May Club Meeting Trip Planning and Logistics

Monday, May 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

At our May meeting, Erik Eckilson will give a talk on Trip Planning and Logistics. Erik will cover the basics of planning flatwater trips including:

- Selecting the trip location
- Selecting proper gear
- Scouting
- Recruiting help



Erik is a Flatwater, Whitewater and Blackstone Valley Paddle Club leader. All RICKA members in attendance will be entered into a drawing to win one of four door prizes including a copy of Jim Cole's book <u>Paddling Connecticut and Rhode Island</u>. The meeting will be held at the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elmgrove Avenue, Providence.

Directions to the Jewish Community Center: From Rt. 95 South take Exit 24 and turn left onto Branch Avenue. From Rt. 95 North take Exit 24 and turn right onto Branch Avenue. Go past Benny's. Cross North Main Street and continue up the hill (past Kentucky Fried Chicken). At the top of the hill cross Hope Street and continue one block to the end at Morris Avenue. Go left, then immediately right onto Sessions Street. Go down the hill to Elmgrove Avenue. The Jewish Community Center will be across the street.

Basic Whitewater Training June 23 - 24, 2012

The RICKA Whitewater Group will be holding its 2-day Basic Whitewater Course on June 23rd and 24th. The course will be taught by ACA certified whitewater instructor Mike Rock. This is a beginner whitewater course where participants will learn and refine the techniques needed to paddle in class II whitewater. While this is a beginner course, it is not for novice paddlers. You must be able to handle self-rescues (wet exits) and already know basic strokes. Previous moving water experience is a plus. The class will be held on the Deerfield River in western MA. For more details and to register, please visit: http://www.woonsocket.org/wwschool.html or contact Andy Viera at and-wys1@hotmail.com. Additional details can be found on page 6 under "Whitewater".

Basic Flatwater Training July 1, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.

Would you like to improve your flatwater paddling skills? In this 3-hour class, paddlers will learn the basic strokes and maneuvers to control their boats on flatwater. We will also cover basic rescue techniques. For more details or to register please visit http://woonsocket.org/flatwatertraining.html. Additional details can be found on page 6 under "Flatwater".

Wood/Pawcatuck Camping May 19 – 20, 2012

Join the Wilderness paddlers on the season's first overnight trip. Additional details can be found on page 6 under "Wilderness".

Blackstone Valley Paddle Club Resumes Tuesday Evening Paddles

The Blackstone Valley Paddle Club will begin its 12th season on Tuesday, May 15th at 6:15 p.m. on the Quinsigamond River in Grafton MA. Trips will continue every Tuesday night through August 28th. Come paddle with us as we enjoy the scenic waterways of the Blackstone River Valley.

In addition to enjoying a relaxing evening on the water, club members can improve their paddling skills, discover great paddling locations, and learn about water quality, conservation and local history. For those new to paddling, Blackstone

<u>Valley Outfitters</u> provides rental boats on the first and third Tuesday evenings of the month. Training nights are also offered on the third Thursday of the month.

To participate in the Blackstone Valley Paddle Club events, a Rhode Island Canoe & Kayak Association membership fee of \$15.00 is required, as is a \$10.00 membership fee for the Blackstone Valley Paddle Club. These fees provide family memberships and are good for the entire 2011 season.

You can see a list of this month's trips in this edition of the Paddler, or visit the Blackstone Valley Paddle Club website for the complete schedule.

http://www.ricka-

flatwater.org/bvpaddlers.htm

Celebrate RICKA's 35th Anniversary with a commemorative tee shirt!



Available for \$20.00 if picked up at a meeting or mailed by first class mail. (If you wish to have priority mail, please add \$5.00).

http://www.ricka.org/miscPayments/rickateshirts.html

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Your annual RICKA membership expired on March 31, 2012...

Renew your membership now!

Please visit the website at:

http://www.ricka.org/Join/Jointhefun.html

You can renew by mail, or online using PayPal.

Executive Committee:

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at 70 Scott Street, Pawtucket. All are welcome to attend.

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An Interview with

RICKA Wilderness Paddler Jim Cole

What is the RICKA Wilderness group?

The Wilderness group is the newest of RICKA's four interest groups. The Wilderness group organizes trips that involve paddling, camping and other wilderness skills.

What types of trips do you do?

Wilderness trips run the gamut from overnight trips on rivers like the Pawcatuck, to weeklong adventures in the Adirondacks, the North Maine Woods or Northern Forest Canoe Trail (NFCT).

