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The Paddler is going “Green”

Starting with the April 2016 issue, RICKA will no longer be mailing paper copies of the Paddler. If you are a RICKA member who currently receives the Paddler by mail, please make sure that we have your email address on file so we can continue to send you the Paddler by email. The Paddler is also available online at RICKA.org and on our [Facebook page](#).

Why are we making change? Unfortunately, the additional \$5 fee that was charged for the paper version of the Paddler was not covering the cost. The paper version is produced in-house using our own printers. By eliminating the paper version, RICKA will save on postage, paper and ink, and eliminate the need for expensive printers. It will also save your Executive Committee the time spent each month preparing the Paddler for mailing.

For those of you switching from the paper version, you will find some advantages to receiving the Paddler by email. First, you will receive the Paddler up to a week earlier than you had by mail. You will also see the Paddler in the format that was intended – in full color with hyperlinks that connect you to other important information. If you don’t like to read material on a computer screen, you can still print a copy with your home printer. Otherwise, you can feel good that no trees will be sacrificed as you keep up-to-date with all the news from RICKA.

Thanks for your understanding as we make the Paddler a greener publication by eliminating paper delivery. If you are currently receiving the Paddler by mail, please make sure that your current email is included on the membership form when you [renew for 2016](#).

Executive Board Elections are coming up in April

Nominations are now open for club officers (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) and Members-at-Large to the Executive Board.

The Executive Board is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the club and the future directions the club will take. The commitment is one evening a month for the board meeting, plus organizational and committee work.

If you are interested in any of these positions, or would like to nominate someone else, please contact Erik Eckilson at eckilson@cox.net or Cheryl Thompson at stonefoxfarm@cox.net.

March RICKA Meeting Upstream Challenge with Matt Hopkinson

It’s a safe bet that all river paddlers muse about what it must have been like to run a river before it was tamed by dams. Dams seem permanent to us, monuments to industry that cannot be altered, but they can.

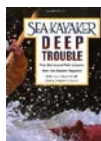
Join us to hear how Matt Hopkinson used his upriver canoeing skills and his knowledge of ancient canoe routes on a 182-mile trip up the Penobscot River to raise money for the [Penobscot River Restoration Trust](#).

The meeting will held on Tuesday, March 29th at 7:00 p.m. in the Stearns Room at St. Martin’s Church, 50 Orchard Street in Providence. **There is no RICKA meeting in February.**

From the RICKA Library...

Stay Safe with these Safety/Rescue Books

Sea Kayaker Deep Trouble by Matt Broze and George Gronseth



Sea Kayaker's Deep Trouble offers more than twenty real-life accounts of accidents that will both keep you on the edge of your seat and instruct you with potentially life-saving lessons. These tales are the result of interviews with survivors, witnesses and rescuers. From capsizes and hypothermia to brushes with sharks and entrapment in sea caves, the situations are described in chilling detail and then subjected to expert analysis. Sea Kayaker's Deep Trouble is rounded out by a comprehensive introduction to sea kayaking safety and tips on equipment, techniques, and improving your skills.

Whitewater Rescue Manual by Charles Walbridge and Wayne Sundmacher



In Whitewater Rescue Manual, two paddlers who have long been at the forefront of whitewater safety and rescue present a tightly focused look at the best, most current techniques for both self-rescue and rescue of others on the river. The authors provide well-reasoned guidance that will teach you when to stay with the boat and when not to; how to retrieve a lost boat; how to swim out of trouble and when not to swim; how to reach a victim; how to coordinate a rescue effort; how to make sure that would-be rescuers don't become victims; how to safely evacuate injured paddlers; and much more.

If you would like to check out these books from the [RICKA Library](http://www.ricka.org) 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.

RICKA is an ACA



Paddle America Club

Your RICKA membership will expire on March 31, 2016...

Renew your RICKA membership now!

Please visit the website at:

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You can renew by mail, or online using PayPal.

Executive Board:

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

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2016 Rolling/Rescue Clinic and Pool Practice

RICKA's 2016 Rolling/Rescue Clinic and Pool Practice Session will be held at the Newman YMCA, 72 Taunton Avenue, Seekonk, MA on March 5th and 12th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

http://www.ricka.org/Rolling_Clinic/ACA_waiver_adult.pdf - Adult

http://www.ricka.org/Rolling_Clinic/ACA_waiver_minor.pdf - Minor



As in the past, we will offer instruction in self and assisted rescues in addition to rolling. Please be sure and specify Rolling or Rescue on the registration form.

Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis based upon postmark or PayPal payment date. We reserve the right to limit enrollment if necessary. Information and instructions will be emailed to you upon registration. You can register using the form below, or online on our website using PayPay at:

Catherine Radcliffe, 573 Rockdale Avenue, New Bedford MA 02740

The cost is:

- **Rolling or Rescue Clinic:** \$60.00
- **Practice** (no instruction): \$27.00

All fees and waiver forms must be submitted ahead of time; no money or forms will be collected at the clinics.

Non-ACA members will also pay an additional \$5.00 Event Fee to cover insurance. All participants must submit an ACA Waiver. This form is available at:

<http://www.ricka.org/RollingPayments/rolling.html>.

For additional information please contact Cat Radcliffe at 508-369-3028 or catherineradcliffe@earthlink.net.

Please send your check or PayPal receipt, Registration Form and ACA Waiver to:



2016 ROLLING/RESCUE CLINIC REGISTRATION FORM

March 5th and 12th, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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(Please submit one form per person)

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Email Address (required) _____

ACA Membership No. _____

Please Select One Session	Current ACA Member	Non ACA Member w/\$5 Event Fee
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	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$65.00
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Mail Registration Form, ACA Adult or Minor Waiver Form, and check or PayPal receipt to:
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ACA Waiver forms are at:
http://www.ricka.org/Rolling_Clinic/ACA_waiver_adult.pdf http://www.ricka.org/Rolling_Clinic/ACA_waiver_minor.pdf

Remembering Manny Point

Manuel (Manny) L. Point, Jr. 87, passed away peacefully on November 25, 2015. He is remembered by many as the driving force behind the formation of what is now the Rhode Island Canoe & Kayak Association. Thanks to Doug Nagle, Barbara August, Bill Luther and Alan August for these remembrances of Manny.

Remembered by Doug...

Manny Point was a determined and straightforward guy. He had a lot of background with the Red Cross and water safety training before he decided to get the ball rolling to form a canoe association. In early 1977 there was a small notice in some local papers about a meeting to organize the club. Manny had a talent for successfully asking people to do things, and a committee was formed to hash out the nitty-gritty details. A number of meetings and hours of discussions later the Rhode Island Canoe Association (RICA) was born.

Many folks had a hand, and a heart, in the creation of RICA - Manny Point, Leo Fontaine, Barbara Strawn, John Baxter, Carolyn Stefanik (Cyr), Pete Pandozzi, Dick Ormsby, Henry Dziadosz and his wife Nikki, and more.

Manny insisted there be a focus on safety. At that time, there were frequent accidents, usually connected with high water and cold. The initial RICA mantra was emblazoned on tee shirts: Scout the river, three boats, wear your PFD. Most of the race events we hosted also featured a safety focus. This focus was due to Manny Point, and it gave the organization a legitimate foundation which wouldn't have been there if we were merely weekend canoeists looking for more of the same.

Manny loved the water since he was a child. He was involved with Fox Point

Boys Club and was quite a swimmer. He and two other Fox Point Boys Club alumni, Roy and Joe Watmough, were among the initial group of U.S. Navy Frogmen due to their swimming talent. These guys preceded Navy SEALs.

Manny loved a good story and was known to tell a few, yet I remember him more for his passion about getting things done while teaching and reinforcing water safety rules.

I was 27 when RICA was formed. Manny was much older. He was in great shape and kept up with the young folks. He learned whitewater paddling by going out and literally jumping into it. He also got to refresh his cold-water swim training on his first few whitewater trips.

He could talk your ears off but was also a good listener. He sometimes wisecracked to the wrong guy. On a trip in Canada with cars loaded up to the gills with camping and paddling gear he impatiently wisecracked to the U.S. Border patrol "Whaddya looking for? Bombs?"

At the time he and his wife Dolores, along with Leo Fontaine and his wife, were in a hurry to return to Maine and meet a group of us in the Grand Lake area for trips on the lakes and the St. Croix River. Wrong guy to bellyache to!

Customs soon had everything from their cars spread out in a nearby field while they closely inspected stuff piece by piece. Hours later they were back in Maine. Leo later said he had never seen Dolores so angry at Manny. They were in a hurry and the customs guys seemed to sense this, and thus went slow. Then slower.

