



# PADDLE SPLASHES

Newsletter of the NY-NoJ AMC Chapter, Canoe and Kayak Committee

May/June 2007

## Rockaway Clean-Up by Tanya McCabe

### Rockaway River Cleaned, Yet Again!

Our May 5th Rockaway River clean-up was, as usual, a great success. We had a perfect day, 10 paddlers using 5 club boats. Diann Connell was registrar and I was the perennial leader. We started at Johnson Park in Rockaway, NJ and cleaned down river for a mile to Gardner Park, Denville.

Our final junk pile of debris was about 20 feet long, 10 feet wide and 4-5 feet high! We had shopping carts, tires, baby toys, a high chair, milk crates, tires and more tires and endless bags of plastic bottles, a kids' pool (8'x4') and a Sunfish sailboat—minus the sail and center board. The recent major flooding seems to have brought everything down into this area with a vengeance!

35 bags of garbage—Rockaway River Clean-up a success!

We filled about 35 large garbage bags with what seemed to be an endless supply of water, juice and milk bottles and still more bottles. Truth be told, we could do the clean-up again, this week on the same stretch of river and come

away with an equal amount of debris!

As always we reconnoitered at the Denville Dairy Ice Cream shop for refreshments and to rehash events of the day—which was almost as much fun

as the day itself. I realize we have been cleaning this river over the last 10-12 years and I've only paddled it once. It really is a tranquil setting, urban yet serene. Next year we will have to plan a day to paddle it!

Our tried and true core group consisted of Karen Linzenberg, Rick DeFiebre, Henry Sengstaken, Rosanne Dobbin, Minu Chaudhuri, Natalie Pasarchik and yours truly. Unfortunately our registrar Diann had last minute car trouble and couldn't participate.

Joining us for the first time and as new AMC members

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Tanya & Frances moving the trash

## Splitrock Reservoir by Jeff Gregg



Splitrock Reservoir in Morris County, NJ. Sunday May 6, 2007. AMC Leader: Jeff Gregg.

13 paddlers were enticed to joined this trip with the assur-

Wilderness feel, close to home

ance of a new paddling venue. The promise was a new piece of water with a "wilderness feel". And we delivered on that pledge! Many of the paddlers commented that they were glad to learn

of this beautiful spot and would be coming back to the reservoir again.

Our group was a great blend of frequent AMC paddlers, AMC members on their first outing and guests who we hope will soon be joining AMC. We paddled a mix of sea/touring kayaks, recreational kayaks and tandem rec boats. We also started with one solo canoe, but due to the strong wind conditions, the paddler needed to return to shore soon after launch. There were two challenges for our group: the steep and rocky launch site, and the 10 mile per hour head winds. The group truly pulled to-

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**Next Newsletter deadline September 15, 2007**

# Canoe & Kayak Notes

**For Greenland enthusiasts, Sea kayakers** or anyone interested in the history of the kayak:  
Save the date! June 23rd and 24th The 4th Hudson River Greenland Festival Croton Point Park, Croton-on-Hudson, NY  
Instruction with Cheri Perry and Turner Wilson and others!  
Greenland-style kayak races, rope demos and instruction, paddle making demos, and boat building.  
Camping available, easily accessed from local highways and Metro North trains.  
More details to be posted as we move on. Registration, website, to come. For info, please contact Jack Gilman at hudsonsb@yahoo.com. See you on the river!  
\* Check out the Yonkers Paddling & Rowing Club online at www.yprc.org.



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**Emeritus Program** Our canoeing and kayaking program depends on the efforts of our trip leaders, many of whom have been volunteering their time for many years. To recognize their hard work, our Chapter has an "Emeritus Paddler Program" under which our more mature - but still very active - trip leaders and instructors are exempt from the Chapter's paddling and boat rental fees on scheduled AMC trips and instructions. Camping, food and instruction fees apply as usual, and Club boats rented for bootleg trips are charged the normal rental rates.

To qualify, a leader must be a member of AMC NY-NoJ, have led a trip or instruction in the prior 12 months, and be 70 years or older at some time in the current year.

Membership in this exclusive group is not automatic, though. The Canoe/Kayak Chair doesn't know how old you are and has the diplomacy not to ask. To become an "Emeritus" (or "Emerita," if you're a female Latin scholar), you'll need to send a request to the Chair at CanoeKayak(at)amc-ny(dot)org

**Thank you**

## Barn Work Day April 14, 2007

Thanks to volunteers Tom Trevor, Tammy Leditt and Marty Plante for conducting a long-overdue inventory for the AMC's insurance company at the Spring Barn Work Day.

