



Cataraqui Canoe Club

News

September 2001

Commodore's Note

By Barry Irish

Hello fellow CCC members, this will be my last Commodore's note (YAHOO). By the time you read this the paddling season will be nearly over and it will be time for our other season. It has been an excellent year all-round and I hope the weather continues to cooperate. It has been an interesting and exciting two years as commodore. I would like to thank the many, many people who have supported me during this time. This support has made the job much easier.

Besides the many trips sponsored by the club; we hosted an open house for the Immigrants Association of Kingston; provided assistance on the water for the Ktown Tri; assisted the Urban Wanderers and gave them a send off paddle; launched a new canoe club in Sydenham; and ran our many clinics (kayak roll clinics, learn to canoe, learn to kayak, canoe skills improvement clinic and a one day canoe clinic at Frontenac Park). In addition, we were asked to train councilors for a summer camp I would like to thank the board members and volunteers for their countless hours of work. Without the dedication of these volunteers, all of our programs and activities would not take place, or appear to run as effortlessly as they do. Thanks to one and all.

We had surprise visitors this summer. Len and Theresa Burt, former members of CCC, who now live in Alberta, stopped on their way to the East Coast, to visit and join us for a paddle. They had thrown both of their canoes on the roof of their fifth wheel camper in hopes of getting in some paddling while on their trip. After their brief visit, they departed vowing on their return trip, to join us for our Thanksgiving Camping weekend at Bon Echo, and to partake in the turkey to be cooked on the campfire.

Finally, hope to see you at the AGM. We need you all there.

Notes From The Board

By Margaret Wild

Cataraqui Canoe Club members present at last year's annual general meeting, approved a resolution to support the formation of a separate club in Sydenham, devoted to flat water racing.

Accordingly, the members in Sydenham became incorporated as the Sydenham Lake Canoe Club, and received the flat water racing boats together with \$5000 start up funds. Their first season opened in June and, as seen in press coverage, successful regattas were staged with paddlers progressing to Eastern Ontario Finals. CCC wishes the new club continued success.

CCC is fortunate to have many dedicated volunteers. Among them, thanks are due to Tom Newton, who audited our books for many years. Our new auditor is Jeannette Woodman, who as a past club Treasurer will have the 'write stuff'. Jeannette was also responsible for setting up the present form of the newsletter using computer based publishing.

Rick has done an excellent job as Editor since 1995, and despite a hectic work schedule, launching us fully into the electronic era. Not surprisingly, after doing it for a long while he 'needs less time on the computer and more on the water'. (Rick has everything set up for Microsoft Publisher, which he could pass to a CCC member looking for an interesting challenge. See bottom of page 2 for details!)

We are pleased board members take their responsibilities seriously. Ken and Susan Pearce will bring a new paddler on board in November, effectively increasing club membership. Congratulations and good luck to both of them!

**CCC Annual General Meeting
Monday October 15 – 7 to 9 PM
Delehaye Room – Kingston Public Library**

Cataraqui Canoe Club

**P.O. Box 1882
Kingston, Ontario, K7L 5J7**

**Boathouse located on Orchard street near the Woolen Mill
Call 544-8375 for current listing of up-coming trips and events**

Executive and Board of Directors 2000 – 2001

Commodore	Barry Irish	389-6334
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Committee Appointments

Trip Scheduling	Margaret Wild
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Has Your Address Changed?

Has your address changed or do you have an e-mail address? We want to stay in touch and make sure that you receive the newsletter. Please forward any change in address/email/phone number to the club secretary at 547-3781; or at the club address listed above; or at <nicholls@canada.ca>.

CCC Newsletter Editor Needed!

After at least six years at the helm of the newsletter, it is time for a new editor. The newsletter editor plays a key role in the communications effort of the club. We also have an excellent Web Site maintained by Alan Nicholls, however, not everybody has a computer. The newsletter is typically published three times a year.

The newsletter is currently setup using Microsoft Publisher 98 which is a very simple publishing package. If you are interested in becoming the new editor you should have a computer and be comfortable with the technology (or prepared to learn). For further details please give me a call at 549-7152 or by email at "Rick@ColDesigns.com".

Regards, Rick Kirk.

Official Fall 2001 Schedule of the Cataraqui Canoe Club

There is a \$5 non-member fee on paddling and overnight trips. This fee can be applied towards future membership. Guests remain welcome with no fee on non-paddling day trips.

SEPT. 29, Sat. DOG PADDLE ON DOG LAKE. Luxury paddle through scenic lakes touched in fall colour, to enjoy ice cream at Melody Lodge, followed by the option to dine at Loughborough Inn. MC is David Forkes: 634-5840.

Paddling from the boathouse is available in September on Wednesday Evening from 6:00 pm to dusk

OCT 6,7 & 8, Sat.-Mon. THANKSGIVING AT BON ECHO in the great CCC tradition with turkey roasted over an open fire – the best thanksgiving dinner you'll ever eat! Barry Irish has again graciously volunteered to cook the turkey, and we pot luck the rest. Fall colour is usually at a peak, and can be viewed from the top of dramatic cliffs, with ancient pictographs visible at water level. There are excellent paddling, hiking and biking options suitable for families, with all the comforts of car camping to cosset you at the end of the day. (Remember a lawn chair, and that extra sleeping bag, it can be cold). Barry's new number is 389-6334.

OCT. 6, Sat. LOCAL CYCLING TOUR, joint trip with Velo Club, for those who have to stay home. Larry Jenkins leads around the back roads of Kingston to Bath, returning along the lakeshore, with plenty of options to shorten route. Larry is 530-2308.

