

MCRA News

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Veterans at Work

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| 24 Mar | Klondike Race | Chris Rudolph |
| April 22nd | Burlington C1 Pursuit Race WI * | Fritz Hansen |
| May 5-6 | Roscommon Pro-Am | Fred Mills |
| May 12-13 | Onaway Canoe Race | Steve Watson |
| June 3rd | Midland | Brad Gross |
| June 24th | Subaru Paddlefest, South Bend IN * | Matt Meersman |
| June 30-1 | Peshtigo River, WI * | Ev Crozier |
| July 7-8 | MidTown Real Estate Classic | Garth Greenan |
| July 14-15 | Harry Curley Memorial Race | Chris Rudolph |
| July 21-22 | Spike's Challenge | John Lucey |
| July 28-29 | AuSable River Canoe Marathon * | ARICM |
| Aug 5th | Vassar Race | Dale Newton |
| Aug 7-12 | Nationals at Warren, PA * | USCA |
| Aug 18-19 | Sault St. Marie | Tony Short |
| Aug 25-26 | Mio's "First Dam" Canoe Race | Peggy Smutek |
| Sept 8th | River Raisin Canoe Race | Bill Fick |
| Sept 15th | Tahquamenon Wilderness Race | Linda Richards |

* non points race

Congratulations!!!! To Matt and Mandy on the newest addition to their family.

Dane Thomas Streib ~ 4 1/2 lbs. Born 5/17/07

Mandy and Dane are doing fine.

Special Invitation to Become Canoe Race Mentor

You are invited to be a mentor to kids interested in learning more about canoe racing. This is an opportunity to match experience with young canoe paddlers. You will have the opportunity to answer questions, share stories and paddle with someone beginning in canoe racing. We will be matching you for a season to build a relationship. Please contact Lynne via email or telephone to become a part of this program. Please call if you want to be a mentor or you are interested in being mentored! We'll share more details if you contact me.

Timers for our races. As everyone knows the people that put on the races also participate because of this we need timers. All the race coordinators would appreciate any assistance that you can provide: helping with registration, setting up buoys or cleaning our debris on the course. Just call your local race director or Lynne Witte to see how you can help.

Lynne lynnewitte@juno.com or 586-201-5695

Schafer Chevrolet Pontiac Canoe Challenge

Where: Tittabawasse River, Midland MI
 - Starts at Emerson Park

When: Sunday June 3rd, 2007
 - Briefing at 10:00
 - Start at 10:30, Class II will start 5 min before Class I (same course)

Entry Fee: \$25.00 per boat

Race Length: Same as last year, looped course, 2 laps easy water, (winners time 1:30)

Purse: \$1500
 - Sorry no bonus for classes
 - Paying top 40 boats

-Junior and Fledgling Youth Races

Extra: Tim's Round Robin Race
 - Will start after finish of main race
 - Sign up at Race Registration
 - Thanks to Tim Triebold

Lunch: Pinconning's 3rd Street Deli will be cooking BBQ chicken dinner for all paddlers and family members. It's free to everyone.

Emerson Park: Emerson Park is a beautiful park with lots to do for families. A bike path follows a lot of the river so bring your bike or roller blades to watch the race. Lots of play areas for kids.

Driving Direction: Mapquest Emerson Park, Midland MI

Brad Gross 989-846-0336 bradandkaren81@hotmail.com



Powers Outdoors / Powerpaddle

June 16 & 17 2007
 Newaygo, Michigan

Schedule of Events

Saturday, June 16: C1 expert. Registration at 2:00, briefing at 2:30, race at 3:00. Also a Standard Class C1, K1 And K2 for those with recreational canoes and Kayaks Awards at Powers Outdoors following race. The fledgling race will be held after the awards time and place **tbd**.

Sunday, June 17: C2 Expert 1 and C2 Expert 2 Registration at 8:00, briefing at 8:30, race at 9:00. Also Standard Class C2 for those with Recreational canoes, Recreational Classes based on canoe length. Awards at Powers Outdoors following race. T-shirts to all participants . Course

C2 Expert and Standard: Start on Croton Pond (approx. nine miles east of Newaygo) next to the hydro-electric plant. Paddle across the pond to the Island then counter clockwise around the Island then back to the dam. Portage dam on the right and carry to the river. Paddle downriver to Newaygo and finish at River Front Park in downtown Newaygo. Race time is approx. two hours.

