



# The Yakker



Photo/Michael Condon

June is a busy month for members of Lowcountry Paddlers. Here volunteers prepare to assist the Lowcountry splash swimmers during the annual open water race held June 5.

## Pack your picnic baskets in June



**Michael Cadoret**  
Club President

Hello Happy Paddlers! It's June already, the middle of the calendar year, the middle of the paddling season and the month we as a club, begin the process of electing club officers.

For the 23<sup>rd</sup> year, this paddling club will choose the board of officers they would like to have as

their representatives for the next twelve months. There are four board positions to be filled: president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. It is up to each of you to get involved in the process. You may nominate yourself, any of the other club members, or one of the current officers.

Nominations will be accepted beginning now and up to July 14. Please submit your

nomination and the office of choice to me via e-mail. **START NOW!** And you may also make your nominations known at the June club meeting. I will then contact the nominated person to determine if she or he will accept. Elections will be held at the July club meeting and the new board will be installed in August.

It's time for the LCP Annual Summer Picnic! The picnic will be held at Givhans Ferry State Park during the regularly scheduled paddle trip June 13 on the Edisto River, rain or shine. I've reserved a picnic shelter at the park and the picnic will take place during the lunch break of the short paddle trip.

The club will provide burgers, rolls, watermelon and drinks. We ask each of you to bring an appetizer, side or dessert to share. Your family members who may not be paddling are welcome to join us at the park, located off Hwy 61. Detailed information can be found on the club's website.



Lowcountry Paddlers are from near and far, in canoes and kayaks of all shapes and sizes, and are at all skill levels. They share the enjoyment found in joining to appreciate the abundant natural beauty that surrounds us in South Carolina.

Our meetings are usually held on the third Monday of each month and are informal. They are open to nonmembers and guests, and provide a great way to learn about the club and meet our members. Meetings normally include a guest speaker from 7-8 p.m. followed by a short session of club business. They generally conclude by 8:30 p.m.

**Join us at our next meeting  
at 7 p.m. June 21**  
at

Charleston Watersport  
1255 Ben Sawyer Blvd  
Mt Pleasant

Contact us at:  
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[www.lowcountrypaddlers.net](http://www.lowcountrypaddlers.net)

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This month the club is offering four absolutely wonderful trips. Do not miss even one! See the club website for details. On Sunday, June 13, Dan will lead a trip on the Edisto, the aforementioned picnic trip. On Saturday, June 19 Julie will lead a trip from Bonneau Beach through the Lake Moultrie Locks and into the Tail Race Canal — suggest a Post Paddle Blast at Gilligan's following the paddle. On Saturday, June 26, Andy will lead a trip out of Cape Romain to the North end of Bull Island.

Here's a heads-up for the Kayamping trip on Aug. 13-15 at Devils Forks State Park to explore Lake Jocassee and the waterfalls there. Make your campsite reservations now, while there may still be some site vacancies! Share a tent site with another club member and car pool.

You just cannot pack anymore fun into one month! And y'all are lucky enough to live right in the middle of "Vacationland" so, wash off your kayak, load your gear and "Make the Most of Our Beautiful Coast."

## Welcome our new members

Dennis Orwat, Rudy Oates,  
Linda Lacey, Carl Schnee-  
berger, Harry S. Carter,

Teresa Kendall, Ryan Ken-  
dall, Bonnie Caruso, and Ju-  
lie Acker.

## Saluda River trip

**From Michael Cadoret**

LCP, here's another opportunity for those of the kayak fringe element.

On Aug. 15, Charleston County Parks and Recreation is offering the opportunity to travel with them to the Saluda River in Columbia to participate in an introduction to the excitement of whitewater kayaking.

They will provide the short boat whitewater kayaks most of you do not have and the transportation

and the instruction!

Y'all need to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to stretch your limits! Sally and I get the chance to do some Class I & II with Paddle GA each year and it's a real hoot! I urge you to break out of your comfort zone and reach for the excitement. You won't be sorry!

