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All,

You're invited to a 'Yat Picnic' on Saturday 10 July - a day's fun at the popular whitewater intro spot on the Wye.

In brief - fun day to have a play or gain whitewater experience at this famous spot on the River Wye. No long trips but time for lunch and an opportunity to shoot the rapid several times, learn and practise whitewater skills, surfing, and perhaps try some throwline rescues and more - whatever you are comfortable with. The rapids were refurbished last year and are still usable even at low water levels. There's even a canoeing shop, pub and tea-rooms there.

Youngsters very welcome. Minimum ability level is to be able to do confident support strokes and be happy capsizing with a spray deck.

Non-paddlers may not be able to get to the complete rapid but should be able to watch some of the fun from the East bank and also meet for lunch.

Numbers may be limited.

Timings for the day

- 7.30am - suggested departure from club area
- 0.00am - arrival Symonds Yat East/briefing
- 10.15 fun on the water - paddles over the ferry wire!
- around 12.30 - lunch on the rocks at the bottom of the rapid (East bank, timing dependent on how busy the Yat is)
- after lunch - fun on the water - and in
- 15.45 - depart from Symonds Yat
- 18.30 - typical arrival time home

How to get there? Full details will be circulated to participants. Symonds Yat is approximately 120 miles away. Car shares may be possible.

What to bring? Paddling kit, helmet, boat (with buoyancy bags), paddles, spare (warm) clothes, towel, hot drink. Picnic lunch essential. Small fee for parking and launching a boat at Symonds Yat. Boats, helmets and other kit may be borrowed from the club - call Paul Jeffs for advice.

Please let me know if you want to come, or want to know more. Trip forms will be required.

Happy paddling, Paul

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