

Chesapeake Paddler



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Pirate Groups Meet Weekdays for Evening Paddles

The Chesapeake Paddlers Association has over 700 members, with the majority in the Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Washington, D.C. region. One way you can meet your fellow club members is to go kayaking on a weekday night with one of the CPA pirate groups. There are currently 12 piracies. The current roster of Pirate groups include Pier 7, Baltimore, Eastern Shore, Georgetown, James, Lakes, North, Occoquan, Patuxent, Potomac, Sugarloaf and Algonkian. Details on meeting days, times, locations, and contacts (Pirate Captains and Committees) are available from the club's Web site: <http://www.cpakayaker.com/paddle-now/paddling-pirates/>. Names, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers are also listed on Page 2 of the newsletter.

Pirates of Pier 7—The Pirates of Pier 7 meet at the Pier 7 Marina, located on the South River just outside Annapolis. We paddle Wednesdays 4 p.m. until dusk. We will paddle every Wednesday after work until Halloween time. The Pier 7 Pirates group is the oldest and largest running piracy in our club. We are so fortunate to have many places to explore each week. We usually run out of daylight even during the long hot summer evenings while out exploring the coves and creeks on the South River. Paddlers can float with the high tide into the quiet marshes and hidden woody creeks to discover another new beaver dam, or paddle down river into wide open Chesapeake Bay water at the mouth of the river, or do a 12+ mile circumnavigation of Turkey Point Island past lots of errant sailing classes. Hidden natural tidal ponds are ours to explore, nesting osprey, bird watching while bobbing, sailboat spotting, playing with the waves from passing boat traffic, quiet beaches, and many expansive waterfront homes – all are only accessible with our weekday beach launch spot. We welcome all paddlers who want to join in the fun after work. There are many experienced paddlers willing to share skills, paddling tips or spotting during rolling. We plan to have some informal clinics as well. And we have food! Volunteers sign up each week to surprise the rest of the paddlers with supper fare after paddling. If it rains, we just may stay and eat supper together. Where else can you get supper every Wednesday and paddle for \$2 per visit? Due to an increase in rental cost of our space at Pier 7 Marina last season, there is a \$2 per paddler per visit fee, collected at dinner. Paddlers who rent space at Pier 7 do not need to pay the nightly fee because they are already paying via kayak storage rent. Midweek breaks make the rest of the week fly! We hope you can come out and join us! Sue Stevens, CPA Secretary and member of the Pier 7 Pirates Committee.



Pier 7 Pirates on the South River
photo by Ralph Heimlich

Pirates of Algonkian—The Pirates of Algonkian congregate on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at the boat ramp at Algonkian Regional Park in Sterling, Virginia. As a group they paddle upstream to the third island in the Potomac, called Van Deventer, about two miles from the launch. Often they take a break or paddle farther upstream before returning with the river

current. Paddlers must be off the water at or near sunset due to park regulations. The launch fee is \$4 for non motorized watercraft. In addition to paddling for fun and exercise, the piracy spends time practicing edging, sculling, rescues, radio communication, as well as nature photography. Prepare for the paddle by listening to the latest weather reports and monitoring the Pirates of Algonkian forum for late breaking news.

Pirates of Baltimore—Last year we began living up to our name, The Roving Piracy, when we began utilizing all of the wonderful paddling spots in the Baltimore area. This year we will again be rotating through this list, while adding a few new locations. All are located within Baltimore, Harford, or Anne Arundel counties. Other than on evenings when skills courses are offered at Rocky Point, no regular pattern will be adhered to. To obtain information about an upcoming paddle, Pirates (and guests) will need to check the Pirates of Baltimore forum. Some of last year's more memorable paddles included the Gunpowder River, Bird River, Hawk Bay, Middle River, Dundee Creek, Curtis Bay, Willoughby Beach on the Bush, and Baltimore's Inner Harbor, to name a few. Our new Captain, Marla Aron, and pirate Kathy Rost lead an evening of geocaching which was an overnight success. This year's season opened April 29 with a paddle in Hawk Bay. Skills classes, led by our other new Captain, Rick Wiebush, will be offered in June, July, and August. We hope to see you paddling Baltimore waters this year. Captains Dave Wilson, Marla Aron, and Rick Wiebush: Pirates_Baltimore@cpakayaker.com



Pirates of Baltimore kayak by the rear light for the Craighill Channel Range

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Patuxent Pirates Sunset Paddle
photo by Jenny Plummer-Welker



