

Keel-hauler's Ka-news MAY, 2024



Next Keel-hauler meeting to be announced...

**Keel-hauler Treasurer's Report
April 24, 2024
From Anthony Lazzaro**

Checking	\$2,574.55
CD	\$2,323.12
CD	\$2,323.31
<u>PayPal</u>	<u>\$5,772.95</u>
Total	\$12,993.93

**SlipFest 2024 Recap
April 12 – 14, 2024
By Kristen Walters-Magg and Matt Pascal**

Slip Fest 2024 all came together with Neshannock Creek!

The Slip Fest 2024 all came together better than any of us could have imagined. With extra effort on the whole team to get a plan together each day for how the event would work best and safely for everyone.

Not only was our beer sponsor Neshannock Creek Brewing, but the Slip Fest race was also run on Sunday on Neshannock Creek!

The most amazing thank you to our 13 sponsors. Extra thanks for Ace Adventures for bringing the needed kayak\camping supplies for all the elements. Special thanks to High Water Hobbies for hanging in there on the roughest weather day of the weekend. Both for bring kayaks and rafts to try and buy. Neshannock Creek Brewery for

providing beer all weekend rain and shine! Brian for getting an Ice Cream Truck and Nick Anderson of Pinpoint Therapy for setting up at the race finish.

We are looking forward to Slip Fest 2025!

Race Results:

Racer Name	Boat Class	Scheduled Start	Actual Start	Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Series Points
Ava Harchak	A*	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:29:14	0:29:14	10
Matt Pascal	A	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:29:19	0:29:19	
Alex Vesey	A	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:29:27	0:29:27	10
Martin Wick	A	10:00:00	10:12:32	10:42:30	0:29:58	7
Lincoln Meiser-Rioux	A	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:31:12	0:31:12	5
Brian Joly	A	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:31:38	0:31:38	3
Elijah Evans	D	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:32:38	0:32:38	10
Erin Barket	D*	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:32:42	0:32:42	10
Eric Saul	D	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:33:25	0:33:25	7
Dave Harirs	D	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:33:58	0:33:58	5
Jen Damon	D*	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:34:18	0:34:18	7
Annelies Layton	D*	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:35:26	0:35:26	5
Cliff Wire	E	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:35:46	0:35:46	
Paul Isaac	E	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:36:09	0:36:09	
Jeff Wilson	F	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:37:01	0:37:01	
Barry Adams	B	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:37:15	0:37:15	
Bernie Dawson	G	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:37:20	0:37:20	10
Mike Gaines	G	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:37:47	0:37:47	7
Dane Holler	F	10:00:00	10:00:36	10:40:30	0:39:54	
Jim Collingwood	I1	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:40:39	0:40:39	10
Todd Ellis	SUP	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:45:30	0:45:30	7
Nick Macuga	F	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:46:07	0:46:07	
Alexandra Ion/Chris Harrison	I2	10:00:00	10:00:00	10:47:45	0:47:45	5
Tim Hughes	G	10:00:00	10:00:00	11:03:01	1:03:01	5

Pictures from Kristen Walters-Magg and Nick Anderson











APRIL 12-14 2024
BREAKNECK CAMPGROUND
PORTERSVILLE, PA

2024 Cheat River Festival and other events
cheatfest.org
May 3rd & 4th, 2024



The annual Cheat River Festival is a celebration of the rebirth of the Cheat River watershed. Cheat Fest is [Friends of the Cheat's](http://Friends of the Cheat) annual fundraiser which helps us advance our watershed projects and supports the organization's administrative costs. Rain or shine, Cheat Fest is always a good time!

From 5:30pm 'till 10:00pm on Friday, May 3rd, and 11:30am 'till 11:30pm on Saturday, May 4th, the festival grounds in Albright, West Virginia will once again transform into a haven for boaters, music lovers, and families. Bands from all over Appalachia will entertain crowds with live music, while Fest goers browse the Art Market, learn about other non-profit organizations that share the FOC vision, buy from a variety of food and merchandise vendors, and above all, help support Friends of the Cheat. **Please consider bringing a nonperishable food item for our Cheat Fest Food Drive!**



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Shepherd's Tent

South Preston

Starting Points

Terra Alta

Valley

Backpack Program

School Store Program

Food for Preston
Suggested Donation List

Nonperishable

Food Items

Baby Food
Baby Formula
Beans, Dried/Canned
Biscuit Mix
Cake Mix
Cereal
Cereal Bars
Corn Bread Mix
Crackers
Fruits, Canned
Granola Bars
Macaroni & Cheese
Milk, Canned/Boxed
Pasta
Peanut Butter
Potato Mix Boxes
Ramen
Rice
Salmon, Canned
Saltines
Soup
Spaghetti Sauce
Stuffing Mix
Tuna
Vegetables, Canned

Hygiene/Cleaning

Items

Bleach Wipes
Dental Floss
Deodorant
Dish Soap
Feminine Hygiene Products
Household Cleaners
Lotion
Mouthwash
Paper Towels
Sanitizer
Shampoo/Conditioner
Soap
Tissues
Toilet Paper
Toothbrushes
Toothpaste
Trash Bags

Another reason to love Cheat Fest: kids under twelve are free! Kids of all ages can congregate at the ever-growing Kid's Tent from noon 'till 5:00pm on Saturday for a host of hands-on activities.

