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July Meeting on the Water

Big River - Coventry, RI

Monday, July 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Our monthly "meetings on the water" are the signal that summer is finally here! For those new to the club, a group paddle replaces the more structured meetings of fall through spring. This month's paddle will be held at Big River/Johnson Pond. Please meet at 6:00 for a 6:15 launch. Our leader for the evening will be [Henry Dziadosz](#). We will paddle up this narrow twisting river against the current, and then return with the current to the put-in. Those who are interested can also paddle down into Johnson's Pond. The river trip is not suitable for kayaks over 15 feet.



Paddling through the twists and turns on the Big River in Coventry

Directions from 95 South - take exit 6 to Route 3 North (do not take exit 6-A which is Hopkins Hill Road). Take a right at the bottom of the exit and follow Route 3 North for about a mile and a half. Take a left onto Harkney Hill Road. Follow for a little over a mile and look for the Zekes Bridge Boat Ramp. Zeke's Bridge Boat Ramp - N41 39 906 - W071 37 115

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2015 Adirondacks Trip

August 1 – 9, 2015

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.

We will be camping at Rollins Pond State Park in the waterfront area around sites A001 – A031. Make your campground reservations now at Reserve America:

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

We will be paddling local lakes and rivers in the area. You are welcome to come for all or part of the week. Trip Leader for this annual RICKA trip is [Henry Dziadosz](#). See the website for additional information:

<http://www.ricka-flatwater.org/formadk.htm>

Save the Date – RICKA Picnic

September 19, 2015

This year's RICKA Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 19th at the Ninigret Park Pavilion in Charlestown.

In the morning, flatwater and sea kayak trips will leave from the boat launch – we will meet at 9:30 a.m. for a 10:00 a.m. launch. Lunch will be served at 12:15 p.m. and will include hamburgers, hotdogs, pulled pork, veggie tacos, assorted salads, sweet corn and watermelon. The 2015 RICKA Awards Ceremony will follow lunch. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Children under 10 are free.

Save the date and be sure to attend this fun event. The registration deadline is September 12th. For additional information or to register see page 3 or visit the website at:

<http://www.ricka.org/Payments/bbq.html>

Local Guide Books from the RICKA Library

Paddling Southern New England
30 Canoe Trips in MA, RI and CT
 By Ken Webber



This is the original classic guide to paddling the waters of southern New England. Chapters include day trips on flatwater, selected whitewater runs, and suggestions for overnight trips—with 30 trips in all, there's something here for every level of paddler. Each chapter includes information on put-ins and take-outs, distance, water conditions, dams and rapids, portages, what time of year to paddle, and what you'll see along the way. A detailed map and a handy mileage chart for each river make planning easy.

Paddling Connecticut and Rhode Island
Southern New England's Best Paddling Routes
 By Jim Cole



This is the NEW classic guide to Southern New England's waterways by our own Jim Cole. From flatwater and tidal rivers to wilderness trips, easy whitewater, and coastal and open water expeditions, this guidebook describes thirty-one trips that encompass Connecticut's greatest watersheds and nearly every river that can be paddled in Rhode Island. Whether you use your canoe or kayak to fish, hunt, bird watch, or just relax and enjoy the outdoors, you'll find plenty of locations in this guide that are just right for you.

These are just two of the great books and DVD's covering the range of paddling topics that are available in our collection. If you would like to check out these or any other selections, contact Bill Hahn at librarian@ricka.org. Library selections can be mailed to you with a postage paid return mailer provided at no cost to the borrower.

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Paddle America Club

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The next Executive Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at 70 Scott Street, Pawtucket. All are welcome to attend.

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Your 2014 RICKA membership expired on March 31, 2015. If you haven't done so already please...

Renew your RICKA 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

Ninigret Park Pavilion in Charlestown, RI

Saturday, September 19, 2015 - we have the Pavilion from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This year's RICKA Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 19th at the Ninigret Park Pavilion in Charlestown - please note the new location.

In the morning, flatwater and sea kayak trips will leave from the boat launch - we will meet at 9:30 a.m. for a 10:00 a.m. launch. Ninigret Park also has ample room for ball games, badminton, or most anything else. Organize an activity and bring the necessary equipment

Lunch will be served starting at 12:15 p.m. and will include hamburgers, hotdogs, pulled pork, veggie tacos, assorted salads, and sweet corn. We will have watermelon for desert. Beverages will be provided. Veggie wraps will be available upon request - see the registration form. The 2015 RICKA Awards Ceremony will follow lunch.



Earl MacRae - 2014 Volunteer of the Year

The cost will be \$10.00 per person for members (including family members and significant others) and \$18.00 for non-members. Children under 10 are free.

