

# *The Hoosier Paddler*

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## **Skipper's Message**

I've spent the last month moving so I'm sad to report that I haven't been out paddling since the 50th Anniversary party at the Sailing Club but I hope you have! A big thank you to Linda Smith and all who helped make the event so special. It was clear that the Hoosier Canoe and Kayak Club has been blessed with wonderful members over the years and it was fun paying tribute to our living legends. I especially enjoyed meeting old members, listening to the Peach Pickers, and taking an evening paddle. I had several people suggest that we use the Sailing Club each year for our summer meeting...we'll see as they were very generous with their facilities this year. Check out the enclosed pictures!

There are several fun trips on the schedule this month for all paddling groups with out of state offerings like the Green River in Kentucky and the Chicago shoreline. In addition, there is a triathlon on August 17th and the Go-Girl triathlon on August 24th. Our club benefits financially from this partnership in addition to it being a fun excuse to get out on Eagle Creek early on a Saturday morning. Don't forget about the paddles at Eagle Creek on Tuesdays that run through September. If you come late, look for the sign with the arrow by the put-in to know if the group headed north or south. Happy Paddling. **Sue Foxx, Skipper**

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## **Volunteers NEEDED! Indiana State Fair 8/5/2013**

On Monday, August 5th, our club will collaborate with the Boy Scouts by offering paddlecraft activities at their State Fair display. We need two volunteers for 3 shifts of 4 hours each...9 am-1 pm, 1 pm-5 pm, and 5 pm-9 pm. You will be given a pass to enter the State Fair free but parking will be on your own. You will not need to bring anything as all the materials should be in place before you arrive. All you need to do is show up and have a good time with the families who visit. Activities will include things like throwing a tow rope into a hula hoop, fitting a life vest, or packing a dry bag for cold weather. We will distribute our new safety brochures and posters. If you want to volunteer, contact Sue Foxx at or 317-363-4074 by July 26th. Once your shift is over...stay and enjoy the fair!

# **The Newsletter of the Hoosier Canoe Club**

## **Trip Announcement:**

### **The 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Indiana Paddlers Rendezvous on Wildcat Creek**

**Friday thru Sunday August 2-3-4, 2013**

**Trip Leader and Organizer: Garry Hill**

Hey Wildcat Paddlers,

The Indiana Paddlers Rendezvous is less than 5 weeks away. This Newsletter should provide all the info you need to make plans and mark your calendar. Make plans to attend the IPR, and enjoy a full weekend of Paddling on Wildcat Creek.

The IPR has proven to be one of the overall best Paddling events in Indiana. If you've never attended, rest assured it is worth your time. Come prepared to enjoy one of the nicest small Streams in Indiana, to relax with old Paddling buddies, and to make new friends.

This event is open to members of Canoe & Kayak Clubs, Internet Paddling Groups, and River Protection Organizations who have their own personal equipment and enough skills for an enjoyable day on a Swift Flowing Natural Stream. Please take this opportunity to pass this Trip Announcement on to any of the above mentioned organizations with which you have connections, but please avoid wide open public announcements.

Hoosier Canoe Club members: Please refer to the email we sent to you concerning location, times and other information. If you are new to paddling, please contact Muskrat for further details. **MUSKRAT'S CONTACT INFO:**

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**Phone Home:** 765-628-3155

**Cell:** 765-432-6782

## **Trip Announcement**

### **Mojo Rolling Clinic**

**Sunday, August 18, 2013**

**Trip Sponsor: Debby Baker**

We will have some fun and learn a little bit too. We can chat a bit about boat outfitting, stretch, and then get in the boats to work on hip snaps off the bows of other boats, braces, and progress onto the C-to-C and sweep rolls. Informal and relaxed, that's my style.

