

Keelhauler's Ka-news

 **FEBRUARY, 2016**



Next Club Meeting February 27th,

Club Get-Together at the Fox & Hound Restaurant in Mayfield Hts.
after the roll session at 6:30 p.m.
Everyone welcome!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT By Karl M. Nelson



Somehow this post from Travis Overstreet showed up on my Facebook page. I'm not quite sure how it all works—a friend of a friend of a friend? But anyway, it started me thinking about the folks who showed me how to paddle. There was John Foshee (Alabama Float Trips) and the open boat canoe class at UAB in the late 1980's. There were Ted and Helen Sparks and the Birmingham Canoe Club on trips to the Hiwassee and Nantahala in the 1990's. There was C'line at Madawaska. A shout out to Fran Hoven and the *Intro to the Lower Yough* trips in the 2000's. Thinking back

on it, I probably shouldn't have been on the Lower Yough—but thanks to all those who tolerated my swims, I eventually became competent.

But the real learning comes from the river. On some days, it pats you on the head and says way to go! On other days, the river thinks you are flying to close to the sun and smacks you upside the head!

[Travis Overstreet II](#) [December 30, 2015 at 6:05pm](#) ·

The past few years it seems that an elitist level has developed due to advancements in boat, accessories and safety gear. Unfortunately, boaters of lower skill levels are being forced to stick to easier runs because the 'Elitist' are keeping their groups tight and not wanting to paddle easier runs with less experienced boaters. Now don't get me wrong, I completely understand that you wouldn't take a class III boater down the Green for example. However, it used to be that experienced boaters would be willing to paddle with lesser to help bring up the sport and strengthen ties between all levels. Now I'm talking about actually helping them on the river, not just running shuttle with them. I've noticed lately that Canoe Clubs still keep this old school mentality alive and present but there's not too much outside of these groups. NOW I NEVER SAID ALL BOATERS ARE LIKE THIS but it is enough to be noticed by the other abilities. Open your door to others and it will make you a better boater along with them. Obviously as your ability increases so does your chances to run harder rivers or creeks but how can one become a class 4 boater if no one is willing to help them increase their personal potential. Yes, they could go pay for instruction, but then you wouldn't know if that person could handle the stress of a serious rescue. I am by no means calling anybody out; all I want is for the Paddling community to help each other. And whatever happened to waving if you see a fellow boater? Our lifestyle is one of a kind and is growing every day by leaps and bounds. Teach a class; go to a roll session and just help. We all sat in a boat for the first time and wondered what's this all about. Please feel free to message me your thoughts. Somebody somewhere took you under their wing at some point didn't they?

There are several programs on the schedule for March and April. There will be one on dragon boats in March. Bob and Elaine Mravetz will present a program on freestyle canoeing in April. One of the hardest days I ever spent IN a boat was at the Midwest Canoe Symposium. Then in August there will be an opportunity to obtain some river karma by helping with the Veterans Kayak Football Challenge 2.

DRAGON BOATS

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Cleveland-Dragon-Boat-Association/193042890714857>

The Cleveland Dragon Boat Association will be speaking with the Keelhaulers Canoe Club at our March meeting about their organization and dragon boat paddling. Their primary mission is to promote and encourage participation in the sport of dragon boat racing. They also encourage paddling as a recreational and personal fitness activity on the Cuyahoga River in Cleveland's Flats.

From its roots in the Far East, Dragon Boat is fast becoming a global Canoe Discipline at both competitive and recreational levels. Physically, these long, open canoes are paddled by 20 paddlers or, in the smaller 10-seater version by ten paddlers who all use single-bladed paddles. Often the craft will be elaborately decorated, and include a drummer and a coxswain or helmsman.

Dragons have a symbolic meaning for the Chinese. A classic dragon has the head of an ox, the antler of a deer, the mane of a horse, the body of a python, the claws of a hawk and the fins and tail of a fish. Through his strength and power, he can ride on clouds and command both the wind and rain.

