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June Meeting on the Water Slatersville Reservoir

Monday, June 17, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

The first on-water meeting/paddle of the season is the signal that summer is here! For those new to the club, a group paddle replaces the more structured meetings of fall through spring, and takes place on the third Monday evening of the month. This month's meeting/paddle will be held at the Slatersville Reservoir and the Branch River in North Smithfield. We will meet at the Slatersville Boat Launch at 6:00 p.m.

for a 6:30 p.m. launch. The trip is suitable for all boats and all levels of experience. Our leader for the evening is [Frank Cortesa](#). Changes and cancellations to trips will be posted on the [flatwater message board](#). GPS Coordinates: N41 59. 243 W071 36.073



Directions from North: From 146 South, take the Slatersville exit. Take a right off the ramp onto Great Road/Victory Highway. Travel approximately 1.5 miles. Go straight through the light, continuing on Victory Highway (Route 102), and travel another mile. You'll see a DEM sign for the Slatersville Boat Launch on left-hand side. If you get to the Burrillville town line you have gone too far.
Directions from South: From 146 North, take the Slatersville exit. Make a left off the ramp onto School Street. Travel 1.25 miles and merge (left) onto Greene Street. Travel straight on Greene St. (which becomes Main St.) for another 1.25 miles. Take a left onto Victory Highway (Route 102). Less than a mile on left you'll see a DEM sign for the Slatersville Boat Launch on left-hand side. If you get to the Burrillville town line you have gone too far.

Basic Flatwater Training

July 7, 2013 at 1:00 p.m.

The RICKA Flatwater Group will be holding a Basic Flatwater Paddling Class on Sunday, July 7th at 1:00.

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. The class will take place at Stump Pond in Smithfield and will be free for RICKA and ACA members. If you are not an ACA member, there will be a one-time \$5 event membership fee. Class size is limited to 25 paddlers. Attendance is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For more details and to register visit <http://woonsocket.org/flatwatertraining.html> or contact Cheryl Thompson at stonefoxfarm@cox.net.

Basic Whitewater Training

June 22 - 23, 2013

The RICKA Whitewater Group will be holding a 2-day Basic Whitewater Course on June 22nd and 23rd.

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 visit <http://www.woonsocket.org/wschool.html> or contact Andy Viera at andyv51@hotmail.com.

Enjoy Camping and Paddling this Summer

Cape Cod Paddling Week June 15 - 22, 2013

Join us for a week of paddling the coastal waterways of Cape Cod – it's the best way to see the Cape's natural beauty, and to explore areas accessible only by canoe or kayak. We will be camping at [Shady Knoll Campground in Brewster](#). Reservations are up to each individual and can be made anytime at shady_knoll@capecamping.com. Contact Louise Price at weezrad@yahoo.com or Mike Boulay at mikeb2253@yahoo.com for additional information.

Annual RICKA Adirondacks Trip August 3 – 11, 2013

With thousands of miles of beautiful waterways, the toughest part of paddling in the Adirondacks can be deciding where to go. Make it easy on yourself and join this wonderful weeklong trip organized by long-time RICKA leader Henry Dziadosz. We will be camping at Lake Eaton campground outside of Long Lake, NY. You can reserve your site now at [Reserve America](#). To sign up, please visit the RICKA website at <http://www.ricka-flatwater.org/formadk.htm>

All paddling trips are at the discretion of the leader. Paddlers will need a canoe or kayak that is appropriate for the conditions, paddle, personal floatation device (PFD), paddle float, pump, and spare clothes. You will also need camping equipment including a tent, sleeping bag and cooking gear. You are responsible for your own food. Contact the leaders for additional information.

RICKA is an ACA



Paddle America Club

Executive Board:

The next Executive Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 3, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at 70 Scott Street, Pawtucket. All are welcome to attend.

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Your annual RICKA membership expired on March 31, 2013...

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.

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RICKA Family Picnic and Barbecue

Goddard Memorial State Park in Warwick

Saturday, August 24, 2013 - we have the Picnic Pavilion from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This year's RICKA Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, August 24, 2013 at Goddard Memorial State Park in Warwick, RI. We have reserved the Picnic Pavilion (behind the bath house) from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

In the morning, flatwater and sea kayak trips will leave from the park beach area. Goddard Park has several miles of beautiful trails for biking or hiking. It also offers swimming, fishing and volleyball (just bring a ball). There is ample room for ball games, badminton, or most anything else. Organize an activity and bring the necessary equipment.

