

WCA TRIPS

Summer 1990 . **PICKEREL MAGNETAWAN AREA**
Stephen Crouch, (416) 782-7741.

See Conservation column. Route assessment trips. Come and help to document and improve routes in our adopted canoeing area this summer. As well as having a lot of fun, this could be the most rewarding trip you have had in a long time! At least two or three trips are anticipated, dates and precise locations to be set. Trip organizers and participants needed. Limit: your imagination.

8 July **BURNT RIVER**
Bill Ness, (416) 321-3005; book now.

This trip from Kinmount to the village of Burnt River is an easy, relaxed-paced paddle with a few short portages. Mainly slow moving water with several small riffles. Suitable for the family. Limit six canoes.

14-15 July **WOLF AND PICKEREL RIVER LOOP**

Diane Hamilton, (416) 279-0789; book before 7 July.

This will be a 51-km trip that is exploratory for the organizer. The route will take us through the scenic Georgian Bay country. Suitable for novices with canoe camping experience. Limit three canoes.

14-15 July **GULL RIVER, MINDEN WILD WATER PRESERVE**

Jeff Lane, (519) 837-3815; book before 7 July.

The rapids on this structured whitewater course are technically challenging and provide a great way for aggressive intermediate paddlers to get some more experience. The run-out can be used to advantage by novices to perfect their ferries and eddy turns. It is not unusual to spend some time in the river, planned or not. Limit six canoes/kayaks.

21-22 July **PALMER RAPIDS**
Mike Jones, (416) 270-3256; book before 21 July.

A play weekend at Palmer on the historic Madawaska River. Whitewater paddlers from novice to experienced will enjoy the rapids and find interesting places to play in. Limit eight canoes/kayaks.

4-6 August **OTTAWA RIVER**
Dale Miner, (416) 730-8187; book before 28 July.

Aggressive intermediate paddlers will find paddling on the Ottawa an experience to remember. Rapids are likely to be running high at this time of year and running them successfully takes all a canoeist's skill and luck. According to level, we will run the Middle Channel or perhaps the Main Channel as well. A campsite close to the river offers a chance to rest and recuperate for the next day's challenge. This is some of the biggest water in Ontario. Limit six canoes/kayaks.

10(?) - 11-12 Aug. **FRENCH RIVER**
Alison Cleverly, (416) 467-7956 or (416) 424-3268.
Mark Barsevskis, (416) 239-2830; book before 28 July.

KIDS! Are you tired of hearing the old folks whining about never getting out paddling? Have you heard tall tales about WCA canoe trips, but only ever been to the fall whine and cheese party? Come and network with your future paddling partners at the campsite while parents get in their strokes on whitewater. This trip involves an easy two-hour paddle to our base camp at Blue Chute. Limited to kids, their parents, and their friends.

12-18 August **TEMAGAMI AREA**
Mary and Jasper Megelink, (416) 877-0012; book before 1 August.

We will start at Mowats Landing on the Montreal River. Our route will take us through Anima Nipissing Lake, Lake Temagami, and Lady Evelyn Lake. We hope to climb Maple Mountain as well as have time to enjoy the blueberries. Limit is four canoes with fit crews.

13-17 August **KILLARNEY PARK**
Gary Walters, (416) 323-3603; book before 8 August.

A mid-week paddle through the beautiful Killarney lakes. We will paddle and hike, exploring the Park. A chance to avoid the weekend crowds and find some peace and quiet. Limit three canoes.

18-19 August **ALGONQUIN PARK**
Hugh Valliant, (416) 699-3464; book before 11 August.

We will travel to a little known area of the Park, where there are, according to reputable sources, Indian pictographs. This is a trip for experienced light paddling trippers who are not afraid of portaging on their way to these two interior sites. The exact route will depend on water levels and there could be portages up to three kilometres. Limit four canoes.

18-19 August **MINDEN (GULL RIVER)**
Steve Lukasko, (416) 532-0898; book before 12 August.

Fast water, steep drops, and some sharp "chicken heads" make the Gull a challenge to all open boaters. A good place to hone your skills. Limit six boats.

25-26 August **MAGNETAWAN LAKES**
Sandy and Roger Harris, (416) 323-3603; book before 18 August.

After searching the maps for a relatively inaccessible access point, we will paddle on some of the tributary streams and creeks of the Magnetawan. Exact route will be determined to avoid cottages and motor boats as much as possible. We are going exploring, so be prepared for an interesting campsite. Limit four canoes with patient paddlers who are prepared to wade and portage.