

## 2007 PADDLE IOWA Calendar of Events

*Canoeing and kayaking are potentially life threatening sports. Participants must accept responsibility and liability for their own preparedness and safety, and should contact the trip coordinator for trip details and in case conditions or plans change. Please bring rain gear, extra clothes in a dry bag, plenty of water and snacks, hat, sunscreen, PFD, extra paddle, and anything else you may need to be comfortable in unexpected weather conditions.*

February 18  
CIP Armchair Paddlers  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

February 25  
Saukenuk Pool Session  
West YMCA, Davenport  
[www.rivers-end.org/saukenuk](http://www.rivers-end.org/saukenuk)

February 25  
IWC Skills and Drills Clinic  
Playboating - Getting Vertical!  
ISU State Gym Pool  
[www.iowawhitewater.org](http://www.iowawhitewater.org)

February 25  
Bald Eagle Days  
Sayloville Lake  
Polk County Conservation  
[www.leadingyououtdoors.com](http://www.leadingyououtdoors.com)

February 26  
Along the Skunk Armchair Presentation  
[www.ameshistoricalsociety.org](http://www.ameshistoricalsociety.org)  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

**March 3 Full Moon & Total Lunar Eclipse**  
**March 11 Daylight Savings Time Begins**  
**March 17 St. Patrick's**  
**March 20 Equinox**

March 2-4  
Iowa Rivers Revival  
[knewman@mcleodusa.net](mailto:knewman@mcleodusa.net)  
[www.iowarivers.org](http://www.iowarivers.org)

March 3  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact [sevans@kach.org](mailto:sevans@kach.org)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

March 4  
SRP Trail Work  
West Peterson Park  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

March 9-11  
Canoecopia, Madison, WI  
[www.paddlers.com](http://www.paddlers.com)

March 11  
CIP Armchair Paddlers  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

March 17  
SRP Workday  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

March 24  
Annual SRP Pancake Paddle  
[www.iowaarboretum.org](http://www.iowaarboretum.org)  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

March 25  
Saukenuk Pool Session  
West YMCA, Davenport  
[www.rivers-end.org/saukenuk](http://www.rivers-end.org/saukenuk)

March 26  
Along the Skunk Armchair Presentation  
[www.ameshistoricalsociety.org](http://www.ameshistoricalsociety.org)  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

March 31  
Stash the Trash (Ames)  
Contact [dkraemer@amestrib.com](mailto:dkraemer@amestrib.com)

**April 1 Aprils Fool's Day**  
**April 2 Full Moon**  
**April 8 Easter**  
**April 22 Earth Day**

**REPEATS THROUGH SEPTEMBER:**  
***Tuesdays starting April 17***  
***Paddling Safety Clinics at Gray's Lake***  
***CanoeSport Outfitters***  
**[www.canoesportoutfitters.com](http://www.canoesportoutfitters.com)**

April 1  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact [sevans@kach.org](mailto:sevans@kach.org)

April 5  
Errington Lecture, ISU 7:30pm  
[www.nrem.iastate.edu/errington](http://www.nrem.iastate.edu/errington)

April 6-8  
Maquoketa/WW Creek  
Eden Valley Bunkhouse  
[www.clintoncountyiowa.com/conservation/evr.htm](http://www.clintoncountyiowa.com/conservation/evr.htm)  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

April 7  
NRWA meeting  
[www.northraccoon.org](http://www.northraccoon.org)

April 10  
Spring Migration Float  
Goose Lake  
Contact [cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com](mailto:cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com)

April 14  
Iowa Demofest  
[www.canoesportoutfitters.com](http://www.canoesportoutfitters.com)

April 14  
Carter Lake Cleanup  
[www.iowadnr.com/volunteer/index.html](http://www.iowadnr.com/volunteer/index.html)

April 14  
IWC Skills and Drills Clinic  
Intro to Moving Water  
South Skunk River (Soper's Mill)  
[www.iowawhitewater.org](http://www.iowawhitewater.org)

April 15  
CIP Armchair Paddlers  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

April 21  
Volga River  
Contact Robin, [rbfortney@msn.com](mailto:rbfortney@msn.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

April 21  
IWC Clean Rivers Team  
North Raccoon, Sac Co  
Hagge Park – Hwy 196  
Contact Don, [dpsprftr@netscape.com](mailto:dpsprftr@netscape.com)