Lunch will be a southern barbecue from The Company Picnic Company of North Kingstown, RI. The meal will include BBQ chicken and ribs, pulled pork, red bliss potatoes, corn on the cob, and a



Flatwater and sea kayak trips will leave in the morning from the beach area

garden salad. We will have watermelon for dessert. Beverages will be provided. Veggie burgers will be available upon request. See the registration form. Lunch will be served starting at 12:30 p.m. for about an hour. The 2013 RICKA Awards Ceremony will follow lunch.

The cost will be \$15.00 per person for

members (including family members and significant others), \$5.00 for children under 12 and \$22.50 per person for non-members. Because this is a catered event we must have your reservation no later than August 15, 2013. If possible, please don't wait till the last minute! You can register by mail or online using PayPal at: <http://www.ricka.org/Payments/bbq.html>.

If you register by mail, please print out the form and return it with your check payable to RICKA to the address provided.

Mark your calendars for this fun event!! Rain or Shine. Who knows.... you may be receiving an award! Hope to see you all there!

GPS Coordinates to the parking area:
N41 39.960 W071 26.090

Member Name: _____

Number of Adult Meals: _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____

Number of Adult Vegetarian Meals: _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____

Number of kid's Meals: _____ X \$5.00 = \$ _____

Number of Non-Member Meals: _____ X \$22.50 = \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks payable to RICKA

And mail them to:

Andy Viera

83 Blackstone Street

Bellingham, MA 02019

A Blast from the Past

My First Whitewater Training

By Erik Eckilson

I visited my alma mater last month. No, it wasn't high school, or even college. It was whitewater school. I paddled with the OC1 group at the [NHAMC Whitewater School](#).

My father was an active NHAMC member, so when I first started paddling in 2005, I signed up for their spring whitewater school. Just like the [RICKA Class II Whitewater Kayak Course](#) today, it was a two-day class with the first day spent mostly on flatwater, and the second day spent on the river. I am fortunate that my teacher from that 2005 class is now a frequent paddling companion. I was looking for a place to paddle, and he was looking for some safety boaters for the second day of the class, so it worked out great.

We would be paddling a section of the [Sugar River in Newport, NH](#) that I had last paddled as a student in this class eight years earlier. The river is a nice class II with one class III drop. The group included 5 students, 3 safety boats, and the instructor.

The students looked a little tentative as we put in under a pretty covered bridge. On flatwater the previous day, most of them found their whitewater boats to be difficult to control. Things seemed to get



Surfing practice



Running the Sweet Tooth Rapid

easier for them on the second day as they got into moving water. With each rapid their eddy turns, peel outs and ferries got more confident.

About two thirds of the way down the river we approached Sweet Tooth – the largest rapid on this trip. Our instructor ran the rapid first and eddied out on river left behind some large boulders. The rest of us followed, most taking a line directly down the middle. With the big rapid behind us, everyone's confidence seemed to surge.

The last section of the river is continuous class II, and it was amazing to see the change in the students from earlier in the day. A couple of times I looked back up stream and saw the entire group ferrying across the river looking for waves to surf. Their eddy turns weren't always crisp and clean, but that would come with time and practice.

This trip brought back some great memories, and reminded me how important it is to get good skills training early in your paddling career. With good instruction and a little practice, these paddlers improved their skills much more in this weekend training than they ever could have on their own.

If you are interested in getting involved in whitewater paddling, there is still time to register for [RICKA's Class II Whitewater Kayak Course](#) on June 22 and 23, 2013. In this course, you will learn the skills needed to paddle in class II whitewater. This course is designed for students who are new to whitewater paddling, but that have some previous kayak paddling experience.

For more information on the RICKA Class II Whitewater School, and to register please contact Andy Viera at andyv51@hotmail.com or visit the website at: <http://www.woonsocket.org/wwschool.html>.

Special thanks to the RICKA Rolling and Rescue Clinic Instructors

RICKA would like to thank the following instructors for volunteering their time and effort to the club:

Bob Hogan, Rich Coupland, Peter Gengler, Tim Motte, Bennett Thompson, Jon Sharlin, Bruce Penn, Peter Hill, Bob Braunsdorf and Paul Bender

A special thanks to **Cat Radcliffe** and **Andy Viera** for organizing the event, and to **Barbara August** for helping us gain access to the JCC pool.



