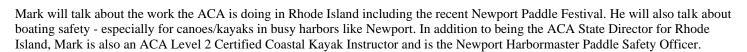
# October Meeting A Talk with Mark Marosits

ACA State Director, Rhode Island and Newport Harbormaster Paddle Safety Officer Monday, October 21, 2024 at 7:00

Join us at our October meeting for a talk with Mark Marosits – the Rhode Island State Director for the American Canoe Association. He'd love to hear from us how the ACA can help us become better paddlers and a better paddle club.

Founded in 1880, the <u>American Canoe Association</u> (ACA) is the oldest and largest paddle sports club in America, promoting canoeing, kayaking, paddle boarding and

rafting. The ACA sponsors many important program including safety training, instructor certification and conservation. More than two hundred local paddling clubs, including RICKA, and fifty thousand individuals are members.



The meeting will be held on Zoom videoconference – the link will be posted on the website when available.



Mark Marosits with the Newport Harbormaster Team

# Columbus Day Weekend ADK Wilderness Trip

October 10 - 13, 2024

This is a three-night wilderness camping trip in the Adirondacks. The intended destination is the area of Follensby Clear Pond, Fish Creek Ponds and Floodwood Pond. The route may vary depending on the group, conditions and weather. This is a rain, snow or shine trip. Previous wilderness camping experience is required. You must have your own boat and cold weather camping gear. Food is on your own, but once we have the group finalized we may arrange some group meals.

If you are interested in this trip please contact Chuck Horbert at <a href="mailto:chorbert13@gmail.com">chorbert13@gmail.com</a>. (Limit of 6 paddlers.)

## RICKA Movie Night Our Favorite Trips of 2024

Tuesday, November 18, 2024 at 7:00

At our November Meeting, we'll look back with stories, pictures and videos at our favorite trips of 2024. With all the trips scheduled by RICKA this year, it can be tough to pick a favorite, but we'll do just that.

If you have a video you would like to share, please contact Erik Eckilson at <a href="mailto:eckilson@cox.net">eckilson@cox.net</a>. Videos should be no longer than 6-minutes.

The meeting will take place on Zoom videoconference. The link will be posted shortly.

#### From the RICKA Library...

## **Local Paddle Guides**

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

This is the <u>NEW</u> 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.

**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.

These are just two of the great books and videos 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.

#### RICKA is an ACA



### Paddle America Club

#### **Executive Board Meeting**

The next Executive Board meeting will be held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. online as a ZOOM videoconference. To participate contact Erik Eckilson at eckilson@cox.net and the Zoom link will be sent to you.

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Join the Fun!

The **Paddler** is published monthly except December by the Rhode Island Canoe & Kayak Association, Inc.

## Submit your stories to the **FADDLER**



Do you have a story that you could share, a picture, gear review or trip report? Please consider sending it to the Paddler. Chances are, there are a lot of people who would really enjoy seeing it.

Don't be shy, please send it along to editor@ricka.org!

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## 17th Annual RICKA Family Picnic

## Cold Spring Community Center at the North Kingstown Town Beach

Once a year, the entire club gets together for the RICKA Family Picnic. It's a great time to thank our many volunteers.

This year, the picnic was held at North Kingstown Town Beach. Morning paddles were held at Wickford Harbor for flatwater paddlers, and out on Narragansett Bay for sea kayakers. Then we gathered for lunch and the 2024 RICKA Awards Ceremony. Club-wide awards were presented to:

## **Volunteer of the Year Award Sharon Dragon**

Sharon is a long-time RICKA member who served as Membership Chair from 2012 to 2022, Vice President in 2016, President from 2017 to 2018, and Treasurer in 2024. She remains on the Executive board as a Member at Large. In addition, Sharon is an experienced Flatwater leader who runs several trips a year at venues like the Wood/Pawacatuck River, the South County Salt Ponds, and other sites around New England.

Based on her long history of supporting RICKA through her work on the Executive Board and as a Flatwater leader, Sharon has earned the 2024 Volunteer of the Year.

#### <u>Sea Kayak Leadership Award</u> Tim Gleason, Brenda Rashleigh, Kelly Gable, Rick Brooks

For coaching and leading training programs for new and experience sea kayakers.

