

Blazing Paddles

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NEW LOCATION!!!

Suffolk County Community College Brentwood (Grant Campus)

Captree Commons - C114 - Cafeteria Building

(See page 3 for map and directions)

Monthly Meetings 2006

Thursday 7-9:30 PM

May 25

July 20

Sept. 21

Nov. 16

June 22

August 17

Oct. 19

Dec. 21

JUNE 22 PROGRAM

The June program will be an interactive information exchange by club members about their favorite boat put-ins. We will show maps of put-ins generated in real-time from the internet using MAPQUEST on a video screen, and also show digital photos of these put-ins that members have taken. We request that members email ONE photograph of their favorite put-in to june06program@lipaddlers.org at their earliest convenience so that it can be included in the program.

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Newsletter of Long Island Paddlers

June 2006

Disclaimer

The views expressed in this newsletter are strictly those of their respective authors. Information offered on any topic should not be assumed to be authoritative or complete. On all paddling issues, it is important to base one's practices on multiple sources of information.

A Letter From the President

A big hello to all! Welcome to another season of great exercise, serenity, and picture perfect scenes. We are planning to do group paddles several times a week which will be full of excitement, learning to handle different situations in different ways. We will have skills day at the end of each month continuing until September or October, weather permitting. I would like to see 3 picnics: one in the beginning, middle and end of the season. I want to make this a great year for all of us. Hope to see you on the water.

If anybody has any suggestions, don't hesitate to phone 631-467-5163 or e-mail me Kayaken1@aol.com.

Your President

Ken Fink

P.S. Lets all learn together!



Insurance cost

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Members: you must bring your ACA member # with you for the trip roster.

Committee Chairperson/Coordinator Positions

Position	2006 Chairperson	Contact email
Trip Coordinators	Peter Bryan & Alan Mindlin	trips@lipaddlers.org
Membership Coordinator	Dave Thaler	membership@lipaddlers.org
Training & Safety Coord.		
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Public Affairs Coord.		
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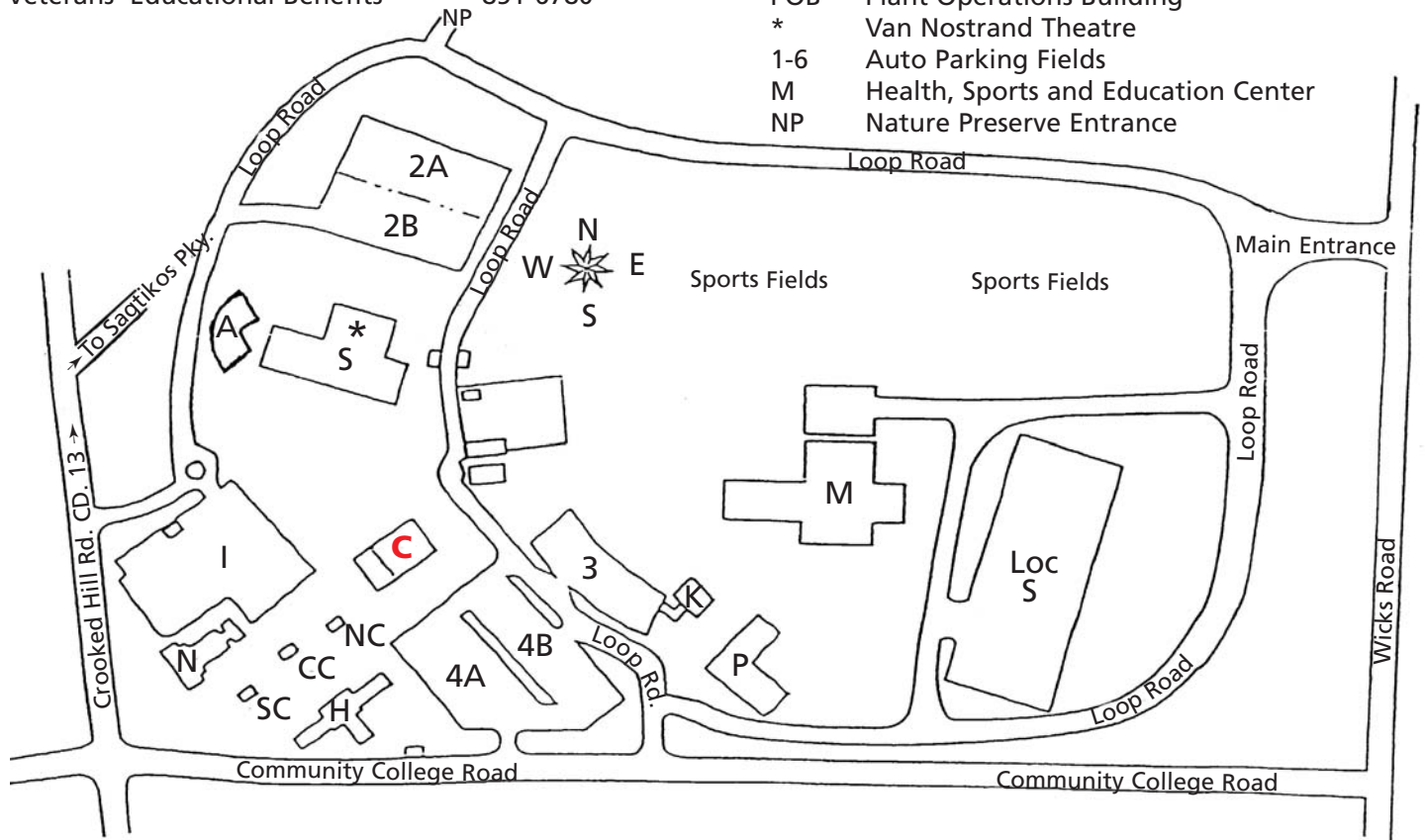
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Crooked Hill Road

