

# NEWP, Inc.

(aka Northeast Wisconsin Paddlers)

## 2023 ANNUAL MEETING

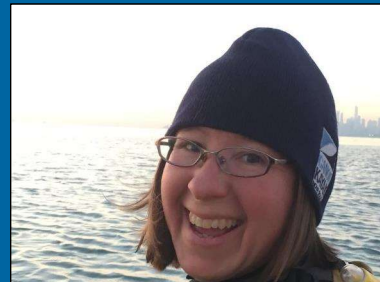
November 12, 2022

1

## 2023 Annual Meeting Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Club Business Meeting
- Feature Presentation by Andrea Knepper
- Dinner Networking

Background video featuring  
2022 paddle highlights  
courtesy of Ken Braband!



2

## NEWP, Inc. Club Business Meeting Agenda

1. [2022 Annual Meeting Minutes](#)
2. Financial Report
3. Annual Election
4. Committee and Activity Reports
5. Member Input/ Discussion
6. Adjourn



3

## Financial Report by Treasurer Scott Thomson

- Beginning Balance
- Revenues – Major Sources
- Expenses – Major Items
- Ending Balance



Balance  
Sheet



Profit and  
Loss  
Statement

4

9:52 AM

11/07/22

Cash Basis

**NEWP, Inc.**  
**Balance Sheet**  
 As of October 30, 2022

	Oct 30, 22	Oct 31, 21	\$ Change
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
10000 · Community First C.U. - Checking	3,734.32	4,734.22	-999.90
10100 · Red River funds	1,869.54	717.27	1,152.27
10200 · PayPal	166.55	0.00	166.55
Total Checking/Savings	5,770.41	5,451.49	318.92
Total Current Assets	5,770.41	5,451.49	318.92
Fixed Assets			
21000 · Boats			
21100 · River Kayaks	16,200.41	16,200.41	0.00
21200 · Coastal Kayaks	5,982.50	4,682.50	1,300.00
Total 21000 · Boats	22,182.91	20,882.91	1,300.00
22000 · Equipment			
22100 · Paddles	920.00	920.00	0.00
22200 · Spray Skirts	3,087.00	3,087.00	0.00
22300 · Helmets	2,431.00	2,431.00	0.00
22400 · PFDs	759.76	759.76	0.00
22500 · Other Equipment	1,348.57	1,348.57	0.00
Total 22000 · Equipment	8,546.33	8,546.33	0.00
23000 · Trailers	3,889.94	4,689.94	-800.00
Total Fixed Assets	34,619.18	34,119.18	500.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>40,389.59</b>	<b>39,570.67</b>	<b>818.92</b>

5

**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

Equity			
39000 · Club Equity	33,871.70	33,871.70	0.00
39100 · Unrestricted Net Assets	3,691.16	3,474.89	216.27
Net Income	2,826.73	2,224.08	602.65
Total Equity	40,389.59	39,570.67	818.92
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>40,389.59</b>	<b>39,570.67</b>	<b>818.92</b>

6

## Financial Report – Balance Sheet

- Profit and Loss Statement – Available for reference
- Consider new fund-raising activities?
  - Silent auction at gear swap?
- Discussion? Corrections?
  - Consider Motion to Accept Financial Report



7

## Annual Election! Officers and Directors

- All volunteer ☺
- 2-year Terms; No term limits
- Any club member is eligible for Board of Directors
  - Board meetings are mixed – “in person,” hybrid and virtual
  - Committee activity is growing!
    - Any club member can serve on committees
    - Always need more committee members



8

## 2023 Election Process

- If no contested races, request a motion to approve full slate of nominations as presented
- For any contested positions, distribute paper ballots and request:
  - Designate officer position and enter one name.
  - Designate Directors and enter up to four names.
  - Double-ballot count determines winners based on majority votes.