## Flatwater Leadership Award Bob Larivee

For his leadership of flatwater trips.

#### **BVPC Leadership Award**

## Manny Terezakis and Roscoe Skurka

For their work with the Blackstone Valley Paddle Club.

## **Conservation Award Gary Powers**

For his dedication and efforts to promote conservation, and for organizing the Earth Day Clean up paddles.

## Wilderness Leadership Award Dan Foster

For his wilderness camping skills and amazing cooking over the campfire

#### <u>Rubber Ducky Award</u> Erik Eckilson and Bill Luther

For their well-documented swim at the Bradford Fish Weirs on the Pawcatuck River.

We would also like to thank all of the other leaders and volunteers who have helped make this club a success once again this year:

Elaine Andrews (B)
Dave Biernacki (B)
Deb Britt (EB, F)
Justin Boyan (SK)
Rick Brooks (SK)
Rich Coupland (EB, SK)
Frank Cortesta (B, EB, F)
Jim Crowley (B, F)
Henry Dziadosz (F)
Sharon Dragon (EB, F)
Erik Eckilson (B, EB, F, WW, W)
Ron Entringer (EB)
Tom Farley (B, F)

Cindy Gianfrancesco (F, W) Tim Gleason (SK) Kelly Gable (SK) Bill Hahn (EB) Mike Hazeltine (SK) Peter Hill (EB, F) Chuck Horbert (EB, F, W) Eric Johnson (SK) JeanMarie Josephson (F) Mike Krabach (SK) Beklen Kerimoglu (SK) Pat Lardner (EB, F) Bob Larrivee (B, F) Paul Leclerc (EB, WW) Bill Luther (F) Earl MacRae (B, F) Pat MacRae (B, F) Bob Martin (B) Cam Mejia (SK) Tony Moore (SK) Steve Norris (F) Danny O'Shea (B, EB, F) Lee Parham (B) Skye Pechie (B, EB, F) Steve Pechie (B, EB, F) Gary Powers (EB, F) Louise Price (B, F) Brenda Rashleigh (EB, SK)

Dan Foster (W)

Bill Fournier (SK)

Cat Ratcliff (SK)
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Steve Riendeau (B)
Aaron Rouby (W)
Caryl Salsbury (F)
Al Sampson (F)
Jon Sharlin (SK)
Roscoe Skurka (B, F)
Jennifer Stanton (EB, F)
Manny Terezakis (B)
Cheryl Thompson (B, EB, F)
Mike Vechinsky (F)

Key: B - BVPC, EB - Executive Board,
F - Flatwater, SK - Sea Kayak,
WW - Whitewater, W - Wilderness





#### Returning to an old friend:

# The West River in Vermont

By Paul Leclerc

My first outing on the West River was back in 2009. At that time, it was the biggest whitewater I'd ever been on. I swam twice that day, both on the hardest rapids (Initiation and the Dumplings) and went back for more.

The West River arises in the Green Mountains and runs east for 54-miles across Vermont to Brattleboro where it empties into the Connecticut River. While blocked by two flood control dams – <u>Ball Mountain</u> and <u>Townshend</u> – there are two sections of the West that are popular for whitewater paddling during dam releases in the spring and fall – <u>the upper West (class 3)</u> from Ball Mountain Dam to Jamaica State Park, and <u>the lower West (class 2)</u> from Jamaica State Park to the Route 100 bridge.



Paul running Initiation on 2010

West Fest, held during the fall releases at <u>Jamacia State Park</u>, was always the place to see and be seen for whitewater paddlers in the northeast. Just about everyone who paddled whitewater was there. The park's staff ran a shuttle on the upper class 3 section that allowed paddlers to easily do 3 or 4 runs a day, even 5 or 6 if you hustled - a big draw for many people.

This would be my first time back since 2019. COVID, dam repairs, low water and the storms Vermont experienced the past



Erik running Initiation in 2010

few years had cancelled the recent fall releases. However, this year, even though the lake was extremely low, the Army Corps of Engineers, who oversee dam operations agreed to a release, albeit at a lesser flow.

Erik was game and we headed out to our old friend. Unfortunately, due to one of those torrential storms, the access road used to shuttle the boaters to the headwaters was closed, so, out of necessity it was a fifteen minute begrudging portage over the dam to the put-in.