Peter Gengler working with a student. Peter has been a RICKA instructor for over 20 years and his enthusiasm to teach the roll has been unmatched.

Is Your Lawn and Yard Care Watershed Friendly?

As summer approaches, sprucing up the lawn and yard is important to most homeowners, and often that means using fertilizers and pesticides.

Unfortunately, those lawn care chemicals can seep into groundwater where even small amounts are undesirable. They can also wash into nearby wetlands and streams where eventually they end up in area rivers and streams. Excess nutrients from fertilizers fuel rampant growth of algae and nuisance weeds making boating and swimming undesirable and degrading fish habitat.

This year, re-think your lawn care routine and consider using the latest “green” methods. Here are a few tips for a healthy lawn that will be safe for kids and pets, and will keep local waters clear and blue.

Mow high. The general rule of thumb is never cut more than a third of the blade. The ideal length is about 2 ½ to 3 inches to maintain healthy growth.

Leave the clippings on the lawn. It helps improve soil quality and reduces fertilizer needs by up to 50%.

Fertilize in the fall. Most established lawns need little or no fertilizer. If you must fertilize, September is the best month, and once a year is enough. If you must fertilize in the spring, wait until you have mowed the lawn three times when grass is actively growing and using the nutrients.

More is not better! Apply fertilizers and pesticides only as directed.

Skip the “step programs”. These often contain herbicides and pesticides you might not need.

Hand pick weeds when possible. If you must treat weeds or insects with herbicides or pesticides, spot treat them rather than applying to the entire lawn.

Use a slow-release fertilizer. It is less likely to run off from healthy, established turf. The label will read: slow release, time release, or slowly available nitrogen. Most liquid fertilizers are quick release.

Consider using organic fertilizers. Organic alternatives include bone meal, blood meal, compost, or organic blends. These can still leach nutrients to local waters, so be sure to follow the manufacturer’s directions for application rate and time.

Check the weather forecast before applications. Don’t apply fertilizers or pesticides when heavy rain is predicted.

When establishing a new lawn use “elite” seeds mixes. These blends include fescues that require less water and fertilizer than Kentucky Bluegrass. Endophyte-enhanced seed varieties contain a fungus that makes them more resistant to stresses like disease, pests and drought. Spending a little more on high quality seed will pay off over the long run with a higher quality, lower maintenance lawn.

Avoid using fertilizers or pesticides near wells or within 75 feet of wetlands and waterways.

For more information on watershed friendly yard care, visit these websites:
Rhodes Island Storm Water Solutions
<http://www.ristormwatersolutions.org/>
Healthy Landscapes
<http://www.uri.edu/ce/healthylandscapes>

RICKA Provides Grant to the WRWC

The Rhode Island Canoe & Kayak Association has provided a \$250 grant to the [Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council](#) (WRWC) to support its river stewardship work with Providence youth in the [Providence After School Alliance](#) (PASA) and [River Rangers](#) programs.

This grant will help the WRWC to offer inner-city youth in Providence a unique perspective on the Woonasquatucket River – a major wildlife corridor right through the heart of Providence. In July, the WRWC will work with the PASA Summer Scholars program to teach a group of Providence middle school students about water quality, land protection and stewardship. The RICKA donation will help fund a canoe/kayak trip as part of this program. “Adding a paddle to this program will give our students a relationship with the river, wildlife and their city that they will never forget,” said Alicia J. Lehrer, Executive Director of the WRWC.

In addition to the PASA Summer Scholars program, the WRWC also hires youth aged 16 to 24 to become river and greenway stewards through its River Rangers program. In addition to cleaning up the river, these River Rangers will also learn about the river, its wildlife, and why it is important to protect it. “Our River Rangers become teachers for the community” said Lehrer. “We hope to offer them a paddle on the river as well to round out their connection and enjoyment of the resources they will be helping to care for.”

The mission of the WRWC is to encourage the restoration and preservation of the Woonasquatucket River. The president of the WRWC, Donald T. Burns, was very appreciative to RICKA for supporting their work.

