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2023 Annual Meeting Agenda

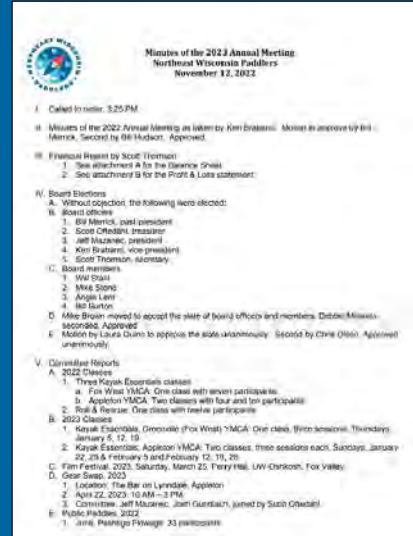
- Welcome & Introductions
- Club Business Meeting
- Feature Presentations by Marit Haug and Sandra Newbury
- Dinner and Networking

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NEWP, Inc. Club Business Meeting Agenda

- 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes
- Financial Report
- Annual Election
- Committee and Activity Reports
- Member Input/ Discussion
- Adjourn



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Financial Report by Treasurer Scott Oftedahl

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



Balance Sheet



Profit and Loss Statement

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Checking/Savings			
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10100 · Red River funds	1,841.53	1,869.54	-28.01
10200 · PayPal	1,987.13	166.55	1,820.58
Total Checking/Savings	8,106.29	5,770.41	2,335.88
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Fixed Assets			
21000 · Boats			
21100 · River Kayaks	16,200.41	16,200.41	0.00
21200 · Coastal Kayaks	5,882.50	5,982.50	-100.00
Total 21000 · Boats	22,082.91	22,182.91	-100.00
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	3,889.94	0.00
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Equity			
39000 · Club Equity	33,871.70	33,871.70	0.00
39100 · Unrestricted Net Assets	4,957.26	3,691.16	1,266.10
Net Income	3,838.72	2,826.73	1,011.99
Total Equity	42,667.68	40,389.59	2,278.09
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	42,667.68	40,389.59	2,278.09

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Financial Report – Balance Sheet

- Profit and Loss Statement – Available for reference
- Will Joll Memorial
- Review new fund-raising activities
 - Silent auction at gear swap
 - Raffles (gear swap, DC Gathering)
- Discussion? Corrections?
 - Consider Motion to Accept Financial Report



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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



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2023 Election Process

- Officer positions first, then director positions
- Uncontested races – Move to approve nominations as presented
- Contested positions – Use paper ballots for:
 - Vice President – Enter one name
 - Directors – Enter up to four names; top four vote counts win



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2024 Board Positions and Election Details

Position	Member	Term Ends	2024 Candidate?
President	Jeff Mazanec	2025	--
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Ken Braband</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>Yes</i>
Secretary	Scott Thomson	2025	--
Treasurer	Scott Oftedahl	2025	--
Past President	Bill Merrick	2025	--
Director	Will Stahl	2025	--
Director	Mike Stone	2025	--
<i>Director</i>	<i>Bill Burton</i>	<i>2025</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Director</i>	<i>Josh Gundlach</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Director</i>	<i>Dan Dallich</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Director</i>	<i>Abby Ledvina</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>Yes</i>
Director	Bill Merrick	2023	--

Nomination Form:

Vice President

- Ken Braband* • _____

Directors (4 positions)