The first rapid out of the gate is Initiation, a fast wavy class 3. I instructed Erik to follow my line, ensuring him I would take the easiest one. Seeing me disappear in a few holes, persuaded him to choose another line. He made it through fine, but his boat got swamped and he had to eddy out to empty it.

Further down he emptied out again, giving the water back to the river. But for an open boater without an automatic pump, the



Paul on the portage trail over the dam

West River keeps pouring in, making control very challenging. Following my lead through some of the rowdier waves, Erik again found his boat full of swashing water, hampering his efforts to paddle river-right away from Boof Rock (a large pour over) with a nasty bottom recirculation.

Despite his efforts, the current pushed the water laden canoe to the edge of the hole, capsizing it and spilling its burden and occupant into the turbulent waters. Erik was able to quickly rescue himself and his boat was soon pushed ashore as well. Onward to the Dumplings, we sailed through the remainder of the river with ease.



Erik running the Dumplings

I did a quick, solo non-stop second run (or bomb run as I like to call them) to meet up with Erik for a run down the lower class 2 section to the Route 100 bridge take-out. Perfect timing. Erik was just putting in.

It was the first time I ran this section and I admit for class 2 it was fun. There was a huge line of cars at the take-out, so everyone had the same idea - two runs on the upper and finish on the lower. Under a warm September sun, we packed up and headed out for pizza in Brattleboro.

I found Erik's write up on that fabled 2009 trip. At the end of the article he says, "I always enjoy paddling with Paul - he is always looking to paddle bigger rapids." Part of that still holds true today - I do look to paddle bigger rapids, but I'm not sure Erik enjoys following me so closely anymore.





# The 2024 Adirondack Week of Paddling

By Bill Luther

Why do RICKA paddlers have to travel 250 miles to get together to have a good time? It's a long way from home. You have to stay overnight. They don't serve hot wieners or coffee milk in this part of the world. The State police do stop you for running stop signs. I don't know. I guess it's just one thing. We're on vacation and like to have FUN!

Henry Dziadosz, Barbara August and I were on the first RICKA trip on the Chain of Lakes in 1983 and discovered the joys of portaging over a seven-day period. Since then we've had a new approach and just do short day trips like sane people do. Besides Henry, no one has made the trip every year. Much has changed. Now we bring sea kayaks and mobile camping trailers and over 30 people go every year. I guess it must have become big time fun, this Adirondack Week of Paddling.



The views never get old!

This year, Peter Hill and I arrived at Lake Eaton Campgrounds on Sunday at 2:00. The first two days were not summer-like with highs in the 50's and dampness in the air. We kept telling each other that it would be nice after that. It was but that didn't help with our "What have we got ourselves into" attitudes.



Cloudy day on Long Lake

On Monday we did a short 6-mile, up-and-back paddle on Long Lake from the town beach. We did our "Monsters on Main Street' pose for the camera on entry. Others were eager. I was not chipper. I didn't feel warm until I crawled into the sleeping bag later that night. I wanted to talk to the leaders to see if I could leave summer camp early this year.

It was 38 degrees when we woke on Tuesday morning. Like a fool, I had forgotten my cooking gear, but was lucky enough to scrounge a cup of coffee. This was not going well. So I sucked it up and got ready to paddle nearby Round Lake.

At first 15 of us paddled up to a small beaver dam and looked at the trees along the shore that were turning crimson red. The wind was picking up to 15 mph as we entered the lake. Some of the solo boaters in canoes and short kayaks turned around to return.

Five of us continued to the beach area and talked to a small group from out of state who were camping for the night. These were primitive sites and had gorgeous



Enjoying the evening campfire

views for those who dared to venture. On our return leg, the wind had abated and become almost glass-like for us to enjoy and engage in easy chit chat talk.

The real fireworks and sense of happiness did not arrive until the night of the Pot Luck Dinner on Tuesday night. Almost 34 people individually brought more than 1 person could eat at one serving so there was plenty to go around. It was a smorgasbord of delight. So much good food to please the gods. You saw people that you hadn't seen in a year's time and it evolved into small talk and laughter.

Hey where's your dog? Hey, are you still paddling that ratty old boat? Where did you get the bucks to buy that luxury liner? Remember the time we almost tipped over? Matter of fact we did tip over. Yes, it was a pleasure to see so many of your old friends in one place at one time.



