

BSA Troop 61 – 2006 Whitewater Rafting

Saturday August 19th – Monday, August 21st

***THIS IS A FAMILY EVENT ***

Brothers & Sisters, Moms and Dads,
Aunts and Uncles are all WELCOME

Meet at church at 9:00 a.m., Depart Saturday, August 19, 2005; return to Sudbury on Monday, August 21, 2005 mid-day. \$90 per person which includes food (except lunch on Saturday and Monday) and 1 hour of climbing on Saturday afternoon. \$30 per person for camping only.



CAMPING – 2 nights - Saturday & Sunday, August 19, 20 at Webb's Campground located in West Forks, Maine on Rt. 201. this is a 4 to 5.5 hour drive depending on number and lengths of stops. (207) 663-2214.

WHAT TO BRING - This is tailgate camping at commercial site: ice chests etc. OK (no electric)
Food, as assigned by patrol. Adults will eat as one Patrol (siblings may eat with scouts or adults)
Sleeping bag, pad, ground cloth
Mess kit & utensils, Toilet kit, towel
(Check Scout Handbook pages 203 – 207 for what to bring camping)
Camping clothes - for 2 days (LAYERS for cool nights)
Patrol gear: tents, stove, cook kit, utensils, lanterns, water jug...



Climbing, Saturday, 19 August 2006

RAFTING, Sunday, 20 August 2006

Kennebec River, West Forks, Maine
North American Whitewater Adventure
(NAWA)
(800) 727-4379, (207) 663-4430.
www.nawhitewater.com

RESTRICTIONS: All rafters must weight at least 54 pounds. To do the full rafting trip you must be 12 years or older. For younger rafters, they can join the rest of the group at the half way mark, but must be at least 8 years of age and also 54 pounds. In addition, permission forms and release of liability documents must be signed by all participants before leaving Sudbury.

WEAR (the water can be cold in Maine)

Swimsuit

OLD TENNIS or Teva's & polypro or wool socks - NO COTTON!

Polypro T-shirt (or Polypro long john top) - **NO COTTON!**

Wool or polypro hat & gloves if it's cold - **NO COTTON!**

Chap-Stick & sun screen (the kind that doesn't wash off in the water)

Sports retainer if wearing glasses (best to leave glasses behind if you can)

Fanny pack - if you must bring "stuff" with you in the raft. It's best to travel light!

(optional) Kodak Fun Saver WATERPROOF camera (leave the good one at home)

ASSUME YOU WILL BE SOAKING WET FOR THE ENTIRE TRIP !!!

BRING (leave in car at NAWA for use after rafting)

Day pack with **COMPLETE CHANGE OF WARM CLOTHES & SHOES**

(Shorts and sweats combo works for warm or cold days (unpredictable Maine weather)

Towel and Plastic bag for your wet clothes

OUTFITTER WILL FURNISH:

Rafts, all gear and protective equipment (PFD, helmets)

WET SUITS (if weather requires), and/or waterproof paddling jackets, booties

Snacks on the river & hardy Bar-B-Q meal after the rafting trip

Licensed guide in each raft

PHOTOGRAPHS: NAWA will take numerous pictures of your rafting party which are available for viewing and purchase on their web site.

Email questions to: e_wetherbee@hotmail.com



Troop 61 Whitewater Check List - August 19-21, 2006

Expiration Dates:

Safe Swim Defense	Saftey Afloat	CPR Training

Please check all that apply:

Adult	Child	Full River *	1/2 River **	Camping Only	#	Name [please print]	Email Address
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1	_____	_____
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* 12 years of age & 54 lbs.; ** 8 years of age & 54 lbs.

