

RIVER RAT NEWS

Here, at last, is our 1963 schedule of trips. It is hard to plan without the GRAND CANYON OF THE COLORADO, but I do believe we have an interesting summer set up. I am sure many of the REGULARS will want to see the big BEND COUNTRY IN CANADA and possibly a NEW LOOK at the GLEN CANYON.

This year we definitely plan to finish the exploration of the BALSAS in MEXICO. Various things have happened in the past to prevent this but I have cleared customs with my boats and they are in MEXICO, so I positively plan to make this exploration this coming August. Since I have been down the Santiago twice it is no longer exploratory, but an exciting, interesting trip.

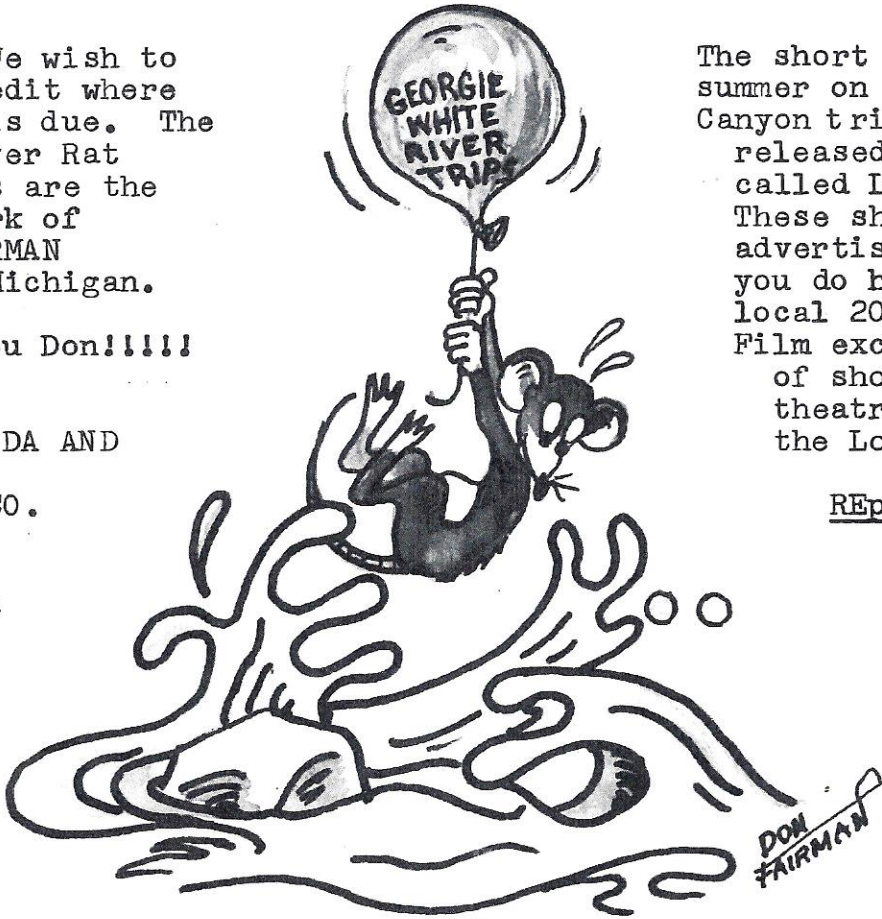
As all of you know, Marie answers my phone when I am gone during the summer months. Since she is changing jobs it might be well to call either early in the morning or late evening. Better still drop us a line.

NOTE: We wish to give credit where credit is due. The cute River Rat drawings are the handiwork of DON FAIRMAN Flint, Michigan.

Thank you Don!!!!

SEE CANADA AND  
MEXICO.

BECOME A  
RIVER  
RAT



The short picture taken this summer on our July Grand Canyon trip has just been released. The picture is called LADY OF THE RAPIDS. These shorts are not advertised in any way so you do have to call your local 20th Century Fox Film exchange for the date of showing at your theatre. This number in the Los Angeles area is

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JOIN THE RIVER  
RATS.

I will be taking pictures on all new and exploratory RIVER TRIPS hoping to get a complete picture which can be shown on T.V. ROYAL RIVER RATS - Let's explore. Please be positive when making reservations on exploratory trips. Deposits cannot be refunded unless cancellation is made at least 60 days before exploratory trips are scheduled to start - 30 days on all other trips. A \$5.00 paper work charge is made on all cancellations. Tremendous preparations and reservations are necessary, especially for the exploratory trips and I need positive coverage when making them.

