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PADDLE POWER

It was a dark and stormy morning as the AYH canoeing crowd slipped out of headquarters for the Loyahanna and race day. The river was up, attendance down and the three races run off speedily over the four mile class II course. Dean Tomko cleaned up, winning all three events despite having spent all night at a high school prom. Far behind were the rest of the field-Jim Hurst, Doug, Abbey, and Bruce, all feeling like creaking Methusela's.

The official times, in minutes, were:

Class A -- closed boats

Dean Tomko	43.15	cl	I
Don Hamilton	45.80	cl	II
Jim Hurst	45.93	cl	III
Howard King	46.72	cl	IV
Bruce Sundquist	47.34	cl	
Ed Tomko	47.51	cl	
John Leahy	55.56	kl	
Jack Leahy	59.40	kl	

Class B -- tandem Grumman (mens)

Dean Tomko	41.49	I
Ed Tomko		
Jim Hurst	43.29	II
Don Hamilton		
Don Hoecker	47.50	
Howard King		

Class C -- tandem Grumman (mixed)

Max Lew	37.57	I
Dean Tomko		
Mary Smith	40.04	II
Doug Ettinger		
Jim Ure	42.44	(youngest)
R. Ure		
Abbey Geertz	43.45	
Bruce Sundquist		

Prizes are indicated in the right hand column. They are either trophies kindly donated by the Grumman Company, or purchased from the entrance fees for the race. They will be presented on Thursday, June 5 at the Open House.

There is a new kind of boat on the river and it should interest all you would-be kayakers. It is the inflatable KI run by the well known AYH member Ralph McCarty. Ralph is running these commercially this summer out of Ohiopyle. Since they handle much like a kayak but have the stability of a raft, you kayakers should consider renting one from Ralph for that first trip down the Lower Yough. I can assure you it would be well worth the cost, for those first trips are very hard on equipment. Ralph's boats you cannot damage; your own, you will! Call Ralph at 372-6254.

CANOE SCHOOL

Doug Ettinger (523-5883) opens the summer canoeing season with our first school for the rank beginner. Running on the Lowest Yough from Dawson to Layton, Doug plans to provide an interesting trip with emphasis on canoeing basics: water safety, the principle paddle strokes, and reading running water. So all you members, come on out and join in the fun! Get your suntan the canoe school way!

JOINT MIDDLE YOUGH TRIP, June 22. I have invited other clubs to join AYH on a social trip down the Yough, Confluence to Ohiopyle. If it floats, any AYH boat is welcome. This is a good trip for the closed boat crowd, so come out and join us.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MALL

AYH has been invited to join in festivities at the East Liberty Mall, June 26 to 28. If you would like to assist at the AYH booth, let more people know about the Hostel, AND watch a live ox-roast, Call Mary Miculis at 621-8643 after 6 p.m.

OPEN HOUSE

PROGRAM BEGINS 9:45

CYCLE
NEWS

ON TOSRV - - - - - REFLECTIONS

On May 10 and 11 more than a dozen cyclists from Pittsburgh participated in the tour of the Scioto River Valley, riding 210 miles from Columbus to Portsmouth, Ohio and back. This year the TOSRV was the biggest ever, with over 700 cyclists of all sizes and shapes (including a great many attractive female shapes). It was truly a unique experience to ride with so many other "cycle nuts"; at the onslaught, riders completely obliterated two lanes of pavement for several blocks. We had a great opportunity to see a wide range of high quality bicycles and to discuss the sport with people from other states.

Unfortunately, as in nearly every other of its nine years, Zeus was not smiling on the participants. On Saturday it was cloudy and cold, with a continuous 20mph headwind (it never is behind you) which lasted all 105 miles to Portsmouth. Toward the end of the day, a heavy rain and wind storm put in an appearance. We peddled into Portsmouth, cold, wet, tired and hungry. On Sunday, Zeus was kinder to us with only slight rain squalls.

With the poor weather conditions and large number of cyclists, riding was somewhat hazardous. At least two of the Pittsburgh contingent were casualties in accidents involving other cyclists & two others required the services of a bandaid or two.

TOSRV was a memorable experience, however it would have been infinitely more pleasant if Zeus had smiled.

- June 5 - Jim Hurst shows his slides of skiing and climbing in the Canadian Rockies.
- June 12 - See the trials and tribulations of hiking and back-packing in Rocky Mountain National Park with Doug Ettinger.
- June 19 - For the avid (and not so avid) cyclists, see slides of summer cycling, and listen to a review of a 10-speed cycle with Bob Omior.
- June 26 - Come to the Open House and see our "suprise" program.

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J U N E T R I P S & T R A I L S

