



July - September 2007 Newsletter

Letter from the President

Hey OKCC-

I hope everyone is enjoying our crazy summer. So much is going on, it was great to see Marmot Dam deconstruction start I can't wait to do Zig Zag to Revenue! I know that some have hit the Grand Canyon, MF of the Salmon, Wenatchee drainage I'd love to hear about your experience. Soon, I leave for the Babine River in BC.

The next few months have lots to offer 1) The summer Girl Paddle is co-ed at the beach on the 25th of August 2) 5th Annual Down the River Clean up on September 9th ((Which we are looking for volunteers!!)) 3) Dam release time on the Tieten River in WA and the North Santiam should help our poor dry boating gear and lastly I believe the Pray for Rain party is the end of September.

I hope to see you on the river soon!!

Shannon Crosswhite
OKCC President

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About the OKCC

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

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The label on this newsletter contains the expiration date of your OKCC membership. Please use the form on page 15 to renew your membership.

Mail the completed form along with the appropriate amount to:

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Welcome New & Renewing Members!

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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.

Newsletter Advertising & Submissions

If you would like to advertise in an upcoming newsletter, please contact us at okccinfo@gmail.com for advertising rates and guidelines.

***The next newsletter deadline is
September 15, 2007***

Submissions, photos, ideas, suggestions and the like should all be directed to okccinfo@gmail.com. Please label your email subject "Newsletter."

Club Trips

Trip Leaders Wanted!

We are currently recruiting competent, safety-conscious boaters who would like to share their expertise and/or their favorite river sections with their fellow boaters. Trips on all classes of whitewater are needed. If you would like to give back to the river community, and possibly meet some great new paddling partners in the process, please consider leading a club trip! If you are interested or have questions, contact Mike Elston at mykylykzyt@yahoo.com.

Check your email or the OKCC website at www.okcc.org/events.htm for last-minute club trips. All club trips are sanctioned by the American Canoe Association. Non-ACA members may have to pay a \$10 insurance fee to participate.

Date	River/Run Description	Leader/Contact
August 5	OKCC Safety Day	Michael Williams, michael.williams@usoncology.com
August 19	TBD, Class II-III	Mike Elston, mykylykzyt@yahoo.com
September 8	Tieton River, Class III+	Ann Stephenson, astephensn@hotmail.com
September 16	TBD, Class II-III	Mike Elston, mykylykzyt@yahoo.com

Paddle at the Beach

Come One, Come All!

Want to hang out at the beach on a beautiful NW summer's day with all of your paddling buddies? Next Adventure and PDDgirlpaddler are organizing a beach surf trip in August. Anyone who has a kayak and a pulse is welcome to join us! We are working on securing a few instructors for free surf clinics and may have some tasty snacks to share as well.

Date: Saturday, August 25th

Place: Indian Beach in Ecola State Park (near Cannon Beach)

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Who: paddlers, kids, partners - all are welcome!

PDXkayaker Film Festival

Start your cameras!

The 2nd Annual PDXkayaker Film Festival is coming sooner than you think, so start editing now and be ready for a night of good times! There is a \$250 cash prize for the winning video and plenty of schwag. More details will follow at www.nextadventure.net or www.pdxkayaker.org. Stay tuned!

Date: October 19, 2007

Place: Mt. Tabor Theater

Time: 7:00 p.m.



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Upcoming Events

Check out our new public Google Calendar (www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=okccinfo@gmail.com) for up-to-the-minute information on events that might be of interest.

Girls at Play Clinic

Saturday, August 4, 2007

Sunday, August 5, 2007

Try whitewater kayaking in a supportive, safe, and fun atmosphere! Saturday instruction for beginners down the Lower White Salmon, class II whitewater. Some experience preferred, but not necessary. Sunday is an intermediate run down the Middle White Salmon, class III. Meet at the Kayak Shed at 10am and bring a lunch.

