

EDDYLINE



Northwest Voyageurs Canoe and Kayak Club

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Volunteers Needed

Policy Manual

The club's policy manual will be updated this year and non-executive members are needed to participate in the process. The policy manual provides the ground rules for the operation of the club and needs to be revised on a regular basis to reflect how we do business. If you are interested please contact Ric at 780-438-1296.

Club Website

The NWV website will be enhanced over the next couple of months. Part of the "renovations" will include interactive Web 2.0 features such as a club forum where members can post content. The club needs to develop guidelines, terms of use, and a privacy policy for the new website.

To accomplish this task, the NWV executive have struck a committee to develop these items. The committee will develop the policies and recommendations which will then be presented to the

executive in May. Part of the process will include soliciting and processing input from all club members.

Volunteers will need to be internet capable as part of the development will be conducted on the new website to beta test the forum software. The time commitment is expected to be significant, around 20 hours in the next 8 weeks. The committee size will be limited to 5 maximum.

To volunteer, please contact webmaster@nwvoyageurs.com via email no later than March 20th.

Calendar

Friday, March 19, 2010

6:30 PM

Waterwalker Film Festival
(See notice for details.)

Wednesday, March 31, 2010

7:30 PM

NWV General Meeting

NWV EXECUTIVE 2010

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Social Coordinator	Lisa	780-660-4077	social@nwvoyageurs.com
Member at Large	Kurt	780-922-6200	memberatlarge@nwvoyageurs.com

Waterwalker Film Festival

Date: March 19th

Time: Club Fair starting at 6:30 PM, Films at 7:00 PM

Location: Grant MacEwan University
Room 9-323, Robbins Theatre
11050-104 Avenue, Edmonton

Canada's original paddling film festival

Come experience the best paddling films of the year!

More information contact MEC at:

Phone: 780-488-6614

Web: www.mec.ca



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Most club members receive a PDF copy by email or receive notification that it is available online. If you currently receive a printed copy and are able to receive a PDF copy instead, please let the membership coordinator know so we can start sending you an electronic copy.

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*** Important Notice ***

If you have not renewed your membership yet this will be your last newsletter. Please renew now to ensure you keep receiving your copy of the newsletter and to help keep the club vibrant.

NWV

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Training Courses

The Club is going to put on a 'Learn to Paddle' course, June 26, 27. All new members, friends, enemies, and grandmothers are welcome.

We will also do a 'Moving Water' course on that same weekend or the one following if members are interested. Phone me (Vic) at 430 8634 to register.

Alberta has recently adopted a new system of teaching paddling skills and training instructors. In the past PaddleAlberta has organized certification courses, clubs have set up training programs and people sign up for whatever is available through their clubs or through PaddleAlberta. This has changed.

PaddleAlberta now supports a web page in their website. If you go to www.paddlealberta.org and click Education>Instructors For Hire, you will find a list of 'Instructors for Hire'. You are now able to contact these instructors and negotiate a course that meets your own needs. You should contact at least 3 or 4 of the 'instructors for hire' and talk with them about the courses they are certified to teach as well as the times, places and costs.

For courses of Instructor Certification, Paddle Alberta refunds half of the total fees to the individual person receiving the instruction. In addition NWV club rules require the club to offer a deal for all would-be instructors: if you agree to instruct club members for a given amount of time, the club will cover the other half of your course fees.

Most instructors, especially for higher levels of instruction, seem to require classes of at least 3 boats. If there are 3 people interested in taking a course, but all are in different clubs, or not a member of any club, it is up to the INSTRUCTOR and the prospective STUDENTS to arrange suitable times and places for the instruction. Professional instructors require students to bring their own equipment.

If you want to take a course to improve your paddling skills you can telephone experienced club members and ask them to donate their time to teaching you. Or you can hire a certified professional instructor.

As far as I can tell, this new system is not intended to replace the traditional club organized 'learn to paddle'

courses. Rather it is intended to provide flexible access to more advanced instruction.

This means that the reasons for promoting professional level instructors inside our club are changing. It is instructors who operate from inside the club who bring in new members. It is these instructors who spearhead our community service goals. It is these same instructors who provide us with links to other organizations. NWV instructors help them by providing paddling instruction; we draw on their resources for new members, new contacts and possibly even a wider range of facilities that we can use under certain conditions. NWV needs more, many more, club based instructors.

