

# PADDLER

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## June “Meeting on the Water”

### Hundred Acre Cove, Barrington

Monday, June 18, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Our first “Meeting on the Water” is the signal that summer is finally here! For those new to the club, a group paddle replaces RICKA’s more structured meetings in the months of June, July and August. It’s a great chance to get together with fellow paddlers at a location that is suitable for everyone.

This month’s paddle will be held at Hundred Acre Cove in Barrington. Hundred Acre Cove sits just north of the confluence of the Barrington and Palmer Rivers and is the third largest salt marsh estuary in Rhode Island. It’s a pleasant place to paddle in an area teeming with birds and wildlife. Our leader for the evening will be Bill Brown. Bill is a Flatwater Leader and Member at Large to the RICKA Executive Committee. We will meet at the boat ramp at 6:00 p.m. for a 6:30 p.m. launch. Changes or cancellation will be posted on the [flatwater message board](#).



An egret foraging along the shoreline at Hundred Acre Cove

**Directions to Hundred Acre Cove:** The put-in for Hundred Acre Cove and the Barrington River is on Route 114 (Wampanoag Trail) in Barrington. Go south on Route 114 and take the last turnaround before Route 114 becomes a two-way road. (If you miss it, no problem- just go through the next intersection and turn around in the parking lot of the Congregational Church. It's impossible to miss.) Just after the turnaround (you're now heading north), you'll see a sign on the right that says Walker Farm – turn in. This is the town dock and boat ramp. Park anywhere that's not posted.

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## Sea Kayak Safety Training

June 16, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

Join us at Quonny Pond in Charlestown as we practice advance sea kayak safety. See the [website](#) for additional details.

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## Basic Flatwater Training

July 1, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.

Would you like to improve your flatwater paddling skills? In this 3-hour class, paddlers will learn basic strokes and rescue techniques. For more details and to register please visit: <http://woonsocket.org/flatwatertraining.html> or contact Cheryl Thompson Cameron at [stonefox@juno.com](mailto:stonefox@juno.com).

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## Basic Whitewater Training

June 23 - 24, 2012

The RICKA Whitewater Group will be holding its 2-day Basic Whitewater Course on June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. The course will be taught by ACA certified whitewater instructor Mike Rock.

This is a beginner whitewater course where participants will learn and refine the techniques needed to paddle in class II whitewater. While this is a beginner course, it is not for novice paddlers. You must be able to handle self-rescues (wet exits) and already know basic strokes. Previous moving water experience is a plus. The class will be held on the Deerfield River in western MA. For more details and to register, please visit:

<http://www.woonsocket.org/wwschool.html> or contact Andy Viera at [andyv51@hotmail.com](mailto:andyv51@hotmail.com).

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## Save the Date – RICKA Family Picnic

The 4th Annual RICKA Family Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 16, 2012 at the Pavilion at Fort Getty in Jamestown.

In the morning, flatwater and sea kayak trips will leave from Fort Getty. Fort Getty also offers swimming, fishing and volleyball (just bring a ball). There is also ample room for ball games, badminton, or most anything else. Please feel free to organize an activity.

Lunch will be a southern barbecue from Russell Morin Express Catering in Attleboro, MA. The meal will include clam chowder and barbecued chicken and ribs with all the fixings. (Vegetarian meals will also be available.) A special RICKA 35th

Anniversary Cake will be served for dessert.

New at this year's picnic will be a Swap Meet where members can trade or sell used or unwanted kayaks, canoes and paddling gear. Members participating in the swap meet will be responsible for setting up and maintaining their gear.

The cost will be \$15.00 per person for members (including family members and significant others), and \$22.50 per person for non-members. You can find additional information and a link to our PayPal payment site at : <http://www.ricka.org/Picnic.pdf>.

## Celebrate RICKA's 35th Anniversary with a commemorative tee shirt!



Available for \$20.00 if picked up at a meeting or mailed by first class mail. (If you wish to have priority mail, please add \$5.00).  
<http://www.ricka.org/miscPayments/rickateeshirts.html>

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Your annual RICKA membership expired on March 31, 2012...