Most of all come prepared to have fun and work your buns off 'til your attitude improves and your roll is spot on! **Cheers!! Debby**

**When:** Sunday, August 18, 2013 starting at 2:00 pm

**Where:** Lake Maxin hall, 3333 East 56th St., Indianapolis, IN

This address is on the East side of Indianapolis between Allisonville and Keystone.

**Contact Information:** If you have questions or want to attend, send an e-mail to Dan Valleskey at [danpaddles@gmail.com](mailto:danpaddles@gmail.com) or call him at 413 0324 by 7:00



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## Trip Announcement continued:

**Mojo Rolling Clinic, Sunday, August 18, 2013**

### What to Bring to the Lake:

#### **MOJO GONE?**

*So where, oh where, did my Mojo go?  
Where it went I do not know!  
I had it once and now it's gone,  
Where oh where do I belong?*

*Well stress no more, the 'doc' is here,  
Maxin' it's the place, so have no fear!  
The water's warm and now's the time,  
To hone that roll, no thermocline!*

*Your roll's a mess?  
Well don't distress,  
It happens ya know,  
Refresh your Mojo!*

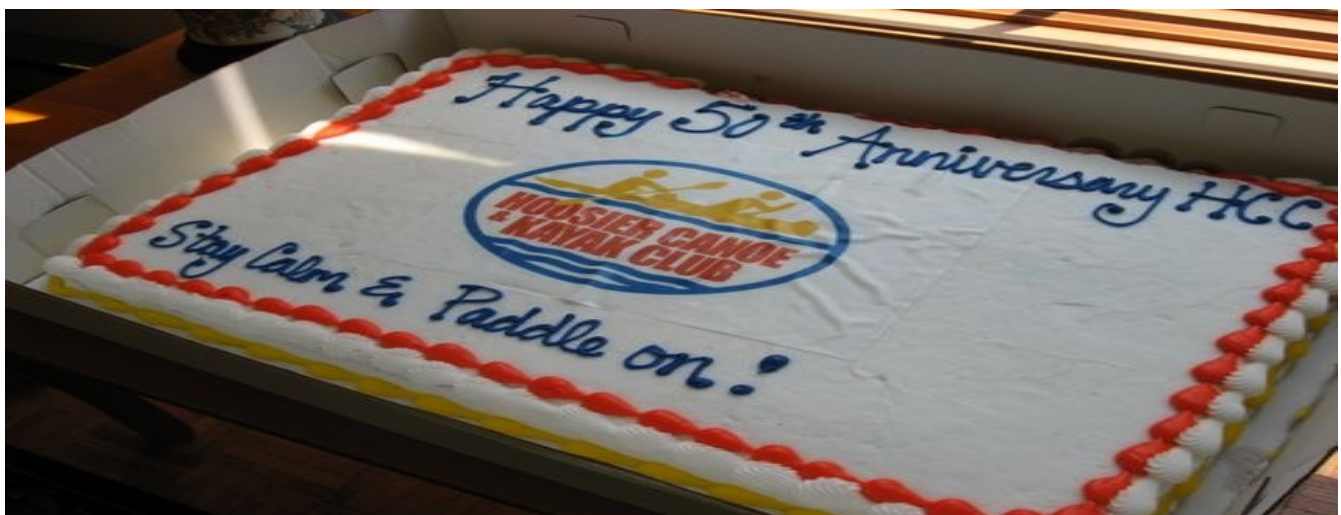
*Bring the boat you want to roll,  
Rolling it will be your goal,  
Learn techniques to help you out,  
At day's end, we'll hear you shout*

**MY MOJO'S BACK IN MY KAYAK!!!!"**

*IshurdoLuvTaRockNRoll :-D*

- Sea Kayak or Whitewater Boat—Your kayak must have both fore and aft flotation—either float bags or sealed hatches.
- Paddle and spare if you have one
- Spray skirt (A neoprene skirt is better than nylon since it won't leak!)
- Life Jacket
- Sponge/Pump
- Water Bottle (bring lots of water or Gatorade)
- Snacks (to keep your energy level high until dinner)
- Sunglasses with Croakies
- Sun Visor or Hat
- Sunscreen
- Swim suit/towel
- Spray Jacket or Vest (if you are a chilly willy like me in any temperature!)
- Foot wear (i.e., booties, sandals, water shoes, etc.)
- Nose Plugs (Yes and bring extra in case they drop in the drink!)
- Dry clothes for afterward
- Easy chairs for relaxation afterwards
- Your own adult beverages

Bring a little money and we will order out for pizza if we get hungry after paddling.



