



The IOCA NEWSLETTER

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This, as the name on top indicates, is the IOCA Newsletter. This is the official publication of IOCA, and it can usually be found masquerading as a monthly newsletter. It is written by me, the Exec-Sec of IOCA, and mailed out to all of you with the assistance of ALL the members of MIOCA (Metropolitan IOCA). By now I'm sure you are all wondering how you can receive this literary masterpiece, if you're not wondering you should be, and here's how you do it - simply send membership dues of \$5.00 if you are a club and/or \$1.50 if you are an individual to me - Joy Mara Sobolov
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Hello There:

I guess it's about time that I formally introduce myself - my name is Joy Sobolov, and I'm the New Exec-Sec for IOCA. The main purpose of this newsletter is to introduce myself to all of you and to let you know that IOCA is alive and well, and for this year at least, being brought to you from the Bronx. The Bronx as I'm sure you all know is located in New York City, but what some of you may not know is that located in scenic N.Y.C. is some of the finest caving, the best climbing, and some really top notch canoeing. For you cavers out there we have something that is known as the N.Y.C. Subway system. These marvelous things are located on just about every block throughout the city. So if you're ever walking around and get the urge to do some caving, one need only walk on over to the nearest opening and climb right on down. For all you climbers out there what more could you want when you have the Empire State Building, the Chrysler Building, and last but certainly not least, The World Trade Center (110 stories of glorious climbing pleasure), which was recently scaled I might add by three daring MIOCANS. And not to leave the canoeists out in the cold, or the wet, or the snow, or what ever else Oogah has to offer them, I give to you the Harlem River, The East River, and the Hudson River., where instead of wrestling rapids, you dodge flotsam and jetsam.

Well enough about the virtues of N.Y.C., and down to a little bit of business. Included in this newsletter is a list of the new officers of IOCA. You might note that some of the chairman positions are vacant. Namely the posts of climbing chairman and backpacking chairman. If these posts were filled at Conference, then I guess your name was just misplaced. So if when you read this and your name isn't in it and it's supposed to be, please let me know. On the other hand, if when you read this, your name is listed in conjunction with some position that you were unaware of, congratulations on your new appointment.

There are a couple of more pieces of business, that I would like to convey to you. The first is that Lynn Wayshner, is the Summer IOCA Chairwoman and the College Week Chairwoman. Lynn, who is from the Colorado State Outing Club, will be sending out the Summer IOCA and all information about College Week. If I have your

address, it means that Lynn has your address, so don't worry about not receiving any of it.

The second thing I would like to mention is a letter that I received from Martha Walker, also from CSOC. Martha informed me that there are plans underway for the publication of the 1975 IOCA Buyers' Guide, of which she'll be editor. She hopes to have this guide finished and mailed out to the IOCA clubs sometime this fall. The IOCA Buyers Guide, will be a directory of the mail order stores, manufacturers, importers and local shops dealing in various outdoor equipment and supplies, especially those retailers and manufacturers of backpacking, climbing, caving, canoeing, general camping, SCUBA diving, horseback riding, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and other IOCA activities. The IOCA Buyers Guide will also make special mention of all outfits granting any sort of discount to IOCA clubs and club members.

What Martha would like from each club, is a list of the local shops in your area that your club members patronize for club or personal gear. All she wants is their mailing addresses and not the kinds of stuff that the stores carry. This information Martha will receive when she contacts the store. Also please do not send a listing of all the outdoor shops in your area, only the ones that your club members like to deal with. Also if your club patronizes any little known mail order outfitter and you like them, please be sure to list them also.

Please send your list to Martha Walker, BEFORE the end of June, at this address:

IOCA Buyers' Guide
c/o Colorado State Outing Club
Activities Center Box 303
Student Center
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Well that wraps up the business portion of this newsletter. But there are a few more things that I want to say. First, I'd like to thank everyone who have so generously offered me their help, time, support, kind words, and even sympathy, (I'll take anything I can get). Second, I'm gonna do my best to get a newsletter out every month, but I'll need information to put into the newsletter. This is where the clubs and the individual members come in. I really want to know what your club is doing, and when and where they're doing it. Aside from just schedules of events I'd also like to hear any ideas you have concerning IOCA. Especially how IOCA could be made more responsive to individual clubs, and how it could be made more inter-regional rather than intra-regional. You think about that and let me know what you come up with.

The next newsletter I write will be Septembers newsletter, and with any luck at all it will be out in September. Have a fantastic summer and I hope I hear from you.



See you later! Jay

Note: My thanks to Ellis Lader for providing me with the words, Flotsam and Jetsam, which were used in the N.Y.C. travelogue section of this newsletter.

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