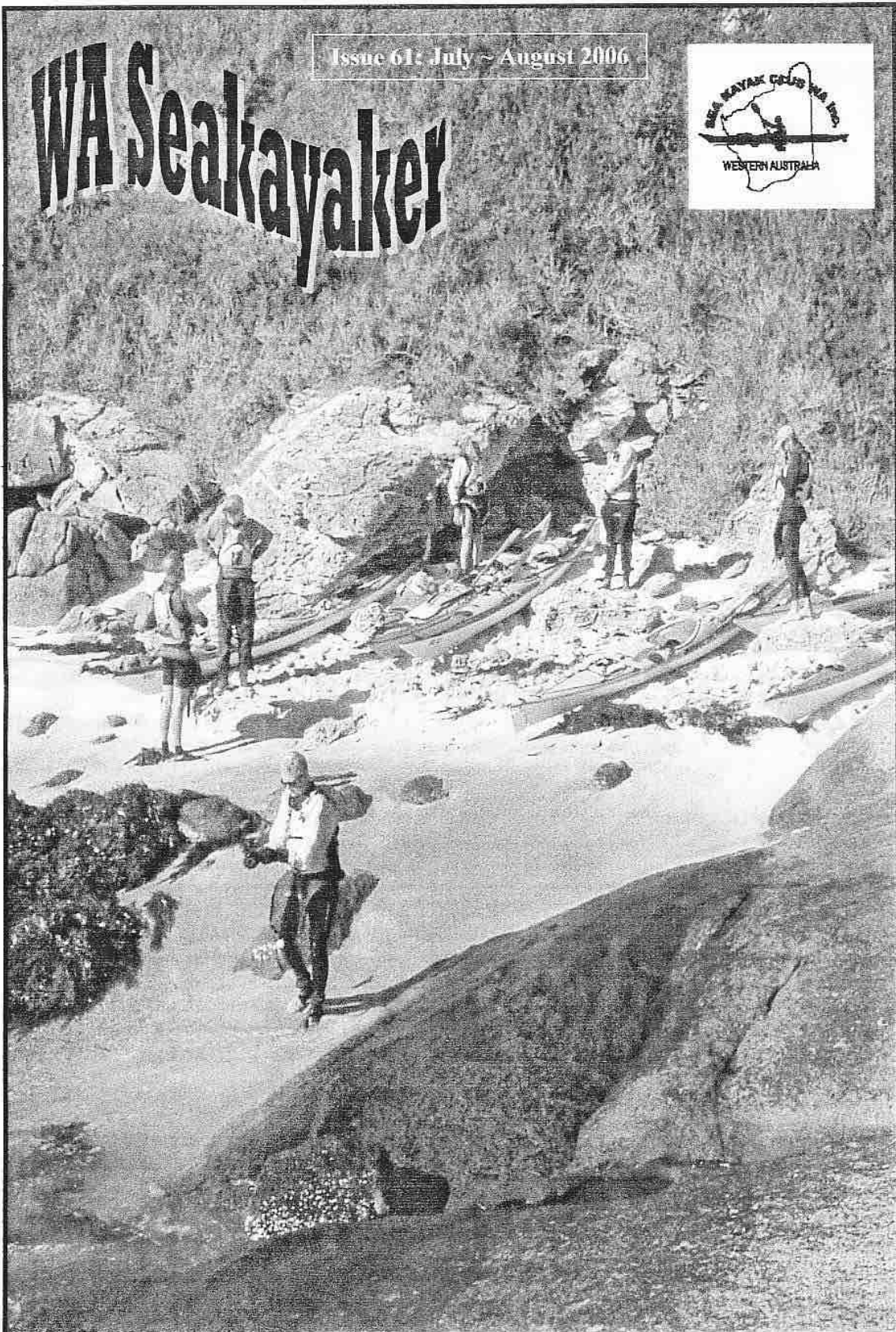


WA Seakayaker

Issue 61: July ~ August 2006



Newsletter of the Sea Kayak Club WA Inc. 28 Aurelian Street, Palmyra, WA. 6157.
Phones: President Judy Blight 9433 3719. Secretary/ Treasurer Eric Pyatt 9339 2952.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



By the time this issue goes to press, President Judy will be on her way to Canada for two months. What with the pressure of preparation we understand her not having the time to put together a report but know that on her return there will be plenty to fill up the columns. The club members wish you well Pres'. We know you will have a good time and gain many experiences, particularly with your paddling. All the best.....Ed.

EDITORIAL

Australian Canoeing have had their problems of late but out of it all there is a very good chance there will come some changes that will benefit canoeing/kayaking overall; particularly sea kayaking and recreational paddling in general. So far, from submissions put forward from interested parties throughout Australia a format in draft form has been put together, the main interest from the sea kayaker's point of view is it will be easier, quicker and cheaper for prospects and new members to be processed and accredited and be on the water without the hold-ups they've experienced in the past. Submissions close on the 1st July and from there, three months is estimated to have the final draft prepared, although originally it was proposed that the status quo remain until 31st December.

An interesting proposal has been put forward that a new category be introduced to the sea kayaking agenda headed "Coastal"; believe it or not, "Sit on tops". Under the heading "Other Changes—Coastal" from the publication "AC Online" is the following quotation, "The majority of boats sold this year (more than all other types combined) are sit on tops. The fastest growing section of commercial guiding is short (3 hours or less) coastal tours in sit on tops. Most 'Coastal Guides' work in situations where they will rarely see a traditional sea kayak and in fact will never use a traditional sea kayak. In acknowledgement of this the coastal stream (coastal cruising in sit on tops) will gain a complete structure from Basic Skills to Instructor".

