

YOU NEVER KNOW UNTIL YOU TRY

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A GERS FALLS IS a friendly 18-foot Class IV drop on the Bottom Moose (V) in Upstate NY. On May 14, 2011 many folks ran the river while attending Spring Black/Moose Fest hosted in Lyons Falls, NY. This year the Festival also served as a fundraising benefit for a local paddler, Ward Dailey, whose young daughter requires a kidney transplant. This series of photographs was taken as part of an effort to raise money for the cause.

For fun Eric Adsit and Ben Schott ran Agers in a raft, without paddles, and attempted to hampster wheel it and land on the bottom of the boat. It didn't work out, but watching their run was entertaining, nonetheless. Scott Gilbert looks on from the bottom of the falls in his kayak.

Lyons Falls will host another festival on the Moose, October 14-16, 2011, if any other intrepid souls would like to attempt this feat for the enjoyment of spectators.

The photographer, Angela Baldo, was sidelined this season by shoulder surgery and so lent her camera skills to the Festival instead of paddling.

