



## July - September 2006 Newsletter

### The Newsletter is Back!

You may have noticed the lack of a newsletter over the past few months. The board for the Oregon Kayak & Canoe Club sincerely apologizes for the interruption in the publication. Rest assured, your club is still active and planning exciting events and activities for you, whether or not there is a newsletter in your mailbox. Always check our website, [www.okcc.org](http://www.okcc.org), for the most current information.

We are recruiting a new newsletter coordinator at this time. Ideal candidates will have access to a computer, the skills to cut and paste content into a Word document and make it pretty, and the ability to convince or otherwise coerce people to get that content to you on time. We try to publish quarterly, so this is a few hour commitment every few months. A free OKCC membership will be your compensation. Sound like something you can handle? Please contact OKCC President Jesse Mitchell at [jesse\\_mitchell@yahoo.com](mailto:jesse_mitchell@yahoo.com) to volunteer.

Thanks & SYOTR!  
-Kristin Sterling

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### Don't Miss It! Safety Day 2006

Don't forget to sign up for the OKCC's third annual Safety Day, scheduled to take place on the North Santiam River on Sunday, August 6, 2006. Space is limited so sign up today! More details inside at page 5.

### Save the Date!

#### Clackamas River Clean-Up September 10th

The OKCC will again be co-sponsoring the Down the River Cleanup on the Lower Clackamas River on Sunday, September 10, 2006. More details inside at page 4.

## About the OKCC

The Oregon Kayak & Canoe Club is a group of boaters in the Portland area who have joined together to pursue a common interest in whitewater boating. Our primary focus is to organize river trips at various skill levels. Safety, as well as enjoyment, is considered important on all club-sponsored trips. We are also involved in ocean kayaking, slalom races, instruction, and river conservation. Membership entitles you to all issues of our newsletter, trip schedules, conservation updates, social events, affiliation with the American Canoe Association and American Whitewater, and an outlet/source for used equipment.

Check us out online at [www.okcc.org](http://www.okcc.org)! Also sign up for the club's Yahoo! Groups email list at [groups.yahoo.com/group/okcc/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/okcc/).

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### Membership Reminder

The label on this newsletter contains the expiration date of your OKCC membership. Please use the form on page 11 to renew your membership.

Mail the completed form along with the appropriate amount to:

**Oregon Kayak & Canoe Club**  
**PO Box 692**  
**Portland, OR 97207**

## Welcome New & Renewing Members!

Wren Anderson  
Chris Augusti  
Yotam Aviv  
Heath Barber  
Ethan Benatan & Melanie Moon  
Jordan & Maggie Birmingham  
Jim & Jan Bollerman  
Tim Brink  
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Darwin Koistinen  
Ken Kronholm  
Eric Lindenauer  
Robert Loihl  
Mike Long  
Michael & Johanna Lopes  
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Dara Massoni  
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Jess Ordower  
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David & Kendra Summers  
Culley & Karrie Thomas  
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Courtney Wilton  
Joey Yeaple  
Ryan Young

## Club Trips

Check your email or the OKCC website at [www.okcc.org/events.htm](http://www.okcc.org/events.htm) for last minute club trips.

Date	Location	Contact
Sunday 7/9	Clackamas (Barton to Carver)	Jesse Mitchell <a href="mailto:jesse_mitchell@yahoo.com">jesse_mitchell@yahoo.com</a>
Saturday 8/5	North Santiam (Niagara to Spencer's Hole)	Michael Williams <a href="mailto:michael.williams@usoncology.com">michael.williams@usoncology.com</a>
(Mid-August) TBA	Middle White Salmon	Mark Adams <a href="mailto:marktadams99@yahoo.com">marktadams99@yahoo.com</a>
Saturday 9/16	Tieton River	Michael Williams <a href="mailto:michael.williams@usoncology.com">michael.williams@usoncology.com</a>

All club trips are sanctioned by the American Canoe Association. Non-ACA members may have to pay a \$10 insurance fee to participate.