It will be interesting to see how this is going to effect the ardent followers of current "Sea Kayaking" philosophy. A change would have be made to the OP & SG. Is it foreign to all of our intentions? It would be another category to be entered into the programming. On the positive side it could be an avenue for increasing membership; an avenue to introduce people in the community to what sea kay-

aking is all about. They would graduate! The outcomes, I'm sure, will be looked upon with great interest.

The club has purchased a sea kayak; for training purposes only! There will be charges for its use; obviously to cover depreciation i.e. for non-profit. It is good value, ideal for the purpose: plastic, near new, easy adjustable footrests, complete with paddle, spray deck and PFD2. An avenue for prospective and new members who want to experience what we all love doing best while they gather information on what are their best options when they are ready to purchase their equipment.

While we are looking for new members, there is an opportunity to promote our cause at a "Canoe Week" organised by the Dept of Sport and Recreation in cooperation with the various canoeing bodies down at Mandurah. It hinges around national "Physical Activity Day" on Friday, 1st September. It clashes with our trip to Peron Peninsular; however, Wayne has volunteered to organise a stand on the waterfront on that particular day. He would be looking for a hand, so, any volunteers please phone Wayne on 93374080/0438 374 080.

The year is two thirds the way through, so, it is now the time to look at next year's committee. It is about time some of the responsibilities were delegated around the members to remove the load on so few. All that has to be done is that one member takes on one job and one job only and do it efficiently while working in with other members of the committee; spread the load. Don't say, "I'm too busy!" The old adage is, "If you want to get a job done, give it to a busy person!" Please don't say, "I'm too new!". The future of the club is not only with the established, experienced members but also with the new; we are a very new club, barely eight years old.

A reflection of the club's progress, in that short a time, is the support given to the mid-year banquet organised by Susan. The attendance of seventeen was a vote of confidence in the social arm of the club. A great atmosphere prevailed.

Attendances to club paddles and events have been the most consistent ever in the short history of the club. May we go on to better times.

COVER PICTURE

Hazardous landing among the rocks of Saint Alouarn Island south of Cape Leeuwin.

Part of the assessment of the prospective instructors, LWE at Augusta.

Refer Roger's report on Page 4.

Photo' curtesy of Roger Lloyd

NOTICE

BOARD

PERON PENINSULAR SHARK BAY

30th August to 5th September, 2006

Five days on the water, two days travel

Introduction to Sea Kayak Skills Awardees are eligible. The shoreline is followed all the way. The committee is bound to bring to the attention of those wishing to participate in club excursions by quoting the minute of the 12th October, 2005, that they *"must also participate in not less than four club paddles of an equivalent grade in the three months prior to the trip"*. Experience has shown that the Sea Leader needs to observe the prospects for fitness, check the requirements of equipment standards and group dynamics application.

Phil is to lead this very popular excursion:

Phone: 9383 7190.

2006

LONG WEEKEND

Sep 30/Oct2 Donnelly River/Broke Inlet-beautiful.

Phone Eric: 9339 2952.

WEEKENDERS

Jul 29-30: Bunker Bay— lots of options.

Phone Eric: 9339 2952.

Dec 1& 2: Rottnest Island-speaks for itself.

Phone Judy: 9433 3719.

BUNKER BAY DEADLINE

WEDNESDAY, 5th JULY, 2006.

SO FAR, ONE STARTER; ME!

ANYONE INTERESTED, PLEASE, LET ME KNOW, NOW!

ERIC: 9339 2952

*Opinions expressed in articles in this
Newsletter are not necessarily the view of the
Sea Kayak Club WA Inc.*

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE
Midnight WST, Friday, 25th August, 2006.

AUGUSTA LONG WEEKEND

3-6 JUNE 2006.