What experience do I need?

It depends on the trip. Some trips are open to all paddlers and require a minimum of camping experience. Other trips are limited to small groups of experienced paddlers, capable of multi day trips in a variety of paddling conditions.

How do I find out about trips?

On occasion, RICKA Wilderness trips are posted on the trip calendar on our website.

http://www.ricka-flatwater.org/wilderness1.htm

More often, they are posted as "bootleg" trips on the Flatwater message board.

$\frac{http://members.boardhost.com/FLATWAT}{ER/}$

Please note that these bootleg trips are not official RICKA trips. They are posted for the convenience of our paddlers. As always, you are responsible for



Jim paddling on the Nashua River

determining if the trip is suitable for your level of experience.

How do I join a trip?

Official RICKA Wilderness trips are always RSVP trips. Contact the leader via email or at the phone number listed. You may be asked about past experience before being allowed to participate.

"Bootleg" trips posted on the Flatwater message board are not official RICKA trips. The message board is a public service to the paddling community, and anyone can post messages. You must determine if a trip is right for you.

What equipment do I need?

Every paddler will need a canoe or kayak that is appropriate for the conditions, paddles and a personal floatation device (PFD). You will also need drybags and camping equipment including a tent, sleeping bag and cooking gear. You can find a list of other equipment on our website.

http://www.rickaflatwater.org/wilderness/GearList.pdf

What about clothing?

Wilderness paddling is a water sport, so you should plan to get wet. Cotton cloths should be avoided. Polypropylene, fleece, wool, and lycra blends insulate well when wet. In colder weather, a neoprene wetsuit

is the better insulator, and splash jackets and dry wear are good investments.

What will I eat?

Once again, it depends on the trip. On trips where portages are few and weight is not an issue, we may bring coolers filled with fresh food and arrange group meals. On trips with long and frequent portages every ounce counts. For these trips most of the food will be freeze dried and everyone will arrange their own meals.

Do you offer training?

The Wilderness group will be offing an "Are You Ready" camping trip on the Wood/Pawcatuck Rivers on May 19th and 20th. See page 6 for additional details.

RICKA Trivia Question of the Month...

The first 4 entries to get the correct answer to the following question will be awarded a RICKA paddling-related prize:

What was produced at the Hope Furnace Mill during the Revolutionary War?

Send responses to membership@ricka.org with the subject "RICKA Trivia". There is a limit of one prize per member in a sixmonth period.

March's Trivia Question - we had 3 correct answers to the question:

Name a paddle stroke used to move a kayak sideways without turning the kayak?

Either a sculling stroke or a draw stroke can be used. With your kayak moving forward you can also use a duffek stroke (aka a sculling draw) to move sideways without losing forward momentum. With a canoe there is the pry stroke (also known as a push off) that can also be used.





What's your Favorite National Park?

By Bill Luther

Ayuh! When you ask people what National Park they would like to visit, they might say Yellowstone, the Grand Canyon or Yosemite. Truth be told, Arcadia in Bar Harbor, ME is one of the most visited parks every year.

Distance and convenience may be a factor, however there is no mistaken that Arcadia is a wild and spectacular place. It is indeed a four-season destination accessible by car, plane and cruise ship. Bring your kayak and bike there for tons of fun.

I was lucky enough to include myself in a group of eight other people that rented a group campsite LaMoine State Park on Frenchman's Bay. Frenchman's offers many opportunities to paddle in relatively calm waters tucked away from the wild Atlantic Ocean.

On my first day we arrived early enough to paddle the eight-mile excursion to Bar Harbor Center. We circled the Porcupine Islands and then passed one of the cruise ships anchored in the harbor. I wanted to board the ship but figured I didn't want to spend a week in the brig for non-payment. We arrived in town with a few hundred



Sailboat in Northeast Harbor



Circumnavigating the Porcupine Islands

other tourists and did the mandatory ice cream run. Alas, it was a lovely day with a slight breeze. We departed into the harbor with a few other boats including some majestic schooners. Off along the shoreline we took in the sights and returned to our campsite in late afternoon.

Our trip co-coordinator was a fast paddler named Bill who needed an anchor to slow himself down. He usually slowed down enough to keep the group together. We often launched from the beach at the campground for day trips. One day when it was very warm we sat on the beach and watched a group of young kids jump out of small sailboats and swim to shore. The water was too cold for the rest of us and we could walk in to knee height only. The tide differential was huge and we watched the tide creep in and climb the thirty-foot shoreline.