Dragon Boats are designed to resemble these creatures. The bow is crafted as a dragon head while the stern resembles the tail. The hull is painted with scales and the paddles symbolically represent the claws. With at least two boats competing against each other over various distances, not only are strength, endurance, courage and skill important, but unity, harmony and team spirit are as well. This all becomes apparent when everybody in the boat paddles to the rhythm of the drum. With its strong visual impact, Dragon Boat is a superb spectator sport. In ancient China the Dragon Boat was used for religious purposes. But Dragon Boat rose to prominence since the death of the Great Poet, Qu Yuan, in 278BCE. The poet committed suicide in the river Mi Lo and a great Dragon Boat Festival became his memorial. Every year since, his death is marked with the Duanwu Festival (Dragon Boat Festival) also named the Double Fifth (5th day of the 5th month of the Chinese Calendar). And ever since, Dragon Boat racing is seen as a sign for patriotism and moral integrity in China.

VETERANS KAYAK FOOTBALL CHALLENGE 2

From: *Ryan Pepper*

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Happy New Year:

The community of Willowdale is excited to invite all the Veterans back to our lake for the Second Annual Veterans Kayak Football Challenge. The date of the event is Sunday August 7th at Willowdale Lake. Paulette has also secured the Canal Fulton Canoe Livery for all our campers starting Friday afternoon August 5th through

Monday morning August 8th. Time frames for games will be from 11:00 AM until 4:30 PM on Sunday. Please save the date and get the word out to any of the Veterans, groups and/or individuals that will be interested in coming.

For those of you not here last year we appointed Joe Mornini as the Grand Poobah of Kayak Football. He helped lead the charge in getting about 40 Veterans to Canton, Ohio to participate in the challenge. Each team has 5 players on the field during the game. Each game has two 10 minute half's and a 5 minute halftime. The majority of the Veterans were Team River Runner members from at least six states but we also had several Vets just show up and participate. We played a round robin, full contact, kayak football tournament. Team Ram Rod from Shepherds, West Virginia eventually fell to the TRR team from Walter Reed in the championship. I'm sure both teams will be back to battle it out again this year. The event does take place the same day as the Pro Football Hall of Fame Game and that game will be played at 8:00 that night.

For those of you that were here last year we hope you can all make it back and bring even more Veterans with you. I also do not want to hear how hard it was for Chris to herd cats. You're getting plenty of heads up so get your team here.

FREESTYLE CANOEING

<http://www.freestylecanoeing.com>

FreeStyle Canoeing is the "art and science" of quietwater paddling. FreeStyle Canoeing emphasizes smooth, efficient flatwater paddling and precision boat control. FreeStyle can be applied to all canoeing situations. Many FreeStyle canoeists paddle to music making an expressible, interpretive art form. FreeStyle paddling requires no special equipment other than a boat, a paddle, a life jacket, and in most cases a kneeling pad.

There are several opportunities to observe freestyle canoeing locally. There is the Solo Canoe Rendezvous the same weekend as the Slip Clinic. There is the Midwest Canoe Symposium in Peninsula.

<p>Solo Canoe Rendezvous June 3-5, 2016 Coopers Lake Campground Slippery Rock, PA wpascr.org</p>	<p>Midwest Canoe Symposium September 9-11, 2016 Camp Butler - Peninsula, Ohio</p> <p>Interpretive FreeStyle Exhibition & Competition Saturday, September 10th, 2016 Bring a lawn chair, and come to watch!</p>
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**KEELHAULER MEETING MINUTES
From Marcia Karchmer, Secretary
January, 2016**

No meeting minutes to report since there was no meeting in January!

**Vermilion River Race Help Needed
By Jon Reising**

The Vermilion River Race is April 3rd this year. Due to Easter being so early we moved the race back to the first Sunday of April. We are going to "try" to have the race 3 more years. Hank Annable and I will greatly appreciate you sharing this one Sunday helping with the canoe/kayak race. Please come and see some friends from the past as well as meeting some new.

