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#### DATE FVFNT TIME Rollins Lake Rescue Clinic 22nd Jackson Meadows Camping Paddle 25th-28th Scotts Flat Lake Moonlight Paddle 6:00 PM 29th 9th Loon Lake Day Paddle 13th BOD Meeting 5:00PM Thermolito After Bay Day Paddle 16th 21st-25th Elkhorn Slough/Monterey Camping paddle 28th Monthly Member Meeting - Games & Trivia 6:00pm 11th BOD Meeting 5:00pm 14th TBD Member Meeting - TBD 27th 600:PM

## 2023 SNCKCRESCUE CLINIC

Tuesday, August 22nd, at 5:00 pm, at Rollins Lake - Greenhorn Access,

we are holding our annual SNCKC Rescue Clinic. Thomas Schuebel, certified kayak Instructor and honorary SNCKC member, will lead us in demonstration and practice of rescue techniques. This takes the place of our typical monthly meeting at Seaman's Lodge.

Every paddler needs to know and practice rescues, not just for his or her own benefit, but also for the safety of those with whom they paddle. On one of our paddles, in fact, a member needed and successfully applied the techniques learned in past clinics. Rescue practice is highly recommended at least once every year, and may be a prerequisite for some SNCKC paddles.

The clinic is <u>free</u> to participants, <u>though a park entry fee applies</u>. So, please mark your calendars and join us there. Plan to arrive by 4:30 pm so that we can <u>be on the water</u> <u>by 5:00</u> for the rescue session. Come earlier, of course, if you'd like to get in some paddling before the clinic.

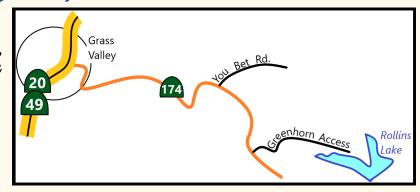
Click on the link below for a sample assisted rescue video, which will introduce you to the ideas and/or refresh your memory. <a href="http://youtu.be/j-zpJQeiaNc">http://youtu.be/j-zpJQeiaNc</a>

On our club website, <u>Myusnckc.org</u> (<u>password: snckc</u>), you can find photos taken by Gary Moon at a recent clinic (under resource tab, rescue clinic).

All members are welcome and encouraged to join in the fun. Dress for a swim and bring dry clothes for post practice warmth.

For questions, contact Chris Crain at cacrain agmail.com or (530) 263-0942

Directions: Take Highway 174 south toward Colfax. Greenhorn Access is a well marked left turn slightly more than a mile past You Bet Road.



## Added instruction option:

Our instructor, Thomas, has led SNCKC's rescue clinic for over a decade, and is also available for personalized 2 hour individual or small group private instruction before the clinic, at a reduced club rate. Cost would be \$50 per person, with a minimum of 2 people, or \$100 for 1 person. Skills covered can range from forward stroke, bracing, maneuvering,...whatever your interests.

I, Chris, have taken several such classes from Thomas, and can attest to their value. if interested, contact Thomas directly by Phone or text at (530) 575-1652

| e Wet Exit   | DAY PADDLING TRIPS                                       |  |
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| DATES & LOCATION   | LEADER & CONTACT<br>INFO                                 |  |
| AUG 22 - Tuesdav<br>Annual Rescue Clinic at Rollins Lake<br>Led by Thomas Schuebel, an international<br>certified sea kayak instructor | Chris Crain cgcrain@gmail.com (530)263-0942              |  |
| AUG 29 - Tuesday<br>Scotts Flat Lake Full Moon Paddle  | TBD  |  |
| SEP 9 - Friday<br>Loon Lake  | Chris Crain cgcrain@gmail.com (530)263-0942              |  |
| SEP 16 - Saturday<br>Thermolito Afterbay   | Peter Johnson profpjohnson@gmail.com (312)720-2677       |  |
| OCT 14 - Saturday TBD  | TBD  |  |
| OCT 31 - Tuesdav<br>Lake Wildwood - Halloween Paddle   | Peter Johnson<br>profpjohnson@gmail.com<br>(312)720-2677 |  |
| NOV 18 - Saturdav<br>Lake Natoma - Potluck   | Rachel or Chuck  |  |

Rachel Finson (530)263-0706



## **Camping/Overnight Paddle Trips**

DATES & LOCATION

LEADER & CONTACT INFO

DRIVING
DIRECTIONS
(Click the Icon)

VENUE
MAP
(Click the Icon)

CG WEBSITE

AUG 25-28 - Friday to Monday

Jackson Meadows Reservoir

Lower Silvertip Group Campsite

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"Please note this is a change in location and dates. I have booked the Silver Tip group site at Jackson Meadows Reservoir for 3 nights. Aug. 25-28. The Woodcamp Campground, which is individual sites, has flush toilets and is fairly close. Please let me know if you have an interest in joining this trip so I have a sense of numbers as we proceed. By the middle of July I will need firm commitments". - Rachel

**SEP 21-26** - Thursday To Tuesday

Elkhorn Slough/Monterey (Sunset Beach CG)

Wendy Thibeault

wendytbo2@gmail.com

(530)320-0165

www.reservecalifornia.c

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### We Need Trip Leaders.