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For CPR only, name of Agency: _____

- A. Can you be a driver? **Yes** **No** (line number above: ____) [if Yes, how many seat belts do you have? ____]
 Vehicle Kind: _____ Year: _____ Make: _____ No. of Passegers: _____
 Owners Name: _____ Driver's License Number: _____
 Liability Insurance Coverage. Each Person: _____ Each Accident: _____ Property Damage: _____
 What is your cell phone number? _____ Home Phone Number: _____

B. Signed Troop 61 Permission Form for each participant.

C. Signed North American Whitewater Expeditions, Inc. Permission form for each participant.
 Note: If adult, cross out "Parent's or Guardian's Name" toward the bottom of form and sign your name.

D. Mail a check for \$90.00 per person made payable to: Ed Wetherbee, 27 Munnings Drive, Sudbury, 01776 [978-443-6845]

E. Total Amount Enclosed _____. Check # _____

→ Please include with check: 1) Troop 61 Permission forms; 2) NAWA Waivers; 3) and THIS FORM. Mail by **July 8, 2006**. ←

Note: The fee for 1/2 River is a reduced rate; a credit will be issued for the difference. For registration purposes, please calculated at \$90 per person. The fee for camping only is \$30.00.



Boy Scouts of America, Sudbury Troop 61
Troop Activity Permission Form
Saturday, August 19 – Monday, August 21, 2006
Whitewater Rafting, Kennebec River, Maine

WHAT: Camp Saturday & Sunday nights at the Webb Campground, West Forks, Maine. Rock climbing Saturday afternoon and raft on the Kennebec River Sunday with North American Outdoor Adventure: 800-727-4379; Webb's Campground: 207-663-4475.

WHEN: Leave the Church lot Saturday, 9:30 A.M. Return to Church Monday afternoon (1:00 – 4:00 PM)

MEALS: Fast Food on the way to campground Saturday noon, paid for individually. Cook in camp Saturday night, Sunday & Monday morning by patrols. Snack on river and chicken Bar-B-Q after rafting provided by outfitters. Fast Food (optional) at driver rest point on the return to Sudbury Monday, paid for individually.

COST: **\$90.00** per person (includes Rafting, Climbing, & Campground fees) **payable to Ed Wetherbee**, mail to: 27 Munnings Drive, Sudbury, 01776 by July 8, 2006.
Mandatory Planning Meeting, Saturday, July 22, 2006 at 10:30 A.M. at the church.

- FORMS REQUIRED:**
- North American Outdoor Adventure Waiver Form Signed for each person (adult & minor)
 - Troop 61 Activity Permission Form Signed for each person (this form)
 - Check for \$90.00 per person; \$30.00 for camping only.
 - Completed Troop 61 Whitewater Check List

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Whitewater Permission Form (must be signed and returned with check) August 2006

I, the undersigned parent/guardian, of _____
(Scout's or child's name - PRINTED)

hereby give my permission for my son/daughter to attend and participate in the official Troop 61 activity at Kennebec River, The Forks, Maine, and North American Outdoor Adventure climbing, on August 19-21, 2006.

I (or other adult) would like to participate on this trip: _____
Name(s)

Please provide any special medical information concerning your son (including current medications, allergies, and any restrictions or limitations on physical activity):

Emergency contact information during THIS outing period:

Names(s) Telephone number (including area code)

_____ - _____ - _____
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In the event that I or the other contact persons named above cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby authorize the adult leader in charge of this activity to take any necessary steps including administration of emergency first aid, transportation, and obtaining the services of licensed emergency/medical personnel. I further authorize licensed emergency/medical personnel so selected to provide necessary medical services including admission to a hospital or other licensed medical facility, administration of medications (including injections) and anesthesia, and the performance of any other needed medical or surgical procedures.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(parent or guardian)

Parent / Guardian's Name: _____
(printed)

North American Whitewater Expeditions, Inc.

PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION FORM

I hereby grant permission for my child _____ to participate in whitewater rafting, hiking, kayaking, or camping/lodging at North American Whitewater Expeditions, Inc. ("North American") on _____, and I hereby agree as follows:

I fully understand and acknowledge that: (a) risks and dangers exist in my child's use of rafting, biking, kayaking, camping/lodging or canoeing equipment and my child's participation in rafting, kayaking, hiking, or camping/lodging activities; (b) my child's participation in such activities and/or use of such equipment may result in injury or illness or death or damage to personal property; (c) these risks and dangers may be caused by other participants, or by accidents, or by the forces of nature or other causes. Risks and dangers may arise from foreseeable or unforeseeable causes including, but not limited to, selection of trail or river route, water level, weather conditions, risks of falling out of a raft, kayak, or canoe, and such other risks, hazards and dangers that are integral to recreational activities that take place in a wilderness, outdoor or recreational environment; and (d) I hereby accept and assume these risks and dangers.

I have been advised that my child must wear an approved personal flotation device at all times while on the water. I affirm that my child will not be under the influence of alcohol or controlled substance, and will not carry, use, or consume these substances before or during her/his scheduled activities. Any claims or disputes arising from my child's participation in North American's activities or use of North American's equipment shall be venued in the Somerset County Superior Court of the State of Maine, or, Litchfield County Superior Court of the State of Connecticut, or, the Windham County Superior Court of the State of Vermont.

My child is in good health and is at or above the minimum age stated in North American's advertising for each activity in which he/she will participate. I understand that strenuous physical exertion may be required and my child has no known physical disabilities or health problems, which will present any risk to his/her participation in the activities. I permit the use of any photos, slides, films, or sketches of him/her taken during the day's activities for publicity, advertising, promotion or other commercial purpose. The above agreement shall be binding on my heirs, successors, assigns, administrators and executors.

I fully understand and acknowledge that North American requires proper behavior and adherence to safety guidelines; North American reserves the right to shorten or withdraw, without reimbursement, the privileges of any individual caught with alcohol or drugs prior to or during any adventure with North American. I fully understand and acknowledge that, in the event of extreme, unsafe or abnormal water or weather conditions, North American reserves the right to lengthen, shorten or switch the trip, without reimbursement, on any given day.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE AND BY SIGNING IT AGREE TO ITS TERMS. IT IS MY INTENTION TO GRANT PERMISSION FOR MY CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN North American's RAFTING, HIKING, KAYAKING, OR CAMPING/LODGING ACTIVITIES, AND TO ASSUME AND ACCEPT ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY & FILL OUT COMPLETELY

Parent's or Guardian's Name

Parent's or Guardian's Signature

Address

Town State Zip

Minor's Name

Minor's Signature

Minor's Age

Trip Date

Please circle any of the following which the child is or has *been* affected by:

asthma bites/stings diabetes heart history seizures allergies other_____

ALL applicable medications belonging to the child (i.e. inhalers, epi-pens) MUST BE BROUGHT on the trip TO PARTICIPATE.

Contact Person In Case of Emergency

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

**DO NOT LOSE
FORM IS REQUIRED FOR ALL TO PARTICIPATE**

Group:

Dear Parent or Guardian,

North American Whitewater Expeditions, Inc. is excited that you or your family have chosen to come adventuring (rafting, kayaking, hiking or camping/lodging) with us. **North American** has been providing enjoyable trips on the Kennebec, Dead, Penobscot, Deerfield, Housatonic and West Rivers for over 19 years. We maintain a fleet of modern rafts and equipment for your convenience, and we think our staff is one of the best in the business.

While our company has an exemplary safety record, a rafting or kayaking trip on a natural flowing river can present some hazards. You must remember, a river trip on the Kennebec, Dead, Penobscot, Housatonic and West Rivers is not the same as Disneyland.

Because our trips take place in these outdoor settings, there are things that occur which are beyond our control. Examples of these are water flow, river conditions and weather.

People love to experience the thrill and adventure of the outdoors; however, they need to be aware of the hazards. Our liability insurance carriers require participants to sign a liability release. Children under eighteen(18) do not have to sign, and parents should note that, when they sign, they are not signing away their children's rights, but acknowledging the fact that a river trip does have some elements of risk.