Space is limited. Sign up for one or both days at the Kayak Shed, or call 541-386-4286.

Contacts:

John Hart (www.kayakshed.com)

Christie Glissmeyer

(www.watergirlsatplay.com)

OKCC Safety Day

Sunday, August 5, 2007

Join the OKCC for its 4th annual Safety Day. While not intended to take the place of formal safety instruction, it is a great way for those of you who have taken a previous safety class to get some practice. It's also a great starter session for those new to boating or who haven't yet taken a safety class.

The course is free to OKCC members, but ACA insurance is required.

RSVP is required.

Contact:

Michael Williams

(michael.williams@usoncology.com)

Paddle Oregon

August 20-24, 2007

Put-in: Monday, August 20th at Armitage Park on the McKenzie River, East of Eugene.

Take-out: Friday, August 24th at Willamette Mission State Park, South of Salem.

Contact:

www.paddleoregon.org

Paddle at the Beach

Saturday, August 25, 2007

More details on page 4.

Clackamas Down the River Cleanup

Sunday, September 9, 2007

More details on page 8.

Row for the Cure

Sunday, September 17, 2007

Willamette River

Portland, OR

"One race away from victory, one stroke closer to a cure." Go to www.rowforthecure.com for more details.

Contact:

Kathy Frederick

(PORTLAND@RowForTheCure.com)

Intermediate/Advanced Monthly Paddle – Introductory Meeting

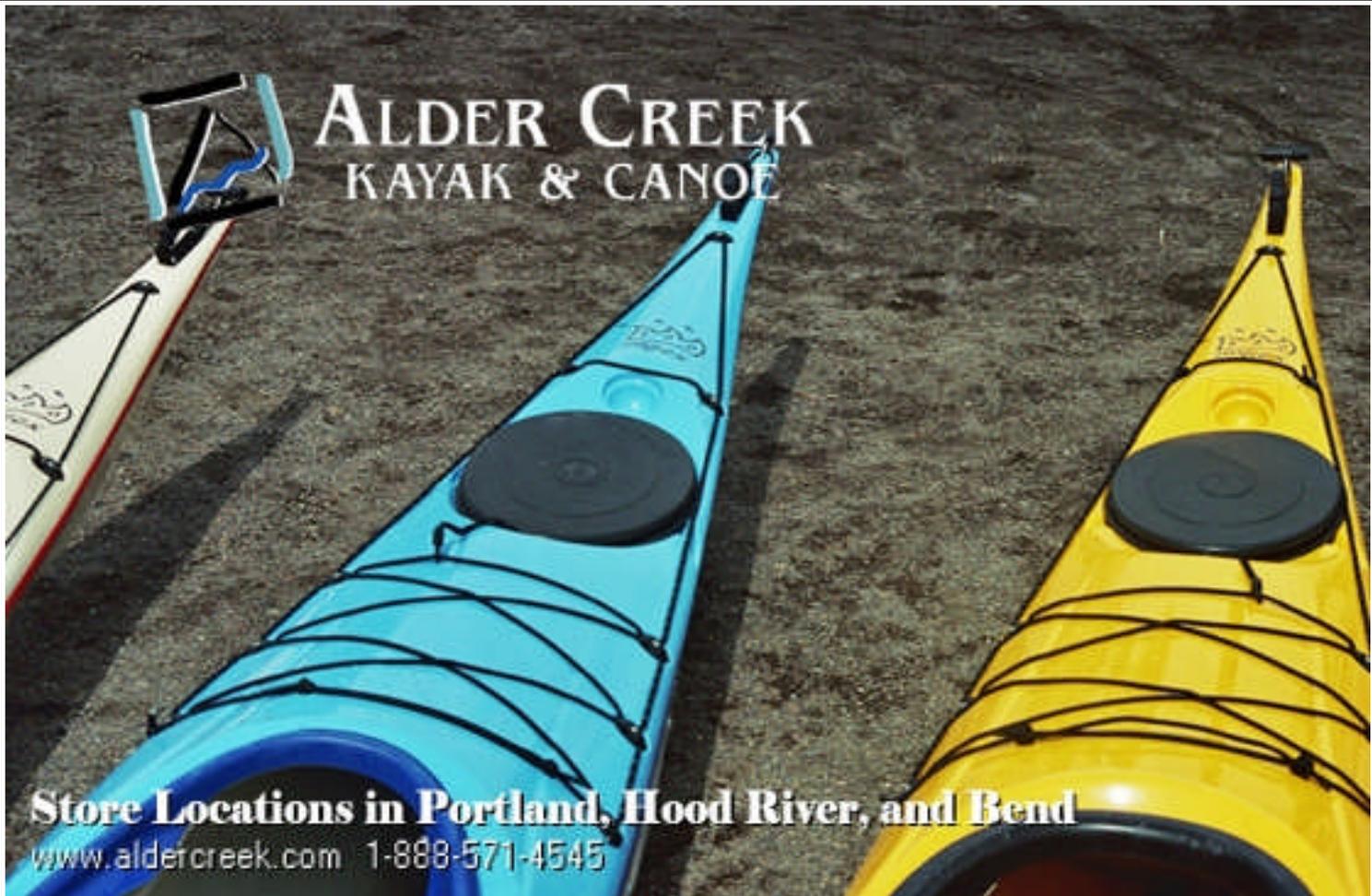
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PPP (Porn, Pizza, Pint) Night Returns!