Jon Reising

**Monthly Treasurer's Report
By Sam Reynolds**

**Keelhaulers' Canoe Club
Treasurer's Report - January 14, 2016**

CD 0402	\$2, 274.52
CD 1077	\$2, 272.10
CD 4709	<u>\$2, 252.42</u>
CD'S	\$6, 799.04
Checking	<u>\$9, 058.11</u>
Total	<u>\$15,857.15</u>

Keelhaulers Canoe Club Proposed 2016 Budget

Category Description	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Actuals	FY 2016 Budget
ASSETS			
CHECKING balance at start of FY	\$ 5,312.46	\$ 5,906.02	\$ 5401.67
CD (3) balance at start of FY	\$ 6,763.61	\$ 6,771.33	\$ 6,774.00
INCOME			
Conservation	\$ 40.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
Dues	\$ 5,024.00	\$ 5,659.00	\$ 5,762.06
Reservations*	\$ 68.00	\$ 88.00	\$ 80.00
Vermilion Race	\$ 849.00	\$ 612.00	\$ 612.00
Pool session deposit refund	\$ 84.00		
NEO Paddlers' Network Income		\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 6,065.00	\$ 6,619.00	\$ 6,714.06
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 18,141.07	\$ 19,296.35	\$ 18,889.73
LIABILITIES			
EXPENSE			
Conservation Donations	\$ 2,225.00	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 2,250.00
Internet Access	\$ 100.00	\$ 117.00	\$ 117.00
Internet Domain	\$ 48.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 33.00
Marketing			
Library			\$ 200.00
Meeting Hall	\$ 550.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Network			\$ 350.00
Newsletter			
Postage & Supply	\$ 201.00		\$ 250.00
Refreshments		\$ 104.00	\$ 100.00
Vermilion Race	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,605.00	\$ 500.00
Yearbook Expense	\$ 1,822.00	\$ 1,844.00	\$ 1,844.00
Yough Reservations	\$ 240.00		\$ 80.00
Special Donation	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	
Multimedia Rental	\$	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 5,561.00	\$ 6,828.00	\$ 6,524.00
OVERALL TOTAL	\$ 12,580.07	\$ 12,468.35	\$ 12365.73
CONSERVATION DONATIONS			
		FY 2015 Actuals	FY 2016 Budget
American Whitewater		\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Friends of the Cheat		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Friends of the Crooked River		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Grand Canyon Private Boaters Association		\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
American Rivers		\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
West Virginia Rivers Coalition		\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
River Network		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Nature Conservancy		\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Portage Park District			
Mountain Watershed Assoc.-Yough Defense Fund		\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
TOTAL		\$ 2,250.00	\$ 2,250.00

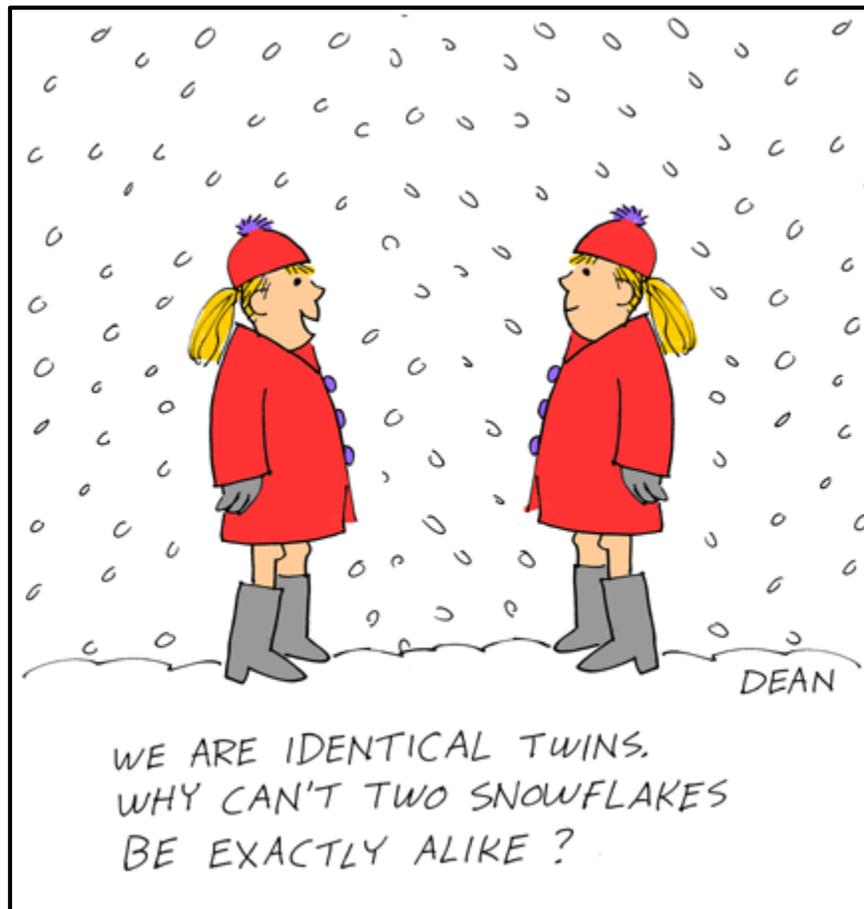
Free KHCC 2016 Photo Wall Calendar & Schedule