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# Glen Canyon Boat Trip

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This trip is for people of all ages who are in fairly good physical condition. For the person who likes short leisurely hikes and is able to handle his own luggage on and off the boat it is a lovely relaxing trip.

Let's explore - THE NEW LOOK - as Glen Canyon becomes POWELL LAKE. If all goes according to Bureau of Reclamation planning this will be taking place during the summer of 1963

This beautiful area will still have Rainbow Bridge, Indian Ruins, and many canyons to explore. We hope to be able to go by boat into such canyons as Moki canyon, Lake canyon, Smith Fork canyon, Bridge canyon, Navajo canyon and into the Escalante and San Juan rivers. If we cannot take the large boats we will have a smaller boat to explore the tight places. This will be a beautiful as well as relaxing trip.

This year we will leave cars at PAGE, ARIZONA and fly over to HITE, UTAH I am getting the air rates from the local flying services and will have them for you when you make your reservations. This eliminates the long trip by truck and gives you a chance to investigate the new DAM at PAGE. From the end of the trip we will transport you, by truck, back to your car at PAGE, ARIZONA.

HITE, UTAH TO PAGE, ARIZONA



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SO BRING SHOES THAT ARE PLEN  
LARGE ENOUGH - THIS IS NO FAS  
SHOW.**



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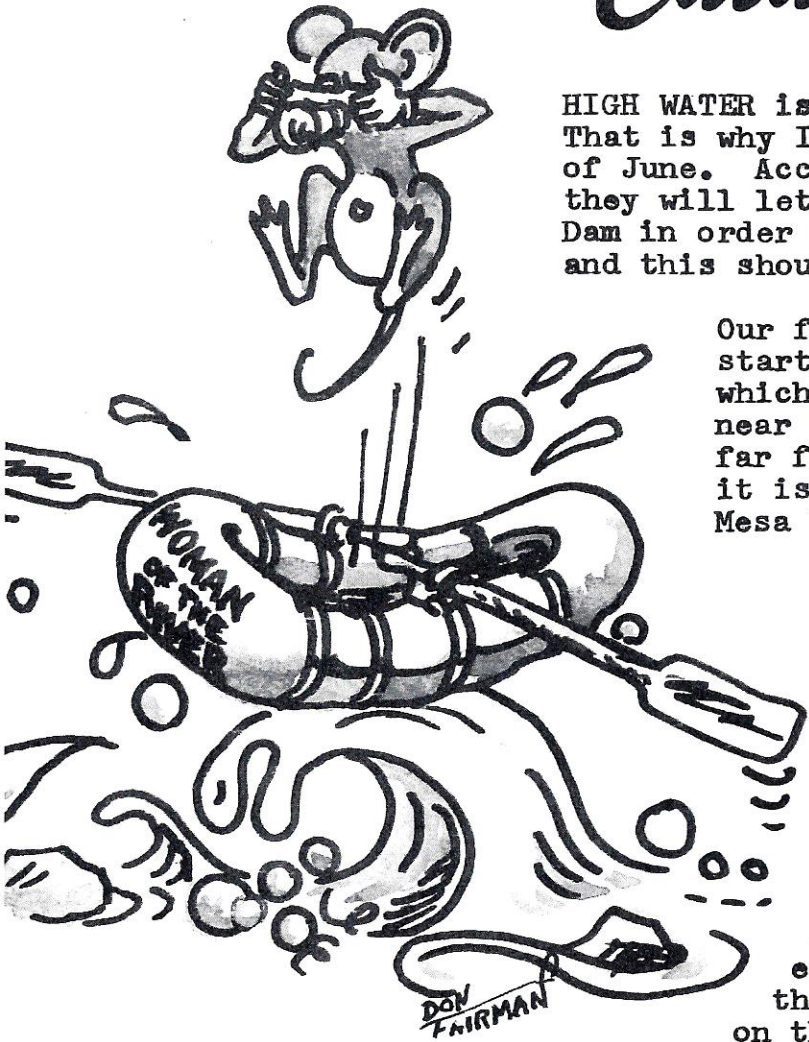
Trip is limited to 25 people for the summer of 1963.