Pirates of the Lakes, left to right:
Jack Clark, Wendy Baker-Davis,
Mark Rizzuto, Sandy Bixler, Fran Arnott,
Deb Metzger, and Tom Hunt
photo by Dave Bronson

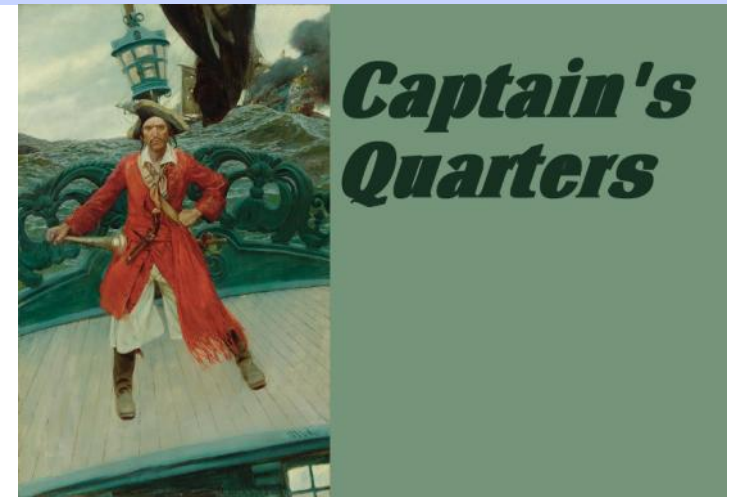
Where to Paddle Like a Pirate

June is here and the solstice is just around the corner. When the warm breezes blow and the grass grows green, you can find a place near you to “Paddle like a Pirate.” CPA is a large club (more than 700 members), but we mostly get to see each other in our “home ports”—the Piracies, or chapters, scattered across the Chesapeake Bay region. This edition highlights the unique and different about each of the Piracies, and I encourage you to find your “crew” at one (or more) of them.

CPA began as a group of paddlers who got together one night a week during the season, paddling from a kayak shop operated by Ron Casterline out of the [Pier 7 Marina](#) on the South River in Annapolis. As the club grew, paddlers wanted their own “home ports” and Piracies from [Georgetown](#) to [Belle Haven Marina](#) to [Baltimore](#), and [Havre De Grace](#) to the [Occoquan](#) and [Solomons](#) were organized and flourished. We now have Piracies operating in [Central Virginia](#), under the shadow of [Sugar Loaf](#), on the Virginia side out of [Algonkian](#), on the [Eastern Shore](#), and far up the [Lakes of the Susquehanna River](#).

What does it mean to paddle like a Pirate? It means getting over the “hump” in the work week and letting the tensions of everyday ease away in a few hours on the water. It means working on your skills with friendly coaching and help from people you know. It means comradeship and conviviality, getting together with fellow Pirates for food and drink after the paddling. It means *connecting* with the Chesapeake Paddlers Association in a way that no other activity can. Based on statistics from the waivers collected last year, the Piracies had 220 participants (18 percent of the total), but were 80 percent of the number of paddling days, generating more hours on the water by more people than any other activity the club organizes. Paddling like a pirate is fun, and nobody says you have to get home early every night, so live it up!

Each of the Piracies has its own flavor, and its own cryptic acronym.* The P7 Piracy is the embodiment of our bumper sticker slogan, “We Paddle to Eat” since we each volunteer once or more during the season to bring a dish to feed the crew after the paddle. POG and POB are urban paddling venues, with roaring jets overhead and marble monuments all along the shoreline of the Potomac and the Inner Harbor and outer reaches of the Patapsco as their home. POP-Potomac has a quieter part of the Potomac, basing out of Belle Haven Marina and the Dyke Marsh Preserve. PON is at the head of the Bay and shares equal parts of the Havre De Grace shoreline and the banks of the Susquehanna. POO (sorry about the acronym :->) paddles the Occoquan reservoir and the river below it. POP-Patuxent has Solomons Island, the mouth of the Patuxent and the famous Tiki Bar, while POSL has Riley’s Lock and the upper Potomac for their paddling. POA gives easier access to the mid-Potomac for the Virginians. POJ offers Southern hospitality and our southern border on the James River, as well as Bay shores up into Mathews County. POES doesn’t have the Raven (that’s POB) but does roam the smaller tributaries of the Eastern Shore. Finally, POL is not the bird perched on the captain’s shoulder, but the Lakes (and rivers) of the Susquehanna above the Conowingo Dam.



