

# BOWLINES

Newsletter of The Bluegrass Wildwater Association May/June 2004

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### '04 BWA Spring Clinic Review



Clear Creek Barnett Bridge put-in was just one of several locations for instruction at this years moderately high water levels

*Phillip "Bubba" Sisk*

When asked by our Bowlines editor, Tim Miller, to submit an article recapping the 2004 BWA Spring Clinic I immediately ran through a rough draft of the layout in my mind. I'd thought that it would be unique to do it in time-line style and give people a look at the clinic weekend through the eyes of the coordinator. However, I changed my mind once I realized that each day was as consistent as the previous one— filled with excellent paddling, superb weather, great company, and even just a tad of partying. That led me to the conclusion we already know – that the BWA Spring Clinic is simply an incredible whitewater weekend. But hey, isn't any whitewater weekend incredible?!

I suppose it is the natural evolution for any type of club in the south-east to eventually have an event led by a member named "Bubba". When you saw my name in several posts asking for volunteers and gear, I suspect that some of you were even frightened by the thought that maybe this year's coordinator was quite possibly a Wartburg local. I did plunge myself off of upper Potter's Falls, but I opted for my boat and decided to leave the inner tube for next time. I also considered it appropriate that the dinner on Saturday night should consist of some type of barbecue, so why not just

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### River Safety and You



What would you do if this was you? What would you do if it was a friend? Paddlers need to know more than just how to paddle a boat in moving water.

*Patrick Collins*

Take a few minutes to inform your friends/family on river safety. I just joined the BWA but have paddled with many of you for a year or so, I've been a Viking member for a couple years, I just wanted to share this... As boaters we often take the knowledge of water and the power that it possesses for granted. I just want to make sure that everyone takes 10 minutes to explain to those close to you how they should handle a swiftwater situation. Let people know that they should never endanger themselves my jumping into moving current, this only adds to the people that will eventually have to be rescued/searched for by those who know what they're doing. Never stand up in moving water, if you do fall in keep your nose and toes in the air, etc. Also, don't drive over even a few inches of moving water.

I spent the weekend searching for a close friend of my wife's back in Lewis County (North Eastern KY) A truck that she and 4 other people were riding in was swept away in a flash flood because, get this, they backed up into the water trying to turn around. The one boy who survived

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# International System for Rating Rapids

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**Class I, Easy.** Fast moving water with riffles and small waves. Swimming is pleasant, shore easily reached. A nice break from paddling. Almost all gear and equipment is recovered. Boat is just slightly scratched.

**Class II, Novice.** Straightforward rapids with wide, clear channels which are evident without scouting. Swimming to eddies requires moderate effort. Climbing out of river may involve slippery rocks and shrub-induced lacerations. Paddle travels great distance downstream requiring lengthy walk. Something unimportant is missing. Boat hits submerged rock leaving visible dent on frame or new gash in plastic.

**Class III, Intermediate.** Rapids with moderate, irregular waves which may be difficult to avoid. Water is swallowed. Legs are ground repeatedly against sharp, pointy rocks. Several eddies are missed while swimming. Difficult decision to stay with boat results in moment of terror when swimmer realizes they are downstream of boat. Paddle is recirculated in small hole way upstream. All personal possessions are removed from boat and floated in different directions. Paddling partners run along river bank shouting helpful instructions. Boat is munched against large boulder hard enough to leave series of deep gouges. Sunglasses fall off.

**Class IV, Advanced.** Water is generally lots colder than Class III. Intense, powerful but predictable rapids requiring precise swimming in turbulent water. Swimming may require 'must' moves above dangerous hazards. Must moves are downgraded to 'strongly recommended' after they are missed. Sensation of disbelief experienced while about to swim large drops. Frantic swimming towards shore is alternated with frantic swimming away from shore to avoid strainers. Rocks are clung to with death grip. Paddle is completely forgotten. One shoe is removed. Hydraulic pressure permanently removes waterproof box with all the really important stuff. Paddle partners running along stream look genuinely concerned while lofting throw ropes 20 feet behind swimmer. Paddle partners stare slack-jawed and point in amazement at boat which is finally pinned by major feature. Climbing up river bank involves inverted tree. One of those spring loaded pins that attaches watch to wristband is missing. Contact lenses are moved to rear of eyeballs.