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## Event Announcements

**8/17/2013: Eagle Creek Triathlon** contact John at [wldleak@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wldleak@sbcglobal.net) with shirt size

**8/24/2013: Go Girls Triathlon** contact Johnetta at [wldleak@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wldleak@sbcglobal.net) with shirt size

### Trip Announcement:

#### Salt Creek Trip Canceled

### Trip Announcement:

#### Green River, Mammoth Cave Ky

**August 10, 2013**

**Trip Leader: Natalie Needham**

*Well, take me back down where cool water flow, yeh.*

*Let me remember things I love.*

*Stoppin' at the log where catfish bite,*

*Walkin' along the river road at night,*

*Barefoot girls dancin' in the moonlight.*

*I can hear the bull frog callin' me.*

*Wonder if my rope's still hangin' to the tree.*

*Love to kick my feet way down the shallow water,*

*Shoe fly, dragon fly, get back t your mother.*

*Pick up a flat rock, skip it across Green River.*

John Fogerty, CCR

The Mammoth cave trip will be approximately a 20 mile paddle on the Green River in KY; which is about 3.5 hours south of Indy.

The first day will be about a 12 mile paddle, with primitive camping on the river; and an 8 mile paddle on Sunday. If you choose to camp, you must bring your supplies with you in your boat.

There is an opportunity to take out at the 8 mile mark if you don't want to camp on the river. Return home or stay overnight nearby and meet with the campers on the river Sunday.

There is plenty of wildlife and some small caves to explore along the river.

Look for more specific details on the clubs calendar online. Contact Natalie at [natalie.needham@att.net](mailto:natalie.needham@att.net) Just follow this link for further explanation of the trip:

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### Trip Announcement Driftwood River Trip: Take Two

**Saturday, August 24, 2013**

**Trip Sponsors: Dan Evard,  
Linda Smith**

We will attempt to paddle the lower section of the Driftwood, 8-9 miles, putting in at the Tannehill Road PAS and taking out at Mill-race Park in Columbus, Indiana. This 85 acre riverfront park has a covered bridge, an 84 foot observation tower, two fishing lakes and is a short walk from various downtown restaurants.

THIS TRIP WAS CANCELED IN APRIL DUE TO FLOOD CONDITIONS AND WILL ONLY BE POSSIBLE THIS TIME IF WATER LEVELS ARE HIGH ENOUGH.

We will meet at the McDonald's at exit 76 off I 65 (11995 N. Hwy. 31 Edinburgh, IN 46124.)

9:30 am. Arrive at meeting place

10:00 am. Run shuttle

10:30 am. Start Paddling

12:30 pm. Lunch

3:00 pm. Landing at Take Out

Appropriate for all skill levels. Please contact one of us by Friday, August 23 to confirm your attendance and to make sure the water level is appropriate for this trip to be a go. Linda Smith [smit063@comcast.net](mailto:smit063@comcast.net) or Dan Evard [dan@morrisprinting.com](mailto:dan@morrisprinting.com)





## Sea Kayak Trip Announcement

### Second Annual Lake Michigan Surf Play Weekend

Saturday-Sunday, August 24-25, 2013  
HCC Coordinator: Jim Sprandel

Last year, everyone came to our 1st Surf Play Weekend except the surf. It was great weekend—we had a sunset paddle Friday Night and other paddles along the Dunes Saturday and Sunday. In addition, we worked on strokes, rolling, and rescues in real waves on the lake.