Another day we ventured out to northeast harbor on Arcadia's ocean side. There were five of us, Bill, Mike, Ray, Mary and myself. We set off the coast into the Atlantic and circumvented Cranberry Island. The waves had been very busy on the ocean side but we managed to stay together and every one of us stayed upright. We stopped on one of the islands of the Maine Island Trail. It was very rustic and we had become salt encrusted seaweed urchins.

On a few other days we ventured into Arcadia Park and did some hiking. Ray and I had to ask a dozen people to get oriented. Once we got started it was fairly easy and we were rewarded when we reached the top of Cadillac Mountain. Unfortunately several hundred other people had driven their cars to the top and taken the place over. We took in the majestic view and looked forever out into the boundless ocean and rolling hills of Maine's interior.

On the next day we climbed Sargent Mountain which was another fairly easy hike and had the peak view to ourselves. There was some haze but we took in views of some of the lakes which again were magnificent. We returned along a cliff trail with a downhill view of a very steep cliff face with some grab bars to hold on to for dear life. Ray and I threatened to kill Bill if he took us there again. I would keep an eye on that guy.



At the top of Sargent Mountain

On my last day there I got up very early to sneak in a bike ride along Ocean Drive. I saw Thunder Hole and some other sites along the ocean. I returned inland and tried to sneak past the entry station. The guard explained that I owed him twenty bucks. I played stupid and finally he told me to get the heck out of here. I maybe banned from Arcadia the next time I go but I will go back. This is a nice place to vacation with a lot of things to do. And there are no grizzly bears.

Bill is a long-time RICKA member and current Conservation Chair. He is also one of several RICKA members who are segment paddling the Northern Forest Canoe Trail.





Before you Paddle...

Educate yourself about the area in which you will be paddling, and carry appropriate gear, clothing, water, food, etc. Always check the weather forecast before launching. YOU ALONE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THE DECISION TO LAUNCH YOUR BOAT.

Blackstone Valley Paddle Club Trips

Unless otherwise noted, Blackstone Valley Paddle Club trips are suitable for all boats and skill levels. More detailed trip descriptions can be found on the web site.

May 15th - launching at 6:15 **Quinsigamond River - Grafton, MA**

Come join us as we kick off our 12th season.

May 22nd - launching at 6:15 **Plummers Landing to Riverbend Farm - Northbridge MA**

This is a shuttle trip - please arrive early to allow time for the shuttle. The river winds around S curves - paddlers should have moving water experience.

May 29th - launching at 6:15 Blackstone River at Blackstone Valley Outfitters – Lincoln, RI Rentals Available

We will be launching right from our new vendor's riverfront location.

June 5th - launching at 6:15 **Nipmuc River - Harrsiville, RI** Rentals Available

This river is listed by the state as pristine water - the state's highest rating for water quality.

Flatwater Trips

Late cancellations and changes to trips will be posted on the <u>Flatwater Message Board</u>. Please check the Message Board before leaving for a trip. Check <u>web site</u> for directions and/or GPS coordinates.

May 12th - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch Slatersville Reservoir - North Smithfield, RI

Trip Coordinator: AJ Barbato android2@earthlink.net 401-678-6620.

A nice paddle through a flatwater section of upper Slatersville Reservoir and then up a stretch of the Branch River. The trip is suitable for all levels of experience and boat lengths. Bring a lunch

May 13th - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch **Mothers Day Paddle on the Bungay River - Attleboro, MA**

Trip Coordinators: Tom McHugh 401-454-2752 tmc99992@yahoo.com and Lysa Amaral lysaca@comcast.net 774-930-6590.

After a few twists and turns, you will soon forget that you are in the City of Attleboro. Trip is suitable for all levels of experience. Suitable for kayaks 15 feet and under. Bring a lunch.

May 19th - meet at 9:30 for a 10:00 shuttle Charles River - Elm Bank Reservation, Wellesly, MA to Fisher Street in Needham MA

Trip coordinator Susan sje54@hotmail.com 508-655-1633 Home and 508-353-6411 cell

Paddle a petty stretch of the Charles River starting at the Elm Bank Reservation and ending at Cochrane Dam. Trip is suitable for all levels of experience and all boat lengths. Bring a lunch.

May 20th - meet at 10:00 for a 10:15 shuttle

Wood River -Mechanic Street to Alton Trip coordinator: Henry Dziadosz henry@twincitysupply.com 401-567-0313.