The traditional Pot Luck Dinner

Later that night we were elated to hear that the Northern Nights would appear. The rumor was later amended and persisted through the week.

Chuck Horbert had asked that we should break up into smaller groups to maintain safety and to respect parking privileges. Thus there were as many as four trips to different places going on any given day.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day, five of us decided to paddle on Blue Mountain Lake, a short 20 miles away from our campsite. It was Peter, JeanMarie, Tammy, David and I who set out from the town landing that was manicured with flowers.





It was a glass mirror day on the lake with barely a breeze. We paddled through a corner of Blue Mountain into a stream and then into Eagle Lake and then into Utawama Lake where we looked for a lunch spot. This as I'm told is a traditional way for Scout troops to enter Long Lake and avoid some nasty long portage spots.

Failing to find a nice beach spot and after being on the water for over three hours, we made a beeline back to the launch beach and had lunch there. So day three was over and we went back to our sites and had a nice campfire with over 20 people telling their day's adventure stories.



Blue Mountain Lake

On the 4<sup>th</sup> day, Thursday, I set out on my own to find the elusive Adirondack Bike Rail Trail from Lake Placid to Saranac Lake and beyond. I had read about it and now I had to find an access point. On the way, I was passed by every motor vehicle on the road. I did not know where I was going and my "get-up-and-go" had "got-up-and-left". Finally I found a bicycle shop that clued me into the start point.

I was the one cyclist in this canoe group and I was determined to find other sources of recreation. What I found was wonderful a flat gravel crushed stone bike path that had been completed in recent years. The trail was tree-lined in most places and had spectacular views of bodies of water that rival just about every bike trail that I have gone on. I rode over 45 miles that day and I was glad that I did it. In 2025, it will extend to 34 miles total and reach Tupper Lake and Rollins Pond



The lone cyclist sets out

Campground.

On the 5<sup>th</sup> day, Friday, Peter and I had teamed up with Hiram and Sandy Speckman to paddle the Oswegatchie River. Others had gone there and we were fortunate to have the last remaining day available. It was in St Lawrence County, close to the Tug Plateau where they often receive 200 inches of snow per year.

It was a treasure. I had wanted to visit two new places this year and I was rewarded. The Oswegatchie is about 20' wide and 3' deep and has a few rocks and blowdowns but it is not difficult to paddle a few upstream miles. We did and reached an overlook on a high rock outcrop that surveyed the entire upland marsh area.

This was the Campsite #45 that others had described with glowing words. We did not see any wildlife but if you used your imagination, you could picture moose and beaver roaming free. It was a spectacular view that remains with you forever.

We quickly returned downstream, loaded boats on to cars and later dined at the Adirondack Hotel as it was now late and



Overlook on the Oswegatchie River.

getting dark.

The 6<sup>th</sup> day, Saturday, was going home day for most people. Four of us remained. We promised to keep in touch with each other and to share photos. It felt as if we were leaving summer camp and going back to school. For adults who refuse to grow up, some of us could relate to this feeling.

Three of us, Peter, Kim, and I decided to hike the local Buck Hill Fire Tower trail. We took the slow and easy approach and had fun on the way. We chatted to people coming down the hill. There was the couple from France who spoke to us in their native tongue to test us, the guy who knew every episode of Yellowstone by heart and the 7 member team of Hiking Grandmas with 28 grandchildren amongst them who entertained us along the way.



Dinner at the Adirondacks Hotel

We reached the top and climbed the fire tower whose exterior structure was fenced with chicken wire to make it seem safer. We had another spectacular 100-mile view of forests and lakes on this clear end of summer day. We descended quickly and just for the hell of it we had dinner at the Adirondack Hotel again. Tomorrow, Sunday was packing time and we left at 10:00 for the long, 6-hour trip home.

I wanted to thank Hiram and Sandy for the meals we shared together and others who I shared a drink with or a snack together. It was my third consecutive year and I'm planning a 4th year even now. Thanks, Cindy and Chuck, RICKA paddlers and my travel mate. Peter Hill.





