

June Meeting on the Water Nipmuc River and Harrisville Pond

Monday, June 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Our 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 Nipmuc River and Harrisville Pond in Burrillville, RI. This river is listed by the state as pristine water, the state's highest rating for water quality. We will meet at the



Join us for an evening paddle on Harrisville Pond

Harrisville Fishing Area at 6:00 p.m. for a 6:30 p.m. launch. The trip is suitable for all boats and all levels of experience, but if you chose the river route, there will be numerous beaver dams to drag your boat over. Our leader for the evening is <u>Frank Cortesa</u>. Changes and cancellations to trips will be posted on the <u>flatwater message board</u>.

GPS coordinates for the put-in: N 41 58.258' W071 40.738'

Directions from south - take Route 146 North to the Forestdale/Slatersville exit. At the top of the ramp turn right and then left at the light. This will turn into Route 102. Once you enter Burrillville on Route 102, you will watch for East Avenue and a sign for Harrisville at a traffic light (it should be the second light at an intersection you come to.) Turn right and follow East Avenue all the way into Harrisville. When you enter the town you will drive over a bridge next to the dam. Turn right onto Route 98 at the next intersection. Just outside of town on Route 98, is a large green truss bridge. Park next to the bridge at the Harrisville Fishing Area.

Directions from north - take Route 146 South until you get to the Chocolog Rd. Exit. At the end of the ramp turn left onto Chocolog Rd. and head towards Route 146A and Uxbridge. By the Darling's Sewer service, turn right onto the Quaker Highway/Route 146A. Turn Right onto Route 98/Aldrich Street by the Little Texas Restaurant and the old Brick Quaker Meeting House. Drive about seven miles south on Route 98. During those seven miles, you will cross into Rhode Island. Watch for the large Sherman Farm because just after the farm is a large green truss bridge. We will be parking by the bridge. If you get to the Harrisville Fire Station, you have gone too far.

RICKA Family Picnic Saturday, September 14, 2014

This year's RICKA Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 14, 2014 at Goddard Memorial State Park. We have reserved Gazebo F (please note new location) from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mark your calendars for this fun event!! Rain or Shine. Who knows.... you may be receiving an award! **See page 3 for additional details.**

Basic Flatwater Training Sunday, June 29, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Would you like to improve your flatwater paddling skills? In this 3hour 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 or to register please visit <u>http://woonsocket.org/flatwatertraining.html</u>. **See page 7 for additional details.**

Enjoy Camping and Paddling this Summer

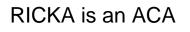
Cape Cod Paddling Week June 21 – 28, 2014

Join us for a week of paddling the coastal waterways of Cape Cod. All paddling trips will be in protected bays, inlets, harbors and rivers. Participants must be able to handle 5-10 miles of paddling, and there may be days of paddling against current and wind. Sea kayaks and recreational kayaks 12 feet or longer will be best for most trips. We will be camping at <u>Shady Knoll Campground</u> in Brewster. http://www.ricka.org/capecod.html

RICKA Trip to Maine August 2 – 11, 2014

This year's summer's weeklong trip led by Henry Dziadosz will be in Maine instead of the Adirondacks. We will camp at <u>Bradbury Mountain State Park</u> in Pownal, Maine. Pownal is about a 15-minute drive from Freeport, Maine, the home of L.L. Bean and lots of other sightseeing, hiking and shopping. Of course, there will be lots of great paddling. Any input you have on paddling locations would be welcome. <u>http://www.ricka.org/Maine.html</u>

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





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The next Executive Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at 70 Scott Street, Pawtucket. All are welcome to attend.

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If you have not done so already, please renew your membership now!

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

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RICKA Family Picnic and Barbecue

Goddard Memorial State Park in Warwick, RI Saturday, September 14, 2014 - we have Gazebo F from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This year's RICKA Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 14, 2014 at Goddard Memorial State Park in Warwick, RI. We have reserved Gazebo F (please note new location) from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

In the morning, flatwater and sea kayak trips will leave from the boat launch – meet at 9:30 a.m. for a 10:00 a.m. launch. 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 barbecue from Morin's Caterer. The meal will include clam cakes and chowder, BBQ chicken and much more. We will have watermelon for



Flatwater and sea kayak trips will leave in the morning from the boat launch

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 \$19.75 per person for members (including family members and

significant others), \$5.00 for children under 12 and \$29.00 per person for nonmembers. Because this is a catered event we must have your reservation no later than August 31, 2014. 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

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Make checks payable to RICKA and Andy Viera 8 Bradford Rd Milford, MA 01757	mail them to:





How to Choose a Kayak

A kayak can allow you to explore a quiet estuary, enjoy breathtaking views that can't be seen from shore, or get in a morning workout. With so many options, how do you choose the kayak that is right for you? No single kayak can do it all, so choosing the right kayaks starts by asking yourself some basic questions:

Where will I go - calm water such as ponds or lake; moving water such as rivers; or open water with potential extremes of wind and waves?