Trip is 6.5 miles with one short portage in the middle of this trip. If you have portage wheels you can bring them along. Suitable for all levels of experience and all boat lengths. Bring a lunch.

May 27th - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch **Quinebaug River Canoe Trail**Trip coordinator Cheryl Thompson
Cameron stonefoxfarm@juno.com or 401-647-5887.

We will paddle up the river and back to put-in - approximately 8 miles. Suitable for all levels of experience and all boat lengths. Bring a lunch.

June 2nd - meet at 9:30 for a 10:00 shuttle **Assabet River Assabet River - Acton, MA to Concord, MA**

Trip Coordinator: Erik Eckilson eckilson@cox.net (401) 765-1741.

We will put in at the Acton Canoe Launch and paddle down the Assabet to its convergence with the Sudbury to form the Concord. It is suitable for all levels of experience and boat lengths. Bring a lunch.

June 9th - meet at 9:00 for a 9:15 launch **Narrow River - Narragansett, RI** Trip coordinator: Henry Dziadosz-henry@twincitysupply.com 401-567-0313.

Pollock Street to the Gilbert Stuart Museum - you need to be at the launch site by 9:00 to ensure parking - 7 or 8 miles. It is suitable for all levels of experience and boat lengths. Bring a lunch.

June 10th - meet at the commuter parking lot at 9:30

Lower Pawcatuck River - Ashaway, RI to Westerly, RI

Trip coordinator Mike Vechinsky M.Vechinsky@att.net or 860-271-1586

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This is a very scenic 7.5 mile trip with one portage around a dam and two sets of rapids to run depending on water levels. Bring wheels for the portage if you have them.

July 1st at 1:00

Basic Flatwater Class

Organizers: Cheryl Thompson Cameron at stonefox@juno.com or Erik Eckilson at eckilson@cox.net

The RICKA Flatwater Group will be holding a Basic Flatwater Paddling Class on Sunday, July 3rd at 1:00. In this 3-hour class, paddlers will learn the basic strokes and maneuvers to control their boats on flatwater. Visit the website to sign up: http://woonsocket.org/flatwatertraining.htm

Sea Kayak Trips

Kayaking on the ocean is an inherently risky endeavor. Before choosing to participate in a group trip, check the marine forecast and consider the trip level. Read the RICKA Sea Kayak Paddling Basics section of the website for more information about group trips. Changes cancellations due to weather or other conditions will be posted on the RICKA Sea Kayak Message Board by 8:00 a.m. the day of the trip.

May 5th - 10:00 launch <u>Gooseberry Pt, Westport, MA</u>

Level 3.

Coordinator - Jon Sharlin

May $12^{th} - 10:00$ launch

Ft. Weatherill, Jamestown, RI
Level 3

Coordinators - Carole Cost Anza and Rick Brooks

May 20th – 10:00 launch **King's Beach, Newport, RI** Level 3 Coordinator - Tony Moore

May $26^{th} - 10:00$

URI - Bay Campus

Rescue Practice for all Sea Kayak Coordinators

May 27th – 10:00 launch

URI Bay Campus

Outer West Passage

Level 4

Coordinator - Tim Motte

Whitewater Trips

Check the Whitewater Message Board bootleg trips. Appropriate skills and equipment are required for whitewater trips.

June $23^{rd} - 24^{th}$

Class II Whitewater Course

Organizers: Andy Viera at and Mike Rock at Kayak-Fool2@aol.com

This course will be taught by ACA certified whitewater instructor Mike Rock. The price of the course is \$50 for qualified RICKA and ACA members. If you are not an ACA member, there will be a one-time \$5 event membership fee. Participants will learn and refine the techniques needed to paddle in class II whitewater. For more details and to register for the course, please visit:

http://www.woonsocket.org/wwschool.htm

Wilderness Trips

Unless otherwise noted, wilderness paddlers are responsible for their own equipment, including dry bags, tent, camping gear, cooking stove/utensils and meals.

May 19th and 20th

"Are You Ready" Camping Trip on the Wood/Pawcatuck

RSVP required - Jim Cole at <u>Jimcole@hotmail.com</u> or 401-226-7714

This overnight trip on the Wood/Pawcatuck Rivers will include camping at a location to be determined. These are considered primitive campsites and outdoor facilities may not be available. No common gear will be provided. Contact Jim Cole at Jimcole@hotmail.com for more information.