## 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**

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

October  $5^{th}$  - meet at 11:00 for an 11:30 launch

Farmington River - East Granby, CT Trip coordinator: Sharon Dragon shdrag1@gmail.com 401-225-3942

We will put in at Curtiss Park in Simsbury, CT, and paddle to the Drake Hill Flower Bridge. If everyone is interested, we can then paddle to the Pinchon Sycamore, the largest sycamore in the Northeast, at the Route 185 bridge. This would add another 3 miles to the trip. Curtiss Park is at 61 Tariffville Road, Simsbury, CT 06070. Take the entrance into park opposite the soccer fields. It's at the end of a long wooden fence and is a dirt road. Follow the dirt road to launch. Bring a lunch.

October  $6^{th}$  - meet at 10:00 for a 10:30 launch

#### 100 Acre Pond - West Kingston

Trip coordinators are Chuck Horbert <a href="mailto:chorbert13@gmail.com">chorbert13@gmail.com</a> 401-418- 2838 and Cindy Gianfranceso

We will paddle upstream on the Chipuxet River through Thirty Acre Pond and up to Hundred Acre Pond, and then return to Taylor Landing. The river is narrow and meandering, with at least one beaver dam to climb over and one potentially shallow spots to wade up. **RSVP is required for this trip**. There will be a maximum number of boats allowed. Bring a lunch

October 13<sup>th</sup> - meet at 9:30 for a 10:00 launch

## Blackstone Gorge Foliage Paddle – Blackstone, MA

Trip coordinator: Gary Powers rickamembership@gmail.com

The put-in for this section is near the Blackstone Gorge across from 66 County Street, Blackstone MA. This is a pretty fall paddle, just under 4-miles round trip and suitable for all paddlers. Parking lot is small. Bring a lunch.

October 18<sup>th</sup> - meet at 5:00 for a 5:30 launch

#### Full Moon Paddle on Worden Pond

Trip Coordinators: Jen Stanton bigredstantons@gmail.com Cindy Gianfrancesco and Chuck Horbert chorbert13@gmail.com 401-418-2838

The last full moon paddle of the year on Worden Pond – RI's is the second-largest freshwater lake. Bring a headlamp or waterproof light. At this time of year a change of clothes in a waterproof bag is required.

November 9<sup>th</sup> - meet at 1:30 for a 2:00 launch

#### Turkev Paddle at Wallum Lake

Trip Coordinators: Cheryl Thompson stonefoxfarm@juno.com 401-497-5887 and Sharon Dragon shdrag1@gmail.com 401-225-3942.

A lovely fall paddle with dinner to follow at a nearby restaurant. Wallum Lake is located in the Douglas State Park. The restaurant is Bistro Eight Ates, 172 Gore Road, Webster, MA 01570. You are welcome to come to just the paddle or just the restaurant only if you cannot join us for both. RSVP by October 31st if you intend to have dinner with us. We will be gathering for dinner at about 4:00 pm. No RSVP needed for the paddle. At this time

of year a change of clothes in a waterproof bag is required. A wetsuit or drysuit is recommended.

## **Sea Kayak Trips**

Sea Kayak trips are now posted in the Trips Section of the <u>Sea Kayak Message Board</u>. Appropriate skills and equipment are required. Before choosing to participate in a trip, check the marine forecast and consider the trip level. Changes and cancellations will be posted.

## Wilderness Trips

October 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> **Columbus Day Weekend Adirondacks Wilderness Trip**Coordinator: Chuck Horbert

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This trip will be a three-night trip over Columbus Day Weekend.

The intended destination is the area of Follensby Clear Pond, Fish Creek Ponds and Floodwood Pond. We will put in at the Spider Creek access point and camp somewhere on Follensby Clear Pond that night. After that, it is flexible and may be dependent on the weather and group.

This trip is rain, snow or shine. You must have your own boat, and your own cold weather camping equipment. Right now, food is also on your own, but once we have a group finalized (max group is 6) we may arrange some group meals if the group is amenable. This is wilderness camping with little to no comforts other than a fire ring and, if we are lucky, a table or thunder box.

If you want to sign up for this trip, please contact Chuck Horbert at chorbert13@gmail.com.