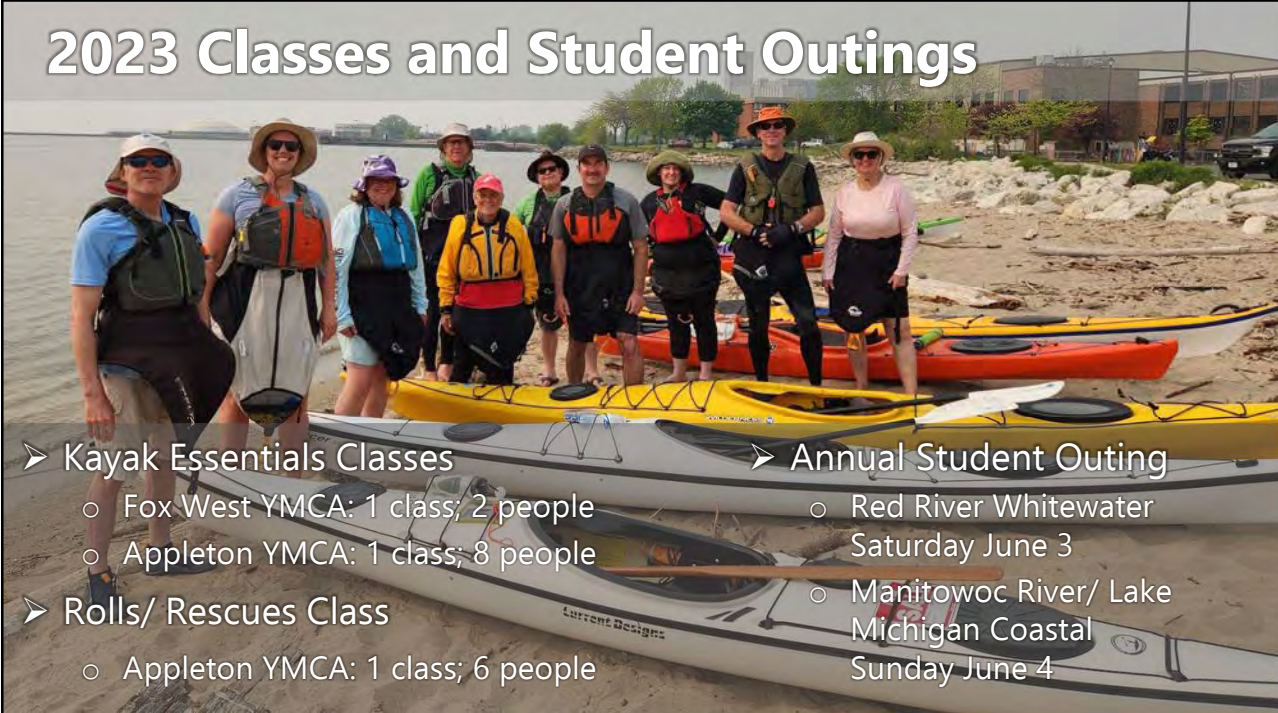
- Josh Gundlach* • Abby Ledvina*
- Dan Dallich* • Jodie Bartnik
- _____ • _____

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Committee Reports/ Updates

- Classes/ Student Outings - Jeff
- Paddling Film Festival - Ken
- Gear Swap - Jeff
- Public Paddles - Dave
- Membership and Canoeconia - Angie
- Website - Scott T
- Club Trips
 - Rock Island - Ken
 - Madison Gathering - Jodie
 - Apostle Islands and Door County Gathering - Jeff
 - Green Bay West Shore - Mike
 - Pictured Rocks - Mike(s)
- Red River Landing- Will
- Awards - Josh

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2023 Classes and Student Outings

- Kayak Essentials Classes
 - Fox West YMCA: 1 class; 2 people
 - Appleton YMCA: 1 class; 8 people
- Rolls/ Rescues Class
 - Appleton YMCA: 1 class; 6 people
- Annual Student Outing
 - Red River Whitewater Saturday June 3
 - Manitowoc River/ Lake Michigan Coastal Sunday June 4

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2024 Classes and Student Outings

- Kayak Essentials
 - Fox West YMCA (Greenville) – Thursdays; 1/11, 18 and 25
 - Appleton YMCA –Sundays: 1/28, 2/4, 2/11 and 2/18, 2/25, 3/3
- Roll/ Rescue Class
 - Appleton YMCA – 3/17, 3/24, 4/4
- Open Pool (Appleton YMCA) 1:30 PM
 - 1/28; 2/4, 11, 18, 25; 3/3, 17, 24; 4/4
- Student Outings
 - Whitewater: Red River – Saturday June 3
 - Coastal: Manitowoc/ Lake Michigan – Sunday June 4



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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
Joanne Gorski
Dennis Janda
David Horst

Also featured NEWPs Annual Awards!

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NEWP's 2024 Paddling Film Festival?

- Venue confirmed for March 23, 2024
- Need committee volunteers to:
 - Register with RapidMedia
 - Conduct publicity and promotional efforts
 - Select films and download videos
 - Manage/ distribute promotional flyers
 - Sell tickets
 - Solicit sponsors and door prizes
 - Coordinate volunteers, snacks and refreshments



If you'd like to help with (or lead!) the 2024 Film Festival Committee, please speak up, or contact a board member after the meeting!

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2023 Gear Swap

- At The Bar on Lyndale in Appleton
- Great turnout
 - Successful pre- and on-floor sales
 - Hosted 2 presentations
- Successful paddle raffle
- First silent auction
- Successful event; raised some cash for club operations



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2024 Gear Swap on April 13

- Back at The Bar on Lynndale in Appleton
- Fourth year at this venue
 - Lengthy promotional period
 - Great spring timing – one week earlier
- Ideas for:
 - 2 – 3 presentation ideas?
 - Club fund raising options?
- Bucket raffle???

