



FLOWlines



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October General Meeting What's New In Paddling Gear

Date: Thursday, October 9
Time: 7:00 PM
Place: Community Meeting Room,
Brighton Town Hall Lower Level
2300 Elmwood Ave.

Come out to the October general meeting and see what's new in the paddling industry. Oak Orchard will be present, and you will have the opportunity to see what's new in Whitewater, Touring and Canoes!

There will be pre-released information and pictures, and free stuff, like STICKERS! We're completely revamping... well, everything! You'll be happy to hear we're carrying RIOT for the first time, and we'll have Boosters and Turbos before you can say "Addison."

Oak Orchard will also be sponsoring the **No Water Rodeo!** Come out and throw your sickest "air" moves for prizes; great practice for the upcoming winter! Boat provided!

Moose River Festival 2003

Moose Fest 2003 will be held on October 18 and 19 in Old Forge NY. There will be free guided river trips, downriver races, class V party, exhibits, and demos. Evening entertainment featuring live music, food, displays and refreshments will be held in the two large pavilions in the Water Safari theme park in "downtown" Old Forge. Moose Fest newspapers with event details are being distributed to local paddling shops, or you can get your own by writing to Chris Koll at ckoll1234@aol.com.

October Steering Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 28
Time: 7:00 PM
Place: Jack Ryan's
Atlantic Ave. between Culver and Winton

We got thrown out of the Café at Barnes and Noble, so we're moving to Jack Ryan's. Steering committee meetings are open to all members. Feel free to just show up – your input is welcome. If you are not available but have an idea, send email to info@flowpaddlers.org.

FLOWlines Editor Sought

After almost four years of editing FLOWlines, it's time for me to step aside and let someone else take over. It's been a lot of fun, but I just have too many things going on to keep on editing. In a nutshell, here's what the editor has to do (or delegate):

- Attend monthly steering committee meetings
- Ask FLOW members for articles and pictures
- Layout the newsletter

You don't have to write articles to do the job. All the editor needs to do is get the materiel together and put it into Word (Quark, Word Perfect or whatever your favorite word processor is). In the past, there have been co-editors who split up these tasks.

I already have a volunteer for co-editor, so we just need one more co-editor! If you have any interest, please let me (barnett@bluefrognet.net) or Don (dshaw001@rochester.rr.com) know. Or just drop by one of the steering committee meetings.

FLOW Corporate Sponsor Liaison

Rose Conley was nominated and unanimously approved for new position of FLOW Corporate Sponsor Liaison. Until now, FLOW has not had a single contact point for sponsors. Rose will work to strengthen the relationship between paddling businesses and our organization.

If you would like to become corporate sponsor, or if you know of someone who might, please contact Rose at rosems@rochester.rr.com.

When interviewed about her new role within FLOW, Rose (a.k.a. Princess Rose) said she will be requesting funds for a larger tiara to reflect her new high profile position within the paddling Society.

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Vice Presidents	Steve Kittelberger...	442-6138
 James Hopkins.....	621-2721
Secretary	Cathy Rague. (315)	926-7890
Treasurer.....	Joel Chastek.....	768-4651
Membership.....	Wade Bowman.....	394-3103
Trips & Events	Ivan Rezanka.....	381-7475
Newsletter.....	Simon Barnett.....	899-6803
Education/Instruction	Ardie Shaffer	334-4487
Conservation/Access	.Jerry Hargrave. k1c1c2@aol.com	

Newsletter Submissions

Send us trip reports, articles, letters to the editor, rants, photographs, ads for our classified section, or anything else that you would like to see in FLOWlines. Send items to newsletter@flowpaddlers.org. If you do not have e-mail, send items to:

Simon Barnett
72 Maple Park Heights
Rochester, NY 14625

The newsletter deadline is the next-to-last Thursday of the month.

Membership / Address Changes

To join FLOW, download the membership form from the "How To Join" page on www.flowpaddlers.org, fill it out and send it with \$30 (\$35 family rate) to:

FLOW Paddlers' Club C/O Wade Bowman
3298 Freshour Rd.
Canandaigua, NY 14424

If you don't have access to the web, contact Wade at the above address or NewTest@Rochester.rr. Send address changes to Wade too.

