

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Western PA Solo Canoe Rendezvous will be held on the first weekend of June in 2011. This is Friday through Sunday June 3, 4, and 5. It will be held again at Cooper's Lake Campground in Portersville PA. The Rendezvous is a gathering of solo canoe enthusiasts in particular (though tandems are by no means excluded). It features various manufacturers and designers of solo canoes with demo models of their boats available for test-paddling; demonstrations of, and informal instruction in, FreeStyle paddling; assorted programs on various aspects of canoe design, construction, and use in the real world; food; live entertainment on one or both evenings (Fri and Sat); Dead Fish Polo; a Candlelight Paddle on Saturday evening; pick-up paddling trips on local streams/rivers; informal gear/boat sales and swaps; a pot-luck Vegetarian dinner on the Friday night that can't be beat: and Goodness Knows Whatall. It is an opportunity to immerse yourself in solo canoes for 60 some hours (or more) to the exclusion of all other reality.

Everyone is encouraged to bring their own solo craft, since at least part of the experience is being able to look over (and perhaps paddle) a large array of classic solo canoes that you just don't see all that often.

In particular this year we are looking to assemble as many Curtis Dragonflies as possible for a "Dragonfly Reunion" – west PA was once a hot-bed for these boats, and there are a fair number still in the area. We encourage any and all Drangonfliers to come be with us and bring your boat for (at the very least) one highly unusual Group Picture. Colden Canoe will also be on hand with one of the first "new" Dragonflies to be produced since the mid-nineties.

There is no charge for the Event per se, though the Campground does charge a modest fee for Day-Trippers, and of course assesses a fee for camping. This early in the game precise details as to scheduling, who will be attending, etc. have not been set in cement. We will provide such info as it becomes available here on this site, so check with us periodically.

Do come – it's a Very Nice Affair Indeed.