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## From Your BACK of the PACK Prez

Hello, hope all are well, warm, and dry. I'm writing this Feb 2, looking out at rain and ice; should give us water for the spring. PACK has a lot happening; check this update closely for info on races-one of the larger calendars we've seen for a while; a new statewide race series; new locations for the STATE race in 2011 and 2012: USCA Nationals in 2012: a commitment to an improved website/newsletter; info/links to other Pa organizations and their activities; preliminary discussion re: a major "signature" long distance event for the state Pennsylvania. Michigan has the 120-mile Ausable Canoe Marathon (1 day), New York has the 70-mile General Clinton Regatta (1 day) and the 90-mile Adirondack Canoe Classic (3-day). We are looking to make around a 50-mile race including a relay race event and other shorter races.

As I talked to race directors to build this year's schedule, the disturbing theme that surfaced was the lack of volunteer support to make the events all they could be, and even the possible discontinuance of some races. I ask that you talk to your local race directors and offer what support you can; we get a lot for our \$15-20 entry fee and maybe there is something we can give back to these races (mostly time).

I extend my apology to Bricktown Challenge and the Warren race officials. Your technically challenged Prez missed the date conflict in July until too late for either event to change the date; totally my foul up, so if you can help me by being two places at once....

Bricktown is this year's state championship race, and I have committed to Warren to host the race in 2012 to sync with Nationals. Anyone wishing to host future PACK championships needs to indicate intentions via email at [packnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:packnewsletter@gmail.com) with "PACK Championship Host" in email subject area. If you don't get a reply, please call one of the PACK officers.

Enough rambling for now, I have to shovel snow/train. If you sorta shovel snow backward and to the side, you can simulate a paddle stroke, or a least convince yourself that you are, and mentally it's better for you than simple snow removal. Try that on your partner!

Seeya on the water.

*Bob*, PACK Prez

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40 plus races listed. Wow! And I'm sure I missed something. Please send updates/new info to [packnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:packnewsletter@gmail.com). If you're not online and need more info, contact any of the PACK officers and let us know what you need. We'll be glad to assist if we can.

THANKS-BOB, PACK PREZ

ps: check out the PACK RACE SERIES!!!

More info elsewhere in this issue.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Updated calendar at <http://packnewsletter.org>

*PACK Race Series Indicated by \**

3/26 – Red Moshannon Race, Grasse Flat, PA  
[www.tusseymountainoutfitters.com](http://www.tusseymountainoutfitters.com)

\*4/2 – Cameron County Canoe and Kayak Classic, Emporium, PA <http://www.canoeclassic.org/>

4/16 – USPP Spring Race, Otego, NY [uspp.pbworks.com](http://uspp.pbworks.com)

4/23 – Ridgeway Triathlon, Ridgeway, PA  
[www.ymcaridgeway.com](http://www.ymcaridgeway.com)

4/30 – Run of the Charles, Boston, MA [www.crwa.org](http://www.crwa.org)

5/1 – Wayne County Canoe Classic, White Mills, PA  
[honesdalejaycees.org](http://honesdalejaycees.org)

5/7 – Schuylkill River Regatta, Philadelphia, PA  
[keystonecanoeclub.com/regatta](http://keystonecanoeclub.com/regatta)

\*5/7 – Great Race on the West Branch of the Susquehanna, Clearfield, PA  
<http://eventful.com/karthus/events/west-branch-susquehanna-river-wild-canoe-kayak-race-/E0-001-028239373-2>

5/7 – Bloody Run Canoe Classic, Bedford, PA  
<http://raystowncanoeclub.com>

5/7 – Ed Wessels 35 Miler, Otego, NY  
<http://www.sidneychamber.org/calendar.htm>

5/13 to 5/15 – Canton Canoe Weekend, Canton, NY  
[www.slvpaddlers.org](http://www.slvpaddlers.org)

5/22 – Philadelphia Spring Regatta, Philadelphia, PA  
[www.swanboat.org/spring\\_regatta\\_race.html](http://www.swanboat.org/spring_regatta_race.html)