PADDLER'S GEAR SWAP

WHEN
April 13, 2024

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

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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






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2023 Public Paddles

- June: Peshtigo Flowage Weekend
43 paddlers – and a great dinner!
- August: Appleton Locks Paddle
92 paddlers – and a headwind!
- July: Upper Fox River Paddle
30 paddlers – and T-storms!
- September: Oshkosh at Night
33 paddlers – and more headwind!



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2024 Public Paddles

- June 21-23: Peshtigo Paddle Weekend (and cookout)
- July 20: Lower Fox River/ Green Bay
- August ??: Appleton Locks Paddle
- September 14: East Twin River Paddle

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Membership Committee 2023 Update

- NEWP membership – 124
- Canoeconia Booth
 - Connected with club members and met new paddlers
 - Promoted club activities
 - Handout club stickers, swag, film festival announcement and an activity schedule postcard
 - Staffed by excited, enthusiastic paddlers!
- New NEWP Newsletter and Emails!



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Promote NEWP Membership Benefits

- MORE! Club paddle trips and events
- Free group camping (Rock Island, Madison and DC Gatherings)
- Discounted public paddle events
- Great Film Festival and Gear Swap
- NEWP logo gear (Squadlocker)
- Support safe paddling
- Camaraderie and paddling opportunities



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2024 Membership Plans? Stay tuned...

- Canoeconopia 2024: March 8 – 10
 - Booth volunteers welcome!
 - Angie will coordinate
- NEWP Newsletters and Email updates
- And more...

Membership Committee
 Angie Lent
 Scott Thomson
 Scott Oftedahl
 Dan Dallich

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NEWP Club Trips

- Rock Island Kayak Campout
- Madison Gathering
- Apostle Islands Trips
- Green Bay West Shore Trip
- Door County Gathering



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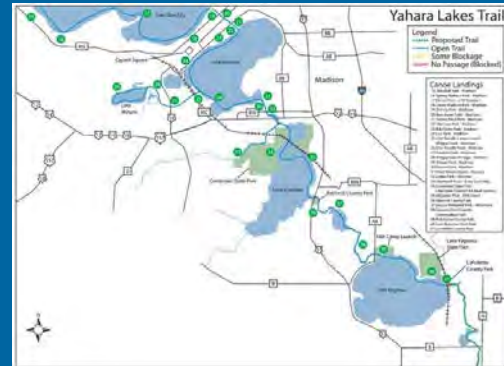
Rock Island Kayak Campout

- 2023 Overview
- 2024 – **June 9-13, 2024**
 - Group Campsite on Rock Island State Park
 - No charge for tent camping
 - Daily paddles based on interest and conditions
 - Sea kayak and appropriate gear required
 - All food, camping gear, clothing, etc. transported in YOUR kayak!
 - **REGISTRATION OPEN SOON!**

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1st Annual Madison Gathering

- July 15-19, 2023 – Several participants; great paddles and meals
- Plans for 2024 – Jodie Bartnik lead
 - Group camping at William G Lunney Lake Farm County Park
 - Same format as 2023
 - Registration in early 2024
 - Daily paddle plans based on interest and conditions
- Date Options...
 - May 24 – 27
 - July 11 – 14



