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Club Meetings- Normally the first Friday of the month commencing at 8:00 pm promptly, at the Clubhouse: Richardson Crescent, Tempe- opposite Tempe Railway Station. Check calendar as the date and venue can change.

New Members are welcome to come along to our club meetings or beginner paddles; contact Lynn Parker.

Mailing Address:

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Prices for use of RCC Equipment Kayak* Use

Evening club paddle:	\$5
Club event for a single day:	\$30
Weekend club event:	\$50

Price includes the following items:

- boat
- PFD
- spray deck
- paddle

Note: Club policy requires all members to provide their own helmet that fits comfortably and meets relevant standards. Helmets are required for whitewater and surf trips.

Money is payable to the trip leader prior to club event (See note on EFT below). To make a booking for equipment phone the trip contact.

Marquee Use (when not used by club; members only)

\$30 per day

\$50 per weekend

Also payable, a \$200 refundable deposit upon return

To make a booking for the marquee, contact any committee member. Money is payable at the time of pickup (See note on EFT below).

All money will go towards repair and replacement costs of equipment.

*Available for use by RCC members during club events only

Payment via Electronic Funds Transfer: If you wish to pay by EFT, advise the trip contact/committee member. Payments must include surname and reason eg: 'marqueesmith' or 'boatsmith' in the payment comment. RCC account details:

Account Name: River Canoe Club of NSW Bank: St George
BSB: 112 879 Account No: 017455888

Front cover, setting out on the lower Colo

**Next Splash Deadline:
23rd June 2010**

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A View From the Boat Deck President Barlow

*Come gather 'round people, wherever you roam, and admit that the waters around you have grown. And accept it that soon, you'll be drenched to the bone.
If your time to you is worth savin', then you better start swimmin' or you'll sink like a stone.
For the times they are a-changin'.*

When Bob Dylan sang these immortal words in 1963 I suspect he was talking about generational change.

As a club we are faced with change that may well be generational.

For the past five months your committee has been engaged in leasehold discussions with Marrickville Council. The topic: our clubhouse and its future! In essence the council is set on turning its' non-performing assets into more profitable ventures. The council has tabled a commercial valuation of the property, citing this as its justification for a significant increase in yearly rent.

As you read this, the committee is preparing a response as the first stage in negotiating the rent downwards. We have examined our cash flows in detail and on current projections it will be very hard for the club to meet the proposed rental increase.

As we currently operate, this situation represents a significant threat to the club. I am sharing this with you in the hope that as a group we may find creative answers to this situation. Two aspects are very clear; one – we need to find a way to negotiate a more favourable rental agreement with the council, two - as a club we need to raise more revenue on a regular basis. This could mean membership increases, equipment usage fee changes, and fundraising activities or....?

Please feel free to share your ideas or concerns within the RCC community and in particular to your committee members.

In our 75th year we may well need the collective might of all, to respond to this change. I hope to see you at our clubhouse soon.
David



News and Gossip

New or Returning Members

None this month. Re-join for next year from the website.

NEW RCC Website

Roland has a new RCC website up and running. It is much better looking and a lot more user friendly than the old one. Gradually we will build up the content and transfer over old stuff that needs to stay. Bookmark it, and send Roland any feedback (Roland.handel@workbuddy.net) Here it is: <http://www.rivercanooclub.com/>

Club Meeting:

The June club meeting will be held at the clubhouse on Friday, 4th June, at about 7pm. Safety training will be held before the meeting – see below.

Safety Training

Before the next club meeting there will be safety training from 6pm – 7.30pm. Throw bags are the most commonly used piece of safety equipment and are poorly used during a large percentages of rescues. We will practise correct throw bagging and recoiling techniques, as well as knots that are useful for rescues, and mechanical advantage systems. Please make the effort to get there and practise these essential skills – they could save someone's life someday.

Penrith Whitewater Stadium News:

PWS will be closed through July and August so get out there and get as much paddling in as you can during June.

