

PADDLING NEWS

The newsletter for
TRUMBULL CANOE TRAILS INC. 2008

Presidents Message,

Hope everyone's summer is going well. Just got back from a week down at the ocean. Sun, sand, surf & seafood. It's always fun on the water, fresh or salt. Had a great time.

This month is the evening paddle, the Moonlight Run back up the Mahoning R. on Lake Milton and a trip down the Allegheny R. (with maybe lunch at the Foxburg Inn — Yes !!).

Both are fun. We are now at the half way point of the season. Lots of fun to be had yet. Get some sunshine, fresh air and a good time. Join us.

See you on the water,

Alan

Our Previous run;

By trip leader:

July 26, Lake Newport

By trip leader: Ode Aduma

15 paddlers in 12 kayaks including a tandem, and 1 canoe launched from the banks and boat ramp of East Lake Newport in Mill Creek Park.

The weather was excellent. We got under way a few minutes after 10. I was hoping the recent heavy rains would keep the water level up.

Newport has 60 acres of open water but has a lot of shallow areas. A boat can easily bottom out in the shallows. It was embarrassing because as the trip leader I bottomed out near the island and had to be pushed free. But I wasn't alone in bottoming out. One other paddler became stuck in the silt of the shallow lake. Once free we made our way into the 40 acre wetland area.

The Mill Creek Park wetland is home to a variety of plants and animals. But what has me so excited is that an American Bald Eagle now also calls this home. As does an Egret, Great Blue Herons and Canada Geese.

The Bald Eagle is America's symbol of Pride and Courage and it put on quite an Ariel display for us. This was the third time that I was given the honor of witnessing this beautiful bird in flight. I'm told by a park naturalist only a few people have seen it. Because the Bald Eagle had become endangered in

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the lower States in the past you could only see them in Alaska. Now a pair is nesting and flying in Mill Creek Park in the city of Youngstown.

After our trip through the wetlands we traveled by motor caravan to the D.D. Davis Center at Fellows Riverside Garden for a nice lunch. Thanks to these folks for helping me have a nice first canoe and kayak run. Peppy Laakso, Pete Milliken, Aleta and Paul Brocklehurst, Delores and Harry Kirsch, Tim Parkin, Adriana and Ron Fasano, John Beggs, Patrick Gleason, Patricia Stevens and Ed and Eileen Rigby.

**Keep Paddling,
Ode**

(Note from the editor)

While all of the paddling runs that this club makes are great, there are a few that are so extra special that they have been given titles.

The CHILI RUN in December.

**The FROSTBITE RUN in
November.**

The COLOR RUN in October.

And

**The MOONLIGHT RUN this
month.**

So if you have not had a chance to paddle this year or you have just joined the club you still have time to join us for our special runs.

Our next run;

Lake Milton, Oh.

Friday Aug. 15, 9 pm.

By trip leader: Peppy Laakso

MOONLIT RUN will be Friday Aug. 15, 9 pm. at Pointview Boat Ramp, Lake Milton, Oh. Rain date is Aug 16. So important to keep in touch with trip leaders. I will have hot dogs, salsa, corn chips, marshmallows; you bring soft drinks, easy desserts. We will need a couple of wiener forks, chairs, etc. Remember your glow lights for your watercraft. I have some wood, Rich, can you bring a few "sticks"? All of you are so great. Please let Betty or Peppy know if you are coming. Leave your phone no. in case we need to use the rain date. 330-538-3271 or 330-788-6257. Hope to see a lot of you, and please be patient with the "aged" Ha Ha.

Peppy

Directions:

Directions from Rt. 80, turn S on Rt. 534 to Mahoning Ave. , turn Rt., app 2 miles to S.E. River Rd [just before bridge] Left on S.E. River Rd, go 1 mile to Pointview, just past golf course, turn Rt. to boat ramps. Also, from Rt. 224, west, to Ellsworth Rd, [just past Rt. 45] take Ellsworth Rd to S.E. River Rd. turn Rt. go north app 2 miles to Pointview, turn L to boat ramps.

Our next run;

By trip leader: Ed Rigby

Hi everybody! We have had some nice summer trips so far and I hope to keep up the fun with this run!

Last year we went from Emlenton to Parker with a stop at Foxburg for

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brunch at the Inn. It was well attended and everybody had a good time, but at only 7 miles some thought it could be a little longer to make it better. So this year I have extended the run to 12 miles with the help of Capt. Dick at Parker Canoe. We will meet again at Parker Canoe @ 9:30 a.m. to be shuttled up to Dotter to start the trip. The cost of the shuttle will be \$8 per person. After launch, we will stop in Emlenton for a short break then on to the Foxburg Inn for lunch, finishing in Parker afterwards. If you don't want to have lunch at the Grille there are other thing to do there. A winery, a small art gallery and book shop with local folks featured, a chocolate shop a short walk away and the Info Caboose! MMMM!! A great lunch, wine, and chocolate !! And a little more paddling after that.

I hope the old bridge is still there so we can walk out on it one more time. It will be torn down soon and a new "modern" bridge will be ready for use. I will need to know if you want to go by August 21st so I give the outfitter and restaurant a call with some numbers. And if you do go, please try to have exact change because I will collect the shuttle fee and give it to Capt. Dick. The \$8 is very reasonable for a 12 mi. run to float down to your car. Remember, meeting at 9:30, shuttle leaving at 10 a.m. sharp. Keep an eye on the weather and pack accordingly. Rain gear, sunscreen, bug spray, big hats, water, etc. Club rating of easy to moderate, depending on water level. But for most of the summer it's an easy run. For more info

check [www.foxburggroup.com](http://www.foxburggroup.com) and [www.canoeparker.com](http://www.canoeparker.com) .  
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**Directions**

I 80 to exit 42, Emlenton. turn left and go a short distance to RT 208. Turn left and go to the bottom of the hill and follow RT268 along the river to Parker. Look for the launch about a mile after the blue bridge. You can check our map on the web site also. Let's make it another great TCT run!!  
Ed

**Wanted:**

Does anyone know of an inflatable kayak for sale? contact Peppy please, 330-538-3271

Please send all trip reports, articles and information for the newsletter to:

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