If you love statistics -  
and who doesn't? -  
here are the numbers:

Open Canoes	28
WW Kayaks	15
Rec Kayaks	6
Sea Kayaks	6
Closed Canoes	4
Throw Bags	13
Helmets	41
PFDs	73

### Next CKC meeting: July 11, 2007

If you would like to contact us use the emails listed below.

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**Frank J. Smith**  
**February 19, 1925—April 22, 2007**

Frank J. Smith  
NEWTOWN, Pa. -- Frank J. Smith passed away on Sunday, April 22, 2007 at St. Mary's Hospital in Newtown, surrounded by loving family and friends. Born on Feb. 19, 1925, he was 82.

He graduated in 1943 from Dumont High School then served in the Marine Corps during World War II. He was honorably discharged with a Purple Heart after being wounded in the battle of Iwo Jima.

He graduated from the Cartoonists & Illustrators School, which became the School of Visual Arts, in Manhattan.

Frank was a person who knew the secret of life; with his infectious laugh he could turn a solemn room into a party in a heartbeat. He was always optimistic no matter what was brought before him. He loved the outdoors including skiing, kayaking and especially fishing. He will be remembered for his love of life and how he could always find the positive in the most negative situation.

He is survived by his partner, Anne Hood of Newtown; and children, Mark Smith and his wife Rosa of Rockport, Maine; Greg Smith and his wife Cathy of Belvidere; Jennifer Griffith and her husband David of Stockton; Christopher "Smitty" Smith and his partner Dax of Guerneville, Calif.; and Roger Smith and his wife Kristi of Rockport. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Mark Smith of Hackettstown, Justin and Robert Smith of Belvidere, Krista, Kyle and Ryan Pecoraro of Stockton and Russell, Trevor and Sydney Smith of Rockport and his partner's family, Cathy Bannister of London and her husband Matthew, Lucy Hood-Biniaz of Los Angeles, Sarah Hood of Wattertown, Mass. and John Hood of Somerville, Mass.

*Hunterdon County Democrat Newspaper*

On Sunday, April 22 Frank Smith passed away. Frank was a long time partner of Anne Hood.  
A memorial service was held on Tuesday, April 24.

Condolences can be sent to:  
Anne Hood, Apt G208, 1382 Newtown Langhorne Rd, Newtown, PA 18940-2401

His friends in AMC remember him with fondness and mourn his passing.  
Paddle beyond Frank!

Frank was a longtime AMC paddler. His death was attributed to complications following heart valve surgery. He will be missed. **Joe Pylka**

I remember Frank's nice smile and how it felt like good homecoming when he and Anne would join us for a canoe trip between their motor home excursions around the country. A pleasure for us. **Dot Peters**

Al and I remember Frank quite well.

Aside from the usual weekend car camping, paddling trips, we paddled with him on several expeditions, the Boneventure, Gaspé Peninsula, Quebec, Canada and the Nahanni, Northwest Territory, Canada. Frank had a wonderful sense of humor and was full of tales about the goats his kids raised as 4-H projects. Frank was a World War II Marine combat veteran who lost some fingers at Iwo Jima he was awarded a Purple Heart for his bravery. *Fran & Al Braley*

I was a paddling and skiing friend of Frank. I have fond memories of paddling with him on the Tohickon when he was a whitewater solo boater and of singing with him when he was part of Miramar Ski Club's "Merry Minstrels" - we would do an entertainment skit for the annual dinner dance with other skiers. Frank added his baritone voice to the ensemble on more than a few occasions. He was quite social and a very personable guy - Frank had a great sense of humor and was very down to earth. I have sent my condolences to his long-time companion, Anne Hood. I will miss him and know others will feel the same. **Patricia McHenry**

I was friends with Frank for over 30 years. We met in another social group where he met Anne Hood, his companion and significant other 28 years ago. We all played tennis together. We had many, many dinner parties, we windsurfed on Spruce Run and down the shore. We camped together with our families. Frank and Anne introduced me to AMC in 1984 when I joined them on a canoe trip on the Raritan River. They also introduced me to cross country skiing. We had many wonderful times together over the years and I will miss him terribly. He was a wonderful kind person, with an optimistic attitude. Always smiling and laughing, a very caring person. He enjoyed everyday of his life and made the best of whatever he faced in life.  
**Phyllis Lindquist**

# New Class 4 Rating Process by Marty Plante

## WHAT'S NEW?

I'm pleased to announce two important changes to our whitewater rating process. The first is the introduction of a new Class 4 Rating Card.