PPP Nights are back!

Wednesday, August 15, 8pm

Monday, September 17, 8pm

Where: Old Town Pizza
226 NW Davis
Portland, OR
503-222-9999

www.oldtownpizza.com

Contact: Mark Adams, marktadams99@yahoo.com

Clackamas River Clean Up

How many times a year can you kayak a river and do good for the world at the same time? Where else can you treasure hunt for discarded lawn chairs and end up with keys to a BMW, or that mismatched pair of flip-flops you've always wanted? And how many times can you remember sitting in an eddy when a scuba diver pops up next to you clutching a garbage bag full of aluminum cans with a smile on his face?

We can't think of too many experiences in life quite like this one...

Once again the OKCC will be teaming up with eNRG Kayaking, the Clackamas River Basin Council, the PSU Outdoor Program, Next Adventure, Allstar Rafting, Alder Creek Kayak & Canoe, Hi-Tek Scuba, Clackamas County, New Seasons Market and other area businesses and organizations for the Down the River Cleanup on the Lower Clackamas River on Sunday, September 9, 2007. You are cordially invited.

Last year, close to 300 volunteers (thanks to you!!) turned out to clean three sections of the river all the way from Barton Park to the mouth at Clackamette Park. 7,580 pounds of garbage were removed from the bottom and banks of the Lower Clackamas River, but sadly, you can be sure that the river will be trashed again this year. We encourage you to bring friends and family members to help – let them experience the tragedy first hand and feel the warm fuzzy feeling from making a difference. In addition to

the serotonin boost, volunteers will also be rewarded with live music by Jim Brunberg of Mississippi Studios, Garrett Brennan a local Clif Bar Green Notes artist, and Matt Vrba as well as a yummy BBQ hosted by Next Adventure.

Please mark your calendars to show up at 9:30am at Carver Park on Sunday September 9th and stay tuned for details! Full information and registration will be available at www.enrgkayaking.com by mid August. The event is open to all river runners who are competent on the Barton to Carver run on the Clackamas. There will be 75 slots on event rafts for inexperienced river runners. **Everyone will be required to register – so please check the eNRG Kayaking website for registration details soon.**

We are seeking volunteers to help guide the "Pods" down the river. If you are able to fill any of these roles, please contact Kristin Dahl at Kristin@enrgkayaking.com or 503-784-1072:

- 15 Kayak Pod Leaders / Safety boaters (experienced kayakers who have led groups on class II+ whitewater & have first aid certification)
- 15 Raft Captains (we are looking for those skilled in guiding paddle rafts to serve as a raft captain for one of the event rafts provided by Allstar)
- 15 Garbage Scows (anyone who can bring and captain a boat with garbage hauling capacity – oar rafts, drift boats or catarafts work well)

Pool Sessions

The time to resume pool sessions is sneaking up on us. The tentative start date is October 30th, finishing in March when Daylight Savings Time returns. There will be about 20 sessions.

