



Welcome to the SEIC Newsletter! We have created this monthly newsletter to supply updates, information, and important news to increase communication and connectivity between the ACA Safety Education and Instruction Council, Discipline Committees, the ACA Staff, and certified instructors and trainers.



An ACA Level 1 and 2 Regional Instructor Update weekend took place on June 1 and 2 at Yonkers Paddling and Rowing Club in Yonkers, NY. Five ACA Instructor Trainers traveled from Colorado, Michigan, Nebraska, Tennessee, and South Carolina to support 35 river kayaking, canoeing, SUP, and touring kayak instructors. This event merged multiple paddlecraft and student-centered instruction strategies employing basic paddling concepts to facilitate learning across all the disciplines.

Here's what some of the participants had to say:

"This update made me excited about being an instructor again. I'm looking forward to working with the new members of our club. I can't wait to use my new tools I've learned."

"Different than expected, and in a very positive way. I appreciated the creative, outside-the-box programming and exercises, which not only required demonstration of technical skills, but also heightened awareness of interpersonal dynamics and teaching methodologies."

"This event vastly exceeded my expectations; I had met the ITs on Friday night at the club and heard them discuss that they were going to do a multi craft experience. I ASSUMED that each IT would take 1 discipline and it would be run like a normal update. I went home and told my wife; they want me to Canoe and SUP; I am going to fail, and I am one of the old kayakers that

every club knows. I did not want to be embarrassed. However, the approach blew me away.”

Read more from the participants and watch a video about the weekend [on our website](#).

Save the date for two more upcoming Level 1 and 2 Regional Instructor Update events. Registration for these coming soon!

- Texas: October 12-13, 2024
- California: October 26-27, 2024



Did you know that ACA offers additional insured certificates for current ACA clubs, affiliates, and instructors?

An additional insured certificate extends liability insurance coverage beyond yourself (the named insured) to include other individuals or groups. By requesting additional insured coverage for an event sponsor, co-promoter, or land/property owner via an additional insured certificate, you are protecting yourself in the case that the other person or organization makes a costly mistake that leads to a lawsuit - and the other person or organization is also protected in the event that you make a mistake that leads to a lawsuit in which they are named.

Instructors and trainers can request an additional insured through your course registration process within the CMS.

Learn more on the [Insurance FAQ section of our website](#).



Scan If Found Stickers Available



These stickers help people return lost or stolen gear to you, and they also help first responders save lives!

Learn more about this program and request up to 3 stickers for free!

[Get Stickers](#)



The ACA has recently introduced an international Raft Guide Certification and is proud to offer a new opportunity to earn this new credential in a fun and exciting weekend full of workshops and clinics! This event provides top notch professional development for raft guides and instructors! Hosted on the world class whitewater of the beautiful New River National Park, this event is the first of its kind!

- Raft Guide Examiner Endorsement for Currently Certified ACA Level 4 and 5 Rafting Instructors
- Raft Guide Certifications
- ACA Rafting Instructor Updates

The Rafting Rendezvous costs \$295 and includes 3 hearty meals per day, 3 nights of camping on-site, transportation to and from event sites, and all the necessary boats and gear! What a deal!

[Learn More & Register](#)

We've got resources and tools for ACA Instructors and Trainers!

- [Instructor & Trainer Resources YouTube Playlist](#)
- [Course Management System \(CMS\) Log In & Tools](#)
- [Free Online Paddling Safety Course for Students](#)
- [About the ACA Presentation](#)
- [ACA Presentation Template \(PPT\)](#)
- [ACA Outreach Flyer](#)
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THANKS FOR READING!