## Renew your membership now!

Please visit the website at:  
<http://www.ricka.org/Join/Jointhefun.html>  
You can renew by mail, or online using PayPal.

### Executive Committee:

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at REI, 22 Chapel View Blvd., Cranston. All are welcome to attend.

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## An Interview with RICKA President Andrew (AJ) Barbato

### What is the Rhode Island Canoe & Kayak Association?

The Rhode Island Canoe & Kayak Association, also known as RICKA, is one of the oldest and largest paddle sport clubs in southeastern New England. For 35 years, RICKA has provided recreational paddling opportunities for its members and friends from Rhode Island and across New England.

### What type of paddling does RICKA do?

RICKA has four interest groups – [Flatwater](#), [Whitewater](#), [Sea Kayak](#) and [Wilderness](#). These groups often overlap and many members paddle regularly with all four groups.

The [Flatwater](#) group is the largest of RICKA's four interest groups. Flatwater trips run the gamut from lakes and ponds, to rivers, to open water. Swimming, picnicking, and short hikes accompany some trips.

The [Whitewater](#) group is the smallest of RICKA's four interest groups. This group paddles whitewater rivers and streams across New England.

The [Sea Kayak](#) group is specifically focused on kayaking in coastal environments. These trips range in difficulty from novice to expert.

The [Wilderness](#) group is the newest of RICKA's four interest groups. The Wilderness group organizes trips that involve paddling, camping and other wilderness skills.



RICKA President – Andrew (AJ) Barbato

### How do I find out about trips?

Last year, RICKA organized over 100 trips ranging from easy daytrips to weeklong excursions. Read the current [Paddler](#) or visit the [RICKA website](#) to explore the calendars and message boards of one or all of our paddling groups for scheduled trips and last minute changes.

Our affiliated club offers additional paddling trips unique to themselves. The [Blackstone Valley Paddle Club](#) (BVPC) is part of our flatwater group that works in conjunction with the [National Park Service](#) (NPS). They lead trips and provide basic training throughout the watershed of the Blackstone River from Worcester, MA to Providence, RI. Many trips include historical narration by either a Park Ranger or a member about the portion of river of that trip.

And our newest unaffiliated group [Southern New England Paddlers](#) (SNEP) offers similar paddle trips and training throughout southern RI and eastern CT, in conjunction with the [Wood Pawcatuck Watershed Association](#). (See story on page 4.)

### Do you provide training?

Training is an important part of the RICKA mission. Each year RICKA sponsors many 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.

### What else does RICKA do?

In addition to trips and training, RICKA produces eleven monthly issues of its outstanding newsletter the [Paddler](#). We hold [monthly meetings](#) with interesting and informative speakers.

We also maintain the [websites](#), message boards and email lists that keep you up-to-date on trips and activities. Our [Library](#) contains an extensive collection of books and videos covering all aspects of paddling that are available to members.

You can buy or sell gear through the [RICKA Classified Ads](#), and RICKA members also get special discounts at several area retailers - see page 7 for the complete listing.

RICKA is also a Paddle America Club with the [American Canoe Association](#) (ACA) – the country's largest paddle sport club. RICKA members can join the ACA at discounted annual rates of \$30 individual, \$40 family (regularly \$40 and \$60).

We now also schedule walking/hiking trips tailored to geocaching. And in the winter months have snowshoe-hiking trips throughout the area.

### Should I join RICKA?

Yes – absolutely! If you like canoeing or kayaking, would like to meet new friends, paddle in new and interesting places in a friendly group atmosphere and are not a RICKA member, please join today – it's just \$15 for the entire family. And if your membership has expired, please renew your membership today, as we often add new paddling locations and activities. You can register by mail or online using PayPal. For additional information please see our website at: <http://www.ricka.org/Join/Jointhefun.html>



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# The Upper Wood River

By Erik Eckilson

After several weekends filled with yard work, I was really looking forward to getting out on the water. I had been thinking about heading up to the Deerfield in western MA until I saw a post on the [Flatwater Message Board](#) that Henry was planning a trip on the upper Wood River.