I would like some feedback on the pool and ways to streamline the process. Some of the ideas for this season are: polo, topo duo's, more publicized demo nights, kid's night, and an end of season party. We would also like some help brainstorming ways to make money collection smoother so that volunteers aren't overwhelmed at the beginning of each session.

Please contact me if you are interested in volunteering to help with the pool sessions, and what incentives would entice you to host.

Thank you,
Shannon Crosswhite
OKCC President
pipirneck@mindspring.com



Garry practices a bow stall.



Sue and Melissa discuss polo strategy.

Other Pool Sessions in the Area

Check the PDX Adventure Racer website (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	8:30 – 10:00 pm
	Sandy Aquatic Center	7:00 – 9:00 pm
Wednesday	Sunset Swim Center	8:30 – 10:00 pm
	Beaverton Swim Center	9:30 – 10:30 pm
	Sandy YMCA	7:30 – 9:30 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

The OKCC Needs You



Every great paddler you have seen out at the river or on any current whitewater video throwing epic tricks in huge waves or running world record waterfalls or making first descents of hidden rivers in far away lands all has one thing in common. They all had to learn to kayak. And they needed the support of better paddlers around them to help them become the paddlers they are today.

Every whitewater enthusiast has to start somewhere. Most take a beginner class and then they are turned loose on the world wondering where they go from here. The OKCC has been a foundation in the Portland kayaking community for many years. It has served that vital function of giving new paddlers a place to meet people, practice their skills and become independent paddlers themselves.

Now in this fast paced, everyone for themselves, dog eat dog world of online forums and chat rooms the OKCC is in danger of becoming a dinosaur. With a community of almost 300 strong, a mere 6% of the total members volunteer for activities for their local club. Board members whom have been faithfully serving for years, often just switching positions are growing tired and uninspired by the lack of volunteers help in their local community.

In the two years I have served on the board, I have seen pool sessions filled to the brim with people. Club trips with overwhelming numbers of people showing up wanting to paddle. Safety Days and Intermediate classes so full people have to be turned away. The ever popular PPP Night at Old Town Pizza so full it's standing room only. And yet volunteers for club trips and pool sessions are at an all time low. Newsletters are getting harder to fill with good material.

If only a quarter of all members in the club volunteered to do one thing all year long, whether it be an article or trip report, lead one river trip on one of their favorite rivers, or just volunteered to host one pool session, we as a club would have tons of newsletter material, pool session and river trips schedules full for the entire year. Even better yet, come out to the board meetings to share your ideas. Everyone has something to offer; you don't have to be a class 5 kayaker to support your local club.

So it's up to you. Will the OKCC become a dinosaur or will its members step up to the challenge and help make it the strongest it's been in quite some time. Thank you, it's been a pleasure serving you for the last two years. I hope I have a place to do it for the next several years.

Michael Williams
OKCC Safety Officer

P.S. Our Annual Board Meeting is Thursday November 15th. Please contact Shannon Crosswhite, our current Club President, if you have even the slightest interest of joining the board. pipirneck@mindspring.com

Condit Dam Removal (from American Whitewater)

Marmot Dam Removal Underway!

posted July 24, 2007
by Thomas O'Keefe



Sandy, OR — Earlier today a blast of explosives cracked the concrete face of Marmot Dam, beginning its demolition and ushering in a new era for Oregon's Sandy River Basin. The removal will improve salmon and wildlife habitat and public recreation.