April 21  
SRP Workday  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

April 21  
Nebraska Demofest  
[www.canoesportoutfitters.com](http://www.canoesportoutfitters.com)

April 21-22  
MWA WW Clinic  
[www.missouriwhitewater.org](http://www.missouriwhitewater.org)

April 26-28  
98th Annual Drake Relays  
[www.drakerelays.org](http://www.drakerelays.org)

April 28  
Lynn's Birthday Float  
Indian Creek  
Contact Lynn, [laldridg@uhl.uiowa.edu](mailto:laldridg@uhl.uiowa.edu)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

April 28  
IWC Skills and Drills Clinic  
Eddy Skills and Surfing  
Winnebago River  
[www.iowawhitewater.org](http://www.iowawhitewater.org)

April 28  
Skunk River  
[www.jeffersoncountyconservation.com](http://www.jeffersoncountyconservation.com)  
[www.mahaskaconservation.com](http://www.mahaskaconservation.com)

April 28  
IWC Clean Rivers Team  
North Raccoon, Sac Co  
Grant Park – Hwy 196 – Grant Park  
Contact Don, [dpsprftr@netscape.com](mailto:dpsprftr@netscape.com)

April 28  
Beaver Creek Snapshot  
[www.iowater.net](http://www.iowater.net)

April 28-29  
PaddleFest, Cedar Falls  
<http://prairierapidspaddlers.org>

April 28-29  
Midwest Mountaineering Expo  
[www.midwestmtn.com](http://www.midwestmtn.com)

April 30  
Along the Skunk Armchair Presentations  
[www.ameshistoricalsociety.org](http://www.ameshistoricalsociety.org)  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

***May 2 Full Moon  
May 13 Mother's Day  
May 28 Memorial Day***

**REPEATS THROUGH SEPTEMBER:**

***Tuesdays May 1 - Sept 25, 6pm  
Gray's Lake Night  
[www.iowawhitewater.org](http://www.iowawhitewater.org)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)***

***Wednesdays May 16 -Sept 7, 7pm  
Paddlin' at the Pits  
1st, 3rd, 5th Wed at Ada Hayden  
2nd and 4th Wed at West Peterson Park  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)***

***Thursdays May 3 - Sept 27, 6:30pm  
Swiftwater Thursdays  
Commerce Ledges, Walnut Woods SP  
[www.iowawhitewater.org](http://www.iowawhitewater.org)***

May 2  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact [sevans@kach.org](mailto:sevans@kach.org)

May 4-6  
Upper Iowa River  
Contact Bill, [wsgraham3@mchsi.com](mailto:wsgraham3@mchsi.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

May 4-6  
Free Camping Weekend Iowa State Parks  
[www.iowadnr.com](http://www.iowadnr.com)

May 5  
SRP South Skunk Float  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

May 5  
IWC Clean Rivers Team  
North Raccoon, Calhoun Co  
Grant Park – Hwy 175  
Contact Don, [dpsprftr@netscape.com](mailto:dpsprftr@netscape.com)

May 5  
Des Moines River  
Cedar Creek to Eveland Access  
[www.jeffersoncountyconservation.com](http://www.jeffersoncountyconservation.com)  
[www.mahaskaconservation.com](http://www.mahaskaconservation.com)

May 6  
SCC Spring Festival & canoe rides  
McFarland Park  
www.storycountyconservation.org  
www.skunkriverpaddlers.org

May 11-13  
CanoeSport Outfitters 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sale  
www.canoesportoutfitters.com

May 12  
IOWATER Statewide Snapshot  
www.iowater.net

May 12  
IWC Clean Rivers Team  
North Raccoon, Calhoun Co  
Hwy 175 – Rainbow Bend  
Contact Don, dpsprfrtr@netscape.com

May 12-13  
Preparation Canyon hike  
Contact Ray, rayk@mccormackdistributing.com  
www.paddleiowa.org

May 18-20  
SW Iowa float trip  
Contact Greg, GBEISKER@Hach.com  
www.paddleiowa.org

May 19 (tentative)  
SRP Workday  
www.skunkriverpaddlers.org

May 19  
IWC Clean Rivers Team  
North Raccoon, Carroll Co  
Rainbow Bend – Hobbs Access  
Contact Don, dpsprfrtr@netscape.com

May 19  
Mississippi Bluff-lands Float  
Bulgers Hollow Recreation Area  
Contact cjacobsen@clintoncountyia.com