If you expect to advance (?) beyond class IV water go here to find out what to expect:  
[http://www.pcmill.com/kayak/isrr\\_humor.html](http://www.pcmill.com/kayak/isrr_humor.html)



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**Meetings are held at 7:30, the second Tuesday of each month at location announced on our website.**

Submission of Newsletters articles preferred on CD, Zip or floppy disk (Mac or PC) or typed. Pictures can be digital or ready to be scanned. Please include stamped envelope for return. **Preferred method:** Files can also be e-mailed to: TMiller732@aol.com



## Volunteer Your Time and be a BWA Officer.

Please consider volunteering as a BWA officer in the elections this June. If you believe as I do in the BWA, this is a great opportunity for you to develop a variety of skills, and support the club and rivers conservation. As a BWA officer you will learn better organizational skills, communication skills and helping to preserve rivers for both our use and those that will follow us. So get involved and remember someone took the time to run the club and help you, so please give back.

Thank you, for your efforts. tm



*Our VP and Clinic Leader checking out a big falls near the clinic leave the head on it and roast the whole pig redneck style?*

All kidding aside, I'd like to think the BWA Spring Clinic was a huge success once again. During the early planning stages of this event, I realized that this event has matured over the years into what it is today, and most of the large pieces of work are nicely established. As clinic coordinator, it was only my job to make sure that all the pieces fell into place as smoothly as possible. The Spring Clinic is a success because of the people just like yourself, that take the



*Phil (Bubba) checking out the eats (including the pig) at the clinic*

*“so why not just leave the head on it and roast the whole pig redneck style?”*



*Some of the clubs “Silverbacks” Jim Dinger, Mike Weeks, Head Pig Cook Sam “Redneck” Moore, and Steve “Tubbo” Morgan, were among the Kitchen Crew that cooked a pig just like in the Good Old Days*



*“Sliverback” Jim Dinger shows Bubba how to do a “dry” falls Canoe run*  
time to read this article and have a general interest in the BWA. The list of volunteers is long and I thank you all. Some took on larger, more important roles than others, but all were critical in the end product.

I am proudly addicted to this whitewater sport - not only the adrenaline rush I get from running rapids that intimidate me, but also from the pleasure I get from spending a day on a familiar run, in a beautiful gorge, with friends. As a fellow BWA member, I think the clinic is not only about filling our April weekend with consistent days of paddling and such, but more importantly about introducing others into a sport that has given each of us so much enjoyment.

Now that the clinic is over, I've been able to enjoy the feedback sent to me from several students, and have a better understanding of what it truly is about for the newcomers. The general consensus is “what a great experience from a great bunch of people.” I feel certain that the 2004 Spring Clinic not only provided quality whitewater instruction, but also gave some newcomers such a wonderful taste of our beloved sport, that they'll soon be joining us to introduce the next generation at the 2005 Spring Clinic.



*Lloyd Funkhouser Kayak Group and helpers at Jett Bridge*

Hopefully, we will be reading trip reports from the 2004 students for years to come, telling tales of weekend adventures and personal first descents. Maybe they'll fall into this same addiction that has me watching the weather and hoping for 2 inches of rain. If nothing else, maybe they'll have a better understanding when they see a boat-loaded car zipping down the interstate for a whitewater weekend – another group of good friends, headed for some awesome paddling on beautiful rivers. Oh yeah, maybe even a tad of partying!

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said "the water was only a few inches deep". The truck came to rest about 1 1/2 mile downstream after being destroyed by several bridges. Authorities now think that the girl and the boy who survived were actually out of the truck because they were scared when it was backing into the water. They believe my wife's friend actually jumped in to try to save the boys.

As I was talking to the girl's mother I couldn't help but think if someone had told her, NEVER jump in moving water after someone unless you aren't putting yourself at risk, clearly none of them had on PFD's. Long story short, take a minute to explain the awesome power of water, that it should be respected and enjoyed with caution. FYI, they found the girl on Wednesday, after almost a week of constant searching.

I'll get off my soapbox now, just wanted to preach a little.  
Later,  
Patrick Collins

*Editors note: Many opportunities exist to talk about water safety with folks that often lack information and understanding about river safety. They often get the idea that if you are there and are boating it, it must not be "that" dangerous. Strike up a conversation with those you meet along the river, your explanation of the safety precautions you take and the learning curve that is part of enjoying the river safely may save their life. Don't act flippant or do things that will lead them to taking river safety lightly.*

## Swift Water Safety Thoughts



**Rescue techniques must be learned & practiced before you need them.**

It's easy to over generalize when talking about swiftwater, and some of what we teach the new people in paddling we may violate in Swiftwater Rescue, but here are a couple of thoughts.

Attempting a swiftwater rescue without safety gear is stupid and suicidal. However, with basic gear like a lifejacket, helmet and throwrope, you can minimize the risk involved. There are safe techniques to wade in swiftwater and it can be a fast and effective technique to reach a victim. It has its limits, for example depth and speed of the water restrict the technique, but it is a tool.

I'm not a fan of the defensive swimming position. It's good to get in a safe position and orient yourself, but from there I find the aggressively swimming is a safer method. Again, look at the situa-

tion, but if you have some concept of what the water is doing, you are probably going to be better off swimming aggressively for a safe eddy rather than let a flooded stream carry you.