Discounts for Members

The following retailers offer special discounts for RICKA members:

Blackstone Valley Outfitters

401-312-0369

http://www.bvori.com/

Claude's Cycles

508-543-0490

http://www.claudescycles.com/

CrossFitRhody

http://www.crossfitrhody.com/

Osprey Sea Kayak Adventures

508-636-0300

http://www.ospreyseakayak.com

Outdoorplay.com

http://www.outdoorplay.com/kayaks

Quaker Lane Outfitters

401-294-9642

The Kayak Centre

401-295-4400

http://www.kayakcentre.com/

WaveLength Magazine

http://www.wavelengthmagazine.com/

See the <u>website</u> for details and remember to ASK for the discount.





It's Miller Time!

By Erik Eckilson

With the lack of snow last winter, and the lack of rain this spring, it's been a slow spring season for whitewater paddlers. With below average precipitation, most whitewater rivers are well below runnable levels. Fortunately, dam releases on several rivers keep the action going. One of my favorites is the Millers River in north central Massachusetts.

The Millers arises in southern New Hampshire and flows southward, and then westward through Massachusetts before emptying into the Connecticut River. There are two sections of the Millers that are popular for whitewater boating – the upper section from South Royalston to Athol (class II - III), and the lower section from Erving to Millers Falls (class II - IV). On this day, we would be running the upper section.



A pretty section of the Millers River

Andy and I arrived at the put in on the upper section around 10:00 and found that a large group already gathered. After a few quick hellos, we unloaded our boats and ran the shuttle. Everyone knew that there would be plenty of time to get acquainted (or re-acquainted) on the river.

The Upper Millers is a beautiful section of river that alternates between rock gardens and long wave trains. With the exception of a couple of railroad bridges, there is nothing to break the wilderness feeling of the river. The day was sunny and warm.



A busy surf spot

The water level was a little low, so dodging rocks would be the order of the day.

We put-in around 10:30 off Blossom Road just below an old broken dam. Fellow RICKA member and long-time whitewater paddler Duke Wavewaker wanted to run the dam, so he put-in a little further upstream at the park on Birch Hill Dam Road. This adds about a half mile to the run. Duke says "there is some decent warm up and waves....and the biggest, hugest, most awesomest drop...the dam foundation!!!!!"

Well, Duke is a better paddler than me, so I skipped the broken dam. He told me that the line is to the left, into a SMALL eddy, and then down the BIG drop. Maybe I'll try it next time. Then again – maybe not.

For me, the fun began below the broken dam with a long class III rapid just below the put-in. At higher water levels, this rapid is a long wave train with 2 to 3 foot standing waves which are a blast to run. At this level, rocks just below the surface



Tommy does some surfing

reveal themselves providing lots of opportunities to play. We worked our way downstream catching eddies, surfing, and generally having a good time. We had only one swim to report, but that person will remain nameless. Ok – it was me!

We continued riding the waves and playing in the rock gardens for another couple of miles when we decided it was time for a break. We found a spot with a beach large enough to pull all the boats on shore and decided to have our lunch. As we were eating, we watched a parade of groups from MA, CT, and NH paddle by - it seems that everybody had the same idea.



Andy - RICKA Whitewater Chair

After lunch, we loaded up the boats and continued our trip downstream. After a short section of quickwater called "Lake Superior" by Paul, the fun continued with more wave trains and rock gardens. By the time we reached the take out in Athol, we were all pretty tired. Unfortunately, it was a long carry up a steep hill to get back to our cars. Everyone pitched in to get the gear up the hill.

I got home in time for dinner – tired, but excited about a great trip, and looking forward to the next. Hopefully we will get some rain, or even the water behind the dams will run out.

Erik is a Flatwater, Whitewater and Blackstone Valley Paddle Club Leader and current Newsletter Editor.





RICKA Classifieds

Classified ads free for RICKA members and are printed here on space-available basis. Please see the website for the complete list.