There are other very good reasons why people in our club should take professional style Instructor Certification courses.

There is the personal development aspect of taking a professional certification in instruction. It does not matter how much you know about paddling, there is always more to learn – and we all benefit from learning how to teach.

Certification as a professional instructor is a way of demonstrating leadership capabilities. This looks good on any resume. It also looks good to people in the community. It demonstrates a certain type of leadership capability, one valued in our communities.

There are loads of people in our club who would like to meet a certified professional instructor who can teach them about ways to have more fun on the water. There are some very good people out there who would like to be associated with our club so as to take advantage of our ability to teach. Some of these people would like to do this through the club, so that the club organization itself will help to lower costs and improve relationships.

Teaching paddling is a fabulous – and basically easy - way to earn extra cash over the summer.

If you are a serious paddler, think on it. If you think on it, please phone me and we will talk about starting you on your way to a professional certification.

Vic

Canoe Co-Ordinator

Kayak and Canoe Lessons and Clinics

Confederation Leisure Centre, 11204 - 43 Ave., Edmonton

Sea Kayak Clinics

Cost: \$40

Date: March 28, & April 11, 2010

Time: 6:45-8:45 pm

This clinic is intended to teach fundamental safety techniques specific to sea kayaking including how to perform a wet exit as well as how to right, re-enter, and empty a sea kayak.

Contact Frank at 780 - 432 - 1923 or
seakayak@nwvoyageurs.com

Roll Clinics

Cost: \$40

Date: April 18, 25, 2010

Time: 6:45 - 8:45 pm

This clinic is open to anyone who wishes to learn, practice, or perfect the most basic kayak self-rescue technique, the Eskimo roll. Ideal for sea kayakers and whitewater kayakers alike.

Learning to roll in warm, clean water with a patient, experienced instructor is by far the best way to go!

Contact Jack at 780 - 477 - 2441 or
wwkayak@nwvoyageurs.com

ALMOST FULL

Kayak Drop-in Sessions

Keep your skills up while the snow flies. Bring your own boat or use one of the club's.

Sundays during the Introductory Kayak Courses.

7:15 PM to 8:45 PM, \$10 per person per session

Please note: Course participants have first choice of club kayaks and drop-ins are restricted to the deep pool.

Attention Kayakers

If you plan on bringing your kayak (whitewater, recreation or sea) into Confederation Pool, you will need to have washed it out completely in a car wash beforehand. This washing reduces the amount of chemicals added to the pool water and prevents the filters from needing extra cleaning. Washing boats at the pool will no longer be permitted.

NWV Equipment Manager

Canoe Safety Clinic

The clinic was held in the Confederation Pool on February 14th.

The clinic included a video about safety rules, time in the pool to cover techniques for climbing into a canoe if you fall out and the canoe T-Rescue method.

This year some 13 people attended and enjoyed some hilarious moments, not all of which are suitable for print. We have a number of photographs, but I would prefer if the ones of me do not show up in this newsletter.

Canoe safety requires a minimum level of physical fitness. I think I will undertake a course of personal skill improvement, somewhere private.

We all owe a sincere thank you to Kurt and Mel for their work in putting on this clinic. They arranged everything with the pool management, collected and cleaned the canoes, arranged and taught the course and then delivered the canoes back to their winter storage - that's a lot of work. If they keep that up, these guys might become quite useful. Thanks guys!

Vic

Paddle the Clearwater River

The Clearwater River is a Canadian Heritage river in Saskatchewan characterized by long stretches of runnable rapids and pool and drop sets. Numerous water falls and impassable rapids necessitate portages. The tentative plan is to fly in to Careen Lake and take out at Fort McMurray. If you are interested you must have whitewater paddling and wilderness camping experience. Contact Ric at 780-438-1296 if interested.

Stikine River Trip

The Stikine River runs through North-West British Columbia to the Alaska Panhandle. It is several times larger than the North Saskatchewan River and very fast through most of its length.