Wolli Creek Video on Youtube

The Wolli Creek Preservation Society fought to preserve the valley from the M5 Motorway some 25 years ago

Several years ago Rivers became involved with the Society. We have been helping them since by managing and overseeing the on-water element of their "Wolli: Creek to Crest" tours of the valley.

Earlier this year a micro-documentary was made of one of these tours - follow the link to this doco to see another side of your club's activities.

http://www.youtube.com/profile?user=possm1#p/u/0/JzO_YH8Xywc

Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee Meeting minutes from May can be found at the end of this edition of Splash.

Whitewater Training Days

On Sunday, June 6, another training day will be held at PWS. Contact Andrew at andrew191171@hotmail.com if you'd like to take part. These sessions will recommence the first Sunday of each month when PWS re-opens in September. Check the calendar for details.

Friday Morning Paddling

Want to try out being in a whitewater boat? Come down to the end of Ferry Road in Glebe at 6am on Fridays for a trial run. Sessions last 2 hours and cost \$15. There are shower and change facilities at the boat shed and you can get a lift to North Sydney station afterwards. **Contact Monique Alfris** on 0439 689 042. This activity is supported by SUCANOE.

Surf Paddling

A great option while Penrith is closed. Keep an eye out for yahoo emails.



Colo River/Hawkesbury River May 15/16

Paddlers: Nicole, Andrew (Norv), Tom, Kristian (Snake Bite), Gaye, Tracy and Stephen

Article by Stephen Catlin

Hi, my name is Stephen Catlin. This trip is told from the perspective of a recent immigrant from Canada. I arrived in Australia in June 2007, got married and when my personal property arrived, paddled my folding kayak mainly on middle harbour. Before moving to Australia, most of my long paddling trips had been in tandem canoes on remote Canadian rivers in the Arctic, Ontario and Quebec. After a 5 week paddling trip in Canada last June and July, it was time to find a local paddling club. Tracy invited me on a weekend flat-water kayak trip on the Colo and Hawkesbury Rivers with the RCC.

Wild Women and Gambling

Colo River/Hawkesbury River May 15/16

On Saturday morning about 10:40, seven of us set out on the Colo River opposite the Portland ferry. The weather was excellent and the tide was going our way. There were plenty of distractions on the river to keep us occupied: jumping fish, birds, cattle at the rivers edge and plenty of trees along the riverbanks.

Cliffs on the Colo (right)

Part way along we learned that Kris, who was behind us, had flipped in an attempt to find a more comfortable paddling position by moving his legs from inside the kayak to rest them on top of the deck and had overbalanced. We all had a good-natured laugh at his misfortune while he smiled and quickly pumped the bilge while still in midstream. Soon the turning tide made paddling a chore so we turned around and paddled back to a small sandy beach for lunch.



Norv at the top near Camp Somerset (left)

Lunch on the Colo (below)



The beach was across from a high rock face that provided a nice backdrop for our break. We walked up a steep sandy opening in the trees to a large freshly mown lawn that provided an excellent picnic area in the warm sun. After 45 minutes it was time to continue paddling down the river to our base. We moved quickly with the current as the sun lowered and the temperature cooled.



We arrived back about 5:15 pm with enough light to move the boats off the ramp and set up the tents. Nicole's new very large tent needed a few assistants to help set it up. If the weather had turned bad the whole group could have taken shelter in it and possibly cooked supper as well.



Late afternoon – Returning to camp (left)

By now it was dark and the campfire was welcoming everyone to gather around and enjoy the camaraderie. Piles of fuel would appear after someone foraged for a few minutes and be fed to the fire to make the flames dance again. Stoves were brought out and meals were made. Some dispensed with such refinements and cooked their meal directly on the fire and when it was burnt or bubbling enough ate it. The 25 kms gave us hearty appetites. The wine flowed, as did the stories. Little attention was paid to a moonless star filled night as we focused on earthly matters.

