



LAST NEWSLETTER FOR NON-MEMBERS

This is the last newsletter that will be sent to non-members. If you wish to continue receiving "Put-ins and Paddle Strokes", including the 1995 trip schedule you must join ConnYak. Call Jim Gass, 421-4476, for information on how to do that.

Club News

• The February meeting was held at Manchester Community-Technical College on Wednesday, 2/8.

The Executive Committee recommended that the club take the lead in establishing a Connecticut coastal paddling trail and publishing a guidebook to it. The coast would be divided into day trips--basically between state launch ramps--and an honor-system procedure/form would be set up for paddlers to record segments done. Upon completion they would get an award from the club. The club would publish and sell a guidebook to the trail and CT coast. A committee was appointed--Jay Babina, Clark Bowlen, Bob Ferrante, Kim Gass, Terry Harlow, and Stan Kegeles. If you are interested, the com-

mittee is meeting 3/8 at 6:30pm in A-2 at MCTC, before the regular meeting. Drop in.

John Warner, from the Collinsville Canoe Store gave an interesting and informative talk on cold weather paddling gear. He showed the latest in wet and dry suits, Henderson dive suits, gloves, mittens, booties, etc. Other members chimed in with their favorite gear and paddling accessories for the cold.

Your newsletter editor (Clark Bowlen) gave a talk and showed slides on the Maine Island Trail prepared by the Maine Island Trail Association. The Trail is a string of 80 odd islands stretching 325 miles from Portland to Machias. The Association founded the trail and serves as its caretaker. The trail Guidebook and the privilege of using private islands along the trail (reserved only for Association members) make the \$40 membership well worth while.

You can contact Clark Bolwen for more info on the Trail or Association, 646-4329, or call the Association direct at (207) 761-8225.

Coming Events

- The March meeting will be held on 3/8 at 7:30pm at Manchester Community-Technical College, classroom A-2. Call Clark Bowlen, 646-4329, if you need directions. The meeting will feature a slide presentation by Marge Nichols on her trip to the Turks and Caicos Islands in her inflatable kayak.
- I believe Mike Falconeri is planning more rolling sessions. Call 294-2121 for schedule and information.
- Dick Wheeler, The Route of the Great Auk guy is talking and showing slides at North Cove Outfitters on Fri., 3/3 at 7:00pm. \$5 admission. Call Joe Henry for details.

Notice

The April Newsletter will feature our 1995 trip schedule. If you plan to lead a trip--day trip, over-nighter, or whatever, call Clark Bowlen, 646-4329, so we can reserve the dates and give you an early trip listing. Full trip details are not necessary at this time--just the dates, location, leader, and phone number.

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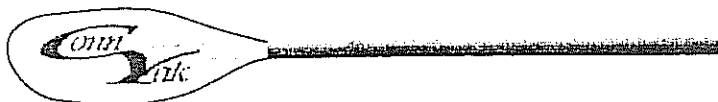


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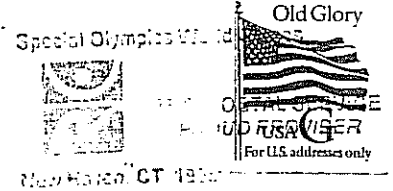
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