Because this is a catered event we must

have your reservation no later than September 12, 2015. 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 below and return it with your check payable to RICKA to:

Andy Viera
8 Bradford Road
Milford, MA 01757

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 boat launch:
N41 21.900 W 071 39.400**

Member Name: _____			
Number of Member Meals	_____	X \$10 =	\$ _____
Number of Member Vegetarian Meals	_____	X \$10 =	\$ _____
(Member meals include family and significant others)			
Number of Non-Member Meals	_____	X \$18 =	\$ _____
Number of Non-Member Vegetarian Meals	_____	X \$18 =	\$ _____
Number of Children Under 10 Meals	_____	Free	
	Total		\$ _____
Please make your check payable to RICKA and mail to:			
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Transporting your canoe or kayak

By Jim Cole

I was driving on Interstate 95 in West Greenwich. In front of me was a car with 2 kayaks neatly tied down to the roof racks. A second later the kayaks along with the roof racks were floating in the air and being blown to the right. They landed right side up in the breakdown lane. Except for a few scratches on the rack, everything was OK. Had the wind not been blowing to the right, I'm sure they would have landed on my car, if not through my windshield.



Jim tying down two canoes on his rack.

This is just one example of why it is necessary to learn the correct way to attach your canoe or kayak to your car, and include SAFETY lines in addition to the straps holding them to the racks. I've had my own racks fail several times but luckily, the safety lines held them in place while I pulled to the roadside. I've also had straps break on me but again the safety lines held. So what do you need to know to prevent a total failure and having a lost or damaged boat? Let's start with the basics.

Tying down to a rack

Racks normally come in pairs, with a front rack/crossbar and a rear rack/crossbar. You will set your boat with the midpoint (and also the widest point) being between the two bars. You take a strap (or good piece of rope) and tie it as tight as you can. As long as your racks hold the boat will not move. It can't slide forward or backward because the loop in the strap is not long enough to let the wider portion of the boat to slide through. Kayakers (sit inside) have an additional feature – the coaming - that can prevent it from sliding. Step one complete, but you're not done yet.

Using foam blocks or cushions

In some ways this is better than racks. The blocks or cushion prevent your boat from scratching the car roof. Your straps can go through the car (while the doors are open)

holding the boat in place. I still recommend at least a bowline just in case a strap breaks.

Bow and stern lines

Bow and stern lines are meant to be your safety net, not to hold the boat in place. A canoe or kayak can still slide from side to side. Your racks or blocks still need to be strapped down. If the front rack comes loose or the strap breaks, the bowline should hold everything in place long enough to prevent it from flying off your roof. It still might do some damage to the car or boat, but that would just be minor compared to losing everything or causing a major accident. The stern line is there for the same reason, to hold things in place until you can stop and fix the problem. With my canoes, I use the painters as my bow and stern safety lines.

Right side up or upside down

With canoes it should always be upside down. A right side up canoe can very quickly fill with water on a rainy day. The weight of the water can do some major damage and make it almost impossible to lift the canoe. Most kayakers (sit in side) usually have a much smaller opening, plus you can buy cockpit covers to keep the water out. Sit on top kayakers have scupper holes to drain the water so it's not a

problem. So most kayakers can go right side up, or upside down, your choice. Small recreational kayakers with large cockpits are better upside down.

Pickup Trucks

Many times I see canoes with the bow up over the cab of the truck and the stern down low on the tailgate or bed of the truck. At highway speeds a canoe in this position acts like a sail by catching the wind. It not only reduces your gas mileage but also puts a strain on your ropes or straps. A much better method is to add a raised rack to the back of the truck bed so the canoe rides level. In either case a bow safety line is a must.

A little extra goes a long way

Running a strap through the car (while the doors are open) provides additional safety even when using racks.

Open hooks on bow and stern lines can come loose if there is any slack in the line. The slack in the line could be caused by a rack failure. If the slack line comes loose you've lost your safety net.

Having the front rack a little lower than the back rack causes a slight downward force, which in turn causes less stress on straps and bow lines. Less stress means less chance of failure.

If your canoe or kayak extends more than 3 feet past the end of your car, you are required by law (in most states) to hang a red flag off the end of the boat.

Do your straps hum (vibrate) when you're driving? Putting a single twist in the strap will stop the vibration giving you a much quieter ride.

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Shock cords (stretchable cords with hooks) should never be used. The stretching weakens the cords and elasticity of the cords over time. Straps are much better, safer and last much longer.

