



Around the Bend

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Canoe Safety Classes Offered

Hey Paddlers, it is not too early to be thinking of paddling. Here is some information you might appreciate. Canoe capsizing and overboard skills are to be taught by Red Cross Canoeing Instructor Jennifer Chesrown on Saturday, March 23rd at the Sandusky High School pool, 9 a.m. to noon.

This is the stuff to do before you get out on the river or lake. You will be boarding the canoe, jumping out, climbing back in, swamping the canoe, climbing back in, and then re-floating the canoe all in the safety of a pool and under the supervision of an instructor.

To learn more about this and possibly adding more safety courses toward obtaining a Red Cross Canoeing Safety Certification, contact Jennifer Chesrown at Erie Metro Parks, 1.419.625.7783.

Club To Compile E-Mail List

At the January planning meeting there was discussion about putting together a list of members with e-mail addresses. So here is the official shout out... If you have an e-mail address and you would like to share it with the rest of OHCRA, send me e-mail at Handsmith@aol.com or OHCRAEDITOR@aol.com. I will then take the responses I get and post them in the Summer Newsletter.

2002 OHCRA EVENT SCHEDULE

March 10	Planning Meeting, 11:00 a.m., Fountain Square, Bldg. "E", Columbus, OH
April 27/28	Paint Creek Dave Caplinger (937) 393-2739
May 18/19	Big Darby Jim Wolf (614) 920-9214
June 1/2	East Fork Dave Petrik (513) 734-3009
July 20/21	Summer Outing George Tompkins (330) 358-2209
August 24/25	Little Miami River Ted Spradlin (513) 742-2459
September 28/29	To Be Announced Brad Buck (614) 476-2840
October 12/13	Mad River Dave Caplinger (937) 393-2739
November 10	Planning Meeting, 11:00 a.m., Fountain Square, Bldg. "E", Columbus, OH

Does anyone else have a river or creek to run? If you have an idea for a trip but have never sponsored one and are not sure what to do, ask one of us for help. We all planned our first trips with some fear of something going wrong, but it always works out ok! Everyone has a bad trip now and then.

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Membership Dues

Be sure to check the expiration date on your mailing label to see if you are current on your dues. We have been purging the membership list of anyone 2 years out on his or her dues.

2003 Cross Ohio Canoe Trip

At the January planning meeting May 17 was established as the put in date. We will start on Lake Erie and paddle to Fremont that first weekend. If all goes as planned we should make Columbus 21. Once the Columbus the will be done week jaunt Ohio River. at the Ohio should be Ralph be the person for ceremonies and other Bi-Centennial related events. Jim and Jodie Wolf and Brad and Rachel Buck will be scouting and securing camping sites from Green Camp to Columbus and Dave Caplinger will be doing the same from Columbus to Chillicothe. Ted Spradlin will take over from there to Portsmouth.



by June group hits the rest of expedition in a one-to the Take out River June 28. Billow will contact

Online Newsletter

Many of you have expressed interest in getting the newsletter e-mailed to you. We have experimented with this idea and it just doesn't work. Because of the many different aspects of the newsletter it takes too long to upload and send copies via e-mail. **HOWEVER**, we do have a web site where you can view the newsletter. If you'd rather view the newsletter on the web site and no longer wish to have it mailed to you please e-mail me and we will take you off the mailing list only.

Paint Creek

April OHCRA Outing
April 27th & 28th

We will be paddling the lower portion of Paint Creek - Bainbridge to camp. Camping will be at Steve Earleys fish camp. Potluck dinner will be on Saturday evening and shuttle will start at 9 a.m. both days. **Directions** - Come to Chillicothe and take S. Paint St./S.R. 772 past Mead Paper. After crossing Paint Creek Bridge, camp will be 4 miles on the right side of the road, just past Rinehart Rd., which will be on your right. Watch for OHCRA signs. Questions? Call Dave Caplinger at 1.937.393.2739 or email dvdhlnca@aol.com.

Big Darby Creek

May OHCRA Outing
May 18th & 19th

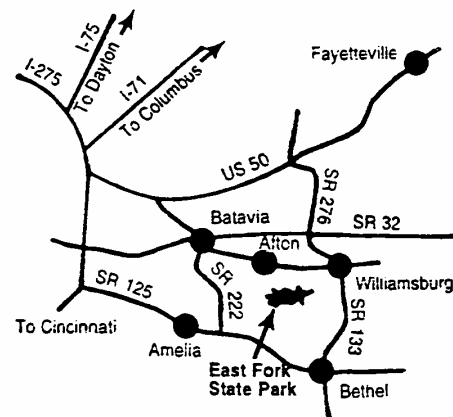
We will camp at Trapper John's Campground south of Columbus on the Big Darby. Camping is primitive (bushes, no running water). We have camped here before. Folks coming down on Friday need to wait until after 4 p.m. to camp. Saturday's shuttle will start at 9 a.m. sharp and be a two-part shuttle. Please be ready. Sunday's shuttle will be at 9 a.m. dull with a short trip for early outers and a longer one for those who like it long. Potluck supper on Saturday evening. **Directions** - Take I-71 south of Columbus to S.R. 665 west to Darbydale. Head south on Darby Creek Rd. The entrance is on your left. If you cross I-71, you have gone too far. For more info contact Jim or Jodie Wolf at 1.614.920.9214 or email HA1913@aol.com.