Ample notice is required if you are looking for, or wish to be a paddling partner, and/or would like to rent a boat. We suggest you call the trip leader at least a week in advance.

In Winter, the leader will try to have alternate activities depending on snow or no snow!

OCT. 13, Sat. DEPOT LAKES PADDLE from Third Depot Dam to First Depot Lake. Like many of

life's best things Alan discovered this route by accident. He says it's a great trip, and even offers guarantees: A) That you will get wet, and B) You will have immense fun in the process. Call Alan at 547-3781 to see if he delivers!

OCT. 14, Sun. BIG SALMON LAKE HIKE in Frontenac Park with Beth, as she completes the Frontenac Park Challenge, consisting of all the trails in the Park. Today she has chosen Big Salmon Lake loop, approx. 19K. Join in to give her moral support – assuming you keep up! Beth is 389-6362

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OCT. 15, Mon. 7-9 pm CATARAQUI CANOE CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING is held in the Delehaye Room of the Kingston Public Library on Johnson Street. The business of presenting brief reports is usually conducted speedily, and we can get to the essentials of learning about the fantastic trip you made this year, and enjoy refreshments together. Seriously, we do need your presence to elect new board members and, we hope, approve past action taken by the board. Please attend to support your canoe club (with option to patronize a local watering hole following). AGM details from Margaret: 542-9626.

**For Trip Schedule Updates . . .
www.cataraquicanoe.on.ca
or the Hot Phone at 544-8375**

OCT. 20, Sat. LYNDBURST TO BLACK RAPIDS with Bob Clooney. Bound to be a highly enjoyable late paddle through picturesque lakes. Bob's number is 384-4482.

OCT. 21, Sun. BOB'S LAKE. Don't trouble to put away your equipment, we grasp the opportunity to cling to the last ray's of summer, always the most beautiful, with a local paddle. Sounds great for families – check with your guide, Debbie Twiddy: 374-1704.

OCT. 28, Sun. FRONTENAC PARK PADDLE. Bob Clooney was unable to do this paddle through beautiful interior lakes in Sept. as planned, so we have time to get to the gym and tone muscles for those longer portages. It will definitely be worth the effort. Find out more from Bob at 384-4482.

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NOV. 4, Sun. HIKE AT SKYCROFT. Dukke will unlock the secrets of this scenic area, which is a remarkably short drive from Kingston. Call 384-6054 to join in.

NOV. 11, Sun. MINK LAKE LOOKOUT is the highest point in Frontenac Park, a suitably contemplative focus for hiking on Remembrance Sunday. Larry Jenkins is your guide: 530-2308.

NOV. 18, Sun. CHARLESTON LAKE. Young members especially, will enjoy the interesting, short interpretive loops in this lovely Provincial Park. Call Barry Irish at 389-6334.

NOV. 25, Sun. RIDEAU TRAIL from McIvor Road, an easy hike north, suitable for families. Leaves from Sydenham Road Tim Horton's at 1p.m., with a car shuttle so you can choose your length. Trip leader is Peter Kopp: 546-9216.

DEC. 1, Sat. AFTERNOON HIKE North of Frontenac Park with David Forkes, to set the mood and whet our appetite for the evening party at 5 p.m. (Barry will have hot chocolate ready for those going direct from hike to party.) David's number is 634-5840.

DEC. 1, Sat. CCC CHRISTMAS SCHEDULING PARTY. Barry is again our most generous host, and has offered to prepare a magnificent feast at \$5 a person. Plus, we exchange an outdoorsy gift (max \$5), to add to the fun. New members are especially welcome to this popular event, please call well in advance so Barry can plan numbers. Margaret is contact (542-9626) to note attendees, and also scheduling ideas from those unable to come. (NB: B+Y+O+B=designated driver!)

DEC. 9, Sun. ARAB LAKE TRAIL in Frontenac Park should still be excellent for hiking, vistas are expansive when the leaves are down. Beth Orr leads, call 389-6362.

DEC. 16, Sun. MYSTERY HIKE. We met Gary Birrell on Labour Day as he was starting the Frontenac Challenge, and thought would be the perfect person to lead a hike helping restore sanity so close to Christmas. Gary's number is 389-5154.

DEC. 21-26 FAR HILLS INN in the Laurentians offer an all-inclusive Christmas rate of \$495, and you are back to spend Boxing Day with the family. This traditional inn has gourmet dining, a pool and squash courts, linked to hundreds of K groomed and back country ski trails. Bob, Margaret, Earline and Gunther are planning to go, and would welcome the company of like minded CCCers: 542-9626.

JAN. 6, Sun. LITTLE CAT. CREEK Family Fun Day of cross country skiing at this local conservation area with a good choice of trails. Don Harris says it would be ideal for beginners, and ski rental is available. Beth promises to help with other activities if there's no snow. Check with Don at 546-0842.

JAN. 13, Sun. LOCAL SKI or hike led by Ed Jezak. Maybe *this* year conditions will be right for Triangle Ski Club! Details from Ed at 389-4459.

JAN. 20, Sun. GOULD LAKE snow shoe or hike with Margaret Spicer, will likely provide a good challenge for either activity. Margaret reminds us that Trailhead rent out snowshoes if you'd like to try them. Call 530-2308 to join in.

JAN. 26/27, Sat/Sun. SKIING IN ALGONQUIN PARK. Tom Stewart had many requests to repeat this popular trip. Inexpensive accommodation is available at a motel next to a series of extensive cross country trails, in this northern Park, famous for its rugged beauty. Saturday night is pot luck, and breakfast is included. Tom suggests you arrive Friday night to increase ski time; phone 389-4779 for more information.