



CRAZY KAYAK RIVER BASIN TOUR 2011

**Sponsor the Crazy Kayakers and help keep the Catawba River
Clean and Free Flowing**

Starting on June 11, 2011 the Crazy Kayakers with Catawba Riverkeeper Foundation will hit the rivers and lakes of the Catawba River basin to promote water quality awareness and to proclaim recreational water usage of approximately 225 miles of the Catawba River during the weekends of June and July.

We will begin our 108 mile paddle near the headwaters of the river on Lake James and end our journey at Lake Wateree State Park. Novice and experienced paddlers, stand up paddlers, and sailors are invited to join us during the social events planned along the way.

Whether you join us on the water or would like to keep your feet on dry ground, we would love to have you sponsor our Crazy Kayakers. Sponsor at any level as a way to participate (example \$1.00 per mile) and support our mission. Choose your level of sponsorship and sponsor with:

1. Credit card online at <http://www.catawbariverkeeper.org/join/member-donate> or
2. Mail a donation of your choice to Catawba Riverkeeper Foundation,
421 Minuet Lane Suite 205, Charlotte NC 28217

We will have T-shirts for sale to commemorate your participation in this adventure, we encourage you to support us with a purchase of one for \$25.00 at the event site.

Bring your own boats, stand up paddle board, etc. or call a local outfitter. Visit our website or meet-up site <http://www.meetup.com/Catawba-Riverkeeper-Foundation/> to sign up and receive more information on outfitters, etc. You may also view images from last years Crazy Kayak Tour.

You may follow this year's tour on our website and Twitter (CRFRiverkeeper) throughout the weekends of June and July.

Keep the schedule on the back of this page for reference of the where and when of this amazing tour of the Catawba River. For more information call Tracy Tripp, Community Coordinator for the Catawba Riverkeeper Foundation at 704-679-9494 or email her at tracy@catawbariverkeeper.org

Outfitters:

My Aloha Stand Up Paddle Boards <http://www.standuplkn.com> (704)-526-8432

Catawba River Expeditions www.Catawba-river-expeditions.com (803)-327-9335

Crazy Kayak Water Basin Tour 2011 Schedule

We are partnering with My Aloha, (stand up paddle board) and Catawba River Expeditions, LLC for outfitting the weekend paddles. All participants who paddle must sign a waiver form and follow trip leader guidelines. Please check with the Stand Up Paddle Board outfitter if a board will be appropriate for you and any particular trip. Bring your boat, board, your pfd, water and snacks as well as a hat and sun protection. All paddle days start at 10:00 am unless otherwise noted

Lake James Area

Saturday June 11: Kick it Off at Joseph McDowell Greenway, meet in the parking lot, and paddle nine miles to Black Bear Access. Eat at Bear Creek Marina

Sunday June 12: begin at Watermill Rd. Access paddle 12.5 miles to Greenlee Ford, Access and have lunch at Judges Riverside Restaurant.

Lake Rhodhiss Area

Saturday June 18: Meet at the Johns River Access, paddle 10.5 miles to Castle Bridge Access and dock at Catawba Riverkeeper Board member Lohr Lovelands estate, The "Redneck Riveria" for an evening of music and dinner.

Sunday June 19: We leave from Geitner Park Access and paddle 11 miles to our take out at Wittenberg Access.

Lake Hickory/ Lake Norman Area

Saturday June 25: Meet at Riverbend State Park and paddle 10.5 miles to Lookout Shoals Dam Access. A casual tailgate in the parking lot will be provided that day after the paddle.

Sunday June 26: Leave Lookout Shoals and paddle 10 miles to Long Island Access. We will pull into JB Frogs for beer and burgers along the way.

We will take a break for the 4th of July weekend.

Mountain Island Lake Area

Saturday July 9: We will meet at the Neck Road Access on Mt. Island Lake and tour the lake with a take - out back at Neck Road. We will be congregating at a local watering hole for our evening social event.

Sunday July 10: We will leave from Hwy 27 Access and paddle 8 miles to South Point Access on Lake Wylie.

Lake Wylie

Saturday July 16: We will meet at the Ft. Mill Access paddle a short 6.4 miles to the River Park Access area in Rock Hill. (event TBA)

Sunday July 17: we will meet at Landsford Canal Upper Access and paddle to the Fishing Creek Access, approximately 11.5 miles (event TBA)

Lake Wateree Area and Last Paddle of the Basin Tour!

Saturday July 23: Begin at Cedar Creek Access paddle, an easy 8 miles to Lake Wateree State Park, where we celebrate with a Final Feast.