

# *The Raptors are Coming...*



***...to WPWA's 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting!***

***Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup> 2015***

***203 Arcadia Rd.***

***Hope Valley, RI 02382***

*Join us for an informal afternoon celebrating the accomplishments that our members made possible this year.*

Not a member? Join us for our Open House from 1–4 PM and...



...meet raptors from the  
Born to be Wild Nature Center  
with John and Vivian Maxson...



...or bring your  
fishing pole and take  
a few casts from the dock!



...or take a paddle on  
the beautiful Wood  
River in one of our  
kayaks or canoes...

*Business meeting begins at 3 PM, when we will congratulate our award winners:*

Mitch & Betty Salomon  
*Lifetime Achievement  
Award*

Senators Sheldon Whitehouse and  
Jack Reed, and Representatives  
Jim Langevin and  
Joe Courtney  
*The Mitch & Betty Salomon Award*

Christine McIntyre-  
Hannon  
*Volunteer of the Year  
Award*

*The event is free and open to the public, and light refreshments will be served.*



**CRAZY BURGER**

**Make a Difference Monday at Crazy Burger!**  
On Monday June 8<sup>th</sup>, Crazy Burger is donating 10% of  
ALL sales to WPWA! Please go eat & support WPWA!

**144 Boon Street  
Narragansett, RI**



## Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association 2015 EVENTS

### LOWER PAWCATUCK PADDLE

**June 6, Saturday, 9 am to 1 pm**

Plans are in place to remove the White Rock dam later this summer, so let's enjoy a last dash down the Class II rapids of the White Rock mill race. This 6 mile paddle will put in near the Potter Hill Mill and take out at the Westerly Town dock. We will also be running some rapids at the broken Stillmanville dam and finishing through downtown Westerly and Pawcatuck. All participants must wear pfd's. Bring water, snacks and sun protection.

**This paddle is not appropriate for beginners.** You should have some experience paddling fast water. Raindate Sunday, June 7 **\$10/adult memb, \$20/adult non-memb, No Children**

### LEARN TO FLY FISH

**June 23, Tuesday, 6:30 pm to 9 pm**

Learn the Zen art of casting a fly rod and placing your fly exactly where the trout will strike. This class, taught by volunteers from Trout Unlimited, is for the novice or experienced angler who wants to try another level of fishing. Fly rods will be provided or you can bring your own. Space is limited. Location: WPWA Campus. **\$20m/\$30nm**

### INTRODUCTION TO KAYAK COURSE

**June 27, Saturday, 9 am to 3 pm**

This ACA Certified course for beginners will teach you what you need to know to paddle safely. The course will focus on safety, improving paddling skills, and practicing rescue techniques. Pre-registration required; limited to 6 paddlers. Fee includes kayaks, paddles, and life jackets. Expect to get into the water at some point. Wear appropriate clothes for the weather and water shoes. Bring sun protection, lunch and water. Location: WPWA Campus. **\$40m/\$50nm**

### ALMOST FULL MOON PADDLE

**June 30, Tuesday, 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm**

Let's start off summer with a delightful evening paddle heading up the Wood River from the WPWA campus. Put your boat in the water as the sun sets and paddle back as the (almost) full moon rises over the river. We're likely to see ducks, tree swallows, great blue herons, and flowering plants along the way. **\$10m/\$20nm, Kayak rental \$20m/\$25nm**

### INTRODUCTION TO KAYAK PADDLING

**August 1, Saturday, 9 am to 3 pm**

This ACA Certified course for beginners will teach you what you need to know to paddle safely. The course will focus on safety, improving paddling skills, and practicing rescue techniques. Participants will acquire the confidence to explore quiet waters in the watershed. Pre-registration required; limited to 6 paddlers. Fee includes kayaks, paddles, and life

jackets. Wear appropriate clothes for the weather and water shoes. Expect to get into the water at some point. Bring sun protection, lunch and water. Location: WPWA Campus. **\$40m/\$50nm**

### BIOLUMINESCENT PADDLE (Four nights)

**August 18, 19, 20, 21; rain date 8/22, 7:30 to 9:30 pm**

WPWA and the US Fish and Wildlife National Wildlife Refuge System are partnering to provide this fascinating paddle on a salt pond in Charlestown, RI. In the summer, bioluminescent comb jellyfish make their way into warm coastal waters. On a dark, warm summer night they can often be found near the surface of the water, so paddlers will be delighted by the glow emitted by these delightful creatures with every stroke of their paddle. Dress for the weather. We will be paddling in the dark so headlamps or flashlights are a good idea. Because of the popularity of this event we will offer it on 4 different nights this year - Aug 18, 19, 20, & 21. Please sign up for the night you want. *Space is limited.*

**\$10m/\$20nm, Kayak rental \$20m/\$25nm**

### ALMOST FULL MOON SUMMER PADDLE

**August 29, Saturday, 7 pm to 9 pm**

We put in at the historic Kenyon Grist Mill in Usquepaugh and paddle up the Queen River. Along the way we will explore the Glen Rock Reservoir, looking at late blooming plants. Begin your adventure as the sun sets & paddle back as the (almost) full moon rises over the river. This trip is suitable for all levels. **\$10m/\$20nm, Kayak rental: \$20m/\$25nm**

### ALMOST SUPER FULL MOON PADDLE

**September 26, Saturday, 6 pm to 8 pm**

This is the only Super Full Moon for 2015. Join WPWA at Watchaug Pond in Charlestown. Begin your adventure as the sun sets & paddle back as the super full moon rises over the water. This trip is suitable for all levels. Bring your own boat, no rentals available. **\$10m/\$20nm**

### PAWCATUCK RIVER FALL PADDLE

**October 11, Sunday, 9 am to 1 pm**

The colors of fall make this Pawcatuck River experience even more beautiful. We'll put in at the WPWA owned Jay Cronan River Access on Rt. 91 in Richmond and paddle 7 miles to the Bradford River Access in Westerly. This is a wide open section of the river that requires a run over the broken dam at Burdickville. Bring your own boat. WPWA will provide shuttles. **\$10m/\$20nm**

**REGISTER ONLINE AT**  
**[www.wpwa.org/events](http://www.wpwa.org/events)**