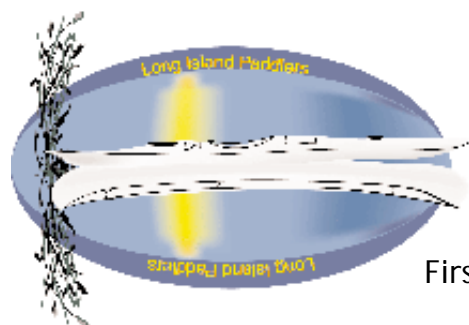


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Newsletter of Long Island Paddlers

June 2005



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Monthly Meetings 2005

Thursday, June 16th

7-9:30 PM

SEE BELOW FOR DIFFERENT LOCATION

This meeting only will be held at the **other** Half Hollow Hills Library, which is the Melville Building. Here are the directions to the Melville building, where the meeting will be:

Southern State Parkway: Exit 32 North, head north approximately 6 miles. Make a left turn at traffic light on Pinelawn Road (Dunkin' Donuts on corner.) Cross Walt Whitman Road. Pass Fire Department on left. Library is on the right.

Long Island Expressway: Exit 49 North, head north on Route 110. Make a left turn at traffic light on Pinelawn Road (Dunkin' Donuts on corner.) Cross Walt Whitman Road. Pass Fire Department on left. Library is on the right.

Northern State Parkway: Exit 40 South, make right turn at first traffic light (Old Country Road.) Proceed to blinking light, make left turn (Sweet Hollow Road). Library is on left.

At the June 16, 2005, meeting, our own Frank Chillemi will discuss his book **Windjammers, Lighthouses, And Other Treasures Of The Maine Coast**. A photographer by profession, Frank will demonstrate his ability to link composition, color, and design to the photographer's vision. Frank details the basic techniques that went into taking each photo, and offers us insights on how to avoid the visual pitfalls and technical dead ends that can lead to dull, unimaginative pictures. This is a beautiful compilation, and we hope that you'll come to share Frank's artistry.

Spring Paddle and Picnic

Saturday, June 18th, 2005

Centerport Beach - Town of Huntington

Club Members and guests can attend

Beach opens 8:30AM Paddle - 9 AM Barbecued Lunch/Coffee/Dessert - 12 PM

Paddle - 2:00PM Dessert and Coffee - 3:30PM

There will be several groups paddling at different times. The location allows us to paddle in a protected bay.

Must register and pay by June 11th

No exceptions - No refunds

We will have a catered barbecue:

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Barbacued Chicken/Teriyaki Chicken, Baked Beans, Corn on the Cob, 2 Salads, Coffee and Dessert.

The cost of the picnic is \$15 per person, *bring your own beverage, and please sign up below to lend a hand.*

If you have any questions, call Denise Caparatta at (516) 536-2283

or send an e-mail to pcaparat@optonline.net

Hope to see you there!

The paddle and picnic will be held at **Centerport Beach**.

Directions: At intersection of 25A and Little Neck Road, in Centerport, turn north on Little Neck Road. Continue past Vanderbilt Museum for a short distance. The entrance to the park is on the left., after going down a hill.

Deadline is June 11th

Name _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

#of people _____ @ \$15 per person = \$ _____

I will help by:

Setting up at 11:30 AM _____

Cleaning up at 1:30PM _____

Bringing a cooler with ice _____

Setting up at 3:00 PM _____

Cleaning up at 4:00PM _____

**Make check payable to Denise Caparatta and mail to:
Denise Caparatta, 530 Surrey Place, Oceanside, NY 11572**

Long Island Paddlers Join with The WaterFront Center's Bay Day, June 5th

Come demonstrate and introduce paddling to guests, as Long Island Paddlers puts on a “phenomenal floating fun fest!” for the attending public on Beekman Beach!

- 1) • Host our headquarters “touring/sea kayak camp site” show & tell, fishing kayaks, expedition kayaks, sailing rigs, custom/homemade crafts, all the creature comforts of kayak kamping!!
- 2) • Meet the public and play (member demonstrations) beach demos/relief teams (plus visit all the other vendors and displays, mentor, help launch/recovery of rental boats, BASIC supervision. Close in-shore introduction paddles)
 - Rolling demonstrations
 - Various rescues and rodeo stunts
 - Perfect turns, sweeps, bracing, etc.
- 3) • Krazy kayak kontest (public participation) floating fun! Serious or hilarious!
 - Paddleless relay racing/playfare
 - Slalom relay races, forwards/ backwards
 - StarFish tug-o-war
- 4) • Kayak water polo match
- 5) • “Anything that floats race”.
 - Be a supporter and safety stake boat for the craziest of the watercraft races

Please volunteer today to help represent the premier paddling club on Long Island. Show our colors at the Town of Oyster Bay’s Bay Day, and welcome new paddlers to our membership. Staff T-Shirts! Free Food for Volunteers!! Great Camaraderie!!!

MUST contact David Chin NLT May20 for planning!

(800) 477-7522, x-8829

We NEED you, your ideas, skills, gear, your SPIRIT!!

davidrchin@juno.com

Long Island Paddlers BAY DAY Volunteer Demo Team

Club's members sign in at "Registration Tent", and will be directed to Club assembly area on the beach. We will team-up in pairs as possible, using our club FRS radios to help communications between teams. (suggested: Ch 11 /sub 22, bring own radio along, if avail., WFC monitors VHF 19).