The Marmot Dam demolition on the Sandy River will be the largest dam removal in the Pacific Northwest in 40 years and the largest ever in Oregon. It will be the first phase in Portland General Electric's (PGE) \$17 million Bull Run Hydroelectric Project "decommissioning" plan, developed in consensus with 23 diverse organizations including American Whitewater represented by Regional Coordinator Keith Jensen.

"This partnership is taking a great step toward restoring a breathtaking river for fish, wildlife and people," said PGE CEO and President Peggy Fowler. "We celebrate the future of a watershed that will provide unimpeded salmon and steelhead passage from the slopes of Mt. Hood to the Pacific Ocean."

Following the detonation, heavy equipment began taking apart the concrete structure. This demolition will take about two months and during this construction period. During that work, the river bypasses Marmot Dam, diverted by earthen coffer dams. Once removal of the dam is completed and the fall rains return the coffer dams will be washed away and paddlers will have an opportunity to enjoy a free-flowing river.

"Free-flowing rivers are great for so many reasons," said Dave Slover, owner of Alder Creek Kayak & Canoe and another party to the agreement for removal. "For kayakers, the removal of Marmot Dam means additional water in the river through spring and summer. With the eventual removal of the Roslyn Lake diversion, we will now get boatable flows through the incredible Sandy Gorge into August. Just like fish, kayakers love fresh, cool water in their rivers."

Located about 40 miles east of Portland, the structure was built in 1913 to power a trolley that carried city dwellers out to the countryside and was rebuilt in 1989 after a flood. At 22 megawatts, Bull Run is one of PGE's smallest generating facilities, and its power has already been replaced with environmentally friendly wind power and other sources.

PGE announced that it would remove the Bull Run Hydroelectric Project in 1999 after the company determined that demolition would be more economical for its customers than maintaining the facility and upgrading it to modern environmental standards. In developing the plan for removal, PGE committed to a collaborative agreement, rejecting the expensive and exhaustive adversarial proceedings that characterize many major environmental decisions.

"What's good for fish is good for paddlers," notes Thomas O'Keefe, American Whitewater's Pacific Northwest Stewardship Director. "We are incredibly excited to see restoration in action and we appreciate PGE's commitment to a vision that recognizes the river as a public resource. The voices of all stakeholders were heard in this process and the outcome is great for fish, great for paddlers, and great for the river."

For more information and to follow the progress of the removal visit the Marmot Dam website at www.marmotdam.com.

An illustration of key steps in the removal process is provided below.



To remove Marmot Dam a coffer dam is constructed to divert the river around the dam structure. The dam can then be removed.



Following removal of Marmot Dam, the temporary coffer dam will be naturally eroded as flows increase during the fall.



A restored Sandy River following removal of Marmot Dam.

Middle Fork of the Salmon River, Idaho

A Trip Report by Jesse Mitchell

This summer I had the good fortune to be invited on a multi-day trip on the Middle Fork Section of Salmon River in Idaho. Myself and Dave Brigg were the only hard-shell kayakers in the group and earned our keep scouting and picking out mostly good lines for the rest of the group, including several inflatable kayakers.

As the river was running a very low 2.1', the trip organizer decided to fly in heavy coolers to Indian Creek Lodge marking the first time an aircraft had been employed to bring me beer.

A great deal of fellow travelers were getting ready to run the same section, the majority on commercial trips. The day before we launched we stayed at a campsite at the Boundary Creek put in, lowered all our rafts and cat boats into the water and tied them up to get an "early" start the next day. With 4 commercial and 3 private trips doing the same thing, it got more than a little crowded at the put-in the next morning as everyone scrambled to launch. Luckily, on this run the rangers assign campsites to each permit holder based on their requests and campsite availability so there is no racing to get a specific site. I wish they did this on the Rogue!