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# Cataract Canyon



HIGH WATER is necessary to run the CATARACT. That is why I have chosen the first two weeks of June. According to the Bureau of Reclamation, they will let all water through Flaming Gorge Dam in order to fill Glen Canyon this spring, and this should be the time of highest water.

Our first CATARACT TRIP this year will start at beautiful, scenic, MOAB, UTAH, which is situated on the Colorado River near the La Salle mountains and not too far from ARCHES NATIONAL MONUMENT. Also, it is within easy driving distance of the Mesa Verde ruins in Colorado.

We have 68 miles of scenic beauty on smooth water before we come to the CONFLUENCE of the GREEN River and the COLORADO River. Along this stretch we see many riffles, the Land of Standing Rock, Fossil beds, birds and small animal life in abundance, also evidence of Uranium mines.

The last 54 miles, after the GREEN JOINS THE COLORADO is the same in each case. It is continuous rapids, the size of which, depends entirely on the flow of water. We find sheer canyon walls and huge boulders in mid-

stream, forming many fast chutes of water. It is truly a dramatic contrast to the first part of the trip. The river drops 415 feet in 41 miles. The rapids are no rougher than those of the Grand Canyon but there are more of them to the mile. All boatmen have a healthy respect for this area.

The second CATARACT TRIP will start at GREEN RIVER, UTAH, which is within easy driving distance of colorful GOBLIN VALLEY, and is a must if you are already in the area. This trip is one day longer than the MOAB trip as it is 128 miles to the confluence. Along the river we see petroglyphs, Indian ruins, and evidence of mining. We hike thru bow-knot bend which is between 1 and 2 hundred feet through but is a 2 mile hike if you have to go around.

At the request of many river rats, we have planned this 2nd trip in connection with a GLEN CANYON trip which leaves HITE the next day. The usual procedure is to fly back to your car regardless of the trip taken.

Films of this trip have appeared on T.V. and it was written up in Desert Magazine February 1958.

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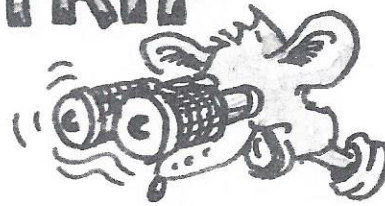
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"YEAH MAN, SMOOOOOTH WATER,  
REAL RELAXIN' MAN, REAL RELAXIN."



# EXPLORATORY TRIP IN CANADA -



BIG BEND OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER  
BRITISH COLUMBIA.....CANADA  
GOLDEN TO.....REVELSTOKE  
EXPLORATORY

Calling all RIVER RATS - 197 miles of river adventure. 97 miles by road on Canada's new scenic drive - Majestic Rogers Pass. Whitey will follow us by truck on the old gravel highway.

A dam is planned near Revelstoke soon. An outdoor paradise of wild valleys, snow capped peaks, glaciers, snow-fields and waterfalls.

The river is swift and narrow for a great distance - classed as extremely hazardous except for the last 45 miles but I believe they are talking in regard to canoes. Where it widens out to any extent it is very shallow.

One rapid-called Death Rapid - is classed as impossible for boats of any kind at any season. I am checking. The drop is 30.9 feet in 1-3/4 miles. This is less than anything on Grand Canyon. Full drop in 168 miles is 1072 feet.

COME ON ALL YOU OLD RIVER RATS. LET'S GO! Will be taking pictures all the way - hoping for a goodie. Train and bus from Revelstoke to Golden.

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THE MIGHTY FRASER RIVER  
BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA  
LILLOOET TO.....HOPE  
EXPLORATORY

British Columbia's longest river - 800 miles from it's source, in the rockies, to the Strait of Georgia, - once a name that meant terror and rapids, but now a spectacular scenic waterway, bordered by modern highway and railroad; dotted with holiday activity.

We start at Lillooet - called JADE BEACH and travel 120 miles downstream to HOPE. We suggest you leave your car at Hope and go by Canadian National Railway. It runs along the river.

We will go JADE HUNTING where there is GEM QUALITY Jade, visit people, ride across the river on the only aerial ferry in North America, and see the Hell's Gate and it's Fish Ladder Tunnel. We ride over the top of this Ladder and you will have a choice of riding or walking and taking pictures.

