

April 12 UPPER CREDIT RIVER

organizer: Jim Greenacre 416-759-9956
book between March 27 and April 4

A second chance for those who were unable to get on the earlier Credit River trip. See April 4 trip description. Suitable for intermediates. Limit 5 canoes.

April 17 - 19 BILINGUAL EXCHANGE TRIP:
BEAVER CREEK AND CROWE RIVER

organizer: Gord Fenwick 416-431-3343
assistants: Dave Berthelet 819-771-4170
John Cross 416-487-0678
book between March 23 and April 1

This 3-day trip on the Easter weekend will be the first part of an exchange between the WCA and Amis d'Eau de Varennes from Québec. We will be running three separate trips limited to four canoes each (2 from the WCA and 2 from Amis d'Eau) all in the Beaver Creek, Crowe River watersheds, located 250 km from Toronto and 400 km from Montreal. Each group will make a three day trip through a wilderness area including camping with no road access. The rivers involve many rapids and considerable portaging. Participants should be intermediate or experienced canoeists and prepared to portage in a single trip.

This trip will be run as a bilingual trip with participants speaking both French and English at various times throughout the trip. There will be a return canoe trip organized by Club Amis d'Eau de Varennes in Québec near the end of June.

Book for both of these trips by phoning Gord Fenwick, between March 23 and April 1.



April 25 ANSTRUTHER LAKE LOOP

organizer: Rob Butler 416-487-2282
book between April 14 and 22

This will be a 28 km one-day loop involving nine scenic lakes north of Peterborough, off highway 28. Suitable for novice or better in good physical shape. Limit 4 canoes.

April 26 HEAD and BLACK RIVERS

organizer: Bill Ness 416-755-5784
book between March 30 and April 13

This will be a leisurely day trip starting on the Head River, northeast of Sebright. From the Head's confluence with the Black we will continue downstream to just east of Washago. These rivers feature some good, short drops with moderate sized waves separates by enough flat water to give you time to relax between runs. Suitable for intermediates or better. Limit 4 canoes.

April 26 LOWER BLACK RIVER

organizer: Bill King 416-223-4646
book between March 30 and April 20

This will be an easy day trip through pretty countryside near Washago. At high water there will be at least one portage and some areas with moderate sized waves. Suitable for intermediates. Limit 6 canoes. Trip time about 4 hours.

May 2 COON LAKE to LONG LAKE

organizer: Bill Ness 416-755-5784
book between April 6 and 20

This outing will be a 28 km exploratory paddle through a chain of small lakes between Burleigh Falls and Apsley. A great way to get in shape for the coming season. Suitable for novices or better in good physical condition with good portaging skills. Limit 4 canoes.

May 3 LOWER SAUGEEN RIVER

organizer: Roger Bailey 519-832-5211
book between April 5 and 30

From Saugeen Bluffs Conservation Area near Paisley to Denny's Dam just above Southampton this trip is perfect for novices and families. There are no portages, good current and a few easy rapids to give one a taste of white water. Limit 6 canoes.

May 2 - 3 MADAWASKA RIVER

organizer: Ken Ellison 416-826-3120
book between April 18 and 25

A whitewater trip down the traditional Snake Rapids from Latchford Bridge to Griffith. The chosen date will put the trip at a time of high water causing many difficult rapids. Portages exist around all rapids and can be used if water conditions are too high. To minimize environmental impact we will be cooking on portable stoves. Limit 4 canoes.

May 2 - 3 BONNECHERE - MADAWASKA

organizer: John Cross 416-487-0678
book between now and April 23

This outing will consist of two one-day trips. The portion of the Bonnechere in Algonquin Park includes a very steep section which is exciting but unforgiving (narrow river). We have done it before, but a different water level may surprise us. The upper Madawaska near Whitney is an old favourite (see listing next weekend). The date may have to be changed if the water levels do strange things. Suitable for advanced canoeists. Limit 4 canoes.

May 9 - 10 UPPER MADAWASKA RIVER

organizer: Ken Ellison 416-826-3120
book between April 18 and 25

This is an exciting white water trip on the Madawaska River from Whitney to Madawaska near the southern border of Algonquin Park. The 27 km section will provide many long and rough rapids many of which are grade 3. Few marked portages exist around the rapids, consequently high canoeing skills are a necessity. Suitable for advanced canoeists with white water experience. Limit 4 canoes.

May 9 - 10 BLACK and SKOOTAMATA RIVERS

organizer: John Cross 416-487-0678
book between April 15 and 30

The Black River is one of the less well known members of a set of whitewater rivers dropping off the Canadian Shield to the Trent. It should have much the same gradient as its neighbours, Beaver Creek and the Skootamata, but since it is new to the organizer, participants should be able to make quick decisions in the face of unexpected difficulties. Depending on the water levels, the date may change. Suitable for advanced paddlers. Limit 4 canoes.