Like many of the other AMC chapters, our chapter assigns whitewater ratings based on a peer review process in which higher-rated paddlers evaluate lower-rated paddlers and recommend new ratings when appropriate. Up to Class 3, this process is facilitated by the use of a rating card system. At our highest whitewater level, Class 4, new ratings are awarded by consensus of the Class 4 Ratings Subcommittee, consisting of the Chapter's Class 4 paddlers.

In certain instances, the current Class 4 rating process may overlook some paddlers who have the qualifications for a Class 4 rating. To address this situation, I'm implementing a second avenue to obtaining a Class 4 rating, based on the use of a new rating card.

This will be similar to how some other AMC chapters award their Class 4 ratings and our own chapter awards ratings up to Class 3. The new Class 4 rating card will be an alternate method of awarding a Class 4 rating, not a replacement to the current process used by the Class 4 Ratings Subcommittee.

The requirements for the new rating card were recommended to me by a temporary advisory subcommittee that I appointed for this purpose. (Thanks to John Robson, Herb Stermer and Andrew Douglas for all of their hard work.) To avoid any conflict of interest, the one member of this subcommittee who doesn't have a Class 4 rating has agreed that he will be ineligible for this rating for one year. I've accepted the subcommittee's recommendations with only minor changes.

This subcommittee first examined the Class 4 requirements used by the other AMC chapters. They then developed a set of requirements that is consistent with what other chapters are doing, while preserving the rigorous requirements of our traditional Class 4 rating process.

## WHAT ELSE IS NEW?

Some of our Class 3-rated paddlers have excellent knowledge and leadership abilities for one or two Class 4 rivers by having run them repeatedly, but may not yet be skillful enough to lead a trip on unfamiliar Class 4 rivers. To address this situation, I've established a new rating: a Class 4R (four restricted) rat-

ing. This designation authorizes a Class 3 leader to lead a trip on the Class 4 river(s) for which he has received the 4R rating, but not on other Class 4 rivers. To jump start this process, I solicited 4R recommendations from the paddlers who are most active on our chapter's Class 4 trips. Going forward, additional 4R ratings will be granted by the Committee Chair after due research and consideration of the paddler's abilities, river knowledge, leadership skills and judgment. The decision will be based on a minimum of 3 rating cards by Class 4 paddlers.

## WHAT SKILLS ARE REQUIRED FOR A CLASS 4 RATING?

Our chapter has a sterling reputation for safety. The new Class 4 rating card process will not change this.

A Class 4 rating is not just an acknowledgement of Class 4 paddling abilities. Attaining a Class 4 rating authorizes a paddler to be the river leader on our Chapter's Class 4 trips. The safety of other trip participants is being placed in the hands of the Class 4 river leader and with this responsibility

come additional requirements. Like the traditional Class 4 rating process, some of the criteria included on the Class 4 rating card are:

1) Breadth of rivers. Class 4 rivers are not created equal. Candidates must demonstrate their ability on six Class 4 rivers. By way of comparison, the Boston and NH chapters require 3 rivers.

2) Variety of observers. Like the process used by the Class 4 Ratings Subcommittee, the opinions of several observers will be required. The candidate must obtain recommendations from at least three observers, the same number required by Boston and NH.

3) Leadership Ability. The river leader on an AMC trip has the ultimate authority to determine who may paddle on that trip. The candidate must have the experience to evaluate the paddling ability of others and the maturity to sometimes take the unpopular step of denying participation to those without the necessary skill, even though they may be personal friends.

The full set of observation criteria are listed on the new Class 4 rating card and will be available from the Chapter website at <http://www.amc-ny.org/information/download.php> after the next scheduled website update. Copies may also be requested from the committee chair at [canoekayak\(at\)amc—ny.org](mailto:canoekayak(at)amc—ny.org)

Like anything that's new, it may not be perfect on the first try, so the Canoe & Kayak Committee will review new process at the end of the year to decide if any adjustments are needed.

## **Congratulations to Our New Class 4R Paddlers**

Bill Canfield (Dryway, Hudson Gorge)  
Connie Farley (Dryway)  
Butch Futrell (Dryway)  
Dan Gold (Dryway, Beaver Creek)  
Jennifer Koermer (Dryway)  
Radu Teodorescu (Stonycreek, Bulls Bridge)

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## Trip a Go-Go? Or A No-No? Curious about scheduled AMC trips you didn't attend? Here's a column for trip leaders and trip participants that reveals the interesting trip figures and facts.