5/27 to 5/30 – General Clinton Canoe Regatta, Cooperstown, NY [www.canoeregatta.org](http://www.canoeregatta.org)

6/4 – Woodbury Regatta, Woodbury, NJ  
<http://tinyurl.com/2ewgjuv>

\*6/4 – Clearfield River Front Festival, Clearfield, PA

6/4 – Roaring Bull Race, Bridgeport, PA  
[susquehannarivertrail.org](http://susquehannarivertrail.org)

6/12 – Mantua Creek Race, West Deptford, NJ  
[www.swanboat.org/mantua\\_creek\\_race.html](http://www.swanboat.org/mantua_creek_race.html)

\*6/18 – Tiadaghton Elm Canoe Classic, Jersey Shore, PA  
[www.eteamz.active.com/telm](http://www.eteamz.active.com/telm)

7/17 – Wells Bridge Race, Wells Bridge, NY  
[www.nymcra.org](http://www.nymcra.org)

6/25 – Newton Creek Race, Collinswood, NY  
[www.swanboat.org/newton\\_creek\\_race.html](http://www.swanboat.org/newton_creek_race.html)

6/25 – Great Island Adventure Triathlon, Lock Haven, PA  
<http://www.rockriverandtrail.com/>

\*6/26 – Loyalsock Flatwater Challenge, Montoursville, PA  
[www.loyalsocktownshipbos.com](http://www.loyalsocktownshipbos.com)

7/4 – Lake Placid International Regatta, Lake Placid, NY  
[www.lakeplacidinternational.com](http://www.lakeplacidinternational.com)

7/9 – Tuscarawas River Canoe & Kayak Race, Dover, OH  
<http://www.ohiotimelessadventures.com/events.php>

7/9 – Armond Bassett Memorial Race, Rochester, NY  
[www.nymcra.org](http://www.nymcra.org)

7/10 – Callicoon Canoe Regatta, Callicoon, NY  
[www.callicooncanoeregatta.com](http://www.callicooncanoeregatta.com)

\*7/10 – Phila Canoe Club Open House Race, Philadelphia, PA  
[www.swanboat.org/open\\_house\\_race.html](http://www.swanboat.org/open_house_race.html)

\*7/16 – Bricktown Challenge and PACK Championship, Howard, PA  
[www.beechcreekwatershed.com/bricktown.html](http://www.beechcreekwatershed.com/bricktown.html),  
[packnewsletter.org](http://packnewsletter.org)

\*7/16 – Warren Adventures Canoe & Kayak Race, Warren, PA  
[alleghenyrivercompetitivepaddlers.sports.officelive.com](http://alleghenyrivercompetitivepaddlers.sports.officelive.com)

7/17 – Wells Bridge Race, Wells Bridge, NY  
[www.nymcra.org](http://www.nymcra.org)

\*7/30 – Wysox Challenge, Wysox, PA  
[220adventuresales.com](http://220adventuresales.com),

\*7/31 – Endless Mountains Classic, Mehopany, PA  
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8/9 to 8/14 – USCA Canoe & Kayak Championships, Newago, MI [www.newaygonationals.com](http://www.newaygonationals.com)

8/21 – Woodbury Creek Race, Woodbury, NJ  
[www.swanboat.org/woodbury\\_creek\\_race.jpg](http://www.swanboat.org/woodbury_creek_race.jpg)

9/9 to 9/12 – Adirondack Canoe Classic 90 Miler, Old Forge, NY [www.macscanoe.com](http://www.macscanoe.com)

9/18 – Governor Printz Darby Creek Race, Philadelphia, PA  
<http://dcva.org/upcoming.html>

9/24 – USCA Aluminum Nationals, Bastrop, TX  
[www.uscanoe.com](http://www.uscanoe.com)

9/24 – Muddy Run Canoe & Kayak Race, Holtwood, PA  
[johnnymuzz@verizon.net](mailto:johnnymuzz@verizon.net)

9/25 – Philadelphia Fall Classic, Philadelphia, PA  
[www.swanboat.org/fall\\_classic\\_race.html](http://www.swanboat.org/fall_classic_race.html)

