

Weeki Wachee Kayak Trip

Saturday, February 24, 2018

About 20 kayakers made the short trip to Weeki Wachee Springs to paddle the 5.5 miles to Rogers park. It was a beautiful morning and the river was crystal clear and flowing nicely. The river was busy with kayakers, particularly as we got closer to Rogers Park where access is unrestricted. There were more power boats than I have seen on the river before and they were more rowdy and further upstream than usual. I hope the tide stayed with them so they didn't get caught up there (not really).

We could see many fish swimming by as well a number of birds. I think everyone saw at least one manatee. For most of us the trip was uneventful, but we did have swimmers. Peter had problems with a borrowed kayak, for which yours truly humbly apologizes. In the commotion caused by that problem, Peter, John Young and myself enjoyed a dip (or two) in the lovely Weeki Wachee. I did not witness it, but it was reported that there was another swimmer.

After we arrived at Rogers Park and loaded up, we went to Bayport Inn where we had a great lunch and conversation. The accommodations and service were outstanding and made up for the difficulties we experienced last year.

Check out the website (www.myhbyc.com) or the club's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=oa.1446625698784879&type=3>) for pictures.

Next up Rainbow River on March 24.

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