The river has three main sectors. The Lower Stikine flows about 140 miles from Telegraph Creek, B.C. to Wrangell, Alaska. Upstream from Telegraph Creek is a deep canyon cutting through very hard metamorphic rock. This is the 'Canadian Grand Canyon', mostly class VI rapids. Upstream of the canyon is the Upper Stikine, smaller waterways surrounded by an area of geothermal activity. Hot springs and astonishing plant and animal life abound.

The Lower Stikine River has a major sockeye salmon run, usually peaking around July 15th. There are also runs of Coho and Spring salmon. In some places, aboriginal carvings and colorings can be seen on stone

cliffs facing the river. The river is quite large and cuts a path through the B.C. Coastal Mountains. Canada has lots of mountains, but these mountains are rather special, literally breathtaking scenery. The mountains invite half day or full day hiking experiences, glacier watching, fishing and panoramic views. There is a salmon processing plant on the river, near Great Glacier Mountain and visitors are welcome.

We will paddle the Lower Stikine, starting at Telegraph Creek, date not yet set, but around July 8th and finishing in Wrangell, Alaska on July 16st. The river is quite fast, but there are no rapids, flat water all the way. Paddling skill level is novice, but wilderness camping experience is essential. At this time of year, all the bears in the area will be busy fishing in the small tributary streams higher up in the mountains. We do not expect to meet bears. We will not see sockeye salmon in the main river, but a short hike up a tributary will quickly provide views of the sockeye salmon on the run. There is no sport fishing for sockeye salmon on the Stikine River. Licenses for trout and spring salmon are available.

Some club members will arrive in Telegraph Creek prior to July 8th, so as to take advantage of the local scenery. The store proprietor in Telegraph Creek has a jet boat, he will take clients about one third of the way up into the Canadian Grand Canyon so as to see Canadian Class VI rapids from the water. Fee is \$200 per person for about 4 hours in the canyon.

At the end of the canoe trip we are in Wrangell, Alaska. From there we take the Alaska ferry to Prince Rupert. The ferry costs about \$100.00 per person, including canoes. The trip is 18-20 hours and inside cabins can be rented for about \$120. The ferry trip through the inside passage is also world class breathtaking scenery.

Total transportation costs for this trip could be as little as \$400.00 per person and are unlikely to rise above \$500.00, but with all the possible side trips and ferry cabins etc available, that cost is largely up to the individual member.

We will be calling 2 or 3 planning meetings very soon. Any person interested in joining this trip should plan to attend a meeting at my house on March 30th. Call me at 430 8634.

Vic

Rendezvous '10

a paddlers' festival in Alberta's Lakeland
on Beaver Lake near Lac La Biche

June 4, 5 & 6

Program:

canoe & kayak instruction
beginners & experienced
tandem & solo
guided trips
north "Big" canoes
birding
outdoor photography
children & youth programs
safety & skills
Leave No Trace
demos and test drives
trade show

for further information and registration

www.paddlealberta.org/rendezvous

earlybird registration by May 15th

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Photo Contest Winners (Part 2)

Category: Nature



First Place

Photo by: Peter Mitchell



Second Place

Photo by: Kerri Smiley



Third Place

Photo by: Lisa Derksen

NWV Trip Schedule 2010

[Click to check the club website for the latest updates](#)

[Contact Ivan I. \(trip@nwvoyageurs.com\)](#)

