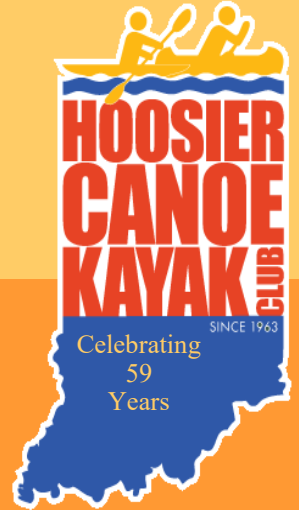


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Skippers Note

Summer Flew By!!! We were busy with lots of paddling this summer and we will be publishing the trip reports for winter reading. But now, we need board members and we have an election coming up. Please see Page 2 for more information.

Volunteers Needed!!

Eagle Creek Park Shoreline Clean Up Saturday, October 15th 2022

We will have a shoreline cleanup of Eagle Creek on Saturday, October 15th . This is an opportunity to pay back one of our local partners and one of Indianapolis's premier paddling resources by cleaning up the shores of Eagle Creek reservoir.

When: Saturday, October 15th 2022 9:30 a.m. (Ready to Launch) until 1:30 pm
Where: Eagle Creek Park – Ramp at the southwest end of the Discovery Center Parking Lot (next to Go Ape) ·

What to Bring: Snacks, water, gloves, hat, good water shoes, sunscreen, bug spray, and your canoe or kayak. You might bring a knife for cutting fishing line. **What we will Provide:** Trash bags

Park Entry: When entering the park, please tell the person at the entrance that you are a HCKC member here for the shoreline clean up. We'll work until early afternoon. Plan to stay for all or part of the clean-up, and we often go out of lunch afterwards.

For all the club members who have enjoyed getting into the park using the HCKC park pass on Tuesdays, the HCKC trades volunteer hours for this privilege. This is one way that we make up these volunteer hours.

Please sign up on the club's website: [Eagle Creek Shoreline Cleanup](#) For more Information or to Sign Up: E-mail Jeff Stejskal at jeffs45321@hotmail.com

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Trip Reports

We have many reports saved for the slow months to enjoy!!



Board and Officer Nominations Needed!!!

The election process for new board members and officers is beginning and will be finalized at our Annual Meeting on November 19, 2022 with the election of our 2023 board. A slate of nominees will be published in this newsletter no later than October 16. Per our bylaws: our Nominating Committee will be looking for HCKC Members that are interested in serving on the Board. If you think that you may be interested, please let us know. A member of the Nominating Committee will then contact you to answer any questions you may have about the election process or about the work done by the board members.

Serving on the board is a great way to help our club grow and share your skills and ideas!!

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Linda Decker HCKC Purser and Sea Kayak Chair lsdecker2018@gmail.com

Trip Announcement

Ohio River - from Tanner's Creek: Saturday, October 22, 2022

Time: 10:00AM

SPONSOR: Robert Moore

Last year we paddled downstream from Tanner Creek past Aurora and up to the old truss bridge on Laughery Creek. This is a scenic stretch of the river when fall foliage is in full color.

Other destinations have included the "ghost ship" in Taylor Creek and continued up stream into the Great Miami River. The "Ghost Ship", as described in several articles on the web, was launched as the Celt by a railroad executive in 1902. It was used as a wartime patrol and training vessel, fishing boat, private yacht, tour boat and backdrop for a music video. The names include Sachem, USS Sachem, Phenakite, and later Circle Line V as a New York city tour boat until 1983. It was purchased by a Cincinnati resident in 1986, repaired and used briefly before being abandoned.

This year the proposed route will depend upon the preference of the group. We will come up with something interesting and hopefully catch the fall foliage near its peak. The trip is covered on Ohio River Charts 109-110 US Army Corps of Engineers Louisville District.

This is a sea kayak trip for paddlers capable of dealing with open water, occasional barge traffic and light current. Total paddling distance is expected to be about 12 miles. Half of the distance will be against some current. We will stop for lunch along the way so bring something to eat.