Brentwood, NY 11717-1092

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Cooperative Education	851-6754
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Library	851-6740
Registrar	851-6780
(registration, drop/add, transcripts)	
Office of Campus Activities	851-6702
(orientation, clubs, student government)	
Theatre	851-6589
Veterans' Educational Benefits	851-6780

S	Sagtikos Arts & Sciences
C	Captree Commons - Room C114
A	Sally Ann Slacke Center
H	Caumsett Hall
SC	South Cottage
CC	Center Cottage
NC	North Cottage (Public Safety)
N	Nesconsett Hall
K	Suffolk Kid's Cottage
P	Paumanok Hall
POB	Plant Operations Building
*	Van Nostrand Theatre
1-6	Auto Parking Fields
M	Health, Sports and Education Center
NP	Nature Preserve Entrance



Directions:

Located off of Wicks Road, Brentwood, NY. (631) 851-6700

FROM NASSAU:

L.I.E. to Exit 53 to Wicks Road. Turn right at Wicks Road and continue to first traffic light turn right at campus entrance.

FROM RIVERHEAD: L.I.E. to Exit 53 - Wicks Road. Turn left onto Motor Parkway and left at next traffic light onto Wicks Road. Cross under L.I.E. and proceed to second traffic light. Turn right at campus entrance.

FROM NORTH SHORE: Take Sunken Meadow / Sagtikos Parkway South to Exit S-1 (New York, West. Long Island Expressway). Bear right to Crooked Hill Rd. Then turn left on Crooked Hill Rd. Go one mile to campus entrance on left.

FROM SOUTH SHORE: Take Sagtikos Parkway North to Exit S-2. At the stop sign make a left. Go to traffic light. Cross over Crooked Hill Rd. to parking lot entrance on left.

Long Island Paddlers Officers' Meeting

May 8, 2006

Present:

Paul, Steve, Ed, John, Vi, Ken, Dave T, Gerry

- Steve showed the Distinction magazine article on kayaking and the club
- Ken's pool session on 5/7 went well. Frank Chillemi, Ray Smith, Alan Mindlin, Bruce Mulligan, Fred Hosage, etc., attended—about 10 people from the club. Ken needs help to run the pool sessions if we are going to have a session for the club, as he isn't able to do the paperwork and run the session.
- Kay Eastman was approached to fill Dave Chin's position as member-at-large (Dave resigned). She will get back to us.
- In the fall, we'd like to organize regular pool sessions. We are not looking to make a profit, just break even.
Pools to check out:
 - St. Joseph's – Steve
 - Central Islip – Vi
 - Stony Brook
 - Port Jefferson
 - Ward Melville
 - Sachem HS – John
 - Mastic YMCA – Steve
 - St. John's – is \$100/hr + \$30 for lifeguard
- *At every ACA-covered event, we have to have someone running the logistics—ACA waivers, etc.
- Discussion to codify our trip management practices—we need uniformity.
- Every trip leader has to have a roster of members (could be emailed—Dave T. could do)
- No one should come 'by surprise.'
- A guest or new member can only come on the lowest level paddle—they must start at level 1 unless vouched for by a member or Board person. The person who vouches for them must be on the paddle and be buddied up with them. A member may bring no more than 3 guests to a paddle.
- The sweep and leader should both have walkie-talkies.