With thanks again to John Kobak.

Have you ever wanted a Keel-Hauler wall calendar with our yearbook pictures, but in color, and our 2016 trip schedule? All you need is a color printer and follow the instructions carefully. Go to this link:

[How to print our 2016 Schedule/Calendar](#)

Follow the instructions carefully. You print on both sides of the paper but don't use a 2 sided printer since the back side is printed upside down from first side.



Cartoon by Dean Norman

50 YEARS OF THE KEEL-HAULERS

THE BIRTH AND EARLY YEARS OF THE KEEL-HAULERS CANOE CLUB

By Tom Annable as recalled by Hank, Tom & Reeny Annable

John Kobak proposed in a recent Keel-Haulers newsletter that "old time club members" post a story in a future newsletter about the early days of the canoe club. Hank Annable, being the only remaining active charter member of the club, is worthy of posting many stories about the club, but his most interesting collection of stories may be about the "birth" of the Keel-Haulers and his memories of its initial years. So, Hank's recollections as told to his son, Tom, and daughter, Reeny, over several family dinners (and a few beers), as well as information gleaned from early club catalogues, presents the following account of the first years of the club. It must be understood that many of the "facts" presented in this article are from the sometimes imperfect memories of Hank (age 86), Tom (61), and Reeny (60).

In the spring of 1967 Reece Fabbro, owner of Ohio Canoe Adventures in Sheffield Lake, Ohio and Bill Conrad, local canoeing enthusiast, also of Sheffield Lake, got together with the idea of forming a club for canoeists. They submitted an article to the local newspapers asking anyone who was interested in joining such a club to meet at the local chapter of the Elyria Red Cross. In addition to Bill and Reece, attendees at the first meeting included: Hank Annable of Oberlin, John and Sharon Maroney, and Michael Rubin of Elyria, Jerry Vencel of N. Ridgeville, John and Doris Hutton of Westlake, Randy Morgan of W. Richfield, and a few others.

Because no minutes of these first planning meetings are available, it's not remembered exactly how the Keel-Haulers club name or logo was determined, though much discussion and debate assuredly took place. It is believed that a flag and wood panel depicting "Mr. Keel-Hauler" were created, but their whereabouts today is unknown, though, this writer believes they may be stored away somewhere in Hank's garage among his many boats, paddles, and assorted camping and paddling gear. Several club members always thought that Mr. Keel-Hauler bore a strong resemblance to club member Jim Botamer ("Boats").

The first elected Club officers in 1967 were: Bill Conrad- President, Jerry Vencel-V. President, Doris Hutton- Secretary, and John Hutton-Treasurer. According to the 1968 catalog, Bill and Jerry again served in their respective positions while Audrey & Paul Snahnican served as Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Standing Committee Chairmen in 1968 were: Randy Morgan-Conservation, Hank Annable-Recreation, Sharon Maroney- Information, and Michael Rubin- Safety. It is interesting to note that the first membership roster that was located (1968)

included 54 individual/family memberships. The Club's first "Aims and Bylaws", printed in the 1970 catalog, listed the annual membership fee as \$5.00.