How far will I go – short trips; longer day trips; or multiday outings where we'll be hauling camping gear?

What is my skill level – and what are my aspirations?

Once you've determined these parameters, you can choose the kayak design that best fits your needs. There are several types of kayaks to choose from:

Recreational Kayaks are stable and easy to maneuver, making them ideal for quiet water paddling on lakes, ponds and easy rivers. Most are 10 to 12 feet long, and have a large cockpit for easy access. These boats generally offer more initial (primary) stability in calm conditions, and will turn easier than longer touring kayaks

Touring and Sea Kayaks are

designed to travel long distances in open water. These kayaks will usually be 12 to 16 feet long. They will often have bulkheads with sealed hatch covers for dry storage and enhanced safety.

Touring kayaks are narrower than recreational kayaks. They will generally go faster, and offer better secondary stability when the boat is leaned on edge. Touring kayaks often include a skeg to improve tracking, or a rudder to aid in steering. **Sit-on-Top Kayaks** have an open deck rather than an enclosed cockpit, so they are very easy to enter and exit. Since the seat is above water level, these boats are typically wider (and slower) than traditional kayaks. It's usually hard to capsize a sit-on-top, but if it does flip over, it's easy to flip back over and get on it. This makes sit-on-tops a good kayak for fishing or swimming.

If you choose a sit-in kayak rather than a sit-on-top kayak, then comfort in the cockpit is a critical consideration. A properly fitting cockpit (especially for touring/sea kayaks) is one where you sit comfortably but have firm contact everywhere your body touches the boat: feet, thighs, butt and lower back. A snug fit makes it easier to edge a turn, brace in rollers or keep yourself from capsizing in rough conditions.

While your kayak will probably be your largest purchase, there are several other accessories that can be just as important:

Paddle – choose a paddle that is appropriate for your style of paddling. For more information on choosing a paddle, see page 6 of our <u>March 2013</u> issue.

PFD - always be prepared by wearing a properly sized, USCG-approved personal flotation device. For more information on choosing a PFD, see page 4 of our <u>March</u> 2014 issue.



Choose the kayak that is right for you – there are lots of styles to choose from.

Southern New England Paddlers Resume Weeknight Paddles

If you like paddling in southern RI and eastern CT, this is the group for you. <u>Southern New England Paddlers</u> (SNEP) explores a different waterway in southern New England on weekday evenings from mid-May till early-September. Trips are planned at scenic sites that are both easy and relatively safe for new paddlers.

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

Basics of GPS Navigation Class June 7, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. Kettle Pond Visitor Center, Charlestown, RI

This course will be taught by Jim Cole and is designed for individuals with little or no experience using a GPS receiver. It will start with a review of the essentials of map and compass, and will then cover navigation skills, navigation tools, finding waypoints, planning a track and entering it into the GPS, using UTM grids and degree scales on USGS maps, and much more. This is a course on GPS navigation in the backcountry for hikers, hunters and paddlers - this is <u>not</u> a course for geocachers.

See the website for registration details: <u>http://www.ricka.org/nav.html</u>





A Paddle Across Rhode Island (?)

By Chuck Horbert

Does anyone remember a tropical storm by the name of Andrea that hit us on June 7, 2013? I sure remember it. I remember June 8th too, since that was to be the first day of an 8-day trip canoeing across the state of Rhode Island. Even though the Branch River was in flood, we decided to at least give that first leg a try. It was a decision that resulted in a damaged canoe and could have easily resulted in worse. The Paddle Across Rhode Island ended 4 miles into what was supposed to have been a 106-mile journey to Westerly.

But I haven't given up hope of accomplishing this trip, and within a week of that disaster, I was planning my second attempt. This year turned out to present far more scheduling difficulties than last year did, however, and I had no choice but to schedule the second attempt for this coming July. I'd like to say that my biggest fear is low water, but as we all know by now a flood could hit the state any month of the year. All I can do is roll the dice and cross my fingers that this time Mother Nature will grace me with more manageable weather this time.

