

Peace River Brigade: Passing the Paddle Info' Note #2 2020 March 16

Are you a Voyageur Canoe Team Captain and anxious to participate in a historic celebration of Voyageur history? Then consider Paddling the Peace River from July 7 to 13th 2020!.

Combining history with paddling, this family friendly Voyageur Brigade is 6 day trip down the Mighty Peace River from BC border to the town of Peace River. This is a scenic wilderness run, on a largely deeply incised river that played a significant role in the exploration and opening of trade routes to the Pacific: Alexander MacKenzie wintered at Fort Dunvegan before completing his transcontinental crossing in 1793,



Cost per team will be \$2000 with a \$300 Pre-Registration fee required per Team Captain.

Pre-Registration for Team Captains only is open now on

Zone4: <https://zone4.ca/register.asp?id=22965>

Alternately, Team Captains can visit www.zone4.ca and type in "Passing the Paddle" in the search bar and the registration form will pop up.

Should you experience any difficulties with Pre-Registration, please contact Carrie- Anne Guthrie caguthrie42@gmail.com

Registration for crew member and individual paddlers will begin in April. All paddlers must be pre-registered as members of CVBS to participate on the Brigade.

Please note we are very carefully monitoring health and safety concerns during the COVID-19 pandemic. The government has called for cancellation or postponement of any events that would draw more than 250 people. While we are under the target size limit, and we are scheduled for after what is hoped to be the start of returning to whatever the "new normal" turns out to be, the organizing committee will follow the guidance of public health officials during this extraordinary time. Should a decision need to be made to suspend or postpone the Brigade at a later date, we will refund all monies paid to date.

Looking forward to paddling with you on the Peace in July!
Cheers,

W. BRUCE CLARK, RICK ZROBACK

Co-Coordiators

Passing The Paddle, Peace River 2020

Peace River Brigade July 8 - July 13, 2020

Day	Date	Purpose	Location	Access Highway	Section Distance	Daily Distance	Trip Distance	Comments
Day 0	Tues, July 07	Registration & Camp	Cotillion Park	681	0	0	0	Registration for Brigade, Park located on south side of river west of Spirit Rive. Training session planned at park if possible.
Day 1	Wed, July 08	Morning session	Cotillion Park		0	0	0	Training session continues on river.
		Put in	Blackfoot Regional Park	Rolla Rd (203)	25	25	25	Continued training session in afternoon on river from Blackfoot Regional Park to Cotillion Park. Blackfoot Park located at site of original Clayhurst Ferry.
		Day 1 Pull out/Camping	Cotillion Park	681	0	25	25	Two nights of camping at Cotillion Park
Day 2	Thurs July 09	Put In	Cotillion Park	681	0	0	25	Paddle from Cotillion Park to Many Islands Park on North side of river. Shuttle long 2 hours 15 minutes east via Dunvegan. Same amount of time to go west via Blackfoot Regional Park
		Crew Change	Campbell's Lease	64	20	20	45	Crew Change to be verified, private property
		Day 2 Pull out/ Camping	Many Islands Campground	64	20	40	65	Pull out on river right at Many Islands Campground. Group camping , good gravel road access off Hwy 64.
Day 3	Fri, July 10	Put In	Many Islands Campground	64	0	0	65	Start day at Many Islands - short run to Carters Camp Campground
		Crew Change	Carters Camp Campground	685	19	19	84	Pull out on river left, access campground off township rd 834 and range rd 65 . Campground is 25 kms west of Hines Creek. Road is steep.
		Crew Change/ Pull out	Pratt's Landing	729/682	26	45	110	Pull out on river left, access campground off intersection of highway 729 and 682 , 32 kms west of Fairview. Leave canoes there and paddle to Dunvegan next morning.
		Day 3 Camping	Dunvegan Provincial Park	2				Stay in Maples Day use area adjacent to Historic Dunvegan for two nights.
Day 4	Sat, July 11	Put In	Pratts Landing	729/682	0	0	110	Drive from Dunvegan back to Pratt's Landing and start day there for paddle onto Dunvegan Provincial Park.
		Day 4 Pull out/Camping	Dunvegan Provincial Park	2	26	26	136	Pul out river left. Pull out upstream of Dunvegan to put on regalia. Official landing at Dunvegan.
Day 5	Sun, July 12	Put In	Dunvegan Provincial Park	2	0	0	136	Start longest day at Dunvegan Provincial Park. Breakfast to be hosted by County of Fairview.
			Water Pump Station	2	13	13		Short run from Dunvegan to water pump station on river left. Off hwy 2 south on range road 35 and west on twp rd 800A. Crew change to be verified in field.
		Crew Change	Elk Island Park	2	18	18	154	River left. Off hwy 2 south on rg rd 11 and east on twp rd 802A. Crew change location to be verified in field.
		Day 5 Pull Out/Camping	Peace Cabins/Shafsbury Ferry	740	36	54	190	Pull out River right at Ferry. Camp at Peace Cabins 2/3 kms upstrem from ferry. Possible celebration to be hosted by County of Peace.
Day 6	Mon, July 13	Put In	Peace Cabins/Shafsbury Ferry/Tangent Park	740	0	0	213	Start paddle from Peace Cabins to Town of Peace River.
		Day 6 / End of Brigade	Peace River	2	25	25	238	Pull out on river right at Riverfront Park in Peace River. Possible welcoming ceremony in Peace River.