



Again this spring we are offering a wide variety of canoeing and other wilderness experiences from which, it is hoped, everyone can select something to his taste. We have tried to keep trips small and informal in order to enhance the wilderness experience as well as for safety reasons. Spring seems to be the most popular season for outings, and so we would again ask each participant to call the organizer of his trip not more than four and not less than two weeks ahead of time as indicated in the trip descriptions below. We hope this will give everyone involved a fair chance to get on the trip of his choice and the organizer time to make his arrangements.

Our trip guidelines, safety rules, and river rating system are included again this year in the spring issue, and everyone is asked to read these carefully before participating in an outing. Also please remember that the trip organizers are not paid professionals, but fellow members volunteering their time to help put a trip together, and that each participant is responsible for his own transportation, equipment, and safety. (Trip leaders will, however, endeavour to match up people who may be missing either equipment or transportation.)

We sincerely hope that all of you will have a safe and enjoyable season of canoeing and wilderness experience.



March 31 SKI THE HIGHLAND HIKING TRAIL

organizer: Karl Schimek 416-222-3720
book immediately

A strenuous (30 km) day of skiing over some rough terrain in Algonquin Park. We will likely have to break our own trail. Limit of 6 skiers.

April 1 HUMBER RIVER

organizer: Norm Coombe 416-751-2812
416-293-8036
book between March 4 and March 17

This trip in Metro Toronto is suitable for novices but not for beginners. The run is a pleasant piece of fast flowing water in spring conditions and it is intended to choose a section appropriate to the level of ability of participants and water conditions at the time. Limit 6 canoes.

April 7 CREDIT RIVER

organizer: Bill McKenney 416-637-7568
book between March 10 and March 24

The Credit River is located just west of Metro Toronto and we will be paddling the section south of Streetsville. Look forward to a day of exciting white-water canoeing for intermediate canoeists or better. The run includes nearly 10 km of continuous rapids if water is high. Limit of 6 canoes.

April 8 CREDIT RIVER

organizer: Jim Greenacre 416-759-9956
book between March 11 and March 25

This trip will occur on the easier northern part of the Credit. It is suitable for novices with basic canoeing experience who would like to run some easy rapids and fast water. Limit of 6 canoes.

April 13-14 BEAVER CREEK

organizers Gord Fenwick 416-431-3343
Pat Shipton 416-690-2219
book between March 16 and March 30

This river runs south towards Marmora through mainly wilderness area. The chosen date would put the trip at a time of high water causing many difficult rapids. The trip includes overnight camping and is for advanced canoeists and campers. Limit 4 canoes.

April 14 SALMON RIVER

Organizer: Glenn Spence 416-355-3506
book between March 17 and April 1

This run between Belleville and Napanee is becoming an annual event in the WCA. It provides experienced canoeists with a chance to warm up for the season and the not-so-experienced canoeists with a chance to perfect their techniques. Suitable for the novice with a year or two of experience as well as the better canoeist, the river is an almost continual stretch of rapids which can be quite heavy in high water. (This trip will be divided into small groups for safety.) Limit of 8 canoes.



April 21-22 MAITLAND RIVER - BAYFIELD CREEK

organizer: Herb Pohl 416-637-7632
book between March 24 and April 8

Two one-day trips in the Goderich area. On Saturday a white water trip through the limestone gorge of the lower Maitland. Sunday, an exploratory trip on Bayfield Creek. Those doing both trips camp or motel in the Goderich area. Limit 5 canoes. Intermediates or better.

April 28 ANSTRUTHER LAKE LOOP

organizer: Rob Butler 416-487-2282
book between April 1 and April 15

A 28 km one-day loop involving lake travel in the area north of Peterborough. An early conditioner for the coming season. Suitable for novice or better in good physical shape. Limit 4 canoes.