9

## 2023 Board Positions and Election Details

Position	Member	Term Ends	2023 Candidate?
President	Jeff Mazanec	2023	Yes
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Ken Braband</i>	<i>2024</i>	--
Secretary	Will Stahl	2023	Yes
Treasurer	Scott Thomson	2023	Yes
Past President	<vacant>		
Director	Angie Gruis	2023	No
Director	Mike Stone	2023	Yes
Director	Bill Burton	2023	No
<i>Director</i>	<i>Josh Gundlach</i>	<i>2024</i>	--
<i>Director</i>	<i>Dan Dallich</i>	<i>2024</i>	--
<i>Director</i>	<i>Abby Ledvina</i>	<i>2024</i>	--
Director	Bill Merrick	2023	Yes

(UPDATED TO SHOW FINAL NOMINATIONS  
AND RESULT OF ELECTIONS)

### Nominations for:

#### President

- Jeff Mazanec

#### Secretary

- Scott Thomson

#### Treasurer

- Scott Oftedahl

#### Past President

- Bill Merrick

### Nominations for:

#### Directors (4)

- Will Stahl
- Mike Stone
- Angie Lent
- Bill Burton

10

## Committee Reports

- Classes/ Student Outings - Jeff
- Paddling Film Festival - Ken
- Gear Swap - Jeff
- Public Paddles - Dave
- Membership and Canoeconopia - Angie
- Club Trips
  - Rock Island - Ken
  - Apostle Islands and Door County Gathering - Jeff
  - Green Bay West Shore and Pictured Rocks - Debbie
- Red River - Will
- Website - Scott
- Awards - Committee

11

## 2022 Classes and Student Outings

- Two-Session Essentials Classes
  - Fox West (Greenville YMCA) – 1 class; 7 people
  - Appleton YMCA – 2 classes; 4 and 10 people
- Two-Session Rolls/ Rescues Class
  - Appleton YMCA – 1 class; 12 people
- Annual Student Outing
  - Red River Whitewater – Saturday June 4
  - Manitowoc River/ Lake Michigan Coastal – Sunday June 5



12

## 2023 Classes and Student Outings

- Kayak Essentials (3 session classes)
  - Fox West YMCA (Greenville) – Thursdays; 1/5, 12 and 19
  - Appleton YMCA – Two classes, Sundays: 1/22, 29 and 2/5; 2/12, 19 and 26
- Kayak Roll/ Rescue Class (3 sessions)
  - Appleton YMCA – 3/5, 19 and 26
- Open Pool (Appleton YMCA) **1:30 PM**
  - 1/22, 29; 2/5, 12, 19, 26; 3/5, 19 and 26
- Annual Student Outings
  - Whitewater: Red River – Saturday June 3
  - Coastal: Manitowoc River/ Lake Michigan – Sunday June 4



13

## NEWP's 2022 World Tour Paddling Film Festival



Lawrence University's  
Warch Campus Center

Saturday, March 26, 2022



Committee  
Ken Braband  
Bill Burton  
David Horst

Purchase tickets at [NEWP.club!](http://NEWP.club!)

14



# NEWP's 2023 World Tour Paddling Film Festival



## NEW VENUE!

Perry Hall/ UW-O at Fox Valley campus in Menasha

**Saturday  
March 25, 2023**

Committee  
Ken Braband  
Jeff Mazanec  
David Horst

Purchase tickets at [NEWP.club!](http://NEWP.club!)

15

## 2022 Gear Swap



- At The Bar on Lynndale in Appleton
  - Still a great space with great food
- Decent turnout
  - Successful pre-sell and on-floor sales
  - Hosted 3 presentations
- No club cost or revenue;



16



## 2023 Gear Swap April 22, 2023

- Back at The Bar on Lynndale in Appleton
- Third year at this venue
  - Lengthy promotional period
  - Great spring timing
- Ideas for:
  - 3 – 4 paddle-oriented presentations?
  - Club fund raising options?
- Earlier open: 10 AM – 3 PM!