Meet at CCPRC Headquarters. For more information please call (843) 795-4FUN or visit [www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com).

# LCP meeting minutes for May 17, 2010

## MEETING

Club President Michael Cadoret opened the meeting by welcoming 29 members including 2 guests. He introduced the club officers, and asked each guest to introduce themselves.

Bill Guiffre handed out an article from "Adventure Kayak, Surf Expands its Turf."

Alex Graham passed out a flyer about sea kayaking in the Bay Islands of Honduras. Alex is the trip coordinator for this week-long kayaking adventure. The cost for double occupancy is \$1,995. There are discounts for Low Country Paddlers. Contact Alex at 324-1156 for more information.

## OLD BUSINESS

The minutes of the April 19 meeting were approved as published on the LCP website.

## NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance	\$2,279.69
Receipts	\$620
Disbursements	-\$250
Adjustments	-\$30
Outstanding checks	-\$280
Balance	\$2,369.39

## Trip Leader Report

- Saturday, May 22: Ed Deal will lead a trip on Lake Moultre to Dennis' Pasture. This is a one star paddle.
- The June 4-6 Kayamping trip to Huntington Beach State Park has been cancelled.
- Sunday, June 6: Helon Everett will lead a trip from Cherry Point landing to Deveaux Bank. This is a 2 star paddle.
- Sunday, June 13: Dan Hoke will lead a trip from Marsoldfield Landing to Messervy Landing. The lunch stop will be at LCP annual picnic at Givhans State Park.
- Saturday, June 19: Julie Feeley will lead a trip through the Lake Moultre Locks. This is a 2 star trip.

Please check out the website for more detailed information: [Lowcountrypaddlers.net](http://Lowcountrypaddlers.net)

## Announcements

Michael talked about the annual club picnic which will be at Givhans Ferry State Park on June 13. There is a paddle scheduled in conjunction with the picnic (Marsoldfield to Merservey). The club will provide drinks, and burgers and hotdogs. Members are asked to bring side dishes to share. Michael will not paddle and will meet those members who want to paddle so he can take their food items for safe keeping at the picnic site

The LCP photo contest will be judged during the picnic. One photo per category per person will allowed. Photos must be 8 x 10 size.

Michael talked about up coming camping trips. There is the August trip to Devils Fork State Park and the September 10-11 trip to Calhoun State Recreation area near Greenville. There is a special trip in September to Huntington Beach State Park. The Atalaya Festival will be going on then. September 24-26. In October Michael has planned a campout at Edisto State Park.

The June club meeting will be held at The Water Sport Store on Ben Sawyer Blvd. Lowcountry Paddlers will get a 10% discount at the shop. There will be drinks and snacks.

The LCP club membership cards are in the works.

Michael mentioned that it is almost time for the election of new club officers. Nominations are taken in June, voting on the slate in July and installations of officers in August.

Dan Hoke gave a brief trip report of his paddle on Clear Creek in the Congaree State Park.

Door prizes were drawn and the movie "Exploring The Northwest Coast by Kayak" was shown.

The meeting ended at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Leslie Maple**

## CCPRC events for June

### Botany Bay Sea Kayak Tour (Intermediate)

We'll launch from Cherry Point and paddle to a local dolphin playground. After lunch on the beach, we'll return with the incoming tide. Preregistration required. Age: 16 & up. Meets at: CCPRC Headquarters. Fee: \$54/\$45 CCR Discount

**June 5 Sat.,** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Course # 22682

### ACA Introduction to Kayaking - Level 1

Let our ACA certified instructors help you learn a new skill comfortably and enjoyably. Using a variety of boats, this entry-level course teaches you basic strokes and skills to have fun on the water! Preregistration required. Age: 16 & up. Meets at: James Island County Park. Fee: \$36/\$30 CCR Discount