**A No-No. Sacandaga and Schroon Rivers**  
Date: Saturday/Sunday, March 31-April 1, 2007  
Leaders Henry Schreiber/Lenny Grefig/Marty Plante  
River: West Branch Sacandaga and Schroon  
Location: Southern Adirondacks  
Trip cancelled, not enough paddlers going to make it a go-go. Only three paddlers (the leaders), for Saturday, one more for Sunday. Three paddlers had registered then dropped out.

Any other comments? We were wondering how much of the split rail fence would be under water. If you don't know what that is all about, come on the trip next year to hear the story.

Trip a Go-Go: **NJIT Pool Sessions** – Feb & March 2007.  
Leader(s): Ara Jingirian River: pool  
Location: Newark, NJ.  
Number of Participants: 84 AMC members + 25 NJIT students  
Boats used: too many to count  
Weather: warm  
Side-trips: Locker rooms / showers  
Food: pizza  
Scenery: Not too appealing  
After Hours: McGovern's – just few blocks away  
Any other comments?:" We received some great praises. Here's one from one of the students:

"Ara, I just wanted to say thanks. I really enjoyed the class and appreciated the personal attention. I have a great sense of accomplishment and am hoping to get into another class soon so that I can keep learning. I don't see myself in class 4's but I will be so much more confident on a river if I can learn to successfully roll over. You have some great instructors there and a very well-organized process. Lynne"

## Splitrock Reservoir by Jeff Gregg

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gether like a seasoned team to ensure that everyone launched safely. The blowing wind was a head wind for the entire trip out and required a shortening of the original paddle plan. We stayed close to the shore and made steady, but slow progress. An island provided welcomed shelter and a place for lunch. With the wind at our back, the return trip was much easier.

In all we paddled in a beautiful spot, with a nice group of paddlers who made the best of a healthy challenge in the windy conditions.

Trip Name: **Lower Paulinskill River** Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

Definitely a Go-Go. By K. Brummund

**Trip Leader:** Joe Pylka, and James Dougherty who stepped-up to fill in for Pat McHenry (who was sidelined with a shoulder injury). Although Pat couldn't paddle she took care of the registration and shuttled the group back to the put-in at the beginning of the trip. No one had to drive back to the put-in at the end of the trip.

**Put-in:** Blairstown, NJ. **Take-out:** Columbia Lake.

**Trip length:** 8 miles. **Group size:** 4 people. Joe Pylka, Fiona Rimell, James Dougherty, and Kurt Brummund.

**Weather:** Beautiful. The temperature was in the upper 40's to low 50's.

**River conditions:** Terrific. Water level was great, a little higher than normal.

**Boats Used:** 3 open solo canoes, and Jimmy in a WW K1. Joe led the trip in a confident and easy going style. He was informative, pointing out the wildlife along the way (Canadian Geese, Mergansers, Mallards, some others I wasn't sure of and wasn't close enough to hear Joe at the time). The trip was going great.

After lunch, we had one mishap. While attempting to paddle past a partially submerged strainer a canoe hit a submerged rock and was knocked off course. The canoe got stuck on top of the strainer. Before anyone was able to assist, one end of the boat started to take on water and was going under. The paddler self-rescued, Joe and Jim went after the boat.

The boat was not a whitewater boat and did not have flotation bags. A stuff sack was tied to one of the thwarts. It wasn't a dry bag so it filled with water. It weighed the canoe down (by about 50 lbs.) and with the current pushing the boat under the water, it took longer than usual to do the rescue. Joe and Jim managed to corral it a couple of times, but it managed to get away. Jim finally managed to corral it against the side of a bridge abutment. We were then able to empty the water and get it back to shore.

The paddler's back-up clothing was in the stuff sack, and was now soaking wet. Luckily, we had some warm dry layers to lend. So, it all turned out well. A learning experience for all of us. It was the swimmers' first experience in moving water, but I don't think it will be their last. Everyone paddled the rest of the trip in fine style. Jim and Joe were terrific! All in all, a great trip. SYOTR, Kurt



Kan Yu enjoying a minute out of the wind on Splitrock Reservoir

**Trip a Go-Go? Or A No-No?** Curious about scheduled AMC trips you didn't attend?  
Here's a column for trip leaders and trip participants that reveals the interesting trip figures and facts.

