**Drumchapel & Clydebank Kayak Club**

**Newsletter**

**July/August 2012**

Sorry folks for the very long delay in getting out this copy of the Newsletter; this was due to a few technical problems on my side. So this will be a very short Newsletter.

**Trips to look forward to**

On the 24th we have a short trip out to the “Sugar Boat”, not far from Helensburgh. This is a quite an exceptional ship wreck as most of the ship is intact. If it is calm enough, and depending on the state of the tide we can even paddle into some parts of the wreck! We will be meeting at the stores for 1830 or at Helensburgh Pier for 1930.

On the 28th we have 3\* Sea Kayaking Training.

Tuesday 7th August. **NOT AT LOCH LOMOND!** We are going for a paddle on the River Clyde setting out from the new slipway at the Transport Museum. Meet at the store at 6.15pm as usual or in the car park at the transport museum (free after 6pm). We can see Glasgow from the river! This trip is suitable for all.

On the 11/12 of August we are planning to paddle on the Skye, weather depending will depend on the area which we paddle.

On the 12th of August Graham is running a Surf Trip to East Lothian. This will be suitable for all, including children and knarly old sea kayakers. 9am at store. In the event of no surf we may arrange a couple of options, a wee river trip and a Loch/Sea paddle.

On the 14th we have a short paddle on the Lake of Menteith, Scotland’s only Lake! This paddle is suitable for all types of Canoes and Kayaks. Meeting at the container for the usual 1830 or Aberfoyle car-park for 1915 before going in .

On the 25/26 of August we are planning to paddle in the Sound of Luing. As many people are aware this is a fantastic area in which to paddle, coupled with some interesting tides! We are planning to depart Glasgow around 1000 and be on the water at Easdale for around 1400 (ish). From Easdale we take a gentle paddle with the ebbing tide south to the Corryyvreckan. Slack water here is at 1730, from here we take the flood tide back up to the Garvellachs, and camp here for the night. The following morning we will still have a flood tide taking us back to Easdale for an early finish.

**Diary**

**July**

24 Tuesday Sugar Boat All 1830 Rab

28 3\* Sea Training 0900 Rab

**August**

7 River Clyde All 1815 Graham

11/12 Skye B/C TBC Rab

12 Surf Trip All 0900 Graham

14 Lake of Menteith All 1830 Rab

25/26 Sound of Luing B/C 1000 Rab

**September**

1 3\* Sea Training 0900 Rab