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](#). For more info contact Cheryl at stonefoxfarm@cox.net or 401-647-5887

June 4th - launching promptly at 6:15
River Bend Farm Loop, Uxbridge, MA

Paddle on the canal to historic Goat Hill lock, or experienced paddlers can paddle the loop - down the river and then up the canal.

June 11th - launching promptly at 6:15
Ashton/Lonsdale loop – Lincoln, RI
Rental night

New paddlers can paddle the canal up and back, and more experienced paddlers can paddle the canal and river loop.

June 18th - please arrive as early as you can - launching promptly at 6:15
Blackstone River from 122 in Uxbridge, MA to the Blackstone Gorge

National Park Service Rangers will join us this evening. We will be running the short class II rapid below Central Street in Millville.

June 25th - launching promptly at 6:15

Nipmuc River - Harrisville, Harrisville, RI

Recommended for boats under 15 feet - there are numerous beaver dams to drag your boat over.

July 2nd - launching promptly at 6:15
Hopedale Pond- Hopedale MA

National Park Service Rangers will join us this evening. Suitable for all levels of experience.

Flatwater Trips

Late cancellations and changes will be posted on the [Flatwater Message Board](#). Check [web site](#) for directions and/or GPS coordinates.

June 1st - meet at 10:00 for the shuttle
Nemasket River - Lakeville MA
Leader: Lee Parham
leeparham@myway.com 508-286-5999

A 12-mile paddle with a few quickwater stretches. Suitable for all boats. Bring a lunch.

June 7th - meet at 6:00 for a 6:30 launch
Music on the Water Paddle
Providence River to Waterplace Park
Leader: Tom McHugh
tmc99992@yahoo.com 401-481-5062

We will paddle up river to listen to the free concerts in our boats at Waterplace Park. Head lamp or light for your boat required.

June 8th - meet at 10:00
Mystic River and Seaport, Mystic CT
Leader: Mike Vechinsky
M.Vechinsky@att.net 860-271-1586.

Bring a lunch - trip is suitable for boats 12 feet and longer. Experienced paddlers will venture out under the bridge.

June 9th - meet at 10:00 for the shuttle
Wood River - Mechanic Street to Alton

Leader: Henry Dziadosz
henry@twincitysupply.com 401-567-0313

Bring a lunch - there is a portage that would be suitable for portage wheels.

June 15th – 22nd
Cape Cod Paddling Week
See page 2 for additional information.

June 14th - meet at 6:00 for a 6:30 launch
Music on the Water Paddle
Providence River to Waterplace Park
Leader: Tom McHugh
tmc99992@yahoo.com 401-481-5062

We will paddle up river to listen to the free concerts in our boats at Waterplace Park. Head lamp or light for your boat required.

June 16th - meet at 10:00
Palmer River- Rehoboth, MA
Leader: Henry Dziadosz
henry@twincitysupply.com 401-567-0313

Bring a lunch - this is a round trip and no shuttle is required.

June 17th - meet at 6:00 for a 6:30 launch
Meeting on the Water - Slatersville Reservoir
See page 1 for additional information.

June 30th - meet at 8:00 for a 9:00 launch
Annual North River Trip - Hanover, MA
Leader: Ron Cichowski at
n3303j@erols.com or 508-868-3471

Bring a lunch - the route is 11.6 miles and is an easy 4 hours, unless there are significant winds.

July 7th - Meet at 10:00 for the shuttle
Pawcatuck River - Bradford to Potter Hill
Leader: Henry Dziadosz
henry@twincitysupply.com 401-567-0313.

Bring a lunch - suitable for all boats and all levels of experience. This section of the Pawcatuck River has plenty of deep water.

Sea Kayak Trips

Before choosing to participate in a trip, check the marine forecast and consider the trip level – we do not rate the paddler, only the paddle. Read the [RICKA Sea Kayak Paddling Basics](#) section of the website. Always check the [Calendar](#) for changes to the schedule. Cancellations due to weather or other conditions will be posted on the [Message Board](#) by 8:00 a.m. the day of the trip.

