



General Clinton Canoe Regatta Hall of Fame 2015



Jan Whitaker (West Henrietta, NY): The first female to complete in the 70-mile race in 1971. 14 finishes in mixed competition cruising and women's or mixed pro divisions, plus several years of relay and sprint races. Also won 19 U.S Canoe Marathon races in various categories. Retired from competitive canoeing in 2012.



Calvin Hassel (Grand Island, Nebraska): One of the country's most acclaimed canoe racers. 20-time 70-mile finisher, as C-1 or C-2 competitor. Won C-1 Pro race in 1998 and 2006. Has won more than 40 National titles in C-1 and C-2 and has amassed more than 500 wins in races of all distances.



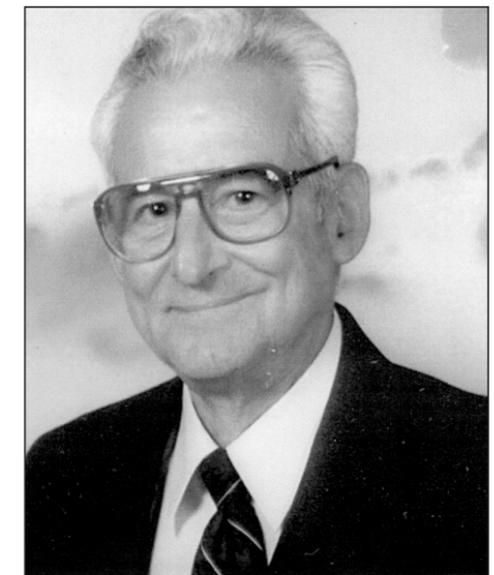
Mike Packard (Oneonta, NY): 30 70-mile finishes including 11 in C-1, where he placed third three times in the pro division. Also has a trio of 9th place C-2 pro showings. Was 1984 winner of the former "Super Aluminum" class. Since the late 1990s, Mike has chaired the Generation Gap races and is active on the Regatta Committee.



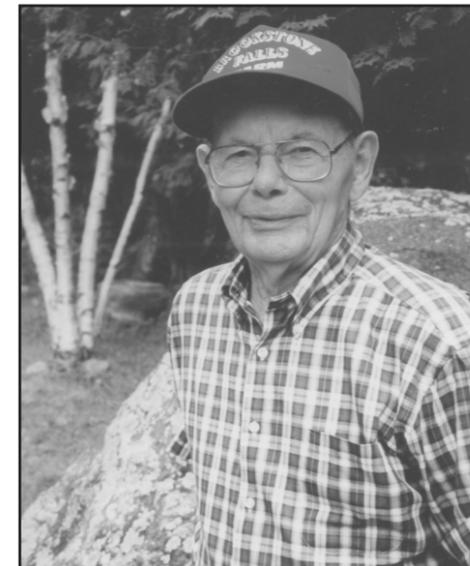
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Rodney Robinson (Otego, NY): As much a force on Regatta organization as the actual paddling in the race, with 30 finishes of 70 miles. 11 of those were in C-1 pro or with various partners – 1982 Aluminum champion with John Winn most notable. Has paddled with daughter Miranda for 19 of those finishes, starting when she was eight.



Dick Sloane (Bainbridge, NY, deceased): Original Regatta committee member and past chairman (1975). Owner of "Dick's Texaco" service station, site of the first organized Regatta meeting to determine how a canoe race could bring visitors to Bainbridge and the surrounding area. Long-time volunteer in many capacities.



Don Loudon (Bainbridge, NY, deceased): Original Regatta committee member. Member of finance committee for new Regatta Park, then took chairmanship of the park and oversaw much of its construction. Don was very instrumental in many of the features of General Clinton park that we enjoy today.