### **Trip Leaders For Future Trips Wanted!**

*Read all about the OKCC's new trip leader policy and sign up today!*

It seems that, once again, Summer has gripped the area in her fiery embrace, squeezing the water from our favorite local rivers, driving paddlers far afield in search of snowmelt-driven drainages, and afflicting nearly everyone with that certain Seasonal Affective Disorder that inevitably results from experiencing too many days without rain. In these trying times, it is especially important for us to buck up, see the river as being half full rather than half empty (even if it is only at 1/10<sup>th</sup> of the optimal flow), and enjoy the sunshine and the newly-exposed riverbed with the perspective that can only be achieved from the cockpit of a small, human-powered watercraft.

Recently, the OKCC board solemnly and with great deliberation convened at the Lucky Lab and focused its collective brainpower in order to address this somber state of affairs. After a great deal of weighty discussion and consultation, we came to the consensus that;

- We should sponsor some river trips (or surfing trips, as the case may be).
- In order to have more river trips (or surfing trips), we're going to need some more Trip Leader volunteers.
- We should figure out some way to con, er, I mean, encourage competent members to volunteer to lead trips.

Ultimately it was resolved that, as partial compensation for having to deal with the paperwork, waiver-signing, funds collecting and other administrative Trip Leader tasks that detract from the purity of the kayaking experience, the Club

would like to give back to those who give back to the Club with their time, effort, and knowledge. To that end, I am pleased to announce the All-New OKCC Trip Leader Volunteer Incentive Program. The way it will work is, you successfully lead three trips for the Club in any given year, and your OKCC membership renewal dues will be waived for the following year (a \$20 value!) We may also reward you in other ways. So there it is—pretty sweet deal, eh? And you now have the opportunity to get in right on the ground floor of this deal, as there is currently a practically unlimited demand for Trip Leader volunteers right in your town, right NOW! Don't delay—those who are interested in taking advantage of this offer should contact Mike Elston at [elston.m@comcast.net](mailto:elston.m@comcast.net), and volunteer to show some of your fellow paddlers your favorite stretch of water, or pass on your accumulated paddling expertise.

SYOTR!  
-Mike Elston



Roll practice on a recent OKCC Barton to Carver club trip.

## Upcoming Events

### Sunday, July 30, 2006

#### **Willamette Challenge Race & Willamette Riverkeeper 10th Anniversary Celebration**

Join in on the first annual Willamette Challenge—a 5 mile paddling race benefit & 10th anniversary celebration for Willamette Riverkeeper at Oaks Amusement Park in Portland.

##### *The Race - 9am to 11am*

Various teams will compete in a clover leaf boat race from the banks of the Willamette River. All are invited to participate. Registration fees start at \$30 and include lunch, prizes and ride bracelet. Race categories, registration forms, and details are online at [www.willamette-riverkeeper.org](http://www.willamette-riverkeeper.org).

##### *The Celebration - 11am to 2pm*

Food, raffle, free canoeing, park rides, display booths, presentations, and family activities will take place at the park. Suggested picnic donation is \$10-15. Contact Willamette Riverkeeper at 503-223-6418 or [amy@willamette-riverkeeper.org](mailto:amy@willamette-riverkeeper.org) for more information and celebration RSVP.

The day's events are presented by Yakama and sponsored by REI, Merrell, Port of Portland, Patagonia, Harmony, Roots Brewery and others. See the full list online. We thank these businesses for their donations which have made for lots of awesome race prizes and raffle items!

### August 19 - 20, 2006

#### **Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show**

Part of this event is the "Yaquina Runoff" which is a non-motorized, people-powered boat race. This includes kayaks, canoes, rowboats, etc. and there are two courses—the long is 9.4 miles and the short is 3.3 miles—all on the beautiful Yaquina River. You can check out information at [www.portoftoledo.org](http://www.portoftoledo.org) or call (541) 336-5207. Primitive camping is free for participants during the event.