This trip is wonderful for the average or family group. Part of the family can follow along the highway. I plan to explore a section of this river each summer until the interesting parts are covered.

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# ..MEXICO!

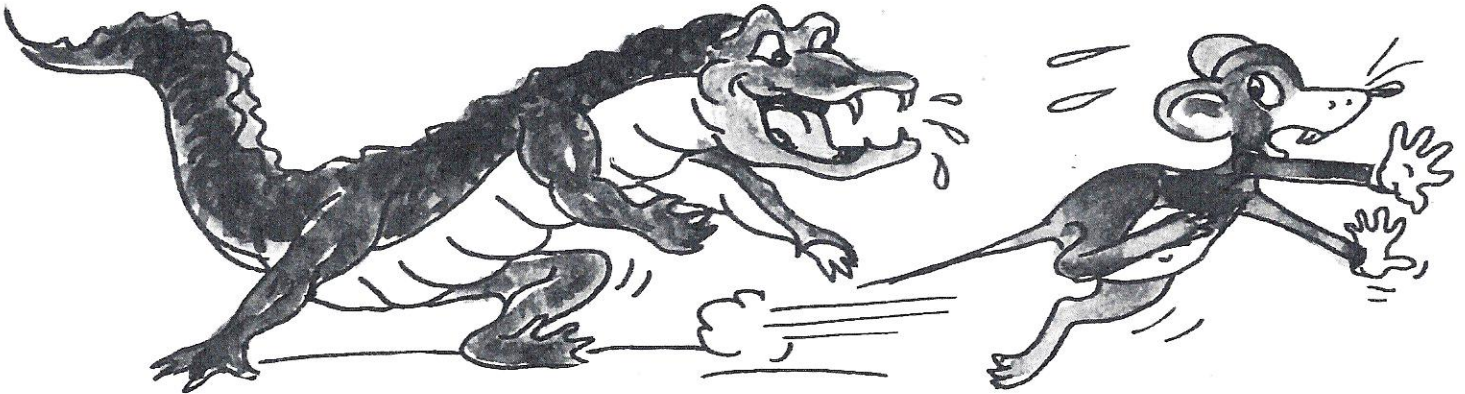
## EXPLORATORY BALSAS

This year we will positively wind up our exploration of the BALSAS RIVER which is the longest river in MEXICO. The lower Balsas, from the ACAPULCO HIGHWAY TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN, is yet to be explored.

There are some rapids and a long canyon the first 30 miles of the trip. After that it is a mild trip for quite a long way with small rapids. The main interest will be the villages along the way and their inhabitants. The Indians on the lower end of this trip are supposedly quite uncivilized, so we plan to take jewelry and cigarettes to assure them of our friendliness.

A dam is in process, El Infiernillo, but I understand they will not start backing up water for several years. It is possible to fly out from this point. From the dam to Mechor O'Compo on the ocean where we end the trip is supposedly very rough. Also, transportation from this point is a big problem in rainy weather.

The first and last part of this trip has never been traversed. The central, or mild part, was explored and written up by National Geographic in August 1946. We meet in MEXICO CITY and take a bus to the starting point of the trip.



## THE RIO GRANDE de SANTIAGO RIVER

This river is no longer exploratory as I have been down it twice and it is a good trip for the first timer in MEXICO. We meet in GUADALAJARA at the Fenix hotel - have dinner in the evening and breakfast next morning.

We ride a truck along with the boats and baggage to SANTA ROSA on the river which is our jumping in spot. The scenery along the river is beautiful beyond description. Visiting a Tequila factory where they make the liquid dynamite as well as devil's blood (Tomato juice with hot peppers) is quite interesting. There are villages, mines, and a dam which we portage with the help of the natives.

The river is fast and rocky in spots but no big rapids. We see Indians and their interesting river boats. There is lots of tropical animal life as well as plants and waterfalls. The complete trip is 318 miles - 9 to 10 days from GUADALAJARA. BACK TO GUADALAJARA.

There are insects and we have rain on all trips in MEXICO. A firm schedule is unknown, so please plan accordingly. As in the past on the MEXICO TRIPS you will bring your own food. I will manage the camping equipment and boats.