This year, we are holding this event with NWIPA. It should be even more fun since people from both clubs on two group sites that have been reserved for Friday and Saturday nights.

**Paddle Plans:** There is no way to know what conditions we will have that weekend. This will be a play weekend (not a point-to-point destination trip) so we will see what Lake Michigan gives us and then develop a plan at that point. We will probably have a sunset paddle on Friday. If conditions allow, we will work on launching and landing in surf conditions as well as playing in and paddling through the surf zone. We will watch the area's marine forecast to find appropriate conditions while we are there. If the waves in the area are too small, we can work on other skills (e.g., rolling, bracing, forward stroke, or rescues) or just paddling along the dunes or hanging out at the beach. People who are interested can head over to Chicago for the third Crib Trip with CASKA on Sunday.

#### Equipment:

- Touring Kayak or Sea Kayak (14' or longer) - Must have sealed fore and aft hatches ,
- Paddle
- PFD, Spray Skirt , pump, water, food, dry clothes, sunscreen
- Paddling Helmet—Strongly recommended if you are going to surf
- Camping gear and food

**Camping Arrangements** NWIPA has reserved 2 group campsites. This should give us camping space for approximately 30 people. Availability will be on a first come-first served basis. There may be a fee for campground usage and you will be required to pay a park entry fee (\$5) when entering Dunes State Park.

**Final Details:** I will work with NWIPA to finalize trip details around the 1st of August and will send these out to the IND\_TOURING\_KAYAKS mailing list as they are pinned down.

#### Contact Information:

Send me an e-mail at [merlin-3d@sbcglobal.net](mailto:merlin-3d@sbcglobal.net) if you are interested in coming on this trip.



## **Trip Report**

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party**

#### **Mathew Pope**

mapope@umail.iu.edu

On June 15th of this year, roughly 100 people joined together at the Eagle Creek Sailing Club (located on the south-west side of Eagle Creek Reservoir) to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Hoosier Canoe and Kayak Club (HCC). The party included live music by The Peach Pickers (a wonderful bluegrass band), a pitch-in dinner that spanned several tables of dish offerings, and a program honoring living legends of the paddling world (aka paddlers extraordinaire). There was also time for sharing stories, reliving memories via taped programming, and an opportunity for a moonlight paddle and relaxing bonfire. With nearly a third of the group's members in attendance, this all age's event utilized every bit of the upper shelter house on location.

Besides having been around for 50 years, the group has a lot to celebrate. In their efforts to stress the importance of exercise, recreation, and friendship, the club members put together well over 100 trips a year. Each trip caters to different skill levels and paddling purposes. Some cater to people wanting to fish or just relax while others cater to people wanting to race or challenge themselves. These trips occur throughout the world. Some occur in far away countries and others just downstream from where you live. The group has a forum on their website as well as an email list and Facebook page to help organize trips (both long in advance as well as spontaneously). Members, who choose to do so and are adequately prepared, can design and lead trips.

When the club officially opened in 1964 (conceived in 1963), paddling was not easily done by women due to boats, equipment, and clothing not being tailored to women's needs. Thankfully, manufacturers do a much better job now-a-days catering to both men's and women's needs. In fact, it is not uncommon for club members to have input in the design of new paddling gear. I, myself, (a club member for nearly 5 years) have been approached for this when I attended Canoeopia in Wisconsin a couple of years ago.

Beyond paddling trips, the group offers workshops and printed materials on general water and trip safety as part of their "Paddle Safe Indiana" mission. They also offer more specific classes for water rescue, wilderness first aid, and skill improvement. Skills can be learned or improved during pool sessions usually held at the Thatcher Recreation Center. The group also works to conserve waterways in Indiana as well as other locations. One such effort was being presented to the HCC membership during the anniversary event (information on that effort can be found at <http://heartoftheriver.wordpress.com/>).

