

# Why Join RICKA?

For 35 years, the Rhode Island Canoe & Kayak Association has been one of the largest paddle sport clubs in southeastern New England. Here are some of the reasons why you should be a member.

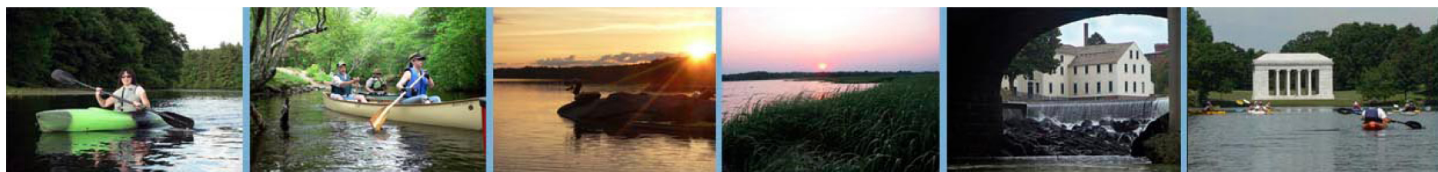
At RICKA, paddling is at the heart of everything that we do. Last year, RICKA organized over 100 [flatwater](#), [whitewater](#) and [sea kayak trips](#). These trips ranged from easy daytrips to weeklong excursions. Our affiliated clubs – the [Blackstone Valley Paddle Club](#) and the [Southern New England Paddlers](#) – also organized trips throughout the summer. At RICKA, we organize trips for paddlers of every interest and skill level.

Are you looking to improve your skills? Training is also an important part of the RICKA mission. Each year RICKA sponsors fun and informative training sessions. These including our annual [rolling clinic](#); flatwater, whitewater and sea kayak training; leadership training; first aid and CPR classes. Many of these sessions are offered free of charge, or at a significant discount to our members.

In addition to trips and training, we produce eleven monthly issues of our outstanding newsletter the [Paddler](#), hold [monthly meetings](#) with interesting and informative speakers, and maintain the [websites](#), message boards and email lists that keep you up-to-date on trips and activities. Our [Library](#) also includes an extensive collection of books and videos covering all aspects of paddling.

Do you need to buy or sell boat? You should check out the [RICKA Classified Ads](#) on our website and in the Paddler. If you can't find what you need there, RICKA members also get special discounts at several area retailers.

None of this would be possible without the ongoing support of our members. If you like what we do, but are not a RICKA member, please join today – it's just \$15 for the entire family. If you are a RICKA member, please renew your membership now. Your current membership expires on March 31, 2012. You can register with the form below, or on line using PayPal at: <http://www.ricka.org/Join/Jointhefun.html> For more information, please contact Sharon Dragon 401-225-3942 or email [shdrag1@gmail.com](mailto:shdrag1@gmail.com)



## Membership Renewal

(Please submit one form per family)

**FILL in ONLY your name and any NEW information.**

**RICKA DUES** (with email newsletter) = \$15

**BVPC DUES** (Blackstone Valley Paddle Club) = \$10

**FULL MEMBERSHIP** (Includes RICKA & BVPC) = \$25

**First Class Mail option for newsletter add \$5**

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**ENCLOSE YOUR CHECK AND MAIL TO: RICKA, P.O. Box 184 Hope Valley, RI 02832**

**Name Adult 1 (primary)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name Adult 2 (spouse, significant other)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP+4** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone 1** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **Home/Cell/Work** **Phone2** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **Home/Cell/Work**

**Email 1** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_ **Email 2** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you willing to volunteer for club activities?** Yes: Picnic, Newsletter, Trip Leader, RICKA Board, Other: \_\_\_\_\_

You can also renew your membership online using PayPal at <http://www.ricka.org/Join/Jointhefun.html>

**Membership year is from April 1, through March 31 of the following year.**