

To summarize our discussion in the Steering Council meeting held Saturday May 14, 8:00-9:30AM in Steve's apartment, in which all SC members were present:

(1) as pertains to addition of trips to the 2011 Calendar, the Trip Schedule is now closed to new suggestions for the remainder of the season. We have a full plate of suggestions before us, some of which can be implemented and others probably not. The Trip Events Coordinator will make recommendations as to which trips are feasible and can be properly escorted and safely carried out.

(2) as pertains to Trip Coordinators, the SC deems the following volunteers to be qualified to safely and appropriately coordinate trips (SC vote shown in parenthesis):

Ted Gruber (6-1)  
Monica Schroeder (6-1)  
Chris Schiffner (6-1)  
Steve Ellis (6-1)  
Robert DiMaio (6-1)  
Erin Heisel (6-1)

(3) it was resolved that Trip Coordinators and aspiring Trip Coordinators should endeavor to earn appropriate levels of ACA certification, which may be required of LICCB Trip Coordinators beginning with the 2012 season.

(4) it was further resolved that to enhance trip safety, a cadre of volunteers should be encouraged to develop their trip-related knowledge and skills, in order to have a pool of well-qualified paddlers who are well-versed in trip safety roles and available to assist Trip Coordinators. (To that end, an enthusiastic group of volunteers were orientated on May 8 and 15, this will continue throughout the season.)

(5) as pertains to the many trips proposed by Erik Baard, the SC will put the three trips listed below on the calendar. For these three, the Trip Director will appoint a Trip Coordinator from the list above and at least three well-qualified volunteers to attend the trip.

- 1) July 8: Young Men's and Women's Real Estate Association of NY.  
(Launch 830AM, Return 330PM)  
Destination: Governors Island.
- 2) August 27: NYC Audubon Bird Watching Tour.  
(Launch 8AM, Return 1PM)  
Destination: The Brothers (stopover at Barretto Point Park).
- 3) October 1: American Littoral Society Beach Cleanup  
(Launch 1130AM, Return 530PM)  
Destination: South Brother Island (stopover at Barretto Point Park).