I also advise not driving in flooded roads, but realistically unless the water is very fast, it takes more than a couple of inches of water to move a vehicle. However, I don't drive across flooded bridges, streams or causeways unless I'm very, very familiar with the area. What generally happens in these situations is that the victims assume that the water depth is only inches when in fact it is much deeper. While the weight of the vehicle would hold you down with only the tires in the current, when the water washes up against the side of the vehicle there is a lot more force and then you are in real danger. Be careful in flood waters. If you paddle, take a SWR course. Be prepared.

Want to learn a lot more? An application and waiver for the July 24/25 Swiftwater Rescue Class is available on the BWA website, look under events.

The cost is still \$75, plus \$6 for event membership if you are not an ACA member (please include your membership number and expire date on the application). It will be held at Ratliff's Hole on the Russell Fork and the dry land sessions will be at the Breaks Park.

This is not a boating weekend, so plan to leave the boats at home. You will be in the river a lot. I highly recommend wearing neoprene or fuzzy rubber pants to help protect you from scraps and bruises. Decent river shoes are a must, booties and sandals are not appropriate footwear for this class.

E-mail me with any questions.

Larry Cable  
BWA Safety Officer  
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## And Theory

*Matt Walker*

Remember there is a direct correlation between amount of swims and potential to be a bada\$\$ boater. However, like all scientific theories over saturation decreases productivity. Yea, it's a bell shaped curve. Your skills will increase until a certain amount of swims after which your boating ability will diminish until a point where you will fall to your knees in mental dysfunction and in frustration brake your paddle over the nearest kayaker. Then they (usually still on their knees) have an epiphany with the half a blade still in one hand and become canoers/c1ers where swimming is tradition. For further reading check out my book: evolution/deevolution of modern bwa kayakers. Other theories are:

**A-B+C/X(a-b)<sup>2</sup> = potential for swim the next day**

**A=amount of alcohol consumed night before at the campground**

**B=amount of times rejected by the opposite sex at the campground the night before**

**C=amount of time spent in rock sauna night before at campground**

**X=variable (2.77777 X 6.4567/2) takes into account things at which we are not at liberty to discuss on the forum.**

# 2004 Ocoee Upper and Lower Run Schedule

## Lower Ocoee

Ocoee #2 - Recreational Release Schedule for 2004

January 2004							April 2004							July 2004							October 2004						
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# (six-hour day; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

(All times local time)

# (ten-hour day; 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.)

# (eight-hour day; 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.)

# (seven-hr day; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

## Upper Ocoee

Ocoee #3 - Recreational Release Schedule for 2004

January 2004							April 2004							July 2004							October 2004						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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# (eight-hour day; 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

(All times local time)

# Birth of a Boater

Back in March of 2001 A couple of friends and I got into an old orange colman ram x canoe and took off up the Dix river on the section underneath the lake Herrington Dam. That day we decided to paddle all the way to the dam. We had done this run about five or ten times before, so we thought we had a pretty good handle on the situation. For those of you who don't know about that stretch of water, the water itself comes off of the bottom of lake Herrington, so no matter what time of the year you go there, the water is always incredibly cold. As I have said we were there in March, so the air temperature was not so warm either. Anyway, we got about a mile up stream and we kind of noticed that the water was flowing a bit faster than the lazy almost nonexistent flow that was the norm. We got to the where there was normally a place where the river choked down into a riffle about 20 feet wide with a couple of rocks in it. This fine day it was nothing like that at all. To our amazement, for the first time that we had seen, they had opened up the turbines on the dam. So instead of the little riffle that we had seen so many times before, we had a full blown class II rapid. The way this rapid is set up there is an eddy right to the side of it that you could land a small plane in. So we paddled up this eddy and portaged the rapid. I can't recall now what we said about running it, but I remember thinking that there was no way in hell I was gonna run that rapid, and that if they wanted to I would gladly get out and let them. We put back in above the rapid and went on up to see the dam.

Wow what a dam....

We saw the dam...

We were paddling back and in the backs of all our heads we were thinking about that rapid. We kept going, and going, and going, and finally we got to it. I have no idea why I changed my mind but I agreed to run it with them. I think that I may have forgotten to tell you what we were wearing that day. I believe that we all had jeans on and I happened to have overalls and a union suit on. We all had life jackets on but we did not have helmets. Just right for a swim some would say, I would call it askin' for it. Well we got up on the rapid and started paddlin' like hell. We made it through the rapid with no problem and had a great line through the meat of it. It was the standing waves behind the rapid that got us. If you were to be so fortunate to have seen this catastrophe. It would have looked like we were trying to squirt boat with

three people in a canoe. We didn't actually tip the canoe over, it just kinda submersed down to the gun-wales abruptly.