The Wood River is located southwestern Rhode Island and flows 25 miles from its source near Sterling, CT to the Village of Alton where it merges with the Pawcatuck. There are two sections of the Wood River which are popular with paddlers – the upper Wood River from Route 165 in Exeter to the Wyoming Dam, and the lower Wood River from Hope Valley Landing to Alton. I had done the lower section a couple of times in the past, but had never paddled the upper section, so the upper Wood River it would be.

I arrived at the put-in on Route 165 at around 10:00 and was surprised to see that most of the paddlers had already arrived. I was also surprised at the large number of canoes on this trip. In total there were 13 boats – 9 canoes and 4 kayaks. Maybe we should go back the club's old name – the Rhode Island Canoe Association.

We ran the shuttle and were on the water by 11:00. The river starts off narrow and shallow as it twists and turns through the woodlands of the [Arcadia Management Area](#). The banks were lined with mountain laurel, honeysuckle and other flowering plants – very pretty.

The Wood River is also one of Rhode Island's most popular trout streams, and we passed several fishermen on our way down the river. The fishing must have been good on this day because all the fishermen seemed happy.



Chuck running the drop below the Barberville Dam

We continued through the woods for a couple of miles until the river opened up into marshy area known as Frying Pan Pond. A bald eagle soared overhead – the first I had seen in Rhode Island. There were also ducks, geese and turtles just about everywhere I looked.

We stopped for lunch at the Barberville Dam which is also the headquarters for the [Wood Pawcatuck Watershed Association](#) (WPWA). The WPWA is a great advocate for this watershed, and a partner with RICKA in the [Southern New England Paddlers](#). (See story on right.)

After lunch, we portaged the Barberville Dam before continuing downstream. Most of the group portaged to the right which allowed them to avoid a tricky little rapid just below the dam. Chuck and I went left, and bounced out way down the rocks without difficulty. Chuck even ran the drop standing up!

Below the dam is a nice quickwater stretch until the river begins to widen into the impoundment for the Wyoming Dam known as Wyoming Pond. The pond is shallow and choked with weeds, and we paddled into a strong headwind until we reached the dam. With the trip complete, we got everyone back to their cars before heading home.

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Erik is a Flatwater, Whitewater and BVPC Leader and Editor of the Paddler.

## Southern New England Paddlers Resumes Wednesday Evening Paddles

If you like paddling in southern RI and eastern CT, this is the group for you.

[Southern New England Paddlers](#) (SNEP) explores a different waterway in southern New England each Wednesday evening from mid-May till early-September. Trips are planned at scenic sites that are both easy and relatively safe for new paddlers.

Membership is free, however we do encourage participants to join the [Rhode Island Canoe Kayak Association](#) (RICKA) and the [Wood Pawcatuck Watershed Association](#) (WPWA). Both these organizations offer other excellent paddling and outdoor activities.

All paddles start at 6:00 p.m. and end before sunset. Please arrive a couple minutes early if possible - we will be on the water by 6:15 p.m. at the latest. Since our paddles end close to sunset, a flashlight or headlamp is also recommended in case we do not get off the water before dark.

Rentals are available at select locations throughout the summer. If rentals are available, it will be noted in the trip description along with the phone number to call to reserve a kayak.

The first Tuesday of each month is training night at WPWA. You may bring your kayak and gear, or it will be provided to you with the training. The cost of training is a \$20 donation to WPWA.

You can learn more at the Southern New England Paddlers website at: <http://www.meetup.com/KayakFun/>

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## Before you Paddle...

Educate yourself about the area in which you will be paddling, and carry appropriate gear, clothing, water, food, etc. Always check the weather forecast before launching. **YOU ALONE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THE DECISION TO LAUNCH YOUR BOAT.**

### Blackstone Valley Paddle Club Trips

Unless otherwise noted, Blackstone Valley Paddle Club trips are suitable for all boats and skill levels. More detailed trip descriptions can be found on the [web site](#).

June 12<sup>th</sup> - launching at 6:15  
**Blackstone River - Ashton -River and Canal Loop**

We will paddle up the Blackstone Canal, and then back down the Blackstone River. The river section requires good boat handling skills. This trip is suitable for shorter boats (15 feet and under).