May 19  
Birding by Boat  
www.claytoncountyconservation.org

May 19  
Middle Raccoon River  
Polk County Conservation  
www.leadingyououtdoors.com

May 19-20  
Paddlemania, Burlington  
River Basin Canoe & Kayak  
www.canoeskayaks.com

May 25 - June 3  
Raccoon River Canoe Trail Paddle  
NRWA www.northraccoon.org  
Medelaney54@aol.com

May 26  
Poling Clinic  
Merrimac River, MO  
www.acanet.org

**REPEATS through Labor Day:**  
**JAX Canoe & Kayak Rentals**  
**Saturdays and Sundays 11-5**  
**Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day**  
**Ada Hayden Lake, Ames**  
**www.amesoutdoor.com**

**June 17 Father's Day**  
**June 21 Summer Solstice**  
**June 30 Full Moon**

**REPEATS JUNE THROUGH AUGUST:**  
**Sunday Afternoon at the Lynnville Mill**  
**Lynnville Historical Society**  
**641-527-2256**

June 1  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact sevans@kach.org

June 1-2 (*1st full weekend?*)  
Scandinavian Days  
www.storycity.net

June 1-3  
Monona County Loess Hills Seminar  
www.geocities.com/monona\_county/board.htm

June 2  
Paddle Parade  
Des Moines River  
Sycamore to Birdland  
Contact Robin, rfortney@msn.com  
www.paddleiowa.org

June 2  
National Trails Day  
www.inhf.org

June 2  
Whitebreast Creek Snapshot  
www.iowater.net

June 2-3  
Skunk River Festival, Kellogg  
cpvm@netins.net 641-526-8751

June 2-10  
National River Cleanup Week  
www.americaoutdoors.org

June 3  
Kayaking 101 Workshop  
River Basin Canoe & Kayak  
www.canoeskayaks.com

June 7  
Story County Conservation Canoe Clinic  
www.storycountyconservation.org

June 9  
Boone Bash River Dash  
www.boonebashriverdash.com  
envsafe@wmtel.net

June 9  
IWC Clean Rivers Team  
North Raccoon, Carroll Co  
Hobbs Access – Bennet Access  
Contact Don, dpsprfrtr@netscape.com

June 9  
27th Annual Canoe Race/Fun Run  
www.waterloojaycees.org

June 9  
Pool 13 Backwaters Float  
Clinton's 9th Ave N Boat Ramp  
Contact cjacobsen@clintoncountyia.com

June 10  
Great Ames Adventure Race  
www.lincolnwayarc.org  
www.skunkriverpaddlers.org

June 10  
Boone River  
Contact Robin, rbfortney@msn.com  
www.paddleiowa.org

June 13  
Story County Conservation Kayak Clinic  
www.storycountyconservation.org

June 16, 17 -  
Grandma's Marathon, Duluth (16th)  
Apostle Islands  
Contact Julia.Martinusen@meredith.com  
www.paddleiowa.org

June 16-17  
Lynnville Days  
641-527-2256

June 16-23  
Project AWARE  
Raccoon River Watershed  
www.iowaprojectaware.com

June 23  
"I Paddled the Iowa"  
River Basin Canoe & Kayak  
www.canoeskayaks.com

June 23  
Story County Conservation River Float  
www.storycountyconservation.org

June 23  
Timber City Adventure Race  
www.maquoketchamber.com

June 23  
Iowa River Canoe Float  
Polk County Conservation  
www.leadingyououtdoors.com

June 23-24  
32nd Annual Sturgis Falls Celebration  
Cedar Falls, Iowa  
www.sturgisfalls.org

June 29 -July 1  
Des Moines Arts Festival  
www.desmoinesartsfestival.org

June 30  
Blue Moon Paddle  
Contact sevans@kach.org

June 30  
IWC Clean Rivers Team  
North Raccoon, Greene Co  
Bennet Access – E33  
Contact Don, dpsprfrtr@netscape.com

June 30 - July 4  
Riverbend Rally  
Iowa Falls  
www.iowafallschamber.com

*June XX (waiting for confirmation)*  
*JAX Canoe & Kayak Demo*  
*-Wilderness Systems, Mad River, Perception,*  
*Dagger, Wavesport and Old Town*  
*Ada Hayden Park 12-4pm*  
*www.amesoutdoor.com*