Upcoming trips/events

Whitewater Trips: Contact Ivan Rezanka 381-7475.
Flatwater Trips: Contact James Hopkins 621-2721.

Local River Gauges

Genesee River (Letchworth).....	468-2303
Catteragus Creek	532-0626
Black Cr. at Churchville.....	(800) 452-1742 #361131
Salmon River.....	(800) 452-1742 #365123
Waterline Site Codes	www.h2oline.com

Paddling Contacts

FLOW Corporate Sponsors

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Talic Sport Hammocks..... 381-5401

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National Organizations

American Canoe Association..... www.acanet.org

American Whitewater www.americanwhitewater.org

Adirondack Mountain Club..... www.adk.org

Please send any additions, corrections, or deletions to
newsletter@flowpaddlers.org



All phone numbers are in the 585 area code unless otherwise noted.

2003 FLOW Whitewater Trip Schedule

Whitewater paddling, like all adventure sports, entails an element of risk. FLOW members assume this risk, and share the risk and responsibility for assisting others in need, as a condition of joining any of the listed trips below. Each participant must sign a release to this effect before putting onto the water. **We cannot take non ACA/FLOW members on the trips.** To add trips, or change existing trip listings, call Ivan Rezanka, 381-7475.

Date	Level	Trip Description	Coordinator	Phone
Oct. 11	Intermediate	Traditional Indian / Hudson trip in fall colors. Camp nearby	Steve Kittelberger	585-442-6138
Oct. 25	Beginner	Genesee River in Letchworth. Class II	Don Shaw	585-223-5077
Nov. 1-2	Intermediate	Tohickon Creek, PA Class III to III+. Camp nearby.	Steve Kittelberger	585-442-6138

Steering Committee Meeting Minutes, September 16, 2003

- **Present:** Don Shaw, Steve Kittelberger, Simon Barnett, Joel Chastek, Cathy Rague
- **Dates And Times Of Future Meeting**
There has been some confusion about the dates of steering committee meetings. We have settled on the last Tuesday of the month. General meetings will continue to be on the second Thursday of the month.

General Meeting Dates: 10/9/03, 11/13/03, 12/11/03, 1/8/04, 2/12/04, 3/11/04, 4/8/04, 5/13/04, 6/10/04, 7/8/04, 8/12/04, 9/9/04, 10/14/04, 11/11/04, 12/9/04

Steering Committee Dates: 10/28/03, 11/25/03, 12/30/03, 1/27/04, 2/24/04, 3/30/04, 4/27/04, 5/25/04, 6/29/04, 7/27/04, 8/31/04, 9/28/04, 10/26/04, 11/30/04, 12/28/04

Steve K. has talked with Brighton Town Hall and arranged for FLOW's indoor General Meetings to continue there throughout next year.

Action: The October General Meeting will discuss Whitewater Gear.

Action: The November General Meeting will be a trip report on Southern Trips: Past and Present.

Future General Meeting topics discussed included a X-Country Ski Clinic, a focus group researching member satisfaction within FLOW, Casino Night, Snow Kayaking, and Gage Technology.

Action: The newly renovated Pittsford Park was discussed as a possible location for the Swap Meet.

Action: A new Program Director is being sought to oversee the General Programs.

- **Newsletter**
Simon is stepping aside as FLOWLines Editor. The requirements of the job were discussed. An editor to take Simon's position is being pursued.

- **Corporate Sponsors**
Rose Conley has taken the position of Corporate Sponsor Liaison. Her proposal for this program was outlined by Don Shaw, in Rose's absence.

Action: Rose will present her formal proposal at a future Steering Committee Meeting. This proposal will include those Corporate Sponsor items listed in the agenda and outlining a plan for professional communication with corporate sponsors.

- **Pool Practice**
The Pool Practice Pass was presented by Simon. This pass can be bought ahead of time or at the pool.

