

# Kayak Planning Luncheon

## August 18, 2018

Fifteen of the kayaking regulars gathered at the Jackie's Place for lunch and to discuss the HBYC Kayaking program. We reviewed the results of last month's meeting and identified some of trips we want to take next year.

The first quarter is manatee season and we definitely want to do the Weeki Wachee and Homosassa trips. A Homosassa option is to launch from the Margarita Grill on Hall's River and return there for lunch. This cuts the paddling time in half compared to the Monkey Island launch. We will look for another manatee trip further south.

Definite trips we will schedule are Silver River and Juniper Springs, both of which are in the Ocala area. We will also do one of the Hillsborough River trips; a paddle on the Withlacoochee and return to the Little Manatee.

A thought for one of the summer months is a float down the Rainbow River or the Ichetucknee. We will also try to find a longer trip to the south in the Venice or Ft Myers area.

We still have a couple of spots to fill that could easily be filled with the popular Santa Fe or additional trips on the Hillsborough or Withlacoochee. We will firm all this up along with dates when we have a kayak coordinator for 2019.

Next up is the Santa Fe River trip on September 29.