Later that week Manny and I were setting up tents along the St. Croix River with a friend who was new to camping in Maine. We told a few bear and moose stories and went to bed as the fire burned out. Next

morning the friend admitted he'd listened to our stories, and then never slept a wink all night. Every noise seemed to be a bear.

After moving on from active RICA involvement Manny moved to a house on the Wood River and ran canoe rentals and guided trips in RI and ME. A great guy, a joker, a wisecracker. He is missed.

Remembered by Barbara...

I met Manny Point through the Red Cross WSI (Water Safety Instructor) class. He had become concerned about the growing popularity of canoeing, and wanted canoeing to reflect the safety practices of the Red Cross.

Manny convinced his "posse" from the WSI to put an ad in the Providence Journal to encourage all those interested in forming a canoe group to meet at the JCC. On the day of the canoe group meeting there was also a Red Cross meeting that most of the "posse" had to attend. I drew the short straw and had to chair the canoe group meeting.

I was a bit concerned that no one would attend, and was very surprised when about 40 people showed up! I ran the meeting as best as possible while waiting for Manny and the rest of the group to show up. When they showed up the Rhode Island Canoe Association was born.

A newsletter was set up to list trips. Manny led most of the flatwater trips. He always placed an emphasis on safety – especially the use of PFD's. He saw that these were rarely being used, if not at all. From the outset Manny made it a point to announce that everyone on the trip would wear a PFD.

Remembered by Bill...

When I first joined RICA in 1979, there were a few individuals who stood out and spoke about safety. I was a beginner and

didn't know the bow from the stern. There were a bunch of us beginners, and we were pretty well brainwashed about wearing PFD's. I wouldn't have worn one unless some big guy was giving me the "evil eye". That was usually Manny Point. He was the Canoe Lifeguard – "out of the boat, kid!"

RICA was under 100 people at the time and we sponsored one major race. I don't remember what year it was - possibly 1979. We had a volunteer staff that ran the race. I was one of them, but I don't remember what I did that day. Anyway, after about 30-40 racers had gone downstream the volunteers got their chance to race. I had never raced before and didn't know a draw stroke from a power stroke.

Doug Nagle started off in the solo racers class, and he was good. A short while later Manny and I decided to race. It was my first race and I didn't know how long racing 7 miles would be. As soon as we got in the canoe, Manny shouted out "Catch, Doug". My heart was pumping, my adrenalin was running, and my eyes were bugging out!

"Catch Nagle, Puss!" yelled Manny. I was watching for Nagle to overcome and pass him – no chance.

After about half a mile I was running out of gas. My arms were going all rubber. I didn't know how to sit or kneel, so my legs were starting to cramp. At the portage I was barely able to stand and walk. "Where's Nagle!" yelled Manny. "Who cares?" I yelled back. "I'm in pain!"

After 7 grueling miles we finally reached the finish, and we didn't beat Nagle. I could barely stand up and my legs were wobbly numbed over sticks. The local newspaper ran a story on us. I was the local kid who lost the race, and I was pictured with my legs hanging over the boat incapacitated.

Looking back, I decided it was no big deal. It was just another day on the water with Manny.

Remembered by Alan...

My first memory of Manny comes from my first year as a member of RICA. I joined in April 1978. During that first year I participated in a few trips including a weeklong camping trip to northern ME. RICA Vice President, John Baxter, a Registered Maine Guide before moving to RI, led the trip. Manny was on it.

Most of the trip we paddled flatwater rivers and lakes. One day we paddled the St. Croix River from Vanceboro to Calais. A row of white rocks down the middle of the river marked the international border between the US and Canada.

Most of the St. Croix was a Class I whitewater river. Nothing dangerous, but a lot of rocks to get hung up on. Being entirely self-taught, I knew a lot less about paddling a canoe than I thought I did. Manny recognized that and had me paddle with him while his friend Leo Fontaine paddled my canoe. He was teaching me the whole way, and his skills were such that I never realized how much in control he was until later.

We came to a quarter-mile stretch of Class III rapids called Little Falls. Class III is considered intermediate, requiring skill in both river reading and boat control. With Manny's guidance it seemed deceptively simple.

From Little Falls to the takeout, the remainder of the river was again Class I. After we had lunch at Little Falls Manny and Leo switched. Manny took my canoe and Leo took Manny's canoe – and me. Where Manny showed me that paddling whitewater rivers can be easy and a lot of fun, I learned from Leo that it requires considerable skill for it to be easy and fun. Leo also taught me different ways to work a canoe free when you get stuck on a rock. I got a lot of practice that second half of the trip.