The Put-In at Boundary Creek was a bit of a Cluster

Day 1

After a crazy morning we managed to push off with little issue. I was very excited to check out what looked to be a fun and beautiful river; and I wasn't going to be disappointed! At the put in is the first rapid called "first bend" which was a fun way to kick off the trip.

The first day contained only one rapid of note, Velvet Falls. Velvet is rated class IV, but at 2.1', it was very mellow with almost no bad lines. I ran Velvet twice just for fun and we had no IK or rafter issues. Be warned, I've heard Velvet's a boat eater at higher flows with a very tricky last-minute eddy.

The first day we stayed at Fire Island campsite and hiked up to Sheepeater hot springs which is technically "owned" by the Sheepeater campsite meaning we could only hang out there till 7pm. The hot springs was incredibly hot and, given the very hot weather, ended up being something nobody could really stand for very long. A few of us decided to hang out in the lower, much cooler spots near the river till late in the evening. As all the coolers were waiting at Indian Creek, the first night was freeze dried food and was surprisingly good.



Sheepeater Hot Springs

As we lay in our tents that night, we had a visitor! A juvenile black bear decided to ransack our campsite, tearing open any drybag that smelled promising and attempting to open all of the coolers and dry boxes by pawing at the foam on top. He managed to find my drybag that contained a few power bars and my spare contacts – nothing survived. I was very happy I always carry enough contacts for a multi-day trip in two spots 😊



The Bear at Fire Island's handy work

Day 2

The next day we shoved off expecting some decent rapids and more amazing scenery. The major rapid on the second day was Pistol Creek and was a tricky move for rafts as low water meant easy pinning and a difficult time placing oar blades, but the going was much easier in little kayaks. The scenery changed a great deal on this trip, starting out with sparsely wooded areas and more rolling hills the first couple days.



Great wooded scenery was typical on the first few days of this trip

Day 2 was a big day, with a stop at Indian Creek lodge to pick up our sizable and amazingly heavy coolers and dry boxes as well as a 20 mile paddle to our next campsite. The pickup went well and we all rejoiced at the availability of cold beer!

That night, we stayed at Upper Jackass Camp just below Jackass rapids (somehow fitting) which is essentially a large sandbar with plenty of space. Along the way we stopped at Sunflower Hot Springs which comes cascading off the rocks to form a hot shower with pools above. Sunflower is also a small campsite, which I'd recommend very highly for a group of 10 or less.



Pete enjoys the hot springs "shower" at Sunflower

Day 3

The next day was a much mellower 15 mile paddle with several great stops along the way. Whitie Cox is buried at the camp bearing his name and features more hot springs that are, unfortunately, infested with mites that will burrow into your skin and so completely unusable.

Along the way, there are several spots to stop and see pictographs most likely created by the Sheepeater tribes.



Pictographs were found in several spots

That night we stayed at Big Loon Campsite, which features a short walk to one of the best, and the last, hot springs on the trip. Big Loon is next to a ranch and you camp by a fence with horses and burrows often roaming and grazing on the other side. The entire group enjoyed the large hot springs, with folks from the ranch and other campsites wandering in and out all evening and even busting out a guitar and neon lighted rubber duck at one point.



Enjoying the Hot Springs at Big Loon!



Big Loon Campsite next to the Ranch

Day 4

As we started on our 4th day, the scenery had become much more rocky and rugged with considerably less tree cover. The Middle Fork scenery changed throughout the entire run, always providing something new and amazing to gawk at. The most significant rapid this day was Tappan Falls, which at these low flows was only really clean on the right side. It's an easy scout and requires no real move for kayaks or rafters, just a fun drop. We stayed at sheep creek camp that night and several members of the group decided to hike up the mountain at the campsite while the rest of us, including myself, looked on through binoculars with a cold drink in our hands!