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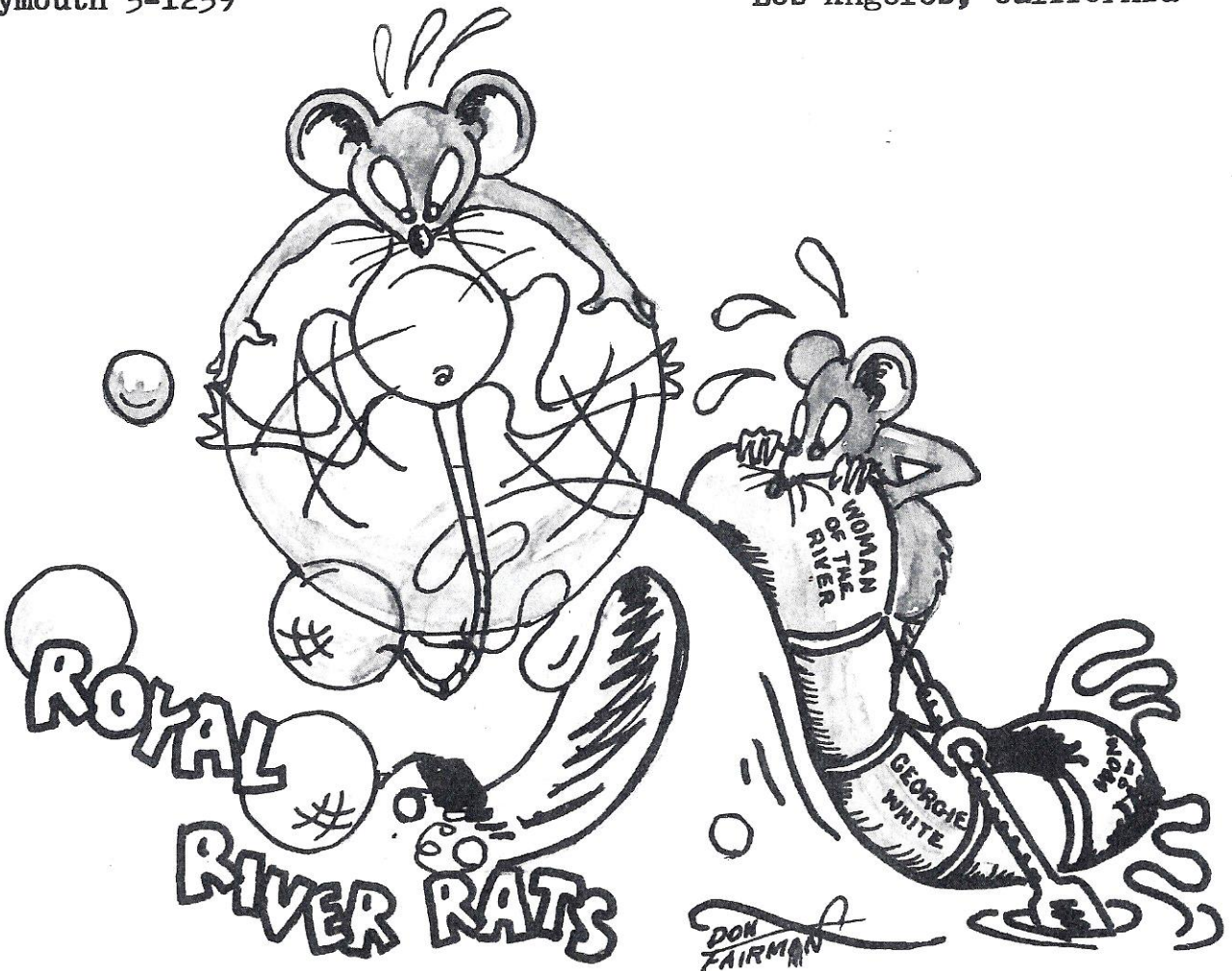
# Grand Canyon of the Colorado

JUST IN CASE - If I should find, by any chance, there is a possibility of making a Grand Canyon trip at any time during the coming summer you will receive a special notice. I can always let Whitey take over on a Glen Canyon trip and be free to take this one.

The trip would be with 3 large boats only and limited to the first 25 passengers able to GO ALL THE WAY, Lee's Ferry to Lake Mead. The break at Phantom Ranch takes lots of planning and we would not be able to make these arrangements at such a late date. If you receive such a notice, and wish to take the trip, please send ALL your money to this address and await instructions.