So, what is this trip of which I speak? Perhaps you have not heard about this crazy plan of mine. Well, several years ago, while paddling on the Blackstone River here in Rhode Island, I jokingly asked a bystander, "How far to Westerly?" I have often asked this question, or something similar, but this time the natural next question stopped me...was it even possible? At first, I thought this idea was laughable, but the more I thought about ways to connect the dots across the state, the more I realized it was a doable trip.

So I started looking over maps and spending a lot of time scrolling through the aerial photographs on Google Earth. Problem spots, or sections I knew little about, were targeted for additional scouting



Chuck's route across Rhode Island

and investigations. I have since learned a lot about my route, and this year I tweaked the route a bit to leave out the Branch. I also have extended the trip all the way down the Pawcatuck into Little Narragansett Bay. I am fairly certain no one has yet ever successfully completed this route.

"Why not?" you ask? Well, it won't be easy. Despite its small size, little Rhode Island throws a lot of obstacles in the way of a multi-day paddler. Dams, for instance. I will have to carry around a lot of them. And finding convenient places to camp that aren't in someone's back yard has been quite a challenge. And there is no single river that crosses the state. In fact, my route will bring me up or down a total of seven rivers (eight if you count the Blackstone Canal), a portion of Narragansett Bay, and across Flat River Reservoir. Some of the portages that will be necessary are many miles in length. Also, there is no avoiding some significant upstream paddling, unless one is inclined to paddle all the way down Narragansett Bay and along the south shore to Westerly. I wasn't. Not in a canoe.

Of course, until it happens, this trip is still a working theory. Last year proved to me that this trip is no sure thing. It is time to

put up or shut up, paddling my way from Blackstone, MA all the way down to North Stonington, CT. Along the way, I will paddle through seventeen of Rhode Island's 39 cities and towns. It will wind through wild forests, urban corridors, and past old mills. I'll scrape down shallow rocky streams, brave the waves of the upper Narragansett Bay, and struggle up one of RI's largest river systems. I will travel about 100 miles spread over 8 days, with almost 25 different portages, some of which involve obeying traffic lights. The longest portage will be over 9.5 miles. I will carry all gear and food with me in a solo canoe. It will be a significant challenge, and I imagine after reading this little summary it is probably pretty clear why no one has ever bothered to do this before.

Aside from the personal challenge of completing this historic canoe trip, I also plan to coordinate small PR events along the way with cities, towns, watershed councils and paddling clubs (including <u>RICKA</u>) to promote the goals of the <u>Rhode</u> <u>Island Blueways Alliance</u> to develop water trails throughout the state and improve access to them. I hope to use this trip to bring attention to the great paddling resources of Rhode Island and to maybe inspire more people to explore the "wilderness" right out their back doors.

But even the best press for this trip isn't going to get me across the state; and in fact could hinder progress at times. The paddle still needs to meet the water, and the feet still need to carry me around dams and across watershed divides. So considering the hurdles, what is most amazing to me is that I have talked a few friends to join me for the trip. Misery loves company, and good company makes even the misery of a trip like this a lot more tolerable.

You can follow Chuck's progress on his facebook page at: http://www.facebook.com/PaddleAcrossRh odeIsland





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 <u>web site</u>.

June 3rd - launching promptly at 6:15 **River Bend Farm - Ranger Night with Ranger Chuck Arning**

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

June 10th - launching promptly at 6:15 **Nipmuc River - Harrsiville, RI**

This river is listed by the state as pristine water - the state's highest rating for water quality.

June 17th – launching promptly at 6:15 **Whitehall Reservoir -** Hopkinton MA

We'll travel slightly out of the Blackstone River Valley watershed to paddle this former reservoir with its varied shoreline, deep coves, and dozens of wonderful islands to explore.

June 24th - launching promptly at 6:15 Blackstone River and Canal Loop-Lonsdale to Ashoton

A fun and scenic paddle along the bike

path in Lincoln, or the more experienced can paddle the canal and river to make a loop trip.

July 1st - launching promptly at 6:15 Hopedale Pond

The town was settle in 1842 as a Utopian socialist commune and evolved into the home of the Draper Corp, at one time the world's largest manufacturer of automatic cotton looms.

Flatwater Trips

Late cancellations and changes to trips will be posted on the <u>Flatwater Message Board</u>. Please check the Message Board before leaving for a trip. Check <u>web site</u> for directions and/or GPS coordinates.

June 7th- meet at 10:00 for the shuttle **Pawcatuck River Ashaway to Westerly** Leader - Mike Vechinsky <u>M.Vechinsky@att.net</u> 860-271-1586

This is a very scenic trip with one portage around a dam and two sets of rapids. Suitable for kayaks 14 feet or less. Bring a lunch.