## **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.

- Eddyline Sky 10 Kayak yellow, purchased in 2021. Good condition but needs minor repair. Included: Eddyline Heavy-Duty Cockpit Cover w/ Travel Strap asking \$525. Two sets of Thule Hull-a-Port Pro XT Kayak Racks (Model: 848) black, very good condition. Straps and cords never used; still in original packaging. \$100 per set. Contact <a href="mailto:andree.rathemacher@gmail.com">andree.rathemacher@gmail.com</a> or 401-792-7034
- One pair Thule 50" square bars with universal mount (mounts to various side rails) \$50. Bars have some rust spots. Contact Chris at <a href="mailto:chris.kracik@gmail.com">chris.kracik@gmail.com</a>
- Wenohnah Whitewater II 18.5 ft kevlar canoe that is almost 40 years old. It needs a new gelcoat, it has no other dents or issues. Is there anyone who would want it? I'm clearing out things, and am ready to let it go. Email is <a href="wendyholm2022@gmail.com">wendyholm2022@gmail.com</a>.
- Two 12-foot Perception Pompano 120 Sit-On-Top Kayaks very good condition, lightly used, stored properly. Capacity 350 lbs., 3 dry-hatches, lots of storage, tracks nicely. Also have clip-on seats, paddles, J-racks, tow ropes \$475 each, buy both and get all the gear. Contact 401-651-7701
- **Sea Kaya Eddyline Fathom Touring Kayak -** white with yellow deck, pristine condition. Length 16'6"- Width Beam 22"- Depth13,5"- Weight 50 lbs- Cockpit Size 31.6x16.5 \$2,100. Contact 401-662-6548 prefer text- write 'kayak' in subject line
- Wenonah Wee Lassie 12' 6" excellent condition, lightweight Kevlar, 24 pounds, only used 10 times, some character marks \$2000. Contact <a href="mailto:shdrag1@gmail.com">shdrag1@gmail.com</a>
- Paddling Gear Bending Branch Breeze evening carbon fiber paddle-\$125, nylon sprayskirt-\$25, paddle float-\$25, bilge pump-\$15, neoprene paddling booties- size 12-\$25. Fly Fishing Rod Orvis Sliver Label TL Tip Flex 9.5 fly fishing rod (9 ft., 4 piece, 3/4 oz. 8 wt) with case. Also Orvis Teton WF-8-F reel. Asking \$300 for both. If interested reach out to Mark at hozho108@gmail.com.
- **Thule Hullivator** pistons just tested and each lifts 16+ lbs. Mounting brackets are for a Thule square bar. A set of Thule bars and car mounts are available at an additional cost. \$250 Contact Bill Hahn, bhahn02835@yahoo.com, 401-524-1612
- Wilderness System Sealoution 16.6 this plastic boat is in paddle-ready condition, but could use a little TLC in the cockpit. Deck bungees probably would need replacement soon as well \$100. Contact <a href="mbouley@gmail.com">mbouley@gmail.com</a>
- **Cedar Strip Night Heron kayak** \$100 or best offer. The deceased original oner wished the proceeds from the sale of this boat to benefit RICKA. Contact <a href="mailto:mkrabach@cox.net">mkrabach@cox.net</a> or 401-333-5350
- Necky Looksha 17' sea kayak. Gray with rudder. Good condition, stored indoors \$695. Contact Jay at josephlwade@yahoo.com
- Valley Gemini ST composite kayak 14' 10 and 45 pounds. Yellow deck with white hull and a keel strip. Kayak is in excellent condition as it has only been very lightly used and stored properly indoors. Asking \$1,750 including a Werner carbon fiber touring paddle and a Seals cockpit cover. Contact Bill Hahn: bhahn02835@yahoo.com or 401524-1612
- P&H Aries 155 2016, Expedition Layup w/Keel Strip, 70P Compass, Paddle Britches. Pea Green Deck/ White Seam/White Hull/White Kevlar Keel Strip. Foam Block Footrest \$2,200. P&H Cetus MV Carbon/Kevlar w/Kevlar Keel Strip, 70P Compass, Paddle Scabbard. Sail mounting system in place. Yellow Deck/White Seam/White Hull/White Kevlar Keel Strip. Foot pegs. Maintained in Excellent Condition: Modest amount of hull gell coat scratches and normal spider cracking \$2,200 firm. Seller lives in Providence text 401-654-3168
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