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Team Profile



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 Age 22



paddled over 100 rivers : Scotland, Zimbabwe(Zambezi), France(alps), Canada(BC)
 Norway, Austria, Nepal.



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 Doctor
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schedule

September 2002 we will mark the start of a one year expedition, that will take us to some of the most serious white water in the world. The focus of the trip will be to explore new and rarely paddled extreme rivers. These rivers will range from high altitude first descents to negotiating the deepest gorges on earth.

Our expedition will be comprised of 5 stages. Each stage having a unique geological and cultural characteristics, that are as diverse as the rivers that we shall discover there. Our itinerary has to remain somewhat flexible, as it will depend on varying seasonal water levels and politics e.g. Nepal. Our itinerary is designed to hit all destinations in peak season.

STAGE 1 October/ November 2002 – Asia North India/ Nepal/ Tibet

'Wilderness high Altitude Expeditions' The Himalayas boast the highest altitude and most spectacular rivers in the world. We will spend many days trekking to penetrate the largest mountain range in the world. These will be self-supported Multi-day 'expeditions', deep in remote gorges. We hope to make a descent of the Arun gorges (Mount Everest), and the rarely attempted 15 day expedition on the upper Karnarli, starting in Tibet.

STAGE 2 December/ January 2002/3 –New Zealand, (North and South Island)

'Concentrated Heli-boating' Despite the small size of New Zealand, it is home to a vast amount of white water. We shall start with a short visit to the North Island, which due to its geology is home to a host of giant waterfalls, including the famous Huka falls. We shall then concentrate on the 'Alps' of the southern island where the use of Helicopters has opened up unique opportunities for exploration.



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STAGE 3 [February/March/April 2003](#) – **South America** Patagonia, Chile, Ecuador,

'Expeditionary Adventure Road Trip' We will start in Patagonia with the Rio Baker Canyon and then work our way by road north through Chile to Ecuador taking adventures as they come. Chile is a thin strip of land bordered by the Andes to the east, with hundreds of unexplored rivers running west towards the Pacific Ocean. This is a prime location for extreme exploratory kayaking.

STAGE 4 [May/June/July 2003](#) – **United States** California, Washington, N. Idaho


'Easy Access Creeking' The West Coast of North America boasts the largest amount of easily accessible white water in the world. This is our opportunity to paddle intensively in preparation for what awaits us in the far north. We will also be able to take advantage of the large amount of media coverage that kayaking has in America.

STAGE 5 [August/September 2003](#) – **Northern Americas** British Columbia, Alaska

'Extreme wilderness quadruple crown' This represents the biggest challenge of the world tour and of our lives! At this time we will be physically and mentally prepared for the most technically challenging, committing, and remote expeditionary descents in North America. These four canyons are the Devil's Canyon (Susitna river / Alaska), Turnback Canyon (Alsek river / Yukon Territory), the Grand Canyon (Stikine river / British Columbia), and the Great Canyon (Homathko river / British Columbia). If successful we will be the first people to have paddled all four canyons. Moreover, we will have done all four in one season. This will be reliant on extra funding as we will be needing flights into the gorges and emergency rescue cover.



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what we are offering

During the expedition we will produce:

-High quality stills photographs and broadcast quality motion film from stunning locations featuring :

- kayaking action.
- remote Landscapes.
- lifestyle images.

-for use in advertising, adventure films, magazines, and graphics.

-Online updates of progress from location

-Written articles for :

- magazines
- newspapers
- web pages
- company news letters

After the expedition we will provide:

-touring lectures, slide shows and film showings :

- at trade shows and clubs
- for sponsors

-Feed back on equipment used

-Film coverage from :

- video produced for sale.
- film Festivals.
- a proposed TV documentary.

At present we have secured coverage in 'Playboater', and 'Kayak Session' magazine, 'The Scotsman' newspaper, and we are in discussions with 'Channel Four' and 'Sky Extreme' regarding films of the expedition.



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past work

Articles / photographs:

- numerous published in 'Playboater', 'Paddles' and 'Canoe-Kayak' magazines.
- several articles and photographs on each of playak.com, slugworld.com, wetndry.com, whitewaterwarriors.com, and freestylescotland.com.
- currently writing an article for the 'Scotsman Newspaper', and 'Kayak Session' magazine.
- co-authors of 'The Scottish Canoe Association River Guide Book'.

Graphics:

- 4 full page photographs for 'System X' adverts in 'Playboater' magazine.
- Slug World 2002 calendar, downloadable from playak.com.
- NFA Headgear brochure 2001 and 2002 (kayaking eqpt. Manufacturer)
- 3D computer modeling, graphics and animations for Bing Thom Architects.
- logo and T-shirt design for Manumission (London).
- web page design for slugworld.com.
- graphic design for 'Freestylescotland'.
- graphic design and product feed back for 'Kogg Outdoor Clothing'.

Films:

- Flying Fish (Nepal 2001, paragliding / kayaking expedition)
- Opening of the Third Eye (Norway 2001, nominated for 'peoples choice' at the Kendal Mountain Film Festival)
- Freestylescotland Extreme Event 2001
- Total Topo (Scotland 2001)
- Canada 2000
- Another Kogg Day (Scotland 2000, Kendal Mountain Film Festival)
- Dangerous When Wet (Scotland 1999)



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If you are interested in investigating this opportunity further, or discussing any aspect of the proposal in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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