- Each group should have at least 1 VHF radio.
- We need to develop a package for leaders that would have the essentials for them to bring on the trip. It would include roster and waivers.
- Criteria for leading a trip:
 - You are familiar with the area.
 - You have a chart.
 - You know how to use a VHF radio.
- Before the paddle begins: Sign in roster/PAC status and an emergency contact for each person. Assignment of leadership roles/tasks. Cover the route, go over the chart Review the weather forecast. Safety review and safety equipment. Emergency contact. Discuss paddle plan with the group. Post trip—an evaluation by group members.
- Ed suggests we identify the group leader candidates in the club, and schedule a group meeting to discuss the above and/or try it out on a paddle.
- **Trip leaders skills day is 6/24 will be posted for anyone who is interested in being a trip leader.**
- Only Board members would have access to send email to the entire club. Ed will set this up.
- We approved a \$50 Honorarium to the Coast Guard Auxiliary speaker at the last meeting.
- We approved a motion to sign on to the Fire Island National Seashore Preservation effort.
- Club meeting format discussed: Meetings will be called for 7:30 p.m. We will ask club members to submit agenda items through email. The officers will be pointed out/asked to stand so people know who they are. Names and positions will be listed on name tags.
- We need new brochures. The old one has the old information, including dues.
- We need a program coordinator. Programs that are about trips/slide shows are more interesting & bring people out.
- 72 members have signed up for new membership so far. By May 15th club members have to renew.
"Effective May 15th, your club membership will cease if you have not renewed."



Our logo has been redesigned by William Tschorn

SAD NEWS

Gerry Hummel's mother Margaret Hummel passed away suddenly on Friday, May 26.

Weekend Paddle Trips

June 3 - Barbara Fontana is leading a BEGINNERS PADDLE on Saturday, at Carmens River. Frank Chillemi, Kaye Eastman, Bruce Mulligan, Vi Quintero, John Giuffre and Frank Hosage offered to co-lead with her. Please read to end if you plan to participate in this paddle.

Time: 11 am if you need to rent a kayak; 11:30 if you have your own kayak. I expect we will launch by noon and be on water about 2 hours.

Location: We will meet at Glacier Bay Sports, 2979 Montauk Highway (Rte 27A).
E-mail Barbara FontanaWR@aol.com for directions.

Kayak Cost: We can rent kayaks at Glacier Bay Sports www.glacierbaysports.com The discounted group rate to rent a kayak for 3 hours is \$25. The cost of launching from Glacier Bay if you bring your own boat is \$5. You must email me that you want to rent a kayak, so I can call them with the number of kayaks we want to reserve.

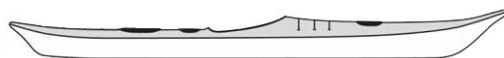
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MEMBERS - you must bring your ACA member # with you for the trip roster.

What to Bring: bottle of water, sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, snack/lunch.

Clothing: the choice is your's but I prefer wearing a bathing suit under either nylon athletic shorts or spandex running pants; depending on temp. a long or short sleeve shirt; bring change of clothes just in case - I've seen people stay dry for the whole paddle and then fall into the water as they were getting out of their kayak - bring sweatshirt to warm you in case you do get wet; your feet will get wet, wear water shoes/sandals/booties

Day of paddle you can call Barbara's cell: 516 982-1199



June 4th BAY DAY - The Waterfront Center in Oyster Bay. Kayaks available to try out, curtesy of EMS.
For more info go to www.thewaterfrontcenter.org

June 10 ANNUAL FISHING TOURNAMENT - Empire Kayaks, 14 Empire Blvd., Island Park NY
(516) 889-8300 • empirekayaks.com

June 17 FISHING TOURNAMENT - Dinghy Shop, 334 South Bayview Ave, Amityville
631-264-0005 • dinghyshop.com

July 22 Fund raiser for Community Chest "KAYAK REGATTA" starting 9:00AM prizes, food, 23 stops (if you can make it), and a whole lot of fun. Take off point is at Port Wash., Manhasset Harbor Town Dock.
Ken Fink 631-467-5163 • kayaken1@aol.com



Weekday Paddle Trips

Weather, wind or tide conditions will determine time and location.

