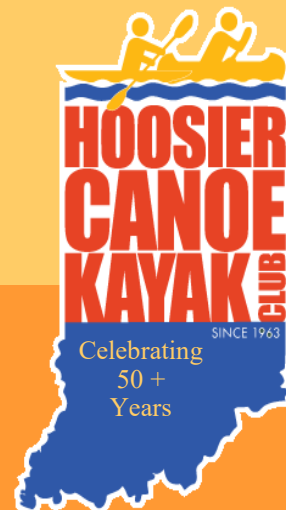


# The Hoosier Paddler

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## Skipper's Note

### 2020 Annual Planning Meeting

Do you have a favorite place to paddle or a paddle trip you have always wanted to take? We are always looking for new destinations, fresh ideas, event volunteers and trip leaders.

Bring your paddling ideas and get an early peek at our trip and events calendar for the year. Would you like to be a trip leader or some other type of volunteer but, you're not sure what to do? Sign up anyway and we can guide and mentor you. Our fleets will be laying out the 2020 trip calendar Saturday January 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm at Duane Garloch's home.

Address: 2755 Sawtooth Oak Circle Westfield, IN 46074

Duane will provide chili. Bring a dish to share and BYOB.

Please register on our website for the event. Hope to see you there!! [https://www.hoosiercanoeclub.org/event-3668612?](https://www.hoosiercanoeclub.org/event-3668612?CalendarViewType=1&SelectedDate=1/5/2020)

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## Indiana Boat, Sport, and Travel Show February 14-23 Indiana State Fair Grounds

Once again we are looking for volunteers to fill spots for our booth. The HCKC will be manning a booth that showcases our club as a whole. We are looking for volunteers to talk to the public and present to them all the great things the club does. Our goal for the show is to recruit active new members that want to better our waterways in the State of Indiana and other places where we all paddle. All volunteers will receive a special gift from the club and the reward of helping shape the club by bringing in new membership. If you are asking yourself I do not really know about the other groups in the club, don't worry because we can pair you up with another member and you will have talking points that can help you get the word out to the public and present our message out about all the great things we do.

The dates of the show will be 14 – 23 February 2020, at the Indiana State Fair Grounds.

Any questions please call or email me: John Gates, 207-522-0259, [papergear317@gmail.com](mailto:papergear317@gmail.com)  
Any volunteer gets in FREE!!!!

Again helping organize the volunteers will be Dwayne James: 317-956-7691 Please look at the schedule and send Dwayne the dates and time slots you wish to fill.

[Dwaynesjames1@hotmail.com](mailto:Dwaynesjames1@hotmail.com)

Here is the schedule that we need volunteers:

Friday 2/14: 1-5 pm 4-8 pm

Saturday 2/15: 10-2 pm 1-4 pm 4-8 pm

Sunday 2/16: 10-2 pm 1-5 pm

Monday 2/17 thru Friday 2/21: 1-5 pm 4-7 pm

Saturday 2/22: 10-2 pm 1-4 pm 4-8 pm

Sunday 2/23: 10-2 pm 1-5 pm

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Hunt for some of these on  
the Ice Falls 2020 Trip 2/15

**Training Opportunity for our Northern Friends**  
**Concord High School Aquatic Center in Elkhart**  
**Sponsor: Mark Kraus mpkraus57@yahoo.com**

Those of us stranded in the frigid northern latitudes are even more whitewater deprived than our bretheren in Indianapolis. However, we do have one major advantage up here and that is our own concrete ditch affectionately known as the East Race. This former mill raceway generated power to South Bend industries before being abandoned and then converted to a whitewater venue during the mid-1980s. The river drops 12 feet over the 1900 foot long course giving it a gradient of about 30 feet per mile and can generate class II rapids with plenty of playful features. A brief history of the raceway can be found at this link to an article in the South Bend Tribune.

[https://www.southbendtribune.com/multimedia/photos/throwback-thursday-the-birth-death-and-rebirth-of-south-bend/collection\\_1f247797-e681-5415-abb5-0ec63aa99f3c.html](https://www.southbendtribune.com/multimedia/photos/throwback-thursday-the-birth-death-and-rebirth-of-south-bend/collection_1f247797-e681-5415-abb5-0ec63aa99f3c.html)

The local riffraff known as the East Race Whitewater Kayak Club, will be hosting kayaking pool sessions this winter. If you know anybody within reasonable driving distance of Elkhart Indiana who may be interested in learning the basics of paddling they are more than welcome to join us. Several of us have boats and gear which we can bring and loan to interested paddlers. Just make sure they contact us in advance if they need a boat or any gear.