Buckles on your straps are a weak point. Where the buckle grips or holds the strap is another weak point. Take the time to look over your straps after every few uses. If you use the same straps all the time, chances are that the buckle ends up holding the same place on the strap each time you use it. This causes a weak spot that could fail. Also make sure the spring tension on the buckle works properly. Weak spring tension will allow the strap to slip.

Need a place to attach your bowline? For vehicles made outside the US, look under the car for shipping brackets. It's a small bracket with a hole through it used to tie the car down while on a ship. For American cars open the hood and look for a small bolt close to the edge. Remove the bolt. Now take an eight (8) inch piece of webbing (if you have real long straps cut off 8 inches from the end). Be sure to heat (melt) the ends with a lighter flame so it does not unravel. Take the piece of strap and fold it in half making a loop. Poke or drill a hole in the straps near where the two ends come together. Put the bolt through both holes and reattach to the car. Repeat this on both sides. With the straps sticking out from under the hood, put your bow safety line through the loops. When not in use fold the loops under the hood. If needed, this process can be repeated on the trunk or hatchback of most cars for stern safety lines.

Use only good quality ropes. Clothes lines and other inexpensive ropes may not be strong enough to hold your boat. You paid a price for your boat. Buying a good rope is like buying insurance on your investment.

Jim is RICKA Vice President and Chair of the RICKA Wilderness group.

Keep it Safe, Keep it Fun...

By Chuck Horbert

When it comes to fun on the water, it is tough to beat a day paddling your canoe or kayak on your favorite nearby river or lake. But it only stays fun if everyone stays safe. Every year people experience accidents on the water, some fatal, that could have been prevented if the paddler had been aware of dangers or taken simple precautions. This article will focus on strategies for staying safe on most rivers, lakes and ponds.

First and foremost, always wear a life jacket. Nearly 70% of all drownings involving paddlecraft could have been avoided if the victim had worn one. Many of these victims were strong swimmers. Life jackets float; you don't.

On rivers, another common killer is a strainer, which is anything such as a tree in the water, an undercut rock, or other debris that allows water to flow through it, but not you. The way to avoid strainers is to always have control of your boat and always be aware of your surroundings. Be especially wary on the outside of any bend of the river, as this is a common place for trees falling into the water. If you find yourself out of your boat and headed for a strainer, that is the time to actively swim away from it or, if necessary, aggressively climb on top of it.

Paddlers succumb to cold water every year. Hypothermia can be an issue any time of the year, not just winter and spring. Sudden immersion in very cold water can incapacitate a paddler quickly, even before hypothermia can set in. If you enjoy paddling in cooler

weather, or when the water is cold, dress for immersion in either a wet suit or a dry suit. Stay close to shore on large lakes. Learn, and practice, self-rescue techniques such as kayak rolling or boat re-entry.

Other common hazards on local rivers are low head dams, the most common dam type in this area. These dams are generally unsafe to paddle over, and must be carried around. Be sure you know where these dams are if you are paddling a river that has them. And when putting in below a dam, stay well downstream of the boil line at the foot of the dam. The recirculating currents at the foot of these dams can hold, and drown, boaters.

Large lakes have their own particular hazards. Strong winds can blow you around, and kick up large waves. Learn how to trim your boat (i.e. either weight the bow or the stern) so that the heaviest part of the boat is pointing into the wind, to improve boat control on a windy day. Avoid taking wind from your side, as a large gust can blow a canoe over. Be aware of approaching storms and head for shore at the first sign of lightning. In winds over 30 mph, a large lake can be even more dangerous than a whitewater river, especially if you are alone and far from shore.

Finally, use common sense based on where you are paddling. Don't paddle alone. Be visible to powerboats. Be careful in fog. Carry an emergency kit. Know your limits. Be constantly aware of your surroundings. Take a course in safety, because what you don't know **can** hurt you.

Your enjoyment of paddling will increase along with your confidence in being able to handle anything you encounter.

Chuck is Flatwater and Wilderness Leader and a past RICKA President. You can read his Northern Forest Canoe Trail blog at: <http://canoetales.wordpress.com/>

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](#).

July 7th - launching promptly at 6:15
Valley Falls Marsh and the Blackstone River – Cumberland, RI

We will put in at the Valley Falls Landing and paddle up into the Valley Falls Marsh. A very scenic paddle for paddlers of all abilities.

July 14th - launching promptly at 6:15
Singletary Lake – Sutton, MA

We may stop for a swim on this paddle! Singletary Lake has invasive weeds, so be sure to clean even very small bits of vegetation from your boat before you leave the parking lot.

July 21st - launching promptly at 6:15
Ranger Night at Manville Landing.