by
Roger Lloyd

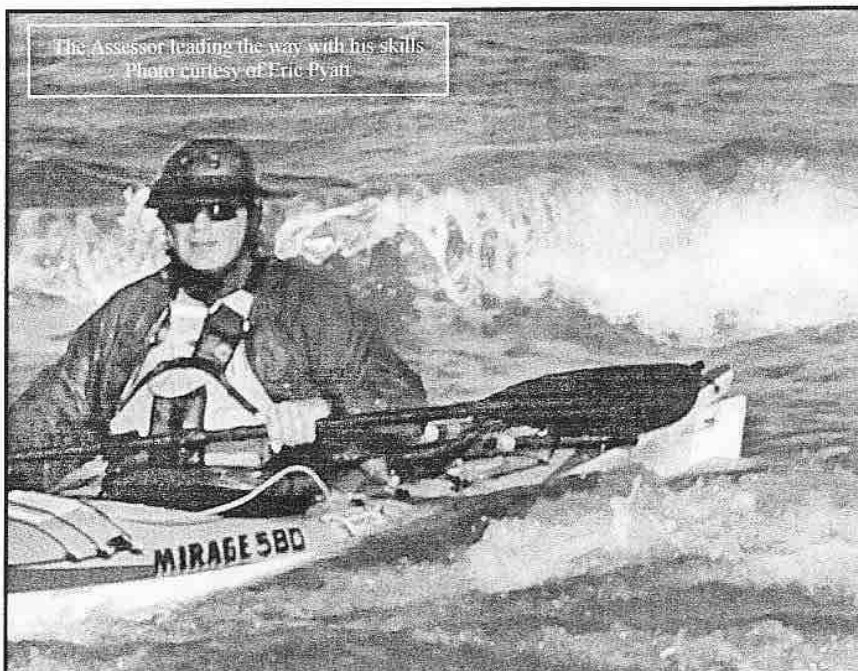


And what a weekend it was !!, perfect autumn weather, good sea conditions, great paddling, good company and pleasant camping at the excellent Turner Caravan Park which fronts the Hardy Inlet. The starters, Eric, Les, Helen, Dave, Rod, Wayne, Kelvin and Roger, arrived in dribs and drabs during Friday and early Saturday am and set up camp beneath the paper bark Maleleucas. There are numerous "wild" ducks wandering the grounds at Turners and in the process of setting up camp an egg was found on the ground near Rod's tent. As he was not there at that moment, the egg was placed on top of his cockpit cover, Rod was later heard to exclaim in amazement that a duck had laid an egg on his boat but, on turning it over, it was found to have a bar code and someone who will remain nameless exclaimed that wonder of wonders there must be a duck in the grounds with a bar coder in it's bum, ai'nt technology wonderful !.

Saturday dawned overcast and coldish and after breakfast we all donned radiator tops, extra thermals and Cags before reporting for the briefing. Les was assessing Rod and Roger for Instructor awards during the weekend and we were anticipating a surprise dunking or two during the day. By 9-00 am we were paddling down the inlet and the sun broke through as we went out onto Flinders Bay through a low surf at the entrance. Proceeding west along the coastline, we arrived at Sarge Bay which lies in the eastern crook of Cape Leeuwin's arm. A low swell could be seen bursting onto the rocks of the Sea Island reefs in the distance. As we loitered in the middle of the bay, debating where to land on the steep beach in the

1 -2 metre swell, we were suddenly confronted with a five metre wave which reared up out of nowhere and steepened rapidly as it approached, it appeared to be about to break on top of the group but did not and there were a couple of muted "yehas !" as the boats burst over the crest of the wave followed by a somewhat stunned moment of silence. Les commented that had the wave dumped on us it was big enough to have damaged boats and injured paddlers. It was a salutary lesson, when loitering off a shore exposed to the southern ocean swell, loiter far out and maintain a good watch to seaward. We encountered a number of these big sets during the weekend but none quite as inspiring as the first.

After landing and refreshing at Sarge Bay beach, we headed offshore in a south easterly direction past the Sea Island rock islands and reefs and paddled six kilometers out to Saint Alouarn Island. Saint Alouarn is a large precipitous, granite rock with a limestone cap and low vegetation. There is only one potential landing spot, a small rock strewn cove between two short rock headlands, an impressive but not a pretty place. There was a little sand filling up the gaps between the rocks on this occasion but a two metre swell bursting around the western headland as a largish breaker, thirty metres away, made a safe landing seem problematical. After assessing the situation it was apparent that the surge subsided quickly as it rounded the rock and a daredevil paddler, who will again remain nameless for reasons of modesty, reversed in keeping a close eye out for any bigger sets coming through and made a faultless and technically brilliant landing on the one small tongue of sand that came down to the waters edge. The rest of the group followed in one at a time, the boats were carried up over the rocks



The Assessor leading the way with his skills
Photo courtesy of Eric Ryan

and we had an enjoyable lunch lounging in the sun on the warm granite bedrock. Following lunch the daredevil went out first, having previously used up his entire allocation of adrenalin for the weekend, and the rest of the group followed with Wayne, who's boat was towed out last, risking the White Pointers by swimming out and doing a reentry on the water. The trip back across Flinders Bay was uneventful and we paddled up the inlet to the caravan park after a few runs through the surf at the entrance. Eric who was recuperating after his recent surgery and was consequently not paddling, later told us that we had paddled past a whale to seaward of us without spotting it. A great day out taken all round followed by drinkies and dinner at the pub for some and an early night for all.

along the way had it been necessary. At Ledge Point however we found a shallow sand bottom and several reef patches off shore which helped to break the swell and provided a relatively easy landing. Lunch was enjoyed by all except for the person, who will once again remain nameless, who completely unpacked his boat but could still not find his lunch even though he knew it was in there somewhere and next day found it jammed right up in the pointy end of his bow hatch. After re-launching we had an easy paddle back to the inlet, a few more runs through the surf and a leisurely return to the caravan park. After a hot shower and clean up most people went to the pub again for dinner where the Beef And Guinness Pie with mashed potato and salad seemed to be the go because we all had it except for Eric who is a health

food kind a guy and demolished a mountain of rabbit fodder and sea food.