### PADDLER'S GEAR SWAP

**WHEN**  
April 22, 2023  
10 am - 3 pm

**WHERE**  
**The Bar—Lynndale**  
2435 W Nordale Dr.  
Appleton, WI 54914



**FEATURING** • Kayaks • Canoes  
Camping Gear • Paddles • PFDs  
Paddling and Outdoor Gear  
Presentations • Networking  
Great Food and Beverages • Door  
Prizes • **EXPANSIVE SPACE**

[WWW.NEWP.CLUB](http://WWW.NEWP.CLUB)

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**  
No Admission Fee  
Door Prizes

**PRESENTATIONS**  
Kayak Camping  
US Coast Guard  
2022 Paddle Events

**DETAILS**  
Bring your spare  
boats, outdoor gear,  
friends and wish list!  
More information at  
[www.NEWP.club](http://www.NEWP.club)





17

## 2022 Public Paddles

- June: Peshtigo Paddle  
33 paddlers and a great cookout!
- July: Heart-of-the-Valley Locks paddle  
95 paddlers
- August: Manitowoc River Paddle  
18 paddlers and great pizza!
- September: Friday Night Lights of Oshkosh  
19 paddlers and a great time!



### Public Paddles Committee

Tom Young  
David Horst  
Scott Thomson  
Jeff Mazanec

18

## 2023 Public Paddles

- June 16-18: Peshtigo Paddle Weekend (and cookout)
- July 22: Fox River – Berlin to Omro
- August ??: Appleton Locks Paddle (*H-o-V backup*)
- September 29: Friday Night Lights of Oshkosh



### Public Paddles Committee

Tom Young  
David Horst  
Scott Thomson  
Jeff Mazanec

19

## Membership Committee Update

- NEWP membership – 114
  - ACA renewal dates do not change
  - NEWP membership year now 12/1 – 11/30
  - Non-member participation in classes, public paddle events, gear swap and film festival
- Committee activities
  - Established online membership forms
  - Online payments using PayPal, Venmo, or credit/ debit card for events and renewals
- ACA member benefits
  - Subaru VIP haggle-free pricing
  - Paddling or Kayak Angler magazine
  - Insurance
  - ACA eStore
  - Promotion of paddling safety and training

### Committee

Dan Dallich  
Angie Lent  
Scott Thomson  
Bill Burton



20

## Membership Committee Update

- NEWP member benefits
  - Club only paddle trips and events
  - Free group camping (Rock Island, DC Gathering)
  - Discounted public paddle events
  - NEWP logo gear (Squadlocker)
  - Support safe paddling
  - Camaraderie and paddling opportunities



<https://americancanoe.org/join/member-benefits>



21

## Canoecopia Booth!

- NEWP will host a booth at Canoecopia 2023
  - Connect with club members
  - Meet new paddlers
  - Promote club activities
  - Handout club stickers? Other swag?
  - Activity schedule/ postcard?
- Booth volunteers welcome!
  - Angie will coordinate

**March 10-12, 2023**

22

## NEWP Club Trips

- Rock Island Kayak Campout
- Apostle Islands Trips
- Green Bay West Shore Trip
- Door County Gathering
- Pictured Rocks?
- Garden Peninsula?



23

## Rock Island Kayak Campout

- 2022 – Overview
- 2023 – June 11-14, 2023
  - Group Campsite on Rock Island State Park
  - Dates in June 2023 to be confirmed
  - Daily destinations/ trip plans based on interest and conditions
  - No charge for tent camping
  - Sea kayak and appropriate gear required
  - All food, camping gear, clothing, etc. transported in YOUR kayak!
  - REGISTRATION OPEN SOON!

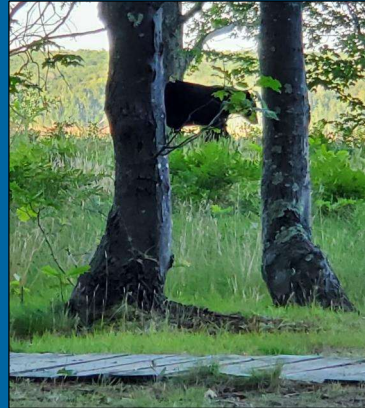


24



## Apostle Islands Trips 2022 Adventures

- Oak Island, Friday 7/29 – Monday 8/1
  - Six participants
  - Outstanding food and great conditions!
- Sand Island, Thursday 8/18 – Sunday 8/21
  - Seven participants
  - Great conditions
  - Sea caves; fog paddle and hiking