June 1st – 10:00

[Gloucester Harbor, Gloucester, MA – Level 4](#)

Coordinator: [Tim Gleason](#)

June 2nd – 10:00

[Manchester Harbor, Manchester, MA – Level 4](#)

Coordinator: [Tim Gleason](#)

June 8th – 10:00 launch

[West Island, Fairhaven, MA – Level 2-3](#)

Coordinator: [Cat Radcliffe](#)

June 9th – 10:00 launch

[URI Bay Campus – Level 3](#)

Coordinator: [Tim Motte](#)

June 15 – 10:00 launch

[Slocum River - Russell's Mills Launch, So. Dartmouth, MA](#)

Level: 2 - Paddle to So. Dartmouth Bridge

Level: 3 - Paddle to Allen's Pond

Coordinators: [Carleen McOsker](#) and [Paul Bender](#)

June 15th

[Naushon Island Circumnavigation - Level: 4](#)

AMC Leader: [Josko Catipovic](#)

This is an AMC sponsored trip

June 16th – 10:00

[Woods Hole to Cuttyhunk – Level 5](#)

Coordinator: [Josko Catipovic](#)

June 22nd – 10:00 launch

[URI Bay Campus – Level 2](#)

Coordinator: [Bob Hogan](#)

June 23rd – 10:00 launch

[Outer West Passage – Level 3](#)

Coordinator: [Tim Motte](#)

June 30th – 10:00 launch

[Kings Beach, Newport, RI – Level 3-4](#)

Coordinator: [Tony Moore](#)

July 1st

[Port Clyde to Monhegan Island – Level 4](#)

AMC Leader: [Josko Catipovic](#)

This is an AMC sponsored trip

RICKA Elects 2013 to 2014 Executive Officers

Congratulations to RICKA's 2013 to 2014 Executive Officers who were elected at the club's General Meeting in April:

President: Andrew (AJ) Barbato

Vice President: Susan Engleman

Secretary: Barbara August

Treasurer: Andy Viera

The club would also like to thank Charlie LaRoque, who stepped down this year after 25 years as RICKA Treasurer. Charlie is passing the financials of the club to Andy Viera.



Charlie LaRoque receives a plaque from RICKA President AJ Barbato in recognition of his 25 years of service to the club.

Discounts for Members

The following retailers offer special discounts for RICKA members:

Blackstone Valley Outfitters

401-312-0369

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

Claude's Cycles

508-543-0490

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

CrossFitRhody

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

Narrow River Kayaks

401-789-0334

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

Osprey Sea Kayak Adventures

508-636-0300

http://www.ospreyseakayak.com

Outdoorplay.com

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

Outfitters Shop at Zoar Outdoor

413-339-8596

<http://www.zoaroutdoor.com/outfitters-shop-home.htm>

Quaker Lane Outfitters

401-294-9642

The Kayak Centre

888-SEA-KAYAK

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

WaveLength Magazine

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

See the [website](#) for details and remember to ASK for the discount.

SNEP Resumes Wednesday Evening Paddles

[Southern New England Paddlers](#) (SNEP) explores a different waterway in southern New England each Wednesday evening from mid-May till early-September. See the website for additional information at: <http://www.meetup.com/KayakFun/>

RICKA Classifieds

Classified ads are free for RICKA members and are printed here on space-available basis. Please see the [website](#) for the complete list.