Most people left for home on Monday morning to beat the long weekend traffic jam. We all agreed that Augusta is a great place to paddle with it's exposure to the southern ocean offering a totally different paddling environment and the opportunity to develop and practice skills that we do not often have the opportunity to use in the Perth area. We really do need to do this more often. <<

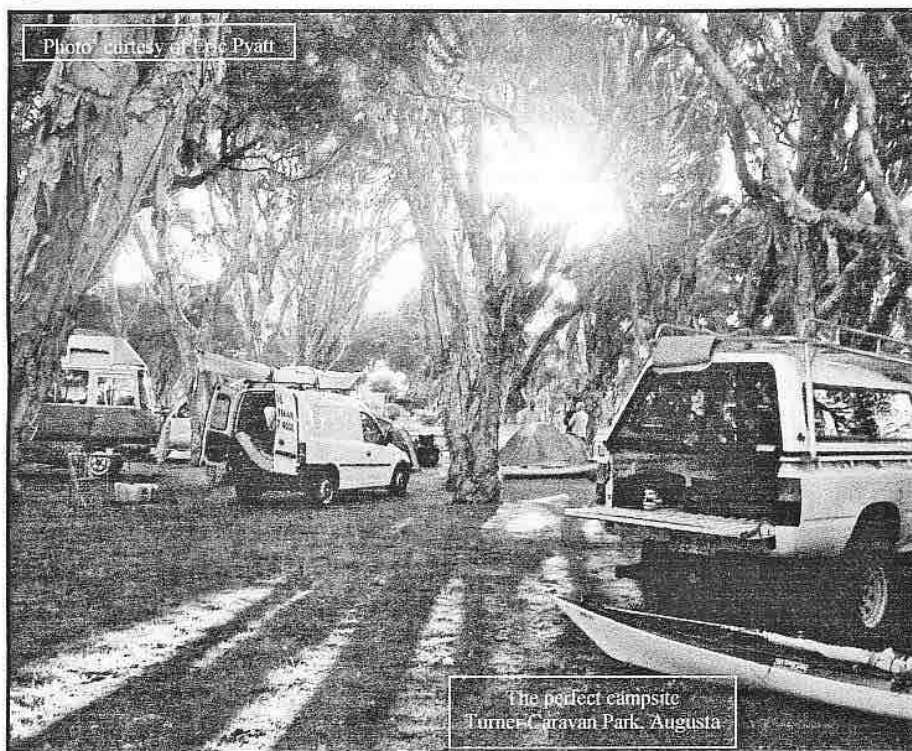


Photo courtesy of Eric Pyatt

The perfect campsite
Turner Caravan Park, Augusta

Sunday dawned fine and sunny after another cold night. After breakfast and the usual briefing the group launched for the inlet entrance again where we spent an hour or so practicing our surfing skills. The low south west swell providing us with excellent practice waves of one to one and a half metres. Rod impressed us all with his rolling ability in surf which he demonstrated on numerous occasions and which he later assured us were intentional but, I ask you, is it not a bit exhibitionist doing a roll after an end-over on the sand bank at 15 knots !. Surfer Girl Helen also impressed with her rapid increase in confidence and some good runs in. After a break and a few war stories on the beach, we set off eastward for Ledge Point some six kilometers away. There was a moderate swell with occasional large sets breaking close in which would have made for a difficult beach landing

FROM YOUR SG& OP MANUAL

Kayaks on club paddles must have the following:

- **Grab handles** must be fitted to the bow and stern of the boat.
- **Deck-lines** must go around the deck perimeter in front and behind the cockpit; min 6mm
- **Towing points** must be fitted to enable towing in an emergency and must be located near the bow.
- **Pumps** must be of a type that can be handled hands-free (i.e. foot and electric). A portable hand pump is suitable as a back-up only.

DIRK HARTOG ISLAND

10-17 MAY, 2006

by
Wayne Stocker

Imagine if you will; paddling to Rottneest then back again the next day and then keep doing that for 6 days, that was what the Dirk Hartog trip was like. A total of 131 kilometres spread over 6 days admittedly conditions were always easy going with no white caps experienced at any time during the trip. What was noticed by most was an improvement in paddle fitness as the days passed or was it just the fact we had used more and more of the 30 litres/kilos of water and the 6 days of food supplies we each started with.

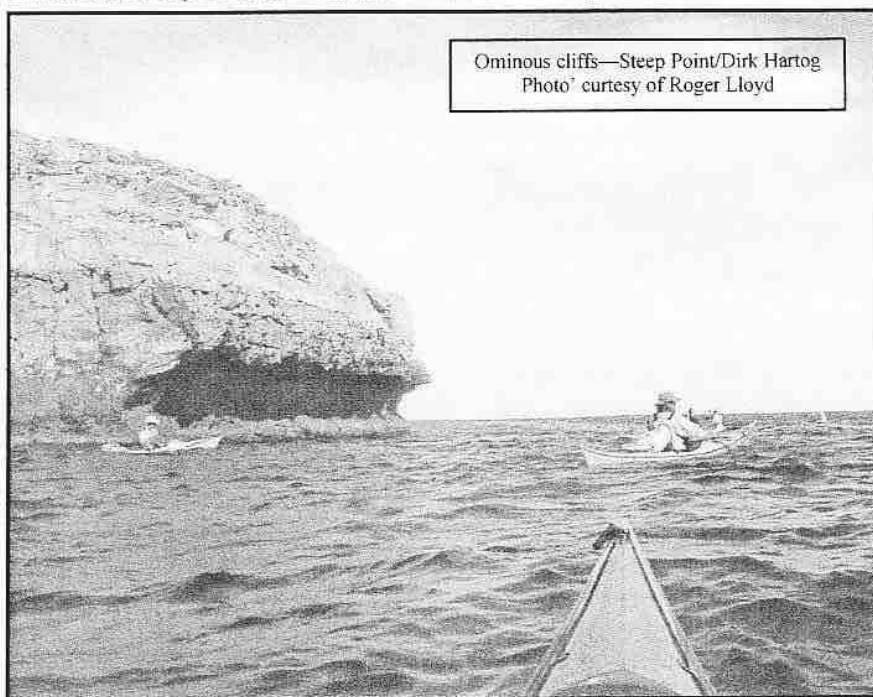
Various members of our 5-man crew made some observations. Many thanks to Eric P for all the prior preparation and planning, the chalet we stayed in was perfect with a strange phenomenon arising: everyone heard everyone else snoring but not himself? Our thanks and congratulations go out to Roger Lloyd for leading such a memorable trip. It is now confirmed by our own eyes and photographic evidence that Dave O can indeed walk on water (Kelvin L has the digitally recorded evidence of this and reckons it must be a carpenter thing). Dave O also gave a demonstration of "paddling whilst asleep" (a valuable skill for the Zuytdorp Cliffs?). A few glitches like "navigating whilst asleep" and "eskimo roll whilst asleep" are still to be ironed out though. Rod Coe and Wayne S are the best navigators in the whole world (when their GPS batteries