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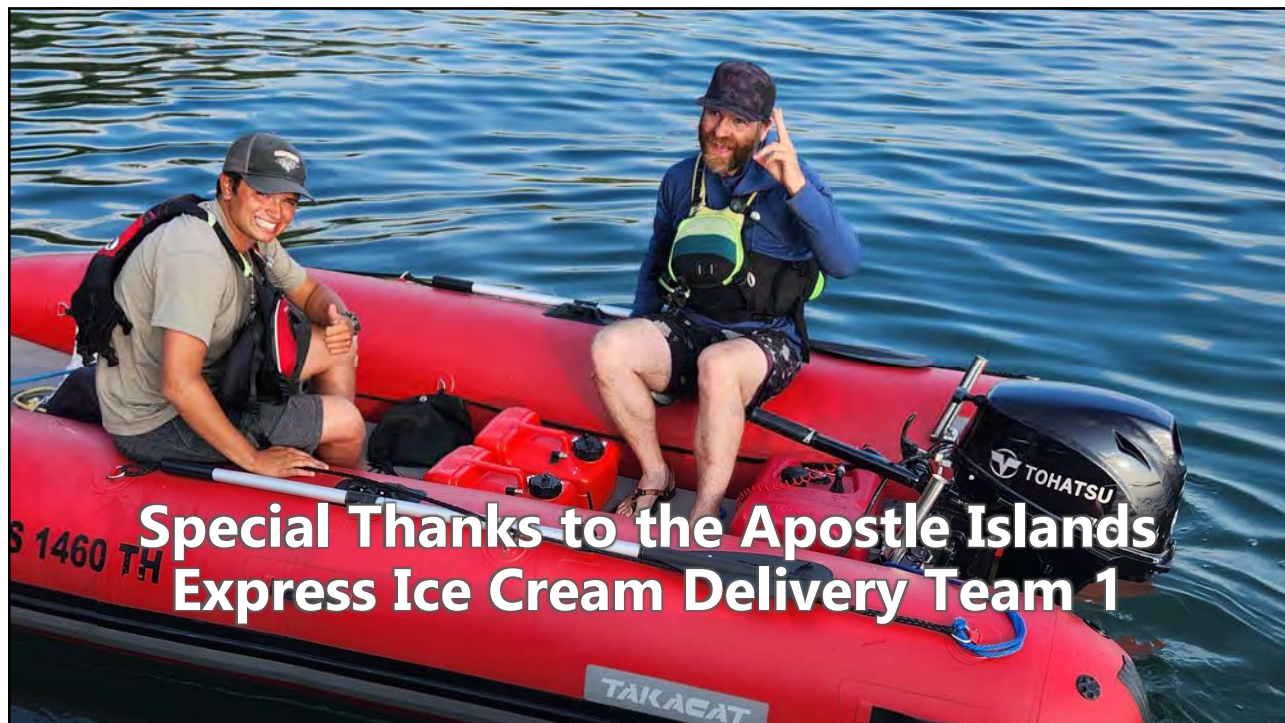
Apostle Islands Trip 1: August 1-4

- Oak Island Group Site B, Tuesday 8/1 – Friday 8/4
 - Fifteen participants
 - Outstanding food and great conditions!
 - Multiple Bear Visits

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2024 Apostle Islands Trips

LAKE SUPERIOR

- Two Trips Planned!
- Trip 1 – 3-night island camping
 - Oak, Sand or Stockton Islands
 - Angie Lent trip lead
 - Date and location subject to March lottery drawing
- Trip 2 – Bayfield Gathering
 - 3 or 4 nights
 - Mainland base camp (car camping)
 - Daily shoreline or island trips
 - Date subject to scheduling of Trip 1
 - Jeff Mazanec trip coordinator

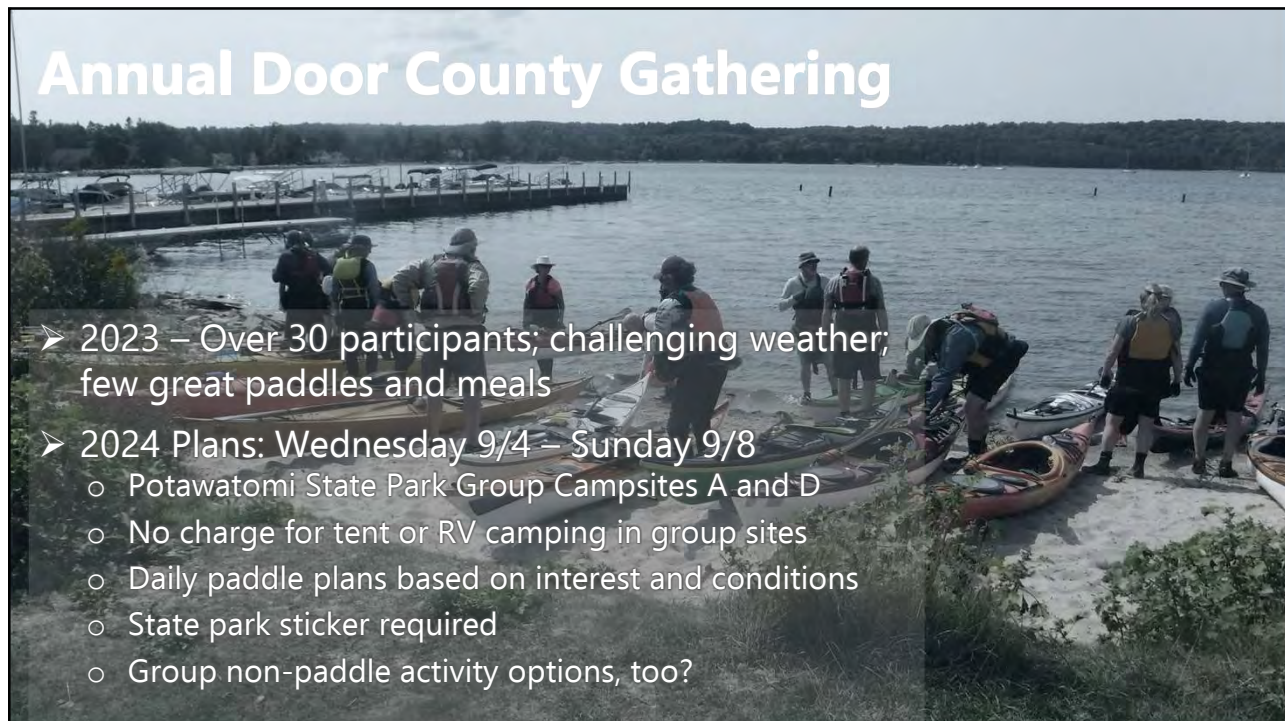
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Tour de Kayak West Green Bay Shoreline