### August 28 - September 1, 2006

#### **Paddle Oregon**

Join Willamette Riverkeeper for the sixth annual Paddle Oregon canoe and kayak adventure on the Willamette River.

The 2006 trip will begin at Marshall Island Access north of Eugene and wind its way to Rodgers Landing in Newberg. That'll be 5 days of glorious paddling on this beautiful section of the Willamette River.

Paddle Oregon is suitable for most any paddler with a little experience. Registration is \$575 per person and includes delicious catered meals, insight from naturalists and historians, baggage shuttle, camping arrangements, showers for two nights, entertainment, t-shirts, safety paddlers, and all the logistical details.

Visit [www.paddleoregon.com](http://www.paddleoregon.com) for more information and to register.

### Sunday, September 10, 2006

#### **Clackamas Down the River Clean-up**

The OKCC will again be teaming up with eNRG Kayaking, the Clackamas River Basin Council, the PSU Outdoor Program, Next Adventure, Allstar Rafting and other area businesses and organizations for the Down the River Cleanup on the Lower Clackamas River on Sunday, September 10, 2006.

Last year, over 200 volunteers split into two groups to clean the sections of the river from Barton Park to Carver Park and from Carver Park to Clackamette Park. 5,140 pounds of garbage were removed from the bottom and banks of the Lower Clackamas River, but sadly, you can be sure that there will again be large amounts of trash to be collected. Please bring a friend or two and help with our efforts to keep our local rivers clean! Your efforts will be rewarded with prizes for the best in show, a locally grown BBQ, and live music...be sure to mark your calendars!

Garbage bags will be provided. Garbage "barges" will carry collected trash down the river to the dumpsters. If you would like to help with the organization of this event or to lead a pod of paddlers on the day of the event, please contact Kristin Dahl of eNRG Kayaking at [kristin@enrgkayaking.com](mailto:kristin@enrgkayaking.com). Event registration will take place online at [www.enrgkayaking.com](http://www.enrgkayaking.com) starting in mid-August. We will need you to RSVP. Please watch your email for more information!

For more information on the Clackamas Watershed and ways to help to keep the Clackamas clean and healthy, please visit the Clackamas River Basin Council website at: [www.clackamasriver.org](http://www.clackamasriver.org).

## OKCC Safety Day

Join the OKCC on Sunday, August 6th for its third annual Safety Day. While not intended to take the place of formal safety instruction, it is a great way to refresh yourself on basic river safety skills and get some hands-on practice on the river.

This event is scheduled to take place on the N. Santiam River where we will learn about whitewater river safety both on the shore as well as on the river while running this class II-III section. It should be a great refresher for those of you who have taken a safety class previously, and a great starter session for those new to boating or who haven't yet taken a safety class.

Potential topics include swimming rapids safely, boat rescue, basic knots, vertical pins, rope work, throw bags, and more!



Throw rope practice at Safety Day 2005.

Plan to meet at the Fishermen's Bend Park (Cedars Group Picnic Area) at 9AM and don't be late! You should dress warmly (wear a drysuit if you own one!) since we'll be spending quality time in the river. We'll provide some morning bagels and an afternoon lunch, but bring some snacks and water for the river trip. Don't forget to bring any safety gear that you own - ropes, safety vests, pin kits, etc. This is an all day event so plan to be there until at least 5PM. Camping might be available on the night before (Saturday) and we will provide information to confirmed participants.

This is an official ACA trip so you will be required to sign the "Waiver of Doom." The cost is \$35 for OKCC members and \$50 for non-members. Yes, if you join the OKCC you can receive the member's rate. Membership forms are available at [www.okcc.org/membership.htm](http://www.okcc.org/membership.htm). This is a great deal since your fee includes a mini safety kit, cool t-shirt, and tasty vittles.