If you can lead a trip of your choice, contact **Rachel Finson** at rasatsuki@gmail.com.

# Kayak Safety Device of the Month

THE WET EXIT (of Course!)

The Wet Exit is maybe the most important safety device (really a maneuver) that you need to perfect. It is simply having absolute confidence in your method of extracting yourself from your boat when submerged underwater. There is not much else to say about it because the technique can be boat specific where what you do for a SIK (Sit inside Kayak) is different that a SOK (Sit On-top Kayak) and don't forget about the canoe. The important element of this maneuver is that you have practiced it to the point of being confident that you can always perform it in a stressful situation.

Thomas Schuebel will talk about the wet exit at the SNCKC Rescue Clinic, Tuesday, August 22. He may demonstrate it and allow opportunities to practice it under observation and you would certainly be doing it during the rescue part of the course.

If you are new to kayaking, a novice paddler, or it has been a long time since your last clinic, here is a great opportunity to gain, or brush-up on, some of the most important information and safety techniques of the sport.



# CLUB MEETINGS and EVENTS

Monthly club meetings are typically held at 6:00 pm the fourth Thursday at Seaman's Lodge in Pioneer Park, 427 Nimrod Street, Nevada City.

## **Upcoming Meetings**

Tuesday, August 22:

**Annual Rescue Clinic with Thomas Schuebel** 

Thomas is a certified Kayak Instructor and honorary SNCKC member, who will instruct us in assisted and self-rescue techniques. All members are encouraged to attend the clinic for this important annual refresher of rescue skills. Visit Rescue Clinic under the Resources tab on the website.



Tuesday, September 24:

GAME NIGHT—Trivia, Brain Teasers, and Other Challenges to your Self Esteem



The WET

# Lake Tahoe

# Camping Paddle July 2023

























More Photos on the website - Click HERE

The WET EXIT

# LE DONNER LAKE KAYAK PARTY AKE PADDLE

WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY. THE WIND WAS HOWLING AND THE WAVES TOPPED FIVE FEET, AND...HUH...WHAT? NO, ACTUALLY IT WAS A PERFECT DAY WITH JUST ENOUGH WIND FOR A LITTLE CHALLENGE IN THE MORNING, WHICH DROPPED TO COMPLETELY CALM IN THE AFTERNOON. AFTER A STOP FOR LUNCH ON THE WEST SHORE, OUR RETURN PADDLE INCLUDED A JAUNT UP DONNER CREEK AND FUN THE AMAZING HOUSES AND DOCK STRUCTURES ON THE ADMIRING

SOUTH SIDE. THE GROUP WAS HAVING SO MUCH FUN, IN FACT, THAT NO PICTURES WERE TAKEN ON THE WATER.

A STOP AT THE RED FROG INTRODUCED A COUPLE OF US TO A SANGRIA MADE WITH WINE, RUM, WHISKEY, LIQUEUR, AND FRUIT.

# QUOTE OF THE MONTH







RACHEL

## FEATURE ARTICLE

I offer this article preview as an invitation to all members to share their thoughts, concerns, knowledge, and experiences connected with paddling, kayaks, canoes, water, camping, and the adventures of life within. The format can be essay, short story, poem (including Haiku), photo-essay, or short video...... Just in whatever written or visual art form that speaks to you and that can fit on, or be referenced by a digital newsletter. Accompanying photographs, drawings, sketches, or diagrams are encouraged.

Cheers, Keith

## TO SIT INSIDE or SIT ON TOP

# Postponed to next month due to illness

Next Month I will start a three-part article about my journey searching for the right kayak. In an attempt to meet my personal needs, I compare three selected touring class Sit-Inside Kayaks (SIKs) with three selected touring class Sit-On-Top kayaks (SOKs).

Much of the article will be a review of collected data from manufacturer specs and performance descriptions and information from various online reviews of each kayak. As best I can, I will offer up general feature and performance perspectives of each make/model, but this article will mostly be about my journey to find the right kayak for my personal situation.



SIK

Versus

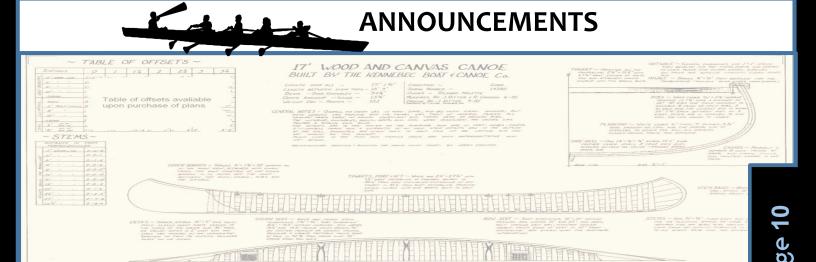


**SOK** 



## **CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS**





### The WET EXIT

# WHERE'S THE KAYAK



**T**his last month Peter Johnson Identified the top phot as being the Thermalito Afterbay and Chris Crain picked the bottom photo as being Folsom Lake, Rattlesnake Bar. Both received a sticker.



First member to send the correct name of the venue below receives a newly minted, 3-inch in diameter, SNCKC sticker (shown below on the lower left).







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