Andrew found a discarded book and began reading to us from it. We laughed along with him because we thought that the stories were meant to be funny. As he continued, we realised that the author was serious which made it all the funnier. After much laughter it was time for the oldies to go to bed and we left some younger ones to continue. Nicole, who was well fuelled with wine, Kris and Andrew continued their wild laughter well into the night. Some gentle snoring confirmed that the older and wiser folk had drifted off.



Sunday morning at Skeleton Rock Reserve (right)

Morning arrived with birdcalls and the sun gently bringing us back to life. With breakfast done, gear packed, and the shuttle underway, those left behind cleaned the site and moved the kayaks to the ramp. After the drivers returned, we set off about 10:15 heading upstream on the much wider Hawkesbury on an incoming tide. With only 15 kms to cover to just past the Sackville ferry, the pace was relaxed as we quietly glided past caravans, weekenders and large houses on another warm and sunny day. Now and again a ski boat and skier would roar past while practicing for the races being held downstream from the Portland ferry. All was well on the water. Even Nicole was wide-awake after her late night of debauchery.

Cruising the Hawkesbury (right)

The question of which side of the river the car was parked on became a point of discussion. Gaye said that it was on the right side, Kris said the left. Each took a stronger position until a bet of \$50 was agreed to. The bet was changed to a bottle of Scotch or a large bottle of Baileys. With much logic and rationalisation it became apparent that Gaye was going to get her Baileys. That discussion kept up for a few kilometres. Later, while looking for adventure, Gaye and Andrew disappeared up a creek only to return with Andrew covered in leafy branches caught on his clothing. The creek became too narrow so they had to back out from their exploring and continue on the less interesting river.



Gaye & Norv – Up the creek (right)

With some zigzagging around bends in the river, we negotiated the cable of the Sackville ferry and were soon on the right shore slurping the ice cream that Gaye provided. Although the Hawkesbury was less scenic than the Colo River, it was a beautiful day to be on the water. The drivers quickly shuttled the cars to the finish while those remaining prepared the boats for the trip home. Soon it was time for well wishes and goodbyes.

Many thanks to Gaye and Tracy for organising a thoroughly enjoyable weekend.

On a personal note, my wife picked me up at Tracy's Sunday evening where we quickly through all my gear in her car. Once home, I quickly unloaded the gear and we enjoyed supper. On Monday night when she returned from work her eyes were blazing and she was gagging from a foul smell in her car. Ooops, I had left one item in her car, my smelly neoprene paddling shoes. Even I had to admit that it that the stink was overpowering. She didn't accept my argument that it was a manly smell only produced by finely tuned athletes. Next time I'll do a smell test before locking the car.



Upper Georges River / Chipping Norton Lakes

Sunday 25th April 2010

Paddlers: Nicole D, Andrew (Norv), Mike S, Stephen C (impending member) & Fiona (visitor) & Tracy H (Trip Leader)

The day was a bit overcast to start with, and light rain was falling. We started late from the clubhouse due to difficulties getting the boats needed loaded onto too few cars and not the most appropriate roof racks. Nevertheless we managed and, by the time we got to the put in, Stephen was there with his Pacboat Griffin assembled. Although delayed we got on the water at 11.00 and at least the sun was coming out.

Mike and Fiona were both new to kayaking, while Stephen is a very experienced émigré Canadian big water paddler, Norv is new but has developed his skills quickly on white water and Nicole getting into paddling pretty well. Given the diversity of the group it was decided to stick to the more protected waters by heading up river from the put in at Angle Park to the Liverpool weir rather than the less protected and longer trip offered by going down the lakes and into the Georges River. By going up river it also gave us the opportunity to go into the Lake Moore Wetland Wildlife Refuge.

This is a stretch of water that the Club has not paddled before so it was interesting to see what the lakes system would be like.