Date	Water(s)	Interest	Class	Skill Level	Type	Coordinator	Phone #	Email	Comments
Last revised 2010 03 06									Click to email the organizer or 477-2441 to add your trip
Apr 3 or 4	open								
Apr 10-11	open								
Apr 17 - 30	Whitemud Creek	Whitewater Kayak	II	Intermediate	Day Trip	Kurt S.	922-6200	sej@syban.net	Date is completely dependent on spring melt. Contact Kurt early - expect a date change.
Apr 17 - 18	Pembina & Lobstick	Whitewater Canoe & Kayak	I - II	Intermediate	Car Camping	Ric F.	438-1296	fetterly@shaw.ca	Spring melt may change the date of this trip.
Apr 24 - 25	Open								Consider volunteering to lead a club trip this weekend.
May 8 or 9	North Saskatchewan	Whitewater Kayak	I	Beginner	Day Trip	Dave S.	701-2856	kayak2hell@yahoo.ca	Introduction to moving water in the city, this will allow beginner whitewater kayakers a chance to try their boats out on the river
May 8 or 9	North Saskatchewan - Genesee Area	Flat water Canoe	I	Beginner	Day trip	Alan S.	487-0607	alan.alkemy@gmail.com	Basic canoe skills for any beginners
May 15 or 16	Pembina	Whitewater Kayak	I	Beginner	Day Training	Jack I.	477-2441	www.kayak@nwvoyageurs.com	Introduction to whitewater kayaking. Some class II rapids, that can be avoided.
May 15 or 16	Golden Spike to Devon	Flat water Canoe	I	Beginner	Day trip	Steve B.	461-3292	none	Golden Spike to Devon. Excellent spring warmup trip
May 22,23	Red Deer River Burbank to Highway 21	Flat water Canoe and Kayaks	I	Any	Canoe Camping	Melvyn K.	484 3563	none	Overnight Camping Trip
May 22-24	Pincher Creek Area (various rivers)	Whitewater Canoe & Kayak	I - IV	Beginner to Advanced	Car Camping	Jack I.	477-2441	www.kayak@nwvoyageurs.com	The whitewater festival of the season! It has been known to snow. Six hour drive from Edmonton.
May 22-24	Milk River	Canoe & Rec Kayak	I	Intermediate	Canoe Camping	Nigel T.	240-8150	none	Two nights stay at writing on Stone sat day trip relatively easy Class I Sat-Sunday overnight canoe from Milk River to Bridge before WOS Park camp at Poverty Rock Intermediate canoe Class +I to II (definitely not beginner numerous mud/rock cliffs undercut banks, in stream boulders) Very scenic lots of birds especially cliff swallows
May 29,30	Islet Lake	Rec & Sea Kayak	I	Novice	Car Camping	Frank G.	432-1923	fgeddes@telus.net	A great local lake for paddling, wildlife watching, and a picnic/barbecue.
May 29-30	Kananaskis	Whitewater Kayak	II-III	Novice	Car Camping	Dave S.	701-2856	kayak2hell@yahoo.ca	Kananaskis River and other various rivers
Every Wed from Jun 2 till Sep 8	Rundle Park Pond	ALL	I	Any	Weekly event				Paddling Centre opens. Drop in any Wednesday night from 7-9 PM for informal training and a good social time!
Every Wed in Jun	Rundle Park Pond	Rec & Sea Kayak	I	Beginner	Evening Training	Frank G.	432-1923	fgeddes@telus.net	Introduction to sea/rec kayaking. Basic maneuvering, bracing, wet exits and kayak re-entry.

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June 5	N Sask - Lodgepole to Drayton Valley	Canoe	I	Any	Day Trip	Dan and Michelle	486 0363	none	Flat water one day trip
June 4-6	Beaver Lake, Lac La Biche	Flat water Canoe	I	Any	Car Camping	Paddle Alberta		www.paddlealberta.org	First annual Paddler's Festival in Northern Alberta
Jun 5-6	Grande Cache (various rivers)	Whitewater Kayak	II - IV	Intermediate to Advanced	Car Camping	Dave S.	701-2856	kayak2hell@yahoo.ca	Another whitewater festival. NOT beginner friendly! Hotel strongly recommended, as camping is limited.
June 12	Rundle Park Pond	ALL	I	Any	Special Event	Frank G.	432-1923	president@nwvoyageurs.com	Edmonton River day event. Consider volunteering to man the club's display or help out with paddling demos.
Jun 12-13	Hightwood/Livingstone	Whitewater Kayak	II-III	Intermediate	Car Camping	Dave S.	701-2856	kayak2hell@yahoo.ca	Some warmer waters for paddling
Jun 13-14	North Saskatchewan	Flat water Canoe	I	Novice	Canoe Camping	Melvyn K.	484-3563	none	Drayton Valley to Keep Hills. Good introduction to canoe camping by a very experienced trip leader.
Jun 15	North Saskatchewan	Sea Kayak	I	intermediate	Evening Trip	Edmond D.	476-1788	webmaster@nwvoyageurs.com	Classic spot at Elk Island National Park for paddling, wildlife watching, and a picnic/barbecue. Good beach. An upriver paddle (no shuttle) for sea kayaks somewhere in the city. Register by Sunday night
Jun 19-20	Upper Red Deer	Whitewater Kayak	II-III	intermediate	Car Camping	Jarret R.		jrkayak@yahoo.com	Early season river may have fluctuating water levels (normally in flood at this time of year!)
Jun 19-21	Lac La Biche	Rec & Sea Kayak	I	Novice	Car Camping	Frank G.	432-1923	fgeddes@telus.net	Summer solstice. Weekend day trips from the campground at Winston Churchill Provincial Park.
Jun 23	Rundle Park Pond	ALL	I	Any	Special Event	Cindy D.	963-5288	Cindy5288@hotmail.com	Club Picnic at Rundle. Come eat, socialize and paddle.
Jun 26-27	McLeod River	Canoe or kayak	I	Intermediate	Day Trip	Ric F.	438-1296	fetterly@shaw.ca	Day trip to the McLeod River
Jun 26-27	Kicking Horse	Whitewater Kayak	II-V	Intermediate to Advanced	See notes	Dave S.	701-2856	kayak2hell@yahoo.ca	Various different levels of skill depending on the section
Jun 26-27	Flat water Canoe training	Flat water Canoe Training	I	Beginner	Training	Vic V	430-8634	canoe@nwvoyageurs.com	Flat water canoe training course
Jun 26-27	Whitewater Canoe Training Course	Whitewater Canoe training course	I	Beginner	Training	Vic V	430-8634	canoe@nwvoyageurs.com	Whitewater canoe training course