have some charge in them). Kelvin L has produced a stunning pictorial record of our trip, maybe a quick zip through them after the next General Meeting? Other observations were "all this gear fitted in my boat in the garage at home. How come when I come to pack it on the beach on the first day of the trip it doesn't fit?" and that all time classic "it will be embarrassing when I launch my fully laden boat and it sinks like a stone"

Noteworthy was the lack of disquiet and disagreements experienced during our time in the Shark Bay area. Mostly due to the decision-making process namely: suggestions for what to do were put forward, these options were discussed, one was chosen by consensus and then implemented. Another factor would have been all 5 of us being on the same wavelength in just about every aspect of the trip.

I think all my fellow travelers would agree the highlight of the trip was rounding Cape Ransonnet at the southern end of Dirk Hartog Island the excitement level rising as the vista of Steep Point, South Passage, the deep blue of the Indian Ocean and Surf Point came into view. A very special very isolated place which upon closer inspection revealed white sandy beaches, crystal clear waters, a most perfect surf break (with no one riding the waves, unheard of in 2006?), a beautiful coral reef full of coral, giant clams and sea urchins. When one adds to this the majestic Zuytdorp Cliffs disappearing 100 kilometres to the south, a full moon rising over the bay being reflected in the mirror smooth waters at dusk on a most memorable day and the conclusion was this is a "must visit" place.

An abundance of wildlife (land, sea and air) further enhanced our experience of this wonderful



Ominous cliffs—Steep Point/Dirk Hartog
Photo' courtesy of Roger Lloyd

location. Land animals included wallabies, rabbits, goats, sheep and signs (tracks in the sand) of smaller marsupials (tiny native mice, bilbies? who knows?). Meanwhile the usual list of suspects were in the air on and near the water; shags, gulls, terns, pelicans, sea eagles, ospreys, wedge tailed eagles. The real action lay in the water with whale sharks exciting all, real sharks raising even more excitement and the biggest manta rays I have ever seen (easily 12 feet

tip to tip) one lashing it's tail at Dave Oakley's boat. A few turtles were seen bobbing around and swimming close in and a few dolphins thrown in for good measure. One blue marlin was also spotted but this is the subject of an investigation by a Royal Commission and as such I am unable to comment further. (Dave Oakley is at liberty to discuss this matter and he has all the details)

A personal observation is to do with patterns and rhythms and slipping into sync with them. Sun comes up - sun goes down. Moon comes up - moon goes down. Tide comes up - tide goes down. Kayakers wake up, have breakfast, break camp, pack boat, set off, travel, arrive, unpack boat, setup camp, have dinner, go to sleep then do the same next day. So the day to day logistics become second nature freeing up brain and body space to take in more of what is happening around one. Possibly another attraction that keeps us paddling albeit a subtle one.

The night of the fifth day saw a giant line of thunder and lightning bearing down on us. No comments or warnings were given by anyone but to a man everyone secured their kayak and camp in preparation for a pounding. Then all of a sudden the squall line went quiet and all we got was an hour or two of light rain and a few distant rumblings of thunder the next morning. The gods saw fit to let us off. (This time!)

"Well, with wit and grit
and no small amount of courage,
we accomplished something on that day,
a feat of daring-do,
an enterprise not ignoble."

We merry band, unbound by the constraints
of society
and the prejudices of the common ruck.

We happy few.

<<

LOADING OF KAYAKS

ROAD TRAFFIC (VEHICLE STANDARDS) REGULATIONS 2002

Division 4—

Size and projection of loads on light vehicles

Clause 11. Size and projection of loads.

(1) A vehicle and its load must not exceed a size limit set for the vehicle in Part 7 Division 2 of the Vehicle Standards

(1a) In the case of a vehicle, the load on the vehicle must not project more than—

- (a) 1.2 metres in front of the vehicle; or
- (b) 1.2 metres to the rear of the vehicle.

(4) Where any portion of the load on a vehicle projects in such a manner that it would not be readily visible to any person following immediately behind the vehicle, driver of the vehicle must—

- (a) mark the end of the load, by means of a brightly coloured flag or piece of material, with each side at least 300 mm long, so that it is clearly visible to persons in the vicinity; or
- (b) at night time, fit to the extreme end of the load, a light showing a clear red light to the rear, visible at a distance of 200 metres.