• **A Go-Go: Nescopeck Creek, PA.** Date: March 24, 2007  
Leaders: Lindquist's  
Nessy was very high. There were six in the group all open solo boats except one closed boat. The weather was damp and cold. Those that came back to the cabin soaked in the hot tub and enjoyed Happy Hour and a Lasagna Dinner with home-baked apple pie for dessert. We had four guests join us later that evening who had paddled the Loyalsock with Jeff DePue. They spent the night at our cabin. Four of our house guests joined Jeff on the Shohola River on Sunday.

**A No-No:** Miller's switched to A Go-Go to the **Mongaup River**  
Date: March 31– April 1, 2007. Leaders: Futrell/Francis  
Miles Paddled: 3  
Number of Participants: 10. Weather: beautiful spring day  
Food: Flo-Jean's was closed, too cold for ice cream, so we ate pizza at a local establishment .

A Go-Go: **Stonycreek River.** April 21-22, 2007  
Leaders: Farley/Tiernan. Participants: 3 OC's; 13 K1s  
Weather: the came out and temps in the 70s—good-bye drysuits!

A Go-Go: **Lehigh River** May 12 & 13  
14 paddlers; 3 OC-1's, 11 K1's  
Surfing fun, pleasant air and water temps—very few rafts. Happy Mom's Day and a great cookout! Home-made sushi!

A Go-Go. Trip Name: **Ten Mile River**  
Leader(s): Ann & Berni Gastrich  
River: Ten Mile River  
Location/Section/Miles Paddled: From Webetuck to Gaylordsville on Housatonic  
Number of Participants: 8  
Boats used: 3 K1s, 5 OC-1s  
Weather: Miserably cold (30'sF).  
High water 3.1 on the scale  
Side-trips: to the outhouse at the AT trail  
Food: grabbed a bite while the members went to outhouse  
Interesting Facts: Luck was with us, the slight wind was to our backs  
Scenery: Many ducks on river



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**CLASS 4 RATING CARD REQUIREMENTS**

- Rating cards must be submitted for observations on at least six river sections that are recognized by the AMC or other reputable source as Class 4 or higher.
- The trips on which a candidate is observed may be sponsored by any AMC chapter, or may be non-AMC ("bootleg").
- At least three qualified observers must submit cards, with no more than two cards from any individual observer.

The observer must meet the following criteria

- For official AMC trips the observer must have a current Class 4 rating. The rating may be issued by any AMC chapter having a formal rating process in which Class 4 ratings are awarded (e.g. Boston, Del Valley, NH)
- For non-AMC (bootleg) trips, the observer's class 4 rating must be issued by the NY-NoJ chapter.

**Rockaway Clean-Up by Tanya McCabe**

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were Frances Ennes of White Plains, Carl Ragnone of Paramus, and Bob Hagerty from Flemington. These three did a spectacular job of river cleaning; they must have been born to it and would be welcome back in a heartbeat!  
"Our door is open" come join the Clean-Up next year; plenty of work for all!

**CLASS 4 RATING:**

- A card from a 4R paddler will be accepted for one of the six observations. The card must be for the same river for which the observer holds a 4R rating.
- There will be no time limit to accumulate the necessary cards.

## ACTIVITY SCHEDULE – JUNE TO AUGUST 2007

**SK** = Sea/Touring; **DVC** = Delaware Valley Chapter; **BC** = Berkshire Chapter; **CT** = Connecticut

### Quitewater

June 16-17. No-NJ leaders choice. Wawayanda Lake & Monksville Reservoir. Kerry O'Brien  
June 17. Peconic. Sklar  
June 23. Pine Barrens. Jim Rubins  
July 21. Monksville Reservoir, NJ. Joe Pylka  
August 4-5. North NJ Leader's Choice. Kerry O'Brien

### SK L1/Quitewater

June 3. **ACA Basic Instruction**. Trish Hessing & Walter Bonilla  
June 3. Tidal Water, Hackensack Meadowlands. Tanya McCabe / Chasnow  
June 9. Saugatuck River. **CT**  
July 14. Lieutenant River, Old Lyme, CT. **CT**  
July 21. Monksville Reservoir NJ. Joe Pylka  
August 11. Merrill Creek Reservoir. Gregg

### SK L1-L2

June. 1-3., Sedge Island. Brant Collins

### SK L2

July 6-8. Adirondacks. Carter Bland  
Aug 19. Thimble Islands. Jeff Gregg/Kurt Navratil

