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KNIK CANOERS AND KAYAKERS

JAN GENERAL MEETING

Happy New Year KCK Members!

We have an exciting two-part program for this first meeting of 2006 to get us all ready for the upcoming paddling season:

Presenter Michael Shephard, Vegetation Ecologist for the Forest Service in Alaska for the last 15 yrs, will present on Invasive Plants in Alaska. Michael will be discussing what you should know about these new species coming into Alaska and what you can do to help prevent them from getting to your favorite river.

Jeff Jessen and Matt Rafferty will discuss and show slides of their unforgettable two-week journey with six friends down the Tatenshini River starting at Dalton Post in British Columbia.

Location: Wilda Marsten Theatre
Address: Lower Level Loussac Library 3600 Denali Street
Date: Thursday January 26th 2006
Time: 7.00 p.m.
Door prize for members only

2006 Calendar Jan 2006

- 3.....KCK Board Meeting,
- 19.....General Membership Meeting, 7:00PM, Loussac Library Theater

NOTE: Future Board Meetings will likely take place at the BP Energy Center which is located just south of the Midtown BP Building. Use the BP Parking lot.

Eddyline notes are also available at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/KCK_Alaska/

01-06 Membership application		BOATING INTERESTS Indicate skill level w = Want to start, B = Beginner, I = Intermediate, A= Advanced					
		Canoeing	WW Canoeing	Rafting	WW Rafting	Sea Kayaking	WW Kayaking
Name #1							
Name #2							
Name #3							
Name #4							
MEMBERSHIP TYPE: ___ Individual (\$10) ___ Household (\$15) ___ Renewal ___ New Member		WAIVER OF LIABILITY: In consideration of your acceptance of my membership application, I, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, forever waive, release and discharge any and all rights, demands, and claims for damages I may have against Knik Canoers & Kayakers, Inc., its representatives, officers, members, board members, sponsors or outing leaders for any and all injuries resulting from my participation in any of the activities of the Knik Canoers & Kayakers, Inc. That I freely and voluntarily assume all risks as incident to participation in any of the club activities and that I will assume and pay for my own medical and emergency expenses in the event of an accident, illness or other incapacity regardless of whether I have authorized such expenses. I alone shall be responsible for the use of my own judgment in determining whether I should participate in club activities. Signed _____ Date:..... Signed _____ Date:..... Signed _____ Date:..... Signed _____ Date:.....					
___ Check if interested in participating in group trips							
Mailing Address _____ City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____							
___ Check if you do not want your name/phone in the annual KC directory.							
VOLUNTEER INTERESTS Please check areas where you would like to assist KCK:							
___ Help with anything Eddyline newsletter ___ Lead trips ___ Write stories/articles ___ Meeting presentation ___ Help with mailings ___ Instruction ___ Safety clinics ___ Membership database							
Mail Form and dues to: Knik Canoers & Kayakers P.O. Box 242861 Anchorage, Alaska 99524-2861		IMPORTANT: <u>Each</u> adult applicant must sign application. A parent/guardian <u>must also sign for each</u> minor. Applications missing any signatures will not be accepted.					

Right: New KCK President Kelly Tjaden in Washington June 2005

See the complete list of new and continuing 2006 KCK Board Members inside.



Want to keep those New Year's resolutions?

Start by checking your mailing label for your membership renewal date!
Complete the form on the back of the Eddyline to renew for 2006

Some Safety Tips:

- Check your safety gear
- Leave a trip plan with others
- Know the abilities of your partners and yourself

Summary of KCK Board Meeting Jan 3, 2006 6:30 p.m. BP Energy Center

The Board heard a request from Kathy Hart for a \$250 donation to the Kayak Symposium. The Kayak Symposium wishes to increase the interactions between themselves and the KCK. There was a significant amount of discussion concerning this issue. Some Board members thought it was wrong to support the symposium when they paid their instructors. The KCK offers classes with volunteers. Others thought it was good to support the symposium since it emphasizes safe kayaking and any way this could be learned is good for the kayaking community. KCK could set up a booth at the symposium offering membership was also discussed as a reason to support the issue. The Board approved the donation of \$250 to the Kayak Symposium. The Board also indicated a desire to somehow recognize long time contributors to KCK activities.

Terry and Opie then discussed the work they are doing on the new KCK website. The website will likely have pictures, trip offerings, the Eddyline, safety information and additional information such as KCK by Laws, Board minutes. It was emphasized the website will evolve as new ideas are developed. The Board was very receptive to the new website and was grateful for all the work and thought that had gone into it. Be on the lookout for the new site!!!