The dates we have scheduled are.....

Sunday 1/5/20    Saturday 1/18/20    Sunday 2/2/20 ( Super Roll Sunday Competition)

Sunday 2/16/20    Sunday 2/23/20    Sunday 3/15/20    Sunday 3/29/20

All dates are Sundays except for the January 18 date which is a Saturday.

Times are 3:30 till 5:30 for all the sessions.

The sessions will be held at the Concord High School Aquatic Center in Elkhart. Please use door #21 which is a new entrance and leads into the hallway by the pool. By using this entrance we can stage gear in the hall by the raquetball courts. This a good area to meet new paddlers and get them fitted to a boat before our pool time begins.

Boats must be meticulously cleaned BEFORE arriving at the pool !!! I truly hate to belabor this point but it seems like every year at least one person every session has not received this message or does not understand what cleaned out means. It only takes one person with one dirty boat to jeopardize pool rentals.

Now is the time to be cleaning out your boat while it is still reasonably warm outside. Please make sure to clean under the seat and remove your float bags while rinsing since this is where most of the dirt, debris and leaves are trapped. Please do not wait until it is bitterly cold and freezing outside and then expect to clean your boats at the pool. A high pressure power wash at the car wash really helps get rid of any dirt or goose crap in the scratches of the hull.

Please launch your boat from either the stainless steel bulkhead or the walk in steps of the pool. Launching from the sides is prohibited since the pool tiles are very fragile and could be broken.

Pool rental costs have remained the same this year. We should be able to cover expenses if people donate \$10 per person or \$15 per family per session. If you bring a friend they are considered "family". All the money collected is used for pool rental and any surplus will be used to purchase gift cards for competitions ( rolling, races etc).

Sea kayakers are also welcome. Hope to see you there.

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## Training Opportunity

**Save that Date – Sat. Feb. 29 and Sun. March 1, 2020**

### **SOLO Wilderness First Aid Training**

Jim Sprandel

Circle Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, March 1 on your calendar. The club has coordinated with Wilderness First Aid instructors from IU's Outdoor Adventure to provide a two-day (16-hour) Wilderness First Class at Fort Benjamin Harrison on these dates. I will get out an e-mail with full class details and how to sign up shortly after Christmas.

Wilderness First Aid training assumes that you are in a "wilderness" environment where it will take more than one hour to get the injured person to an emergency room. Participants in the class learn how to assess, treat, and (when possible) contain emergencies within the scope of your training. Think how important this training could be since you are often far from help when paddling.

In December, I completed this class in Bloomington since I had completed it in 2008 and knew that it is much more comprehensive than the one-day courses that the club has had recently. The class focuses on the process to assess a patient's condition and provides detailed information on the cause and treatment of likely patient conditions. The discussion of treatments includes what conditions can be treated in the field and when you need to evacuate the patient to get them the next level of medical help ASAP. The class material is cemented through a series of hands-on, field drills where you use what they are teaching.

In 2008, five HCKC paddlers (Jordan Ross, Sharon Schierling, Mike Sparks, Kellie Kaneshiro, and I) took this class at IU. Kellie Kaneshiro described her experience and what she learned in an [article in the May 2008 HCKC newsletter](https://hoosiercanoeandkayakclub.wildapricot.org/resources/Documents/Club%20Documents/wfa2008.pdf). <https://hoosiercanoeandkayakclub.wildapricot.org/resources/Documents/Club%20Documents/wfa2008.pdf>

Please [e-mail me](#) if you have any questions.

## Trip Report

### **New Year's Day Paddle**

#### **Fall Creek, Indianapolis 1/1/2020**

Warren Rosenthal, Jeff Stejskal, Mike John and Dwayne James started the decade off right with the club's first paddle of the year. Fall Creek at 4.5 ft level on the Millersville gauge is a perfect level and created a few great rapids to play in. Our mix of canoe, rec kayaks, and a brand new whitewater creek boat made for a great paddle and we were able to surf play in Killer Falls after most ran it down the middle. The 11 miles from 79th street down to 46th street went fast and we were off the water and headed home by 3 pm. No swimmers. FYI: a few paddlers also made it out for a last of the decade paddle on Christmas Day on Fall Creek. Natalie Needham, Cliff Cooper and others took advantage of near 50 degree weather to welcome Santa to Indiana.