Ranger Kevin Klyberg from the National Park Service will be our leader tonight! We will put in at the Manville Landing and paddle up the Blackstone River.

July 28th - launching promptly at 6:15
Manchaug Pond – Sutton, MA

This trip is suitable for all levels of experience and all boat lengths.

August 4th - launching promptly at 6:15
Seekonk River- Pawtucket, RI

First, we will paddle north to get a spectacular view of the Pawtucket Falls and the Old Slater Mill. Then turn around and head south toward Bold Point.

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.

July 5th - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch
Salt Pond - Galilee
Trip coordinator: Sharon Dragon
shdrag1@gmail.com 401-225-3942

Point Judith Pond is the second largest of the Rhode Island's South County salt ponds. It has many pretty islands and coves to explore. Suitable for all, bring a lunch. The state launch is located on Salt Pond Road.

July 12th - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch
Mystic River, Mystic, CT
Trip coordinator: Susan Englemen
sje54@hotmail.com 508-655-1633 Home and 508-353-6411 cell

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

July 18th - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch
Pawcatuck - Bradford to Potter Hill
Trip coordinators: Mike Vechinsky
M.Vechinsky@att.net 860-271-1586 and Sharon Dragon shdrag1@gmail.com 401-225-3942

This section of the Pawcatuck River has plenty of deep water and is suitable for all boats and all levels of experience. There is one short portage at Bradford. Bring a lunch.

July 19th - meet at 1:00 pm.
Upper Pawtuxet River – Hope, RI
Trip coordinators: Cindy Gianfrancisco and Chuck Horbert. chorbert13@gmail.com
401-934-9212

We will put in at the Hope Landing Access and paddle up to the Scituate Reservoir – a 4-mile round trip. The water is very clean, coming directly from the reservoir. Suitable for all boats and levels of experience.

July 20th - meet at 6:00 for a 6:15 launch
July Meeting on the Water Big River - Coventry, RI
Trip coordinator: Henry Dziadosz
henry@twincitysupply.com 401-323-6819

Our first on-water meeting/paddle of the season is the signal that summer is here! This month's meeting/paddle will be held at Big River/Johnson Pond. We will put in at Zeke's Bridge Boat Ramp. We will paddle up this narrow, twisting river against the current, and then return with the current to the put-in. Those who are interested can also paddle down into Johnson's Pond. River trip is not suitable for kayaks over 15 feet.

July 25th - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch
Ninigret Pond Charlestown RI
Trip Coordinator: Sharon Dragon
shdrag1@gmail.com 401-225-3942

Ninigret Pond is Rhode Island's largest coastal salt pond. The area features stunning landscapes with lots of wildlife and many coves to explore.

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August 1st through August 9th
2015 Adirondacks Trip

RICKA will be camping and paddling in the Adirondack State Park in August 2015! If you are interested, click here for details: <http://www.ricka-flatwater.org/formadk.htm>

August 9th - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch
Connecticut River - East Haddam, CT
Trip coordinator: Jim Cole
Jimcole@hotmail.com 401-699-1172.

A 7 to 8 mile trip on the Connecticut River in historic East Haddam. Suitable for all boats and levels of experience. Bring a lunch.

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.

July 4th at 9:00
[Sakonnet Point](#) - Level: 3-4
Little Compton – RSVP Potluck
Coordinator: Jon Sharlin
(ojphoto1@cox.net)

July 5th at 10:00
[Fort Wetherill](#) – Level: 4
Jamestown, RI
Coordinator: Tony Moore(tsunamikayak@juno.com)

July 11th at 9:00
[URI Bay Campus](#) – Level: 2

Coordinator: Cam Mejia(cammac@ieee.org)

July 12th at 10:00
[Weaver Cove](#) – Level: 3
Portsmouth, RI
Coordinator: Tony Moore(tsunamikayak@juno.com)

July 18th at 10:00
[Stonington to Fishers Island Tidal Play](#) - Level: 4
Stonington, CT - **RSVP Required**
Coordinator: Tim Gleason(gleasont63@gmail.com)

July 19th at 10:00
[URI Bay Campus](#) - Level: 2
Coordinator: Brenda Rashleigh(vtbren@gmail.com)

July 25th at 10:00
[Outer Boston Harbor Islands](#) - Level: 4
Hull, MA
Coordinator: Paul Bender(dopplerdad64@gmail.com) and Eric Johnson(emjohnso3@verizon.net)

July 26th at 9:00
[Isle of Shoals](#) - Level: 4- 5
Rye, NH – **RSVP Required**
Coordinator: Tim Gleason (gleasont63@gmail.com)

August 1st at 9:00
[Race Point from Esker Point](#) - Level: 5
Esker Point, Groton, CT
Coordinator: Tim Motte(ttamotte@cox.net)

August 22nd
Easy Whitewater Trip
RSVP to Erik Eckilson 401-765-1741
eckilson@cox.net

There is nothing like a summer run on the Deerfield River. We will put in at the Zoar Picnic Area below the Zoar Gap, and take out across from the Charlemont Academy. Moving water experience is required, as is a helmet and sprayskirt.