[Clause 11 amended in Gazette 3rd Jan, 2005 p.8-9; 13th Dec, 2005 p.5991].

Division 5—

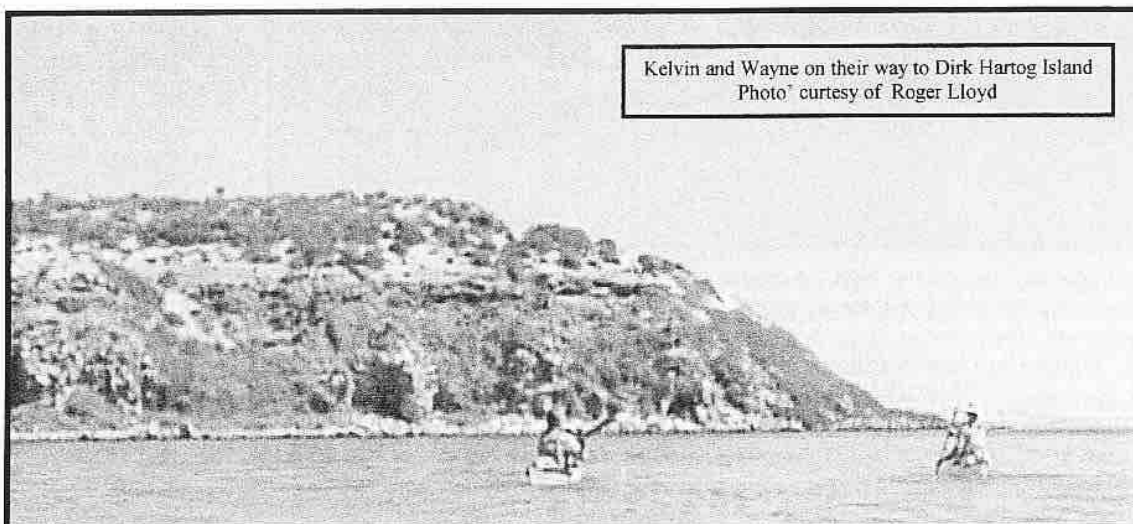
Placing and securing loads

Clause 12. Loading obligations

- (1) A load on a vehicle must not be placed in a way that makes the vehicle unstable or unsafe.
- (2) A load on a vehicle must be secured so that it is unlikely to fall or be dislodged from the vehicle.
- (3) An appropriate method must be used to restrain the load on a vehicle.

Full text is on the WA Govt Printer's website:
<http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/index.html>

<<



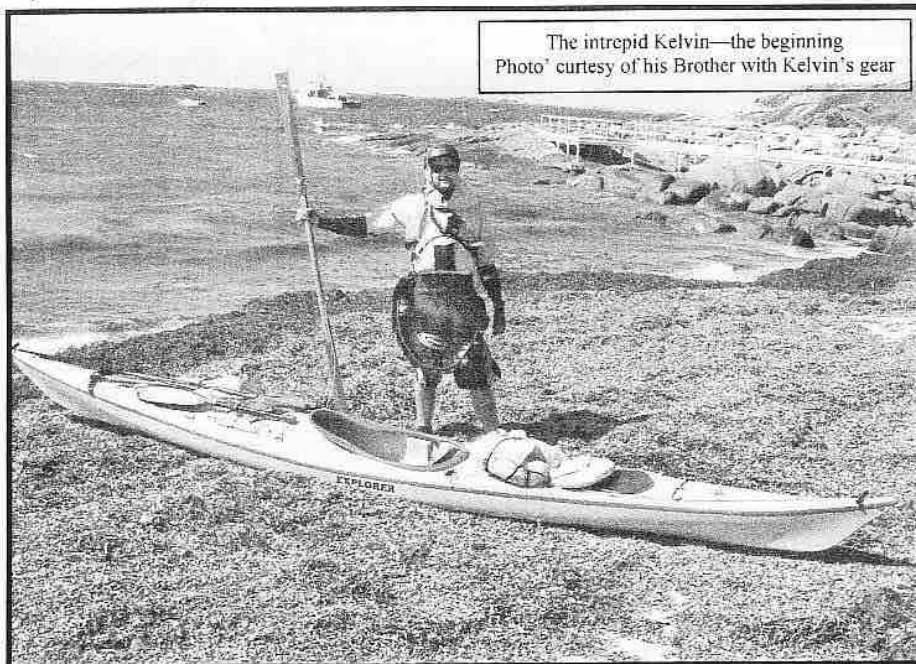
Kelvin and Wayne on their way to Dirk Hartog Island
Photo' curtesy of Roger Lloyd

CAPE TO CAPE

by
Kelvin Lewis

As I prepared to launch from Dead Finnish near Cape Leeuwin at 10 am on Sunday 12th February the weather forecast predicted 2.5m swell, 2m seas and a SE wind reaching 20-30 knots in the afternoon. I knew my trusty NDK Explorer would easily handle the conditions and the SE wind would be from behind me once I rounded the cape.