Doc Pierson will continue to act as liaison between Wheatland-Chili High School and Rich and Carol Joki who will oversee pool practice there for FLOW.

Discussion on insurance requirements for pool practice was deferred.

Action: Don Shaw will get further information from AW and Mike Shafer for the next meeting.

Fees for pool practice for non-members was deferred until the above information is obtained.

- **New Flow Secretary**
Cathy Rague is stepping aside as secretary.

Action: The FLOW Steering Committee will act as the Nominating Committee and present candidates for this position.

- **Budget**
Membership checks pathway between membership chair and treasurer was reaffirmed.

Increased efficiency has been achieved in sending the new membership information and checks to ACA.

Action: Remaining reimbursements for the August Picnic still awaiting receipts will be paid out this month.

- **Membership**
Members who join in the last quarter will have a 15 month membership.

Flow Flyers were presented by Simon.

Action: These will be distributed to local sporting goods stores and future members.





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Items will be removed after 6 months. Feel free to re-list items that have not sold.*

Virtually new Folbot Greenland II and most of the accessories Folbot advertises for this boat. The boat has been wet only four times and shows new. It is assembled and located in Penn Yan and is available for close inspection. -Ken Williams at 315.536.8470 or williams@usadatanet.net.

For Sale: Dagger Animas (Blue color) - A whitewater kayak, 10.5ft. long, 24.5in. wide. Great kayak suitable for a larger kayaker. Good condition, asking \$500/BO. Custom-made Kayak Trailer - Holds up to 8 kayaks. Comes with a spare tire. Registered and in good condition. Asking \$450/BO. Call 585-342-7240 or e-mail rthom188@frontiernet.net.

Complete Whitewater Kayak Package: Blue / Yellow Perception Method used once; comes with harmony spray skirt (s), 197 cm whetstone paddle, yellow helmet (s), short sleeved amphi top (s), dry top (m), long john wet suit (m), dry socks (s), neoprene gloves (s). Whole package \$895.00. Call Ron 585-721-4090 (Cell), 585-624-1699 (Home, after 9:00pm)

Brand new 14' Rob Roy, handcrafted solo canoe. Ted Moore's design, cedar strips with poplar, walnut and mahogany accents. This canoe is beautiful - it is valued @ 2,500 to 3,000. I am trying to get best offer. Kate 315.789.9262. (Geneva)

For sale: Wavesport Siren, the kayak designed specifically for women. Yellow, 1 year old, like new condition. Paddled primarily in pool classes and a few times at the Lock 32 whitewater course in instructional classes. Asking \$550. Dagger Animas, blue/purple swirl, very good condition. Great river-running boat for novice paddlers. Bulkhead foot rests, asking \$350. Contact Ardie or Gary Shaffer 334-4487 or email ardie@rochester.rr.com.

For Sale: Pat Moore Reverie II canoe. Pedestal seat, beautiful wood trim, light gray color. 13 ft., 30 lbs, fiberglass. Here's a chance to own a classic. For the freestyle enthusiast. This canoe is in mint condition. Asking \$1200. Contact Donn at (585)242-0846 or email dwells8014@AOL.com.

American Whitewater's Top Issues of 2003

1. Nationwide USGS funding for river gages is threatened
2. Nationwide Boat Registration efforts are increasing
3. Nationwide Wild and Scenic River Act may be weakened
4. Nationwide Federal Power Act revisions may weaken public's voice
5. Nationwide Conflicts among river groups reduce our effectiveness
6. Nationwide Increased threats to rivers and need for paddlers to act
7. West Virginia Land sale in Cheat Canyon threatens the river and access
8. Washington State Access opportunity on Skykomish and Snoqualmie rivers
9. Arizona Opportunity to reduce wait list on Grand Canyon
10. North Carolina Cheoah River negotiations failing, going to FERC
11. Georgia, S. Carolina USFS addresses access on the Headwaters of the Chattooga
12. California Resource agencies oppose releases on Pit River

For a comprehensive article on these issues, what AW is doing, and what you can do to help, see www.americanwhitewater.org/archive/article/954/

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