June 8th - meet at 10:30 for the shuttle **Nemasket River – Lakeville, MA** Leader - Lee Parham <u>leeoparham@gmail.com</u> 508-286-5999.

The AMC River guide describes this river as one of the prettiest in eastern MA. This is a 12 mile trip with a few quickwater stretches and a couple of easy portages. Suitable for boats 15 feet and under. Bring a lunch.

June 15th - meet at 9:30 for a 10:00 launch West River- Uxbridge MA Leader - Frank Cortesta <u>frankcortesa@charter.net</u> 508-369-8205

You'll have the chance to see lots of

wildlife as you paddle upstream through this stretch of clean, clear flatwater. The West River, like the Nipmuc River has excellent water quality and is one of our rivers that is clean enough to swim in the Blackstone Valley. Suitable for boats 15 feet and under. Bring a lunch.

June 16th - meet at 6:00 for a 6:15 launch Monthly Meeting on the Water - Nipmuc River/Harrisville Pond Leader - Frank Cortesta

frankcortesa@charter.net 508-369-8205

RICKA does not offer general meetings in the months of June, July and August. We do offer a paddle that is suitable for everyone! This river, above the Harrisville Pond and above where the Clear River enters, is listed by the state as pristine water, the state's highest rating for water quality. Note, if you choose the river route, there are numerous beaver dams to drag your boat over. Short boats recommended.

Cape Cod Paddling Week

June 21-28, 2014

Join us for a week of paddling Cape Cod coastal waterways. Camping at Shady Knoll Campground in Brewster. Bring your own food for the week. Participants must be able to handle 5-10 miles of paddling and there may be days of paddling against current and wind. Sea kayaks and recreational kayaks 12 feet or longer are required.

June 29th at 1:00 **Basic Flatwater Training**

For more details or to register please visit <u>http://woonsocket.org/flatwatertraining.htm</u> 1

July 5th - meet at 10:00 for the 10:30 shuttle **Pawcatuck - Alton to Bradford .** Leader: Henry Dziadosz <u>henry@twincitysupply.com</u>

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The Alton fishing access on Rt. 91 is a nice place to launch your kayak or canoe. Bring a lunch. Trip is suitable for all.

Rescheduled to July 13th Essentials of Kayak Touring

Essentials of Kayak Touring is a full-day course designed to teach paddlers with flatwater experience to safely enjoy the tidal and ocean environment. **This class** has a waiting list.

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 <u>RICKA Sea Kayak</u> <u>Paddling Basics</u> section of the website. Always check the <u>Calendar</u> for changes to the schedule. Cancellations due to weather or other conditions will be posted on the <u>Message Board</u> by 8:00 a.m. the day of the trip.

June 7th at 10:00 **Pavilion Beach - Level: 3-4** Gloucester, MA Coordinator: Tim Gleason gleasont63@gmail.com

June 8th at 10:00 **Thatcher's Island - Level: 3-4** Rockport, MA Coordinator: Tim Gleason <u>gleasont63@gmail.com</u>

June 14th at 10:00 Seapowet Beach - Level: 3 Tiverton, RI Coordinator: Jon Sharlin ojphoto1@cox.net

June 15th at 10:00

Westport River Tidal Play - Level: 4 Westport River Boat Ramp, Westport, MA Coordinator: Tim Gleason gleasont63@gmail.com

June 21st at 10:00 **Padanarum to Little River - Level: 2** Corner of Smith Neck and Gulf Rd, South Dartmouth, MA Coordinator: Cat Radcliff <u>catherineradcliff@@earthlink.net</u>

June 22nd at 9:00 Bay Campus - Level: 3-4 URI Bay Campus Coordinator: Jon Sharlin ojphoto1@cox.net

June 28th at 12:00 Wicopesset - Level: 4 Stonington, CT Coordinator: Tim Motte <u>ttamotte@cox.net</u>

July 4th at 9:00 **Little Compton Harbor - Level: 3-4** Little Compton, RI Coordinator: Jon Sharlin <u>ojphoto1@cox.net</u>

July 5th at 10:00 **Race Point - Level: 5 (RSVP Required)** Esker Point, CT Coordinator: Tim Motte <u>ttamotte@cox.net</u>

Basic Flatwater Training June 29, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Would you like to improve your flatwater paddling skills? The RICKA Flatwater Group will be holding a Basic Flatwater Paddling Class on Sunday, June 29, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. 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 or to register please visit

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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

Quaker Lane Outfitters 401-294-9642

The Kayak Centre 888-SEA-KAYAK http://www.kayakcentre.com/

WaveLength Magazine http://www.wavelengthmagazine.com/

See the <u>website</u> for details and remember to ASK for the discount.