The Cheat River Festival is the primary fundraiser of the year for Friends of the Cheat. All profits from Cheat Fest are used to support our projects and programs that experience shortfalls during the year.

**Help Friends of the Cheat
Raise Money for Whitewater Access**

**Help FOC raise \$20,000 for Whitewater
Access Maintenance in the Cheat Canyon
and Cheat Narrows!**

[Click Here to Donate to the 2024 Whitewater Access Fund](#)

[Support Whitewater Public Access on the Cheat River and Big Sandy \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

**Western Reserve Land Conservancy
Grand River Cleanup 8am-2pm
From Jacki Zevenbergen**

[Annual Grand River Cleanup 2024 | Western Reserve Land Conservancy
\(wrlandconservancy.org\)](#)



Western Reserve
Land Conservancy
land • people • community

**Grand River
Cleanup**

Saturday, May 18
8 AM - 2 PM



**Stonycreek Rendezvous
May 18^{at} 9am-May 19th at 5pm**
[KH Paddle Stony Rendezvous 2024 | Facebook](#)

We are in the process of booking one of the pavilions. There are official Keel-Hauler club runs on Saturday & Sunday. If you are planning on this being your PFD, feel free to reach out with any questions.

All logistical details/meet times to come.

- To sign up to lead/provide safety support → <https://tinyurl.com/yxpzfpfx>

- For info on Stonycreek Rendezvous → <https://fb.me/e/21GcRohgo>

Keel-hauler Trip Planning 2024
[Calendar of Events on our website](#)

Want to plan a trip? Please read the Organizer's Responsibilities then use the "Add Event" button to submit a new event! [Calendar of Events — Keel-Haulers Canoe Club \(keelhauler.com\)](#)

Friday, May 3

Duffy swift water rescue
5:00pm Cheat River Festival
5:00pm Cheat River Festival
5:00pm RICK GUSIC'S CHEAT RIVER MASSACRE-ENCE

Saturday, May 4

Duffy swift water rescue
11:00 2024 Cheat River Festival
North Branch Release
Stonycreek Release

Sunday, May 5

Duffy swift water rescue
North Branch Release
Stonycreek Release

Friday, May 10

New River Race and Rodeo

Saturday, May 11

New River Race and Rodeo
10:00am Bill Conrad Memorial Float

Sunday, May 12

New River Race and Rodeo

Friday, May 17

8:00am 2024 Stonycreek Rendezvous [2024 Rendezvous - Benscreek Canoe Club](#)

Saturday, May 18

2024 Stonycreek Rendezvous
9:00am KH Paddle Stony Rendezvous 2024 [\(5\) KH Paddle Stony Rendezvous 2024 | Facebook](#)

Sunday, May 19

» Stonycreek Rendezvous
» KH Paddle Stony Rendezvous 2024
11:00am Dry Fork with a North Branch fall back

Saturday, May 25

Stonycreek Release

Saturday, June 1

8:00am Stonycreek Release

Sunday, June 2

9:00am Stonycreek Release

2024 Club Officers

President:	Brian Smart	330-809-7409
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Secretary:	Jennifer Hughes	Secy@keelhauler.org
Treasurer:	Anthony Lazzaro	Treasurer@keelhauler.org

Meetings: Approximately 4 meetings per year. Please check the website for the next meeting time and location.

Membership: \$20 per year. **Membership Chairman: John Kobak**

New memberships, renewals, change in address or phone, mail to: John Kobak, 1649 Allen Dr, Westlake, OH, 44145.

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KHCC WEB PAGE URL: www.keelhauler.com

Non- Commercial advertising is free to all members. To place an ad, send the information the way you want it to appear. Please write or call when the item is sold. It will appear for 2 months unless canceled. Commercial ads may be submitted by club member's owned businesses four times each year with a maximum of four lines of copy per ad.

Please consider writing a trip report, an article, or send a photo for the next newsletter!
The deadline for the June 2024 issue of the newsletter is 5/23/2024. Please send articles and/or pictures to: Kelly Miller (Laubaugh) at peetzaguy@aol.com.

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May 2024

Kelly Miller, Editor

