

# Beaver Canoe Club Trip Safety Rules

- 1. All Beaver Canoe Club Trips must be advertised in Beaver Tales.**
- 2. A suitably experienced paddler must be appointed for all Club Trips.**
- 3. Club Trips must be at least three canoes.**

## **Trip participants will:**

- 1) Contact the Trip Leader at least 24 hours before any day trip.
- 2) Equip their canoe with:
  - a) a bailer,
  - b) a paddle per person and a spare paddle,
  - c) secured bow and stern lines that will float, (9-14mm X 5-8m is recommended),
  - d) a 15m, (minimum), floating throw rope with a float at one end,
  - e) a first aid kit,
  - f) extra floatation if required, (it may not prevent a capsize but it could save your boat),
  - g) a white navigation light if you will be on the water after sunset.
- 3) Carry a spare set of emergency clothing in a waterproof container, (a wool toque and rain clothes are recommended even if you are wearing a wetsuit).
- 4) Wear a Personal Floatation Device, (attaching your whistle and a spare set of car keys are a good idea).
- 5) Wear a helmet in grade III or higher.
- 6) All gear and equipment shall either be tied in so that with the canoe upside down none hangs below the gunnels, or it falls completely free. (Some you lose and some you don't)
- 7) Club members are responsible for informing their guests of these rules