

Twin Rivers Paddle Club



CRAVEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICES
406 Craven Street, New Bern, NC

MEETING MINUTES August 11, 2015

7:00 meeting called to order.

Officer reports:

President:

Thom Wilson opened the meeting welcoming those in attendance. One guest was present and was given an opportunity to introduce himself.

Vice President:

Vacant.

Coordinator Report:

Past paddles report:

7/18 Carrot Island - about 14 Great day light winds but bumpy! One paddler (guest) refused to wear PFD...what to do?

7/25 Coffee Paddle -10 paddlers launched from Cool Springs and paddled to gut and back

8/1 Wilson Creek (no info)

8/4 Coffee Paddle (7 paddlers) put in at Wilson Creek, explored creeks and canal on South Shore of Trent

8/8 Upper Broad Creek (6 paddlers) launched from Lees Landing. Lots of wildflowers and butterflies. Enjoyed a nice break at Latham-Whitehurst Nature Park.

Treasurer:

Bill Sadler reported a balance of \$2869.60 with membership standing at 105.

Secretary:

Rick Tollmann reported the minutes for Julys meeting was emailed to all current members and is also posted on TRPC web site. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made, seconded and carried. Rick also reminded everyone that our officer elections are fast approaching. Election of officers will be conducted at October's regular business meeting. Anyone wishing to be a candidate for one of the TRPC's offices please contact any current officer.

Communications:

TRPC's web site is up to date with no issues at this time.

Cal submitted the following, "I spoke to the sales department at Binhost (our e-mail provider) and came to an agreement about our "free 2 years of service. We are "splitting the cost for the two years. Normal billing is \$72 per year (\$144 for 2) so our cost will be \$72 and I asked to pay for next year in advance. I went ahead and paid in full so we're taken care of thru August of 2016. Case closed!"

Craven County Recreation and Parks:

Mark Seymour informed the club that the assist bar at the kayak dock at the Latham-Whitehurst Nature Park has been repaired. He thanked Cal and Rick for their efforts in making the necessary repairs.

Old Business:

Thom Wilson discussed his full moon paddle and social scheduled for Saturday, August 29 at his home located on the Trent River. Arrive at 7:00 and launch at 7:30 (weather permitting). RSVP (for additional details see event schedule on web site).

New Business:

Lower Neuse River Keeper, Travis Graves, informed TRPC members of a new initiative to revive “Neuse River Day”. This year, Sound Rivers will begin by hosting “Kids River Fest” (see attachment). This FREE fun-filled event will be held Saturday, September 26, at Lawson Creek Park. Activities will include kayaking, paddle boarding, pontoon boats, bounce houses, fishing and more.

Travis explained the “Sponsorship Opportunities” available to financially support the event. After considerable discussion, and assurance that this is strictly a non-advocate event, Bill Sadler made a motion for TRPC to be an Event Supporter at the \$500 level. Rick Tollmann seconded the motion, the motion carried. Sponsors will be recognized on all promotional materials, and acknowledged in Sound Rivers newsletter.

Mumfest: October 11&12, 2015, Randy Siler brought to our attention some changes in this year’s event. Union Point Park will no longer be available to us. A spot on Broad Street is more likely. TRPC’s past involvement was discussed followed by a motion by Randy that we once again participate in this year’s Mumfest. David Greenwald seconded the motion, motion carried.

Safety & Training

TRPC’s requirement (and enforcement) that PFD’s must be worn and properly secured by all participants on club paddles was discussed. Anyone not fully adhering to this requirement will be informed that they will be considered non-compliant and therefore excluded from the trip. In other words, they are solely responsible for their personal safety. Note: Trip coordinators need to have guests (non-members) complete and sign our Release and Indemnity Agreement.

Upcoming Events and Paddles:

Aug 15	Dolphin Paddle	E	Bill Sadler (OAC)
Aug 22	Coffee Paddle	E	Cal Hansen/Rick Tollmann
Aug 29	Full Moon Paddle	M	Thom Wilson
Sept 1	Coffee Paddle	E	Cal Hansen/Rick Tollmann

(See TRPC web site for details) <http://www.twinriverspaddleclub.org/index.html>

8:15 PM Meeting Adjourned

Rick Tollmann, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Commissioners Room on the second floor of the Craven County Administration Building, 406 Craven Street, New Bern

Sound Rivers celebrates Neuse River Day with

FREE Kids' River Fest



Calling all kids and their families! Enjoy this **FREE** fun-filled event!

Saturday, September 26, 2015, 10AM – 2PM
Lawson Creek Park, New Bern, NC

Kids will be issued their own activity passport.
Completed passports entered in Grand Prize drawing.

*Kayaking, Paddle Boards, Pontoon Boats, Bounce Houses,
Fishing and fishing activities, Fish Prints,

Nature Walk/Scavenger Hunt, Beach Volleyball, Bag Toss and Hands-on Learning Games

Come hear Pamlico Joe and Clean Water Flow

Shows: 10:45AM, 12:00PM, 1:15PM

All activities **FREE**, donation requested for pontoon boat rides,
no one excluded from participation.

Refreshments for sale for modest price.

*Children must weigh at least 30 pounds and be five years old or older for kayaking & paddle boarding

[final games and events still subject to change as of July 27]

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