\*10/1 – Fall Foliage Race and PACK Year-End Awards Dinner, Towanda, PA [220adventuresales.com](http://220adventuresales.com), Race Info: Brad Beckwith, 570-268-8220, PACK Year End Info: Bob Snook, 570-433-3119

10/8 – North Branch Adventure Triathlon,  
<http://rivertownrace.com>

10/15 – Cooper River Halloween Race, Pennsauken/Collingswood, NJ [tinyurl.com/28ysa8n](http://tinyurl.com/28ysa8n)

10/15 – Chili Adventure Challenge,  
<http://rivertownrace.com>

See [www.nymcra.org](http://www.nymcra.org) for additional NY races.

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## PACK Meetings

- Friday July 15<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m.  
Bald Eagle State Park  
Campground, Howard, PA
- Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>  
Fall Foliage Race and PACK  
Year End Awards Dinner  
Towanda, PA

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PACK stickers are still available. Cost is \$1. One sticker is free with PACK membership. The sticker has white lettering on a clear background. The sticker is a 4" X 6" oval shape. Stickers will be available at various PACK events including the July 9<sup>th</sup> at the Bald Eagle State Park Campground the night before the Bricktown Challenge and PACK State Championship race.



## Message from the USCA President

*Susan Williams*

Dear Paddlers,

My name is Susan Williams and I have the honor of serving as the President of the United States Canoe Association for the next two years. I look forward to the challenge of leading the USCA, an organization I am very proud to represent.

The USCA has grown significantly since the 1960s. Initially when one thinks of growth, one might think in terms of number of members. But I think of growth in many forms, not just our ups and downs in terms of number of members, but in geographical areas covered and types of watercraft we now include. The USCA first involved canoes. We have grown to include swanboats, dragonboats, kayaks, outrigger canoes, and now paddleboards. There is growth of the organization in general with things such as a website and electronic race timing. Our founders might not have thought of these things in the 1960s and 70s. Stand up paddle boards probably weren't contemplated at the time the USCA was founded. There is growth to include enough money for scholarships to send deserving people to national and international competitions. There is growth of all of our committees, for example adaptive paddling, women's interests, and the youth Barton Cup. These are but just a few examples of our organization's development.

In going back and reading the original USCA Bylaws, it seems to me that the USCA has grown tremendously during its lifetime. When I look at this evolution, I am most impressed. It has taken the dedication and hard work of many people to build this association.

One of the reasons the USCA has grown so successfully is the strong leadership throughout the years. Our past presidents set a very high standard of commitment and I will do my best to measure up to their example.

Despite our growth, and growing pains, over the years, one thing has remained constant. The USCA Bylaws have not changed. They are our foundation and our heritage, and they reveal the enduring values and spirit of the organization.

Our founders believed in a five star program of cruising, conservation, camping, competition and camaraderie. This five star program was formally adopted as our

mission. By continuing to pursue these objectives, we will build on the momentum created by our founders and furthered by our past Boards of Directors.

The USCA is like a river with one beginning source, but as it becomes larger we discover many channels and feeder streams, and lots of possibilities. There is no point at which we've learned all we ever need know about paddling. There is no point at which we've won every race we wish to win. There is always more water on the horizon, another river to paddle, another portage to take.

That is why the USCA itself is a journey rather than a destination. The goal is not to get to the end but instead to make sure you keep paddling in the right direction. And to do that, you need a combination of trust and belief.

With the USCA's five stars as my guide, and with your confidence, I appeal to all of you to help me achieve the goal of bringing each of our five stars to life as bright shining examples of the USCA's mission. To accomplish these objectives will require teamwork. All the members of the Executive Committee will be called upon to help lead various projects. Our other committees will be charged with many responsibilities as well.

Of course, the biggest challenge we all face is time. We all have career commitments, family duties, and other personal obligations to try to balance. Finding the time to accomplish our association's ambitious goals is not easy. We must all remember that together, united as the USCA, we will enhance the quality of paddling throughout the United States, and for that we all deserve to be proud.

Your support for all the USCA's endeavors and activities will be your greatest contribution in making us the best we can be as we move toward the future. We know from our own paddling that being the best is by no means accidental. Being the best is a choice. Please help to make the USCA the best it has ever been.