I happened to be in the front of the canoe and I just started screaming, PADDLE TO SHORE!!! PADDLE TO SHORE!!! After the boat was submerged It did finally start tipping over and I was determined not to abandon ship. As the boat slowly rolled I was dumped out. Before that day I had never been in truly cold water before, but I can tell you that it is not at all a pleasant experience. I held onto the boat and tried to get traction with my feet on the bottom but the canoe was right in the current and was incredibly hard to slow down let alone stop. I finally got the boat out of the current and to the shore. I guess you couldn't really call it a shore, it was more like a steep, slippery, muddy ass bank that was about 5 feet tall. By the time I got there my friends were right above me on the bank. I threw them the rope that was attached to the boat and my paddle. I tried to crawl up the bank and I could not because my hands no longer worked.

We knew a little about hypothermia and we all suspected that we had suffered from some of the affects. I mean, its not everyday that your hands don't work. We decided that the best thing to do would be to run around to get our body temperatures up. So we started runnin' around in big wet heavy clothes and as it turned out, there were two other guys up there that day camping and they had seen us capsize. They came over to us and said that they had all the stuff to make a quick fire right around the corner. We decided to get in the canoe again and paddle down to where they were going to build a fire. We were all shaking like crazy and were probably more that mildly afraid for our lives at this point. It seemed like miles before we got to where they were building the fire, but we finally made it and when we got there they had a propane torch starting a fire. It took about one minute of that fire being on me before I felt more alive and energized than I had ever felt before in my life. I was so happy to be alive. We ended up staying there for about a half an hour then we decided that we should get back before dark or we might be in some real bad trouble.

The whole paddle back I felt that I had been through a great trial in my life, that the experience was one of the most important things that had ever happened to me. The river had changed my life. For 2 solid years after that I was in some kind of boat at least once a week. That is how I started boating.

*Jason Bailey*  
*BWA President*

## Remembering

# Stacy King

I have known Stacy since college and I have to say there aren't enough sweet and sincere folks out there like her. My thoughts are with her husband and family...

Jason Foley

This is very sad news. I had the pleasure of knowing Stacy, which included working with her as a Clinic student and then the following year as her Head Kayak Instructor during her tenure as VP/Clinic head. She was a fine person, excellent organizer, fun conversationalist, and seemed to be enjoying life to its fullest. My sympathies go out to her husband and family.

As I sit here all introspective mending from my own motorcycle wreck, this tragedy further brings home just how fragile life is. An active lifestyle IS dangerous and we all can relate to near misses and "moments" we have had that could have ended like Stacy's. Sometimes it is just a matter of inches or seconds that make the difference. Be careful out there...

Jim Daniel

I remember meeting Stacy at the 2001 BWA Clinic and enjoying her entire presence immediately. I was fortunate enough to know her on a more personal level—spending some nights together, dinner with her and family, phone calls, e-mails, etc.

She enjoyed life, the outdoors, people, and animals. I shall miss her terribly.

Terry Margavage

Our sympathies to her friends and family. She will be missed.

Terese and Bill

I never had the pleasure of boating with Stacy, but my deepest sympathies go out to her family. She will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Alan Balwin

I remember her energy, high spirits, friendly nature, sense of humor and willingness to contribute. She will be missed.

Zina Merkin



*Former BWA Vice-President Stacy King died from an auto accident while bicycling. We will miss her.*

## Why Join American Whitewater?

- \* Six exciting issues of the American Whitewater magazine a \$29 newsstand value.
- \* The monthly online electronic newsletter "AW Beta" featuring the latest whitewater news!
- \* 10% discount on outdoor equipment from Nantahala Outdoor Center Store, Catalog and Online.
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- \* The chance to enjoy VIP treatment at an AW Hospitality Tent at an event in your area.
- \* Unlimited access to the most comprehensive whitewater resource website in the world.
- \* The ability to enjoy your whitewater rivers for many years to come.
- \* American Whitewater decal
- \* Official American Whitewater Membership Card (available in April 04)

If you have never before been an AW member and are a current BWA member - now is a great time to join. BWA members may join AW for \$15! This is an incredible \$20 savings off of the regular \$35 AW membership fee. If you would like to join AW online please contact me for the BWA secret code which will allow you to pay the reduced price. Once you have joined AW then contact Jason Bailey to obtain your additional BWA \$10 rebate.

Here is the link:

<http://www.americanwhitewater.org/members/>

I hope you will consider adding your name and support to American whitewater the only national whitewater conservation organization working 24/7 to protect and open up more whitewater opportunities.

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**Remember Dues are Due July 1,**

Mail yours in now to BWA, POB 4231, Lexington Ky, 40544



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