

MVP Activity Payment Page

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For participate in rolling, camping, rafting, Low Country Boil, etc, please click (to expand) the section below for the activity you're interested in. Membership is not required for all activities although it is encouraged. Go to the membership page to join. Thanks. When can I reserve/pay? The Website automatically enables each payment button as each activity approaches (as noted below each button).

- For rolling, payments can be made December–April.
- For camping, payments are enabled about 10 days in advance of the trip (except for the Fall West trip). This is to cut down on cancellations and people double-booking by mistake (as well as avoid confusion with payments for overlapping trips).
- For the Fall West payments are enabled on September 1st since this is the only trip that sells out and we want to give folks a chance to make other arrangements once we fill up.
- Please try and reserve a few days early. If we don't get enough reservations before the cancellation deadline we'll cancel some of our sites to avoid losing money. Will it be crowded or noisy? Short answer—Yes. Paddlers' are notoriously cheap. We try to make it convenient and inexpensive for folks by crowding as close as the campground allows. If you need extra space; or like it real quiet you might consider splurging on a private site (but not too far away, we like to socialize with our friends).

Cancellations: Once we've paid the park, given them the list of campers, or the campground cancellation deadline has past (varies for each campground, usually ranges from 1-day up to 1-week), refunds are not given. You can however sell your spot to someone else.

How much do we charge—who gets the money? The Merrimack Valley Paddlers is a non-profit corporation chartered by the State of New Hampshire. We generally run things on a break-even basis except for a few things clearly identified as for fund raising (ie, tshirt sales, calendars, raffles, etc.).

- Pool Rolling and Camping prices are set depending upon the facility charge. Rolling is an average of the cost of all the pools; camping varies depending upon the campground. For the last three fiscal years the MVP has averaged yearly receipts of \$4,140 with yearly expenses of \$4160 for camping and rolling (an average loss of \$20/year, which BTW, also includes credit-card processing fees.)

- For rafting, shuttle fees, etc, we charge exactly what the the outfitter charges us (the MVP eats the credit-card processing expenses).

- Equipment rental receipts are plowed back into the gear in the form of equipment maintenance, upgrades, and replacement.

- Special events (ie, P'Cat Drawdown, New Years Day, etc) the club pays for facilities and food and puts out a donation jar. Our members have proven very generous in the past; most years the donation jar receipts exceed the cost of the event.

Other activities either don't cost anything, or are done on a shared cost/expense basis (ie, Low Country Boil). Jeff loves to point out we operate under the Common Adventure Model. Membership fees pay the small admin expenses such as the web site.

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