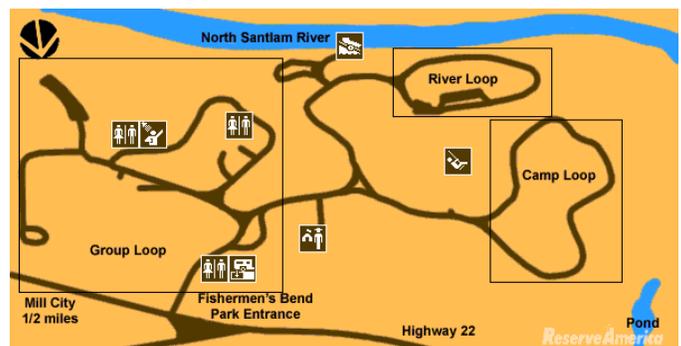
RSVP to [marktadams99@yahoo.com](mailto:marktadams99@yahoo.com) and keep in mind that space is limited. Please indicate in your RSVP whether you are an OKCC member, an ACA member (provide your membership number), or both so that we can invoice you properly. The OKCC will provide ACA insurance for non-ACA members, but if you would like to join the ACA, you may do so at a discounted rate if you are an OKCC member. Please also indicate in your RSVP whether you would like to pay by check or debit/credit card (we will invoice the latter via PayPal).

Please note that spots that are not paid for in advance of the event may be released to others! If you're willing and available to help out in any way, a few volunteers are still needed so please let Mark know what you can do. Volunteers may receive a reduced registration rate.

A final reminder - if you are an active whitewater boater and have not signed up yet for a professionally taught whitewater safety course, you should take one soon. Your life or that of your friends could depend on it.

### Directions:

After taking I-5 South from Portland and exiting toward Mill City, go toward the boat ramp at Fisherman's Bend County Park, 1 mile west of Mill City, OR on the right hand side. Look for the "Cedars" group picnic site on the Group Loop.



## Articles

### Hot Weather Boating

The rain is gone, the snow is melted, and the days are HOT!! However, the water temperatures are cold and often boaters are caught off-guard by the frigid temperatures and fast currents. If unprepared, these conditions are very life threatening. Exposure to the elements is the greatest danger we face in the outdoors.

Follow the old adage: "Dress for the water temperature, not the air temperature."

If you had a long swim or had to perform a lengthy rescue in the river, would you be warm enough for an extended period of time? Hypothermia can develop within minutes, so make sure you are dressed appropriately for a worst-case scenario.

Remember that alcohol and drug use lowers the body's ability to retain heat (not to mention it's just really unsafe and often illegal while on the water...), although you may still feel warm inside. Staying properly hydrated is also important. Dehydration, combined with extremely hot air temperatures, quickly lead to fatigue. Keep cliff bars or energy gel in your boat or pfd pocket for needed energy boosts.

Know the signs and symptoms of hypothermia, as well as the basic treatment. If you have not yet done so, enroll in a swift-water rescue course. I would also recommend a first-aid/wilderness survival course. Don't forget to carry your first-aid/survival kit. Hand-heaters and a space blanket will keep a victim warm and comfortable if exit from a river is not immediately available.

I hope to see you all out on the water this summer!

Have fun and paddle safe,  
-Sarah Bryant

### Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers!

No, we're not talking about your buddy hitching a ride back up to the put-in...

A concern we must all address is the spreading of harmful plants, animals and other organisms. These aquatic nuisance species can hitch a ride on our clothing, boats, and items used in the water. When we go to another lake or stream, the nuisance species can be released. And, if the conditions are right, these introduced species can become established and create drastic results.

So what can you do? By following a simple procedure each time you leave the water, you can stop aquatic hitchhikers. Knowing which waters contain nuisance hitchhikers is not as important ---- as doing the procedure every time we leave any lake, stream or coastal area.

- Remove any visible mud, plants, fish or animals before transporting equipment
- Eliminate water from equipment before transporting
- Clean and dry anything that came in contact with water (Boats, trailers, equipment, clothing, dogs, etc.)
- Never release plants, fish or animals into a body of water unless they came out of that body of water.

