Dear Intro to Sea Kayaking Enthusiast, Fall Semester 2009

Welcome to Intro to Sea Kayaking. We are thrilled to have you enrolled in this course and are excited to assist you in learning and enjoying the sport of sea kayaking. We will introduce you to several important skills of sea kayaking including paddling techniques, rescues, kayak navigation and more. This course will challenge each person to his or her level of comfort and every person should leave with some new information and skills for safe sea kayaking.

It is important for you to know that this course has a mandatory attendance policy. **Failure to attend all of each class in its entirety will result in a failing grade. No make ups can be given.** With that said, we look forward to seeing you at every class.

Meeting Dates, Times and Places

Before class meets:

Get the required textbook (see below) and do the homework assignment.

Both Sections:

Friday, September 18, 2009 Masterton Hall, G 8 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Class room day. Turn in homework assignment. Be prepared for a short lunch break.

Section P 2370:

Saturday, September 19, 2009 Hen Cove 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

On-water day. Bring everything on the Bring List.

Section P 1809:

Sunday, September 20, 2009 Hen Cove 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

On-water day. Bring everything on the Bring List.

Inclement Weather Day ■ Mandatory for both sections ■ Rain, by itself, is not considered inclement weather.

Friday, September 25, 2009 Hen Cove 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

On-water day. Bring everything on the Bring List.

If for any reason all or part of your on-water day [Saturday or Sunday] is cancelled by the instructors, you must attend Friday, Sept. 25th. Failure to attend will result in failure of the course. No make ups can be given.

Due to the nature of this course, we are fortunate to have a small class size. **Register within 5 days of attaining our permission**. Failure to register for this class immediately may result in forfeiture of your spot. We are expecting a waiting list for students who were unable to get in. If for some reason you decide to drop this course, we would appreciate being notified ASAP so that others may have a chance to add.

To help maximize the safety and learning experience for every person involved in this course, **we ask that you arrive with all of the required items on the "Bring List" (see attached) for our on water day.** If for any reason you are missing a required piece of equipment, please let us know at least one week in advance and we will do everything we can to try to assist you in obtaining the gear needed.

An inclement weather date is scheduled. Please make sure your personal schedules will allow you to attend this date if needed. For this course, inclement weather includes high winds and lightning. **Rain, by itself, is not considered inclement weather**. **We will paddle in rain if the opportunity arises.**

A **$45.00** per person equipment rental fee and an **$8.00** per car parking fee will be charged. You will need to make the **$45.00 payment directly to the Seaspray Kayaking and $8 payment directly to Bethel Point Boat Yard** the day of our on-water experience. See the "Bring List" for more details.

We look forward to our time together in September. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact one of us.

Yours in adventure,

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