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1-Jul	North Saskatchewan	Canoe or Rec Kayak	I	Any	Day trip	Steve B.	461-3292	none	afternoon day trip down the North Saskatchewan River in the city
July 1-4	Jasper	All	I-III	Any	Car Camping	Jack I.	477-2441	www.kayak@nwvoyageurs.com	Multiple paddling opportunities, lakes, rivers or hiking
July 1-4	Saskatchewan Crossing to Rocky Mountain House	Canoe or Rec Kayak	I	Any	Canoe Camping	Alan S.	487-0607	alan.alkeny@gmail.com	Multi day trip with some rapids
July 10-11	Upper Red Deer	Whitewater Kayak or Whitewater Canoe	II-III	Any	Car Camping	TBD		none	Annual Upper Red Deer River paddle fest
July 10-11	Bighorn/Mystaya	Whitewater Kayak	II-III	Intermediate to Advanced	Car Camping	Jarret R		jrkayak@yahoo.com	Whitewater trip for intermediate paddlers
Jul 14-26	Lower Stikine River	Canoe or Rec	I	Any	Canoe Camping	Vic	430-8634	canoe@nwvoyageurs.com	Wilderness tripping 7 days plus 4 days travel - Sockeye Salmon run
Jul 18	North Saskatchewan	Flat water Canoe & Rec Kayak	I	Novice	Day Trip	Pauline G.	483-5265	pauline.gilmour@shaw.ca	Devon to Laurier Park, Classic day trip into the City.
Jul 17-18	Upper Red Deer	Whitewater Kayak	II-III	Any	Car Camping	Jack I.	477-2441	www.kayak@nwvoyageurs.com	Multiple runs on class II river with some class III features
Jul 26-30 or Aug 1-7	Churchill - Pall	Canoe or Rec Kayak	I	Any	Canoe Camping	Cindy D.	963-5288	none	Dates may vary and will depend on participation. Multi day trip, ask for Zeph for details
Jul 31 - Aug 2	Jasper	All	I-III	Any	Car Camping	Jack I.	477-2441	www.kayak@nwvoyageurs.com	Multiple paddling opportunities, lakes, rivers or hiking
Jul 30-31	Slave River Paddle Fest	Whitewater Kayak or Whitewater Canoe	I	Any	Canoe Camping	Paddle Alberta		http://www.paddlealberta.org	A week of activities on the Slave River
Jul 31-Aug 2	Cleanwater Festival	Whitewater Kayak	II - VI	Intermediate	Car Camping	Dave S.	701-2856	kayak2hell@yahoo.ca	http://www.cleanwaterkayakfest.com/
Jul 31- Aug 2	Athabasca River	Canoes - All Levels and Sea Kayaks	I+	Novice +	Canoe Camping	Melvyn K.	484 3563	none	Berland River to Whitecourt. A 105 KM paddle with wilderness camping
Aug 13-15	Kananaskis	Whitewater Kayak	I - III	Any	Car Camping	Alberta Whitewater Association			KAN fest at Canoe Meadows. Races, clinics & events. http://www.caigarykayakclub.com/kanfest/
Aug 21-22	Bierlies	Whitewater Kayak	II - III	Novice	Car Camping		Rocky Mtn club	http://www.rockycanooclub.org	Date is estimated, annual whitewater kayak event at the Bierlies
Aug 21-22	Upper Red Deer	Canoe	II	Intermediate	Car Camping	Ric F.	438-1296	fetterly@shaw.ca	Upper Red Deer river classic runs
Aug 21-22	Athabasca River	Flat water Canoe & Kayak	I	Novice	Canoe Camping	TBA		none	Blue Ridge to Ft. Assinaboine.
Aug 28-29	Athabasca River	Flat water Canoe & Kayak	I	Novice	Canoe Camping	Norma O.	444-0263	none	Blue Ridge to Ft. Assinaboine on the Athabasca River.