Ralph Heimlich on a CPA Patuxent River trip,
Selby’s Landing to Mount Calvert, Spring 2014
photograph by Ben Mayock

No matter which you choose, Paddling like a Pirate is one of the unique parts of Chesapeake Paddlers Association and not to be missed. Even if you can’t make it every week, make an effort to get out on at least one of these long summer nights, and don’t forget your eye patch!

Ralph Heimlich
Coordinator

* Editor’s note: A list of the Pirate groups is on Page 2 of the newsletter, which can be used to decipher the acronyms.

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[Pirates of the Eastern Shore](#)—Pirates of the Eastern Shore paddle from various locations in Kent County Thursday evenings. Paddling out of Turner Creek, we can explore the heron rookery in the spring and the lotus blossoms in the summer. Sea Nettles don't make it into the Sasfras River so it's an ideal location for rescue and roll practice mid-summer. Some evenings we paddle into Chestertown or Rock Hall for dinner at a local restaurant. Every week can be different. Because we are a small local group, meeting places and even evenings may vary. Last year when the weather declined to cooperate, we were faced with a formidable forecast, so we simply paddled on another evening. Contact Pirate Queen Paula (paula@md-kayaker.com) if you are interested in joining our group. Visitors are welcome. Also, since we are a very small group, it's a good idea to email me to confirm if and where we are meeting. My work schedule is very tight this year so I may not always be available to lead, but if I know we have visitors, I may be able to adjust the schedule. Paula Hubbard



Pirates of the Eastern Shore at sunset
photo by Paula Hubbard

[Pirates of Georgetown](#)—It's a bird, it's a plane, it's the Pirates of Georgetown! OK, we're not a bird or a plane, but you'll have plenty of opportunities to see both – as well as some of the most distinctive urban scenery in the nation – as you paddle with us on the urban Potomac. Our section of the river offers a striking mix of city and nature scenes, where you're likely to see wood ducks, herons, helicopters, crew boats and, of course, national monuments. Our base of operations is Columbia Island Marina on the Virginia side of the Potomac River, reachable from the southbound lanes of the George Washington Parkway. We meet Thursday evenings at 6 p.m., launch at 6:30 p.m., and will typically stay on the water for about an hour-and-a-half. Afterwards, we either go out to a local restaurant or do potlucks at the marina. This year we plan to have a renewed focus on skills development and possibly some excursions from other launch sites—watch our forum for details.

[Pirates of the James](#)—Come join the Pirates of the James. We kayak on Wednesday evenings. Launch time is 6 p.m. We launch from Lawrence Lewis Park at 12400 Wilcox Wharf Road, Charles City, Virginia. Lawrence Lewis Park is conveniently located between Richmond and Williamsburg. For those who are unfamiliar, directions and additional information about the park are available on line <http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/vbwt/site.asp?trail=1&loop=CPL&site=CPL06>. We typically end our evening with a visit to Cul's Courthouse Grille in Charles City, for those who are interested in joining us. If ye decide to venture down this southerly direction, a good Pirate can look forward to an informal group of paddlers monthly safety and rescue practices, kayak and car camping, social events in the off season, and, of course, eating...lots of eating! In fact, aside from paddling, eating is what we do best! We hope that you can join us!



Pirates of the Lakes photo by Tom Hunt

[Pirates of The Lakes](#)—Yo-ho-ho Bucko's, from our home base, the Pirates of "The Lakes" roam the flat waters of the Susquehanna River along the borders of York and Lancaster counties in southern Pennsylvania. "The Lakes" are created by three dams –Safe Harbor (Lake Clark), Holtwood (Lake Aldred) and Conowingo (Conowingo Pond), and each lake is very unique, filled with scenic pleasures. There are islands to paddle around, great geological features, and scenic wooded river hills. Our pirates range from beginners to Kent Island Paddle (KIP) veterans. Paddles almost always include some on water exercises and practice, purely voluntary of course, but encouragement usually has everyone happy to participate. If anyone is interested in visiting our inland waters, e-mail [pi-rates_lakes@cpakayaker.com](mailto:pirates_lakes@cpakayaker.com), and we'll help make your visit one to remember and at the end of the day you can enjoy at meal at John Wright Restaurant on the waterfront in Wrightsville, Pennsylvania. Fair winds and following seas, Captains Tom & Mark

[Pirates of the North](#)—Come visit the Pirates of the North (PON) and see where the mighty Susquehanna enters the Chesapeake Bay. We will be paddling on Thursday nights again this year, meeting at 5:30 p.m. and launching at 6 p.m. from Roberts Park, below the Amtrak Bridge in Havre de Grace. We have some great paddling options to include paddling up river to Port Deposit or Susquehanna State Park, across the river through the Flats to Furnace Bay, or south along the Havre de Grace shoreline toward Swan Creek, or, last but not least, do some open water paddling out to the old Fishing Battery. We welcome paddlers of varied skills and always glad to help new paddlers learn to paddle safely. Meet at Roberts Park, at the junction of Otsego Street, Union Avenue N, and Water Street below the Amtrak bridge.