The group really strives to change the way society treats and looks at waterways. So much ecological damage has been done to them over the years. Since 1970, the HCC has hosted river "clean ups" to provide some relief to the decay and unnatural erosion. Furthermore, some members utilize workshops to learn how to build their own boats and gear. While I have not made a boat yet, I have made gear for myself and several friends. These workshops could easily be made more available to the general public. I personally would target these efforts towards teenagers as a replacement activity for classes such as shop that have been displaced from their curriculum due to, among other things, budget cuts.

Since the HCC was created (with 16 members), it has grown to over 300 members. These individuals have done so much for the paddling movement and conservation of our natural waterways. Amongst them, special attention should be given towards their early introduction of kayaking to club membership as well as their participation in drafting "river rights" legislation allowing the public access to their own rivers and streams without fear of interference or prosecution. Their Eagle Creek "clean up" initiative has been done annually for over 40 years, and it is not uncommon for members to paddle as "safety patrol boats" during annual triathlon events.

As the club honors those who have led, taught, and guided us, I find myself wondering what the club will be involved in during the next 50 years. More education of the importance of our waterways to society and the practices and principles necessary to safely paddle on them will be needed. The HCC has already done a great job becoming a magnet for many out of state paddlers. In the coming years, more efforts should be done to teach the club's principles of stewardship to paddlers not just in Indiana and to find ways to expand and culturally diversify the club's membership. More outlets to engage with other groups concerned with the treatment and conservation of waterways should be established and maintained. Those honored at the event (Dave Ellis, Debby Baker, Shirley Gates, Jordan Ross, Garry Hill) were selected out of more than 60 nominations due to their ongoing contributions to make the world a better place. The club needs to ensure younger generations will follow in the spirit of these member's courses down river and help navigate the future through the many obstacles yet to fall upon the water. Mathew Pope <http://spea.provocate.org/archives/10115>

## Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday, HCC? (Part 7 of 11)

**Mariann Davis**

### **Plural Marriages: Club Members, in and outside the HCC, share their DNA**

Just as Shirley [Gates'] dedication to the HCC's sustainability was monogamous, there were members coming aboard who had memberships in multiple paddle clubs throughout the state. Now, as many paddle clubs commingle with other clubs these days, it wasn't always the case.

#### **Garry Hill—Muskrat's Wildcat Creek Expedition Team**

One HCC member stands out as an early cross-over club paddler. After paddling many decades "club-less", it became an imperative that Garry Hill (1980) found his own paddling club, and in 1975 the Wildcat Creek Canoe club was born in the Lafayette area. However, It wasn't until 1980 that Garry began cross pollinating his political, environmental and entrepreneurial skills with the HCC. As an experienced whitewater and flat water paddler and certified instructor, Garry gave back to the paddling community as do many others through teaching newbies.

Through his political efforts—both with and without the HCC—he was able to educate and guide the public and the legislature towards projects of river sustainability. As a loud, often raucous political voice in this area, Garry has worked hard to help maintain the Wildcat Valley as a beautiful, paddle-able landscape. He has championed against flood control dams that would "essentially take our rivers away" by challenging such onerous deals and legislation conceived to do just that. Garry spells dam, "D-A-M-N", and regards them with disdain, calling them a death sentence for any river. A river flows naturally according to its own personality, its own nature. Using this reasoning Garry launched a 10-year campaign against the city of Kokomo to remove an unsightly dam on Wildcat Creek. His perseverance prevailed and the dam was removed in 2010. He, currently, is paying a lot of attention to the New Anderson Reservoir project being considered. Garry loves the river as a wellspring of joy and tranquility and, when I asked him of the many rivers he has paddled over the decades which one is his favorite, he stated unhesitatingly: "the one that I'm on at the moment".