June 5th we start with a trip around Centre Island from Beckman Beach to the Bayville County Park on LI Sound.

June 12th Trip around Stony Brook Harbor.

June 14th we will go to the south shore for an evening paddle out of Venetian Beach in Lindenhurst and explore the islands off the coast.

On **June 19th** we will go from Massapequa to Jones Beach OR Alhambra Beach to the fishing piers at Jones Beach on the bay side.

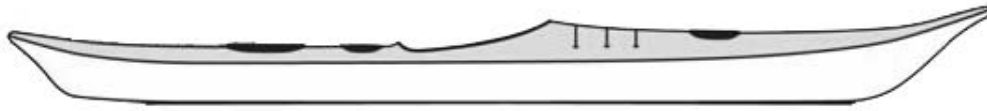
On **June 29th** we will take a ride up and down the Nissequogue River.

I will use the short notice announcement to change locations if necessary.

Alan Mindlin photonut50@hotmail.com

Schedule of Paddles

One of the things that makes this club special is that it's a group effort. Please share your favorite paddling spot with fellow paddlers by leading a trip. Please contact our co-Trip Directors - Peter Bryan or Alan Mindlin trips@lipaddlers.org if you wish to lead or co-lead any trips.



Date	Location	Trip Level	Key Person
6/3 (rain date 6/4)	Carman's River	Beginner	Barbara Fontana
6/10 (rain date 6/11)	Flanders Bay	Intermediate	Steve Berner
6/24	Trip Leaders' Skills Day		
6/25)	Robbins Island circumnavigation	Intermediate	Bruce Mulligan
7/8 (rain date 7/9)	Hallock Bay--Orient Beach St. Pk	Intermediate	Steve Berner
7/15 (rain date 7/16)		Intermediate	Bruce Mulligan
7/22 (rain date 7/23)	Skills Day--Sunken Mdw St. Pk. Pkg Lot 3		
7/29 (rain date 7/30)	Picnic		
8/5 (rain date 8/6)	Setauket		Ken Fink
8/12 (rain date 8/13)	Sebonac Creek--Southampton	Intermediate	Steve Berner
8/26	Skills Day Heckscher St. Pk Field 7		
9/2 (rain date 9/3)	Timber Point		
9/9 (rain date 9/10)	Flanders Bay	Intermediate	Steve Berner
9/16 & 9/17	Camping & Kayaking @ Port Jefferson		Bruce Mulligan

May 19-21 Trip Report

Alan Mindlin organized a great weekend trip to Nockamixon State Park, PA. We kayaked the lake, had a picnic lunch, went out to dinner to a delicious restaurant, slept in comfortable cabins with all the conveniences. Alan, Denise and Paul Caparatta, Roseanne and Mike Matty, Rose and Frank Chillemi, Gerry Hummel, Ed Luke, Eddie Goldenberg and Jan Hayes all had a wonderful time.

Thanks Alan, you did a terrific job.



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May 25 Meeting



Our own **Frank Chillemi** presented "An Introduction To Paddling In A Group: Ending The Day Safe, Smiling and Still Speaking To Each Other." If you missed it, you missed out, it was wonderful.

- We will not offer an associate membership this year & will reconsider at the end of the year for next year.
- **Barry Goldblatt** is organizing volunteers for Bay Day at The Waterfront Center in Oyster Bay on June 4th. And as escorts for swimming races in Huntington on July 9th. (917) 273-6499 goldblattinvestigations@gmail.com
- **Kaye Eastman** has accepted the position of member-at-large replacing David Chin.



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- Merlin XT touring kayak. 2 year old 15 foot. The boat has been in an accident and repaired to exceed original manufactures specs. Sells new in 2006 for \$2100 plus tax asking \$1400.00. Snapdragon spray skirt is included.
- Garmin Legend GPS with all original equipment and case and some backup software \$95.00

Contact: Steve 631-661-3988

- Phoenix Vagabond touring kayak —fiberglass 2 seater with long cockpit. Includes paddles, seat cushions, air chambers, spray skirt, rudder, roof racks, and home-made sail rig. \$750.00.

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