October 3rd and 4th
Pawcatuck River Overnight
RSVP to Erik Eckilson 401-765-1741
eckilson@cox.net

We will paddle up to the Burlingame Canoe Campsites for the evening. We will do group meals for supper and breakfast so you won't have to worry about bringing food or cooking gear. Details to follow, as we get closer.

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/>

RICKA Classifieds

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

- **Wilderness Systems Artic Hawk Pro** - 18 ft. Greenland-style kevlar sea kayak. Excellent condition. \$1000. **Dirigo fiberglass sea kayak** - 17 ft., ask/teak cockpit and wood rails. Very good condition. \$1000. Call 401-524-5126 or cjbook2@gmail.com
- **P & H Capella Kayak w/ skeg** – 16 ft, fiberglass, 51.7 lbs. True sea kayaking all-rounder - white with black trim. Includes hatch covers, spray skirt, paddle, paddle leash, paddle float, size L dry top (shirt). Excellent condition. Asking \$1500 OBO. paddockgary1@gmail.com
- **Wilderness Tsunami 140 Touring kayak** - 14 ft, 24 inches wide, 55 lbs. One year old. Sale includes LL Bean 2 pc Aqua Bound Paddle, LL Bean Mens lg/med PFD Pressure Treated Wood Rack \$900. Call 401-423-1294
- **P&H Cetus MV** - keel strip, compass, updated skeg system, Comes with spray skirt, cockpit cover, paddle holder. Stored inside, excellent condition. Asking \$2,500. Louis at 401-523-5498
- **Valley Knordkapp HM** – a classic, mid 90's model. Yellow hull and deck, chimp pump, mounted compass. Used but not abused, stored indoors, clean, good shape. \$1200. OBO. Email Todd at tsmoore991@gmail.com
- **Valley Aquanaut Sea Kayak** - plastic, in good condition with built in skeg, \$1000.00. **Impex , Mystic-** 14 foot fiberglass boat in good condition with built in skeg, \$1,000. Contact Paul O'Reilly at 1-401- 640-5052
- **Venture Islay 14-foot performance touring kayak** - lime green, excellent shape. Bow and stern bulkheads. Thigh braces installed for great control. Yours for \$825. **Walden Passage 15-foot performance touring kayak** - yellow. Includes nylon spray skirt and cockpit rim cover. Yours for \$675 -matching two-piece 230 cm paddle also available for extra \$100. **Wilderness Systems 12 foot Tarpon sit-on-top** – red, 24" wide, 58 lbs. Very stable, excellent tracking, stowaway compartments. Yours for \$500. Contact Mark at markrallio@gmail.com
- **Merrimack Canoe** - fiberglass, 13' long, 39" wide, white with dark (cherry) wood trim and cherry wood ribs. This canoe has only been used by a little old lady once or twice (really). It has been stored indoors for 30 years and looks like it just came off the showroom floor. Most see to believe. I can send you pictures. cost new \$3,125.00 Asking \$600.00 or best offer. Call Jim Cole at 401-699-1172 or email jimcole@Hotmail.com.
- **Seals Pro Shocker Neoprene Skirt** - 1.7, Great shape, only used a couple of times - \$155 retail, yours for \$85. **Mallone Auto Loaders** - used but in very solid shape - \$139 retail, yours for \$80. **Eastern Horizons DVD** by Bryan Smith – 2 copies, high-end production with paddles from Florida to New Foundland - \$25 retail, yours for \$10 each. Contact me at gerry@seasherpakayak.com
- **Dagger Sitka** - fiberglass, yellow/black/white, 17'11 x 22". Good condition. Fast and comfortable; excellent kayak for expedition touring. Front/rear ultra-wide hatch openings; day hatch behind the cockpit. \$800. Contact cammac@ieee.org
- **Perception Sonoma Kayak** - Airlite material, white hull with red top - length 13', width 23". Includes spray skirt and paddle. Like new - used only a few times - original retail \$1,150 – asking 64. Contact Allen at 401-739-5151 or calafrancisco@aol.com
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