

Membership Application

To join, please fill out and submit this Membership Application. It must be accompanied by a signed and witnessed Waiver Form (you can download this from our web site) and a cheque. Memberships run from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

MEMBERSHIP FEES:

| | 1 YEAR | 2 YEARS |
|--------|---------|---------|
| SINGLE | \$30.00 | \$60.00 |
| FAMILY | \$40.00 | \$80.00 |

EARLY-BIRD DISCOUNT:

Memberships received prior to March 1 will receive a discount of \$5.00 for each year (e.g., a single membership will be \$25.00 for 1 year or \$50.00 for 2 years; a family membership will be \$35.00 for 1 year or \$70.00 for 2 years.)

These fees are correct at the time of printing (spring 2006). However, because they are subject to change, please check them by consulting our web site.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov. or State: _____

Postal Code: _____

Tel. Home : _____

Tel. Work: _____

E-mail: _____

PRIVACY POLICY:

GLSKA distributes a membership list (name, address, phone, e-mail) to GLSKA members ONLY. This information is for the sole use of members and only to contact other members for kayaking-related activities. Any other use is forbidden. No information is shared with or sold to any corporation for mailing lists or for any other use. If you DO NOT wish to have your contact information included on this list, please initial here.

EXPERIENCE:

Experience: _____ years. Areas you have paddled: _____

Do you own a sea kayak? Yes _____ No _____

Please send completed application, waiver and cheque (payable to Great Lakes Sea Kayaking Association) to:

Great Lakes Sea Kayaking Association
P.O. Box 22082, 45 Overlea Blvd.
Toronto, ON M4H 1N9

<http://glska.freehostia.com>



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About GLSKA

Our aim is to promote the enjoyment of coastal kayaking in the Great Lakes region. Our members come from all over Ontario, with some from further afield, and include everyone from novices to experienced expedition paddlers.



Activities

Each year in June we hold a Rendezvous for our members – a weekend of workshops, trips and lectures, and in the autumn a Fall Gathering – an informal weekend of paddling and socializing. We also hold skill sessions, seminars and an annual Business Meeting at which the members elect a board of directors.



Trips

The main purpose of the Association is paddling and we run an active and varied program of trips for members. Trips may be day trips, weekend camping trips or longer summer trips. Some trips are more suitable for experienced kayakers, others are perfect for beginners. During the course of the season we try to offer trips appropriate for paddlers of all skill levels.

These trips are organized and lead by club members on a volunteer, unpaid, basis. Members provide their own equipment, food and transportation and share in any costs. On these trips



members can learn, informally, the skills of sea kayaking and make contacts that can lead to new paddling friends. Like all GLSKA activities, these trips are shared experiences based on cooperation and mutual support. The trip leaders act as organizers to bring together the ideas and resources of the group, but they can take no legal responsibility for the safety or well-being of participants. For this reason we require all club members to sign a waiver on joining. Trip participants must also take the time to research and understand the degree of risk involved in the trip, and be prepared to take responsibility for their own safety and good spirits throughout the activity.



Newsletter and web site

Our quarterly newsletter *Qayaq* informs members of GLSKA trips and activities and offers news and articles of interest to sea kayakers.



Our web site (www.glska.cjb.net) provides a forum through which members can arrange day trips and communicate and share ideas.

Stewardship of Georgian Bay

Our Georgian Bay Committee works on the long-term preservation of the Bay as a wilderness paddling location for sea kayakers. They have installed privies at a number of Bay campsites and organize campsite clean-ups in the Fall.