The Club's initial goals/purpose, as printed in 1968, was:
"The purposes of our club are recreation, safety, information, and conservation. The four preceding purposes run together in all of our activities. We do not value any one of these purposes higher than the other.

Our present membership consists of people interested in: canoe cruising, white water shooting, racing and sailing. We do not in any way consider ourselves as professional. Our club wants to form a membership group who are basically interested in having a good time pursuing canoeing interests.

Our 1968 events will consist of canoe cruising of various rivers with overnight camping stops, white water shooting in season, endurance races covering various distances, and canoe sailing. The club sponsors two monthly events. Members, of course, can get together at any time to pursue any canoeing interest.

Our meetings and events allow for complete exchange of information and experiences among our members. Any members of our club will gladly answer any questions that any interested person may have.

Persons interested in becoming members are urged to attend any monthly club meeting at the Elyria Red Cross building located on West River Road. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m."

The 1968 schedule of activities ran from March to November and included trips to the: Mohican River, Vermilion River, Sandusky River, Killbuck Creek, Kokosing River, Findley Lake, Clarion River, PA, French Creek, PA, Mohican River, Youghioghny River, PA, Piedmont Reservoir, Kinzua Reservoir, PA, the initial Sandusky Race, Lake Erie, Walhonding River, Youghioghny River, PA, and the Cuyahoga River.

Additional canoeing events presented to the membership in 1968 included: the Mad Hatters Canoe Race, the National Whitewater Canoe Championships in PA, a Boy Scout canoe race, Little Miami Canoe Race in Cincinnati, Cleveland Lakefront Canoe Race, and whitewater schools in Brinkhaven, OH and Pennsylvania.

Official Trip Rules/Guidelines were printed as: 1. Always be careful..., 2. Courtesy is essential..., 3. In Camp, the family is the controlling unit..., 4. Practice conservation..., 5. Obey all state boating regulations..., 6. Rules established by campground operators must be observed..., and 7. The trip captain is authorized to exercise judgement in interpreting these rules....

Suggestions made for comfort, health, and safety were also printed as: life jackets are recommended..., for cold weather use a wet suit or bring a change of clothes in a

waterproof bag..., bring rain gear, first aid kit, and sun protection..., for overnight trips bring camping & cooking gear..., bring enough food & water for the trip's duration..., bring a spare paddle, bailing bucket & sponge..., advise the trip leader of any physical limitations you may have..., the trip is more fun if you are in good physical condition..., and have your gear packed so you can get on the water promptly....

Everything considered, the initial Club organizers put together a very extensive list of trips, safety guidelines and recommendations for enjoying the rivers and lakes that the group was planning to enjoy. Hank Annable has always been very involved in the progress of the Keel-Haulers.

He served as Club President in 1970 and was "gung-ho" those first years as evidenced by his active participation in nearly all of the trips the Club planned. This was undoubtedly caused by his undying lifelong love of the outdoors and search for adventure. One needs to understand that Hank, as a 15 year old living in Oberlin, drove a Ford Model A jalopy across the country to Seattle, WA with buddies Dick Gilbert and Jim Watson. He also took his new bride, Suzie, to the territory of Alaska in the early 1950's to begin their married lives together. So, he never had any trouble taking his young children to all of the outings he attended in the early Club years. Tom and Reeny learned very early (and young Chucky several years later) how to paddle the canoe and eventually the kayak. The open Grumman evolved to fiberglass whitewater boats, which became the family norm.

One of Hank's earliest whitewater paddling memories was when he and Tom paddled the Youghiogheny River for the first time in the summer of 1967. They joined up with members of the CCA (Canoe Cruisers Association) and were initiated into the world of whitewater canoeing. Hank and Tom's canvas covered Grumman was quite a contrast to the CCA members' sleek whitewater boats. Hank remembers swimming twice on the run from Ohiopyle to Stewarton. He also remembers camping right next to the falls in Ohiopyle.