I said goodbye to my brother who had dropped me off and headed past the lighthouse and around the Cape. I raised the sail but within fifty meters decided that conditions were too choppy for sailing and returned to paddling. I headed straight for Cosy Corner while staying well off shore and matching the occasional breaking wave against the bombies on the chart to ensure I wasn't going to get caught out. The SW swell combined with the SSE chop to ensure I had to keep paddling to avoid broaching as I listened for the larger swells. Once into the relative calm of Cosy Corner I sailed and surfed the small waves up to Hamelin Bay where I spent the first night.



The intrepid Kelvin—the beginning
Photo' curtesy of his Brother with Kelvin's gear

Monday was calmer with the breeze continuing from the SE giving me some assistance until it dropped off after about an hour. I had a glimpse of some dolphins just before Conto's but failed to locate them again. There were the usual surfers and fishermen enjoying the ocean as I continued north, enjoying the scenery and avoiding hazards such as bombies and lobster pots. The nice clean waves at Margaret River had attracted a number of board rid-

ers who were still getting good rides at lunchtime. The next bay after the river mouth was Kilcarnup where I made my way around the breakers and into the calm bay that was to be the site of my camp on the second night.

I walked up to the ridge and along to the point where I met a couple of guys snorkelling for crays. On the way back I saw a python of about six feet in length slowly crossing the white sandy vehicle track. Back on the beach a sea eagle was on the lookout from a branch about forty meters from my tent as I took a refreshing swim. I spent much of the afternoon reading as a couple of groups arrived to dive for crays from their boats in the sheltered bay.

An almost full moon was shining when I awoke before dawn and when the sun appeared it revealed banks of mist rolling down the valleys and spilling onto the sea. As I was about to set off a couple of guys arrived to go fishing in their dinghy which was next to where I'd pitched my tent. They were very interested in my kayak and my sail system and we spent a while talking before I left. The mist had thinned but there were still misty patches and it was overall quite hazy with almost no breeze. As I set off for Gracetown it was the flattest day of the trip, which led me to make an error of judgement at the entrance to Cowaramup Bay. Since they'd come

into sight about ten minutes earlier I'd been closely watching the waves on the rocks at the point on the south side of the bay and had concluded that they weren't breaking on the outermost rock, so I could take a short cut through the inside. Unfortunately, my passage coincided with a larger set that did break and required a ten-second sprint to get through before the next wave. I made it ok.

A local resident was doing his morning exercises where I pulled on to the beach and after stopping to talk, I made my way to the phone booth for an up to date weather forecast. I carry a prepaid CDMA phone that allows me to check for coastal warnings but does not allow me to call 1900 numbers such as the one for a full forecast. The ocean conditions were going to continue much the same so after visiting the shop for a snack I set off again.

The wind had picked up enough to use the sail so I paddle/sailed up to Injidup. As usual in summer, there were quite a few people at Injidup, playing in the shore break at the car park, sliding down the dunes and enjoying the picturesque beach. A woman was trying to find enough wind to launch her kite surfer but I measured a maximum of 8 knots whereas she needed about double that. I was surprised when she said it had been extremely hot on her property during the day as out on the water it had been cool and pleasant.

Three dolphins were fishing in the bay as I packed and ate breakfast, adding a cheerier element to the gloomy overcast conditions that threatened rain. The breeze was back and apart from rudder strokes, I didn't need to paddle most of the time. Two species of large sea birds swooped low over the water throughout the morning but even after checking my bird book when I got home I'm not sure if the were albatrosses or petrels.

Heading north, I experienced patches of light drizzle and as I got closer to Sugarloaf Rock, I could see a ranger's vehicle beside some toilets on the Cape-to-Cape track. I'd been needing to empty my bladder since passing Yallingup about 2 ½ hrs earlier but was not willing to risk a surf landing there so would have to hold on till Bunkers Bay.

The chop had increased throughout the morning and near Sugarloaf Rock it combined with clapotis, making it too rough to sail despite giving it a couple of hundred meters leeway. It's amazing the way the different waves interact in those conditions to give the impression that they are doing things you know they can't. For instance, I'm sure I saw one wave overtake me and then make a 90 degree turn, but I know that's not possible.

A seal was swimming at Cape Naturaliste and after the point I raised the sail again. There was surf breaking at Shelly Beach so I didn't land there and the sail training ship Leeuwin was anchored in Bunkers Bay with most of the crew on the beach. I decided to continue straight to Eagle Bay to empty my bladder that by this time was getting urgent. My original plan had contained an option of continuing all the way to Bunbury but as the rain was increasing, and the thought of paddling around Geographe bay in the rain didn't appeal to me, I rang my brother to come and pick me up. I was then disappointed to find the shop in Eagle Bay was no longer open, so my plan of a long relaxing lunch while I waited for my ride had to be replaced with biscuits and nut bars on the beach. Fortunately, the rain cleared up and I was able to read my book while I waited.

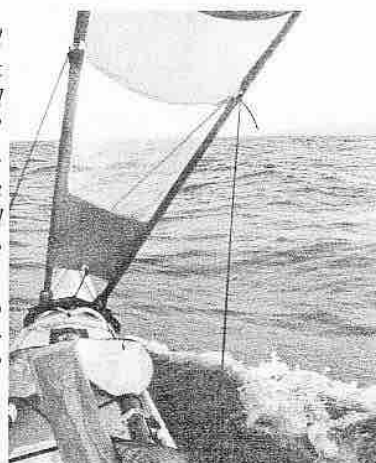
Some people may have concerns about my doing this trip solo and while I don't recommend solo paddling, sometimes I do paddle solo. Last year in the SKCWA newsletter Les Allen expressed his opinions on solo paddling and I don't think I can

express it any better than he did so I'll leave it at that.

