

THE BEAN/ORIENTAL CREEKS

Saturday, December 15, 2007

WHEN: Saturday, December 15, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

WHERE: Meet in Oriental at the Bean Coffee Shop, downtown on Hodges Street. Paddle departure and path depends on weather conditions. Will paddle Greens Creek if wind favorable.

PADDLE DISTANCE: 5-6 miles depending on conditions

SKILL REQUIREMENTS: This trip is appropriate for beginners as long as wind conditions are below 10 to 15 miles@ hour

TRIP DETAILS: We will meet at The Bean coffee shop in downtown Oriental at 9:00 a.m. for a pre paddle social. Drink some java or just swap sea stories on the porch overlooking the harbor before we pick a creek and sally forth. This trip is not a wringer outer, but rather a time to paddle and chat while checking out the nooks and crannies around the beautiful town of Oriental (of course you can just show and go for it if that's your thing).

PROVISIONS NEEDED: **ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST WEAR THEIR PFD AT ALL TIMES WHILE IN THEIR VESSEL AND AFLOAT.** Bring warm clothing and a dry bag w/ some emergency clothing and towel is always prudent. Avoid cotton ("COTTON KILLS"). Some water and a snack are advised.

LAUNCH: by 10:00 a.m.

TIME ON THE WATER: 2 to 4 hour max (off the water by 2 p.m.)

TRIP COORDINATOR: Terry Rich at richenough@always-online.com or 252 633-9715