25

## Lake Superior Trips – 2023 Options

- Apostle Islands (*at least one trip*)
  - Novice to intermediate group of 8 - 14
  - Sand or Oak Island destination
  - Three nights; base camp and daytrips
  - **March lottery** for group campsites
- Pictured Rocks
  - Intermediate to advanced group
  - Traveling itinerary
  - Three to four nights; moving camps
  - Planning underway



26

# Annual Door County Gathering

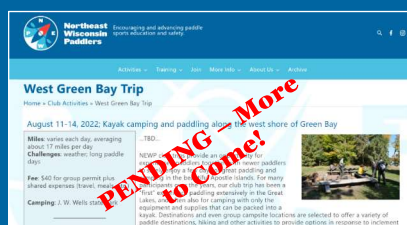
- 2022 – Over 30 participants; several great paddles and meals
- Registration open for **2023** in early 2023
  - Orchard Group Campsite at Peninsula State Park
  - 4 nights: Wednesday 9/6 – Sunday 9/10
  - No charge for tent camping
  - Daily paddle plans based on interest and conditions
  - State park sticker required
  - Group non-paddle activity options, too?



27

# West Green Bay Shoreline

- August 11 – 14, 2022
  - Base camp at J.W. Wells State Park
  - One-way shoreline trips
  - Daily shuttle returns to park
  - Shoreline lunch stops
  - Sea kayak; appropriate gear required
- 2023 Trip Planning Underway

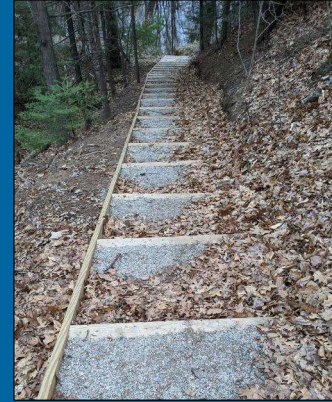


28



## Red River Landing Project Status

- Changing booth upgrade planning
- Shoreline/ access options pending
- Communicate Rules-of-Use/ Signage
- Fundraising efforts
  - Major donation – whitewater boat for Red River fund benefit



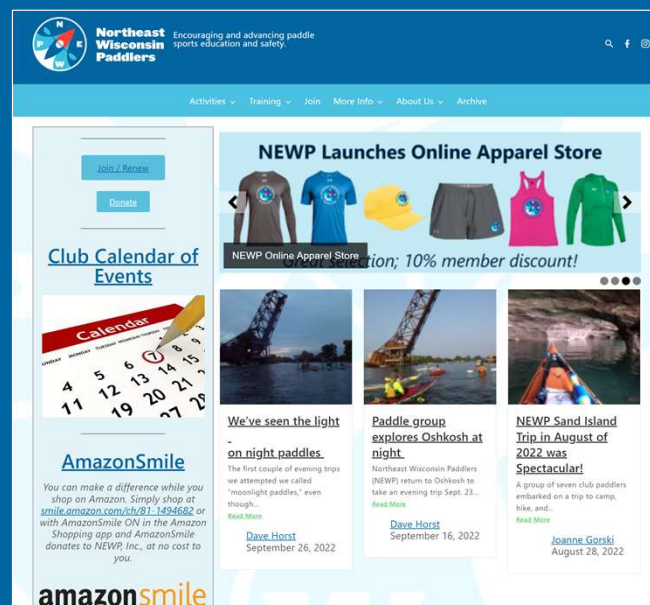
Committee  
Mike Brown  
Bill Merrick  
Jack Roberts  
Will Stahl  
Josh Gundlach

