



Newsletter

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MEETING INFO

Date: June 24, 2010

Place: Seaman's Lodge
425-A Nimrod St.
Pioneer Park
Nevada City

Time: 6:00 Pot Luck
7:00 Presentation

Program Presentation:

Sea Kayaking from Mild
to Wild

Speaker:

Roger Schumann

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Sea Kayaking from Mild to Wild

Join award-winning author Roger Schumann in an exploration of a vast range of paddling possibilities: from the calm waters of gray whale calving lagoons in southern Baja, to calving glaciers in Alaska, to the whitewater excitement of open-ocean rock gardens in Northern California, and even whitewater-river sea kayaking on the Colorado River.

Owner of Eskape Sea Kayaking in Santa Cruz, California, Roger is a longtime instructor, frequent contributor to Sea Kayaker magazine, and author of "Guide to Sea Kayaking Central & Northern California" and "Sea Kayak Rescue". He'll share slides, stories and prose from the classes and expeditions he's led spanning two decades and two continents, including kayaking in the Galapagos Islands, Brazil and Patagonia.

Upcoming Paddle at Donner Lake

Saturday, June 19

This will be an easy, relaxed paddle for beginners with a break at a picnic table area for lunch, relaxing or taking a short hike. Driving time is about one and a half hours. For launch time and directions, call or e-mail Ron and Connie Wright at 205-9835 or connie@islandata.com.

2010-2011 SNCKC Officers

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2010-2011 Trip Schedule



Date	Place	Trip Leader
June 15*	Rollins Lake	Marilyn Yerkes
June 19	Donner Lake	Wrights
June 26	Lake Tahoe (Tahoe Vista/Sand Harbor)	Chris Crain / Lani Brunmeier
July 10	Spaulding	June Anderson
July 13*	Scott's Flat	Debby Ferguson
July 24	Lake Tahoe (Sand Harbor/Zephyr Cove)	Chris Crain / Lani Brunmeier
July 31	Lake Valley Reservoir (Pot Luck BBQ)	Tiptons
August 12-15	Butt Lake/Mountain Meadow (Camping)	Marlee Chamberlin / Marilyn Yerkes
August 19*	Spaulding	TBD
August 23*	Lake Valley Reservoir (Full Moon trip)	TBD
August 27-29	Hell Hole Reservoir (Camping)	Tiptons
Sept. 11	Lake Tahoe (Zephyr Cove/Kiva Beach)	Chris Crain / Lani Brunmeier
Sept. 18	Mokelumne River/Lodi	June Anderson
Sept. 22*	Scott's Flat (Full Moon trip)	TBD
Sept. 25	American R./Discovery Park	TBD
Oct. 2	Lake Wildwood (BBQ)	Casons
Oct. 8-10	Tomales Bay (Camping)	TBD
Oct. 15*	Clementine	TBD
Oct. 23	Engelbright	TBD
Nov. 6	Consumnes River	Marlee Chamberlin / Marilyn Yerkes
Nov. 20	Lake Natomas Thanksgiving Potluck	Abrells

* denotes midweek paddle

Members with trip suggestions or who have an additional trip they would like to schedule and lead may contact Marilyn Yerkes at (530) 477-0863 or e-mail her at mhyerkes@sbbmail.com
 Carpool arrangements are between drivers and riders, please coordinate accordingly.
 All events are available to members and their guests. Paddlers not affiliated with SNCKC may attend at the discretion of the trip leader. All paddlers must sign a "Waiver of Release and Liability" before launching their paddle craft and must abide by the safety rules for the paddle.

Lake Solano Paddle

By Wendy Thibeault

Photos by Bonnie Lattin-Hensel

Lake Solano on May 15 was a very nice easy paddle only a one hour and 45 minutes drive from Nevada City . This trip was new to the club; the lake is a long narrow reservoir just before Lake Berryessa on Highway 128. The water level was high and should remain so for at least a little while as the water is used for local agriculture. The park for launching is about midway on the lake so you can paddle in both directions for variety. The area downstream to the east is very interesting because there is a shallow area with lots of water lilies, millions of tadpoles and then the unexpected pleasure of a family of river otters playing and catching their lunch.

Speaking of lunch, the one drawback is limited places for pulling the boats up for lunch. We ate in the kayaks, but you can return to the launch area where there are tables and rest-rooms. There is a small tributary that was interesting to explore and it provides cool shade and some opportunity to get out of the boats for lunch or leg stretch. This paddle trip is es-



Bullard's Bar Paddle

June 5, 2010

Photos by Cathleen Mleko

Fifteen members sallied forth to explore Bullard's Bar, about 40 minutes from Nevada City. The day was near perfect - sunny but not too hot, and the water was a beautiful turquoise color. This was a very leisurely paddle; we probably only did about five miles, but the scenery was well worth the trip and it felt good to be on the water again. Hardly any breeze or pesky powerboats. We paddled up to Willow Creek, fed by the Middle Yuba, and the current came in very strong at this point so we gave it a wide berth! — June Anderson

On a beautiful sunny day, 15 paddlers launched at Bullard's Bar on June 5. The water was a beautiful blue and very smooth for most of the time. We had a bit of a dilemma seeking a place for lunch, but finally divided into several groups that climbed up the steep slopes to finally find a spot. We helped each other out of the boats in the deep water. The water was very high, so most beaches were covered and the rocks we had landed on in previous years were completely submerged. It was interesting seeing plants below the water that usually appear on the surface. The motorboats were around, but were few in number and most were off in the distance. We welcomed a little breeze on the way back as we were not used to the hot summer weather after a cold spring. All in all it was a great paddle, and we appreciate June Anderson's leadership. — Connie Wright



Lake Clementine Paddle

By Wendy Thibeault

Photos by Ron Brunmeier

Lake Clementine on May 22. The weather was quite unpredictable that week and since Sly Creek was closed for the year, a small group paddled up Lake Clementine. We practically had the lake to ourselves even though the weather ended up very pleasant and no precipitation as threatened. The water was high and the current was more noticeable than usual, but did not prevent us from getting all the way to the Upper Clementine beach.



For Sale

NEW Hully Rollers for one kayak. Instructions included. (Rack not included)

\$50 (will be donated to the Grass Valley Railroad Museum)

Call Connie Wright at 205-9835 (neighbor is selling rollers)

California Canoe & Kayak is hosting their annual "Paddlefest" at the Lake Natoma Aquatic Park (Hwy 50 at Hazel Ave.) on 19 June (10:00 to 3:00). Anyone looking for the latest in paddling equipment, or just wants to play with all the new boats might want to check this out..