[Pirates of the Occoquan](#)—A group of dedicated paddlers from Northern Virginia who meet weekly to paddle various Northern Virginia Regional Parks during the evenings. The Pirates will launch every other Wednesday evening at Fountainhead Regional Park. On alternate weeks subgroups of the Pirates will set up peer paddles at other locations in Fairfax County along the Occoquan Water Trail. Other locations will include Bull Run Marina, Pohick Bay Regional Park, and Mason Neck State Park. Check out the Pirates of the Occoquan Discussion Forum for weekly paddling plans. Decisions on locations will be made Sunday night and posted in the Forum and via the Pirates of the Occoquan mailing list.

[Pirates of the Patuxent](#)—The Patuxent Pirates paddle Thursday evenings from a small sandy beach in Solomons, in Southern Maryland. This CPA branch of pirates draws its membership primarily from Calvert and St. Mary's counties. The Patuxent Pirates share a beach with sailboat racers, friendly locals, ice cream cone-toting children and adults, water-loving dogs, and curious ducks. Our



Pirates of the North

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Sea Kayak + SUP + Spectacular Setting = Big Fun!!!

Finger Lakes Paddle Fest

**Taughannock Falls State Park, Ithaca NY
July 3 – 7, 2014**

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paddles range from trips down the Patuxent to Chesapeake Bay, up river leisurely trips, cross-river excursions into secluded tidal ponds and shady, tree-lined canals, and tours of Solomons harbor to see the historic Drum Point Lighthouse and marinas full of power boats and sailboats. Occasionally, we hone our rolling and self- and group-rescue techniques in the waist-deep water that extends far out from the beach. Since the Patuxent River Naval Air Station is on the south side of the river, we may glimpse a variety of winged craft (Bell, Boeing, vintage Douglas, McDonnell Douglas, and Northrop Grumman). We plan to have roving paddles again this season on nights other than Thursdays, when we explore waters in the region beyond our home port. Our glorious sunsets are framed by the high arching Thomas Johnson Memorial Bridge. We may be the only Pirate group that has a farmers market and an ice cream stand within walking distance from our put-in. We welcome visitors. Contact the Pirate captains to confirm the group will be paddling. Come visit us!

Pirates of the Potomac—The Pirates of the Potomac are located in Virginia one mile south of Alexandria on the George Washington Memorial Parkway at Belle Haven Marina, a National Park concession. The launch fee is \$5 daily or \$45 for a seasonal pass. For a great midweek break, there is nothing as relaxing as a few hours paddling. We can take routes to the Alexandria Old Town waterfront, visit the National Harbor waterfront to see the gigantic Ferris wheel and the "Awakening" sculpture, or paddle in Dyke Marsh, the largest salt marsh in the area, for a view of wildlife and birds. We start at 5 p.m. and paddle for about two hours. We welcome paddlers of all levels. We would love to see you. Come and give us a try. You won't regret it!

Pirates of Sugarloaf—The Pirates of Sugarloaf has two Queens, Rita Scherping and Liz Marancik. We most often will be meeting on Tuesdays 5:30 p.m. at Riley's Lock (off River Road in Seneca/Darnestown, Maryland). We paddle up the Potomac River first, around one to three islands depending on the current and group skills. Then we rapidly return (drift?) downstream. We usually like to stay out long enough to enjoy the spectacular sunsets over the Potomac. So bring lights for you and for your kayak! There is no put in fee, but we do need to be courteous towards other boaters also using the ramp. Any change of location will be posted in the forums. We may occasionally meet at Black Hill Regional Park in Boyds, Maryland, where there is a \$5 fee.



The Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge
from the Alexandria shoreline
photo by Dick Rock

CPA Paddler Profiles ~ Lucy Chen Turner and Roy Turner

Interview by Rick Wiebush

Name: Lucy Chen Turner and Roy Turner

Lives in: Clarksville, Maryland

Real job:

Lucy: Department of State, IT Program Manager

Roy: Department of Agriculture, Agronomist

Member of a Piracy? Plan to paddle with Pier 7 Piracy Paddlers.