June 19<sup>th</sup> - launching at 6:15  
**Riverbend Farm Loop.**  
Rentals available

We will paddle on the Blackstone Canal to historic Goat Hill Lock. More experienced paddlers can also paddle the river loop which requires very good boat control in moving water.

June 21<sup>st</sup> - launching at 6:15  
**Intro to Paddling Night**  
**Lincoln Woods, Olney Pond, Lincoln**

A training night devoted solely to training those interested in learning basic strokes.

June 26<sup>th</sup> - launching at 6:15  
**Hopedale Pond, Hopedale**

A pleasant paddle in the Hopedale Pond.

July 3<sup>rd</sup> - launching at 6:15  
**Blackstone River- Albion to Manville**  
Rentals available

We will put-in above the Albion Dam and paddle upstream to the Manville Dam and back.

## Flatwater Trips

Late cancellations and changes to trips will be posted on the [Flatwater Message Board](#). Please check the Message Board before leaving for a trip. Check [web site](#) for directions and/or GPS coordinates.

June 9<sup>th</sup> - meet at 9:00 for a 9:15 launch  
**Narrow River - Narragansett, RI**  
Trip coordinator: Henry Dziadosz at [henry@twincitysupply.com](mailto:henry@twincitysupply.com) or 401-567-0313.

Join us as we paddle from Pollock Street to the Gilbert Stuart Museum. You need to be at the launch site by 9:00 at the latest to ensure parking. This trip is approximately 7 or 8 miles. Bring a lunch.

June 10<sup>th</sup> - meet at the commuter parking lot at 9:30  
**Lower Pawcatuck River - Ashaway, RI to Westerly, RI**  
Trip coordinator: Mike Vechinsky at [M.Vechinsky@att.net](mailto:M.Vechinsky@att.net) or 860-271-1586

This is a very scenic 7.5-mile trip with one portage around a dam and two sets of rapids to run depending on water levels. Experienced paddlers only - some class I/II rapids and quickwater. Bring wheels for the portage if you have them.

June 17<sup>th</sup> - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch  
**Wickford - Wilson's Park**  
RSVP is required  
Trip coordinators: Lynne DeRosa at [lynde256@yahoo.com](mailto:lynde256@yahoo.com) or 401-474-1387 and Annette Bourcier.

Join us at the Air Show paddle and view the [Air Show](#) from a different vantage point. We will paddle in the calm, wind-protected waters among the islands and marshes. Please allow time for traffic when arriving at the put-in. Suitable for all levels of experience and boat lengths. Bring a lunch.

June 18<sup>th</sup> - meet at 6:00 for a 6:30 launch  
**Meeting on the Water - 100 Acre Cove, Barrington**  
Trip coordinator: Bill Brown at [kayakbill222@aol.com](mailto:kayakbill222@aol.com). If you have a question and do not have email access you can call Cheryl at 401-647-5887 for information.

This paddle replaces the RICKA monthly general meeting for June. Hundred Acre Cove sits just north of the confluence of the Barrington and Palmer Rivers and is the third largest salt marsh estuary in Rhode Island. This trip is suitable for all levels of experience and all boat lengths.

June 24<sup>th</sup> - meet at 9:30 for a 10:00 launch  
**Slocum River, South Dartmouth, MA**  
Trip coordinators; Bill Brown at [kayakbill222@aol.com](mailto:kayakbill222@aol.com) and Bill Mitchell at [wmitchell270@comcast.net](mailto:wmitchell270@comcast.net). If you do not have email access and need more information you can call Cheryl at 647-5887.

This trip will take 3 to 4 hours and is approximately 7- 8 miles. If you have a choice of boats, we would recommend the longer boat. Bring a lunch

June 30<sup>th</sup> - meet at 10:30 for an 11:30 launch (Rain date is July 14th)  
**7th Annual North River Trip, Hanover, MA**  
Coordinator: Ron Cichowski at [n3303j@erols.com](mailto:n3303j@erols.com) or 508-868-3471

The route is 11.6 miles and is an easy 4 hours, unless there are significant winds. We will stop at the 6-mile point in a comfortable pine grove to consume whatever provisions you bring.  
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July 1<sup>st</sup> - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch  
**Mystic River and Seaport Mystic CT**  
Trip coordinator: Mike Vechinsky at  
[M.Vechinsky@att.net](mailto:M.Vechinsky@att.net) or 860-271-1586.