- Valley Avocet 16', 54 lbs. Retractable skeg. Yellow. Almost new (although 5 years old); always garaged. \$1,275. Ruth: 934-2277 (before 8 pm, please) or rms00618@verizon.net
- WANTED: Used day touring 13'-14' kayak with at least one bulkhead. I will offer a fair price based age and model and web search. I am 6.2 tall and I weight 185 lb Giuseppe restagiu@hotmail.com
- Whitewater canoes: Mohawk Rogue designed by whitewater canoeing legend Nolan Whitesell. Outfitted. \$350. Dagger Genesis big water boat designed by whitewater legend Bob Foote. Rolls easily, plays well with waves. Outfitted. \$500 Chick Noreau chickart@cox.netor 401-751-5477
- Lincoln Kayak's "Two Lights" keylar/glass Tandem description and pictures \$1,800. Jeff Mitchell jcmitch2@yahoo.com
- Epic Full Carbon Relaxed Touring \$225 (retail \$450). Polished shaft, adjustable Length-Lock (215-225 cm), adjustable ferrule technology. Great for low angle / more relaxed paddling style. Werner Camano Paddle carbon, 230 cm, straight shaft, adjustable 15 degree increments. Very good condition. New Price \$200. jconnors@cybercom.net
- **Boreal Ellesmere** \$1,100. Ocean cockpit, cork deck/white hull, rope skeg, well-maintained, good condition. OC skirt included. New Bedford, MA. Demo by appointment. catherineradcliffe@earthlink.netor Cat 508-369-3028
- NRS Mission Drysuit with eVent bought new last Spring and has only seen the water once for a test. Men's XL in Yellow/Gray. Excellent condition. High quality latex neck gasket, wrist gaskets, socks and overskirt. Asking \$600 or b.o. Sells new for over \$800. Email Jdmancini2@Gmail.com
- Bending Branches Slice Hybrid Plus kayak paddle, adjustable 225-240cm, like new, \$100, contact Al at 401-727-1555
- Merlin II Kevlight solo canoe like new, 15', 34 lbs., clear gloss finish, Ash trim \$1,200 firm. Jim S. 401-295-4668 Miskicamp1@cox.net
- Pygmy Coho, multi-chine, wood (stitch & glue) kayak very good condition, a few minor scratches. 17 ½ feet long, 24" beam. Extras such as cockpit cover, flotation bag, etc. \$999. Bracsa I Wing paddle Carbon fiber, right handed with 45-degree offset, 235 cm. long. Excellent condition \$125. Advanced Technology (AT) crank paddle. Carbon fiber, right handed with 45-degree offset, 235 cm. long \$200. All may be seen in Cumberland by contacting me at nealpiggott@cox.net
- WANTED: used Think Fit kayak/surf ski call Jim 248 798-1905
- **Solo Dagger Impulse**, Whitewater playboat 12'8" long, 30" beam, perception saddle, side floatation, air bags Ready for the water \$325 or best offer. Email me for details, jimcole@hotmail.com
- **Dagger Ego -** white water/play boat. Good for surfing. Color: Blue/Green mix. Perfect for the smaller paddler \$300 android2@earthlink.net. 401-678-6620.
- 2009, NDK (SKUK) Explorer HV, slider skeg and keel strip. Light Quill Deck / Red Trim/ Light Quill Hull. Selling for \$2,800.00 (New). 2009, NDK (SKUK) Greenlander Pro, slider skeg and keel strip. British Racing Green deck / Yellow Trim/ Light Gray Hull. Selling for \$2,800.00 (Used Lightly). Call Greg P. 860-304-4000 or email coach@kayakwaveology.com.
- **Strip built Outer Island,** 18' X 20", ocean cockpit. Fast and maneuverable. Built with extra layers of fiberglass for battleship strength so weighs approx 55lbs. \$2,200 Located in Westchester County, NY <u>Jerry Borenstein</u>
- Necky Elaho, poly, 17' sea kayak with skirt excellent condition, \$600 or best offer. Necky Elaho high volume, poly 17' sea kayak with skirt, excellent condition, \$600 or best offer. Steve 401-295-0877 sstesaun@verizon.net
- Perception <u>Acadia kayak</u>, blue, 11 1/2 feet long \$400. Harmony <u>cockpit cover</u> \$30.Call 861-1537 or email <u>shelly-dimatteo@cox.net</u>
- PRICE REDUCTION: Tandem 16 foot wood canvas canoe, no seats (probably made in 1950's before seats became popular) \$275 or best offer. Pictures are available. Woman's Dry suit, small/med, needs gaskets, very good condition \$175 or best offer. Waterproof camera case good down to 110 ft. Cost new \$264, selling for \$60 obo. Ewa-Marine D-A Marine case for digital photo camera Glass, PVC, like new. Perfect for super zoom digital cameras. Contact Jim at jimcole@hotmail.com

Send your classified ads to RICKA Webmaster Cheryl Thompson Cameron, 53 Anan Wade Road, Glocester, RI 02857-2611; webmaster@ricka.org. Include your name for membership verification. Please notify the Webmaster when your gear is sold so that the ad can be removed. Acceptance, duration and formatting of your ad is at the webmaster's discretion.