May we each continue to be an inspiration to many more generations of paddlers,

*Susan*

# The Krapf Spotlight

## PACK RACE SERIES-2011

### PURPOSE:

- To promote competitive racing at multiple races across the state
- Recognize PACK member accomplishments and reward their consistent race attendance

### QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Must be a current PACK member at the time of the event. Joining PACK the day of the event is permitted. See PACK membership form for further details.
2. Series races are indicated in the PACK RACE SCHEDULE.
3. Race class must have a minimum of three (3) entries to be counted as full credit.
4. You must enter a minimum of three (3) Series races to qualify for year-end awards.
5. PACK officers are not eligible for cash awards.

### CLASSES AND SCORING:

CLASSES	SCORING
Mens canoe	1 <sup>st</sup> place =10 points
Womens canoe	2 <sup>nd</sup> place =6 points
Mens kayak	3 <sup>rd</sup> place =4 points
Womens kayak	Entry =2 points
Youth (17 or under) male	Best five (5) races count
Youth (17 or under) female	Tiebreaker; most races entered, followed by draw for place

### AWARDS:

- Each race organizer (not racer) pays PACK \$50 to participate in the race series. PACK matches all money and all money will be awarded to 1st thru 3rd place in each class. Award amounts will be prorated based on the number of qualified finishers. Estimates are 1st place-\$100, 2ND PLACE-\$75, 3RD PLACE-\$50.
- Cash awards will be supplemented by door prizes and other recognition at the fall PACK annual meeting.
- The final SERIES race will be the FALL FOLIAGE FINISH, hosted this year by Brad Beckwith. Race will be followed by awards, dinner, and SERIES winner presentations (need not be present to collect award).

### MISC:

Please check [packnewsletter.org](http://packnewsletter.org) for in-season leaders and status. Please consult for corrections or changes in race series information. After much consideration of the race series judging criteria that was recommended by many, the simple method described above will be implemented for this year. Input from all was greatly appreciated. Our intentions are to start simple and see how it grows. We will consider variations on the series for next year.

PS: In order to promote good sportsmanship, PACK discourages dropping in classes (especially from competition classes to recreation). Your competition will know the difference. Please play fair!

## Canoe/Kayak Race Organizations

- **USCA** - United States Canoe Association - <http://www.uscanoe.com/>
- **NECKRA** - New England Canoe and Kayak Racing Association - <http://www.neckra.org/>
- **NYMCRA** - New York Marathon Canoe Racing Association - <http://www.nymcra.org/default.htm>
- **FCPA** - Florida Competition Paddlers Association - <http://www.FCPAcanoe.org>
- **MCRA** - Michigan Canoe Racing Association - <http://www.miracing.com/>
- **ACRP** – Allegheny River Competitive Paddlers - <http://alleghenyrivercompetitivepaddlers.sports.officelive.com/default.aspx>
- **OHIO USCA Division** - <http://ohiopaddler.com/>
- **River Towns Race Series** – <http://rivertownrace.com>
- **Pennsylvania Kayaking and Canoeing Group** – <http://pennkayaker.com>
- **Philadelphia Canoe Club** – <http://philacanoes.org/>
- **Keystone Kayaks** - <http://keystonekayaks.com/>
- **FB Canoe Racing, Inc.** (North Carolina)- <http://www.fbcanoeracing.org/>
- **Raystown Canoe Club** – <http://raystowncanoeclub.com>



We will have our supply trailer (Hut) at the Cameron Co. Classic and the General Clinton Canoe Regatta. (If you forgot it--we've got it!). Teresa Stout 814-952-1444.

# The Relationship Between PACK and the USCA

*Submitted by Susan Williams*

PACK is the Penn-Jersey Division of the United States Canoe Club, the USCA. ([www.uscanoe.com](http://www.uscanoe.com) and [www.uscanoenews.com](http://www.uscanoenews.com)) PACK is an "organized state or region" under the USCA Bylaws, Rules and Regulations. PACK receives funds from the USCA, based on our membership numbers.

