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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

To join, you need only to:

1. Complete the Membership Information section below.
2. Complete the Newsletter Subscription section below.
3. Select the options you prefer in the Dues section on back of this form.
4. Complete and sign (you and all paddling family members) the Waiver and Release of Liability on back of this form.
5. Mail the completed form, along with your check payable to Georgia Canoeing Association (GCA) to the address on back of the form.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION - Complete the below as you want to be listed in the GCA Membership Directory. Yearly membership is for twelve months from the date you join.

Primary names on Membership (Limit 2) _____
 Street _____
 Address _____
 City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Phone _____ Alt. Phone 1 _____ Alt. Phone 2 _____
 Email ID 1 _____ Email ID 2 _____
 Other paddling family members _____

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION - Complete the statement below to receive *The Eddy Line*, newsletter of the Georgia Canoeing Association:

I, _____, apply for membership in The Georgia Canoeing Association, and enclose \$25.00 as my membership dues for the next 12 months or \$250.00 for a life membership. \$20.00 of this amount is for a subscription to *The Eddy Line* for the next 12 months. Please send my copy of *The Eddy Line* as indicated below:

- Paper copy only
- Electronic copy only (save a tree)
- Both paper & electronic copies

Note: You may opt to receive *The Eddy Line* as a paper copy, via email, or both. Email delivery of *The Eddy Line* provides a .pdf file sent to your email address 2-3 weeks before the paper copy arrives via US Mail. Email delivery requires use of a computer with access to the internet and a valid email ID. Be sure to specify your email address in the Membership Information section above.

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DUES - Annual dues are \$25.00. Life member dues are \$250.00. Fill in the appropriate blanks below:

Dues (Yearly \$25.00 or Lifetime \$250.00) \$ _____

Optional contribution to the GCA River Access Fund \$ _____

Total (Make check payable to Georgia Canoeing Association) \$ _____

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I _____, in consideration for membership in the Georgia Canoeing Association (the "GCA") and to become a joint adventurer in GCA activities hereby declare as follows:

1. I understand that boating and other activities in which I will engage with GCA are inherently dangerous and will expose me to various hazards, both natural and man made, which could result in significant risk of injury (including permanent disability and death) as well as severe social and economic losses. The hazards and dangers to which I will be exposed involve ever changing and unpredictable water and other natural conditions, defective or improper equipment, the actions and inactions of my fellow adventurers who may be negligent, and other unknown or unforeseeable risks and dangers.

2. I know and appreciate the dangers described above. I choose to proceed with GCA activities and expressly assume and accept full responsibility for the consequences of my exposure to all risks, hazards and dangers which I may encounter as a joint adventurer in any GCA activity. I also assume and accept full responsibility for determining the adequacy of my skill, equipment and physical condition to engage in any GCA activity.

3. I know and understand that I may assist my fellow adventurers to the best of my own ability if they appear to need such assistance, but only for so long as I can do so, in my judgement, without unreasonably endangering myself. I further understand that I have no legal obligation to assist, and that neither my fellow adventurers nor any other member or guest of GCA has any legal obligation to render assistance to me.

NOW THEREFORE, I release and agree to hold harmless and not to bring any legal action against the GCA, its directors, officers, leaders, coordinators, instructors, members or guests, either personally or as representatives of GCA, arising out of relating to any and all claims, demands, damages, injuries to person or property, actions or causes of action for any acts of active or passive negligence (except willful or wanton negligence or misconduct), arising out of or connected with my participation in any GCA activity. This release is given to enable my joint adventurers and me to feel free to participate in GCA activities and to donate our services to help each other without fear of liability. This release is given in consideration for similar releases granted or to be granted to my benefit by other GCA members and joint adventurers on GCA activities. This release has no expiration date and shall be deemed reaffirmed each time I participate in any GCA activity.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY AND KNOWINGLY THEREBY GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS.

Signature _____ Date _____ Age _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Age _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Age _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Age _____

(If any of the above is under 18 years old, the following statement must be signed by a parent or legal guardian.)

I, _____ (signature), have read and understood the above waiver and release of liability, and agree to be bound by its provisions. As parent/legal guardian of the above-named minor(s), I hereby grant permission for him/her/them to participate in GCA events and activities.

Mail your check, along with this completed form, to: GCA, P.O. BOX 7023, ATLANTA, GA 30357