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SHARE THE EXPENSE PLAN RIVER TRIPS SCHEDULE OF TRIPS, DATES AND PRICES.

NO RESERVATIONS MADE WITHOUT DEPOSIT. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GEORGIE WHITE.

<u>TRIP AND DATE</u>	<u>AREA</u>	<u>DEPOSIT</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
<u>EASTER GLEN CANYON</u> April 7 thru April 12	Hite, Utah to Page, Arizona	\$25.00	\$ 90.00
<u>APRIL GLEN CANYON</u> April 17 thru April 26	Hite, Utah to Page, Arizona	\$25.00	\$150.00
<u>MAY GLEN CANYON</u> May 6 thru May 15 May 19 thru May 25	Hite, Utah to Page, Arizona	\$25.00 \$25.00	\$150.00 \$100.00
<u>CATARACT TRIPS</u> June 3 thru June 7 June 10 thru June 15	Moab to Hite, Utah Green River to Hite, Utah	\$25.00 \$25.00	\$125.00 \$135.00
<u>JUNE GLEN CANYON</u> June 16 thru June 22	Hite, Utah to Page, Arizona	\$25.00	\$100.00
<u>CANADA</u> - British Columbia July 8 thru July 17 July 22 thru July 27	Big Bend of Columbia Golden to Revelstoke Frazer River Lillooet to Hope	\$75.00 \$25.00	\$250.00 \$125.00
<u>MEXICO</u> August 15 thru August 24 September 1 thru September 10	Exploratory Lower Balsas Rio Grande de Santiago	\$75.00 \$75.00	\$250.00 \$250.00
<u>SEPTEMBER GLEN CANYON</u> (possibly San Juan) September 22 thru September 28	Hite, Utah to Page, Arizona	\$25.00	\$100.00
<u>OCTOBER GLEN CANYON</u> October 3 thru October 9	Hite, Utah to Page, Arizona	\$25.00	\$100.00

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THIS IS ABSOLUTELY ALL THAT IS NECESSARY FOR A CAREFREE VACATION.

We appreciate COLORFUL CLOTHING as it makes good photography. Hold your luggage weight down. The top weight allowance is 30 lbs. per person. All overage is charged for at the rate of 11¢ per pound by the air flight companies.

### THINGS TO TAKE:

1 PLASTIC CUP - 1 PLASTIC CEREAL BOWL - 2 STAINLESS STEEL SPOONS - 2 CAN OPENERS. Please get plastic bowl and cup - the flexible, non-breakable type which can be handled with hot food inside.

Waterproof pancho or rain suit.

Water proof ground cloth.

Light air mattress.

Sleeping bag - LIGHT WEIGHT

Jacket - light weight - suggest nylon.

Socks - 2 pair nylon.

Underwear - 2 pair nylon.

HAT with strings to tie it on. Sport car hard top caps are now available in colors. Check with the Safety Equipment companies.

Wear tennis shoes - have 2 pair - plenty large as they do shrink when they get wet. (NO BOOTS PLEASE) I might also recommend the MAIN HIKING SHOE which can be found in the catalog from Bean and Co., Freeport, Maine.

Shorts or Bathing Suit - comfortable - quick drying. (Orlon or nylon)

Coveralls - nylon or light type blue jeans and shirt. Take an extra pair of blue jeans and shirt or coveralls for night. Quick drying is best.

Large bandana.

Personal articles necessary to you.

Few band aids and first aid supplies.

Sea and Ski or your favorite tanning cream.

Baby oil for dry skin. Wash & Dry cleaner pads are excellent.

Toilet paper - 1 roll

If you wear glasses be sure they have tie on strings or commercial glass guard and I suggest an extra pair along in case of loss.

Dish towel instead of heavy towel - it dries faster.

Flashlight and 2 batteries

Canteen - small

CAMERA AND FILM IN WATERPROOF BAG. - paint your name on the outside.

You will need 2 black NEOPRENE BAGS for your gear. (PLEASE DO NOT USE DUFFLE BAGS) Try the Army Surplus stores. You will need 1 for your sleeping equipment and the other for personal things. Paint your name on the bags and attach a 4 foot piece of soft 1/4 inch nylon rope. Be sure to get the type that is soft and ties easily. The rope is for tying the bag to the boat. Tape the ends of the rope. Your camera bag should also have a tie rope attached.

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