In addition to knowing how to maneuver a canoe Manny knew how to maneuver

people. I hesitate to use the word "manipulate" because of the bad connotation that goes with it, but whatever you call it, Manny was an expert.

In those days we used to have a canoe race on the Wood River on the Columbus Day weekend. The subject was brought up at the August meeting, and in front of the gathered assemblage, Manny asked me to be the race director. I protested that I couldn't do that because I knew absolutely nothing about canoe racing. "Okay," said Manny, "then you're on the committee."

At the end of the race day Doug Nagle, who had succeeded Manny as President, administered the coup de grace. "You have room at your house, could you store this stuff for the club?"

I said, "Sure."

Doug: "Then we'll make you Racing Chairman."

Me: "What do I have to do for that?"

Doug: "Nothing. Just store the stuff for us."

Me: "Sure. I can do that."

So Manny got me involved with the Association. Of course, being racing chairman involved a lot more than just "storing stuff," and it proved to be just the starting point. Over the years I served in many positions, some simultaneously, Vice President, Secretary, Membership Chair, Newsletter Editor and Webmaster. Also, because of Manny, I became an ACA-certified whitewater canoeing instructor and taught for the club.

There's another long-term involvement I owe to Manny. He led a canoe trip on Point Judith Pond one summer day. There I met Barbara Strawn, one of the co-founders along with Manny. We recently celebrated our 30th wedding anniversary.

Manny, thank you for everything.

Neponset River

By Bill Luther

Pictures by Erik Eckilson and SuAsCo AI

The Neponset River was one I had driven along and over for five years on my way to work every day. I had to paddle it, but first had to find put-ins and take-outs. This was not easy as it is a heavily populated residential, commercial and retail area just 15 miles from downtown Boston.

Most people recognize Neponset Bay, which is where the natural gas tank is when you drive into Boston on the Southeast Expressway (Route I-93 North). We were paddling on the headwaters that begin in Foxboro, MA.



SuAsCo AI – the Trash Paddler

I was joined by my friend Erik, and his friend AI. AI is also known as [SuAsCo AI – the Trash Paddler](#). He has guided us on a couple of RICKA Flatwater trips on the Sudbury, Assabet and Concord Rivers. Erik and I paddled a tandem canoe, and AI paddled a 15-foot kayak.

We met AI in the University Avenue train station around 10:00 a.m., and right away we felt the cold wind. We drove to the take-out at Paul's Bridge in Milton, and noticed the limited parking. Fortunately, AI had paddled parts of the river previously and knew approximate distances.



Bill and Erik

We put-in at a business park off Route 1 in Norwood near the Marriott Courtyard Hotel. A sign indicated that the Norwood Conservation Commission had dedicated this as the Bade Canoe Launch.

As we headed out we were now out of the wind with the sun warming us. The water was flowing but on the shallow side for the first mile. An older wired fence separated the river valley from nearby houses. As we paddled we began to collect plastic bottles and styrofoam cups. This was probably no worse than any other suburban river.

We now were pushing into deeper water as we passed under Route I-95. For most of the rest of the trip we were in a wooded marsh valley with little sign of man besides traffic noise. We passed a boat launch off Neponset Street in Canton that would have held about 5 cars. This would be a bad spot to have your car get blocked in.

We continued another 3 miles and stopped for lunch at [Signal Hill](#), a Trustees of Reservations site with good river access. After lunch we climbed a few hundred feet



Top of Signal Hill with a view of Boston

to the high point at the top of the hill and observed the distant Boston skyline and the nearby Great Blue Hill.

After lunch we pushed on and passed under Routes I-95 and 128 and paralleled the train tracks. The river valley was isolated, wooded, and blow down free. We chatted and basked in the afternoon sun. We still saw little evidence of mankind. There were nice tree lined banks of white and silver birches. With no vegetation we could see far into the woods, but we saw few houses.



Approaching Paul's Bridge in Milton

At 7.9 miles we reached Paul's Bridge and the take-out in Milton. Parking was limited with fewer than 10 designated spots. If we had gone further downstream we would have found urban sprawl and unportageable dams, so this was a good place to stop.

We finished around 3:30 p.m. It was around 40 degrees January warm. We packed our gear, said our good-byes, and headed out on our way after a great day on the river.

We hope to lead a round trip from Signal Hill on stretches of the Neponset later this year. Signal Hill would accommodate larger groups.