Start off paddling around the seaport viewing the old sailing vessels, then paddle upstream to the marshes and turn around. More experienced paddlers can venture out to the sea. The 21st Annual Wooden Boat Show will be here at the seaport during our paddle. Bring a lunch.

July 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:00  
**Basic Flatwater Training**  
**Stump Pond, Smithfield**  
Coordinators: Cheryl Thompson Cameron at [stonefox@juno.com](mailto:stonefox@juno.com) or Erik Eckilson at [eckilson@cox.net](mailto:eckilson@cox.net)

In this 3-hour class, paddlers will learn the basic strokes and maneuvers to control their boats on flatwater. We will also cover basic rescue techniques. For more details and to register please visit:  
<http://woonsocket.org/flatwatertraining.htm>  
[1](#)

July 8<sup>th</sup> - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch  
**Ninigret Salt Pond, Charlestown**  
Trip coordinator Sharon Dragon at  
[shdrag@cox.net](mailto:shdrag@cox.net) or 401-225-3942

This trip will take approximately 3 hours or longer. Suitable for all levels of ability and all boat lengths. Bring a lunch.

July 14<sup>th</sup> - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch  
**Connecticut River**  
Trip coordinator Bill Brown  
[kayakbill222@aol.com](mailto:kayakbill222@aol.com)  
If you do not have email access you can call Cheryl at 401-647-5887 with any questions.

We will paddle from the Connecticut River Ferry to Hamburg Cove. Suitable for boats 14 feet or longer and participants who can paddle 8 miles. Bring a lunch.

## Sea Kayak Trips

Before choosing to participate in a group trip, check the marine forecast and consider the trip level. Read the [RICKA Sea Kayak Paddling Basics](#) section of the website for more information about group trips. Changes cancellations due to weather or other conditions will be posted on the [RICKA Sea Kayak Message Board](#) by 8:00 a.m. the day of the trip.

June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 10:00 launch  
**Sakonnet Point** - Level 4  
Little Compton, RI  
Coordinator: Bob Hogan

June 10<sup>th</sup> - 10:00 launch  
**Slocum River** - Level 2  
Russell Mills, South Dartmouth, MA  
**Coordinator:** Carleen McOsker, Cam Mejia

We will paddle on the river. Depending on the wind, the paddle may go to Little River. Flatwater paddlers are invited to join us - 12 ft boat or longer, spray skirt and pump required.

June 10<sup>th</sup> - 10:00 launch  
**Slocum River** - 3  
Russell Mills, South Dartmouth, MA  
Coordinator: Jon Sharlin, Peter Hill

We will paddle to Allen's Pond, past Barney's Joy Pt. There will be surfing opportunities on the way.

June 16<sup>th</sup> - 10:00 launch  
**Sea Kayak Safety Practice**  
Quonny Pond, Charlestown, RI  
Coordinator: Tim Motte

June 17<sup>th</sup> - 10:00 launch  
**Pier 5 to Castle Hill Light House** - Level 4  
Narragansett, RI  
Coordinator: Tim Motte

We will cross the mouth of the Bay from Pier 5 to Castle Hill Light House. The return trip may go through Mackerel Cove on Jamestown.

June 23<sup>rd</sup> - 10:00 launch  
**URI Bay Campus** - Level 2  
Narragansett  
Coordinators: Carole Constanza, Rick Brooks

June 30<sup>th</sup> - 10:00 launch  
**West Island** - Level 3  
Fairhaven, MA  
Coordinator: Cat Radcliffe

## Whitewater Trips

Appropriate skills and equipment are required for whitewater trips.

June 23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>  
**Class II Whitewater Course**  
Organizers: Andy Viera at [andyv51@hotmail.com](mailto:andyv51@hotmail.com) and Mike Rock at [Kayak-Fool2@aol.com](mailto:Kayak-Fool2@aol.com)

For more details and to register for the course, please visit:  
<http://www.woonsocket.org/wwschool.htm>  
[1](#).