Put-In: Tanner's Creek boat ramp - Follow US 50/Ead's Pkwy from Lawrenceburg, Indiana, turn south onto Tanner's Creek Drive (old Reese Drive) at the traffic light. Tanner's Creek Drive ends at the boat ramp parking area. This is a well-developed ramp park with plenty of parking and picnic areas. Unfortunately, the only restroom facility is portable toilet (not always present) so you may want to stop off at the fast food or filling station at the intersection on the way to the boat ramp.

Meeting time: 10:00 am - launch by 10:30

Contact information: Robert Moore njordball@gmail.com Please register for the trip no later than October 18st.

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Trip Announcement

Location: Grayson Lake, Kentucky

Date: Oct. 14-16, 2022

Sponsor: Judy Thompson

Grayson Lake has amazing cliff lined sections, and waterfalls if it rains a day or two before the trip. This trip is a Canoe and Kayak version – we will not be traveling quite as fast as the Sea Kayaking group. I would recommend a 12-foot boat or longer. Saturday's paddle will be about 12-13 miles, with no current to assist. Part of the trip will be where we will be exposed to power boat wakes, and the water can be choppy.

Camping sites go quickly, so if you are interested, please make your reservations as soon as you can. <https://www.reserveamerica.com/explore/grayson-lake-state-park/KY/91812/overview>. Let me know if you wish to share a site, and I will try to help match up interested persons.

There will be an optional Friday afternoon paddle. The main paddle will be Saturday, with a shorter one on Sunday. We will be camping at Grayson Lake State Park, 314 Grayson Lake Park Rd, Olive Hill, KY 41164, Friday and Saturday nights. We will be "car camping", so feel free to bring as much warm gear as necessary since we will not need to haul camping gear in our boats. Two tents and two vehicles are allowed per site, so sharing sites will cut down on expenses. It is a nice, modern campground with showers and flush toilets. Be sure to make your camping reservations as soon as you can, since it is a popular place on the weekends.

Another Indiana paddling group, IYAK, will be there at the same time. There are plans for an optional combined pitch in dinner with them Saturday night at the campground.

Grayson is about a 4 to 5-hour drive from Indianapolis. It is one my favorite paddling locations, and I feel it is well worth the trip. Please contact Judy Thompson judy_thom@hotmail.com for more information.

Friday (Optional) – We will paddle for a few hours and then set up camp.

Launch Time: 1:45 pm Arrive at Ramp

Put-In: Meet at Newfoundland Ramp to launch. Newfoundland Ramp is 17.2 miles south of the interstate exit. Drive down by the water to unload, then you need to drive up and park in the parking lot and walk back down to the ramp.

Mileage: Negotiable.

Saturday – We will meet at the put-in and paddle about 12 miles up Grayson Lake to Bruin ramp. This is an amazing section with cliffs lining most of the 12-mile stretch. There are also many waterfalls (if it rains in the day or two before the trip).

Time: 9:30 am - Boats at Caney Creek Put-In and we'll run our shuttle then. If you're driving down from Indy, you will probably want to drive down Friday night.

Put-In: Rt. 504 turnoff: On Rt. 7 (west side), 17.6 miles south of the interstate exit. When you turn right (West) onto Rt. 504 it, it's another two miles to the ramp.

Take-Out: Bruin boat ramp/beach: On Rt. 7 (east side), 11.9 miles south of the interstate exit.

Mileage: About 12 miles - more or less – depending on how much you explore.

Sunday – We will paddle up Clifty Creek to the Grotto. Usually there will be enough water to enter the Grotto.

Time: 9:30 am

Put-In/Take-Out: The launch ramp is on Rt. 7 about 10 miles south of the interstate on the west side of the road and north side of the creek (if you get to the golf course, you overshoot about a mile). This ramp is on the west side of the road and just about 1.3 miles north to the Entrance to the State Park on Rt. 7.

Mileage: 6-10 miles depending on what people are up for.

