

2010

Spring

MEYERS POOL KAYAK AND CANOE SESSIONS (Open Pool Times are not RMSKC sponsored opportunities and are not covered by our ACA insurance)

- The first and third Sundays of each month through April (but not 2-21 or 4-4)
- There will also be a canoe/sea kayak session on February 28, although it is not a first or third Sunday
- 10:00 to 1:00 (This is the "canoe" time for larger boats; it's better than the "kayak" time, which is primarily for white water boats, because there are fewer participants.)
- \$8.50 per person; credit cards accepted
- Address: 7900 Carr Drive, Arvada
- For weather related closures: call 303-424-2739

April

OTHER WINTER PRACTICE OPPORTUNITIES; call for times and dates, and to make sure they accept sea kayaks:

- Centennial Pool in Longmont
- DU's Ritchie Center
- Englewood Pool
- Carmody Pool in Lakewood
- Golden Pool

April 3: 9th Annual Multi-Club South Platte Spring Trip

- Evans to Kersey or Evans to Kuner
- **Not a club sponsored outing and not an ACA outing**

April 10: "Second Saturday" Paddle at Chatfield Reservoir

- Starting Time: 10:00 in the water and ready to go
- Ending Time: 1:00 +/-
- Meeting place to be announced by email
- Daily pass \$7.00; annual pass \$60.00
- RSVP to trip leader Larry Kline: 303-988-4822; lkline146@yahoo.com
- Maps and park information:
<http://parks.state.co.us/Parks/Chatfield?MapsandDirections>

APRIL 24: "FOURTH SATURDAY" PADDLE AT LAKE MCINTOSH IN LONGMONT

- Starting Time: **9:00** in the water and ready to go (This is a change because there is the annual Mud Hen Run 6-K Run Around there starting at 10:00 and unless we go earlier we won't get parking.)
- Ending Time: 12:00 +/-
- Meet at the boat launch across the street from 3000 Lake Shore Drive, Longmont
- Free

- RSVP to trip coordinator Sue Hughes: suehughes@yahoo.com

APRIL 25: 4TH ANNUAL SOUTH PLATTE RIVER CLEANUP

- See this link for information: <http://www.southplattecleanup.com/>
- **Not a club sponsored outing and not an ACA outing**

May

MAY 8: ANNUAL UNION RESERVOIR SPRING PADDLE AND POT-LUCK PICNIC

- Starting Time: 10:00 in the water and ready to go (to approximately 3:00)
- \$8.00 (\$55/\$65 season pass for residents/non-residents; \$35/\$40 for over age 55)
- Address: 0461 WCR #26, Longmont
(http://www.ci.longmont.co.us/parks/park_list/overview/union.htm)
- The Club will provide Subway sandwiches; bring your own plates and beverage
- Anne Fiore is the paddling coordinator for this trip
- RSVP to Brian Hunter, who will be coordinating the onshore aspects of this get-together: silversage@peoplepc.com

NAVAHO RESERVOIR PADDLE AND CAMP

- May 12 (Wednesday): Drive to the put-in. Tentatively, we will camp at the put-in at Navaho Reservoir State Park on the Colorado side
- May 13 - 15 (Thursday - Saturday): Paddle and camp on the New Mexico side which has free camping
- We are *currently* planning to paddle back to the put-in on Saturday May 15th. Final plan to be determined.
- Pack-it-out human waste disposal system required
- May 16: Drive home
- Contact trip coordinator Jud Hurd at hurdofcows@q.com to express interest

MAY 29: ANNUAL OPENING DAY AT GROSS RESERVOIR PADDLE

- Starting Time: 10:00 in the water and ready to go
- Ending Time: The length of the paddle is dependent on the water level and participants' wishes
- Directions: <http://www.rmskc.org/places/gross-res.html>
- This is a cold water paddle; dress for the water, not the weather!
- Bring a sack lunch to eat at a stop on the route
- Parking is limited; carpool if possible and bring your kayak wheels
- RSVP to trip coordinators Lou Ann and Dave Hustvedt: lahustvedt@gmail.com

MAY 30: Kayak maneuvers class at Big Soda Lake

- Starting Time: 9:30 in the water and ready to go
- Ending Time: 2 PM or so
- The club's instructors are back from instructor training out in [Santa Cruz, CA](#) and we want to try out some of the new teaching methods we learned from [Roger](#)

[Schumann and crew](#). We are offering a one-time free class on the three maneuvers added to the level 3 ACA coastal kayaking curriculum: the bow rudder, side slip and the low brace turn. We'll also review the strokes critical to the success of these maneuvers (sweep and sculling draw) and, perhaps, if there is time and interest, review and practice a couple of the assisted recoveries (T, paddlefloat and cowboy scramble).