Brenda presented a financial summary of the KCK. The club has \$21,832 in assets at the end of 2005. A motion was approved to take \$12000 in funds and invest them in a 6 month CD. The short term was selected to allow the club access to the funds soon. Brenda indicated to the Board that she would like to step down in one year as the KCK Accountant, a position she had filled for many years. It was suggested that an agenda item for the next Board meeting should be how the club should spend some of its funds to further the goals of the club. A summary of the club's income, expenses and assets are contained in this Eddyline.

Keith discussed the January General Board meeting presentations he had lined up. There will be presentations on Invasive Plants by Michael Shephard and Floating Alaskan Rivers. Further information is contained in this Eddyline.

There was a short discussion regarding club officer duties as well as trip leader duties. It was indicated that Randy was working on a KCK Operations book that would document key dates and activities that would be useful as responsibilities are transitioned to new volunteers. The Board meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Eddyline Info

Officers & Contacts

Knik Canoers and Kayakers

an Anchorage-based non-profit volunteer organization with members throughout Alaska and beyond. The club offers information, classes, programs and trips for whitewater and sea kayakers, canoeists and rafters. The club also promotes and represents the interests of paddlesports in Alaska.

Eddyline article submissions:

Stories may be submitted to the Eddyline at

Display advertising:

Contact the Eddyline at

Paddling hotline:

(events and trips): call 566-1554

Want to share a trip experience?

Email a short story of where you went, including photos, to for inclusion in the next Eddyline.

Selling or Buying?

Send a short classified inclusion in the next Eddyline to

New Member?

Sign up for the Eddyline. This is where members share ideas, people ask for partners to go on trips, and where people ask for advice and information. It is a great online communications device.

www.kck.org

Also check out: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/KCK_Alaska/

President: Kelly Tjaden

Vice President Kathy Luchsinger

Secretary: Randy Knauff

Lucy Davis

Treasurer: Eric Downey

Other Board members:
Lyle Anderson

Opie Combs 952-1969

Robert Crager

Richard Crain

Keith Hawkings

Carl Persson

John Tucker

Membership:
Marti Engebretsen

Eddyline Editor:
LeeAnn Garrick

Current KCK By Laws

Mission: The Knik Canoers and Kayakers, Inc. was formed to promote:

- self-powered navigation of rivers and marine waters in Alaska by canoes, rafts, and kayaks;
- conservation of Alaskan waterways;
- safety on rivers, lakes, and marine waters through training and instruction; and
- assimilation and dissemination of information pertaining to Alaskan waterways.

Membership

- Membership shall be open to all persons who support the ideals and objectives of the Knik Canoers and Kayakers and have paid their annual dues as set by the board of directors.
- Each regular membership is entitled to one vote and each family membership is entitled to one vote per adult.

Meetings

- General Membership Meetings shall be announced to all members for the purposes of developing or formulating policy or furthering the objectives of the club.
- Club meetings may be held at any time to further the objectives of the club.
- General Membership Meetings will be monthly except December. The November meeting will include Board of Directors election for the following year.
- Emergency meetings may be called by the President or by a majority of the Board of Directors or by ten (10) percent of the general membership.

Board of Directors

- The Board of Directors shall consist of eleven members elected by the general membership. The entire board, at the board meeting following the election, will elect officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary).
- Election of board members will be by vote of the membership present at the November General Membership Meeting. Proxy votes are permitted for those members not able to attend that meeting.

Conduct of Business

- Policy formulation and decision making shall be conducted at the board meetings.
- An agenda shall be announced for each General Membership Meeting.
- A majority of votes of members present (or board members for the board meetings) shall be required to approve all business except that listed below.
- A two-thirds (2/3) majority of the board shall be required to expel members or amend the By-Laws.
- Any proposed amendments will be summarized and provided to the general membership before the board acts.

Adopted by unanimous vote at the November 20, 2003 General Membership Meeting.

Want to help the KCK Board spend some money??

Review the club assets and income statements for 2004 and 2005 at the right. See a KCK board member with your ideas or ask to attend a board meeting to share your thoughts.

KCK Finances			
	12/31/2005	12/31/2004	Change
Cash	20,844.71	19,867.14	977.57
Prepaid Rent	987.50	987.50	0.00
Total Assets	21,832.21	20,854.64	977.57
Income Statement			
Membership	3,030.00	3,595.00	-565.00
Trip/Class Fees	4,670.00	3,750.00	920.00
Other Income	44.00	184.00	-140.00
Total Revenue	7,744.00	7,529.00	215.00
Trip/Class Expense	2,394.95	1,824.03	570.92
Newsletter	1,808.77	1,414.69	394.08
Administration	455.19	388.13	67.06
Prog. Costs/Room Rent	2,107.52	1,979.26	128.26
Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	0.00	59.98	-59.98
Total Expense	6,766.43	5,666.09	1,100.34
Net Income	977.57	1,862.91	-885.34