The paddle up river revealed parks and native bushlands in reasonable shape – you could tell that there has been regeneration work underway. The left turn into Lake Moore and around the islands created much the same impression, although not much wildlife could be seen. It was then back out into the river and up to the weir, the bushland on this final kilometre or so unfortunately being degraded by weeds and introduced species.

At the weir Norv started getting this look in his eye and muttering “nice drop”. Stephen had to persuade him that it would not be a good idea to run the weir in a Platypus.

After disengaging Norv we turned around, stopping for lunch on the way, and got back to Angle Park at about 4.00 pm after paddling about 15 kms.



When heading back Stephen, Norv and I discussed how the trip length was about right for the new paddlers and started to talk about heading over to the western side of the lake system and then into the Georges River, a much longer trip of about 30 kms return. The longer trip is a possibility for another day.

Novice Paddling at Swallow Rock

Sunday May 2nd 2010

Paddlers: Kerrie D, Julie H, Colin J, Stephen C, Nicole D, Tracy H & Gaye F (instructing)

By Kerrie Davies

I heard about the River Canoe Club by searching the internet for kayaking/canoeing clubs and ringing up a couple of people.

One of the people I spoke to was from Cronulla Sutherland Kayak club and they race at Gray's point on Saturdays. I definitely didn't want to paddle in races as my life is already at a frantic pace. What I need more than anything is a relaxing outdoor activity that lets me escape my responsibilities for a while, and refreshes me, ready to face work the following week. So he suggested the River Canoe club.

I contacted the club and Tracy told me about the trip on Port Hacking at Gray's point. I went along and there were seven of us paddling that day and we had a lovely time.

Gaye was teaching paddling techniques and I learnt a lot. I thought I was paddling correctly since about 30 years ago when my friend taught me. It seems I was doing it incorrectly all this time. So using Gaye's technique I didn't get sore arms the next day and found it easier. The correct technique also strengthens your core muscles which you need for good posture at the computer.

We paddled up to Audley in the Royal National Park, past jumping fish and cormorants and other birds. It was really quiet and relaxing. There were no noisy jet skis and only a couple of motor boats quietly moving by. After returning from Audley, we went exploring up a little creek. Julie practiced trying to get back in her kayak after deliberately falling out. Not so easy! (TH: Julie's boat is a 5.5 m by 50 cm ex Beijing Olympics racing kayak; so no easy feat getting back in which she almost did.). We had sausages and bread for lunch, thanks to the club's Bar-Be-Queing expertise.

Thanks guys for a good day out. I plan to join the club as it will be a good social thing as well as having company to paddle with as I don't fancy paddling alone.



RCC Committee Meeting Minutes

May 7 2010
Club Concordia

Attendance: Tracy Hudson, Andrew Love, Monique Alfis, David Barlow, Lynn Parker, George Cowen

Visitors: Nell Graham, Julie O'Conner, Gaye Foster, Basil Slaughter, Debbie

Apologies: Doinky Sindle, Doinky Sindle's Mullet

Outcomes:

- **Insurance** – agreed that the Catastrophic Cover (damage by fire not theft) be taken up. TH to confirm quote with the Company and forward to LP and GC for payment. Andrew put forward resolution that Doinky's mullet be put on insurance register as an irreplaceable wonder of the world. Seconded by Monique Alfris.
- **Club security** – Remind all Club users when leaving the Clubhouse that they need to be vigilant with setting the alarm. And turn off POWER.

It was agreed that the Club key policy be modified to promote greater duty of care with regard to safety when awarding a key to new members. It will cover the need to pass a minimum basic paddling skills demonstration and also be made aware that the river can be hazardous to swimmers. The rest of the policy stays the same.

The \$50 deposit per key for all new key holders should be implemented.

Policy modified by LP and published on the website

- **75th Plans:** Agreed that SMV develops an online and hard copy History booklet. A budget of \$2000 is made available for printing and publishing.