Visit [www.protectyourwaters.net](http://www.protectyourwaters.net) for more information.

### Middle White Salmon River Update: BZ Parking Lot Construction

Between approximately July 20th and October 2nd, the BZ launch site and parking lot will be restricted due to renovations. This is going to leave paddlers with VERY limited parking—maybe as few as 10 spaces (with 2 reserved for commercial rafting rigs). Please, try to carpool as much as possible! Also, keep in mind that this will put extra strain on the other parking areas on the river (Husum and Northwestern Lake). Please try to coordinate your carpooling from an off-river site during this period of construction.

*The Oregon Kayak and Canoe Club presents...*

## PPP (Porn, Pizza, Pint) Night – Part 3

August's Feature Film:

# Wet-House

Produced by Ammen Jordan

**When:** Tuesday, August 8, 2006  
Gather at 7pm, video starts at 7:30pm

**Where:** Old Town Pizza  
226 NW Davis  
Portland, OR 97209  
[www.oldtownpizza.com](http://www.oldtownpizza.com)

[www.Wet-House.com](http://www.Wet-House.com)

--Wet-House is the story of six fiercely independent boaters from the four corners of the planet; united by their shared thirst for big water and high adventure.

--Learn what it takes to be a professional kayaker as the Wet-House film crew follows world-class expedition boater Steve Fisher down the Zambezi rapids that shaped his amazing big water technique.

--Find out how Jimmy Blakeney's lifelong love of skateboarding translated into his unique character on the river.

--Get to know what makes Kiwi-native Nikki Kelly--one of the only female boaters who can "hang with the boys," tick.

--Meet the legacy and the drive behind some of the best-known names in whitewater kayaking today: Andrew Holcombe, Tanya Shuman, Bryan Kirk and more.

--Featuring: Steve Fisher, Nikki Kelly, Andrew Holcombe, Bryan Kirk, Tanya Shuman & Jimmy Blakeney



Questions? Contact Sarah Bryant: [sarabellbry@yahoo.com](mailto:sarabellbry@yahoo.com), 707-489-6485

# Trip Report

## President's Weekend Float

By Tom Hanson,  
Oregon Whitewater Association

The 2006 annual President's Day Weekend Float set a new standard for good weather and number of participants. We had three days of blue skies, warm afternoons, and chilly nights. The group consisted of about 40 participants this year, running 30+ boats.



Preparing to launch at Graves Creek.

Due to the size of this event, we launched at Graves Creek in three waves, 8AM, 9AM, and 10AM. The chilly morning caused us to be a little slow out of the starting gate, but I cast off at 8:20. Soon, Bernie Danylchuk followed me, along with Sandi Alcantara, Kerry Walsh, and the rest of the early crowd. Our job was to float down to Battle Bar and secure that campsite for the group. The Saturday morning flow was 6200 cfs at Agness—enough to give the fish ladder quite a ride. A quick scout told us that after making the top turn into the ladder, just keep the bow pointed downstream and enjoy the ride. I managed to do a 180 with my 16-foot cat, but going down backwards is just as good as forward.

After Rainie Falls, the trip down to Battle Bar was fast. Bernie and I got there just after 12 noon. With 30+ boats, we knew there would be a parking problem, so Bernie secured the upper beach while I floated down to secure the

lower. The rest of the group slowly drifted in over the course of the next few hours. In addition to the shelter, Battle Bar has plenty of tent pads—enough for a group of 40+ people.



Good parking places were scarce on the upper beach at Battle Bar.

That evening we enjoyed the Bernie Danylchuk "Battle Bar Bistro". Bernie served up one of his gourmet dinners for the entire group. I cannot imagine cooking for that many people, but Bernie handled it like a pro. Here's our Saturday evening menu: Swedish Meatballs, Garlic Roasted Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli with Fennel-Garlic Dressing, Grilled Sirloin Steaks with Triple Mustard Sauce, Dinner Rolls & Butter, and Devil's Food Squares.

