

2010 Fort Wayne Three Rivers Festival Kayak and Canoe Race

Saturday, July 17th, 2010

(Weather cancellation reschedule: Sunday, July 18th, 2010)

For map of race registration location, please click here:

http://maps.google.com/maps?hl=en&source=hp&um=1&ie=UTF-8&cid=0,0,7866717821779748239&fb=1&hq=Shoaff+Park&hnear=Shoaff+Park&gl=us&daddr=Shoaff+Park,+Fort+Wayne,+Indiana+46835,+46835&geocode=17027325677459385049,41.143959,-85.095258&ei=j9F1S4rFIInsnge4nfW3CQ&sa=X&oi=local_result&ct=directions-to&resnum=1&ved=0CAoQngIwAA

We invite you to participate in the 2010 annual Fort Wayne Three Rivers Festival Canoe and Kayak Races, held on the St. Joe River. The St. Joe River typically has a fairly light current and good depth over the race course.

All races start and finish at the Shoaff Park boat ramp (NO SHUTTLING necessary!), located in Shoaff Park off St. Joe Road just north of St. Joe Center Road. From the park entrance follow the main road straight back to the boat ramp (past the golf course and just past the baseball field).

Registration and awards ceremony will all be held at this same location immediately following the completion of each group of races. All paddler's will receive a completion certification with their name, event, finishing place and finishing time.

The race courses:

!NEW THIS YEAR!: Short Boat/Whitewater Recreational Class:

For all those short boats and whitewater boats that are highly maneuverable but not terribly fun to paddle long distances, we are offering a "Water Gymkhana" maneuverability course! A short course with lots of buoys to maneuver around, this will be a fun course testing your ability to turn, back up, and spin your boat!

Citizen's Class:

The standard Citizen's Class race is a shortened version of the USCA race – long enough for a good workout challenge, but short enough to be fun! This is a good way to try canoe and kayak racing without any pressure.

Starting from the Shoaff Park boat ramp, racers will proceed downstream to the St. Joe Center Road bridge, make a clockwise turn around any bridge pillar, return upstream to the Shoaff Park ramp, where racers will make a counter-clockwise turn around a buoy, return to the St. Joe Road Bridge, making another clockwise turn around any bridge pillar, and return to end at the Shoaff Park boat ramp. Approximate completion times for the 3.6 mile course will range from 30 - 60 minutes.

Indiana U.S.C.A. Races:

Racers will start at the Shoaff Park boat ramp, head downstream to the Coliseum Blvd bridge, where the racers will make a clockwise turn around any bridge pillar and return to the Shoaff Park Boat Ramp, making a counter-clockwise turn around a buoy, heading downstream to the St. Joe Center Road bridge, make a clockwise turn around any bridge pillar, and return upstream to finish at the Shoaff Park boat ramp. Approximate completion times for the 6.8 mile course will range from 60 – 90 minutes.

Entry Fee Per Person:

USCA Races: \$20.00

Citizens Races: \$10.00 adults / \$5.00 for 15 and under

For more information or directions, contact:

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***** Schedule of Events *****

SATURDAY, July 17th, 2010

Registration Opens @ Shoaff Park boat ramp at 9:00 a.m.
You must register no later than 1/2 hour before your event.

10:00 a.m.

Water Gymkhana

11:00 a.m.

All USCA K-1 Races

All USCA C-1 Races

All Recreational Classes

2:00 p.m.
K-2 Open Kayak
All USCA C-2 Classes

*****Boat Classes*****

Recreational
Standard Kayak (15 ft long or less)
Sea Kayak (up to 18 feet long)
All Canoes (no “race canoes”)
Adult / Youth Canoe - (Age 15 or Under) (Male or Female)
Anything Goes! (pedal boats and any other manually powered boat)

USCA
All standard USCA classes will be offered

All participants must sign a waiver of liability, have US Coast Guard approved life vest and whistle. Minors must have parent or guardian’s written consent. Recreational boat design will be determined at the discretion of the organizers. Race course may be altered for river/weather conditions.

Unsportsmanlike behavior will result in disqualification.