A beer mug with club badge to be produced to give to all people who attend the celebration dinner. Beer mug to be decorated with diagram of Doinky's invaluable freak of nature.

Basil might contact TV channels to advertise the 75th.

- **Grants:** Agreed that Nell Graham follow up with an application for Council based funding to paint the clubhouse outer wall.

Agreed that Julie O' Connor follow up with an application to National Maritime Museum for funding to digitise archival films.

- Other items on safety are to be held over till next meeting. Advertise the minimum skills for **leading trips**.

Meeting closed at 7.30 for general Club meeting
Lynn Parker
Secretary

Calendar of Events

It is expected that all participants in River Canoe Club activities are financial members of RCC. Prospective members are given one trip's grace (a fee of \$10 applies to cover insurance) before they are expected to become members. Any person wishing to paddle on a club white water trip must prove their basic skills ability on flat water first to the satisfaction of the trip leader. Please inform the trip contact 5 days prior to the trip (or greater) to let him/her know that you are interested. The advertised trip shall be



subject to river conditions and the venue may be changed at the discretion of the club or trip contact. No one will be allowed to paddle with the club if they don't have the appropriate safety gear in good repair. If in doubt- ASK. If you have any medical conditions or take medicine on the river, let the trip contact know.

Trip Etiquette If you would like to come on a trip, then please call the trip contact whose name appears in Splash, preferably a week before the trip. This allows the coordinator to organise car sharing, notify you of any changes of rivers, or if no one is interested, cancel the trip. If you would like to hire a club boat, then two weeks notice is normally necessary.

Sundays at Penrith Whitewater Stadium. If you are looking for some regular Grade 3 whitewater action, or your river trip has been cancelled due to lack of rain, then head down to the Penrith Whitewater Stadium with other regular RCC members on weekends. *Contact:* Andrew (andrew191171@hotmail.com)

Subscribe to the Rivers email list to receive up-to-date information regarding impromptu river trips and a trips alert. To subscribe, send an email to Lynn lparker@netspace.net.au. The events and dates listed below are subject to variability, so watch the Yahoo group and the calendar for updates, and keep in touch with the trip contact to keep informed of changes and advise your likely attendance. **Trip contact/organiser must make sure a "float plan" is prepared for each trip** refer to website www.rivercanooclub.com

Date	Trip	Contact
Friday, 4 June, 2010	Club Monthly Meeting – 7.30pm at the clubhouse Safety training will be held before the meeting from 6pm onwards. Bring all your rescue equipment.	
Sunday, 6 June 2010	PWS Whitewater Training Day This training is aimed at beginner/intermediate paddlers who have some experience on whitewater. This may mean they paddle at Penrith but struggle, swim etc. and lack confidence in some areas. It will be a 2-3 hour session and the content and activities will depend on the abilities of participants. People interested must email or phone Andrew to express interest.	Contact: Andrew Love, 0424.389.233 andrew191171@hotmail.com
Monday 14 to Tuesday 22, June 2010	Herbert River, North Queensland Whitewater trip – Grade 4	Contact: Andrew Love, 0424.389.233 andrew191171@hotmail.com
Sunday, 30 June 2010	Homebush Bay and Parramatta River – 9.30 for 10 am on the water. An area we don't explore enough! We'll put in at the beach next to the Meadowbank ferry wharf and paddle over to Homebush Bay and explore the wrecks and mangroves. We could, depending on the tide, do an industrial mystery tour up one of the creeks in the area. From there we will head downstream into the harbour exploring the bays to around Breakfast Point stopping for lunch along the way. Meet at Meadowbank ferry wharf, Bowden Street, Meadowbank (Gregory's Map Reference 311 E5)	Contact: Tracy Hudson, 0411.024.088, Tracyhudson01@aol.com