**June 6 Sun** 9 a.m. -1 p.m. Course # 22699

### ACA Kayak Quickstart-Level 1

Come learn about the fun-filled sport of kayaking. During this 2-hour hands-on informal program, our experienced instructors will show you how you can safely enjoy kayaking on protected waters. Preregistration required. Age: 16 & up. Meets at: James Island County Park. Fee: \$18/\$15 CCR Discount

**June 8 Tues** 6-8 p.m. Course # 22704

### Caw Caw - Heritage to Habitat Canoe Tour

Enjoy an interpretive canoe trip and travel back to the age of rice as we paddle through rice fields and canals that now serve as one of the richest wildlife habitats in the Lowcountry. A registered and paid chaperone is required for participants ages 15 and under. Preregistration required. Age: 9 & up. Meets at: Caw Caw Interpretive Center. Fee: \$15/\$12 CCR Discount

**June 12 Sat** 9-11:30 a.m. Course # 22725

### ACA Essentials of Kayak Touring-Level 2

This course is designed to teach beginners to paddle sea kayaks safely and enjoyably on lakes and other flatwater settings without wind, waves or current. Boats, equipment, safety, and basic strokes and rescues will be covered. Preregistration required. Meets at: James Island County Park. Age: 16 & up. Fee: \$54/\$45 CCR Discount

**June 12 Sat** 9 a.m. -4 p.m. Course # 22700

### ACA Strokes and Maneuvers Refinement-Level 3

Perfect your technique — using on-water practice, our ACA certified instructors will assist you with your stroke and maneuver efficiency, fluidity, and control. Preregistration required.

Meets at: James Island County Park.

Age: 16 & up

Fee: \$36/\$30 CCR Discount

**June 13 Sun** 9 a.m. -1 p.m. Course # 22705



### Introduction to Kayak Rolling Class

Rolling is the greatest self-rescue tool a kayaker has, and sharpens other boating skills in these small pool classes. Participants ages 13-15 can register, but must be accompanied by an adult chaperone. Preregistration required. Meets at: Splash Zone. Age: 13 & up. Fee: \$48/\$40 CCR Discount.

**June 14-18 Mon, Wed, Fri** 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Course # 22673

### Cole Creek Kayak Exploration

Join us for a full day of exploration behind Folly Island. After kayaking the Folly River and stopping for lunch on the south end of Folly Beach, we'll take a detour up into Cole Creek and use the incoming tide to carry us back up to our launch spot. Preregistration required. Meets at: CCPRC Headquarters. Age: 16 & up. Fee: \$54/\$45 CCR Discount

**June 19 Sat** 9 a.m. -5 p.m. Course # 22686

### After Work Sea Kayak Tours - Coburg Creek Loop

Join us for a more leisurely tour on this intimate tidal creek as we pass by quaint docks and an old dairy. Preregistration required. Meets at: Offsite Location. Age: 16 & up. Fee: \$36/\$30 CCR Discount

**June 22 Tue** 5:30-8:30 p.m. Course # 22670

### Caw Caw Sunset/Moonrise Paddle

Enjoy an interpretive paddle at dusk. Witness the sun as it slips below the trees of Caw Caw Swamp and watch the moonrise over Tea Farm Creek. A registered and paid chaperone is required for participants ages 15 and under. Preregistration required. Meets at: Caw Caw Interpretive Center. Age: 9 & up. Fee: \$18/\$15 CCR Discount

**June 24 Thu** 6:30-9 p.m. Course # 22726

### ACA Coastal Kayak Level 3-4 IDW

This Instructor Development Workshop (IDW) will allow aspiring instructors to experience the ACA curriculum and work on their teaching techniques. It will help prepare students for the ACA's Coastal Kayak or Open Water Instructor Certification Exam (ICE) later in the summer. For more information, visit

<http://www.americancanoe.org>. Preregistration required.

Meets at: James Island County Park. Age: 18 & up. Fee: \$300/\$275 CCR Discount

**June 25-27 Fri-Sun** 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Course # 22825

**LCP members receive a 20% discount on all water-based programs when registering by phone with CCPRC Park and Program Services. Please call (843) 795-4FUN or visit [www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com).**