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It's officially winter now. We had 4 inches of snow in the last day and I cross country skied at Eagle Creek today (a rare opportunity in Indianapolis). Even if the weather outside is frightful, this is a wonderful time of year to think about kayaking plans for next year.

Since several sea kayakers will be in warmer parts (i.e., Florida) during the January 25 trip planning meeting, the Sea Kayak fleet will have a trip pre-planning meeting on January 4. Details for this get-together have been e-mailed to the SK mailing list. Contact me if you can't find that e-mail.

**Major 2020 Sea Kayak Trips** – So far, we've laid out dates for our extended trips to allow people to plan their vacations. The following 4 to 7 days camping trips are planned for this year:

**April 19-25, Beaufort, North Carolina** – Dave led us to Beaufort, NC in 2014. This is a great area to paddle. In 2014, we paddled around an island with wild horses, paddled out through a salt marsh to open water near Bear Island, and explored the shorelines in the area. We will get details out on this trip within the next month.

**June 7-14 – Chesapeake Bay** Robert will lead us back to the Chesapeake Bay area. He published details for this trip to the [December Newsletter](#) (p.4) and I have copied it to the [club calendar](#).

**September 12-19 – Apostle Islands** Going to the Apostles after Labor Day is interesting. I've done this once before. It was wonderful because we almost had the entire place to ourselves. We were the only campers in the 19 campsites at Presque Isle Bay on Stockton Island and we only saw two other kayakers the entire trip PLUS, there were no bugs! We will probably structure this trip like [our 2017 trip](#) and I will e-mail out details by May.

If there is interest, some people may extend this trip with a visit to Voyageurs National Park.

**First or Second Week of October - Land between the Lakes.** Watch your Sea Kayak e-mails for details for this trip.

We will fill in weekend/day paddles as well as training events at the January 4 event and the January 25 trip planning meeting. This will include such favorites as South Manitou Island, Lake Monroe, Geist, Cataract Falls, the East shore of Lake Michigan, and possibly Grayson Lake. In addition, some people may "scout" out Door County, Wisconsin in preparation for a club trip there in 2021.

**Learn to Roll** Pool sessions have moved to Saturday morning – 10 am until Noon. Saturday sessions will continue through March. Check the [HCKC Training Calendar](#) for details. This is a great opportunity to learn your roll or to bombproof your current roll.





## Gear Sales

### Liquid Logic REMIX XP9

One Liquid Logic REMIX XP9. This is a 9 Ft. crossover with a skagg that can be raised or lowered from the cockpit. Can be used on flat or whitewater. I bought it new. Very comfortable seat with back support. All adjustable. Color is a neon green. Easy to spot from the air. It has been to pool sessions 4-5 times, spent one day at Eagle Creek for training, and supported one Triathalon. Like new, with a few light scratches on the bottom. Current new price is \$999. Asking \$750.

One Werner Paddle model Rio FG IM with straight one piece shaft and curved faces. 6' 5" tip to tip. Like new condition. Current new price is \$135. Asking \$90. Jon 317-649-2921 Jon Reeves  
reevesj@myninestar.net

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### Dry Suit For Sale:

New never been used dry suit for \$450 dollars  
Type: Women's Stohlquist Amp dry suit size medium  
Color: yellow and black  
Contact: Don Schlegel if interested.  
Text: 317-698-5614 or Email: dts8111@gmail.com



**Fantastic Krueger Sea Wind Kayak for Sale ????** If this is still available, jump on it!

After many happy trips with the club, I'm giving up. My Krueger Sea Wind kayak with 2 piece spray skirt, retractable rudder is available for \$3500.  
Also Aqua-Bound 2 piece paddle if you want.

See Krueger website for details of great kayak with larger than normal cockpit, great for long legs or wide hips.

I'm 20 minutes west of Bridgeton, if you're going on covered bridge trip.  
Jack Fenoglio (see members list for phone number) [jcfenoglio@att.net](mailto:jcfenoglio@att.net)



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