Friday, 2 July 2010	Club Monthly Meeting – 7.30 at the Clubhouse	
July 23 – August 6, 2010	Canadian Whitewater Trip British Columbia – Grade 4 creeks	Contact Andrew 0424 389 233 andrew191171@hotmail.com
Saturday 31 July & Sunday 1 August 2010	Shoalhaven River: Tallowa Dam to Coolendell <i>This is a good section of river for novice and intermediate whitewater paddlers. Come along and learn some basics or just enjoy the river.</i> The river is characterized by pools and many races, some of which are long and wide, with grade 2 rapids to be negotiated – one just down from the dam and the other when approaching Coolendell. The countryside starts with the bluffs of the Shoalhaven Gorge continuing for the first 8km and then gradually giving way to more open, heavily wooded hilly country. Full details in future editions of Splash.	Contact: Gaye Foster, 0432.266.964 (after 7.00 pm), gayefoster@optusnet.com.au Or Contact Tracy Hudson, 0411.024.088, Tracyhudson01@aol.com
Friday, 6 August 2010	Club Monthly Meeting – 7.30 at the Clubhouse	
14 th and 15 th August, 2010	Christmas in July in August Return to Jinglemoney @ Shoalhaven Spit roast, Gluwein, all manner of fun activities. Celebrate the 75th anniversary of the club where it all began.	Contact: Lynn Parker lparker@netspace.net.au
Saturday, 14 August 2010	Wolli Creek Tour – 9.00 am at the Clubhouse. A leisurely kayaking tour to help the Wolli Creek Preservation Society. Paddle up Wolli Creek with highlights of the creek, its history and ecology being pointed out, alight at the weir for a guided walk up Nannygoat Hill and then return to the clubhouse for coffee and cake! Free to all RCCC members. These tours also help to raise funds for repair and replacement of club equipment so as well as enjoying to tour you are helping to raise funds for Rivers. We'd like to keep them going but cannot do so without club volunteers!	Contact: Tracy Hudson, 0411.024.088, Tracyhudson01@aol.com
Saturday & Sunday, 28 & 29 August 2010	Murrumbidgee River: Childowlah to Jugiong <i>This is another river for novice and intermediate whitewater paddlers. Come along and learn some basics or just enjoy the river.</i> The river passes first through hilly country for several	Contact: Gaye Foster, 0432.266.964 (after 7.00 pm), gayefoster@optusnet.com.au Or Contact Tracy Hudson,



	<p>kilometers, then through more open undulating grazing land. In the first 8km there are grade 2 rapids and several races. After this it is smooth water with an appreciable flow.</p> <p>Full details in future editions of Splash.</p>	<p>0411.024.088, Tracyhudson01@aol.com</p>
<p>Friday, 3 September 2010</p>	<p>Club Monthly Meeting – 7.30 at the Clubhouse</p>	
<p>Saturday & Sunday, 11 & 12 September 2010</p>	<p>Tallowa Dam to Fossickers Flat – 9.00 for 9.30 am on the water.</p> <p>This is an overnight flatwater trip suitable for all levels with a leisurely 3~4 hour paddle each day including breaks. Bring all you need in your kayak to camp in a secluded glen beside the river on Saturday night.</p> <p>For those who want to be there in plenty of time, or just want a good time, why not come down and stay in the camping (camping or van hire) area at Kangaroo Valley on Friday night and share a meal and excellent wines at the local pub.</p> <p>Full details in future editions of Splash.</p>	<p>Contact: Tracy Hudson, 0411.024.088, Tracyhudson01@aol.com</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Contact: Gaye Foster, 0432.266.964 (after 7.00 pm), gayefoster@optusnet.com.au</p>
<p>Friday & Sunday, 17 & 20 September 2010</p>	<p>Goobarragandra River: Various Sections: Macs Crossing to Little River</p> <p><i>A trip for advanced intermediates with grade 2 and 3 rapids, and some grade 4's that will have to be portaged.</i></p> <p>Sections include Mac's Crossing to Rock Flat Reserve, Rock Flat Reserve to the Trout Farm Rapid, Trout Farm Rapid to Kell's Lane with the river becoming less difficult the further one progresses from Mac's Crossing.</p> <p>The exact sections to be paddled will be decided on the day depending on the river level and skills of the group.</p> <p>Full details in future editions of Splash.</p>	<p>Contact: Gaye Foster, 0432.266.964 (after 7.00 pm), gayefoster@optusnet.com.au</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Greg Turner, 0416 928 902 greg@waratahlawncare.com.au</p>
<p>Saturday 2 to Sunday 10, October 2010</p>	<p>Victorian Whitewater Safari</p> <p>The best week of paddling of the year!</p> <p>Grades 2 to 5, fantastic camping, poor company.</p>	<p>Contact: Andrew Love, 0424.389.233 andrew191171@hotmail.com</p>
<p>October Long Weekend – Saturday to Monday, 2 to 4 October</p>	<p>Not the Victorian Safari – BarringtonRegion; Karauh, Moppy, Williams, Little Manning and Barnard Rivers</p> <p><i>The rivers will be grade 1 and 2 and some moving water touring. This is a safari for novice and intermediate whitewater paddlers. Come along and</i></p>	<p>Contact: Gaye Foster, 0432.266.964 (after 7.00 pm), gayefoster@optusnet.com.au</p> <p>Greg Turner, 0416 928 902 greg@waratahlawncare.com.au</p>