Another of Hank's favorite memories includes the start of the Club's sponsorship of the annual canoe race. The first race was in August of 1968 across Sandusky Bay, a grueling 25 mile, 4 hour test of paddling endurance. The positive result of that race was an anticipated afternoon of fun on the Cedar Point midway. Unfortunately, everyone was too tired after the completion of the race to truly enjoy Cedar Point. That race evolved into the first annual Vermilion River Canoe Race in March, 1969. It is believed that this race is one of the longest, continually running canoe races in the United States. This is a tribute to the strong leadership of the Club.

Another event that Hank fondly remembers was the CCA sponsored whitewater weekend on the S. Fork of the N. Branch of the Potomac River in Petersburg, WV in 1970. Keel-Haulers were well represented in several race classes and a few medals were brought home by the Annables, Don Roper, Chuck Singer, and the Linns.

Some may remember when Hurricane Agnes flooded most of the eastern U.S. in early July, 1972. Hank certainly remembers it because he and several club members paddled the New River at flood stage. Hank & Tom Annable, Chuck Singer, Greg Green, Don Roper, and Alan Tummonds all battled the "Big" water. Hank remembers that Tom was the only person who didn't swim that day.

In September, 1973 the Club took over the CCA sponsored Youghiogheny slalom and down river whitewater racing event in Ohio, PA. This responsibility continued for several years. Hank remembers this event as being very difficult to coordinate and run because the Club had never experienced setting up a slalom course or judging such a competition.

Hank's best Club memories may be when he reminisces about the many wilderness canoeing trips he enjoyed over the decades. His participation in these trips started in 1974 with travels down the Little Abitibi and Missinaibi Rivers in Ontario, Canada. These trips were taken with sons Tom and Chuck, and old paddling buddies Loren Schafer, Marty Kopp, Don Roper, Rita Tessman, and Sasha Chudnovski, as well as a few newcomers to the wilderness paddling scene. Hank chuckles as he remembers his old friend, Chuck Tummonds, once telling him, "Hank, you don't take bush country trips with people you don't know."



Marty Kopp, Tom Annable, Hank Annable, Loren Schafer & Sasha Chudnovski ~ 1986
Little Abitibi Wilderness Trip

Perhaps, Hank should have heeded this advice when he took his most memorable trip to the De Pas River wilderness area in Quebec, Canada in the summer of 1983. The trip covered approximately 300 miles and took five weeks to complete. Hank remembers losing about 15 lbs. of his body weight during the trip. Hank and Chuck

Annable paddled a Grumman canoe while Rita Tessman, Sasha Chudnovski, and Sasha's cousin, Mark Kechinal [sic], fabricated a raft made of 8 truck tire innertubes, and a PVC pipe frame with wood sapling cross members. According to Hank this was a challenging and difficult trip because of the inexperience of Sasha's cousin and the very harsh weather and paddling conditions.



Sasha Chudnovski, Rita Tessman & Mark Kechinal [sic] ~ 1983
De Pas Wilderness Trip

After hearing Hank recall the early years of the Club, this writer believes the Keel-Haulers would not have continued to exist without his active participation and guidance. He certainly enjoyed the many trips he took and he relishes the many friendships he made over the last fifty years.

50 YEARS OF THE KEEL-HAULERS

Still in need of articles.....Thanks!

From John Kobak:

I propose that each month under this same 50 year title, [Old time Club Members](#) or anyone else, post a story from the old days. Please send Kelly a story each month and keep this going until next spring.

[Where in the World is Kobak Now](#)

Conservation Update From Jim Hunt

Legislative Update - LWCF & Hydropower Bill

Update from American Whitewater - December 22nd

H.R. 8 - Hydropower Legislation

Background: H.R. 8 is a comprehensive energy bill that has some very troubling implications for rivers with private and municipal hydropower dams. The hydropower provisions of the bill make it harder to protect and restore rivers impacted by hydropower dams by allowing operators to ignore federal and state laws that protect water quality, endangered species, fish, wildlife, recreation and public lands. It strips states and Native American tribes of their existing authority to hold dam owners accountable for pollution and damage to local rivers and communities, as well as federal agencies to protect fish and other aquatic species. It also would have made it easier to build new dams on freely flowing rivers.