**July 4 Independence Day**  
**July 29 Full Moon**

July 4  
Raccoon River  
Contact Robin, rbfortney@msn.com  
www.paddleiowa.org

July 6-8  
Red Rock Sea Kayak Symposium  
www.canoesportoutfitters.com

July 7  
IWC Clean Rivers Team  
North Raccoon, Green Co  
E33 – McMahan Access  
Contact Don, dpsprfrtr@netscape.com

July 13-14  
Cedar River Clean-up and Festival  
Cedar Falls  
Contact Mark at 319-266-5653, markm@cfu.net  
July 13-15 and 20-22  
Iowa Games  
www.iowagames.org  
(paddling events July 14-15 weekend)

July 14  
Adel Paddlefest  
NRWA www.northraccoon.org  
Medelaney54@aol.com

July 14  
IOWATER Statewide Snapshot  
www.iowater.net

July 14-15  
Canoe Van Buren  
Van Buren County  
www.800-tourvbc.com

July 20 - 22  
Annual Badger Lake Dragon Boat Bash  
[www.fortdodgedragonboat.com](http://www.fortdodgedragonboat.com)

July 21  
North Raccoon River Snapshot  
[www.iowater.net](http://www.iowater.net)

July 21  
Beaver Island Float  
Camanche's Park Drive Boat Ramp  
Contact [cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com](mailto:cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com)

July 22-28  
RAGBRAI XXXV  
[www.ragbrai.org](http://www.ragbrai.org)

July 28 -  
White River, Vermont  
Contact Robin, [rfortney@msn.com](mailto:rfortney@msn.com)

July 28  
Raccoon River overnight  
Contact Bob, [fatherrobt@yahoo.com](mailto:fatherrobt@yahoo.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

July 28 to August 4  
Great River Rumble  
[www.riverrumble.org](http://www.riverrumble.org)

July 29  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact [sevans@kach.org](mailto:sevans@kach.org)

**August 9-19 Iowa State Fair**  
**August 28 Full Moon**

August 4-5  
Greenbriar River, WV  
Contact Carolyn, [skunkriverpaddlers.org](mailto:skunkriverpaddlers.org)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

August 4-5  
Upper Iowa River  
<http://wisconsin.sierraclub.org/rts/>  
Contact Doug, [dougknu@charter.net](mailto:dougknu@charter.net)

August 5  
Kayaking 101 Workshop  
River Basin Canoe & Kayak  
[www.canoeskayaks.com](http://www.canoeskayaks.com)

August 8-12  
Guided Apostle Islands Trip  
[www.canoesportoutfitters.com](http://www.canoesportoutfitters.com)

August 9 - 12  
Cedar Trails Festival  
<http://cedartrailspartnership.org>

August 9-19  
Iowa State Fair  
[www.iowastatefair.org](http://www.iowastatefair.org)

August 11  
CIP Anniversary Float and picnic  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

August 15  
REAP Grants Due  
[www.iowadnr.com](http://www.iowadnr.com)

August 18  
Turkey River clean-up  
[www.claytoncountyconservation.org](http://www.claytoncountyconservation.org)

August 18  
Des Moines River Clean-up  
Saylorville – Birdland  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

August 18  
Five Island Float  
Rock Creek Marina & Campground  
Contact [cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com](mailto:cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com)

August 18-19  
Bike Van Buren Villages of Van Buren  
[www.800-tourvbc.com](http://www.800-tourvbc.com)

August 18-26  
Lake Superior  
Isle Royale or Pukawska  
Contact [sbparrish@mchsi.com](mailto:sbparrish@mchsi.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

August 24-26  
Lower Wapsipinicon River Cleanup  
[www.lowerwapsicleanup.org](http://www.lowerwapsicleanup.org)

August 26  
Cy-Man Triathlon  
[www.triathlon.stuorg.iastate.edu](http://www.triathlon.stuorg.iastate.edu)

August 28  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact [sevans@kach.org](mailto:sevans@kach.org)

**September 3 Labor Day**  
**September 23 Autumnal Equinox**  
**September 26 Full Moon**

September 8  
Iowa River  
Eagle City Winery  
Contact Bob, [bobjohansen@earthlink.net](mailto:bobjohansen@earthlink.net)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

September 10-16  
Guided Boundary Waters Trip  
[www.canoesportoutfitters.com](http://www.canoesportoutfitters.com)

September 15  
Overnight Float  
Rock Creek Marina & Campground  
Contact [cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com](mailto:cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com)