The courts have never allowed, and should never allow, an outfitter to hide behind a waiver where gross negligence is involved. Unfortunately, our society seems to have gone mad about suing and the liability waiver at least protects us when we run our business in a prudent manner.

Remember, children under 18 are not required to sign. Parents are signing acknowledging they are aware of the type of activity in which their children are participating. We look forward to your visit and seeing you on the river. If you have any questions, please call our office.

Sincerely,
North American Whitewater Expeditions, Inc.

READ CAREFULLY
WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Circle:	Steak	Teriyaki Chicken	Salmon	Veggie Burger
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In consideration of North American Whitewater Expeditions, Inc./ d.b.a. North American Outdoor Adventure ("North American") furnishing services and/or equipment to enable me to participate in Class I-V+ whitewater rafting, kayaking, hiking, and ATV Tours, I agree as follows:

I fully understand and acknowledge that outdoor recreational services have: (a) inherent risks, dangers and hazards and such exists in my use of whitewater rafting, kayaking, hiking or ATV equipment and my participation in Class I-V+ whitewater rafting activities; (b) my participation in such activities and/or use of such equipment may result in injury or illness including, but not limited to bodily injury, disease, strains, fractures, partial and/or total paralysis, death or other ailments that could cause serious disability; (c) these risks and dangers may be caused by the negligence of the owners, employees, officers or agents of North American, the negligence of the participants, the negligence of others, accidents, breaches of contract, the forces of nature or other causes. Risks and dangers may arise from the foreseeable or unforeseeable causes including, but not limited to, guide decision making, including that a guide may misjudge terrain, weather, trail or river route location, and water level, risks of falling out of or drowning while in a raft, canoe or kayak and such other risks, hazards and dangers that are integral to recreational activities that take place in a wilderness, outdoor or recreational environment; and (d) by my participation in these activities and/or use of equipment, I hereby assume all risks and dangers and all responsibility for any losses and/or damages, whether caused in whole or in part by the negligence or other conduct of the owners, agents, officers, or employees of North American, or by any other person.

I, on behalf of myself, my personal representatives and my heirs hereby voluntarily agree to release, waive, discharge, hold harmless, defend and indemnify North American and its owners, agents, officers and employees from any and all claims, actions or losses for bodily injury, property damage, wrongful death, loss of services or otherwise which may arise out of my use of whitewater rafting, kayaking, hiking or ATV equipment or my participation in whitewater rafting, kayaking, hiking or ATV activities. I specifically understand that I am releasing, discharging and waiving any claims or actions that I may have presently or in the future for the negligent acts or others conduct by owners, agents, officers or employees of North American. The Venue of any dispute that may arise out of this agreement or otherwise between the parties to which North American Whitewater Expeditions or its agents, owners, officers and employees are a party shall be either the Town of West Forks, Somerset County Superior Court or, Litchfield County Supreme Court of the State of Connecticut, or, the Windham County Supreme Court of the State of Vermont.

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I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WAIVER AND RELEASE AND BY SIGNING IT AGREE TO ITS TERMS. IT IS MY INTENTION TO EXEMPT AND RELIEVE North American FROM LIABILITY, FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OR ANY OTHER CAUSE.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY & FILL OUT COMPLETELY

Name _____			Age _____	Date _____		
Address _____ Apt/Floor _____			<u>PLEASE CIRCLE:</u> Paddling Jacket Wet Suit Top Wet Suit Bottom Gloves	<u>PLEASE CIRCLE:</u> Housatonic Dead Kennebec Penobscot West Overnight	<u>OTHER INTERESTS</u> Snowmobiling Snowshoeing Fishing Hunting ATV Tours Hiking	
Town _____	State _____	Zip _____	Booties _____			
E-mail address: _____						

Number of trips you've taken with North American: ___ Has your household ever received a schedule from us? Y N Is this address new? Y N

Signature _____	<u>Contact Person In Case of Emergency</u> Name & Phone: _____ Their relationship to you: _____
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Please circle any of the following which you *are* or *have been* affected by:
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