

## **GOOD THINGS TO BRING ON THE RIVER**

Water shoes  
Sunscreen  
Sunglasses  
T shirt or sweatshirt (during cool weather)  
\*Cash  
Cooler (for your lunch and beverages)  
Cooler or dry bag (for towels, t-shirts, etc)

\*A \$3 dam fee is payable in cash only to the dam keeper at Point A-Castle Rock Dam

\*Castle Rock resort is a cash only bar located 1/2 way between Point A and Point C

Changing rooms are located near the sign up area

## **TUBING, KAYAKING AND CANOEING**

We suggest you arrive at least a half hour (one hour on weekends) prior to the shuttle time. **Tube shuttles** run on the hour beginning at 11a.m. Mon. – Fri. (closed Tues.) and at 10a.m. on Sat. and Sun. from Memorial Day through Labor Day. The last shuttle leaves at 3 p.m., weather permitting. **Canoe shuttles** run every hour on the ½ hour beginning at 10:30a.m. Mon - Fri. (closed Tues.) and 9:30a.m on Sat. and Sun. Last shuttle leaves at 3:30p.m., weather permitting.

We do not allow any glass on the river. All beverages must be in plastic bottles or cans.

## **SIGNING UP FOR TUBES, KAYAKS OR CANOES**

One person may fill out one release form for the entire group

Every person 18 or older must sign the bottom of the release form

(For large groups there is a sheet for additional signatures)

Turn in your release form and pay

Leave your car keys when you pay if you have everything you need from your car and if you have left the things you are not taking with you in your car

Upon receiving your keys we will give you a copy of the release form which will be used as your pass to get on the shuttle bus

Your keys will be hung on our numbered key board

That hook number will be written on your paid receipt

Don't forget to keep your release form receipt out to show the bus driver. The shuttles leave promptly, so don't be late or you will have to wait an hour until the next shuttle departs.

**Why do we keep your keys?** We hang all keys on our keyboard. If we see keys hanging up we know that there are people out on the river. This is our way of keeping tabs on who is still out and making sure that we have everyone safely back at the end of the day. It also keeps your keys safe instead of on the bottom of the river!

### **THE SHUTTLE BUS AND TUBE LAUNCH**

Our launch site (Splash Landing) is just a few miles and a few minutes bus ride up the river. Once there, our landing attendant will give you a short information and safety lecture. Life jackets and tubes are at the landing. You will put on your life jackets and then get your tubes. The tubes have quick release straps on them so that you may hook them together. There is another strap on your cooler tube so that you can attach it as well. A staff member will help you get situated in your tubes and assist you in launching. Please listen carefully to the briefing as it will help make your trip more enjoyable as well as expedite your departure.

### **IT'S ALL DOWNRIVER FROM HERE!**

**TUBING:** You now begin a leisurely float down the river back to Point Bluff. There are sandbars to stop on along the way. If you float straight down without stopping it takes approximately 4 hours for you to reach Point Bluff. If you stop along the way you must be back to Point Bluff no later than 6p.m. Failure to do so will result in late charges.

**SHUTTLE BUS AND CANOES AND KAYAKS:** Present your release form copy to the driver. The bus leaves promptly so be ready to go. They will not wait! The bus ride takes you just a few miles up river and it only takes a few minutes to get there. Two of our routes originate upriver. If you launch from the Dam (Point A) you must pay an additional \$3 launch fee at the Dam. This is charged by the Dam Keeper not by Point Bluff and must be paid to him in cash. Our other upriver launch is from Point B which is the same place from which the tubes launch. Our staff will assist you in launching your canoes. Regardless of what time you launch, you must be back to Point Bluff by 6 p.m. or you will incur late charges. Once you arrive, you may pull your canoe or kayak up on the shore next to the boat landing, then head to the sign up area to retrieve your keys.

We gladly invite you to come into the restaurant and bar at Point Bluff, however, we do serve food so you must wear shoes and shirts when inside. You may eat or drink on the deck in your swim attire.

## **THIS AND THAT**

We do **not** take reservations for tubing. It is run on a first come first serve basis. It is best to plan to arrive early so that you can have a leisurely float and to insure that you will get a tube. We can run out of tubes on Saturdays as it is our busiest day.. No pets are allowed on the tubes. We do **not** allow you to bring any inflatables of your own. If anyone is discovered using their own tubes they will be charged the full rate.

We do take reservations for canoes and kayaks. We have a 48 hour cancellation policy. If you do not cancel 48 hours ahead you will be charged the full rental price. We allow dogs to travel with you on the canoes and kayaks.

If you have your own canoe or kayak we can provide shuttle service to or from one of our scheduled sites. However, the rates are the same as our rentals. You may launch or land your private canoe or kayak at Point Bluff for a small fee. Note that we do not allow any inflatables to be launched or landed at Point Bluff or Splash Landing.

Please note that we do not run canoe and kayak trips down to Point E during weekends or holidays (during peak season) due to the extremely high boat traffic.

If you are interested in wildlife, there is plenty of it to see while floating down the river. We have deer, a variety of songbirds, herons, sandhill cranes, turtles, frogs and majestic bald eagles.

Please do not leave litter or trash anywhere on the river. Trash cans and recycle bins are available to you when you land on Point Bluff's shoreline. Please respect our neighbors along the way. The river is their backyard.

Weather is unpredictable. Once you are on the river we do not provide refunds due to weather.

Please call ahead if you are interested in a custom canoe or kayak trip or if you have any special needs. We will do our best to accommodate you.