

Spring - Summer Photo Newsletter
2006

Local Paddles & The Gulf Islands

Summer Photo Newsletter.

From the desk of the Pres:

Following with the tradition of past presidents, a few words to introduce the latest newsletter from Geoff:

What a summer and excellent paddling season!! Many of you took part in planned club paddles and I'd like to believe that even more of you got out there and paddled further afield. That was certainly true in my case and I'm starting to realize the seemingly boundless opportunities to enjoy nature that living in the Valley and on the Island offers all of us, whatever your paddling persuasion. We hope to extend the paddling opportunities with a winter paddling programme so attend the monthly meetings, check our website and your email to see what's up.

Some of you have kindly provided photos to Geoff so check them out in the newsletter. If we can organize the technology we'll try running a "show and tell" session at a meeting in the New Year so that we can all share in your past summer adventures. Speaking of the New Year, watch for our trip planning workshop series that we'll be running over the winter and into the spring and Brian's initiative to do some advance trip planning for 2007.

Hope to see you at our monthly (1st Thursday night) meetings in our new meeting location, the Lion's Den, in Comox.

Doug

From the editor:

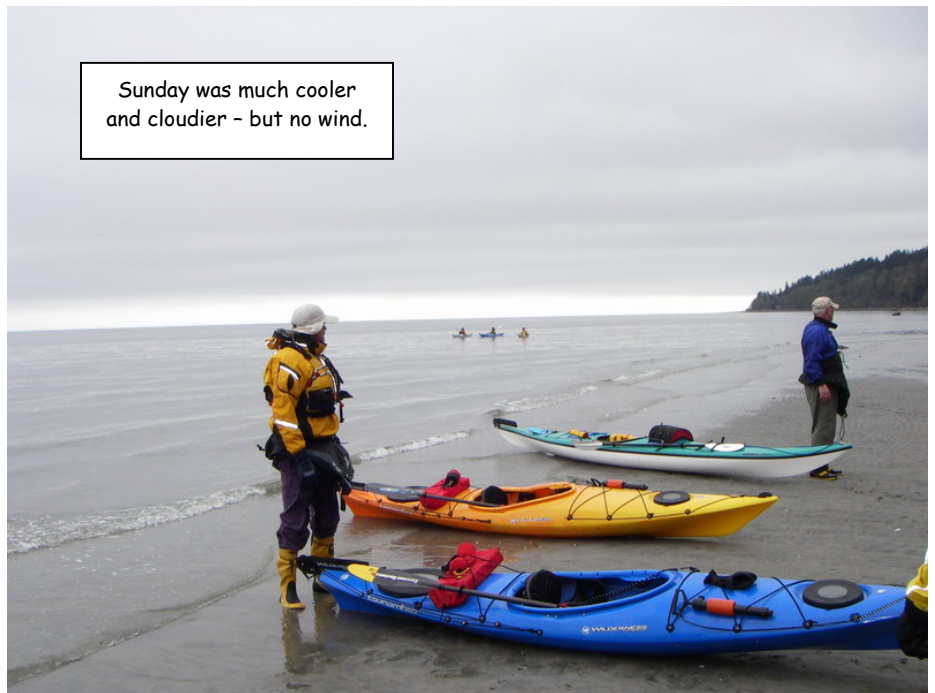
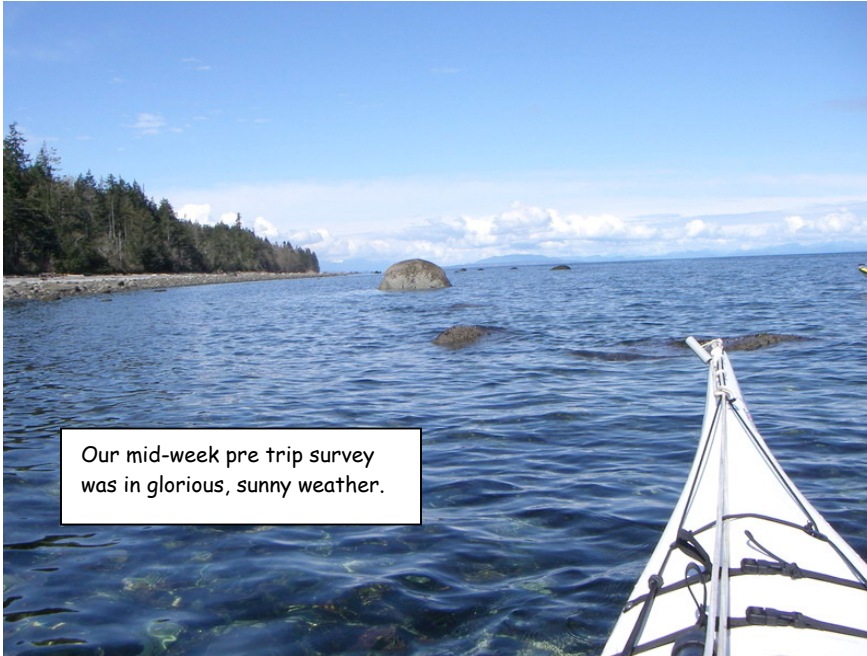
Once again this is not a comprehensive newsletter, but rather a compilation of photos and text that tries to give some feeling for the summer activities of the Comox Valley Paddling Club.

