

Hog Island Circle Paddle

Saturday November 15th, 2008 at 9:30 AM

WHEN: Saturday November 15th – Arrive 9:30 AM, Launch 10:00 AM

WHERE: Glenburnie Park boat ramp

PADDLE DISTANCE: About 12 miles

TRIP DIFFICULTY: ** Demanding (due to exposure to open water on Neuse River)

SKILL REQUIREMENTS: ** INTERMEDIATE

** Please consider your paddle abilities and weather conditions when planning for this trip. If you have any doubt, contact your trip leader for advice. TRPC membership not required however, applications are available at website (www.twinriverspaddleclub.org).

TRIP DETAILS: Join other paddlers for an exploration paddle trip up the Neuse River from Glenburnie Park around Hog Island and back down the Gut to land at Glenburnie Park again.

The outbound portion will bring us about 5 miles upstream in an open section of the Neuse River lined with beautiful cypress trees. We will get a chance to see some really large ones. There are sandy areas along this portion to get out and have lunch (depending on water level).

As we get to the top of Hog Island we will turn into the 'Gut' (a more protected parallel branch of the Neuse) and return to the park through marshland and down past the Hatteras Facility.

PROVISIONS NEEDED: A type II or III PFD must be worn and properly secured, spray skirts are needed if the conditions are windy. The water temperature at this time of year may be quite cold. Remember to dress for the water not the air. Don't forget your lunch, sunscreen and water.

LAUNCH: No later than 10:00 am

TIME ON WATER: 5-hour max. Off the water no later than 3 PM

SHUTTLE: None.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO PUT-IN:

From downtown New Bern: Drive out Broad Street, keep right onto Neuse Boulevard (Rt. 55). Turn right on Simmons Street proceed about a mile and turn left on Oaks Road. Continue about half a mile and turn right on Glenburnie Drive. Continue on Glenburnie Drive to the boat ramp.

TRIP LEADER: John Klecker, 252-638-9039 Home, 252-229-6959 Mobile, or jklecker@yahoo.com

RSVP:

Please let me know by e-mail or phone if you plan to come on the trip or if you have any questions.