll be attending races around the state.

MAPS GALORE

Large detailed maps of every river, stream, creek, or rill in Minnesota. Most counties on one sheet. Two sizes available--just under 2 x 3 feet and 3 x 5 feet. About 120 maps to cover the entire state! Available in room B20, Department of Transportation Building, St. Paul for the incredible price of 25¢ each for 2 x 3 footers. If ordering by mail send payment with order. Long used by the racers to seek out short cuts.

Summary of MCA Board of Director's Meetings of March, April, May and June

* 750 active MCA members with a 50% renewal rate.
* About $4,000 in cash and savings.
* Building Director needed. Projects include rewrite building book, resin sales system and labels, possible sale of a canoe kit.

*Jim Shinners appointed Education and Safety Director and is planning canoe classes.
*Walt Jones appointed Vice President.
*Terry Lemke attended State Senate meeting of the DNR Committee regarding Citizens Advisory Group for BWCA.
*Desert Chapter president, Ardel Gorman reports 55 members in Austin Minnesota.
*Betty Ketter and the Marathon racers spent a day teaching Outward Bound School instructors how the MCA canoes. They were impressed.
*Conservation program planned by John Wexler for July. Subject will be on laws governing the BWCA.
*Discussed larger decals (36" long) to promote the MCA.
*Attempted to trade membership lists with the NSSTA.
*Resin Depots now receive 2% of sales as a storage fee.
*Dick Van Wagner will be calling and reporting on Chapters' News.
*Laura Fraser appointed HUT! business manager. She supplied a job description and ad rate listings.
*HUT! mailings now being mailed by Betty Ketter.
*State Fair Building Contest in August. Bob Brown taking applications.
*Proposed 3-year MCA membership.
*MCA now receiving payments on settled lawsuit.
*June and July Board meetings will be used to prepare HUT! There will be a combined June/July issue. The July meeting will prepare the August issue which will be mailed August 1 - or else!
*Major need exists for public relations and news director. Notices of our club activities has resulted in lots of response. Roger Geis is preparing a media list. Assistants also needed.
*Notice to members: You can respond to a colunteer for any of the items listed here by calling Karl Ketter 636-8116 or the director mentioned in the item. We need your help and your ideas. Board meetings are in the schedule and all are invited to attend.

Mississippi Mud

NEWS OF LONG DISTANCE RACING

MISSISSIPPI RIVER CANOE CLASSIC

I would like to invite you and your partner to race with the Minnesota canoers on the might Mississippi. You may have been with us last year for the first Mississippi Canoe Classic that started a tradition. We want you to come and help us make this a ten year tradition. The course remains the same. The race is Saturday, June 23, at 12 noon. The Jensen Handicap Race is June 24, Sunday, at 12 noon. Then the banquet will be at the Brooklyn Center Civic Center. Prizes will be awarded at the banquet.

Prizes will be about $1,000 total, with medallions for amateurs. We run a good race, but fund raising is more difficult for canoers. If you can help secure sponsors for the event, let us know right now. Every little bit will help.

The racers start at the Coon Rapids dam, paddle upstream for one hour and loop the Anoka bridge, then go back to the Coon Rapids dam, portage on the east side, and sprint on down the Mississippi River, past the Camden, Lowry, Broadway, and Plymouth bridges, do one lap between the Plymouth and Broadway bridges, and finish down stream.

On Sunday we have the 18th Annual Jensen Handicap (you draw for partners of dubious quality--that's the Handicap.) This race is a fun 45 minutes--half the distance is down stream and half back up to the start.

The awards banquet for both the Classic and the Handicap will be at the activity center mentioned above. There are showers, swimming pools, pool tables, etc. The banquet will start at 2:00 Sunday afternoon. You must be present at the banquet to get your prizes.

Racers, families, and friends are responsible for their own lodging. Camping is possible and maybe a room or two at our local paddlers' homes. Camping in Betty's back yard will keep you on the river bank and close to the confusion. Shopping centers and children's play areas are nearby.

For the past four years, Karl Ketter has been training a bunch of rookies, and they're not rookies any more! Soon they will be replacing the old guys. Wouldn't you like to paddle against the very best, most ingenious paddlers in the world? Now's your chance. If it's new, it'll come from Minnesota. See the next innovation to sweep canoe racing. Remember, Minnesota's firsts include wood strip canoes, switching style, bent paddles, nylon webbing canoe seats, fastest canoe designs, automatic bailers, fiberglass over wood sandwich construction, plastic paddle tips, asymmetrical contoured grips, foot braces, stirrups, and the humor of Buzz Peterson.

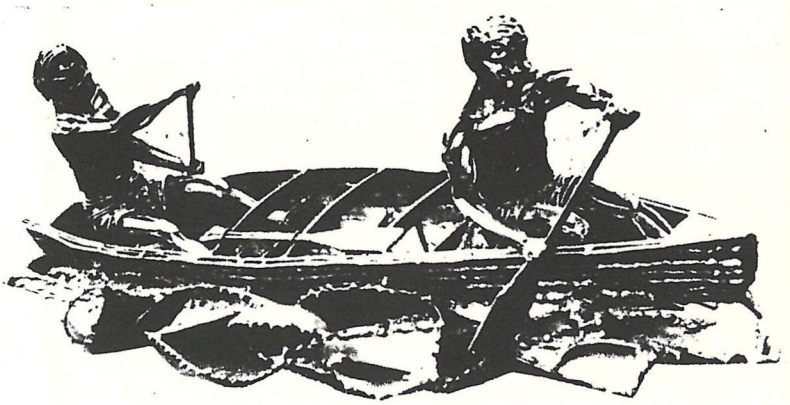
We need your entry early. We need it to plan the race and pay the bills. Total entry fee is $30 per team. That will include eligibility to win part of $1,000 in cash prizes, a medallion for each paddler (which is really a $6.95 belt buckle in the off season), and two tickets to the banquet. Extra banquet tickets will be $7.00 each.