### CL1 WW

June 9. South Branch of the Raritan, NJ. McHenry / Pylka  
June 30. Maurice River. **DVC**  
July 28. Lower Delaware. Joe Pylka / McHenry  
August 11. Leader's Choice. Chris Viani



Hudson River Trip  
May 20th.  
Photo by Jeff Gregg

### CL 2-2+ WW

June 2-3. Esopus Creek. Henry Schreiber / Lenny Grefig.  
June 9-10. Lehigh & BBQ. Kraft/ Lindquists'  
June 15-17. Deerfield River Hike/Paddle. Farley / Tiernan / Jingirian / Francis / Holbrook  
June 23-24. Deerfield Fifebrook Section. Canfield / Brucas  
June 29-July 1. Deerfield River, MA, Fifebrook. Farley / Tiernan  
July 14-15. Esopus. Chris Viani  
July 21. Deerfield Fife Brook **BC**  
July 21-22. Lehigh River **DVC**  
Jul 27-29. Deerfield River, MA Fifebrook. Koerner / Holbrook  
Aug 11. Deerfield Fifebrook, MA **BC**  
Aug 25-26. Deerfield River, MA Fifebrook

### CL 2+-3+ WW

July 1-5. North Carolina rivers, Ocoee, Nantahala, Pigeon, Green, Chattooga, French Broad, Nolichucky. Butler/Futrell

### CL3 WW

June. 9-10. Lehigh River or Nescopeck. Kraft / Lindquist  
Aug. 4-5. Salmon River, NY. Farley / Trocha

### CL3+WW

Sat.-Sun. Aug. 11-12. Yough Weekend. **DVC**

### CL3-4+ WW

June. 15-17. Deerfield River Hike/Paddle. Farley / Tiernan / Jingirian / Francis / Holbrook  
June 22-24. Deerfield River-Monroe Bridge. Canfield/ Brucas  
June 29-July 1. Deerfield River, MA, Farley / Tiernan  
July 7. Deerfield, Monroe Bridge, **BC**  
July 20-22. Indian River & Hudson Gorge. Marty Plante  
July 28-29. Deerfield River, MA Monroe Bridge Koerner / Holbrook  
August 25-26. Deerfield River, MA, Monroe Bridge. Farley/ Tiernan



Our trip schedule now includes selected trips offered by our neighbors in other chapters. If you can't join one of ours, consider one of theirs. To register for a trip from other chapters, see their website or **AMC Outdoors**

View schedule online at: <http://www.amc-ny.org/recreation.activities/canoe/schedule>

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**Submission for next issue:** Send in your articles, and share your canoeing/kayaking experiences and information in the next issue of *Paddle Splashes* due on September 15, 2007. Please send as an e-mail message to: [canoekayak.newsletter\(at\)amc-ny\(dot\)org](mailto:canoekayak.newsletter(at)amc-ny(dot)org). My sincere thanks to everyone who has submitted articles and information. **Next CKC meeting: July 11, 2007**

## Don't Forget! - Coming up Events

### **AMC Instruction Classes!**

#### **Plan your summer — learn to paddle and attend our safety & rescue workshops**

June 1-3. Beginner Kayak Instruction. Victoria Butler  
June 1-3. Intro to Whitewater Solo Canoe Instruction. Joint with Young Members. Chris Viani  
June 3. Sea Kayak L1, ACA Basic Instruction. Hessing / Bonilla  
June 9-10. Basic Canoe & Kayak Safety & Rescue Workshop. Schreiber / Grefig / Plante  
July 6-8. Basic Canoe Instruction at Mohican Outdoor Center. Rich Breton  
July 14. Beginner Kayak Instruction. Carter Bland  
July 20-22. Beginner Kayak Instruction. Mac McCaulley Kurt Navratil  
August 18-19. Basic Whitewater Safety & Rescue Workshop. Plante / Schreiber/ Grefig  
September. 7-9. Basic Canoe Instruction. Schreiber/ Grefig

*Sign-up online at <http://www.amc-ny.org/recreation.activities/canoe/schedule>*

See additional club trips on page 7.

- For Sale: Tandem Rubber Duckie, includes paddles, airpump, PFD, helmet. \$500.
- For Sale: Flotation bag for solo open boat, brand new, never used. \$40.  
If interested call: 570-443-7088 or 908-626-1315 (NCA 9 p.m.)