My thanks to those who contributed photos and to Bill Kerr for permission to use the print of his Mohan Lake painting. Thanks also to Michel Gauthier for his work in maintaining the CVPC website.

Geoff

Kitty Coleman to Williams Beach:

The first of our day trips was a paddle along a relatively undeveloped section of our local coastline. Starting at the Kitty Coleman Park boat launch, only 15 Km north of Comox and then heading north for about 8 Km to the sand beaches of Williams Beach, the paddle traverses some of the least developed shoreline between Comox and Campbell River.





Food was once again an important part of the day.

Fathers' Day Paddle:

Food is an even more important event in the annual Fathers' Day paddle. After paddling from the Goose Spit, this year's lunch was held at the Kingfisher Spa and Resort.



Well dressed for the Kingfisher Resort



Very well dressed

The Snowbirds:

Despite far less than ideal conditions, the annual paddle to the end of the Goose Spit for the Snowbirds display attracted a number of hardy participants.



Tree Island:

Tree Island was once again a frequent location for club activities.

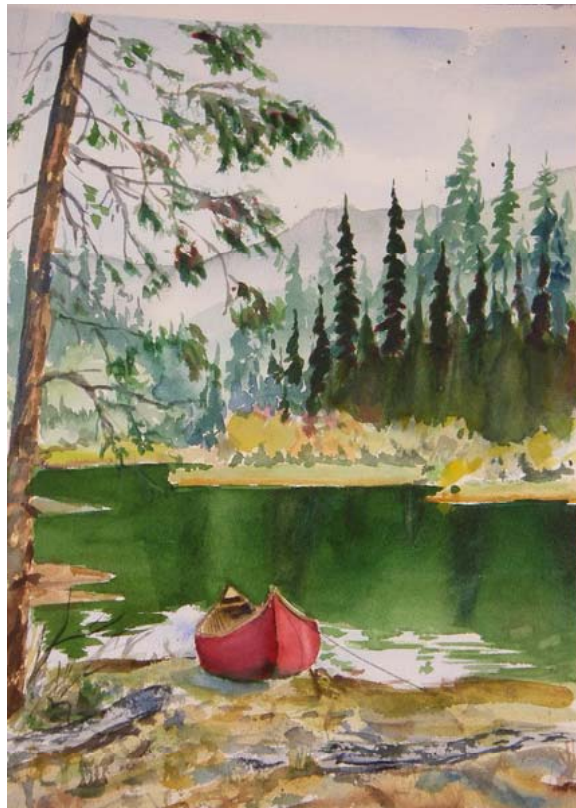
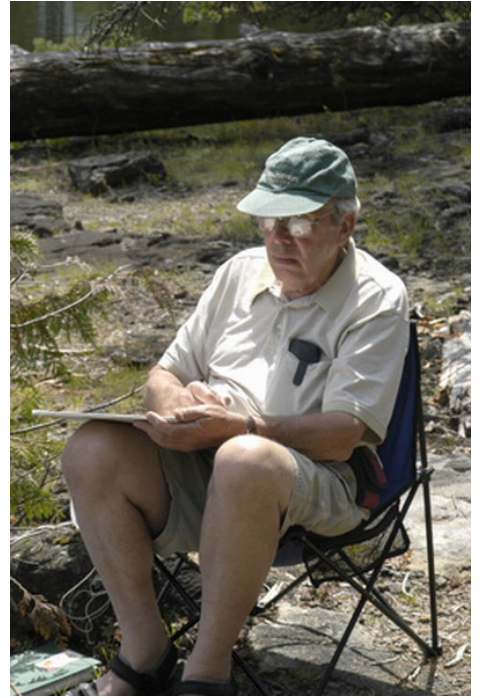


Kurt and Sandy hosted a camping / cooking class over one weekend and Fred Constable took a group on an ecology tour on another. That trip ended in Fred and Christa's back yard, overlooking Tree Island



Mohun Lake:

Canoes rather than kayaks were the order of the day for the early summer trip to Mohun Lake.



The result of Bill's sketches

Moonlight Paddle:

Not all trips were taken in daylight.



And not all trippers remain vertical – Doug has mastered the roll. (Now the hair-cut?)



Chrome Island:

Canada Day was celebrated with a glorious paddle from Deep Bay to Chrome Island. The trip started from Ken and Olga's back yard, and ended with the obligatory "Appy" party at the same place. Thanks Ken and Olga for the hospitality.