Club vehicles will be allowed access to the Beekman Beach lot during morning hours during set up, but by 10:00, should be relocated to the Fireman's Parking Field (by the Oyster Bay LIRR Train Station). Those arriving later with gear may be directed into unloading area for careful negotiation around pedestrians for rapid unloading/vacating.

Continuous "Show and Tell", "Q & A's" with the visiting public, "Toss the Rescue Rope" skills check off for "competing kids" (Club member signs off kids' "Skills Hunt" sheet)

Breakdown only after 4:00 pm, to be rewarded by "relaxing beverages" and food/fixings by the Sailing School's back porch barbecue (for volunteers/staff only).

Tentative schedule to give you an idea of the CLUB's activities and vital logistics:

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| 9:00 - 10:00 | Set up headquarters "touring/sea kayak campsite"
(Center "stage" of Beekman Beach)
Clear all vehicles, review assignments, shirts issued |
| 10:00 | Welcoming the Public/introduce LI Paddlers and contributors
Meet and greet visitors, show and tell, beach demos
Set up on-the-water courses and buoys |
| 11:00 | Kayaking skills demonstrations (LIPaddlers)
Basic paddling techniques
Rescue techniques
Rolling demonstrations |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | Krazy kayak kontests (public participation with LIPaddler coach)
"Star Fish" five way tug-o-wars
Paddle less racing: Slalom
Relay races
Forwards/backwards slalom |
| 11:45 | Blessing of the fleet (powered boats only in line up)
(Kayaks/paddle craft staged in raft-up, by pier) |
| 12:30 – 13:00 | Kayak water polo match (Ken Fink's teams)
Demonstration water polo team |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Serious kayak speed race, supervised/hosted by LI Paddlers
(TWC safety chase boats manned by club members) |
| 14:00 - 14:30+ | Anything that floats race (LIPaddler's safety team)
Course set with fun buoy floats with kayakers as guides |
| 14:30 - 16:00 | More meet the public and play / race awards
Breakdown and clean up. |
| 17:00 | Appreciation barbecue/social |

THE MULLICA RIVER MAY 13-15, 2005

by Denise Caparatta



On May 14, 2004, eight members of Long Island Paddlers, along with one of Barbara Kasa's friends, went on a four-mile paddle on the Mullica River in the beautiful Pine Barrens, located in New Jersey. We stayed in 100 year old cabins that each had a fireplace, three bedrooms, a kitchen and yes, indoor bathrooms. All the comforts of home. What made it a great weekend was of course the group of people we were with. Everyone pitched in when it was time to help and we had a lot of laughs.

Alan Mindlin, organized the trip a year in advance and did all the food shopping for breakfast and lunch. Alan is an expert photographer and he took many pictures throughout the weekend. We each received a CD-Rom of all the digital pictures and our choice of several printed pictures. We were very fortunate that we had mild sunny weather. Saturday evening our trip included a wonderful meal at a very nice local restaurant. On Sunday the group decided to go hiking. As Alan says "The best part of going away with your paddling buddies is not the food or water but the friendship we develop and the fun we have."



PENNSYLVANIA WEEKEND May 2006

Alan Mindlin



Plans are in the works for another weekend, for Spring 2006. Next year's trip will be to Pennsylvania, at Nockamixon State Park. The cabins sleep 6 with 2 double bunk beds in one room and a double bed in the other. There will be only 4 paddlers per cabin. The cabins have heat, bathrooms with showers, kitchens with refrigerator and microwaves, a living room with couches and a dining area. We can paddle a 1450 acre fresh water lake where only small 20 hp motor boats and sailboats may be used. There are about 4 rest stops available on the lake with bathrooms. The lake is about 7-8 miles long with a added area of 1.5 miles. It is really enjoyable paddling without waves and large, fast boats attacking you. On Saturday night we will dine at the Otsville Inn, built in 1879, where they fly in fresh wild salmon twice a week from Seattle. It is a beautiful area about 130 miles from Massapequa NY. All info about the park can be downloaded from www.state.pa.us, and go to Nockamixon State Park. The cost is \$125.00 which includes a room for 2 nights, 2 breakfasts, a picnic lunch and dinner at a nice restaurant. If I have enough, then the \$5.00 launching will be included. In order to stay at these cabins we MUST RESERVE them 11 months

IN ADVANCE. I will be collecting a \$25.00 deposit at the next (June) meeting. It will be the weekend after Mothers Day. For additional information e-mail me (Alan) at: photonut50@hotmail.com

Offers information about:

- **The Club:** Events, Trips, Previous and Current Articles, Newsletters, Membership Application, Education, Meeting Location
- **Members:** Short Notice Paddles, Discussion Forum - Put-in Guide
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FREE ADVERTISING SPACE

Long Island Paddler members can advertise products for sale at no charge.
Call Denise at 516-536-2283 or E-mail Denise at pcaparat@optonline.net
Please put **KAYAK SALE** in the subject so I don't think it is spam.

Kayak for Sale:

2001 Perception, Carolina Yellow, 14'6" with Rudder, 2 Hatches
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He is also the founder of the **University of Sea Kayaking** and the producer of the **USK “IN Depth”** instructional video series for sea kayaking.

Class requirements:

Completed a basic class or have equivalent experience.
Enclosed cockpit kayak with a spray skirt,
PFD, paddle, paddle float, pump, and proper immersion clothing.

Date: August 27 & 28
Times: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Cost: \$150.00 per day
Location: *To be announced*



For more information or to enroll in the class. Please visit our web site at

www.sksa-ltd.com

or call us at

631- 563-6654

Space is limited please make your reservation early.