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Sep 4-6	Kananaskis River	Whitewater Kayak	II-III	ALL	Car Camping			ivan.l.trip@nwvvoyageurs.com	Click to email the organizer or 477-2441 to add your trip
Sep 4-6	Fraser River (BC)	Whitewater Canoe & Kayak	II - III	Intermediate	Car Camping	Dave S.	701-2856	www.albertawhitewater.ca	AWA Provincial Whitewater K1 and C1/C2 Competition - Stalom, freestyle, downriver and polo
Sep 4-6	Athabasca River	Flat water Canoe & Kayak	I - II	Novice	Canoe Camping	Doug B.	752-7939	kayak2hell@yahoo.ca	New trip to BC! AWA membership required (\$10) for insurance
Sep7-18	Desolation Sound	Sea Kayak	I - II	intermediate	Wilderness Camping	Alan S.	487-0607	alan.alkemy@gmail.com	Jasper to Hinton. Pre registration a must. Max 12 people.
Sep18	North Saskatchewan	Canoe & Rec Kayak	I	Any	Day Trip	Vic V.	430-8634	canoe@nwvvoyageurs.com	Multi day trip on the ocean contact Alan for details
Oct 1 or 2	North Saskatchewan	Flat water Canoe & Kayak	I	Novice	Day Trip	Ardnt & Janice K.	463-50237	designforce@shaw.ca	Annual event club will be the river safety for paddlers
Oct 4	Genesee Bridge to Golden Spike	Canoe & Rec Kayak	I	Novice	Day Trip	Melvyn K.	484 3563	none	Genesee Bridge to Golden Spike. Nice Fall paddle and possible wiener roast.
Oct 9-11	Thompson River, BC	Whitewater Kayak	II-IV	intermediate	Car Camping	Chuck L.		www.albertawhitewater.ca	Day trip with great scenery, includes a wiener roast

Please Read The Following Before Coming On Any NWV Trips

The skill level required and grades are given but please note that these may vary considerably with changes in river flow rates.

The trip leader has the discretion to change any trip due to unfavourable weather conditions or unsuitable water levels. The safety of the group is a major concern.

The trip leader indicated on the schedule MUST BE contacted NO LATER than Wednesday prior to the scheduled trip if you wish to participate.

You are responsible for arranging for your own boat, partner (if required) and transportation. The trip leader may be able to offer some assistance but call at least a week beforehand so arrangements can be made.

Make sure you have all necessary equipment for the trip and are familiar with the safety information provided in your member's handbook.

All participants must have signed a waiver form before participating in a trip or course to avoid liability claims against the club.

As a member of the club you should have signed a waiver and had it witnessed when you paid for your membership.

Canoe or Kayak Camping is where all gear is carried in the boat.

Car Camping is where a campsite is driven to in one location and going out to paddle each day from the campsite.

Day Trip is where you drive to and from the trip on the same day - no camping.

Beginner - Little or no previous experience. No formal training yet. Requires constant supervision on the water.

Novice - Completed a formal course, but requires some supervision / aid on the water.

Intermediate - Experienced, safe, self-sufficient paddler.

Advanced - Highly experienced, safe, self-sufficient paddler. Can handle extreme conditions.