East Fork of The Little Miami River

June OHCRA Outing
June 1st & 2nd

We will be camping at East Fork State Park. There are no signs allowed in the park, so check at the Camp Office for directions to the campsite. If water conditions are not good on the East Fork, we can paddle other streams in the area. If water is low, we can paddle the Little Miami. If water is high, we can float on Todd's Fork. Directions - Take State Route 32 to Half Acre Rd. (south past Milacron). Turn left on to Old Route 32, then right in to the park. For more information, call Dave or Allison Petrik at 1.513.734.3009.

LOCATION MAP



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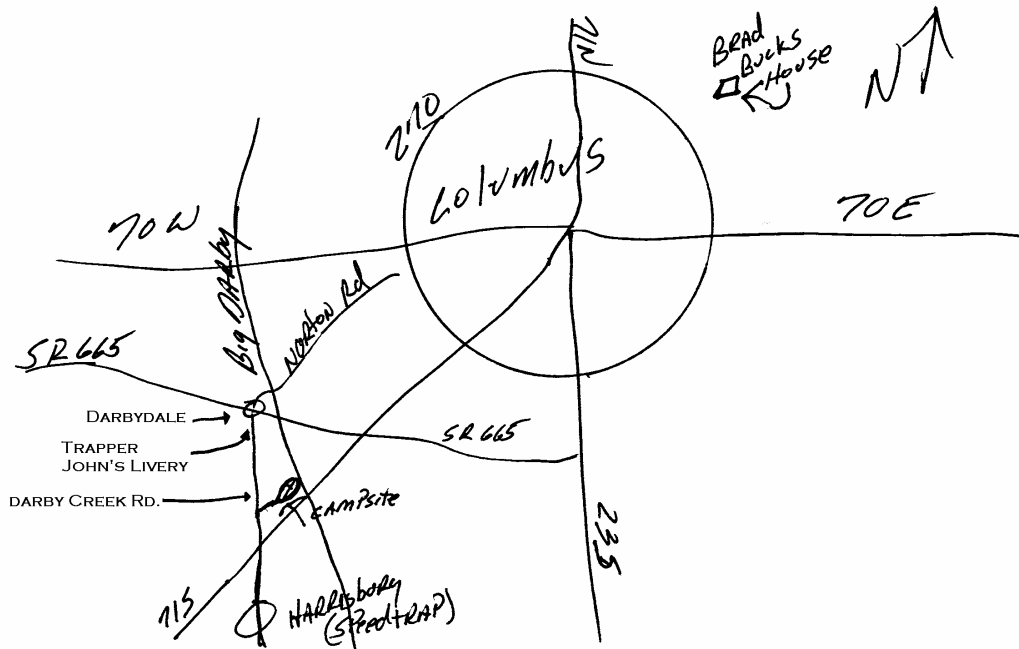
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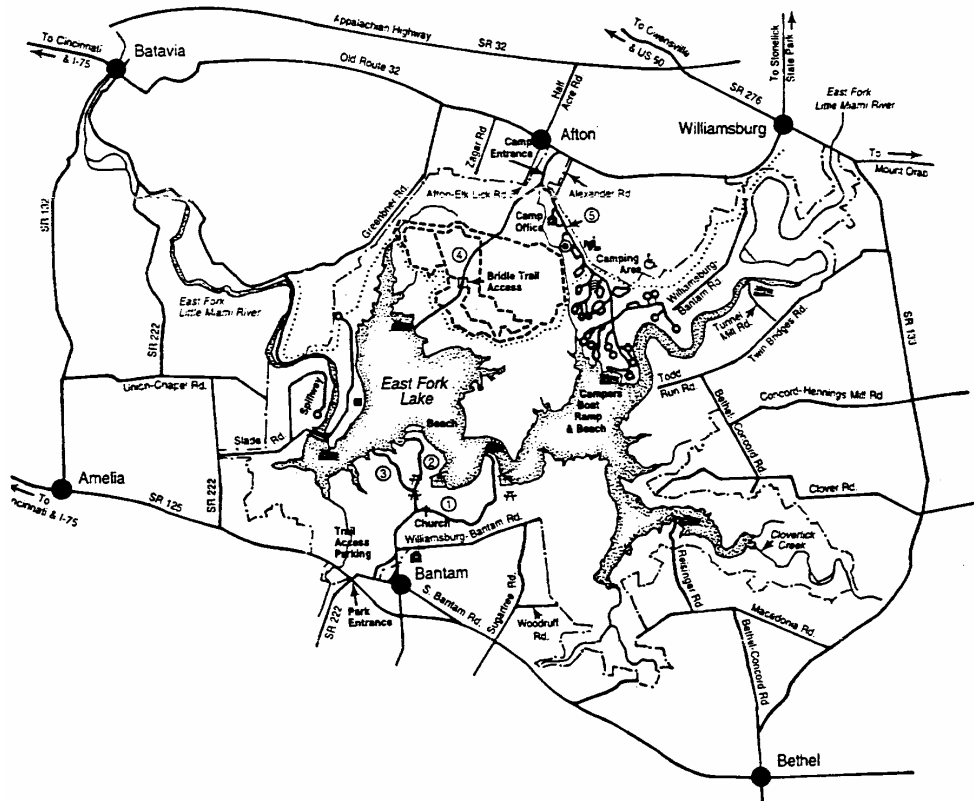
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Big Darby Map



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*List family members and birth dates on separate sheet.

Annual Membership Dues run from January 1 to December 31.

“Canoes should show some battle scars. Shows you’re a canoeist not a canoer!” - Bob Brown, canoe designer, from *The Canoeist’s Little Book of Wisdom.*