Update: The House passed H.R. 8 on December 3rd. Your efforts DID make a difference though, and hope is not lost for the future. The outcry from the paddling community was strong (over 700 of you reached out to your Representatives in a 24 hour period before the vote), stirring a lot of controversy around the hydropower provisions. The bill passed on nearly a party line vote, and the hydropower industry's effort to make this a bipartisan initiative largely flopped. The bill goes to the Senate next, and this controversy will make it more difficult for the hydropower provisions to move forward.

Additionally, the Obama Administration issued a Statement of Administration Policy noting that the President would likely veto the bill in its current form, in large part because of the hydropower provisions. The SAP states that H.R. 8 would "undermine the current hydropower licensing regulatory process...that works to minimize negative impacts associated with the siting of hydropower projects, including negative impacts on safety, fish and wildlife, water quality and conservation, and a range of additional natural resources and cultural values." It certainly is an incredible achievement to have the President single out this portion of the bill.

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

Background: As "America's best conservation program," the LWCF has helped to build trails, parks, river access, trailheads and so much more for over 50 years in all

50 states. This vital program has funded key river access points on Washington's White Salmon and Green Rivers, Idaho's Salmon River, Colorado's Arkansas River, Georgia's Chattooga River, and dozens of others across the country.

LWCF uses a portion of the royalties from off-shore oil and gas leasing to fund outdoor recreation and conservation projects, and was set to expire on September 30th, 2015. American Whitewater's members and other outdoor enthusiasts wrote to their Congressional Representatives in support of LWCF, and AW staff and members visited D.C. to highlight its value.

Update: Despite having broad bi-partisan support, Congress let the LWCF expire. Shortly afterwards, Representative Rob Bishop (R_UT) introduced a zombie LWCF bill that would have made the program a shell of its former self. The overall outcry from the outdoor recreation community was huge. Fortunately, Congress took note and reauthorized the program for 3 years at \$450 million in the Omnibus bill it recently passed. Although this is 1/2 the amount that LWCF was historically slated to receive (\$900 million) and is a temporary solution, we see this as a pretty great first step. In the current political climate and with a zombie bill in the works, it's great news that the program still looks a lot like its former self. Plus, \$450 million is actually 50% more than the fund has seen in the last few years.

**KHCC Trip Schedule 2016
By Dennis Dukeman**

[Preliminary 2016 Trip Schedule](#)

We need more organizers - Please check the schedule for open trips and volunteer.

Then contact: [Dennis Dukeman](mailto:ddukeman@neo.rr.com) 330-858-6270 or at ddukeman@neo.rr.com

February				
2/7,14,21,28	KH Roll Session at Meyers Lake YMCA pool - 8:45 -10:45 AM		John Banach	330-606-5032
2/6	Ohiopyle Winterfest & Paddle the (4) Loop (PA)	23	Brent Hendren	330-414-2063
2/20,27	KH Roll Session at Orange pool - 4:00-6:00 PM		Dave Roush	440-623-9035
2/13,27	KH Roll Session at Lakewood pool - 3:00-5:00 pm		Karl Nelson	330-497-2483
2/27	Club Get-Together at the Fox & Hound Restaurant in Mayfield Hts after roll session at 6:30 PM, everyone welcome.		Karl Nelson	330-497-2483

Make sure your boats are CLEAN inside and out when you go to any of the three pools for roll sessions. We do not want to lose our pool sessions. See website link for the most up to date information. <http://www.keelhauler.org/Instruction/#pool>

2016 Club Officers

President: Karl Nelson 330-497-2483
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Meeting Place: Middleburg Heights Recreation Center, 15700 Bagley Rd, second Tuesday of each month
Doors open at 7:00 P.M., meeting starts at 7:30 P.M.

Membership: \$20 per year. New memberships, renewals, change in address or phone, send directly to
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Please consider writing a trip report or article for the next newsletter! The deadline for the **March issue of the newsletter is **2/23/16**. Please remember that articles should be sent to Kelly Miller (Laubaugh) at peetzaguy@aol.com.**

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