RICKA Classifieds

Classified ads free for RICKA members and are printed here on space-available basis. Please see the <u>website</u> for the complete list.

- Cat & Jack Radcliffe are offering a wide variety of gear and paddle clothing at a 60% discount. A complete list of items and ordering info can be found at <u>http://penikese.com/kayakgear.htm</u>. Everything is brand-new, left over from Ocean State Adventures, and has been carefully kept in dry storage. Contact <u>catherineradcliffe@earthlink.net</u>.
- Old Town Tripper Canoe royalex, 17' 2", kevlar skid plates, three paddles included asking \$700. Contact Jeff 401-484-4896
- Looksha 1V Aqua Kevlar, 17'6", white deck, new condition -\$1,200. 2012 Looksha 1V - Polymer, 17ft, brand new condition, active comfort system seat, adjustable thigh braces, great surfer -\$1,090. Call Pat in Westerly at 401-480-3508
- **2012 Valley Etain** 17' 3", quill grey deck, red trim, white hull. Brunton deck compass, seals spray skirt too. Usual minor scuffing of gel coat keel, otherwise perfect condition - \$2150. Call 401-644-9946
- Thule Slip Stream 887 rack load assist kayak carrier includes: 400 XT Foot Pack, TK1 Fit Kit 2035, 430 Tracker II plus locks and keys and instruction manual. Paid over 600.00 for everything and have receipts \$300.00. Also, two beautiful wooden oars that can be displayed or used \$100. Call 401-941-8061
- Two sets of **Yakima Bow Down J Racks** with locks these are brand new and were never used since my wife and I could not get the kayaks onto the roof of our SUV. The price I paid was a total of \$460, and I will sell for \$360. My cell is 401-486-2518, e-mail rolar27@cox.net

The follow items were donated to RICKA and are being offered for sale to support our educational programs:

- Great Canadian fiberglass tandem canoe length 15', width 38", with keel, Vinyl padded seats, aluminum gunwales. This is a great beginner canoe as it is very stable and tracks well. Asking \$200
- Fiberglass tandem canoe about 38" wide with keel. This is a great beginner canoe as it is very stable and tracks well. Asking \$200
- Valley Avocet Kayak length 16', width 22", weight 50 lbs. Yellow plastic, comes with spray skirt and paddle. Asking \$1,000
- Custom Fiberglass Sea Kayak length 18', width about 22", weigh 50 plus. White with green hull. Comes with spray skirts. Asking \$300

Contact <u>Jimcole@Hotmail.com</u>

- **Perception Eclipse** 17' with rudder, spray skirt and cockpit cover, very good condition \$900. **Drydock boat carrier** for pick-up \$70. Call 401-465-1944
- NRS Cross 4 Wetshoes women's size 8 (comparable to size 9 in regular shoes). In excellent condition; worn only a handful of times \$16.99. Contact Zak at <u>zmettger@verizon.net</u>
- **Royalex Mad River Explorer RX** 16' in good condition. Green with has cane seats, ash gunwales. Includes wooden paddles. Best offer. Contact <u>ecaldarone@yahoo.com</u>
- Beautiful Old Time Canoe in mint condition. Located at Sell It Again Sports in Portsmouth RI. Meggin Smith at 225-1971
- Women's Kokatat Medium Meridian dry suit with drop seat and socks, plum color. Excellent condition, bought 2 years ago, used 5-6 times. Gaskets and zippers in perfect condition, maintained gaskets with 303 Protectant and zippers with zipper lubricant \$700. Email me at <u>dkoriginals@yahoo.com</u> or call Debbi at 617-930-5864
- Ocean Kayak Malibu II Sit-on-Top Tandem Kayak length12', width: 34", weight: 57 lbs. Red polyethylene construction. Seats two adults, plus a small child or pet. Can also be paddled solo from center seat. One seat and one paddle included. Kayak is located in Warwick. Asking \$475. Contact Susan at 401-996-3177
- Valley Skerray Sea Kayak length 17', width 23", weight under 60 lbs. Composite, very good condition, always stored inside. Boat has an ocean cockpit for easier surf launching. Included in price is a neoprene spray skirt, in perfect condition - \$1400 or best offer. Contact Ric S at 508-572-3095 (call or text), rj salty@yahoo.com

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