2010	<i>learn some basics or just enjoy the river.</i> Full details in future editions of Splash.	Or Contact Tracy Hudson, 0411.024.088, Tracyhudson01@aol.com
Saturday & Sunday, 23 & 24 October 2010	Myall Lakes The Myall Lakes National Park encompasses the largest coastal lake system in NSW. The waterway consists of three connected lakes and there is also the Myall River which flows from Bulahdelah into the Broadwater and then to Tea Gardens. Full details in future editions of Splash.	Contact Tracy Hudson, 0411.024.088, Tracyhudson01@aol.com Or Contact: Gaye Foster, 0432.266.964 (after 7.00 pm), gayefoster@optusnet.com.au
Friday, 5 November 2010	Club Monthly Meeting – 7.30 at the Clubhouse	
Saturday, 6 November 2010	Wolli Creek Tour – 8.00 am at the Clubhouse. A leisurely kayaking tour to help the Wolli Creek Preservation Society. Paddle up Wolli Creek with highlights of the creek, its history and ecology being pointed out, alight at the weir for a guided walk up Nannygoat Hill and then return to the clubhouse for coffee and cake! Free to all RCCC members.	Contact: Tracy Hudson, 0411.024.088, Tracyhudson01@aol.com
Saturday & Sunday, 13 & 14 November 2010	Wingecarribee River: Berrima to Medway <i>A trip for advanced intermediates with grade 2 and 3 rapids, including some that may have to be portaged.</i> Full details in future editions of Splash.	Contact: Gaye Foster, 0432.266.964 (after 7.00 pm), gayefoster@optusnet.com.au Or Greg Turner, 0416 928 902 greg@waratahlawncare.com.au
Saturday & Sunday, 20 & 21 November 2010	Jervis Bay & Environs Gaye recons she can even get Richard Schultz to make an appearance and show us around his paddling playground. Full details in future editions of Splash.	Contact: Gaye Foster, 0432.266.964 (after 7.00 pm), gayefoster@optusnet.com.au Or Contact Tracy Hudson, 0411.024.088, Tracyhudson01@aol.com
December 2010 (depending on dam release)	Wollondilly River: River Island to Goodmans Ford Full details in future editions of Splash.	Contact: Gaye Foster, 0432.266.964 (after 7.00 pm), gayefoster@optusnet.com.au Or Greg Turner, 0416 928 902 greg@waratahlawncare.com.au



NB: Because of the unpredictability of the river levels most whitewater trips are organised over the Yahoo Group; if you're not on this group contact Lynn Parker via email and she will include you.
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