Overall, it was an excellent trip and one I had been intending to do for many years. It really makes me appreciate the wonderful environments we have so close to home and how lucky we are to enjoy them the way we do. <<

Note: Kelvin's propulsion equipment readily accessible; sail, conventional paddle on deck (in front) and "that" paddle! What an initiative! Don't you feel you would like to make one or, easier still, have one to really test your skills. Full marks, Kelvin....

.....Ed.



Finn Kayaks are pleased to offer an extensive range of Sea Kayaks, Racing Kayaks, Sit - Ons and Surf Skis. Included in this range are the Salamander Expedition Sea Kayak, Gecko Sea Kayak, Fantasea Double Fibreglass Sea Kayak and new for production in 2005, an exciting 5.2 metre multisport kayak (name TBA). We also offer a full range of paddling accessories and advice to ensure your enjoyment and safety on the water.

Call in and see us at 17 Sainsbury Road, O'Connor.

Ph: (08) 9314 3109

E: info@finnkayaks.com

W: www.finnkayaks.com

Although this looks like a picture taken from a Hollywood movie, it is in fact a real photo, taken near the South African coast during a military exercise by the British Navy.

It has been nominated by National Geographic as "THE photo of the year".



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS
Nathan Cantwell

A PERSONAL NOTE

BIRTHDAYS:

Les Allen	26/07/2006
Nathan Cantwell	02/08/2006
Phil Evans	29/08/2006
Roz Evans	01/07/2006
Susan Harrington	13/08/2006
Neville Holden	25/08/2006
Daniel Mahony	05/08/2006
Eric Pyatt	05/07/2006
John Radovich	27/07/2006
Ian Rawlings	19/07/2006

WEBSITE

Sea Kayak Club WA Inc
www.seakayakwa.canoe.org.au

CLUB PADDLE ATTENDANCES

Quote from the minutes of 3rd May, 2006:
"The committee decided that the attendance list no longer be published in the newsletter".

WEST COAST KAYAKS

WINTER TRAINING

(From 11/06/06)

EVERY SECOND SUNDAY

\$10.00 per CLUB MEMBER

NAVIGATION

REGULAR CLASSES FOR FREE

PLEASE PHONE TO ENROL
(FOR BOTH OR EITHER)

**FULL RANGE OF MIRAGE AND
DAGGER SEA KAYAKS**

**041 9900 715
ALL HOURS**



Everything
you need...

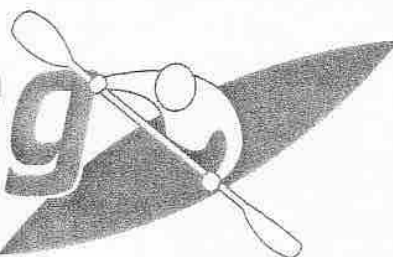


35 JARRAD ST, COTTESLOE

Phone (08) 9284 3759 Fax (08) 9384 0224

email ken@mainpeak.com.au

Canoeing DOWN UNDER



Paddling Store
144 Railway Parade, Bassendean
93781333

www.canoeingdownunder.com.au

If you want the best advice on
Sea Kayaks & Equipment

Just talk to Terry Bolland who has over 25 years of sea kayaking
experience in all different conditions and environments.

Sea Kayaks, Paddles, PFDs, Cags, Spraycovers, Booties, Paddle
Floats, Paddle Leashes, Pumps, GPSs, Radios, Dry Sacks, Water
Carriers, Lights, Flares and much more.

OBJECTIVES OF THE SEA KAYAK CLUB WA INC.

The objectives of the Club are to act:

- Through the Club's Newsletter as a contact point for members' sea kayak activities.
- To promote and encourage sea kayaking to the general community as an enjoyable, social and environmentally responsible pursuit.
- To unite and co-ordinate the activities of members in their sea kayaking activities.
- To promote safe boating practices and endeavour to make sure that the Rules and Regulations concerning Sea Kayaking (if any) are complied with.
- To encourage respect for our environment and to foster a positive attitude towards the conservation of flora and fauna and the practice of minimum impact camping.
- On behalf of members in their relationship with Canoeing WA Inc. and other organisations.
- To represent sea kayakers in consultation with government departments at all levels.

CONTENTS

Saint Alouarn Island	Page 1
President's Report	2
Editorial	2
Notice Board	3
Augusta Long Weekend	4
Dirk Hartog Island	6
Loading of Kayaks	7
Cape to Cape	8
A Personal Note	10
Club Paddle Attendances	10
Objectives of the SKC WA Inc	12
Office Bearers	12

OFFICE

PRESIDENT:

Judy Blight.

Phone: 9433 3719

Email: carita@iinet.net.au

VICE PRESIDENT:

David Oakley.

Phone: 9331 8446

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

Eric Pyatt.

28 Aurelian Street, Palmyra. 6157.

Phone: 9339 2952

Email: ericjopyatt@bigpond.com

BEARERS

COMMITTEE:

Susan Harrington.

Phone: 9335 5182.

Email: susandruss@bigpond.com

John Radovich.

Phone: 9242 3529.

Email: jrado_7@hotmail.com

Rod Coogan.

Phone: 9535 4515.

Email: rodneycogan@optusnet.com.au