- 2023 Trip Overview
 - Base camp at J.W. Wells State Park
 - One-way shoreline trips
 - Shoreline lunch stops
- 2024 Trip Planning Underway
 - Same format
 - Dates TBD

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Annual Door County Gathering

- 2023 – Over 30 participants; challenging weather; few great paddles and meals
- 2024 Plans: Wednesday 9/4 – Sunday 9/8
 - Potawatomi State Park Group Campsites A and D
 - No charge for tent or RV camping in group sites
 - Daily paddle plans based on interest and conditions
 - State park sticker required
 - Group non-paddle activity options, too?

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Lake Superior Trips – 2024 Options

- Pictured Rocks
 - Intermediate to advanced group
 - Traveling itinerary
 - Three to four nights; moving camps
 - Planning underway by Mike Stone and Michael Jordan
 - Stay tuned!
- Others?

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Red River Landing Project Status

- Signage acquired (Thanks, Scott!)
- Steps improved; landing area improved
- Changing booth upgrade planning



This Red River landing is owned and maintained by Northeast Wisconsin Paddlers (NEWP, Inc.), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

To keep this landing available for your use, please donate to the organization's Red River Fund. Your donation helps maintain the staircase, pay the property tax and fund future improvements.

Scan the QR code now or go online to: [NEWP:club/donate](https://www.newpaddlers.com/club/donate) to make your tax-deductible donation.





Committee

Will Stahl
Jack Roberts
Bill Merrick
Mike Brown
Josh Gundlach

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NEWP Website

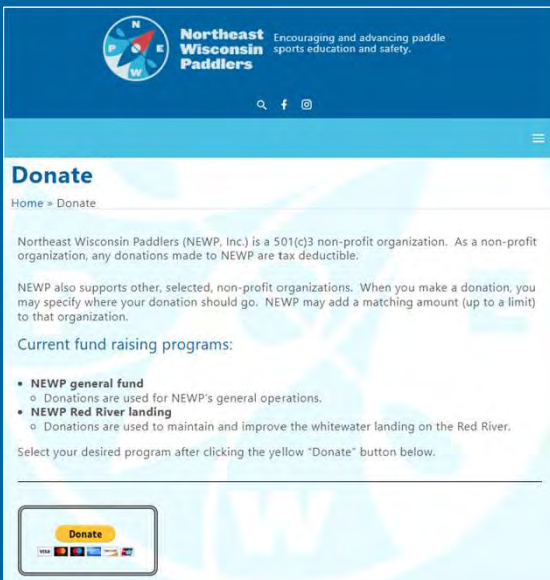
- Website Status
 - Always updating
 - Hack attacks
 - Blog posts
 - Content welcome!

[Committee](#)
 Scott Thomson
 David Horst
 Ken Braband
 Jeff Mazanec



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NEWP Donations



NEWP support of other organizations:

- 2022: **\$354.00** to [Chicago Adventure Therapy \(CAT\)](#)
 - \$194.00 from club members, collected at the annual meeting
 - \$150.00 matching donation from NEWP
- 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:
 - **\$1,150.00** for NEWP's **Red River landing**
 - **\$100.00** for NEWP's **general fund**
 - **\$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)

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Awards Committee Update

- Soliciting nominations for all three awards
 - Wisconsin Paddlers Hall of Fame
 - Paddle Ambassador Award
 - NEWP Impact Award
- Awards deadline is January 31
- Award presentations at film festival



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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.

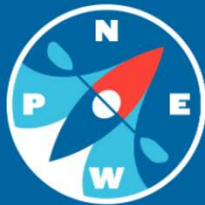
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Adjourn for Presentations!



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