Bill is a long-time RICKA member and flatwater, whitewater and sea kayak paddler. He is also a former RICKA President, Safety and Conservation Chair.

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.**

Flatwater Trips

Check the [Flatwater Message Board](#) for bootleg trips and hikes. Appropriate skills and equipment are required.

Flatwater Planning Meeting

March 13, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

Join us at River Bend Farm in Uxbridge, MA for our annual Flatwater Planning Meeting. Please bring ideas for trips. If you would like to lead a trip but do not have experience, we can partner you with an experienced leader. Contact Cheryl Thompson at 401-647-5887 or stonefoxfarm@cox.net for additional information.

Whitewater Trips

Check the [Whitewater Message Board](#) for bootleg trips. Appropriate skills and equipment are required

Branch River Icebreaker

March 19, 2016

As a 'nod' to all the years that RICKA ran the RI Whitewater Championships, we are planning to run the Branch River on the traditional 3rd Saturday in March. Cold weather gear (wetsuit or drysuit) is required. You must have class II skills and

be properly prepared for the conditions. Final details will be posted on the [Whitewater Message Board](#) when available.

Sea Kayak Trips

Sea kayak trips are now posted on the Show & Go Message Board at: <http://rickaseakayaking.org/forums/index.php?board=2.0>

RICKA Picnic and Barbecue

August 21, 2016

This just in!!! **SAVE THE DATE! The 2016 RICKA Picnic and Barbeque will take place on Sunday, August 21, 2016 at Colt State Park in Bristol.** Stay turned for more information....

A Cold Water Caution

Exposure to the cold can drain your strength and rob you of the ability to make sound judgments regarding safety. Cold water immersion is especially dangerous due to the initial shock and rapid loss of heat. For cold weather paddling, please remember:

- Never paddle alone - at least three boats are recommended, four boats are better.
- Keep the trip short, and well within the paddling ability of the group.
- Dress for immersion in a drysuit or wetsuit. Protect the extremities with a hat, neoprene gloves and warm footwear. Always carry a change of cloths in a waterproof bag.

- Know how to recognize and treat the symptoms of hypothermia.
- Always, always, always wear your PFD.

Cold weather paddling significantly increases the risk of serious injury or death. Paddle safe. Paddle smart.

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The following retailers offer special discounts for RICKA members:

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

WaveLength Magazine
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- **Necky Chatham 16 fiberglass kayak** - skeg, compass & foot-operated bilge pump. White and grey. Mint condition - always stored indoors. Cockpit cover and spray skirt, like new - \$1,300. Christy Russell 401-364-3093 or christyrussell@gmail.com
- **Romany Explorer sea kayak** – fiberglass, 17'6" X. 21.5". **Prijon Hurricane whitewater kayak** with stern air bag. **Kopapa Kiwi kayak** - 8' X 26". Medium dry top & drysuit (needs wrist & ankle gaskets). Large PFD, bilge pump. 3 cockpit covers. 5 paddles and 2 dry bags. Yakima rack w/ locks plus 2 sets of saddles. Extra towers & clips \$1500. Contact goray7ray@gmail.com
- **Werner Carbon Fiber Ikelos paddle** - bent shaft. 215 cm. Only used twice and is in brand new condition -\$350. Contact aikijerry@optonline.net
- **Free: Two youth size PFDs** - 50-90 lbs, 24-28" chest. One is LL Bean (color blue), the other is HO Sports (color black). Can bring to RICKA monthly meetings. Milton 978-618-7679 mlchow622@gmail.com
- **Valley Aquanaut** - plastic, in good condition with built in skeg - \$600. Contact Paul O'Reilly at 401- 640-5052
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- **Folbot collapsible kayak** - weighs 40 lbs., color is bright orange. 2007 model in like new condition with paddle, spray cover and extra seat included, as well as full directions. Asking \$1000.00. Call Tom at 401-783-2750 or cell 520-240-7353
- **Make me an offer on any item listed:** Canoe/Kayak equipment - 2 four foot end air bags for OC1, 2 pieces of foam closed cell side flotation, pair of adjustable foot pegs for kayak, other items (if you're looking for miscellaneous whitewater items, please email me, I may have them). Email me for details. Jimcole@hotmail.com or 401-699-1172
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- **Dagger Sitka** - fiberglass, yellow/black/white, 17'11 x 22". Good condition. Fast and comfortable; front/rear ultra-wide hatch openings; day hatch behind the cockpit - \$800. cammac@ieee.org
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