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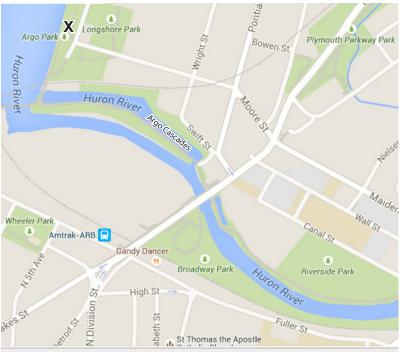


Ann Arbor Sail and Power Squadron Picnic Tuesday, 11 June 2019 Argo Pond Park and Canoe Livery Lat. 42° 17.47′ N, Long. 83° 44.68′ W

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Peggy Moller will bring fried chicken, plates, cups, tableware. \$5 each. Please bring your own beverages--including beer or wine. We have the permit! Also, please bring a dish to pass...etc. Please call Peggy, 734 - 761-1589, and tell her what food you want to bring so we can have a variety.

6 P. M. to 9 P. M. Picnic Potluck: We will meet at the Argo Pond Park and Launch Site on the east side of the Huron River next to Argo Pond Canoe Livery on Longshore Dr.



DIRECTIONS

Exit M14 at Exit #4 and take Barton Dr. south and east to Longshore Dr. Follow Longshore Dr. south along the river to the Argo Canoe Livery. X on the maps. Or, from downtown, take Division St. or Detroit St. north to Broadway St. Follow Broadway St. northeast to Moore St. Take Moore St. northwest. Moore St. will become Longshore Dr. on the west side of Pontiac Tr. Continue west to the river.





You can bring a boat, canoe, kayak or innertube, or rent one. There is a shallow boat launch at the picnic site.



Commander's Message Cdr. Ron Schwartz, SN



On May 10, I went for a hike with the local Sierra Club on the Bog Trail at the Waterloo State Recreation Area's Gerald E. Eddy Discovery Center. It is west of Chelsea and west of the corner of Pierce Road and Bush Rd. We had a good time -- hiked about 2 miles. Then I went into the Discovery Center building and viewed all the displays -- stuffed animals, fish, birds, rocks, polished stones, minerals, native copper, etc. and a live bee hive with the bees busy making honey. The sides were transparent plastic so you could see the inside of the hive. They also had a song bird display where you could push buttons and hear the recorded songs of several birds.

I got two maps; one showed the roads, parking places and ski trails in the area near Mill Lake and Cedar Lake. The second map showed the 10 launch and lake access sites on Big Portage Lake, Cedar Lake, Crooked Lake, Doyle Lake, Green Lake, Mill lake, Mud Lake, Sugarloaf Lake, Walsh Lake and Winnewana Impoundment.

This map also shows the Meridian-Baseline Historic State Park which is on Meridian Road north of E. Territorial Road. A Township Marker in this park is the spot in Michigan from which all the Townships in Michigan are measured. Most TWP are 6 miles by 6 miles, and numbered east or west and north or south of this spot. Ann Arbor TWP, T2SR6E for example is 2 townships south of this mark and 6 townships east of this mark. The parking lot is at 42° 25′ 23″ N, 84° 21′ 22″ W, 0.66 miles north of E. Territorial Road on Meridian Road. This Township Marker is on the same Latitude as Baseline Road (8 Mile road).

The picture below shows part of the trail to the marker.



Change of Watch Pictures



Cdr. Ron Schwartz, SN

Lt/C Peggy Moller

P/C John Barr, AP



Lt/C Marlene Barr

Lt/C John Barr, Jr.

D/Lt/C Dave Kowalski, SN

Boating Education

Five people passed our fall ABC class. They are Toni and Bob Conley, Jennifer and Simon Glynn, and Tab Kellepourey. Five people completed our spring ABC course. They are Michael Day, Tom Hoagland, Kirk and Sharon Profit, and Diane Silas. The classes were taught by P/C John Barr, AP, Lt. Lawrence Marentette, S, and Cdr. Ron Schwartz, SN.

We are proposing to have a Piloting course if there are people interested. Please reply to AASPSclasses@aol.com and list courses you would like to take.

All USPS courses are advertised, at http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin-nat/eddept/800/cfindx.cgi?C

A Partial List of Events

DATE SPONSOR EVENT AND LOCATION

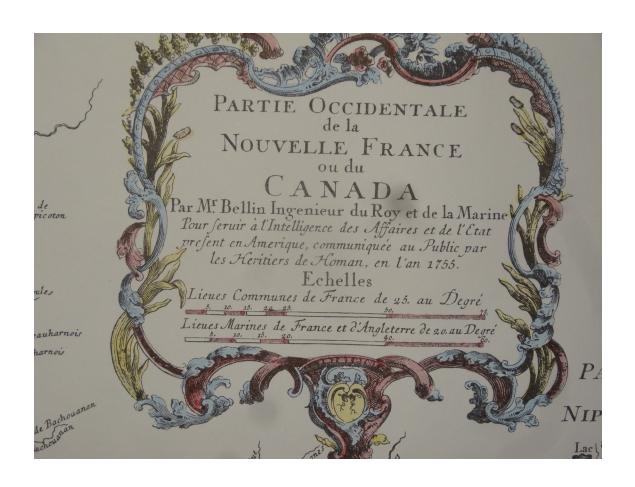
June 11 AASPS Picnic, see page 3

July or Aug. AASPS Canoe and kayak cruise

July 18-21 Bay City Tall Ships Festival www.tallshipcelebration.com



A 1755 map of Canada shows Lake Superior with several islands that are now at least 50 feet under water

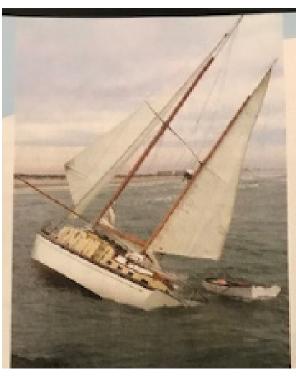




Boat US Magazine, June/July 2017 has an article on page 97 by Daniel Rutherford, a marine accident investigator, about tidal currents putting an expensive ketch on the rocks at Cape May Point, New Jersey. The yacht broke up within a few hours. A knowledge of tides and currents taught in our Advanced Piloting course might have prevented this.



Cape May Point, New Jersey
NOAA Chart of north part of Chesapeake Bay and
Delaware Bay and Cape May Point



Ketch put on the rocks by tidal currents at Cape May Point