## Wilderness Trips

Campers are responsible for their own equipment including dry bags, camping gear and meals.

August 4<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>  
**Annual RICKA Adirondacks Trip**  
Coordinator: Henry Dziadosz at [henry@twincitysupply.com](mailto:henry@twincitysupply.com)

Our base of operations will be Rollins Pond Campground. To sign up, please visit the RICKA website at:  
<http://www.ricka-flatwater.org/adkform.htm>

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## The Conservation Corner Woonasquatucket River

The headwaters of the Woonasquatucket River are 300 feet above sea level at Primrose, in the town of North Smithfield. From there the river flows 19 miles to Providence where it joins the Moshassuck River to form the Providence River.

In 1998 President Clinton designated the Woonasquatucket River an American Heritage River - one of only fourteen in the nation. In 2001, the **Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council** (WRWC) was established to promote and protect this beautiful and historic watershed.

Currently, the WRWC is working to restore river habitats and passages for shad, herring and other migrating fish on the lower reaches of the river. Bill Brown, a current RICKA member, monitors the fish ladder on the Woonasquatucket several times a week to count and log the number of fish moving upstream.

You can explore the Woonasquatucket River this summer with the WRWC on one of its [many paddles](#). Email or call Erik at [etalley@wrwc.org](mailto:etalley@wrwc.org) or (401) 481-1376 for more information on these trips.

For more information on the Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council, you can visit their website at: <http://www.woonasquatucket.org/>

## RICKA Trivia Question of the Month...

We had two correct answers to the May trivia question:

### *What was produced at the Hope Furnace Mill during the Revolutionary War?*

The answer is cannons and cannon balls. According to several sources, seventy-six cannons were produced at the Hope Furnace Mill during the Revolutionary War. Later, a textile mill was built on the site. The Hope Furnace Mill is located on the Pawtuxet River in the town of Scituate, RI.

The RICKA Trivia Question of the Month will return to the Paddler in the fall.

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## Special Discounts for Members

Are you looking to buy a new boat, or maybe some new gear? The following companies offer special discounts to RICKA members:

### **Blackstone Valley Outfitters**

10% off all kayak accessories, guided trips and instruction.

25 Carrington Street, Lincoln, RI  
(401) 312-0369

<http://www.bvori.com/>

### **Claude's Cycles**

10% off snowshoes, canoes and power sports accessories, 8% off wood canoes and fiberglass canoes, 3% off 50cc scooters. Receive an additional 2% discount on canoes and 50cc scooters when you pay by bank check.

Foxborough, MA (call for directions)  
(508) 543-0490

<http://www.claudescycles.com/>

### **CrossFitRhody**

20% discount off any CrossFit membership.

<http://www.crossfitrhody.com/>

### **The Kayak Centre**

6% off glass boats, 10% off plastic boats and accessories (except 15% off accessories with a boat purchase).

Brown and Phillips Streets, Wickford Village, RI

(888) SEA-KAYAK

<http://www.kayakcentre.com/>

### **Narrow River Kayaks**

15% off rentals, tours, and accessories, 5% off kayaks, SUP and canoes.

94B Middlebridge Road, Narragansett, RI  
(401) 789-0334

<http://www.narrowriverkayaks.com/>

### **Osprey Sea Kayak Adventures**

10% off accessories.

489 Old County Rd, Westport, MA 02790  
(508) 636-0300

<http://www.ospreyseakayak.com/>

### **Outdoorplay.com**

15% off gear.

Use code bce-1000 during checkout.

<http://www.outdoorplay.com/>

### **Quaker Lane Outfitters**

10% off canoes and kayaks, 20% off accessories.

4019 Quaker Lane (Route 2), North Kingstown, RI  
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- **Bending Branches Slice Hybrid Plus kayak paddle**, adjustable 225-240cm, like new, \$100, contact Al at 401-727-1555
- **Merlin II Kevlight solo canoe** - like new, 15', 34 lbs., clear gloss finish, Ash trim - \$1,200 firm. Jim S. 401-295-4668 [Miskicamp1@cox.net](mailto:Miskicamp1@cox.net)
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