## **BASIC LAKEWATER PADDLER LEVELS**

	Basic Tandem Paddler (1)	Basic Solo Paddler (2)
Prerequisite	None	Basic Tandem Paddler (RCABC)
Theory	Canoe Parts and Terminology	Environmental Ethics
	Paddle-Types, Parts, Materials & Size	Access Concerns
	PFDs Types, Fitting and Approvals	
	Safety Procedures & Equipment	
	Canoe Clothing (re: Hypothermia)	
	Waterproofing and Storing Gear	
Practical On Land Skills	Tandem	Solo
	Multiple Carries (2 & 4 person)	Solo Carries
	Transporting Canoes on a Vehicle	
	Launch, Embark/Disembark (Shore or Dock)	
Practical On Water Skills	Paddling Positions & Trim	Launch, Embark/Disembark (Shore or
	Change Ends in Deep Water	Dock)
	Lake & Ocean Paddling	Leaning the Canoe
	Skills/Precautions	Solo Positions, Stance & Trim
Strokes	Tandem (Bow & Stern)	Solo
	Forward & Reverse	Forward
	Draw (Underwater Recovery)	Forward & Reverse "J"
	Pry / Push Away	Reverse
	Sweeps (Forward & Reverse, Bow &	Sweeps (Forward/Reverse)
	Stern)	Draw (Underwater Recovery)
	"J" Stroke	Pry (Push Away)
	Stopping	Forward/Reverse "C"
		Stopping
Rescue	Canoe Over Canoe Rescue	Solo Canoe Over Canoe
	Rafting Up to Rescue Swimmers	Re-Enter Swamped, Empty Canoe
		Paddle Swamped Canoe Solo
Recommended	Path of the Paddle By Bill Mason	Path of the Paddle By Bill Mason
Reading	Basic Canoeing by Jon Rounds, Stackpole Books, 2003	Classic Solo Canoeing by Becky Mason
Required Manoeuvres	Tandem	Solo
	Paddle 30 Metres in a Straight Line	Paddle 30 Metres in a Straight Line
	Basic Turns & Sideslip	Basic Turns & Sideslip