29

## NEWP Website

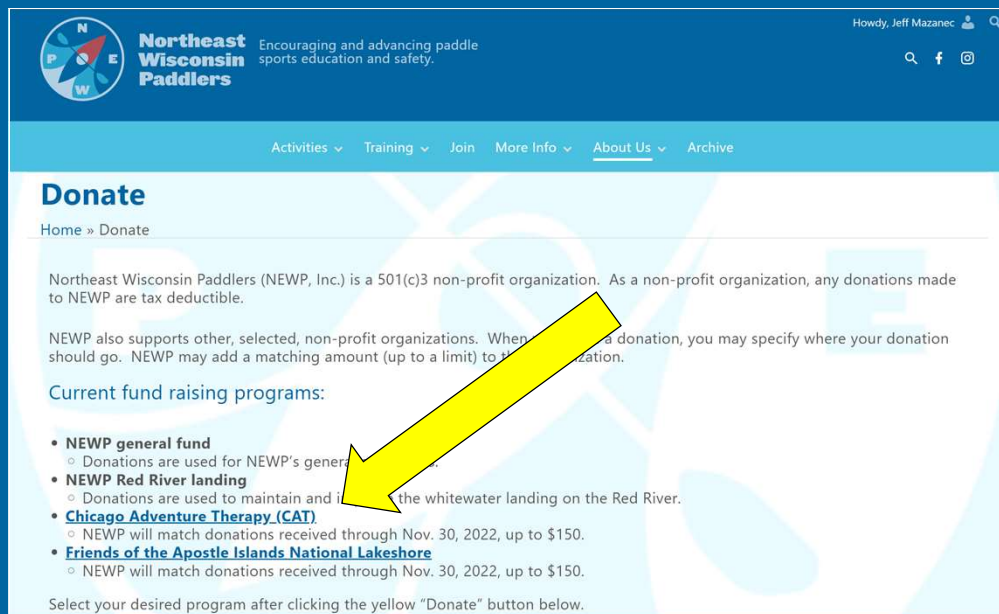
- Website Status
  - Always updating
  - Hack attacks
  - Blog posts
  - Content welcome!

Committee  
Scott Thomson  
David Horst  
Ken Braband  
Jeff Mazanec



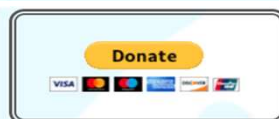
30

# NEWP Donations



31

## NEWP Donations



<https://newp.club/donate/>

### NEWP support of other organizations:

- 2021: **\$1,000.00** to **Friends of the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore**
  - \$744.66 from the club trip participants
  - \$255.34 matching donation from NEWP
- 2019: **\$610.86** to **Friends of the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore**
  - \$310.86 from the club trip participants
  - \$300.00 matching donation from NEWP

### Direct support of NEWP's operations:

- 2022 (as of 10/18):
  - **\$1,150.00** for **NEWP's Red River landing**
  - **\$52.06** from [Amazon Smile](#)
- 2021:
  - **\$258.00** for **NEWP's Red River landing**
  - **\$80.34** from [Amazon Smile](#)
- 2020:
  - **\$250.00** for **NEWP's Red River landing**
  - **\$5.32** from [Amazon Smile](#) (our first year in the program)

32

## Awards Committee Update

- Soliciting nominations for all three award categories
- Moving awards deadline to January 31, annually (?)
- Combining awards night with film festival

Committee  
Mike Stone  
Ken Braband  
Josh Gundlach  
Will Stahl



33

## Awards Committee – Three Awards

### Impact Award

Recognizes an individual whose outstanding contributions have strengthened NEWP's programs and activities.

### Paddle Ambassador Award

Recognizes an individual whose actions have made an outstanding contribution to paddle sports.

### Wisconsin Paddlers Hall of Fame

Recognizes someone with a connection to Wisconsin who has made outstanding, long-term contributions (20 years or more) and a far-reaching impact on paddle sports.

Committee  
Mike Stone  
Ken Braband  
Josh Gundlach  
Will Stahl

34

## Member Input and Discussion

- What about the new annual meeting date?
- Other new business?
  - —
  - —
- Thank You's, Conclusion and Adjourn for Presentation!



**Northeast  
Wisconsin  
Paddlers**

Encouraging and advancing paddle sports education and safety.

35



36