Paddling Buddies: Michael Aaby

Number years paddling: Two

How did you get involved in kayaking? We built a skin-on-frame kayak with Cape Falcon Kayak and figured that we needed to learn how to paddle them.

How did you learn to sea kayak? We took a couple of lessons with Potomac Paddlesports and a few private rolling lessons with CPA member Julio Perez during the winter.

Any formal training or ACA/BCU certifications: No

Boat usually paddled: We paddle yellow skin-on-frame kayaks (F1 design). They are 14 feet long and 23 inches wide. The framework is made out of western red cedar, the skin is 9 ounce ballistic nylon and coated with two-part polyurethane. The F1 is designed by Brian Schulz. His design was inspired by the Mariner Coaster, using Inuit hunting kayak technology.

Type paddle used: Greenland

Do you do any other type of paddling besides sea kayaking? Canoe, but it has been a while since we paddled our canoe.

Do you regularly do any other outdoor activities? We love bike riding, enjoy long trips such as the Allegheny passage and C&O Canal (Pittsburgh to Washington, DC). We like rides such as the Seagull Century, Bay to Bay rides and Tour Du Port. We like skiing Colorado. Our empty nest has led us to our newest venture, beekeeping.

How often do you paddle in summer? We paddle two to three times a week.

Do any winter paddling? Not yet. **Go to pool sessions?** We go to the Catonsville YMCA, Goucher College and Laurel pool sessions.

Favorite local paddling location: Rocky Gorge Reservoir

Favorite non-local location: Potomac and C&O Canal

Best paddling trip/experience ever and why: Delaware Bay because we got to test the kayaks we built for the first time. First we could not believe we built a boat, and second, they handled beautifully! It was the start of a great hobby!

Scariest/most dangerous trip/experience and why:

Lucy: Getting trapped under my boat at the pool.

Roy: I fear having to wet exit in open water then having a flooded boat out there.

Bucket list trips: Don't have a bucket list trip but would love to paddle many places such as Newfoundland, San Juan Islands, the Panama Canal and the Everglades.

Three things you like most about paddling?

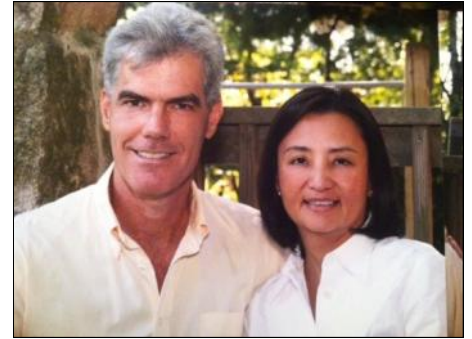
It can be relaxing.

It can be challenging.

Something we can have fun doing together.

What do you like about CPA? It is a great source of information, and people are always willing to help others.

One thing other people find interesting about you: We love to travel and spend time with our grown up kids.



