



KEYSTONE CANOE CLUB OF BERKS COUNTY

www.keystonecanoecub.com

MEMBERSHIP FORM



Name _____

Street _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

Email address (please print clearly)

Membership type—choose one:

Individual membership: \$15/year

Family Membership \$20/year

Choose One: New Renewal

Make checks payable to:

Keystone Canoe Club

Memberships Run for Calendar Year Jan-Dec.

Memberships received in the last quarter of the year: October, November, December, will extend through the following year.

Liability Insurance:

Keystone Canoe Club is a "Paddle America Club" member of the American Canoe Association (ACA). The ACA provides liability insurance for club members, for club-sanctioned water activities. Please join the ACA. Directions for joining can be found on the membership page of the Keystone web site.

I joined the ACA or renewed my membership for the upcoming calendar year.

My ACA number is: _____

Please sign waiver on right and send with check to:

Keystone Canoe Club
c/o Kathy Bowser
421 Birch Hill Rd.
Shoemakersville, PA 19555

Consider Volunteering to help!

Volunteers help the club function by leading trips, organizing picnics and river clean-ups, bringing food, inviting speakers to meetings, helping to teach new paddlers, serving as officers, & more. If you are willing to help, please contact one of the officers.

STATEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY

In response to the crisis in liability insurance and to clarify the relationship between the club and its members, the officers of the Keystone Canoe Club of Berks County, PA (KCC) have proposed these materials regarding the conduct of their trips. The intent is for the individual to judge their own safety, and not to place these responsibilities on the trip leaders, trip organizers, or trip coordinators. To not make the individual responsible for himself is not only unreasonable, but invites litigation which could threaten the existence of the club.

WAIVER

I, _____

DESIRING TO JOIN MY FELLOW PADDLERS IN THE KCC, DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I FULLY UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING FACTS OF LIFE ON THE WATER:

1. Canoeing, kayaking, or rafting, particularly on whitewater rivers exposes participants to various safety hazards.
2. No one but myself is responsible for my safety when I choose to challenge my capabilities by running a particular river or a particular rapid.
3. I expect to assist my fellow paddlers to the best of my own personal skill and ability if they appear to need such assistance, but only so long as I can do so, in my own judgment, without significant danger to myself. I further understand that this does not imply any legal duty for me to do so, nor for anyone else to render such assistance to me.

NOW THEREFORE, INTENDING TO BE LEGALLY BOUND, I HEREBY WAIVE, for myself and for anyone else claiming through me, my right to sue Keystone Canoe Club, its officers, trip coordinators, leaders, or organizers, or any of my fellow paddlers, for the injuries to my person or my equipment which may occur during, in preparation for, or in transit to or from a Keystone Canoe Club outing. This waiver applies to any negligent act or omission, and to any intentional act intended to promote my safety or well being. This waiver is given in the interest of permitting the Keystone Canoe Club to exist and to serve the paddling community, and to enable myself and my fellow paddlers to feel free to donate their services to improve the sport and to help in training those less skilled than ourselves without fear of liability.

MY WAIVER IS GIVEN IN EXCHANGE FOR SIMILAR WAIVERS TO BE GRANTED ON MY BEHALF BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE KEYSTONE CANOE CLUB.

I have read the Keystone Canoe Club (KCC) Trip Guidelines (found on the club message board) and agree to follow them on KCC paddle trips.

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____