C1: Running Start at the Pine St boat launch for expert. Wet start for standard and kayak. Race time is approximately 1.5 hours

Pre registration from 5/13 to 6/10

| <u>Fees</u> | <u>Pre reg dayof</u> | | <u>Awards</u> | |
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| C2 Expert | \$25 | \$35 | C2 expert | \$1,000.00 |
| C2 Expert 2 | \$20 | \$30 | C1 | \$750.00 |
| C1 | \$10 | \$15 | C2 Expert 2 | \$150.00 |
| C2 Standard | \$15 | \$25 | Standard Trophies 1st, 2nd, 3rd | |
| K1 | \$10 | \$15 | Kayak Trophies to 1st, 2nd, 3rd | |
| K2 | \$20 | \$30 | | |

The Bonus awards will be Fathers Day oriented. Fathers paddling with their child will be eligible for a bonus. Father with junior and Father with Expert will have bonuses to the first three. Likewise the fledgling race will be a Fathers Day paddle. Fledglings will race with their fathers. Cash awards to 1st through 7th place. In the event Dad is unable to paddle temporary adoptions will be allowed.

Please note this is an endurance event and not for the casual paddler. Participants are on their own once the race is under way and must be fully prepared for any occurrence. Proper hydration will be needed. Also every paddler must have a coast guard approved life vest and a whistle.

Race Coordinator Martin Ecker
 Phone: 231-759-7239 Email: canoe2u@verizon.net

2007 Subaru Paddlefest Canoe and Kayak Races

Race Day: Sunday June 24th

Online registration available, early registration 7 am

Mandatory Meeting: at 8:30am. **Races** begin 9 am

There will be food and an awards ceremony following the races, between 11-12:00.

This will be the 6th annual Paddlefest and we are looking forward to another great year, with the canoe/kayak racers from all over the country. As always, we will be running a complete set of races – everyone should find one to their taste:

- 2 mile “Fluid Fun” Fun Race
- 8 mile “Half Marathon”
- 16 mile “Marathon” (with prize money)
- “Memorial Hospital Duathlon (3 mile run, 2 mile paddle)
- “South Bend Tribune” Youth Pond Race

Each race has both canoe and kayak classes;

See our website for more information!

Bring your family and encourage your friends, neighbors and co-workers to come out, even if they have never raced before! There are always lots of first time racers at this event.

Please register as early as possible at our website:

www.paddlefest.org

See you on the river,

Matt Meersman

Peshtigo River Race

C-1 Sat. June 30th 6pm

C-2 Sun. July 1st 9am

C-1 \$15 entry fee

C-2 \$35 entry fee

\$300 Prize payout for the C-1 race

\$1000 Prize payout for the C-2 race

For more information call:

Joe Johnson 906-863-8101

Ev Crozier 715-735-9763

Wanted

I am looking for an OC1 - 1 man outrigger canoe. My name is Margaret and my email address is mfgeary@yahoo.com

Looking for a C1. Contact Paul Harvey at pmharvey@mtu.edu

Looking for a used C-1. Please contact Scot. segleston@hotmail.com

For Sale

2006 and 2005 Au Sable Marathon DVDs available through Justin Griffith, monumentpride@yahoo.com, Phone 989-820-5196.

Paddle bags with draw string, royal blue fleece material, will fit up to 54" length. Custom iron-on patches upon request too. \$25/each, call Pat Spaulding at 810-694-3131 or dgspaulding@comcast.net.

Crozier-built V-1. 3 years old. Lightweight setup, all carbon including gunwales, sliding rear footbrace. Totally race-ready with center cover, paddle clips, seat foam, jug holders and foot straps. \$3100 Call Steve Watson (989) 733-8530 or e-mail s_watson75@hotmail.com

Perception Spirit white water kayak. Comes with Paddle, Helmet, Float Bags, and light that can be mounted on the bow of the boat. \$215 or best offer. The boat is located in Roscommon MI. I can be contacted by email, Tony Medina, tonyjmedina90@yahoo.com or by phone 989-275-5370

LeVas Paddles in stock, \$270. ZRE Paddles Med. wt. \$190. Lt. wt. \$215. Med. Power Surge \$210. Lt. Power Surge \$235. Contact : Tom Canon 517-332-1701 or thomascannon@juno.com

C-2 pro-ready. All carbon fiber racing canoe. Carbon slides, foot straps, carbon padded seats, bailer etc. Never seen water. Bagged by the bag lady. Built by Serge Corbin. Need to sale due to back injury. Asking \$3300.00/OBO For more info. Call Marty at 586-294-8784

Corbin C-2, Savage River/Diller built. \$1600 Bernie Tuszynski 989-732-6527

Crozier built C-2 Kevlar, race ready \$1500.00 Barry Hatfield 989-348-6163

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