The USCA Delegates are the highest ruling authority of the USCA. The Delegates are collectively referred to as the USCA Board of Directors. PACK is entitled to have a Delegate to the USCA. Pennsylvania and New Jersey are also entitled to have a number of additional Delegates based on our PACK and USCA membership numbers. To determine how many Delegates we should have, the USCA Rules and Regulations indicate, "There shall be one Delegate for up to and including the first ten Governing Members, and one Delegate for each additional twenty Governing Members."

Regular Delegate elections occur in odd years, therefore we must elect our PACK Delegates this year. Delegates serve two years, beginning at the opening of the USCA Annual Meeting in the even year and ending at the opening of the Annual Meeting two years after that.

Delegates have a responsibility to PACK and the USCA. Each Delegate must represent the interests of the PACK members and all the paddlers in the Penn-Jersey region. Delegates must attend the Annual and Semi-Annual meetings to conduct the business of the USCA. Delegates must serve as a member of at least one USCA Committee.

The 2011 Semi-Annual meeting will be in August at the USCA National Canoe and Kayak Championships in Newaygo, Michigan. The 2012 USCA Annual Meeting in January will be in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Delegates are volunteers and pay their own way to the meetings.

So why volunteer? Be part of your paddling community. Volunteering as a Delegate to the USCA is ultimately about helping other paddlers and impacting paddler welfare and happiness. What better way is there to connect with the national paddling community and give something back? The USCA offers a Five Star Program of camping, camaraderie, cruising, competition, and conservation. Do you feel

strongly about something that is happening or not happening with one of these five stars in your paddling community and want to get involved? It's easy to see at this time of year that snowflakes melt on their own, but banded together they can stop traffic. Your efforts in PACK and the USCA will make a difference.

If you are interested in representing PACK and our Penn-Jersey paddlers as a Delegate to the USCA, please contact any PACK officer to express your interest and show your commitment to continued paddling opportunities in the Penn-Jersey region.

## Check out PACK on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/PACKRacing>

*Submitted by Susan Williams*

Like e-mail, online dating sites, and antiperspirant, Facebook is now one of the leaders in helping people with social interaction. The best reason to join Facebook, other than it's free - PACK is now on Facebook! I admit to being a Facebook junkie. I need my fix, I have to know what everyone is doing or my day is not complete. For those of you who do not need a Facebook 12 Step Program yet, think of Facebook like mobile phones. As more people got mobile phones, they became more useful for everyone. Pretty soon, enough people had mobile phones that everyone began to assume that you did, too. These days, it's an affectation not to carry a mobile phone. Now Facebook is at that same point.

I use Facebook every day, and not always to waste time. My friends live throughout the world, and although I speak to them occasionally on the phone, Facebook gives me an intimate look at their daily lives. I can see what they did yesterday, what they're doing tomorrow, and what they're doing right now, almost like there's no distance separating us.

Facebook's main purpose is for people to establish a presence so that we all can be connected. With so many people on it, it's now the best and fastest place online to find and connect with someone. Think of it as a worldwide directory. As a result, people now expect to find you on Facebook, whether they're contacting you for a paddle or scouting you out for a genius grant. For paddling, there are hundreds of times that I've contacted sources through Facebook.

Searching for them there is much easier than searching for a current e-mail or phone number any other way.

It's true that some people spend a lot of time on Facebook, and admittedly that is totally me, but that's because we are all having fun there. If you're not, you can simply log in once or twice a week just to check out what's going on with the people you know.

So, why is PACK on Facebook and why should you "friend" PACK on Facebook?