Setting up at Sheep Creek Camp, with the hills that a small group hiked in the background

Day 5

There were no major rapids to speak of on this day, just several fun class II-ish action. There were however, some great stops to be had including Rattlesnake Cave which contains more pictographs and ended up being our lunch stop. Waterfall Creek and rapids is a great stop to see small picturesque waterfalls (sorry, not runnable!) and take a diversion hike or two. We also passed several sheep at river's edge getting a drink and occasionally butting each other.



Sheep, not looking too afraid of us as we floated by



The author in front of a great waterfall

During our orientation, the rangers told us that the area gets 7 inches of rain each year so we were fairly surprised when it started raining on us as we paddled to our last campsite, ominously named "Lightning Strike". That night we experienced several small and sudden rain showers preceded and followed by some of the best lighting shows I've ever seen. A tree across from our campsite was hit and glowed for a small while; what a show!



Huddled under a tarp at Lightning Strike Camp

Day 6

As we started out on our last day Dave and myself were asked if we could take off early and shepherd one of the flock down early so he could get to an early evening flight back to California. Having never run any of this river before and knowing that there were many named rapids the next day, naturally I said "Sure, no problem".

The rapids of note this day were Rubber, Hancock and Cramer Creek. While we bombed through these with relative ease in two hardshell and one inflatable kayak, the drops could be tight and challenging for rafts so I'd recommend scouting at least Rubber and Hancock. Cramer Creek Rapids is after the confluence with the main stem of the Salmon

and is pretty straightforward when run on the right.

As you can imagine from the cluster at the put-in, the take-out was also very busy but most of the commercial crews took little space and moved very quickly. The private groups varied greatly and our team took some time as one of the shuttle cars broke down and was left at a wrecking yard. We were able to reshuffle and make things work, and I believe the car was still under warranty so hopefully it was a relatively painless fix.

The Middle Fork Salmon was easily one of the most beautiful rivers I've been on and a great summer time excursion. If you ever get the chance, hit this one up.

Intermediate/Advanced Monthly Meeting/Paddle

Contact: Michael Williams, OKCC Safety Officer
Michael.Williams@USOncology.com

So you have been paddling awhile and you have a roll. Where do you go from there? Intermediate classes can be expensive and are only done on a weekend. Once a month I do an intermediate to advanced paddle meeting, class, and paddle. Paddling covers a broad range of skills and rivers; we will have a chance to do it all. Playboating, creeking, big water, low water and everything in-between. We will meet the first Wednesday of every month and paddle that Saturday. The meeting is mandatory to attend the Saturday paddle. Topics covered in the meeting will be practiced on the river. We have created this course to give beginning paddlers a place to go and keep learning on their way to becoming advanced paddlers. You must be an OKCC member and have current ACA insurance to participate. Contact Michael Williams for meeting time and place, as the venues could change from month to month. Happy Paddling!!!

Next Meeting is Tuesday, September 25th At Old Town Pizza @ 7:30pm. Come out and see what this year's classes are all about. This is an open orientation meeting for both members and non-members.

Membership Application & Renewal

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OKCC MEMBERSHIP	
	\$20.00 OKCC Membership Only - Individual or Household
	\$20.00 OKCC Renewal - Individual or Household
AFFILIATE CLUB ENROLLMENT (NEW ENROLLMENT WITH OKCC MEMBERSHIP 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
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Participant's Name: _____ ACA No.: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____

Additional Household Members: _____ ACA No.: _____

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_____ ACA No.: _____

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I have read, understand, and am familiar with the American Canoe Association Waiver and Release of Liability and the American Whitewater Safety Code. I agree to be bound by the terms of the ACA Waiver and Release of Liability and to follow the guidelines of the AW Safety Code as a condition of membership in the Oregon Kayak & Canoe Club, Inc.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

**ALL NEW ACA APPLICANTS MUST ALSO COMPLETE AN ACA WAIVER FORM.
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Please make checks payable to "OKCC" and send your completed application and waiver(s) with check to:
Membership, OKCC, P.O. Box 692, Portland OR 97207

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