September 15 -16  
Root River, MN  
Contact Bill, [wsgraham3@mchsi.com](mailto:wsgraham3@mchsi.com)

September 22  
Nine Eagles State Park  
Contact Mark, [metelmanus@yahoo.com](mailto:metelmanus@yahoo.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

September 22  
Beaver Creek Snapshot  
[www.iowater.net](http://www.iowater.net)

September 23  
Brushy Creek Fall Cruise  
Contact [jdodd50@hotmail.com](mailto:jdodd50@hotmail.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

September 26  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact [sevans@kach.org](mailto:sevans@kach.org)

September 29  
Hawk Watch Festival  
[www.pottcounty.com](http://www.pottcounty.com)

September 29  
Annual Upper Iowa River Clean Up  
Chimney Rock Campground  
Call 877-787-2267 to register

September 29  
Annual Head of the Des Moines Regatta  
[www.desmoinesrowing.org](http://www.desmoinesrowing.org)

***October 8 Columbus Day***  
***October 25 Full Moon***  
***October 31 Halloween***

October 6  
Robin's B'day Float  
Des Moines River  
Kalo to Dolliver  
Woodman Hollow w/ John P  
Contact Robin, [rfortney@msn.com](mailto:rfortney@msn.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

October 6 - 7  
Hawk Watch  
Effigy Mounds National Monument.  
[www.nps.gov/efmo](http://www.nps.gov/efmo)

October 7  
SCC Fall Festival  
[www.storycountyconservation.org](http://www.storycountyconservation.org)

October 13  
Ding Darling Day  
Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge  
[www.tallgrass.org](http://www.tallgrass.org)

October 13  
IOWATER Statewide Snapshot  
[www.iowater.net](http://www.iowater.net)

October 13-14  
Osborne Heritage Days  
[www.jacksoncountyiowa.com](http://www.jacksoncountyiowa.com)

October 13-14  
Bentonsport Riverfest  
[www.greefstore.com](http://www.greefstore.com)  
319-592-3579

October 20  
Fall Color Float  
Hwy 62 Access east of Maquoketa  
Contact [cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com](mailto:cjacobsen@clintoncountyiowa.com)

October 26-28  
Katy Trail, MO  
Contact Bob, [bobjohansen@earthlink.net](mailto:bobjohansen@earthlink.net)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

October 27  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact [sevans@kach.org](mailto:sevans@kach.org)

***November 4 Daylight Savings Time Ends***  
***November 6 Election Day***  
***November 11 Veterans Day***  
***November 22 Thanksgiving***  
***November 24 Full Moon***

November 4  
CIP Fall Party  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

November 5-9  
Guided Louisiana Trip  
[www.canoesportoutfitters.com](http://www.canoesportoutfitters.com)

November 11  
Hitchcock Nature Center Hawk Watch  
[www.pottcoconservation.com](http://www.pottcoconservation.com)

November 10  
SRP Fall Celebration  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

November 16-18  
Outdoor Adventure Expo  
Midwest Mountaineering  
[www.midwestmtn.com](http://www.midwestmtn.com)

November 23  
Turkey Float  
DM or Boone  
Contact Robin, [rfortney@msn.com](mailto:rfortney@msn.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

November 24  
Raccoon River  
Contact Dick, [rhow@dwx.com](mailto:rhow@dwx.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

November 24  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact [sevans@kach.org](mailto:sevans@kach.org)

***December 22 Winter Solstice***  
***December 23 Full Moon***  
***December 25 Christmas Day***  
***December 31 New Year's Eve***

December 1  
Annual SRP Waffle Paddle  
[www.iowaarboretum.org](http://www.iowaarboretum.org)  
[www.skunkriverpaddlers.org](http://www.skunkriverpaddlers.org)

December 22  
Winter Solstice Paddle  
Des Moines River  
Contact John, [wencks@netins.net](mailto:wencks@netins.net)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)

December 23  
Full Moon Paddle  
Contact [sevans@kach.org](mailto:sevans@kach.org)

December 31  
Last Out Float  
Saukenuk Paddlers  
[www.rivers-end.org/saukenuk](http://www.rivers-end.org/saukenuk)

*January 1, 2008*  
*New Year's Paddle*  
*Des Moines River Sycamore Access*  
Contact [sbparrish@mchsi.com](mailto:sbparrish@mchsi.com)  
[www.paddleiowa.org](http://www.paddleiowa.org)