(Voyageurs Note) New this year will be the "lots of people in one canoe" division. This is for those canoes that will be paddled by six or more people. Their entry fee will be $9.00 per person, which includes a medallion to all winners and a banquet ticket for each contestant. When three big canoes enter, a unique traveling trophy will be donated by the MCA. This event will be under two hours, have no portages, and is bound to be a spectacle.

--Betty Ketter of Ketter Canoeing

MISSISSIPPI CLASSIC COURSE & SCHEDULE

10:00-11:00	Check in at Coon Rapids Dam. YOU MUST CHECK IN ONE HOUR BEFORE THE RACE!
12:00	Mass start of all canoes.
1:00	Teams arrive at Anoka bridge and loop one bridge pier.
1:50	Portage on east side of Coon Rapids Dam, 100 yards, between official flags.
2:20	Canoes pass south tip of Nicollet Island (clockwise direction) and head upstream.
3:45	Finish at Broadway bridge (southwest bank). Expected race time: 3 hours, 45 minutes.
2:00 Sunday	Banquet and awards. Paddlers required to attend. Bring friends. $7.00 each adult.



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1st	$200.00	KETTER CANOEING Betty J. Ketter
2nd	$150.00	VOYAGEUR CANOES Everett Croizer
3rd	$110.00	HIDDE ANGLE PADDLES Gerry Hidde
4th	$ 90.00	BERNE SCALE CO. Chris Berne
5th	$ 80.00	
6th	$ 70.00	
7th	$ 60.00	NORTHLAND "LOG HOMES" Irvin & Steve Peterson
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Additional Prizes and Awards

1st Team - Ketter Memorial Traveling Trophy
1st Men's Amateur - Medallion
1st Mixed Couple - Medallion
1st Women's Team - Medallion
1st Junior (under 19) - Medallion
1st Canoe with 6 persons or more - Medallion
1st Solo Canoe - Medallion

THE JENSEN HANDICAP

The oldest MCA event will occur the day after the Mississippi River Classic on June 24, 1979. Come and draw for your partner and bring a canoe. Some experience in a racing canoe is highly desirable. There is a $1.00 entry fee per person. Come and race or come and spectate.

HANDICAP SCHEDULE AND COURSE

11:00 Registration for Handicap, 83rd Avenue North and west bank of the Mississippi River at the River Park.

12:00 Start of Jensen Handicap--teams paddle south to Durhams Island and return upstream to park. Finish is near the west side of the river between buoy and shore.

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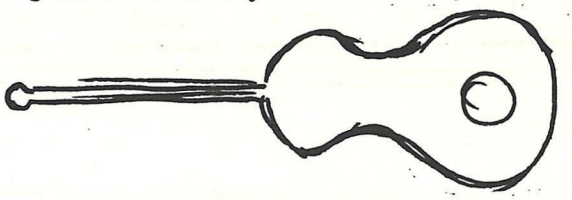
Brian Patterson (521-4804), Cruise Director, wants to hear from trip leaders. He's got a club full of members who need some nice short canoe trips to go on.

DULUTH CHAPTER

Ken Gilbertson (9876 Greenwood Road 55804) of Duluth, joined the MCA for resin and glass this past spring. He feels there are other canoe and kayak builders in the Duluth area that could support a resin depot. If you live near Ken, give him a call. The MCA would like to help our members all around the state.

GUITAR PADDLES?

Some imaginative racer out east has invented the "guitar" paddle. The blade is guiar-shaped. Maybe the narrowed part of the blade is for the canoe gunwales when only half the blade is used.



MUD
Tuesdays, 6:00, U of M Showboat Landing - Racing canoes for advanced rookies, out of shape old guys, new recruits. Testing new canoe designs and coffee drinking our specialty. No more then two hours of paddling - just a tiny bit of running - All abilities welcome.

OUTWARD BOUND LEARNS HOW TO CANOE

May 6; temperatures in the uncomfortable 30's, snow, rain and wind attack the Outward Bound school on the Kawishawi River near Ely. Four racers, however, find a warm reception from eleven of this year's Outward Bound instructors. The instructors have gathered at the school for clinics and seminars to prepare for the 800 students to follow in the summer. Betty Ketter, Jeff Howe, Mike Bohanon, Karl Ketter spend the day demonstrating those long distance racing techniques that are readily adaptable to the wilderness canoers.

The racers are well received and the instructors add to their canoe knowledge some valuable insights to the low voiced "HUT!" signal and all that it entails.

The racers want to thank Alan Colter and Dave Capetta for the invitation and all the instructors for their enthusiasm shown toward the MCA and our paddling techniques.

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