1. PACK members are using Facebook. Walk around any parking lot at a race and ask. You'll find lots of Facebook users.
2. The racing community as a whole is on Facebook. Quick, go to Facebook and do a search for any race, you'll find it.
3. Did I mention free marketing? Facebook is a one stop shop for PACK marketing. Contacts, photos, discussion posts, status updates, event calendars, and comments, there are many ways to reach potential new PACK members using Facebook.
4. We can quickly answer PACK and race questions. There are people who use Facebook rather than search for individual websites. We can keep in touch with PACK members who are on Facebook and perhaps not remembering to look at our website. Facebook can be updated instantly.
5. PACK can "friend" the people we find in our racing community and start interacting with them. We can invite them to our races.
6. PACK has the potential for lots of Facebook contacts. We can send out updates talking about PACK and therefore put PACK in the forefront of paddler's minds. In turn, paddlers can ask questions and get fast responses, whether it's pre-race information or race results, or even just a good place to paddle when looking for a change of scenery.
7. And here's a big one: Facebook offers easy and fast access from many devices. PACK can become a leader in up to date conditions. We, and any of our friends, can post an update on the PACK Facebook page with timely and immediate information such as a river and road status update the day before a race, or even early on race mornings in locations with cellular signals.

So join the PACK on Facebook! Mr. Rogers used to say, "Won't you be my neighbor?" Mr. Rogers and his sweater are gone, but his legacy lives on in the modern technological era. In 2011 we still seek connections to our neighbors, it's just that the phrase has now

changed to the Facebook term, "Won't you be my friend?"

Send your friend requests to <https://www.facebook.com/PACKRacing> and see you on the river, neighbor!

## Book Review

*Submitted by Bob Snook*

PADDLING PENNSYLVANIA

by JEFF MITCHELL

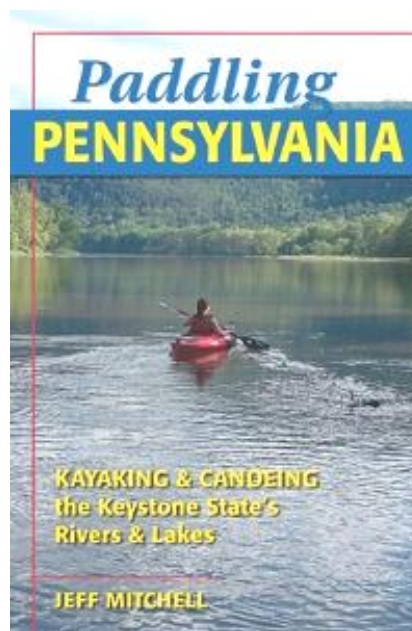
A very good, well written, and pretty comprehensive guide to over 200 rivers, streams, lakes, and ponds in our state. Organization is by river watershed, and seems to be simple and quick to get you to the area you want.

I'm usually hyper-critical of most of the guide books in terms of accuracy and/or coverage; this one is pretty good, I can't find any serious flaws in the reviews of waters I'm familiar with, so I'd be inclined to trust the accuracy of others.

Couple of things I like; good put in/take out info and directions, trip mileage data, and river gauge levels for good runs. Also, first edition is 2010, so info looks current.

Stackpole Books (<http://www.stackpolebooks.com>).

Pretty good reading in mid-Feb rainy season. seeya on the river!



## PACK Classifieds

**Kayaks** from Glen Green, [chairman@swanboat.org](mailto:chairman@swanboat.org), (856) 468-4646

19-pound carbon-fiber Avanti ICF K-1

25-pound carbon-fiber/Kevlar Thunderbolt-X K-1

22-pound Kevlar "Toucan" Dart K-1

For photos, please see:

<http://www.surfskiracing.com/classifieds.html>

**Diller D3 C1**, Excellent Condition, \$2900 or best offer

Contact: Steve Rankinen, Phone: 570-326-1487 or Cell: 570-772-3226

**2 Cobra Eliminator kayaks** (great for beginners or for training) both used once. One in White and one yellow. 16.6 ft long 42lbs., 23" wide made of super liner polyethylene (tough plastic).

Contact: Brad Beckwith, [220adventures@live.com](mailto:220adventures@live.com), (570) 268-8220



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1	ULTRA LIGHT PADDLE uncut x 8.25"	Uncut, 8 1/4 " blade	\$ 304.95	\$ 243.96
1	ULTRA LIGHT PADDLE uncut x 8"	Uncut, 8" blade	\$ 304.95	\$ 243.96
1	ULTRA LIGHT PADDLE uncut x 8"	Uncut, 8" blade	\$ 304.95	\$ 243.96
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