We kept a roaring fire going to warm the shelter and provide a backdrop for a great day. With a 6PM sunset, many people (including myself) turned in early. It was going to be a cold night in a warm sleeping bag. On Sunday morning we woke to Bernie's classic breakfast of: Build-Your-Own Omelet Bar, Juice, Coffee, and Muffins.

The flow on Sunday morning had dropped to 5800 cfs. While having morning coffee, several people made a sighting that I had never heard of. They saw a sea lion! Yes, a sea lion at Battle Bar. The mammal had apparently followed migrating fish up from the ocean. Too bad nobody had a camera ready.

After Bernie's omelet bar, we packed up our gear and headed downriver.

The flow through Mull Creek Canyon and Blossom Bar Rapids was great. The entrance into Coffee Pot was quite wide, about 30 feet, compared to the usual 15 feet at lower flows. The water was moving so fast that we made it through the canyon without the usual wall-banging. At the entrance to Mule Creek Canyon, the "jaws" rocks told the story of what we would see at Blossom. The left rock was partially buried, but not enough to get over. When we got to Blossom, that's exactly what Picket Fence looked like. I decided to float left of the Picket Fence, then pick my way past the few boulders still showing at this flow. I got thrown out of my seat and onto the floor of my cat, but quickly recovered and made a good run.



Shannon Crosswhite, one of the kayakers who joined us this year.

Everyone in the group cruised through Blossom like pros. We pulled into Tacoma for our next camp. Tent city went up, along with our commercial size kitchen (The Inn at Tacoma). For tonight, Bernie's menu included: Pasta e Fagioli Soup, Fettuccini with Drizzle of Olive Oil, Green Beans and Corn with Tarragon-Walnut Dressing, Caribbean Grilled Chicken Breasts, Italian Garlic Bread, Double Chocolate Fudge Brownies with Cappuccino, and Chocolate Truffles.



Our next camp at Tacoma was warm and sunny.

The group was not as tired tonight so we stayed up with two campfires until past 9PM. Although the afternoon was sunny and warm, when the sun went down it got chilly fast. The fires kept people from turning in early.

On the next morning, Monday, the flow was down to 5500 cfs, or about a 1-1/2 hour float to Foster Bar. Since this was the last day on the river, people lounged around the kitchen enjoying Bernie's breakfast buffet, which included: Buttermilk Pancakes, Sausage and Scrambled Eggs, Juice, and Coffee.

Then we packed up for a quick drift down to Foster Bar.

I would like to personally thank Dave and Kendra Summers for organizing this trip. They did a great job of making sure that we had all the necessary equipment. I would also like to personally thank Bernie Danylchuk for being our resident Chef. Having both breakfast and dinner prepared by a pro made the entire trip far more enjoyable. The great weather, excellent flow, and good camaraderie made for a memorable trip.

*Editor's Note: OKCC members were invited on this trip and five attended. It was reported to be a good time by all and OKCC members have again been invited to join the OWA for a Veteran's Weekend Rogue Trip. There are 10-15 spots available. Please contact Michael Williams if you are interested at [michael.williams@usoncology.com](mailto:michael.williams@usoncology.com).*

## From American Whitewater...

### Supreme Court Issues Unanimous Ruling: Hydropower Dams Must Obey Clean Water Act

By Thomas O'Keefe, American Whitewater

In a 9-0 Decision in May, the Supreme Court upheld the ability of States to protect water quality under the Clean Water Act at hydropower dams. SD Warren, a South African company with dams along the Presumpscot River in Maine, had attempted to circumvent the state approval process required under §401 of the Clean Water Act. They attempted to make the absurd argument that water released from a dam did not constitute a discharge and their dams were therefore exempt from state certification.