- Directions: Big Soda Lake is in Bear Creek Lake Park, :Lakewood, CO
- <http://www.lakewood.org/comres/page.cfm?ID=642>
- RSVP to Brian Curtiss (bc@asdi.com) or 303-581-9045
- Class is limited to the first 12 to sign up

JUNE

June 8: WHITE WATER TRAINING AT UNION CHUTES

- Mid-week class based on water flows from Chatfield Dam
- Come learn to paddle in moving water with eddies and easy Class II chutes. This class will occur in a very controlled environment such that no down river paddling is involved.... just paddling at the foot of an easily maneuvered 3-foot water drop on the South Platte south of Hampden.
- We will spend about 4 hours getting acquainted with eddy turns and feeling very comfortable in moving water... then you will be in excellent shape to take on a real river trip....
- Contact instructor Larry Kline to express interest: lkline146@yahoo.com

JUNE 15: EVENING PADDLE SKILL PRACTICE

- Time: 6 PM - 8 PM
- Location: McIntosh Lake, Longmont CO
- We'll refine things we learned the RMSKC skills classes while we paddle across and around McIntosh Lake in Longmont:
 - Fine tune strokes, braces & maneuvers
 - Introduce more-advanced boat handling skills
 - Finish with rescue exercises if folks are interested
 - If it's windy, we'll see if we can figure out which turning maneuvers work best for what wind direction.
- http://www.ci.longmont.co.us/parks/park_list/overview/mcintosh.htm for more info on McIntosh Lake
- Contact Brian Curtiss (bc@asdi.com or 303-581-9045 - evenings) for more information.

JUNE 17: WIND PRACTICE

- Starting Time: 9:00 AM at the East Boat Ramp Launch
- Location: Cherry Creek Reservoir
- Weather forecast is for high wind from the southwest tonight and tomorrow morning. Join Brian Hunter at Cherry Creek Reservoir, East Boat launch to practice in wind including re-entries and tows. The water is around 70°F so if the weather cooperates we can gain some really valuable experience

- RSVP to coordinator Brian Hunter at 303 748-6776 or silversage@peoplepc.com

JUNE 19: ACA'S COASTAL KAYAK BASIC STROKES AND RESCUES CLASS

- Starting Time: This is an all-day class starting at 8:30 on the water
- Location: TBD
- Requirements: RMSKC membership and a boat with flotation, PFD, spray deck, pump, and paddle float
- Cost: \$50.00
- Class size is limited to 10 members
- Check out the course description:
http://www.americancanoe.org/site/c.lvIZIkNZJuE/b.4515079/k.50FC/Coastal_Kayaking_Course_Outlines.htm
- RSVP to coordinator Brian Curtiss: bc@asdi.com

JUNE 22: EVENING PADDLE SKILL PRACTICE

- Time: 6 PM - 8 PM
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JUNE 26: PADDLE SKILL PRACTICE AT GROSS RESERVOIR

- Time: 9 AM - 2 PM
- Location: Gross Reservoir
- We'll refine things we learned the RMSKC skills classes while we paddle across and around Gross Reservoir:
 - Fine tune strokes, braces & maneuvers
 - Introduce more-advanced boat handling skills
 - Maybe throw in some navigation exercises
- See <http://rmskc.org/places/gross-res.html> for more info on Gross Res
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JUNE 22-24: MID-WEEK CAMPING AND PADDLING ON THE GUNNISON

NOTE: THIS TRIP HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF SIGNUPS

- Camp at Island Acres State Park near Palisades and visit wineries
- Put in below Delta the following morning; camping that night at the mouth of Dominguez Canyon
- Helmets required on the Class Two stretch near the confluence
- Time for hiking the second afternoon
- Express interest to trip coordinator Gary Greeno: garygreeno@msn.com

GENERAL PADDLING COORDINATOR'S NOTES:

- New Club trips happen when members share information about possible locations, and work on research and planning together. Contact the people listed here if you have knowledge about these sites or are interested in helping scout them.
- Please remember details in our Club schedules are tentative due to Trip Leaders' decisions about locations and dates, and the unpredictable Colorado weather. To avoid disappointments, always RSVP to the trip leader so you can be kept abreast of any last minute changes.
- Starting Time: "Starting time" means the time that the group will be in the water starting to paddle. Please arrive early enough to have your boat off the car, loaded and ready to go by that time.
- Day Paddles: Non-member guests may paddle with the Club on day paddles (one time only, please) if they sign an American Canoe Association Waiver and Release of Liability form and pay the \$5 ACA event fee. ACA members from other Paddle America clubs may join RMSKC day trips if they provide a current ACA card; they must also sign a Waiver but do not have to pay the event fee.
- Multi-Day Paddles: According to RMSKC policy, overnight and extended trips are open to RMSKC members only.