- SUN 1 - HIKING Hike on Laurel Ridge with Roch Mercier(361-5794). Leave Hostel at 9:00 a.m. with \$2.00 and lunch.
- MON 2 - CYCLING An easy 8 mile cycle trip in the City. Leave 6:30 p.m. from the Hostel. See Dave Pattison(242-9224).
- THU 5 - CYCLING Cycle in a City Park with Vi Friesen(242-4375). Leave Hostel at 6:30 prompt.
- SAT 7 - CYCLING Cycle in beautiful Washington County. About 40 mile - short cut makes nice trip of about 20 miles. Meet at Hostel at 8 a.m. Cost \$1.90 plus rental. Call Bob Taylor(363-8770).
- SAT 7 - CANOEING Easy fast water canoeing with the Grumman on the Kiskiminitas with Abbie Geertz, the first of our charming summer trip leaders. Call Abbie evenings at 372-6053. Bring lunch, bathing suit, sun protection and about \$4. Leaves at 8:30 a.m.
- SAT 7 - BACKPACKING Henry Pollak(421-9413) and Cliff Hamm lead a backpacking trip into the
- SUN 8 - Allegheny National Forest. Limited to 12 experienced people with equipment.
- SUN 8 - CYCLING Tour all the City Parks--about 15 miles--cost 40¢ plus rental. Leaves Hostel at 1:30. Call Vince Widmer(339-1165).
- SUN 8 - CANOE SCHOOL Doug Ettinger (523-5883) leads our summer class for beginners on the Yough from Dawson to Layton, through racks and riffles. Doug and his crew will teach draws, J-strokes and the rest. Bring lunch, knee pads, \$4. Leaves at 8:30 sharp.
- MON 9 - CYCLING Leave Hostel at 6:30--10¢ plus rental -- Call Dave Pattison(242-9224).
- THU 12 - CYCLING Cycle before Open House with Dave Davenport(441-4292) at 6:30. 10¢ plus rental.
- SUN 15 - CANOEING Lower Yough. Jim Hurst(434-3964 work days) leads rafts and closed boats. Bring lunch, a change of clothing and about \$5. Leaves at 8:30.
- SAT 14 - CYCLING An extended bicycle trip in the beautiful Pennsylvania Dutch country. About
- SUN 15 - 50 miles per day. Call Mike Hurwitz(731-1083).
- SAT 14 - HIKING Fran Cyapiewski leads a 2 day hike (NOT backpacking) in the Jenkins Bridge area
- SUN 15 - of Cheat Canyon. Bring 2 lunches, camping gear, good hiking boots and about \$5.25. Call Fran at 661-9543.
- SUN 15 - HIKING Hike led by John Rich(881-3974) to "Lord knows where." Leaves HQ at 8:30 a.m.
- MON 16 - CYCLING An easy 8 mile cycle trip in the City. Leave 6:30. Call Dave Pattison 242-9224
- TUE 17 - MEETING & CYCLING Bicycle Club Meeting and ride starting at 6:30--see Mike Hurwitz.
- THU 19 - CYCLING Cycle in City Parks leaving 6:30. Call Norm Gallagher (563-3426).
- SAT 21 - CYCLING First "25 in 3" cycle test. This test must be accomplished to go on rides of over 25 miles. Call Bob Omlor(264-4485). Cost \$1 plus rental. Leaves Hostel 8 a.m.
- SAT 21 - CANOEING Lower Yough. Roger Warren(241-3026 evenings) takes the closed boat crowd and the rafts out with lunches, change of clothes & \$5; 8:30 a.m.
- SAT 21 - HIKING Judy Miller (481-1552) leads a hike to Laurel Hill State Park. Leave Hostel at 8:30 a.m. with lunch.
- SUN 22 - CANOEING Joint Middle Yough. trip, Confluence to Ohio pyle with Sylvan & Fox Chapel Club

- SUN 22 - CYCLING 3½ hours of easy cycling in the South Hills near Canonsburg Lake on a new route. Bring lunch. Load cycles at 10 a.m. at Hostel. Cost-\$1.30. Call Allen Sher at 421-4429.
- MON 23 - CYCLING Cycle trip leaving Hostel at 6:30 and cost at 10¢ plus rental. Call Dave Pattison at 242-9224.
- THU 26 - CYCLING Cycle before Open House. Leave Hostel at 6:30 cost 10¢ plus rental. Sue Simler (241-0673) will lead.
- SAT 28 - CANOEING Easy canoeing for beginners with Norm Gallagher (563-3426) on some pleasant flat, moving water, with Norm promising fair weather for the sun tan crowd. Bring lunch, Sea & Ski and about \$3.50; 8:30 a.m.
- SAT 28 - HIKING Fran Cyepiewski(661-9543) is hiking in the vicinity of Cheat River Gorge. Leave HQ at 8 a.m. Experienced hikers.
- SAT 28 - CYCLING An interesting intermediate bicycle trip in the beautiful Blue Knob State Park area. Bring lunch. Leaves Hostel promptly at 8 a.m. - Cost \$3.60 plus renta. Must reserve ahead with John Rich (462-5000 X7316).
- SAT 28 - BACKPACKING John Henry(256-3761) is leading a backpacking trip to the Seneca Rocks
- SUN 29 - area leaving the Hostel Friday night. Open to 10 experienced people.
- SUN 29 - CYCLING An early morning cycle trip in the North Hills - about 25 easy miles - cost is 40¢ plus rental - no lunch needed since trip will leave Hostel promptly at 7:00 a.m. Call Dave Pattison at 242-9224.
- SUN 29 - HIKING Hike on Laurel Ridge with Bill Williams (441-5366). Leaves Hostel at 8:30 a.m. Bring lunch, hiking boots and \$2.00.
- MON 30 - CYCLING Cycling trip leaving Hostel promptly at 6:30 costing 10¢ plus rental. Call Dave Pattison at 242-9224.

For all Climbing & Caving Trip information contact Bob Strong at 327-6267

I M P O R T A N T - DEADLINE FOR JULY TRIPS & TRAILS IS JUNE 11 - WEDNESDAY

If you have trip suggestions or would like to lead a trip, contact the following:

for hiking--Doug Ettinger 523-5883



for canoeing--Don Hamilton 327-3511 or 242-7400 X383

for climbing & caving--Bob Strong 327-6267

for cycling--Dave Pattison 242-9224 or
Mike Hurwitz 731-1083

Also, Sue Simler (241-0673) or Ann Fisher(521-8992) would be interested in hearing of any interesting accounts of past trips

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