Garry holds memberships in four national paddling organizations: ACA, AWA, USCA, and American Rivers and in nine local organizations, but his primary focus, locally, is his own Internet paddling group, known as "Muskrat's Wildcat Creek Expedition Team", a group which attempts to visit every stream in Indiana. Currently, a paddler is invited to join his group as a purely recreational adjunct to any structured paddling organization. I believe Garry can show us that paddling clubs can interconnect for the benefit of the entire paddling community.

Undoubtedly, many clubs have come and gone as goals are reached and interests change. Also, clubs morph or coalesce into new entities breathing new life into their basic mission statements. Thus so with Garry's Wildcat Creek Canoe Club (WCC) giving way to the Wildcat Guardians –preservation club-, siphoning, redirecting, and channeling energies toward a new focus. Death is not always extinction, philosophically speaking, and vestiges of the WCC, drawing its last breath in 1998, remain a part of the HCC today with participation in some of the WCC's outstanding trips. Muskrat's (Garry's moniker) April Fool's on the Big Pine, and Wrap-a-Round's Current River Trip in October are WCC trips that began in October 1976 and continue today. Many HCC members participate in the two-day Indiana Paddlers' Rendezvous not only to sample Garry's famous chili but to paddle and party with as many as 100+ members of various paddle clubs. Garry's leadership, organizational abilities and his sensitivity to our rivers' sustainability offer a hopeful future to any paddling club of which he is a member.

As you will read, the middle and later years (I don't think I am giving away the ending) of the club seemed to float on the sustained current of its early forefathers. A worthwhile, club has its individual members as the capital for future investment. With more diverse interests and personal talents in the membership, the club becomes vibrant, interesting and self-perpetuating. Hence, drawing in enthusiastic members is a fact of longevity. Every member can contribute to the infrastructure of the club just by showing up for the trips.



## **Trip Report**

### **Tuck/Nanty Beginner's Trip: June 22 – 23**

**Robert Henry**

We camped at Turkey Creek campground and as usual, it surpassed our expectations for a campground.



Saturday we were at the put-in for the Tuck around 10 am. We put in at the Dillsboro Dam put in. We had 6 paddlers (Suzi, Sheehan, Justin, Burnis, Dave and myself) on this trip. We had three beginners and 3 experienced kayakers. We worked on rolls, ferrying, peel outs, reading water and catching eddies. The theme of this trip was rescuing a recreational kayaker who couldn't even snap his pfd all the way because of his gut. The last time I rescued him, I had to pull him out of the water and he spit out a lung full of water. Suzi managed to rescue the beer cooler (really not sure if it had beer)! This run went well even though we had many swims and rescues.

After kayaking, eating dinner and listening to some music at NOC, we went for the usual midnight swim in Fontana Lake. It was a very nice experience since the moon was very big due to being close to earth.

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**Trip Report : Tuck/Nanty Beginner's Trip: June 22 – 23 continued**



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## Trip Report : Tuck/Nanty Beginner's Trip: June 22 – 23 continued

On Sunday, all six paddlers put on the Nanty around 11 am just below Patton's Run. Two paddlers took out at Ferebee Park. The remainder went on to the NOC takeout. We had a few swims on this trip. We had an early dinner at NOC and headed home. Suzi and I continued the rescue theme by picking up Sheehan and Tamara whose car broke down on the way back.



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## Trip Report

### Fire Up for the Fourth on White River in Broad Ripple, July 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### The Black Toad

There is nothing quite like the fireworks show of the White River Yacht Club in Broad Ripple, an hour-long magnificent display! This year we had 15 paddlers in 13 canoes and kayaks. All commented that they had never seen such a great variety of fireworks, with our boats positioned almost directly beneath the starry show. I was glad to share the evening with my co-worker Wesley and his girlfriend Julia before Wes moves to Japan. I had a little concern about the high water level and the current in the viewing area but it proved not to be a challenge. All were comfortably positioned along the bank or in the middle of the river. Rather than words, the photos tell the best story. Check out the photo album link on the HCC Bulletin Board an FB. Happy Summer! Theresa Kulczak



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