Chesapeake Paddlers Association Tentative 2014 Calendar

Date	Title	Summary
6/6/14 to 6/8/14	Belle Isle (VA) Car Camper	Camp at Belle Isle State Park in Virginia and paddle the Rappahannock, Fleet Island and surrounding waters. Ralph Heimlich, heimlichfamily@comcast.net, 301-498-0918 (leave a message)
6/8/14	St. Leonard Creek from Greenwell State Park	June 2014 will mark the 200th anniversary of the largest naval battle to occur in Maryland waters, the Battle of St. Leonard Creek. Chip Walsh, 410-562-3466 and Dorothy Guy, 410-744-6057
6/8/14	Swim Support—Great Chesapeake Bay Swim (Non CPA Event)	Join us on the Chesapeake Bay, under the Bridge to support the swimmers who will be taking part in this annual event. Volunteers are needed to provide on-water safety support. Dave Biss, davidbiss@cox.net, 703-867-2677
6/14/14	Upper Tuckahoe River	This will be an relaxing paddle opportunity on the Tuckahoe Lake - inside the Tuckahoe State Park. Beginner trip, up to four miles round trip. Bill Smith, bill@athenaconstructiongroup.com, 407-489-7191
6/14/14	Beginner Kayak Paddle Columbia Island Marina Potomac River	Come on out for a beginner's paddle on the Potomac. Robert Golden, r_golden@verizon.net, 443-812-4575, Carol Collins, jfcbelt@aol.com
6/15/14	CPA Gear Day and Fall Out of Your Boat Day	Truxtun Park, Annapolis, Kayak & gear displays, on water peer instruction, potluck lunch, and paddling. Greg Welker, 301-249-4895, gdwelker@verizon.net
6/22/14	St. Georges to St. Inigoes	Paddle across the mouth of the St Mary's River and explore a new Maryland Department of Natural Resources property. Ralph Heimlich, heimlichfamily@comcast.net, 301-498-0918 (leave a message)
6/27/14 to 6/28/14	Chesapeake Bay Voyagers Series #5	This is the fifth paddle of a series covering the entire east shore of the Bay. Intermediate trip. David Wilson, davidwilsonmd@gmail.com, 443-962-7612
6/28/14	Nanjemoy Creek	Nanjemoy Creek Paddle from Friendship Landing. Mike Cohn, mdcohn@verizon.net, 301-283-2391, cell 301-751-0368, Linda Witkin cell 301-385-3614
6/28/14 to 6/29/14	Upper Potomac Kayak Camper	An overnight trip for those looking to experiment with Kayak Camping. Tom Heneghan, tom@theneghan.com, 571-969-1866
7/3/14 to 7/6/14	2nd Annual Finger Lakes Paddle Fest (Non CPA Event)	The Finger Lakes Paddle Fest is a multi-disciplinary event with classes, trips and instructor training courses offered in sea kayaking and SUP. Cross Currents Sea Kayaking (Rick Wiebush), rwiebush@gmail.com, 410-788-1241, Paddle-N-More, Lansing, NY
7/4/14 to 7/6/14	Pocomoke River Car Camper	Camp and Paddle the Pocomoke River and its tributaries (THIS TRIP IS FULL but we have started a wait list). Suzanne Farace, sfarace@verizon.net, 410-446-5991
7/7/14	Kent Island Paddle (KIP-9 14')	The KIP series is for paddlers who want to have a distance challenge, build their skills and knowledge of paddling. The first two sessions will be open to advanced beginners, then the paddle will be closed. Marshall Woodruff, 202-345-0606, marshall.woodruff@gmail.com
7/12/14	23rd Maryland Swim for Life—Swim Support (Non CPA Event)	One to five mile swim near Chestertown, MD. Rolf's Wharf Marina, MD. Rob Jeter, rtjeter@gmail.com, Sue & Rich Stevens, susiegreenthumb@verizon.net, 410-531-5641
7/18/14 to 7/19/14	Chesapeake Bay Voyagers Series #6	This is the sixth paddle of a series covering the entire east shore of the Bay. Intermediate trip. David Wilson, davidwilsonmd@gmail.com, 443-962-7612
7/19/14 to 7/20/14	Practice Kayak Kamper (Patuxent River)	A chance to try out camping from your kayak for one night, combined with an easy paddle each day, and with guidance and support from more experienced kayak kampers. Suzanne Farace, sfarace@verizon.net, 410-446-5991, and Tom Heneghan
7/19/14	CPA Race Series #3	This is the third race in the series, five miles at Truxtun Park. Brian Blankinship, Brian@BayKayaking.com, 443-994-7990
7/19/14	Swim Ocean City Swim Support (Non CPA Event)	Support swimmers benefiting the Outpatient Neuro Rehab Program at Johns Hopkins Medical Center, working with all sorts of brain injuries from strokes or concussions. Corey Davis, Ocean Games Race Director, corey@swimocmd.com, 410-200-0761
7/19/14	Royal Oak & Miles River	Day paddle near St. Michael's. Sue & Rich Stevens, susiegreenthumb@verizon.net, 410-531-5641
7/27/14	Celebration Sprint Triathlon Swim Support (Non CPA Event)	Kayak swimmer support for Celebration Sprint Triathlon, Centennial Lake, Howard County, MD. Sue Stevens, susiegreenthumb@verizon.net, 410-531-5641
8/2/14	Turner Creek Lotus Tour	Trip to see the native lotus blooming in the coves on the upper Sassafras River. Sue Stevens, susiegreenthumb@verizon.net, 410-531-5641, Rich Stevens
8/2/14	Final CPA Race, #4	Final 2014 race in the CPA series, 4 and 8 miles, Occoquan Reservoir. Brian Blankinship, Brian@BayKayaking.com, 443-994-7990

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CPA Classifieds

Kayak for sale. Klepper Tramp fiberglass river touring kayak (has scratches). 25" wide x 14' long. \$200. On Eastern Shore. George Hires, grhires@aol.com, 443-366-6564.



SK 102 Classes at Lake Anna, April, 2014
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