

SCHEDULE – 26th Wilderness Paddlers Gathering

March 9-11, 2018

Hulbert Outdoor Center, Fairlee, Vermont



Friday, March 9

3:00 - 6:00 - SELF-REGISTRATION in Library

5:00 - Wine & Cheese - BYOL (Bring your own Libations - we supply cheese & crackers)

6:00 - 7:00 - Dinner

7:20 - Welcome – Leah Titcomb

7:30-9:00 - EVENING PRESENTATIONS – Introductions

7:30 - 7:55 – Willem Lange, Vermont - Readings

8:00 - 8:25 – Anne Morse, Vermont – Rio Retro, Paddling on the Rio Grande

8:30 - 9:00 – Leah Titcomb, Maine – Rafting in the Grand Canyon

9:00 to wee hours - schmoozing, snacks, music, and stories (**bring your fiddle, guitar or.....**)

Saturday, March 10

7:30 - Breakfast

8:20 - WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

8:30 - 10:00 –PRESENTATIONS Introductions

8:30 – 8:55 – Jean Gerber, Vermont – The Alatna and Koyukuk Rivers, Alaska 2017

9:00 - 9:25 – Semolina Schillberg, New Zealand – Chewonki: The George River, A Young Paddlers Perspective

9:30 – 9:55 – Laurie Chandler, Maine – Upwards: Solo Paddling on the Northern Forest Canoe Trail

10:00-10:30 - BREAK - SNACKS, TAILGATE VENDORS, DISPLAYS

10:30-12:30 - PRESENTATIONS Introductions

10:30-10:55 – Hugh Stewart, Quebec – Canoe Trails and Shop Tales, A Memoir

11:00-11:25 – Kate Prince, Quebec – Getting Down to Brass Tacks with Headwaters Canoe

11:30 – 11:55 – Peter Croal, Ontario – Nbi Aki, Imperfect Beauty

12:10 - Door Prizes, Afternoon Workshop Announcements & Descriptions/ Authors/Announcements

12:30 –LUNCH

1:15-1:45 -- TAILGATE VENDORS, DISPLAYS

2:00 – 3:00 – BREAK OUT SESSIONS - choose one

1. Alex Medlicott – Hand On First Aid

2. Dave Brown – Contact Wood Splitting

3. Al Stirt - What's In Your Repair Kit? A roundtable Discussion

4. Eric Nuse – Wilderness Fishing 101: Catch ‘em, Cut ‘em and Cook ‘em

5. Film – “Into Twin Galaxies”, 1000 km on the Greenland Ice Cap

The Library

Back Porch

Danny’s Room

TBD

Upper Dining Hall

3:00 – 3:30 - BREAK - SNACKS, TAILGATE VENDORS, DISPLAYS

3:30 – 4:30 - BREAKOUT SESSIONS - choose one

1. Alex Medlicott – Hands On First Aid

2. Tim Smith – The Moveable Feast: Camp Kitchen For Nomads

3. Ann Ingerson - Finding Your Way: How to Get Maps to Plan Your Route

4. Pete Gwyn - Keeping The Trails Open

5. Film: “Into Twin Galaxies”, 1000 km on the Greenland Ice Cap

The Library

The Barn

Danny’s Room

The Cave

Upper Dining Hall

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6:00 - 7:00 – Dinner

7:20 - Regroup - Door Prizes

7:30 - 9:00 - PRESENTATIONS - Introductions

7:40-8:10 – Hunter Snyder, New Hampshire – Fisheries, Tradition and Modern Greenland

8:15– 9:00 – James Raffan, Ontario – Notes From the Margin

9:05 - Evening Music.....snacks, schmoozing, singing, planning...

Sunday, March 11

7:30 – Breakfast – checkout of cabins by 9:30 AM

8:45-10:00 Film

8:30 – 12:00 **Paddle making with Geoff Burke** (Pre Registration required)

8:30 –10:30 **Make Your Own Wooden Spoon with Ken Wise** (pre-registration required)

Danny’s Room

Woodshop

The Cave

OTHER NOTES:

Country Food – Feel free to bring some country/trail food - to share at Wine & Cheese, Sat Night.
PHOTO BOARD – Have any photos from the early days... bring them in hard copy or digitally

*****Paddle Making with Geoffrey Burke on Sunday March 11th is a pre-registered workshop –**

***** Make Your Own Wooden Spoon with Ken Wise on Sunday March 11th is a pre-registered workshop**

Meals: Your nametag is your meal ticket: Red C - commuters, green A - all meals and white -no meals.
For those who did not sign up for meals: Please plan to be in library or upper dining hall during meals - we need every seat at the tables.

Feel free to show/watch any of our videos or your slides in the library, or upstairs conference room, any time. The Main Hall may be used as well.

“PRIZES OF THE DOOR” – If you are contributing (one prize only): Please fill out the cards on the door prize table and tape them to a can. Thanks to all who contribute!!

DIRECTIONS: – each person may put 5 slips, with your name on them, in the cans of choice. Please print clearly and boldly! - For Leah!!

We recycle nametags & paper - look for a box at the entrance table on Saturday evening.

Your thoughts and suggestions are always appreciated - there will be a form by the entrance door for you to fill out, if you so choose. Thanks.

MASTER EMAIL LIST– Please check the master list - table by the door to be sure your email is OK

Special thanks to our **friends from all over the Northeast**, the “**Toronto Van Committee**” – now the **NWTC Committee**, **Wendy Scott**, **Andy Williams** and **Leah Titcomb** for being our “M.C.”, the **Hulbert staff**, and to the presenters who come from far and wide, and especially to **all of you!**

For your calendar:

See you at:

Snow Walkers' Rendezvous – November 9-11, 2018

Wilderness Paddlers Gathering – March 8-10, 2019

Warm wishes for good paddling and flat campsites!