In the opinion delivered by Justice Souter, the Court held:

*The issue in this case is whether operating a dam to produce hydroelectricity "may result in any discharge into the navigable waters" of the United States. If so, a federal license under §401 of the Clean Water Act requires state certification that water protection laws will not be violated. We hold that a dam does raise a potential for discharge, and state approval is needed.*

American Whitewater took a leadership role with our partners in the Hydropower Reform Coalition on this case. Our staff and approximately two dozen volunteers worked hard over two weeks at the end of December to assist in preparation of arguments as part of a "friend of the Court" brief (read full brief) that was ultimately supported by numerous

conservation organizations across the country. Our position protecting states rights in hydropower licensing was supported by the Bush Administration, a bipartisan group of 36 state attorneys general, tribes, fishing organizations, leading scientists and engineers, and others.

"Only 1% of America's rivers contain whitewater resources, which are the same river miles most attractive for hydropower development," noted Thomas O'Keefe American Whitewater's Pacific Northwest Stewardship Director and a river ecologist. "This case clearly recognizes the impacts of hydropower dams on water quality and in their decision the Court specifically noted the importance of recreational opportunities such as those enjoyed by our membership".

Congress passed the Clean Water Act to "restore and maintain" the integrity of our Nation's waters to achieve "water quality which provides for the protection and propagation of fish, shellfish, and wildlife and provides for recreation in and on the water." With the Court's decision, the Clean Water Act will remain one of the key tools in our toolbox to help restore rivers for fish, wildlife, and paddlers on rivers impacted by hydropower dams.

American Whitewater river stewardship work is aided by membership, contributions, and industry support from Clif Bar, Dagger Kayaks, Jackson Kayak, Keen Footwear, Kokatat, Teva, Patagonia, and Wavesport. In addition to our industry supporters, we wish to thank our members who volunteered their time to help us with this case and also those who responded to our most recent appeal and provided critical funding for our staff to work on this important national issue.

## Pool Session Information

OKCC Pool Sessions are on hiatus for the summer! We'll be back in the late fall again on Tuesday nights at the North Clackamas Aquatic Park, 7300 SE Harmony Rd. in Milwaukie. Check the PDX Adventure Racer website (<http://www.pdxadventureracer.com/node/view/748>) for information on other pool sessions in the area. Please confirm with each location before attending as sessions are often seasonal, change and/or cancel.

Day	Location	Time
Monday	Beaverton Swim Center	9:30 – 10:30 pm
Tuesday	Sunset Swim Center Sandy Aquatic Center	8:30 – 10:00 pm 8:30 – 10:00 pm
Wednesday	Sunset Swim Center Beaverton Swim Center Sandy YMCA	8:30 – 10:00 pm 9:30 – 10:30 pm 7:30 – 9:00 pm
Thursday	Sunset Swim Center	8:30 – 10:00 pm
Saturday	Marshall Pool (Vancouver)	3:30 – 5:00 pm
Sunday	Tualatin Hills Aquatic Center	10:00 am – 12:00 pm

# Membership Application & Renewal

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The ACA's Paddle America Club provides liability insurance for OKCC trips and events. OKCC members who choose ACA membership in addition to OKCC membership will receive OKCC benefits in addition to the benefits of ACA membership (Paddler magazine, ACA paddling events, and member-only discounts). OKCC members who are not ACA members will be charged \$10.00 for every club trip or event in which they participate. This fee covers the cost of liability insurance.

OKCC members who join American Whitewater will receive a subscription to American Whitewater magazine and member-only discounts as well as support American Whitewater's mission to conserve and restore America's whitewater resources and to enhance opportunities to enjoy them safely.

OKCC MEMBERSHIP	
	\$20.00 OKCC Membership Only - Individual or Household
	\$20.00 OKCC Renewal - Individual or Household
AFFILIATE CLUB ENROLLMENT (NEW ENROLLMENT ONLY)	
	\$30.00 ACA Individual Membership
	\$25.00 ACA Student/Junior Membership (18 and under or full-time college students with proof of a valid student ID)
	\$40.00 ACA Household Membership (2 adults and children 18 and under)
	\$25.00 American Whitewater Individual Membership
	\$35.00 American Whitewater Household Membership
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:	

Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ACA No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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