- **Necky Gannet II Tandem Kayak** with skeg and spray skirt - stored indoors most of time. \$550 or best offer - pictures are available. Jimcole@hotmail.com or 401-226-7714
- **Yellow Plastic Tempest 170** - one of the most popular sea kayaks - \$950. **Yellow Plastic Eskimo Xena** - suit medium size person <180lbs - \$150. Contact Peter.Kayaker@yahoo.com
- **PRICE REDUCTION: 2012 Valley Etain Kayak** – fiberglass, 17' 3". White hull, Light grey deck w/red trim. Paddled for 5 months last year. Very well cared for. Stored in my garage since November. Great condition. \$2,500. Contact Mike at 401-644-9946 or gadmanrdh@gmail.com
- **Heritage Merlin Exp fishing kayak** - yellow, 14'x25", 50 lbs., 2 rod holders, bait holder, large rear hatch. Very good condition. Stored indoors. Compare to \$900+ new. Selling price \$475. **Valley Aquanaut LV poly kayak** - orange, 17'x22", 54 lbs., skeg with wire line. 2012 model is \$1,800. Original Owner. Great Condition. Always stored indoors. Selling price \$975. **Necky Looksha IV** fiberglass kayak with kick-up rudder (wire lines). 17'x22.5", 46 lbs. Good condition - a less than 1 inch spot repaired professionally years ago - some sun-fading on top. Compare to \$3,100 new. Selling price \$950. Contact: thudyncia@cox.net
- **PRICE REDUCTION: Valley NORDKAPP LV Kayak** with compass and keel strip. This very fast, low volume boat is 17' 6" long by 21" wide and 50 lbs. Bought in 2007, stored indoors and well maintained, it has been recently updated with new bottom and trim gelcoat, deck lines and bungee cords. Excellent condition. Asking \$2,200. Contact Rich at rich.coupland@gmail.com
- **PRICE REDUCTION: Tandem 16 foot wood canvas canoe** - no seats (probably made about 1920/30 before seats became popular) - \$175 or best offer, detailed pictures are available. **Dagger Impulse** - whitewater playboat, 12'8" long, 30" beam, perception saddle, side floatation, air bags Ready for the water- \$295 or best offer. **Canoe/Kayak equipment** - 2 four-foot end air bags for OC1, 2 pieces of foam closed cell side floatation, pair of adjustable foot pegs for kayak, other items (if your looking for miscellaneous WW items, I may have them). Email me for details. Jimcole@hotmail.com
- **PRICE REDUCTION: 16 foot Old Town ABS canoe** - new parts and hardware for rebuild, lost interest in this. \$150. dukewavewalker@gmail.com or 401-413-1194
- **Quiver kayak sail.** Never out of the box! Quality sail made in USA. No need to drill any holes in your kayak!! \$100 - businessfile12@gmail.com
- **Chestnut Canoe** – 1977 Ogilvy series, model - "Henry", color - Chestnut Green. Length-16', beam- 36", weight- 85 lbs. Cained seats. Interior as new, scratches on bottom from running local rivers. Have original Chestnut brochure. Asking \$4,000. **Canoe** - standard wood/canvas construction. Length- 16', beam 34", weight approx, 65 lbs. Color – yellow w/ dark-stained interior with babiche (woven rawhide) seats. Always stored indoors. Asking \$3,000. Call 860-774-0014
- **WANTED: Used Yakima Hullraiser or Thule Hullaport kayak carrier.** Respond to zakyak@verizon.net
- **14 ft. Fiberglass Sea Going Kayak Cape Horn** made by Wilderness Systems - \$1,350. About 5 years old, has a few minor scratches. **16ft. Fiberglass Sea Going Kayak, Tsumani** made by Wilderness Systems \$2,500. Manufacturer- about 2 years old, has NO scratches. All the extras are the BEST. The paddle is \$500.00 (1) Warner. The wheels are S.S. Please send all serious inquiries to: zita59@verizon.net or call 401-885-2326
- **Boreal Design, Alvic, Kevlar.** 17' 47-50 lbs. A great boat for kayak camping. I did the part of Maine Island Trail. \$1200. bevthomas2@cox.net, 401-568-8166
- **Boreal Ellesmere** - ocean cockpit, cork deck/white hull, rope skeg, well-maintained, good condition. OC skirt included. New Bedford, MA. Demo by appointment - \$1,100. catherineradcliffe@earthlink.net or Cat 508-369-3028
- **Merlin II Kevlight solo canoe** - like new, 15'x29", 27", 25.5", 34#, natural kevlar/clear gloss finish, ash trim - \$1,200. firm. Jim S. 401-295-4668 Miskicamp1@cox.net
- **Pygmy Coho, multi-chine, wood (stitch & glue) kayak** - very good condition, 17' feet long, 24" beam- \$999. **Bracs I Wing paddle** - carbon fiber, right handed with 45 degree offset, 235 cm. - \$125. **Advanced Technology (AT) crank paddle** - carbon fiber, right handed with 45 degree offset, 235 cm. - \$200. May be seen in Cumberland. Contact nealpiggett@cox.net
- **WANTED: used Think Fit kayak/surf ski.** Call Jim (248) 798-1905

Send your classified ads to RICKA Webmaster Cheryl Thompson, 53 Anan Wade Road, Glocester, RI 02857-2611; webmaster@ricka.org. Include your name for membership verification. Please notify the Webmaster when your gear is sold so that the ad can be removed. Acceptance, duration and formatting of your ad is at the webmaster's discretion.